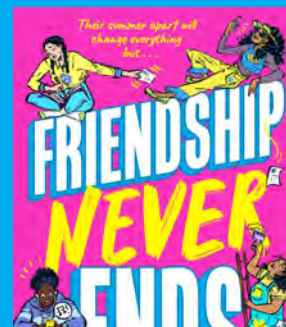
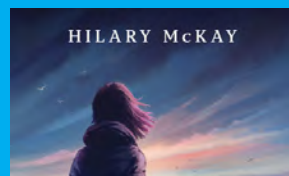
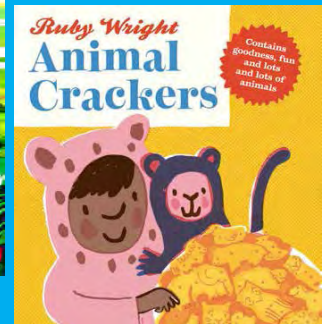
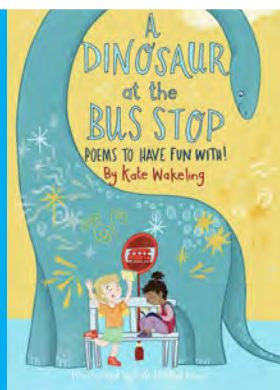


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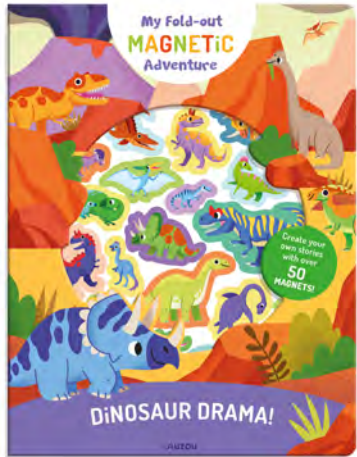


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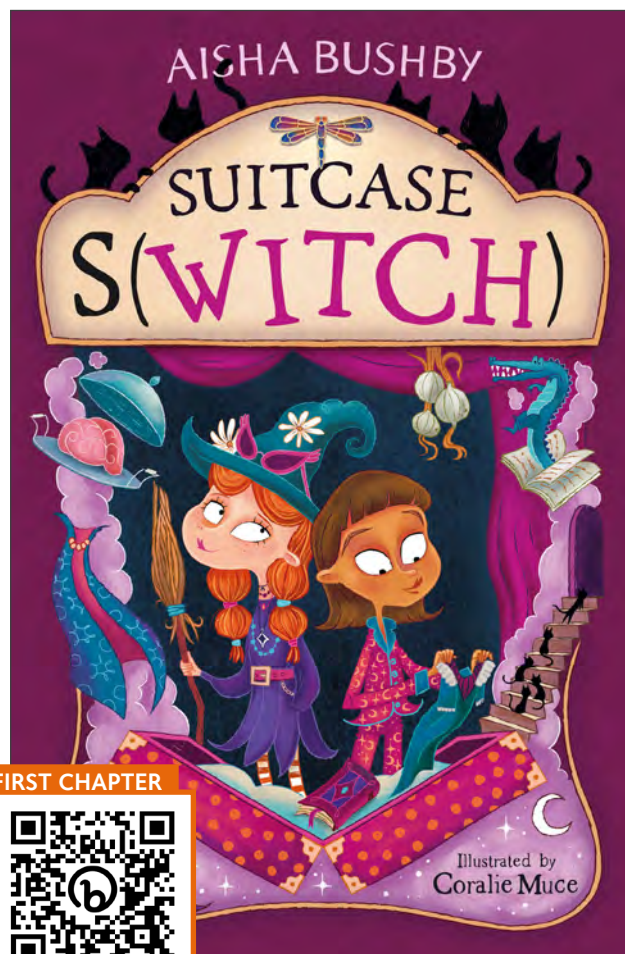
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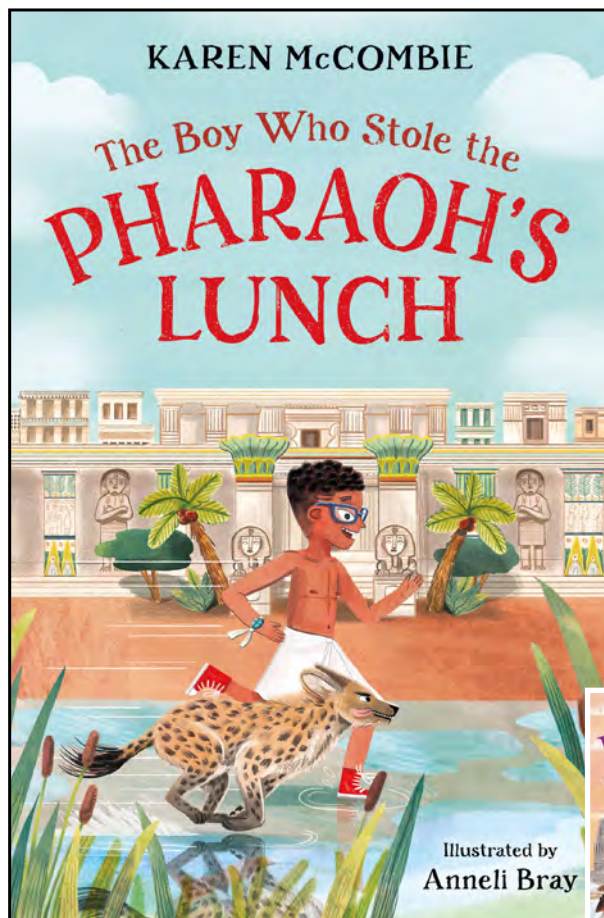
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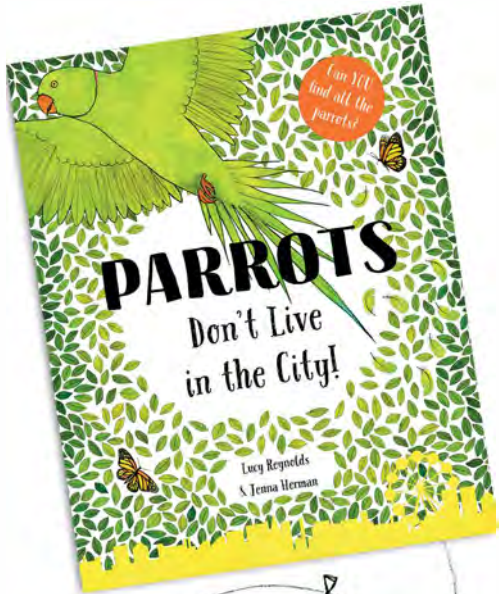
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**KEYWORDS:** acceptance, tolerance, change, differences, monsters, legends, mythology, folklore



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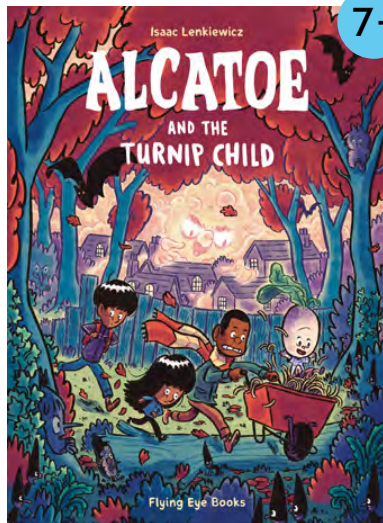
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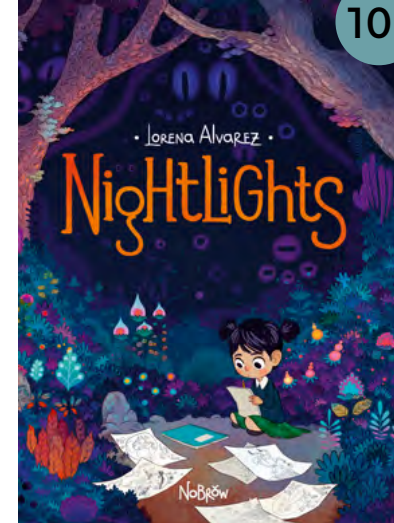
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She is currently based back in sunny Singapore.

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This stunning illustrated guide to the world’s most famous river and its surrounding rainforest is packed with incredible facts about South America’s wildlife, people, geography and history.

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#### KEY SELLING POINTS

- A wide-ranging guide to this iconic landmark.
- Beautiful and authentically South American illustrations from Brazilian artist Romolo D’Hipolito bring the river and its inhabitants to life.
- Contemporary issues affecting the river and rainforest such as climate change and land justice are covered in an accessible way.
- Paperback editions include teaching resources for KS2 teachers.

**KEYWORDS:** STEM, non fiction, conservation, animals, wildlife, Amazon river, tribes, indigenous

*‘A fine blend of Amazon basics, the river’s rarities, and human influence.’ - Booklist.com*



#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Sangma Francis is a children’s book writer. She is the author of Everest, which was selected ‘Outstanding Science Book’ by the Children’s Book Council (2019), and received a special mention at the Bologna Ragazzi Awards 2019. Sangma has worked with Thames and Hudson, Tate Books, Little Gestalten and Phaidon and currently lives in Berlin.



#### ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Rômolo DHipólito is a Brazilian artist and illustrator. He is the winner of the 2019 Golden Pinwheel Special Mention Award and the 2018 Ibero-America Ilustra Catalog Official Selection.

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*‘Illustrated in Owen Davey’s distinctive style, a whole army of amphibious characters  
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#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR

Owen Davey is a freelance illustrator, living and working from Worthing UK. His work has since been published in every continent except Antarctica, including picture books in UK, America, Australia, Germany, France, Portugal, China & Korea. He has also worked for some impressive clients including the New York Times, Microsoft, and Orange.

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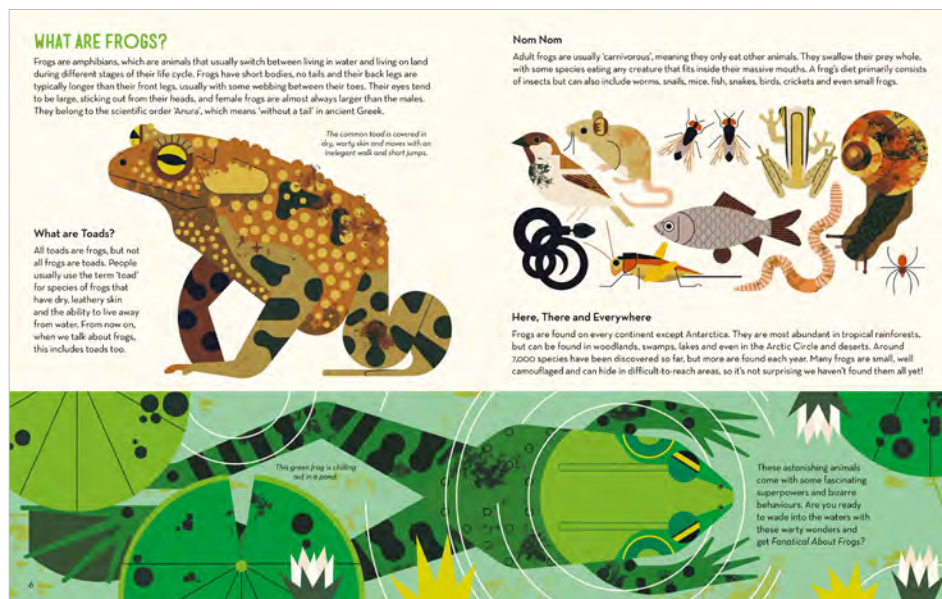
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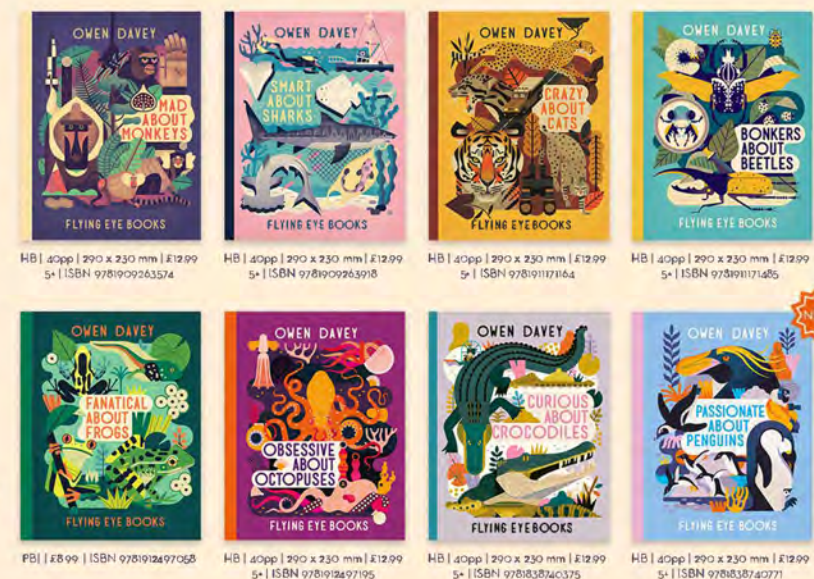


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### WHY I CHOSE THIS BOOK

“Stephanie Blake captures toddler body language brilliantly in these illustrations—Simon’s truculence, confidence and frailty are all right there, jumping from the page.”

*Rachel Lawson, Publisher*

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# Nooo! Not the Dentist!

Author/Illustrator: **Stephanie Blake**

This new picture book in the bestselling series that began with international hit *Poo Bum* uses cheeky humour to ease toddler fears about visiting a dentist—useful for any daunting new experience.

### ABOUT THE BOOK

Simon gets a sore tooth so needs to take his first trip to the dentist. The night before the appointment, Simon’s friend Ferdinand makes the most of the opportunity to show he knows more. Ferdinand uses his full imagination to describe the graphic horrors of the dentist’s chair.

“I will never go to the dentist!” yells Simon.

When Simon is finally persuaded in the door and onto the big chair, insisting his name is “Poo Bum”, he finds a remarkably patient dentist and an experience he wasn’t expecting.

And now he can get on the phone to Ferdinand to explain what it’s really like at the dentist—what it’s like for a Super Rabbit, anyway.

### SALES POINTS

- A great tool for children worried about dentist visits and new experiences
- New book promotes Simon backlist and *Poo Bum* alongside
- Simon animated series is on Netflix worldwide
- 20-year anniversary of the original *Poo Bum*, which has now sold almost 80,000 copies in English
- Blake’s books are loved by children all over the world, translated into more than 15 languages

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

Stephanie Blake’s passion for writing and illustrating began in childhood when she created books for her brothers and sisters as birthday presents. After moving to France, she discovered other writers and artists whose work continued to inspire her stories and drawings. She is the author and illustrator of dozens of highly successful books in France, many of them children’s favourites.



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### TITLE INFORMATION

**Release May 2023**

Ages **2–5**

Format **paperback**

Size **275 x 210 mm**

Extent **32 pp**

Illustrations **colour**

ISBN **9781776575312**

RRP **GBP 7.99**

Origin **France**

BISAC **JUV019000, JUV015020, JUV039090, JUV002210**

THEMA **YBC, YXA, YFZT, YFQ, 5AC**

### THEMES & KEYWORDS

**new experience, sore tooth, doctor visit, self management, social emotional learning, Poo Bum, Simon**

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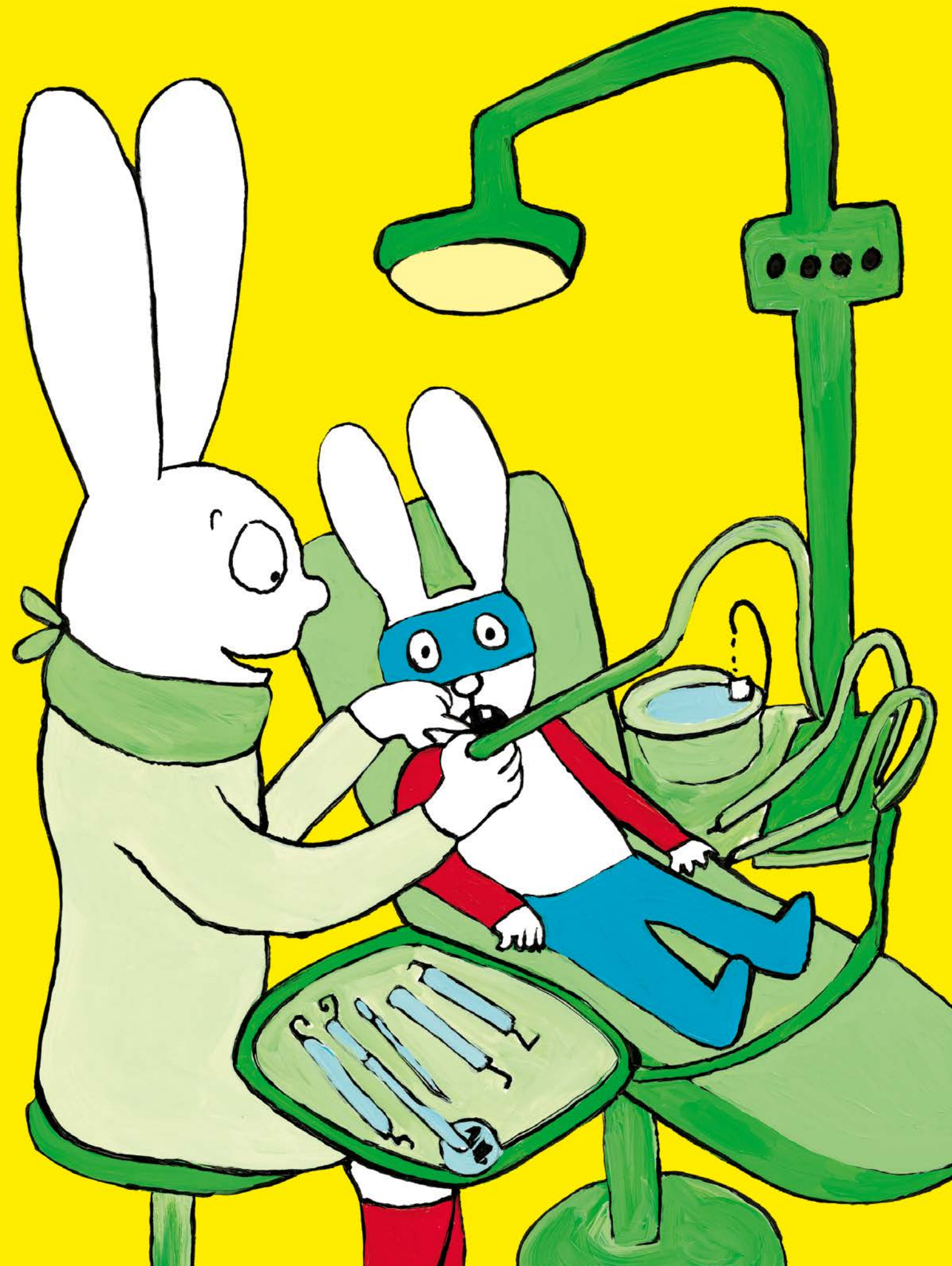
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**“Don’t worry,”  
said Marie.  
“This won’t hurt.”**

**She put  
strawberry paste  
in his mouth.  
It tasted exquisite.**

**Simon lay still  
and let her  
take care  
of his tooth.**





Complete the best-selling series by Stephanie Blake

# Simon the Rabbit

“...likely to stop even non-bookish kids in their tracks.”

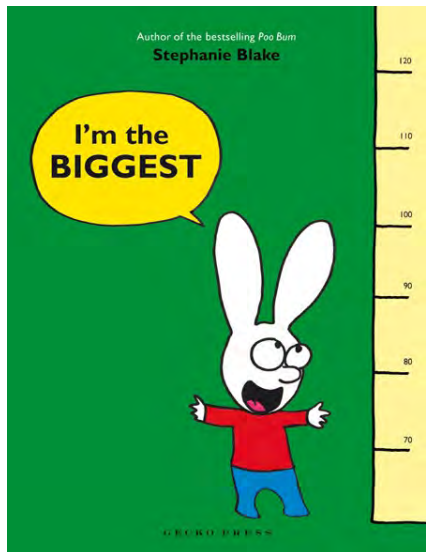
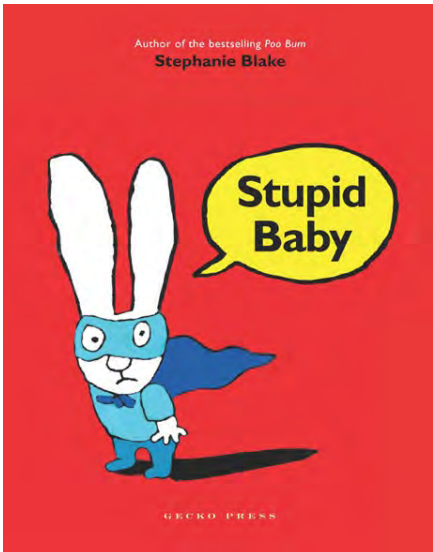
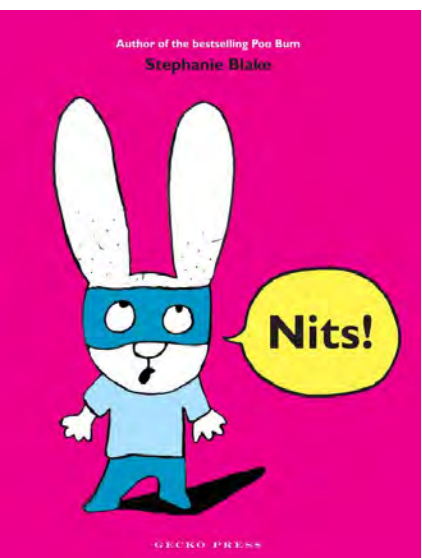
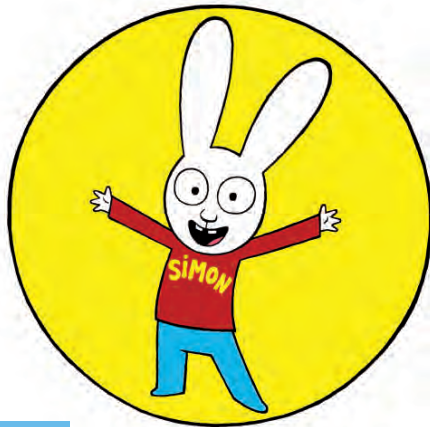
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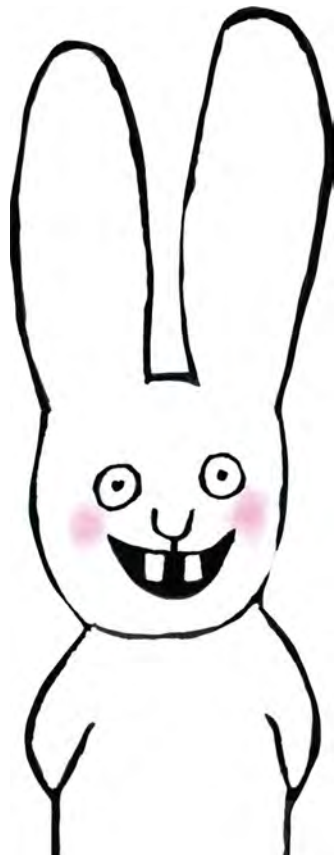


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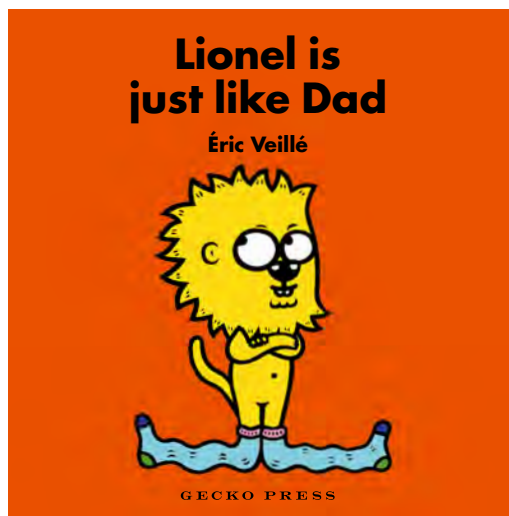
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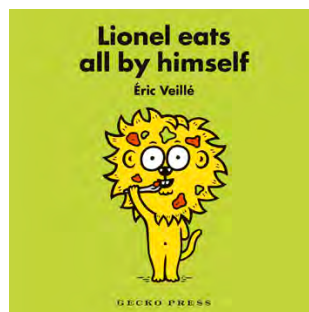
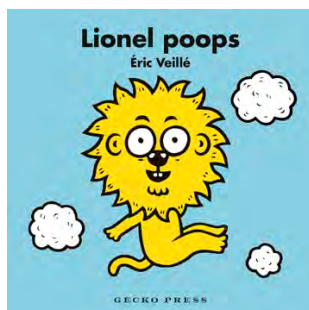
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## WHY I CHOSE THIS BOOK

“This small lion has a subversive sensibility, behaving very badly but with such enthusiasm!”

*Julia Marshall, Publisher*



# Lionel Is Just Like Dad

Author and Illustrator: **Éric Veillé**

A mischievous lion cub and his tolerant father play “Simon says” in this warm and funny board book.

## ABOUT THE BOOK

Lionel can do everything Dad does: Dad combs his hair. So does Lionel. Dad scratches his arm. So does Lionel. Dad sings very, very loud. So does Lionel.

But when Lionel throws all the toys in the air and they come down THUNK on Dad’s head ... Dad yells! Ow! So does Lionel! Dad takes a break and has a think. Then comes rushing back for a big hug—Dad is very, very happy, and so is Lionel!

Boundary-pushing Lionel has a mischievous grin that instantly wins us over, and his tolerant father incidentally provides a great model for parenting.

## SALES POINTS

- A funny, accessible, warm and unsentimental father/son story
- Facial expressions are laugh out loud
- Taps into a vein of pure toddler mischief
- Starred review in *Kirkus Reviews* for *Lionel Poops*

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

Eric Veillé was born in 1976 in Laval and studied at the Duperré School in Paris. His previous books include *Encyclopedia of Grannies* and *My Pictures after the Storm* as well as the Lionel series.

## ALSO AVAILABLE

*Lionel Poops* 9781776574636

*Lionel Eats All By Himself* 9781776574643



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## TITLE INFORMATION

**Release May 2023**

Ages **0–3**

Format **board book**

Size **135 x 135mm**

Extent **26 pp**

Illustrations **colour**

ISBN **9781776574650**

RRP **GBP 7.99**

Origin **France**

BIC **YBCB**

BISAC **JUV002150, JUV002150,  
JNF013000, JUV039170**

THEMA **baby books**

## THEMES & KEYWORDS

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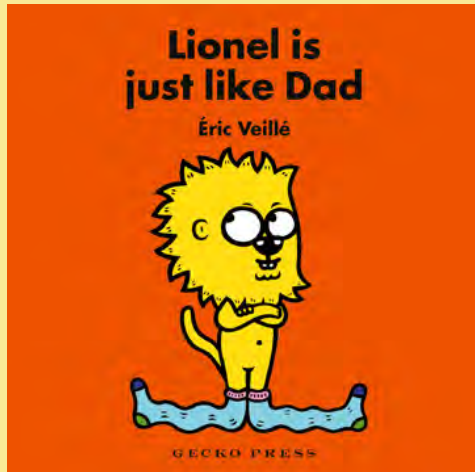
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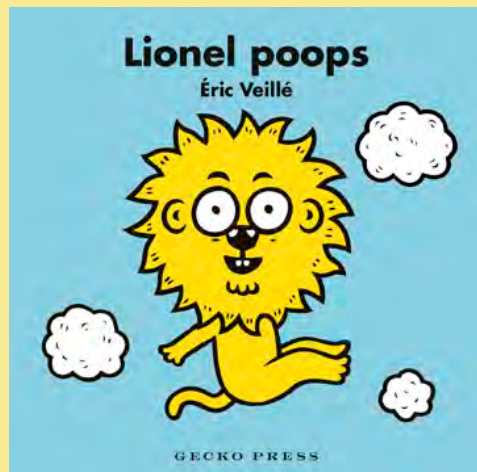
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# Lionel learns by copying Dad in the new board book from Éric Veillé



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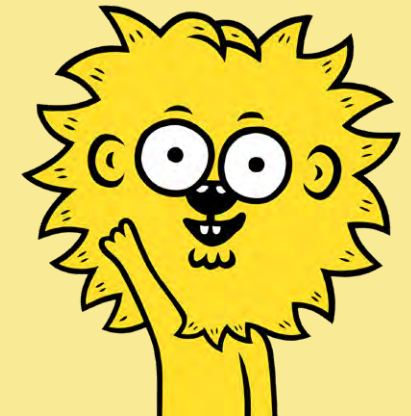
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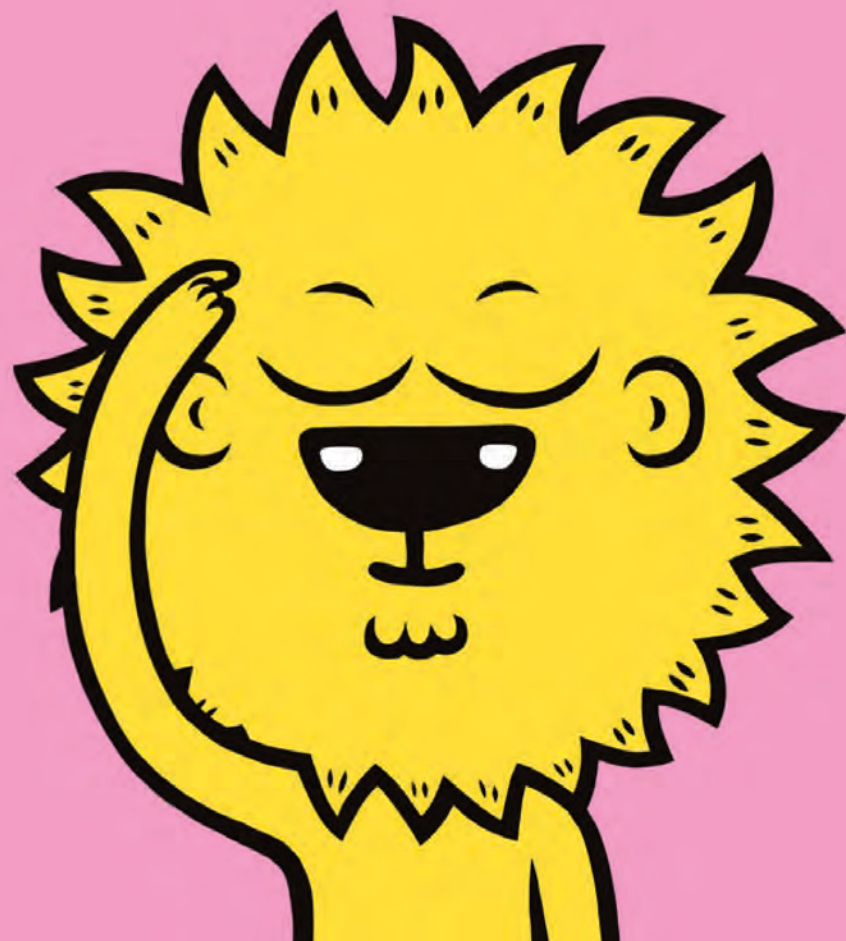


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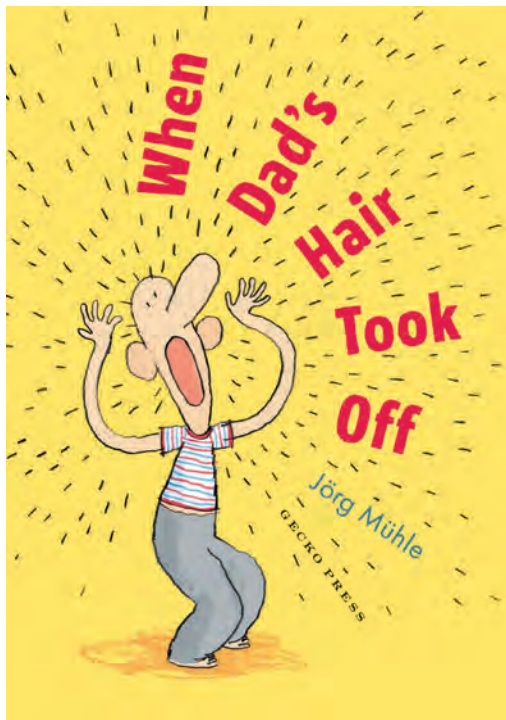
Dad has a think.



So does Lionel.







# When Dad's Hair Took Off

Author/Illustrator: **Jörg Mühle**

A fast-paced, comical story for early readers, fully illustrated in colour, in which Dad's hair takes off through the open window to freedom!

## ABOUT THE BOOK

One day, Dad's hair decided it was tired of being brushed and combed. It wanted a life of its own, to see the world. It took off.

Out of the bathroom, into the kitchen, and before you could say, "Hairsta la vista, baby!" it was gone.

Dad gave chase around the town. He spotted his hair hiding in the lawn, on the road, at the zoo—it's amazing how many things look like hair. He gave up.

Dad tried to accept life without hair. Then the postcards started arriving. The hair was on a round-the-world trip and Dad was still bald. Until one day the unbelievable happened and the hair came back.

This is a fast-paced tour-de-force, a wonderfully absurd story packed with wordplay and hilarious illustrations.

## SALES POINTS

- From the acclaimed author of bestselling *Tickle My Ears* series and *Two for Me, One for You* picture book
- Exuberant reviews, award shortlistings, reprints for the first release in Germany
- A bald Dad wishing for his hair back is instantly relatable

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

Jörg Mühle studied at the Offenbach School of Design and the École Nationale Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs in Paris. He is author and illustrator of numerous bestselling children's books from board books to junior fiction.



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## TITLE INFORMATION

**Release May 2023**

Ages **6-10**

Format **paperback**

Size **204 x 144 mm**

Extent **72 pp**

Illustrations **colour**

ISBN **9781776575213**

RRP **GBP 7.99**

Origin **Germany**

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## THEMES & KEYWORDS

**bald, hair loss, comic, round the world, journey, father, dad, father's day, humor, junior fiction, early reader, first reader, chapter book, Germany, translation**

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## WHY I CHOSE THIS BOOK

"Pace, energy, superb comic illustrations and the hilariousness of dad going bald."

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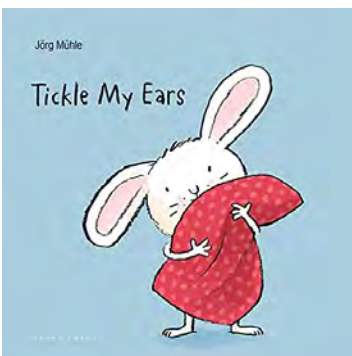
## ALSO AVAILABLE:

*Tickle My Ears*

ISBN: 9781776570768

*Two for Me, One for You*

ISBN: 9781776572403





## From that day on,

Dad was bald. His beard still grew.  
And all the other hair that nobody needs—  
in his ears and nose, for example.

As for the other hair—his proper hair, his  
former crowning glory—it wrote to him.  
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from abroad.



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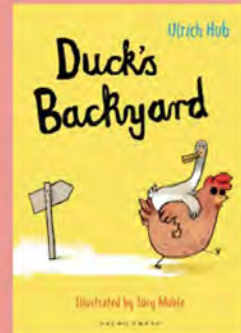


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9781776574513  
112 pgs | 5–8 yrs  
204 x 144 mm

## Free Kid to Good Home Hiroshi Ito

A comic-style chapter book about sibling rivalry and a child's impulse to run away from home—and come back again!

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88 pgs | 6–10 yrs  
204 x 144 mm

## Duck's Backyard Ulrich Hub & Jörg Mühle

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*"Lyrical and rhythmic, this fast and urgent story is bold about examining the rocky parts of relationships."* Foreword Reviews  
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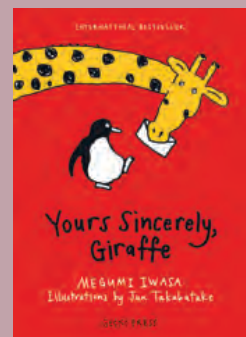
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204 x 144 mm

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# Curious Baby Finger Puppet - Counting Caterpillar

## Description

The Finger Puppet Books is an interactive and exciting way for children to build their vocabulary and practise their fine motor skills. Each book has a cute animal finger puppet that will capture the attention of the little ones as they play and learn.

## Key Selling points

- Each book focuses on a specific skill from the GLOBE·LearningCircle™
- A simple layout is good for little minds
- The finger puppet will engage the child in the story and make the learning fun
- Supports the child's early development of language and conceptual understanding

## Facts

- ISBN: 9788742554463
- RRP: £5.99
- Publishing date: May 2023
- Age: 6 months-3 years
- Book size: 125 x 125 mm
- Pages: 10
- Board Book

Finger Puppet Books with an interactive puppet animal



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## Description

With the Learning Trains series, we have created a fun and interactive way of exploring important subjects for the young learner.

The Superhero Train will help young learner's develop their ability to use their body for all types of activities, to express their ideas and feelings and acquire body awareness.

## Key Selling points

- Develops physical skills as per the GLOBE·LearningCircle™
- Sturdy book and big puzzle and memory game pieces that are safe and fun for tiny fingers to explore over and over again
- A tactile and interactive way to learn and play
- Different learning methods to secure the best learning experience
- Stimulates fine motor skills, vocabulary and cognitive abilities
- Every part of the box set can be used for playing and learning



The illustrations on the long train puzzle and on the memory game pieces match the illustrations in the board book linking the three learning experiences together.



Memo game

## Facts

- ISBN: 9788742554111
- RRP: £12.99
- Publishing date: May 2023
- Age: 3+ years
- Box size: 380 x 125 x 40 mm
- Box content: Board book + puzzle + memory game
- Book size: 170 x 110 mm
- Pages: 12
- Puzzle pieces: 20
- Puzzle length: 100 cm
- Memory game: 20 pieces



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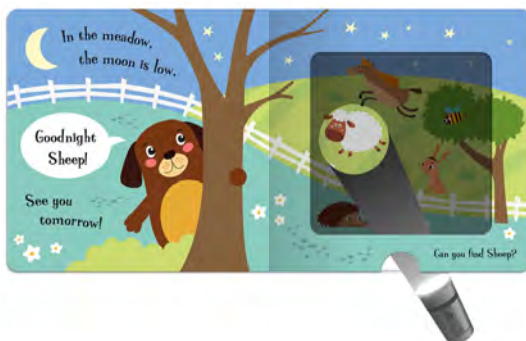
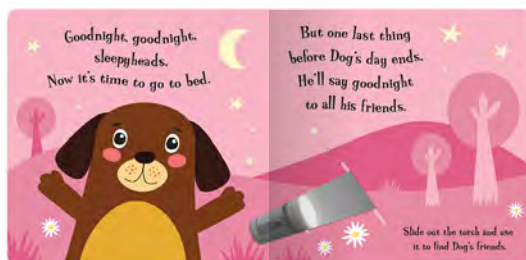
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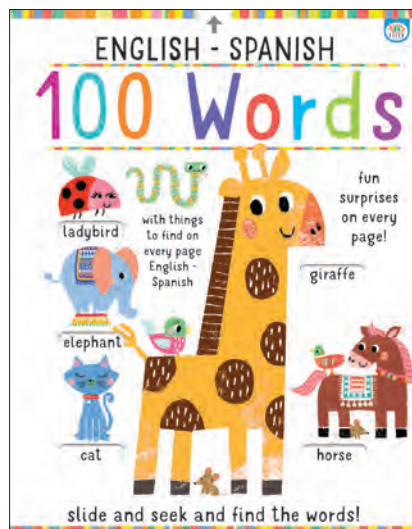


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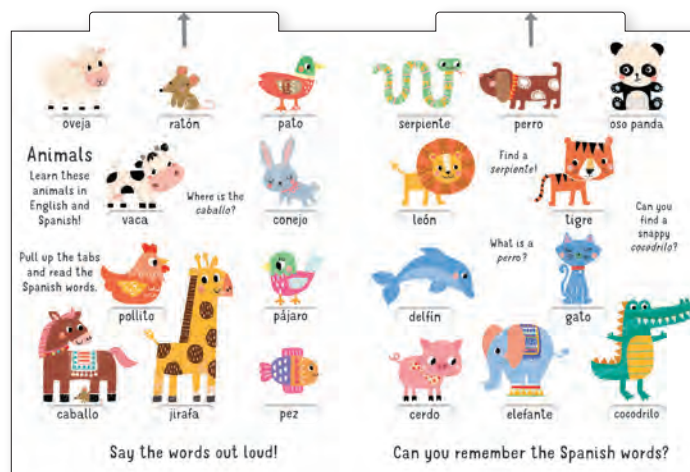
ISBN: 978-1-915458-69-8

Author: Anton Poiter

Illustrations: Louise Anglicas



Readers can read the words in English and when they pull the slider ...



... they can see the equivalent Spanish word.

**Publication:** May 2023  
**Age:** 3+  
**Price:** £12.99  
**Format:** hardback  
**Size:** 280mm x 216mm  
**Pages:** 5 spreads, plus slider  
**ISBN:** 978-1-915458-69-8  
**Territory:** UK and Ireland + Export (excluding N. America & ANZ)

## Description

This book offers a great way to develop memory and language. Children can learn 100 new words in both English and Spanish using the sliders that reveal the Spanish word for each picture. Young readers are encouraged to look at and talk about what they see in the picture that accompanies each word.

## Sales and marketing points

- Fun sliders reveal 100 hidden words
- Bright colourful illustrations
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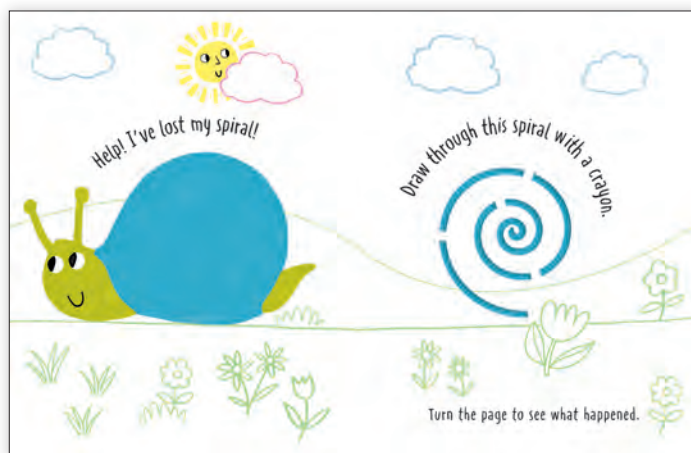
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ISBN: 978-1-915458-77-3

Author and illustrator: Anton Poirier



Readers can draw through the stencil and when they turn the page...



...they can draw again onto the previous page.



**Publication:** May 2023  
**Age:** 3+  
**Price:** £7.99  
**Format:** softcover  
**Size:** 280mm x 216mm  
**Pages:** 32 pages, 7 stencils  
**ISBN:** 978-1-915458-77-3  
**Territory:** UK and Ireland + Export (excluding N. America & ANZ)

## Description

This book offers a great way to develop early pattern-making skills. Children can follow guided shapes in the book, as well as creating free-form shapes. There are several activities to try: stencilling, colouring and practising shapes. Simple instructions and encouraging language develop language skills and confidence.

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- Bright colourful illustrations
- Improves dexterity, writing skills and pattern formation
- Soft spiral bound – a new kind of binding which will withstand squashing and bending
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For readers aged 11-16  
£8.99, B-format PB  
320 pages

### About the author:

Alexandra Sheppard was born in North London to a Jamaican mother and English father. When Alex isn't writing teen fiction, she is a freelance social media strategist with experience working on dozens of award-winning social media campaigns.

*Oh My Gods* was her first YA novel and was published by Scholastic. Alex then wrote *Fly High Crew* in collaboration with the Banjo Brothers, which was published by Scholastic in April 2021. *Happy Here*, an anthology of 10 stories from Black British authors and illustrators featuring Alex, was published in August 2021 by Knights Of.

### Praise for *Oh My Gods*:

"This intelligent, laugh-out-loud book noticeably sets itself apart from other young adult novels in that it's not solely focused on trauma, despite the protagonist losing her mother at the tender age of 10." *The Independent*

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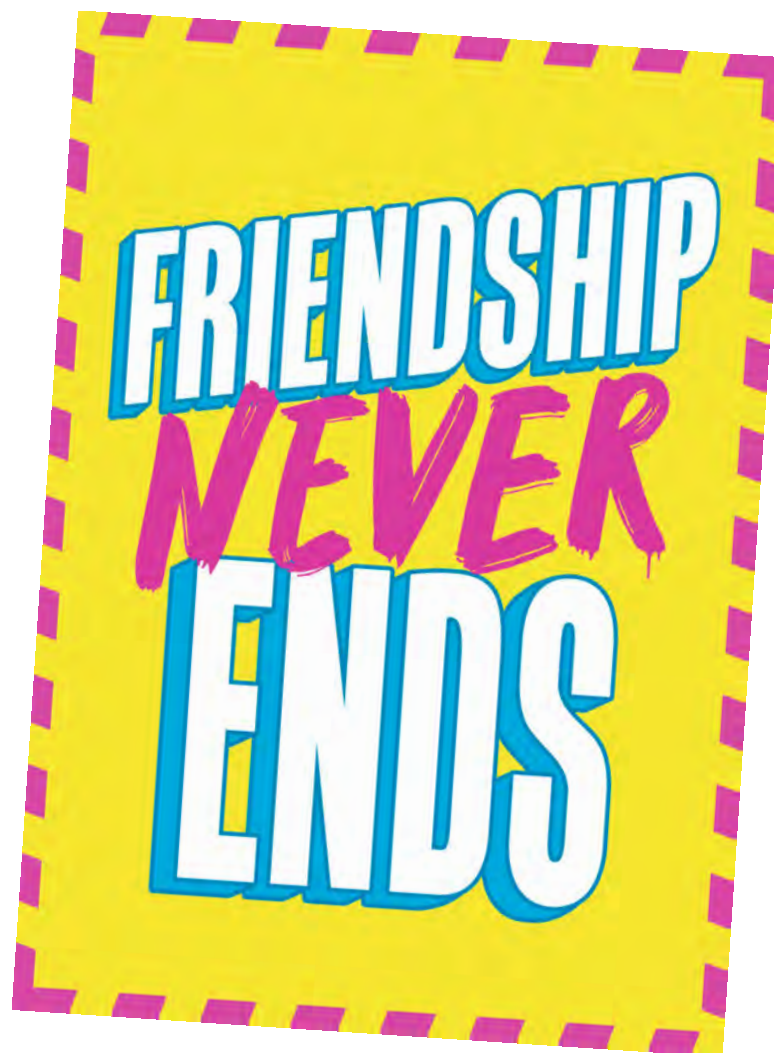
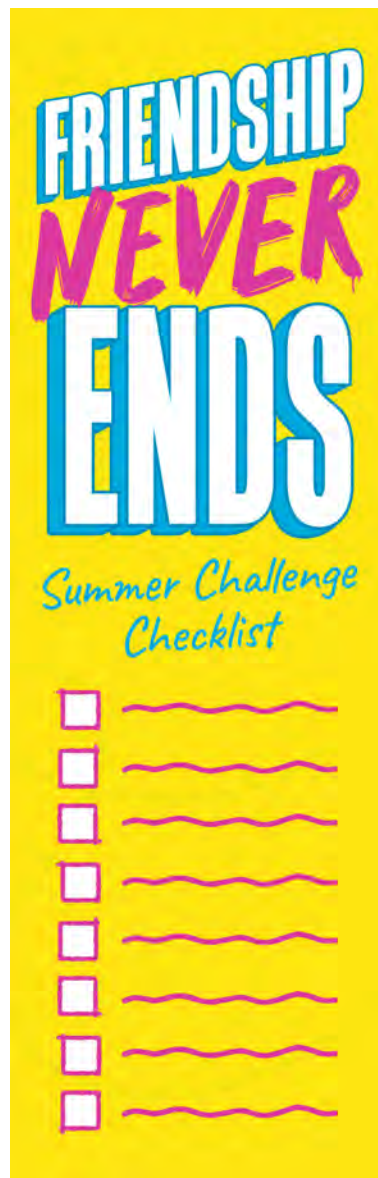
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- The long-awaited return to YA from Alexandra Sheppard, author of *Oh My Gods*, this refreshingly modern take on *The Sisterhood of the Travelling Pants* is perfect for the clean teen market
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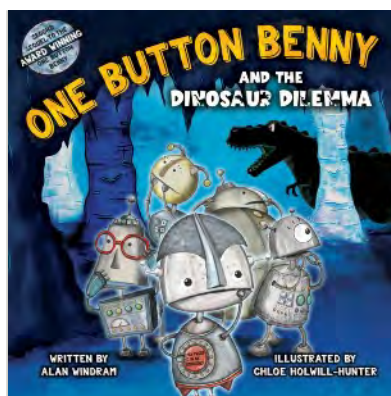
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# One Button Benny and the Dinosaur Dilemma

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Illustrated by Chloe Holwill-Hunter



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Will they make it back in time for the party?

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## About the author

Alan Windram is an award-winning author and writer of the hugely popular *Mac and Bob* series of picture books and *A Puppy's Tale*, also illustrated by Chloe. *One Button Benny*, their second book together, won the Bookbug Picture Book Prize in 2019.

Alan is on the road for much of the year taking part in book festivals, school and library events. He loves meeting the children, telling stories, singing songs and doing some 'robot dancing'.

Alan is an accomplished singer-songwriter with four independent albums of original songs under his belt. He has toured extensively with some of Scotland's top musical artists.

Alan lives in Argyll and Bute with his wife and two cats Sparkie and George.

## About the illustrator

Chloe is an award-winning freelance illustrator and designer from the Scottish Borders. This is her fourth picture book with Alan Windram. Chloe attended Heriot-Watt University to study textile design, where she discovered a love for creating cute and quirky characters and patterns for children. She has produced artworks for companies, including Paperchase and Gap, and enjoys working on a variety of commissions. Her work is a combination of traditional hand-crafted techniques and digital development. She is inspired by travelling, reading, and writing stories.

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The robots loved their  
Friday Parties.  
Benny's mum would bake  
lots of cakes,  
Sparky would pick out the  
music and help Benny  
choose his dancing outfit.

Sparky and Benny both  
liked something sparkly.



Benny had been so busy lately saving the world from hairy,  
scary Collectors with green bottoms and rescuing the cats  
when the Wobblies had kidnapped them.



He was very happy that there wasn't an emergency this week and  
he didn't need to press the big bright red button on his tummy.



## Ghostlord by Phillip Womack

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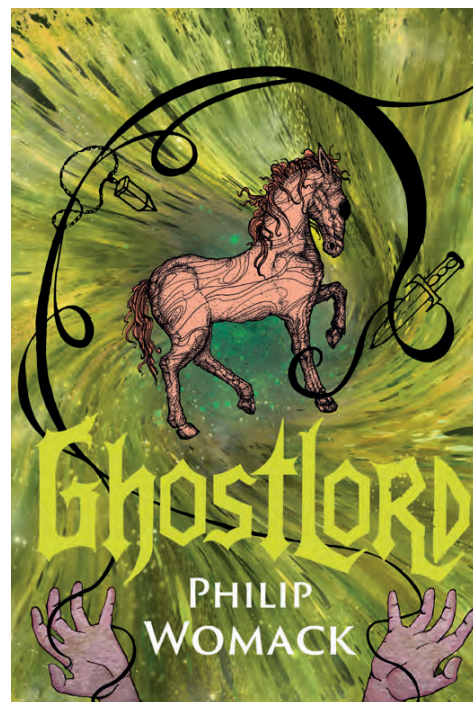
### Summary

Meg and her mother have left their London apartment and go to start a new life in the country and Meg is unhappy.

One afternoon Meg hears the voice of a child calling her from the garden. Following the child's pathetic calls, she unearths a toy horse with an obsidian mirror in its forehead. Through this mirror, Meg makes contact with Jankin, the ghost of a young boy. He tells her that he has been imprisoned for 500 years by a necromancer.. Meg feels sorry for him and promises to release him. But is Jankin the innocent child he appears to be? Or is something or someone more powerful at play?



*Wildlord* by Philip Womack (2021)  
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‘Wildlord crackles with an otherworldly atmosphere reminiscent of the great Alan Garner.’  
*The Financial Times*

### About Philip Womack

Philip Womack is a British author and journalist. His writing has appeared in *The Daily Telegraph*, *The Times*, *The Literary Review* and *The TLS*. His books for children and teens include fantasy trilogy *The Darkening Path* and *The Arrow of Apollo*. The nonfiction *How to Teach Classics to Your Dog* was published in 2020.

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 Otter-Barry Books, is Hollis' debut picture book. Her poems (one nominated for a Pushcart Prize) have been published in multiple  
 journals. When not writing, Hollis moderates literary events and is Chairperson of the Ivy Circle Netherlands; Supervisory Board  
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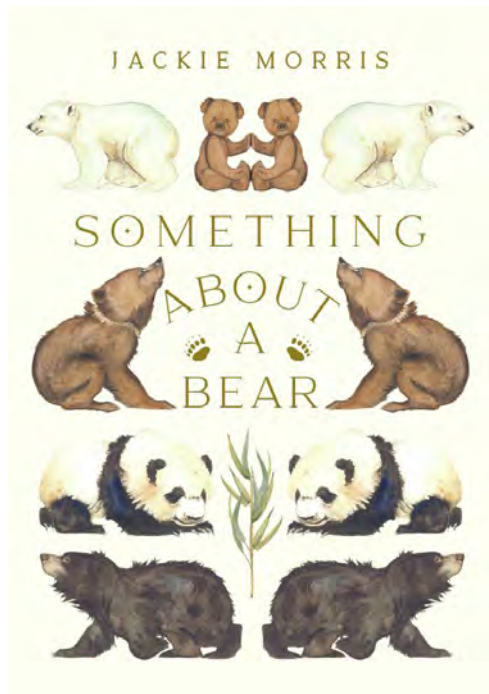


Jackie Morris

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A beautiful large-format gift edition of Jackie Morris's stunning and evocative celebration of bears

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- By the illustrator of *The Lost Words* and *Spellsongs*
- Now reissued in spectacular large format edition
- Shortlisted for the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal in 2016
- Includes all eight bear species plus conservation notes about each bear
- Jackie Morris has over 60,000 followers on social media and will actively promote to independent booksellers and galleries

## Author Information

**Jackie Morris** is the bestselling author and illustrator, photographer and painter who created the international bestseller, *The Lost Words*, winner of the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal in 2019, with Robert Macfarlane. Her books for Otter-Barry Books include *One Cheetah*, *One Cherry*, *The Seal Children*, *The Jackie Morris Book of Classic Nursery Rhymes* and, with James Mayhew, *Can You See a Little Bear?*, *Mrs Noah's Pockets*, *Mrs Noah's Garden* and *Mrs Noah's Song*. She lives in Pembrokeshire.

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- Jackie Morris will promote the book at events in autumn and the run-up to Christmas

## Author Information

**Jackie Morris's** fame has risen to new heights with the the immense success of *The Lost Words*, for which she won the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal in 2019. An author as well as an artist, she still owns a well-thumbed and well-loved collection of nursery rhymes from her own childhood, and is a strong believer in their value for extending children's sense of wonder and pleasure in words.

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Jackie's other bestselling books for Otter-Barry Books include *Can You See a Little Bear?* (with James Mayhew), *The Seal Children*, *One Cheetah*, *One Cherry*, *Lost and Found* and *Walking on Water*. Jackie Morris lives in Pembrokeshire. She has a wide following on social media: see [www.jackiemorris.co.uk](http://www.jackiemorris.co.uk).



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Colour illustrations

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## RORY'S ROOM OF RECTANGLES

ISBN: 9781913339487

PAPERBACK | RRP £7.99 | Size: 240 x 240 mm | Extent: 32pp | PUBLISHING 16.05.23

A book about blended families and big feelings, centred around

Rory's first Father's Day without his dad living at home.

Rory loves his dad, but he also really likes his step-dad, Tony. He has weekends with Dad in the park and makes imaginary dens with Tony, so when Father's Day comes, who should he make his card for at school?

Spotting his frustration, Tony spends his 'rainy-day pennies' to take Rory somewhere new - an ART GALLERY, full of wonders.

As they pause to reflect in a huge room of rectangles, Rory sees his conflicting feelings glistening back at him in many powerful colours.

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# ARTWORK PREVIEW



He still saw Dad every weekend. They played in the park.



feed the greedy ducks and pigeons.



and ate crispy, hot chips on the bench.



But now, Rory lived with Mum and her new boyfriend, Tony.



And THEY spent time painting, drawing,



and creating new, imaginary worlds.

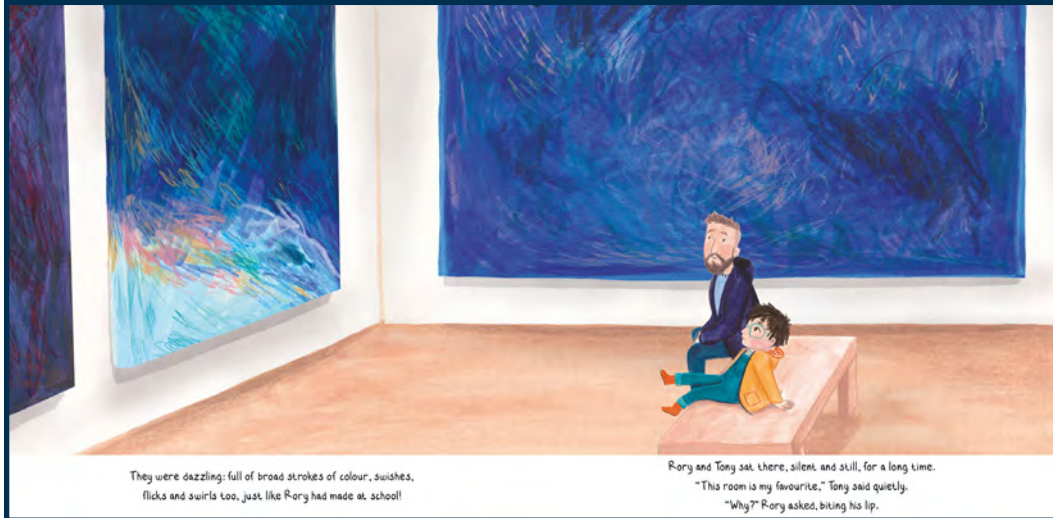


This Father's Day, Mum, Tony and Rory watched movies, ate popcorn, and played board games. But as it began to rain and the wind made the leaves swirl outside, Rory remembered the card hidden deep in his coat pocket. 'Wouldn't Dad be lonely on Father's Day?'

Tony saw Rory's face change, and whispered, 'I've been saving up some money for a rainy day. Come on, let's go out together, just you and me.'

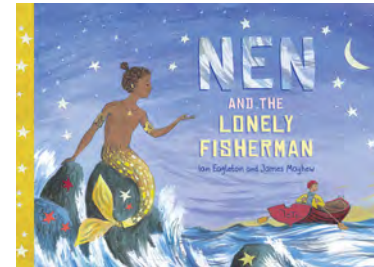


Tony's face looked kind and Mum nodded happily, so Rory took his hand, even though it felt a bit scary.



They were dazzling: full of broad strokes of colour, swishes, flicks and swirls too, just like Rory had made at school!

Rory and Tony sat there, silent and still, for a long time. "This room is my favourite," Tony said quietly. "Why?" Rory asked, biting his lip.



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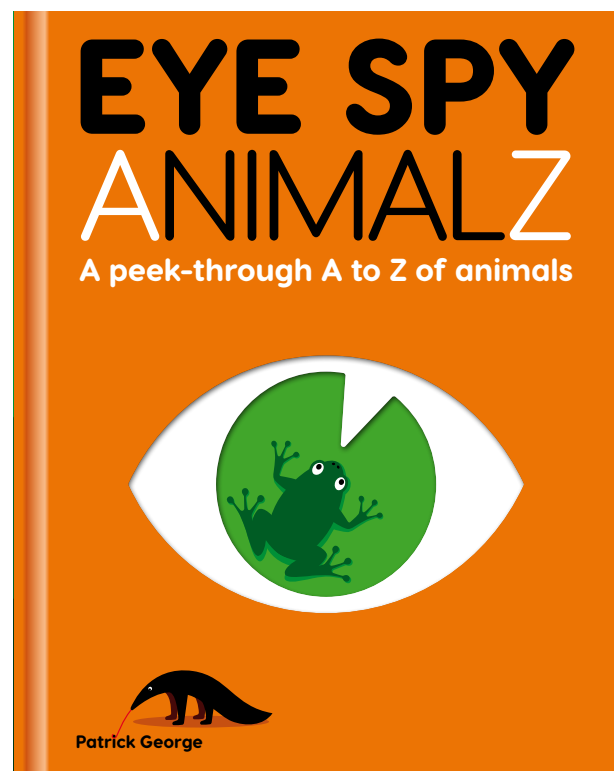
# Eye Spy AnimalZ

by Patrick George

## Synopsis

Once again, Patrick George takes classic elements and gives them a visual twist. This is a book which combines a game of 'I spy' with animals, using fun peep-through pages, and the alphabet. Bright colours, clear lettering and a clever use of die-cuts makes this a great combination of learning, reading and visual discovery.

**RRP:** \$12.99 (VAT zero-rated)



Title:	Eye Spy AnimalZ
ISBN 10:	1908473177
ISBN 13:	9781908473172
BIC code:	YBG
Author/illustrator:	Patrick George
Dimensions:	64pp, including 28 diecuts, 280 x 227mm, portrait, hardback
Age:	3+
Published:	30 September 2021 **Resub**

## WINNER of British Book Design & Production Awards

### Key sales points

- Bold, friendly and appealing illustrations with interactive elements
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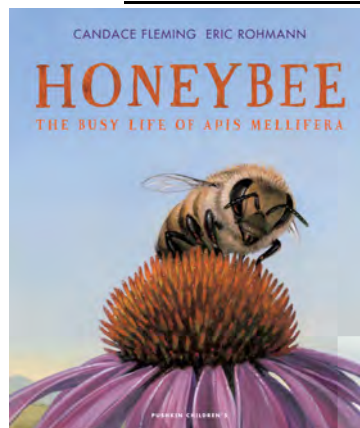
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CBMC	<b>A5M79</b>
Age	<b>0-5 years</b>
Subject	<b>Non-fiction</b>
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Character	<b>Non-character</b>
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Format	<b>241 x 292mm</b>
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## Honeybee The Busy Life of Apis Mellifera

**Candace Fleming (Illustrated By Eric Rohmann)**

### Keynote

Take to the sky with Apis, one honeybee, as she embarks on her journey through life!

### Description

Follow the life cycle of this devoted and extraordinary worker as she cleans the hive, tends to larvae and the queen, builds wax comb, and guards the hive from invaders - before embarking on her first flight to seek nectar.

Eric Rohmann's exquisitely detailed illustrations bring the great outdoors into your hands in this poetically written tribute to the hardworking honeybee. Award-winning author Candace Fleming presents the life cycle of the honeybee in accessible, beautiful language. Honeybee also features a stunning gatefold and an essay on the plight of honeybees.

### Sales Points

- A gorgeously illustrated, poetic journey through the life of a heroic honeybee!
- Featuring a stunning center-fold spread that unfurls to nearly a metre, this lavishly-painted introduction to the life of a honeybee is full of intriguing facts and meticulous details
- Winner of the Robert F. Sidal Medal, An Orbis Picture Honor Book, A Cook Prize Honor Book... *Honeybee* won so many prizes and accolades in the US that we don't have space to list them all here. Look at the amazing quotes below!

### Reviews

- 'A fascinating up-close view of the stages of a honeybee's life. ... The drama and suspense are positively riveting' - *The New York Times*
- 'Stunning... Lets young readers experience bees up close, with no chance of getting stung' - *San Francisco Chronicle*
- 'Glorious illustrations and engaging text combine... This offering will captivate audiences' - *Booklist, starred review*
- 'Nonfiction at its best-a combination of beautifully crafted language and astonishing close-up illustrations' - *School Library Journal, starred review*

### Author Biography

Candace Fleming is the author of more than twenty distinguished books for children including *The Family Romanov: Murder, Rebellion, and the Fall of Imperial Russia*, winner of the Boston Globe-Horn Book Award for Nonfiction, the NCTE Orbis Pictus Award, and a Sibert Honor, among other awards.


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Not yet . . . queen tending.

Long and graceful, the queen glides across the combs.  
Two thousand times a day—the queen stops to drop  
a single egg into a single cell.

Pearly white.

Half the size of a grain of rice.

Each will grow into a bee.

The queen doesn't have time to take care of herself.

So Apis and the others groom her with their forelegs,  
examine her with their tongues,

feed her a drop of sweet brood food,  
worker mouth to queen mouth.

As they do, they pick up the queen's scent  
with their antennae,  
legs,

tongues.

They pass this scent along to the rest of the nest . . .  
a message that the queen is healthy and safe.

When Apis turns twelve days old, glands in her  
abdomen begin making flakes of white wax.

It is time for her new job.

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## Wild

### Ele Fountain

#### Keynote

A moving, page-turning novel about a family's grief and the crisis afflicting the rainforest, from the prize-winning author of *Boy 87* and *Fake*

#### Description

Ever since Jack's dad died, he's had a heavy feeling inside. The pressure keeps building. Looking for release, he starts skiving school and hanging around with a group who like to cause trouble. It's easy to hide his new habits from his mum, an environmental anthropologist, because she's too busy with work and conservation trips to notice.

As Jack spins further out of control, his mum eventually becomes concerned - and shocks him by suggesting a trip together.

But this will be no relaxing holiday. Soon Jack finds himself on an expedition deep into the rainforest, far from anything he's ever known. He wanted an adventure - but has he plunged into real danger?

#### Sales Points

Combines an affecting approach to families and grief with a timely plot about deforestation, perfect for fans of *Journey to the River Sea* by Eva Ibbotson, *The Secret Wild* by Alex Evelyn and *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell Ele Fountain is an author beloved by young readers, schools and librarians, and *Wild* is another exciting adventure that brings large social issues to life Dynamic PR and marketing campaign will engage readers and the teacher community, positioning Ele Fountain as the go-to author for exciting reads about important topics

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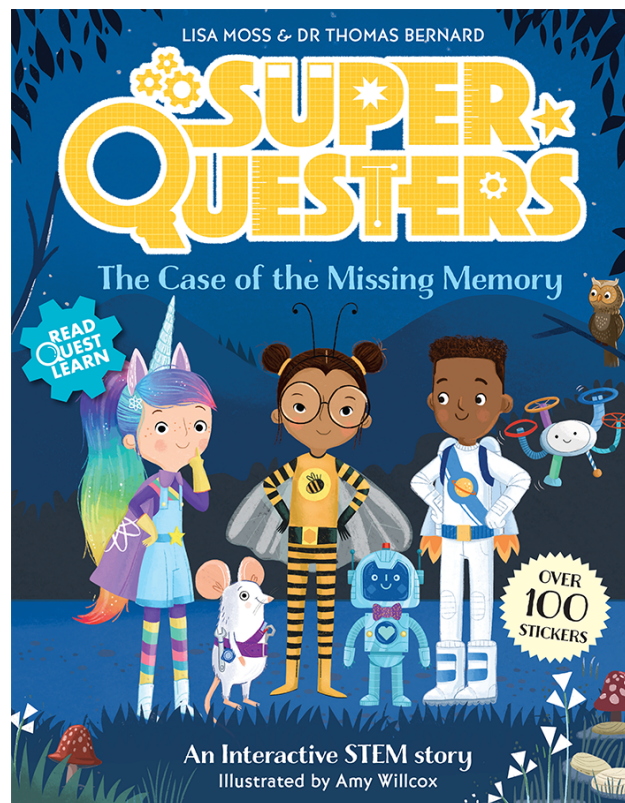
Ele Fountain worked as an editor in children's publishing where she helped launch and nurture the careers of many prize-winning and bestselling authors. Ele's debut novel, *Boy 87*, won four awards and was nominated for nine more, including the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, and *Lost* won the 2021 Portsmouth Book Award. She lives in Hampshire with her husband and two daughters.



### SuperQuesters: The Case of the Missing Memory

Dr Thomas Bernard, Lisa Moss

Illustrations by Amy Willcox



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<b>Publication:</b>	16th March 2023
<b>ISBN:</b>	9789082994049
<b>Price:</b>	£7.99
<b>Extent:</b>	32 pp + 2pp reusable stickers
<b>Dimensions:</b>	216 x 279 mm
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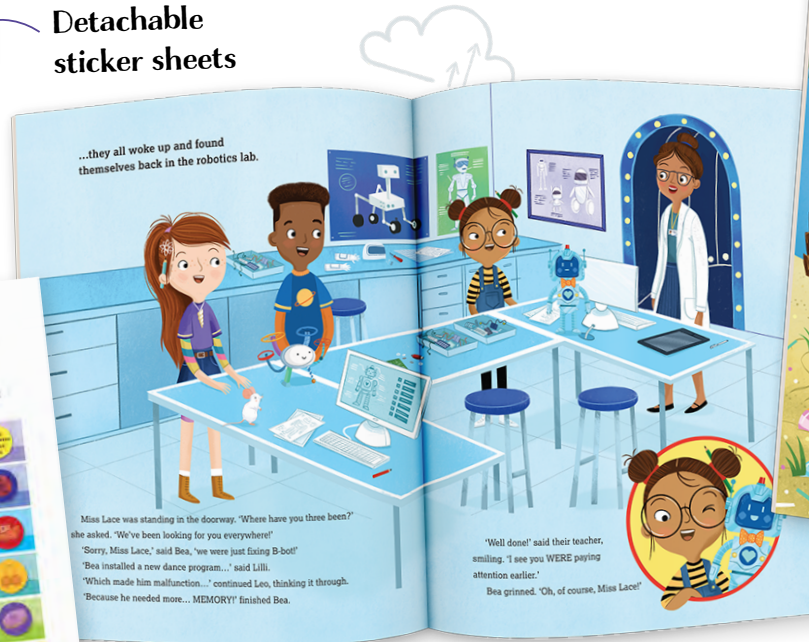
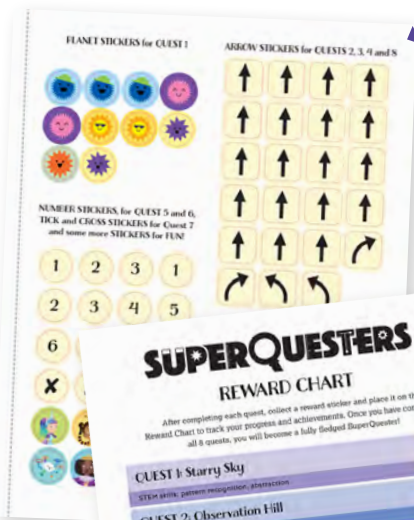
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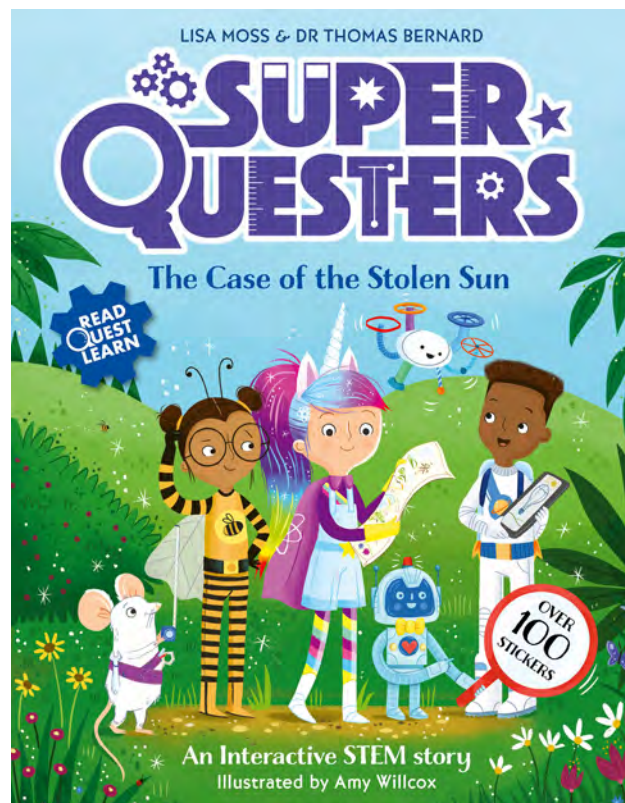
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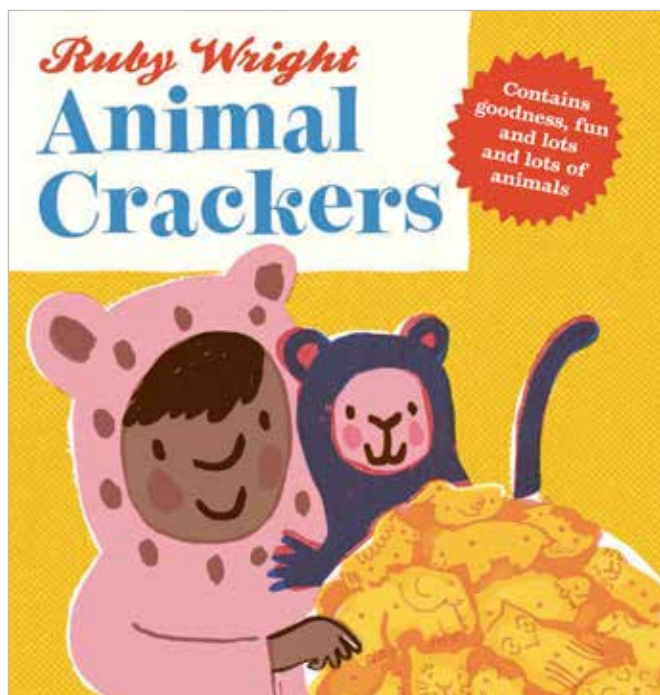
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Ruby studied sculpture, which informs her distinctive illustration style but doesn't explain why she plays the musical saw. She lives in a flat with her Mr, two very funny children and absolutely no pets. *Animal Crackers* is her debut book. **Location: London, UK.**



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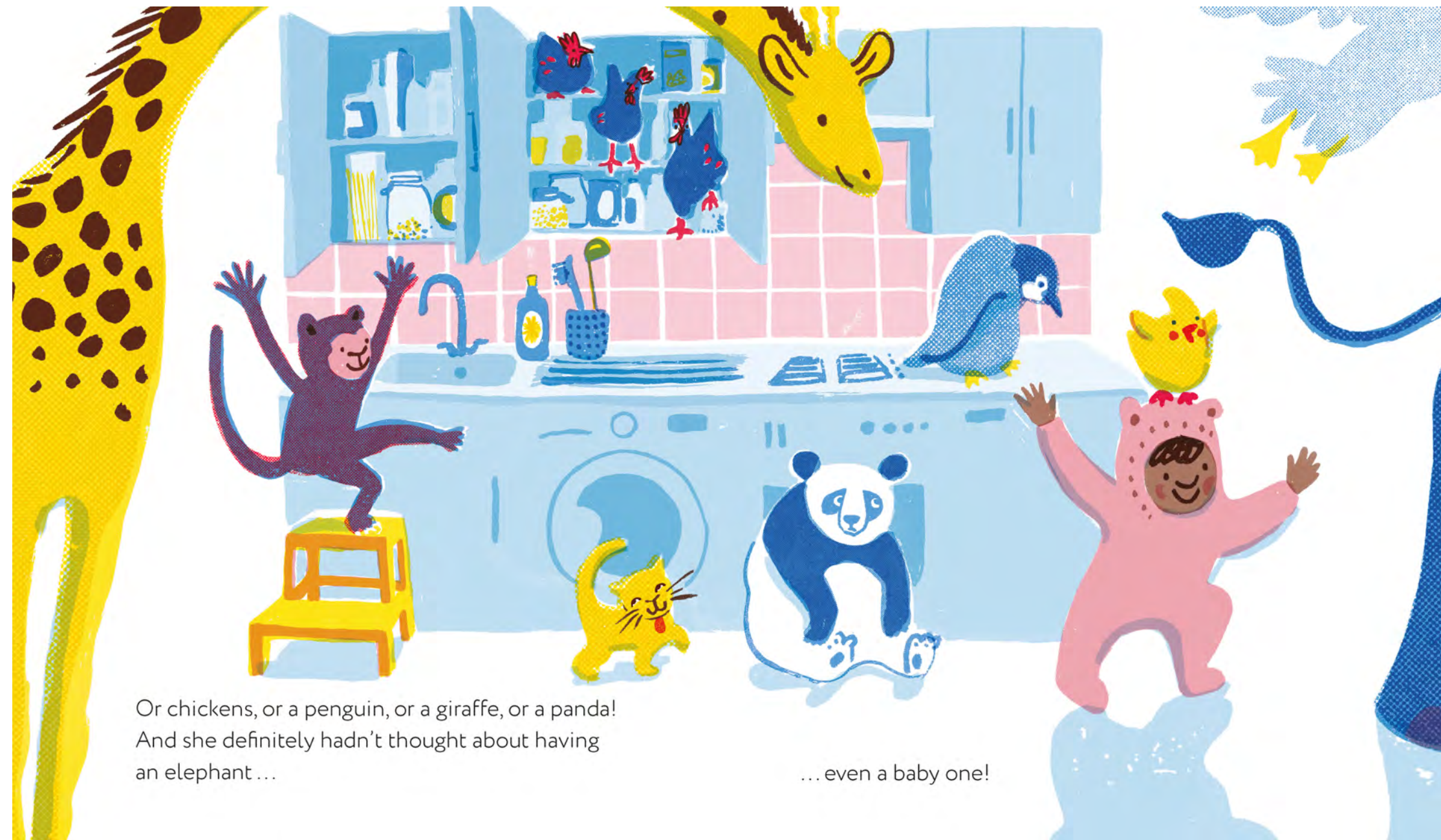
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And she definitely hadn't thought about having  
an elephant...

...even a baby one!





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# My Dad is a Tree

By Jon Agee

**Do you want to be a tree? It's easy.**

Pretend your arms are branches, your body is a trunk, and your legs are roots. Then stand in one place and see what happens! If your parent is as patient as the dad in this story, you might get to stay outside all . . . day . . . long!

## Key Selling Points

- Shows a father who really enters into the make-believe world of his child, and the fun that this brings
- Mindfulness – Dad is concentrating so hard on being a tree that time flies and eventually he relaxes
- Empathy – Dad finds out how it really feels to be a tree and spend ALL DAY in nature
- Amusing build-up of drama as different creatures alight on Dad, he gets wet, and night falls...

## Sales and Marketing

- Jon Agee will be in London October 2022 for a launch and signing tour, also performing to 1000 children in Hull with the Children's Bookshow
- Simultaneous USA publication of this brand-new book
- Author being recorded by LoveReading Litfest, to be housed on their site
- Author is becoming known in the UK specially with educators: *The Wall in the Middle of the Book* has sold over 12,000 copies and reprints regularly
- *The Wall in the Middle of the Book* and *It's Only Stanley* were long listed for the UKLA Award
- Agee's books used for programmes at Seven Stories, Just Imagine and Booktrust

Jon Agee attended The Cooper Union School of Art in New York City. A full-time author, he lives with his wife in San Francisco. Jon is the author/illustrator of many acclaimed books for children, which between them have won an Irma Black Honor, a Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor, *New York Times* Ten Best Illustrated Books, ALA Notable Book, and much more.

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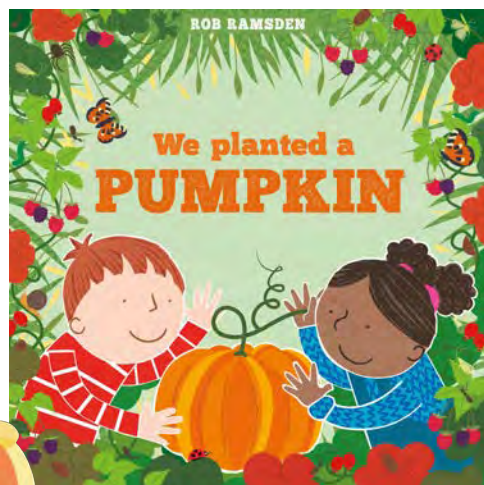
**Hold still, Dad,  
while I untangle  
the kite.**



**Madeleine, where are you going?**

**To get an umbrella.**





# We Planted a Pumpkin

By Rob Ramsden



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Now in paperback, the third title from IN THE GARDEN, a series to introduce very young children to the natural world.

Two children plant a pumpkin seed together and nurture it through the seasons, as it buds, flowers and produces a growing pumpkin. But when will it change colour and be ripe and ready to harvest?

## Key Selling Points

- Young readers will enjoy following the journey from tiny seed to fat, orange pumpkin, and will want to try growing something for themselves
- Explores emotions: enthusiasm, anxiety, joy and a sense of achievement
- A simple text using poetry and repetition which will be a joy to re-read many times
- Textured cover with embossing and high production values
- *'Shares with young readers the delight of working with nature, and shows the need to be patient'* Reading Zone

## Sales and Marketing

- **Shortlisted for the Teach Early Years Awards 2021**
- Part of the IN THE GARDEN collection of four picture books, two already out in paperback (*I Saw A Bee*, *We found a Seed*) and the fourth, *I heard a Bird*, publishes new in hardback April 2023.
- Each book has teacher notes and resources on the website
- Poster for all four titles. Author available for events

Title	We Planted a Pumpkin
Author	Rob Ramsden
Publication	5 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
Age	3-7
Price	£7.99
Format	Paperback
Size	240 x 240mm
Extent	32pp
ISBN	978-1-912650-86-6
Territory	World ex USA & Can
BIC Code	YBLB, YBLJ, YXZG, YBCS
CBMC Code	A3M79

ROB RAMSDEN lives and works in Suffolk as an illustrator and educator. He's the dad of the boy who saw a bee! As a keen gardener, Rob has become the student, and the pollinators have become his teachers; his type of gardening is strictly about the wildlife.



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But it was not a  
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- Fun flaps on every spread
- How-to-grow information
- Engaging illustrations by Sebastien Braun
- Pop-up finale



## Specification:

TPS: 220 x 200mm P  
Extent: 16pp  
Format: Cased Board book  
UK RRP: £8.99

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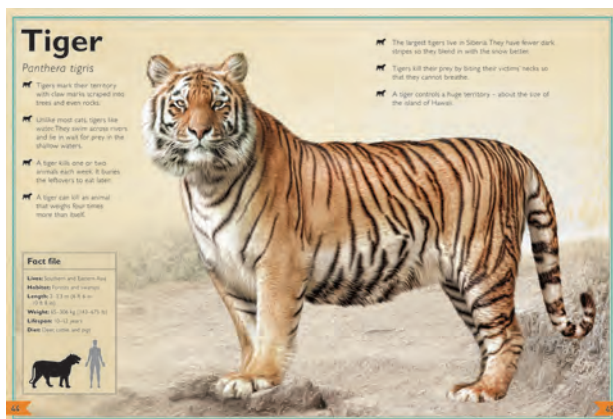
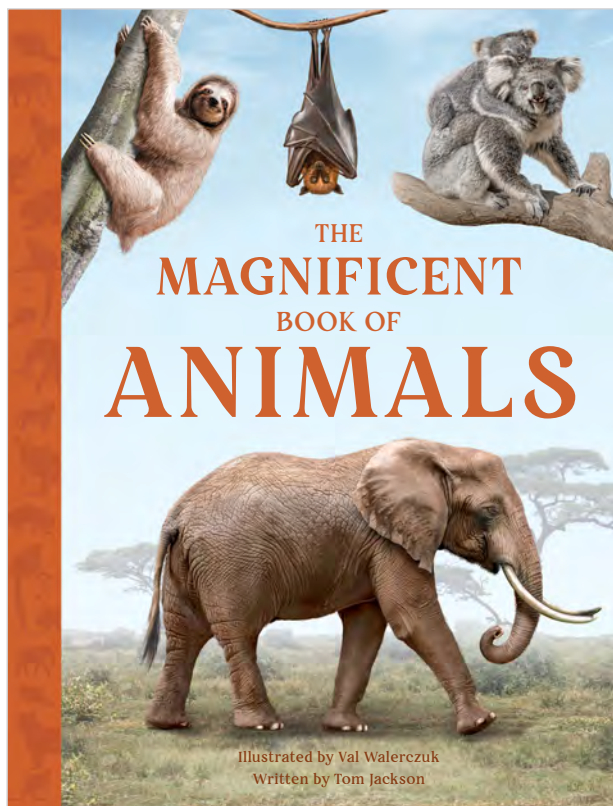






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## The Magnificent Book of Animals

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Pub month	May 2023
Publisher	Weldon Owen Children's Books
ISBN	9781915588319
Format	235 x 305 mm
Price	£14.99 (no VAT)
Age	8 years and up
Extent	80 pages
Binding	Hardcover
Illustrations	Full colour
Author	Tom Jackson
Illustrator	Val Walerczuk
BIC Codes	YNNR

### Key Selling Points

**Stunning illustrations** – vibrant, detailed images bring these incredible creatures to life.

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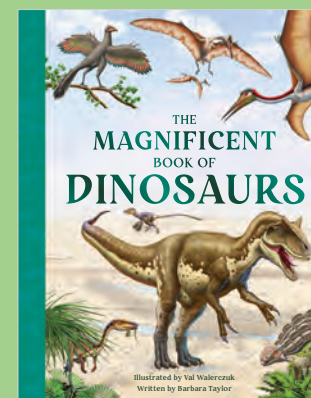
### Who's Behind the Book?

**Author:** Tom Jackson has been a writer for over 20 years. He has written more than 100 books and contributed to many more, covering everything from axolotls to zoroastrianism.

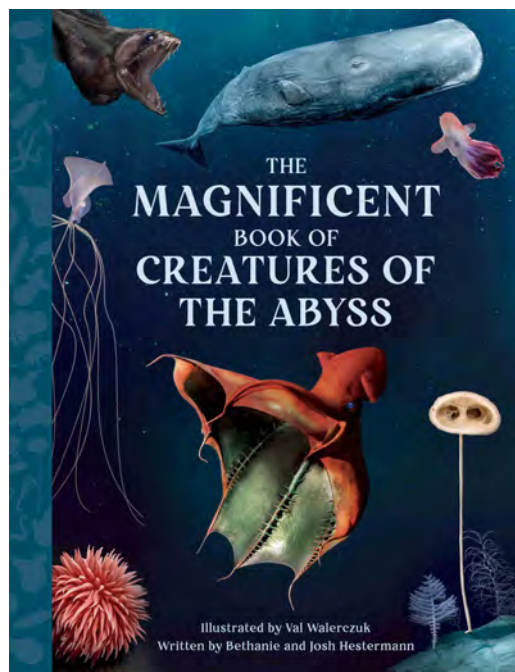
**Illustrator:** Val Walerczuk believes anything is possible when it comes to creating art. This internationally acclaimed illustrator is a stickler for accuracy and attention to detail and passionate about animals and natural history.

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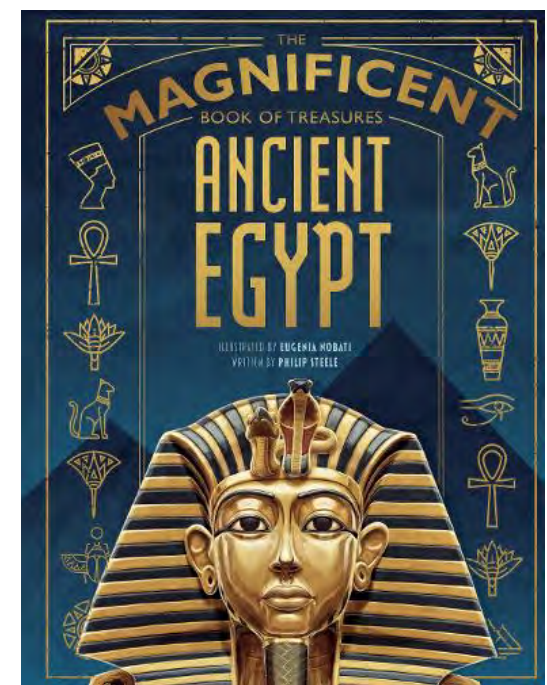




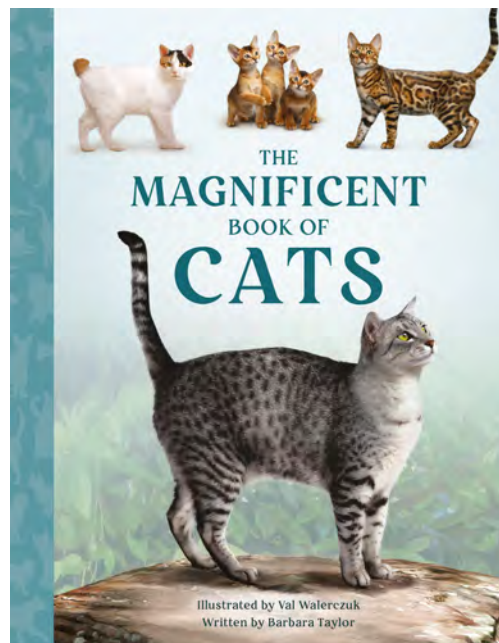
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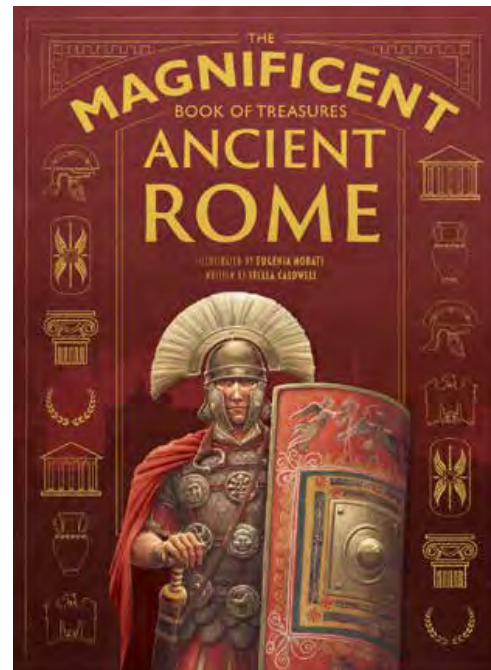
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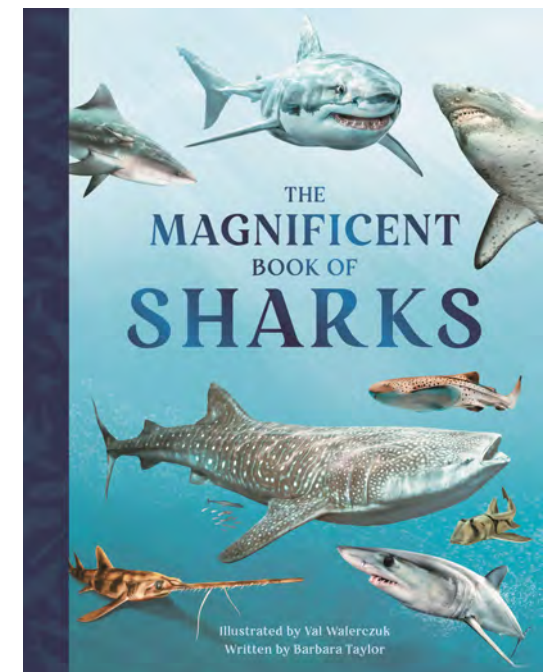
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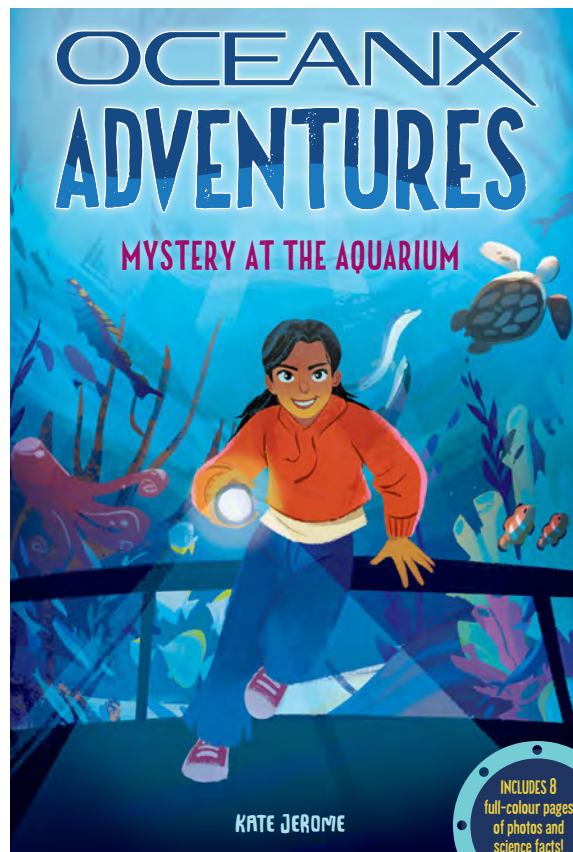
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Written by Kate Jerome and OceanX

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**Supports STEM** - including scientific method and decision-making.

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ISBN	9781915588159
Format	135 x 203 mm
Price	£6.99 (no VAT)
Age	8 years and up
Extent	112 pages
Binding	Paperback
Illustrations	8 pages full colour
Author	Kate Jerome
Illustrator	Francesca Risoldi
BIC Codes	YF



### Who's Behind the Book?

**Author:** Kate Jerome is an award-winning author who has written more than 100 science books for children, including a New York Times best-seller.

**Illustrator:** Francesca Risoldi has a Masters in Visual Development, and specialises in character design.

**OceanX** is on a mission to explore the ocean and bring it back to the world.

- In 2023, National Geographic will screen a six-part documentary focused on OceanXplorers. It will premiere in 172 countries and 43 languages on National Geographic on Disney+
- OceanX has 3.8 million followers and 29.3 million likes on TikTok

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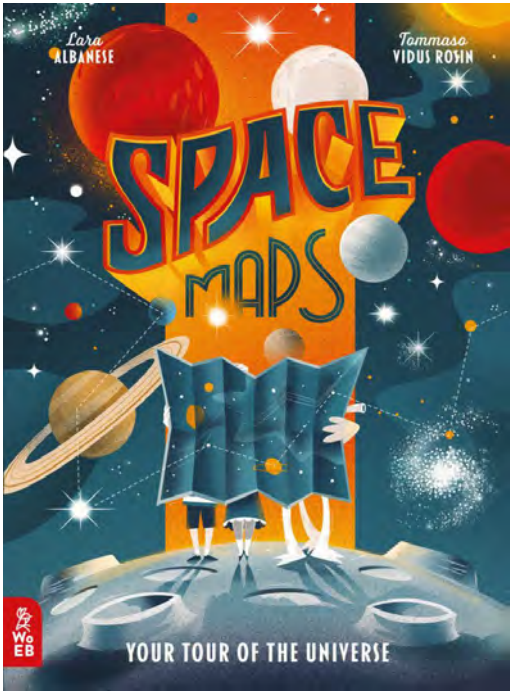
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- It will premiere in **172 countries and 43 languages** on **National Geographic** on Disney+
- Disney+ has **6.6 million subscribers** in the UK
- The series is produced by **James Cameron** and the BBC team who made *Blue Planet II*

- ✦ OceanX Adventures is a fiction series for 8 to 12 year olds
- ✦ Inspired by OceanX research and scientific facts, which support STEM learning
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# Little Soft Sleeper



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## LITTLE SOFT SLEEPER

A cloth book that turns into a soothing, cuddly comforter for baby to stroke and snuggle.

The gentle colour palette, embroidery and soft ribbons will help to encourage baby's sensory development, and (hopefully) give new parents a bit of peace and quiet!

<b>Publication</b>	MAY 2023
<b>Price</b>	£12.99
<b>Format</b>	Cloth Book
<b>Size</b>	Box: 280 x 95 x 50 mm Book: 300 mm x 250 mm
<b>Extent</b>	6 pages
<b>BIC code</b>	YB
<b>Age</b>	6m+

## KEY SELLING POINTS:

- A cuddly comforter/soft book
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Publication	MAY 2023
Price	£7.99
Format	Board Book
Size	190 x 190 mm
Extent	14 pages
BIC code	YB
Age	3+
Features	Pop-out play-piece, 3D die-cut tunnels

## KEY SELLING POINTS:

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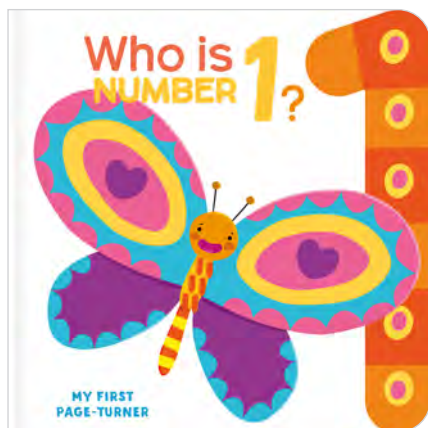
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*My first page-turner* amazes page after page. The fun surprises attract little ones' attention and make them want to read it all over again. Lovely rhymes also expand toddlers' vocabulary. There's no doubt this one belongs on every child's first bookshelf!

Publication	APRIL 2023
Price	£7.99
Format	Board Book
Size	178 x 178 mm
Extent	20 pages
BIC code	YB
Age	3+
Features	Die-cut pages

## KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Die-cut pages: each page turn shows a surprise.
- Adorable little rhymes: expands vocabulary.
- Vivid colours: attracts attention.

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## BIG FOAM STICKERS

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<b>Publication</b>	MAY 2023
<b>Price</b>	£6.99
<b>Format</b>	Paperback
<b>Size</b>	240 x 240 mm
<b>Extent</b>	14 pages
<b>BIC code</b>	YB
<b>Age</b>	2+
<b>Features</b>	4 coloured sheets of big foam stickers

## KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Big foam stickers, easy to handle by small hands.
- Two fun activities in one book: pasting stickers and colouring.
- Stimulates toddler's fine motor skills and knowledge of colours and shapes.

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