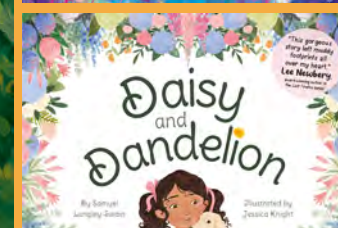
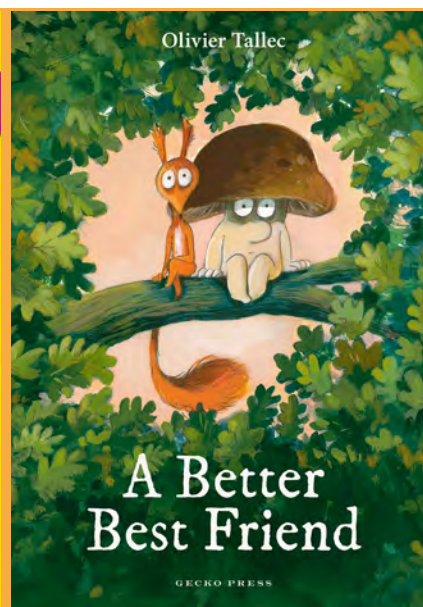
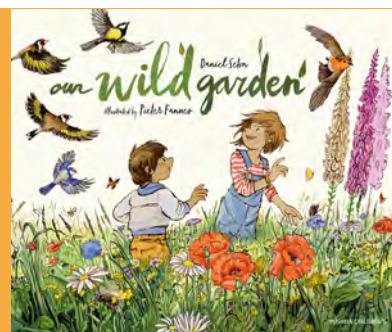




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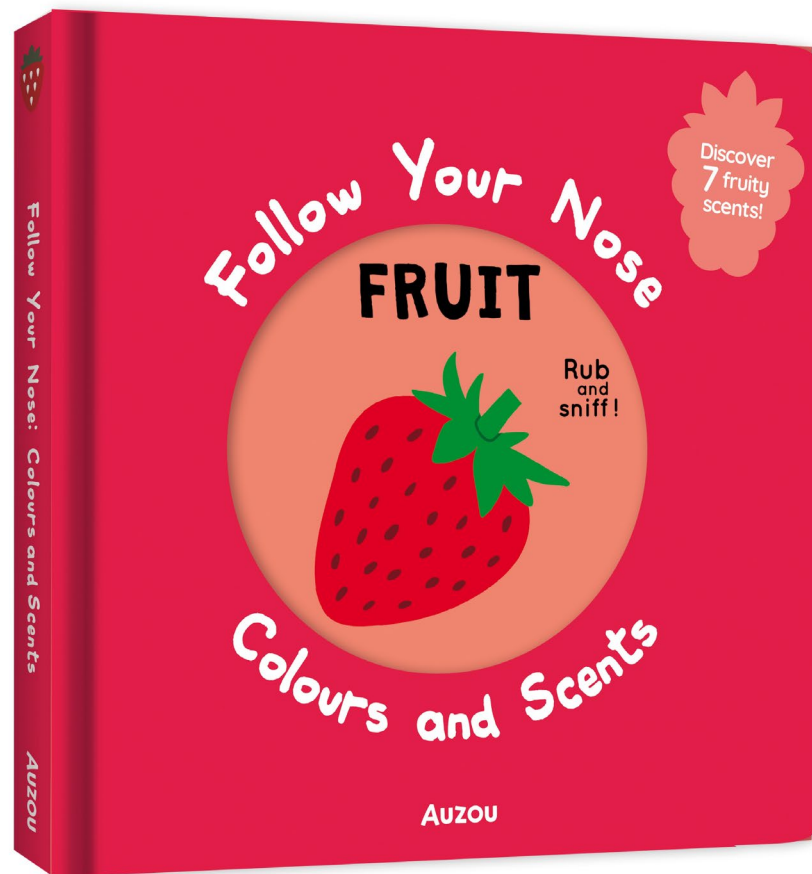
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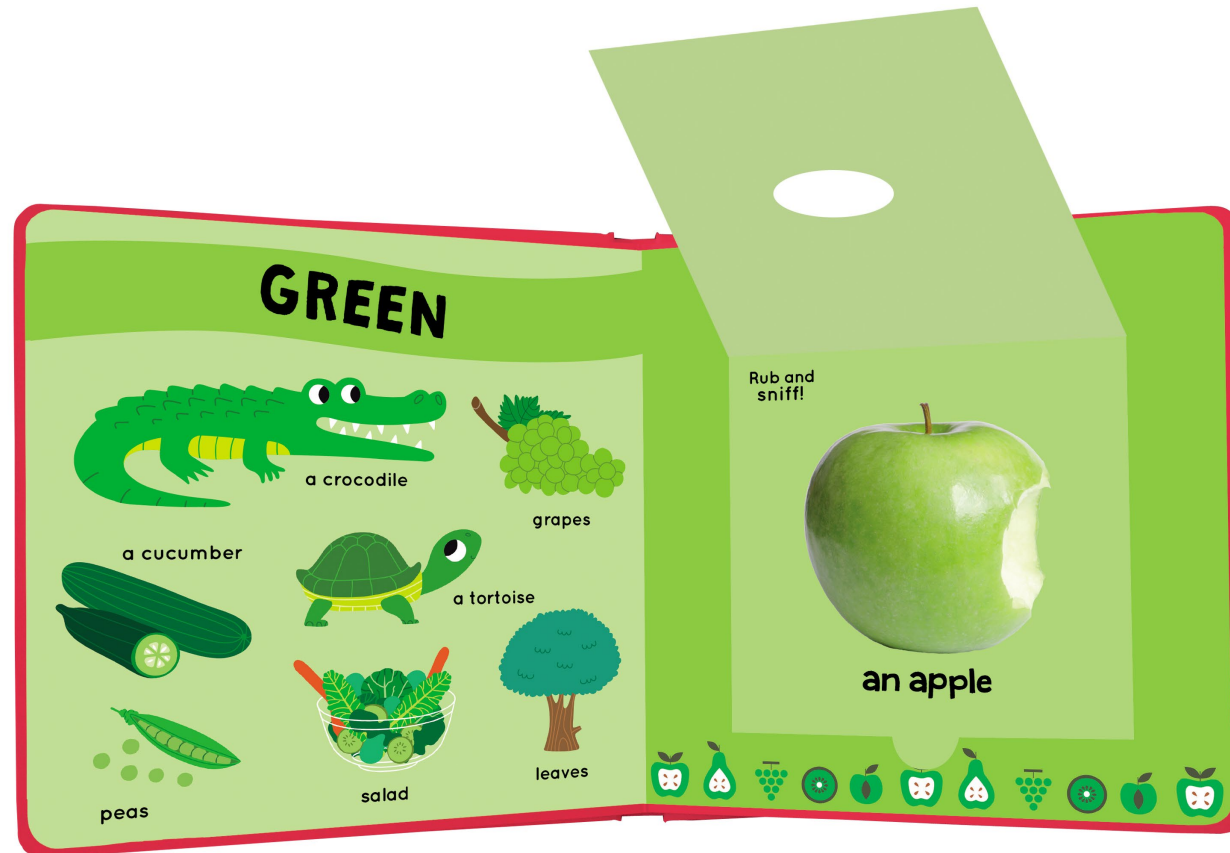
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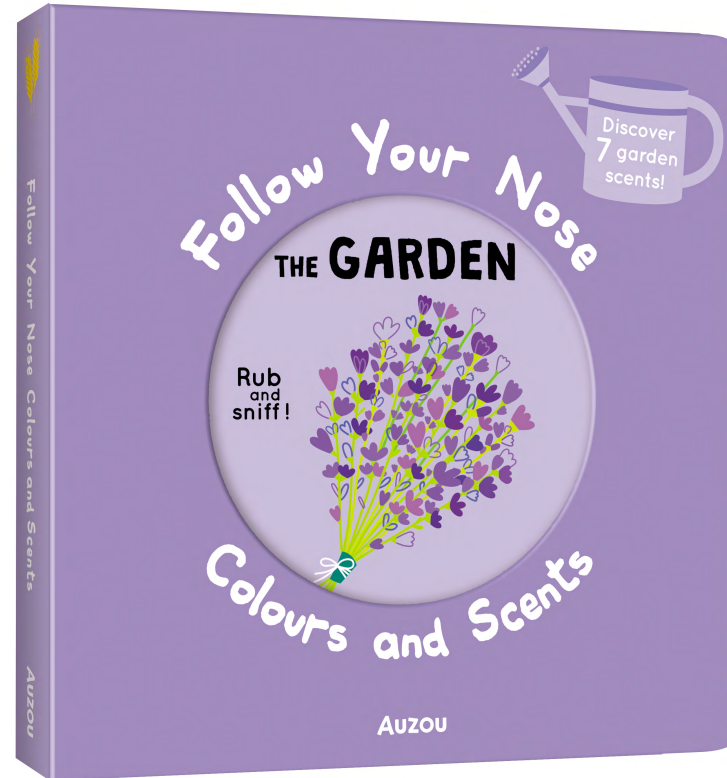
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Dinosaur babies

Dinosaurs laid eggs, just like reptiles do today.
The mother dinosaurs laid them in nests on the ground.

Maiasaura was a really good mother.

My name means 'good mother lizard'.

Maiasaura made nests close together. It was safer to be in a crowd!

The mother **Maiasaura** stayed on her nest to look after her babies.

Many dinosaurs were too heavy to sit on their eggs. They probably piled plants and earth on top of them. This kept the eggs and hatchlings warm.

Dinosaur eggs were different shapes and sizes ...



some were long and thin ...



and others were nearly round ...



some were as big as a human hand and others as large as a football.



It is very rare to find a **fossil** of an egg with the baby dino inside!

Tyrannosaurus rex babies were only about the size of a chicken when they hatched. They soon grew though!





More Dung!

Frank Weber

Disney
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For fans of Jon Klassen and Peter Brown comes MORE DUNG!, a slyly funny and stunningly illustrated picture book about a greedy dung beetle by debut author-illustrator Frank Weber.

The dung beetle thinks he has everything he needs: the warmth of the sun, a gurgling river, and as much dung as he could ever want. But when a leopard tells him of a farm with even MORE dung, the beetle's world suddenly looks small. And so he sets off to the farm, accruing more and more dung, building a veritable DUNG EMPIRE!

But a tower of dung comes with a tower of risk, and soon our insect hero finds himself buried in his greed. (Yes, he's buried in poop.) Frank Weber seamlessly blends philosophical questions about greed with scatological humor and truly gorgeous artwork to create this special debut.

POTTY HUMOR WITH A TWIST: Frank Weber brilliantly combines potty humor with a thoughtful parable about greed for a pooptastic combination that both kids and caretakers will love.

EXPRESSIVE CHARACTERS: Weber's expressive characters invite readers along for the ride (even if that ride is full of dung).



Whenever he lost his way,



he was guided home by the sun and the night sky.



And when a challenger appeared,



he wrenched to keep his dung ball.



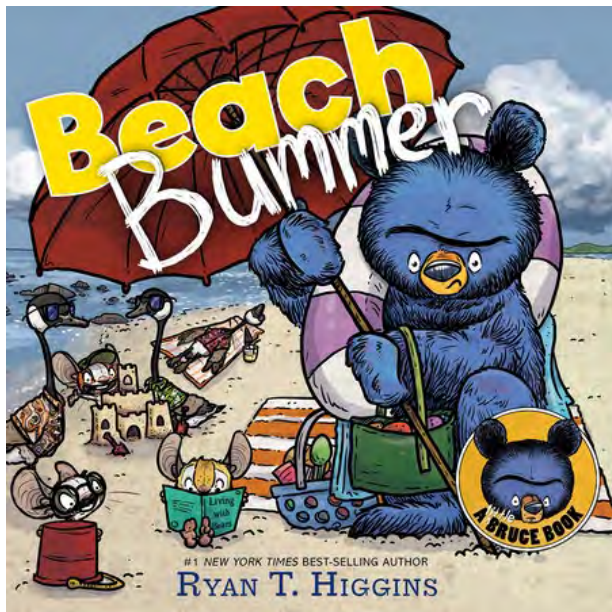
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Ryan T. Higgins

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#1 New York Times best-selling author Ryan T. Higgins celebrates the delights of summer in this bite-sized Little Bruce Book perfect for fans of Mother Bruce. It's beach day in Soggy Hollow!

Everyone is enjoying fun in the sun - everyone, that is, except for Bruce. It's too hot, too sandy, and too windy! Bruce's favorite thing about summer? Doing nothing. In the shade. Where it's cool. Bruce's second favorite thing about summer? When it turns to fall.

HOUSE SUPERSTAR: Ryan T. Higgins is the creator of the award-winning Mother Bruce series and the breakout Penelope Rex books. Ryan's narrative wit and expressive art successfully carry across series and formats.

AUDIENCE-EXPANDING FORMAT: SPRING STINKS introduced fans to this new Mother Bruce format, the Little Bruce Books. These 32-page, seasonal-themed Bruce books, give fans short, funny narratives that are perfect for repeat read-alouds and emerging independent reading. NO SWEAT is the line's summer addition.



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Price	£7.99	Illustrator	
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Princess Private Eye and the Missing Robo-Bird

Evelyn Skye

The Princess Diaries meets Nancy Drew in this middle grade novel about sleuthing twelve-year-old princess Genevieve Sun as she works to solve a crisis between two kingdoms.

Twelve-year-old Genevieve Sun is settling in nicely in her new role as Princess of Raldonia. After a rocky start (thanks to her uncle the Duke trying to overthrow her), Gen is finally in the good graces of her grandmother the Queen.

Everyone in the palace is abuzz preparing for a visit from South Mallantran royals and dignitaries. Gen is equally excited and nervous—not only will she get to learn more about her dad's home country, but she'll also meet her paternal grandfather (a South Mallantran ambassador) for the first time. And on an official level, there's a lot riding on this trip: the trade treaty between Raldonia and South Mallantra has expired, and it is now more important than ever to strengthen their relationship.

Unfortunately, the gift that was prepared for a traditional presentation from the Queen to the South Mallantran Emperor has been stolen! Gen Sun—also known as Princess Private Eye—and her friends are on the case. Will they find the missing robo bird before a diplomatic disaster arises?

SMART, SPUNKY GIRL POWER: Twelve-year-old Gen Sun is a plucky, smart protagonist with a strong sense of justice. Readers will love her tenacity and determination, her commitment to justice, and the way she stays true to herself.

FUNNY, FAST-PACED MYSTERY: The over-arching mystery provides plenty of room for adventure, humor, coming-of-age, and an empathetic discussion of what defines us.



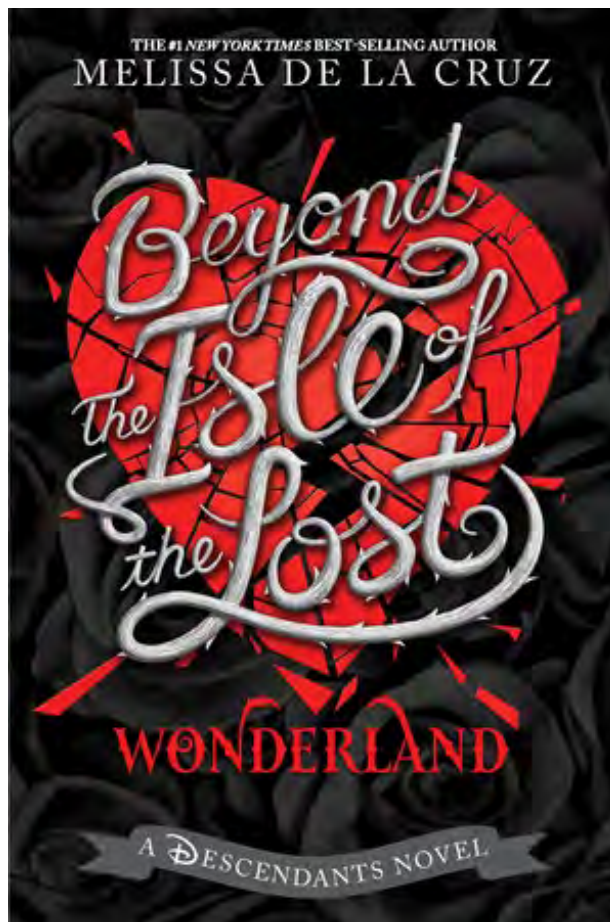
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Beyond the Isle of the Lost

Melissa de la Cruz

Filled with humor and adventure, this novel tied to Disney Channel's newest addition to the Descendants film franchise explores a madcap prequel set in Wonderland.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING SERIES: The Descendants books are a New York Times bestselling series, and readers are eager to read the next installment.

HIT DISNEY CHANNEL MOVIE SERIES: The Descendants DCOM franchise is a smash hit, spawning 3 films, toys, an animated series, and more. With a new film on the way, it's the perfect time to extend the book series.

BELOVED, BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Melissa de la Cruz is a beloved, bestselling author, with success across middle grade and young adult.

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Publisher	Disney Publishing Group	Binding	Hardback
ISBN	9781368081436	Illustrations	
Format	210 x 140mm	Author	Melissa de la Cruz
Price	£14.99	Illustrator	
Age	8-12 years	Market	Excluding AU/NZ
Extent	256	BIC Codes	

Rick Riordan Presents: It Waits in the Forest Sarah Dass

Drawing from the darkest corners of Caribbean mythology, acclaimed author Sarah Dass crafts a chilling tale of magic, murder, and how far we'll go to protect what's ours.

Unlike the other residents of the small Caribbean Island of St. Virgil, Selina DaSilva does not believe in magic. With a logical mind and a knack for botany, Selina used to dream of leaving the island to study Pharmacology—until a vicious, unsolved attack left her father dead and her mother in a coma.

Now her guilt over her mother's condition keeps her tethered to the island, relegated to conning gullible tourists with useless talismans and phony protection rituals. But when one of those tourists ends up at the center of a string of strange murders, the truth that Selina has been denying can no longer be avoided: there is evil lurking in the forests that surround St. Virgil. Another thing that can't be avoided?

As long-buried feelings and long-hidden secrets about Selina's family's past begin to reveal themselves, only one answer remains—and it waits in the forest.

AUTHENTIC CARIBBEAN REPRESENTATION: Features a full cast of Black, Caribbean characters, and a setting inspired by the author's native Tobago

UNFORGETTABLE FEMALE LEAD: Selina DaSilva is Sabrina Spellman meets Veronica Mars—an irresistible force of shrewd wit, snark, and vulnerability

14/05/2024			
Publisher	Disney Publishing Group	Binding	Hardback
ISBN	9781368098335	Illustrations	
Format	229 x 152mm	Author	Sarah Dass
Price	£16.99	Illustrator	
Age	12 +	Market	
Extent	320	BIC Codes	



Rick Riordan Presents: Last Canto of the Dead An Outlaw Saints Novel, Book 2

Daniel José Older



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Age	12 and up	Market	
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Bite Me, Royce Taslim

Lauren Ho

Acclaimed author of adult titles *Last Tang Standing* **and** *Lucie Yi is Not a Romantic*, **here is Lauren Ho with her YA debut: a sharp yet sweet rivals-to-romance romp through Kuala Lumpur.**

Agnes Chan never expected to be the punchline of her own life, but how else do you explain getting accidentally run over and seeing a lifetime of careful preparation, endless training, and all your hopes of a track scholarship to college, destroyed in a split second?

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Behind the scenes, though, Royce's flawless façade fades away, revealing someone Agnes never expected – someone who shows her that perhaps the best parts of life are the ones you aren't prepared for – and as the competition heats up, so do things between these two rivals. But will the pressure to win be too much for them to handle – or will Agnes (and Royce) get the last laugh?

KEY SELLING POINTS

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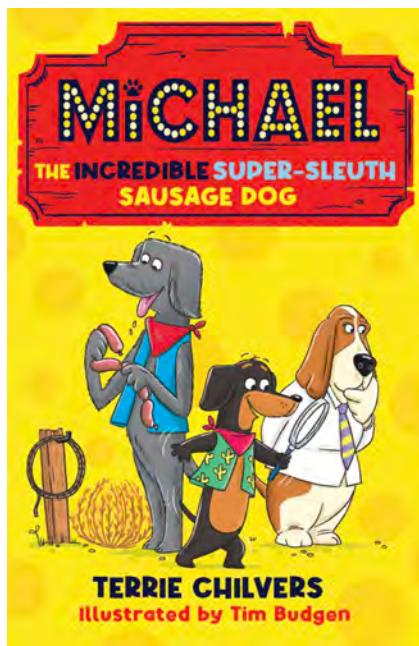
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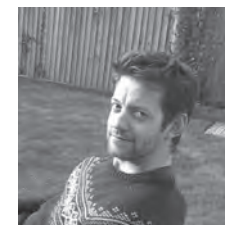
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Being a su-paw-star isn't working out quite like Micheal had planned. So when Susan the Labrador gets kidnapped, Micheal jumps at the chance to increase his TV ratings and wow his fans by becoming not just a mind-reading sausage dog, but a detective mastermind as well... oh, and he should probably try and save Susan from her kidnappers too.

Praise for Michael the Amazing Mind-Reading Sausage Dog

'Hilarious and heartwarming. Michael's journey to su-paw-stardom is an inspiring reminder to go after your dreams, get up when you fall, and never let a peanut-balancing chocolate labrador steal the show.' **Hannah Moffatt**

'A tail-waggingly fun read. You're in for a doggie treat.' **Mo O'Hara**



Terrie Chilvers writes funny middle grade fiction and non-fiction. She works freelance as a copywriter and social media consultant but is most happy when teaching a dog to high-five or taking a picture of her Eggs Benedict to post on Instagram. Terrie lives in London where she is the doting aunt to two long-haired sausage dogs. @cowfishdreams

For much of his life **Tim Budgen** has been scribbling down ideas and can usually be found with a pencil in one hand and a sketchbook in the other! He has a real passion for character design and storytelling. His illustration work has been described as 'story telling with whimsical charm, warmth and humour' and he'd like to think that is pretty true!

Tim lives with his wife by the sea on Hayling Island with their pets Baxter and Alfie. @timbudgen

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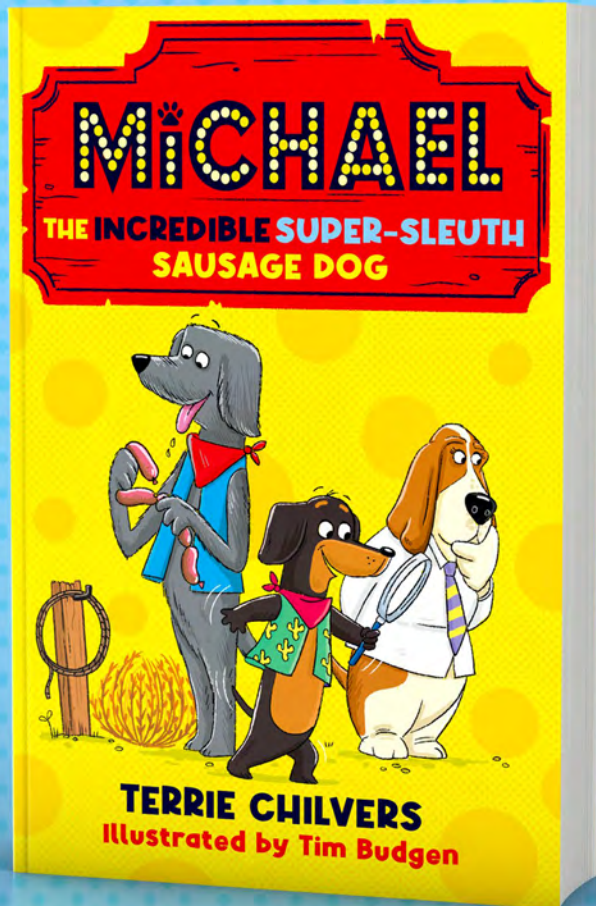
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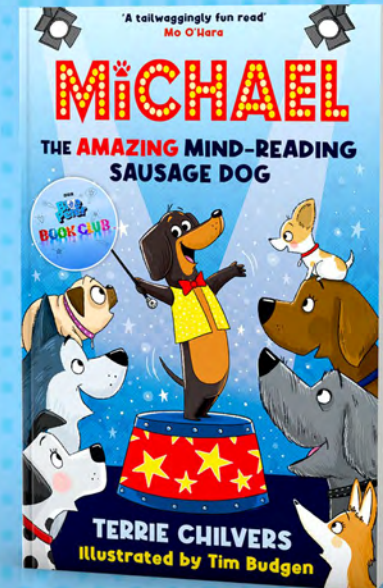
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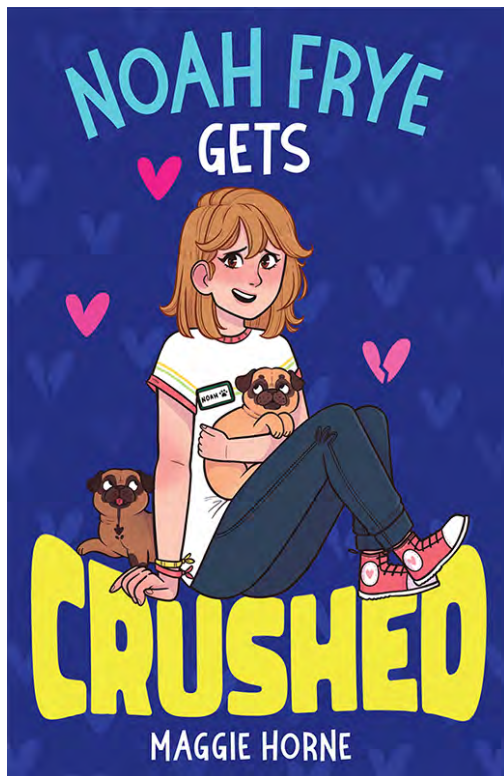
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Noah Frye Gets Crushed

Maggie Horne

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- *Noah Frye Gets Crushed* is a middle grade LGBTQIA + rom-com about that first crush romance.
- Confronts the important themes of identity, relationships, friendship and sexuality.

Summary:

Best friends Luna and Zoey can't stop talking about boys and kissing, but Noah just wants everything to go back to the way it was. To fit in, Noah pretends that she likes Archie, a boy from school, even though she's not quite sure. When Jessa joins their group things get even more confusing.

Can Noah admit to herself who she really likes, not who she thinks she should?

Praise for *Noah Frye Gets Crushed*:

"Friendship, family, falling in love... is it meant to be this complicated? A quirky, gorgeous, addictive story!" **Cathy Cassidy**

"Such an important story about emerging feelings of sexuality and not going along with the crowd that will resonate with and reassure so many young readers." **Tamsin Winter**



Maggie Horne is a writer who grew up near Toronto, Canada. She now lives in the UK with her wife, where they keep a collection of dogs and children. She is the author of books for middle grade and young adult readers. Her first novel, *Hazel Hill is Gonna Win this One*, was a 2023 LGBTQ+ Middle Grade Lambda Literary Award finalist and a Notable Children's Books in the Language Arts (NCTE) nominee.

Maggie is based in Buckinghamshire.

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‘Wales has a such a rich history of poetry and I'm keen to continue encouraging that enthusiasm in the young people of Wales today. And I Hear Dragons is a collection that roars in celebration of Wales' distinct sense of identity and belonging!’ **Hanan Issa, editor**

...And I Hear Dragons

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Summary:

A children's poetry anthology of 'dragon-focused' poems, conceived and edited by the National Poet of Wales, Hanan Issa.

A ground-breaking new anthology from diverse Welsh writers is aimed at children aged between eight and twelve.

...And I Hear Dragons, explores the concept of identity, and Hanan has written a poem of the same name that 'celebrates the children of Wales as ferociously brave mythical beasts', taking on discrimination, pollution etc, and upholding Wales' tradition of croesawgar (welcoming).

‘We were delighted when Hanan approached us with And I Hear Dragons! We had been trying to find a way to get a children's poetry anthology from Wales off the ground for some time, but with Hanan's insightful vision and knowledge of poetry from Wales, we are confident this title will take flight and become a valuable and inspiring collection for children to enjoy and find themselves in poetry. We are so looking forward to working with the National Poet and all the contributors on this.’ **Penny Thomas, publisher**



Hanan Issa is a writer, poet and artist, as well as the co-founder of the Where I'm Coming From open mic collective, whose debut pamphlet *My Body Can House Two Hearts* was published by Burning Eye Books. Her work has been performed and published on platforms such as BBC Wales, ITV Wales, Huffington Post, StAnza Festival, Poetry Wales, Wales Arts International and the British Council.

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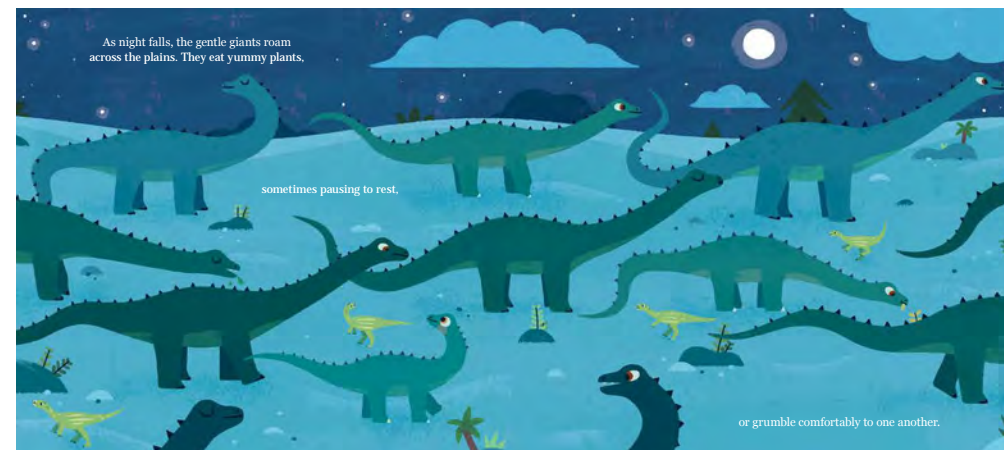
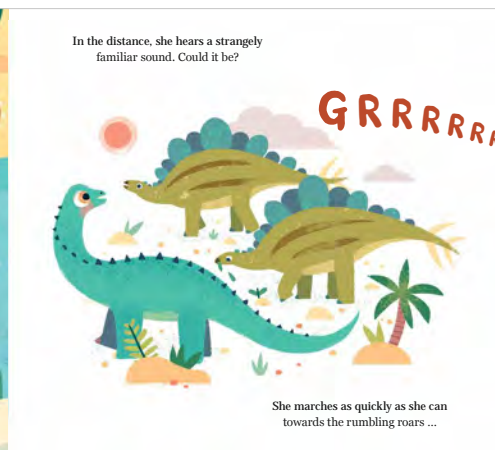
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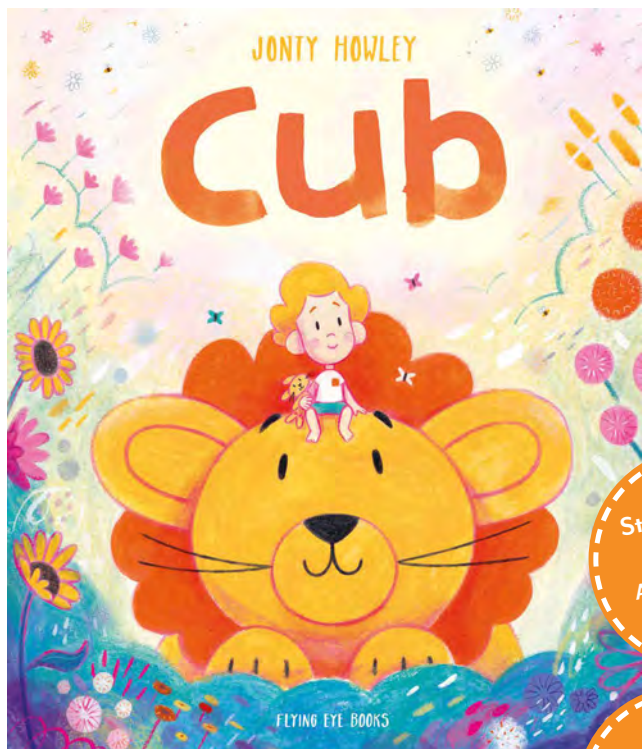
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ABOUT THE CREATOR



Jonty Howley spent his childhood in a tiny rural village in the south of England, where he spent his time exploring the woods and fields and practicing drawing. He studied illustration at UAL (University of the Arts, London) and graduated with a BA. Since then, Howley has worked with publishers such as Random House Children's Books, Random House Studio, Flying Eye and Happy Yak. His debut book, *Big Boys Cry*, received excellent reviews and has been translated into eight languages.

Jonty lives in West Sussex, UK

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ABOUT THE CREATOR



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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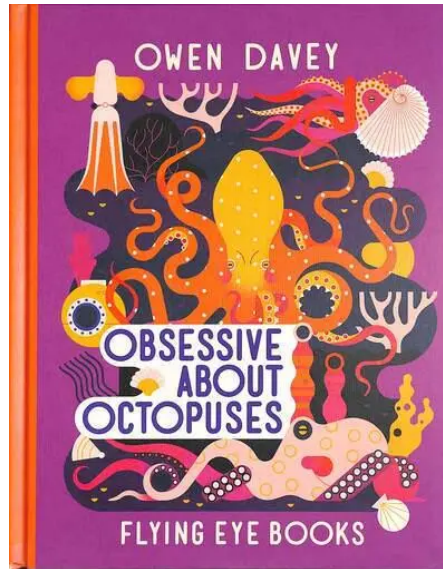
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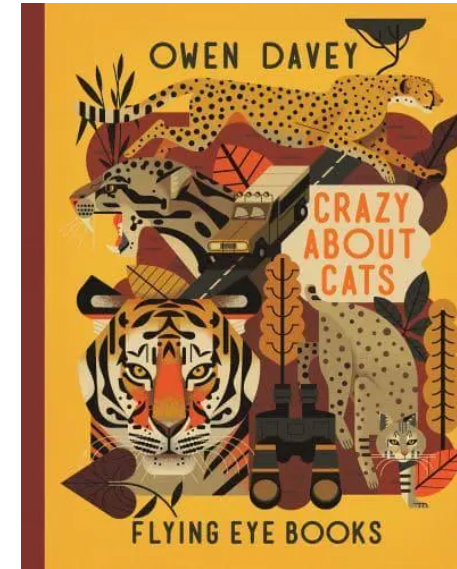
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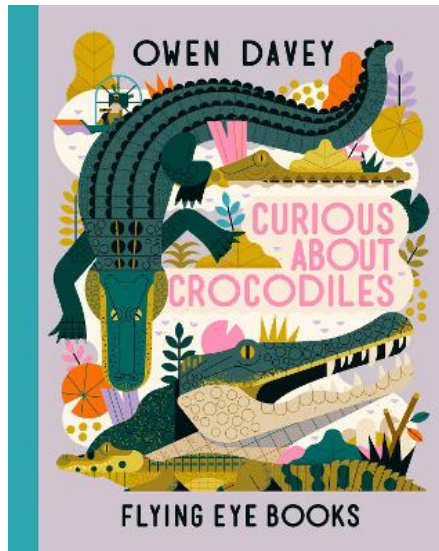
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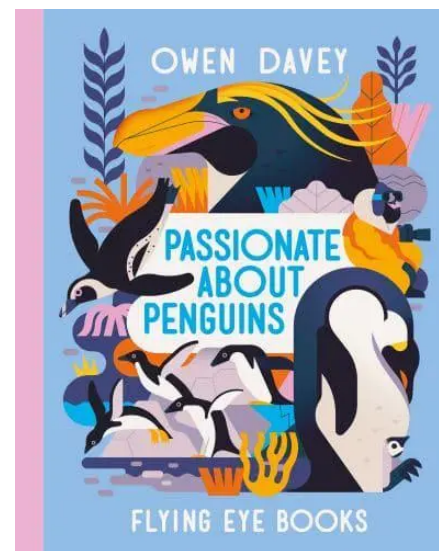
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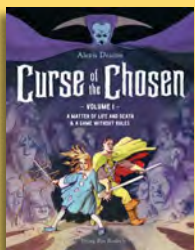
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ABOUT THE CREATOR



Benji Lee studied at the School of Visual Arts in NYC for a BFA in illustration, whilst also taking classes in comics, graphic design, and writing. Lee currently resides in Los Angeles. Some of their clients include Drop Dead Clothing, Burton, Boom! Studios, and Nickelodeon. Their work is influenced by artists such as Marc Boutavant, Dave Cooper and Andrei Tarkovsky.

Benji lives in New York, USA

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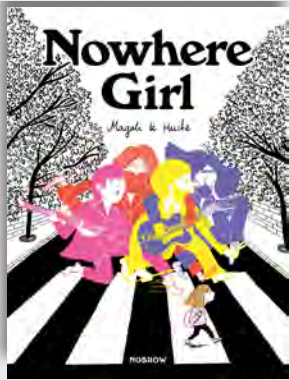
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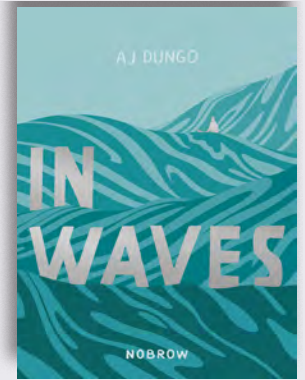
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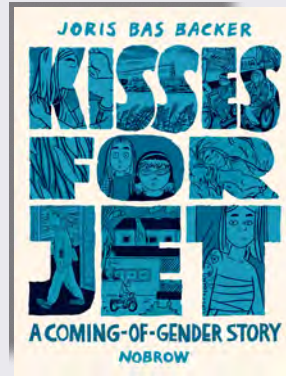
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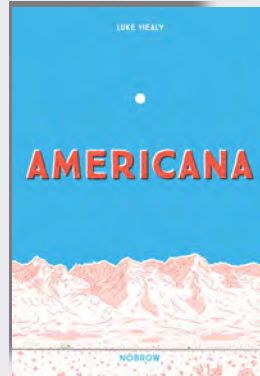
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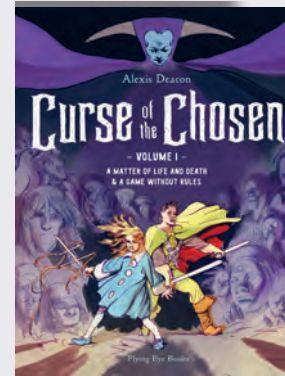
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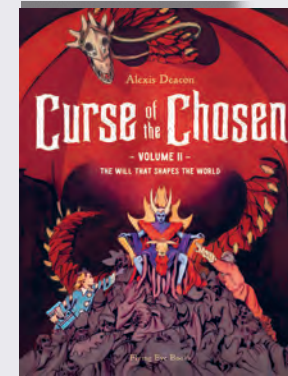
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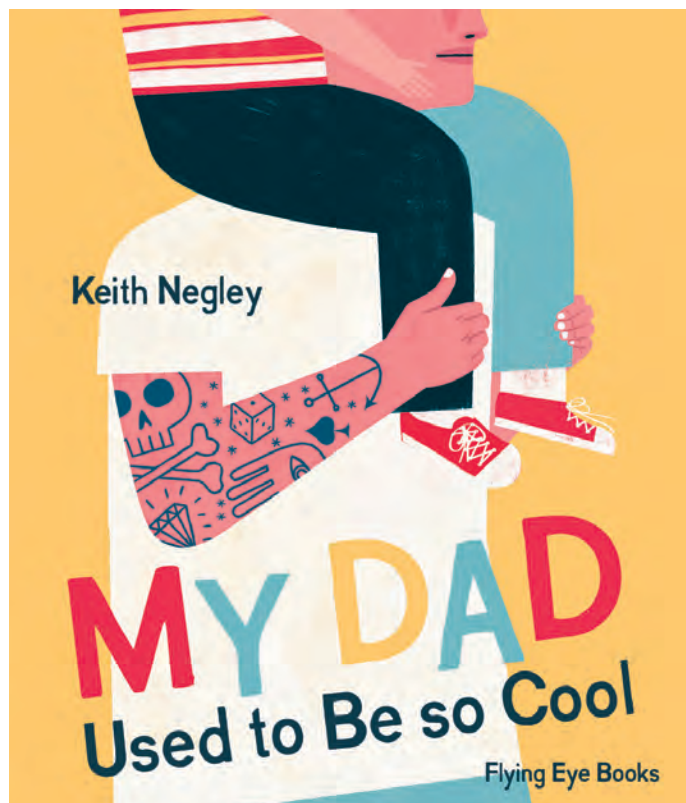


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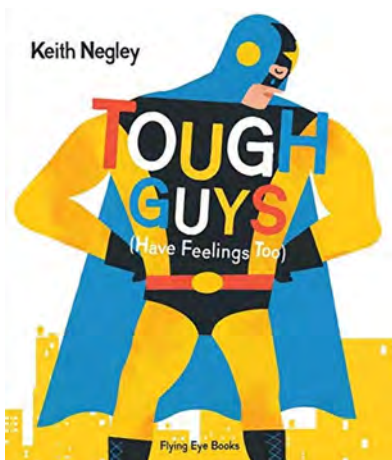


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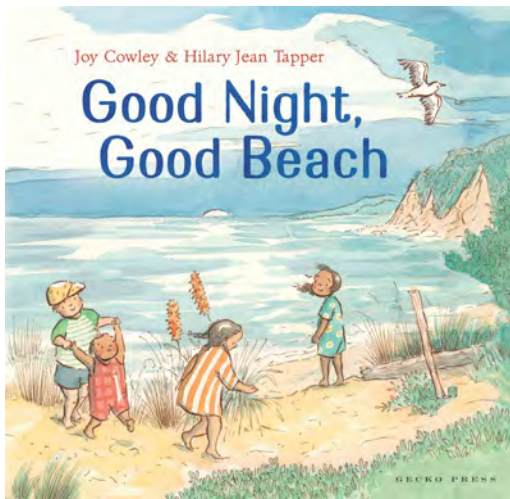


ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR

Keith Negley is an award-winning editorial illustrator with a penchant for emotionally driven illustration. He's been published in a wide range of major newspapers and national magazines, and is a frequent contributor to The New York Times and New Yorker. He lives in the mountains of Bellingham, Washington surrounded by rain forests and giant spiders.

INTERIOR SPREADS





Good Night, Good Beach

Author: **Joy Cowley**

Illustrator: **Hilary Jean Tapper**

An evocative and beautiful bedtime picture book that distils the essence of summer at the beach—creaky old bed, sandy feet, waves hush-hushing and a shell under the pillow.

ABOUT THE BOOK

Summer holidays by the sea have a rhythm all their own. With a few resonant images Cowley takes us straight to the end of a long hot day with beach treasures under the pillow and the salty smell of the sea. The cadence of the final words echoes the shushing waves in a gentle signal of time for readers to sleep—“good day, good sea, good sand, good night”.

This simple poem by internationally renowned Joy Cowley transports the reader to a childhood summer with language that asks to be read over and over. Hilary Jean Tapper’s warm watercolour and ink illustrations add an inclusive cast of extended family, friends and children of different ages.

SALES POINTS

- An essence-of-summer picture book and simple goodnight read aloud
- Simple, resonant text about a lasting childhood experience
- Contemporary classic artwork is accessible and evocative
- Share with babies, toddlers and the whole family

ABOUT THE AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

Joy Cowley is one of New Zealand’s best-loved writers for children and adults, with an international reputation. She has won a multitude of awards and honours for her bestselling books, including the Prime Minister’s Award for contribution to literature. She was shortlisted for the Hans Christian Andersen Award in 2018.

Hilary Jean Tapper is an illustrator and creative arts therapist. Her picture book *What To Say* written by Davina Bell won the Australian children’s book of the year 2023.



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WHY I CHOSE THIS BOOK

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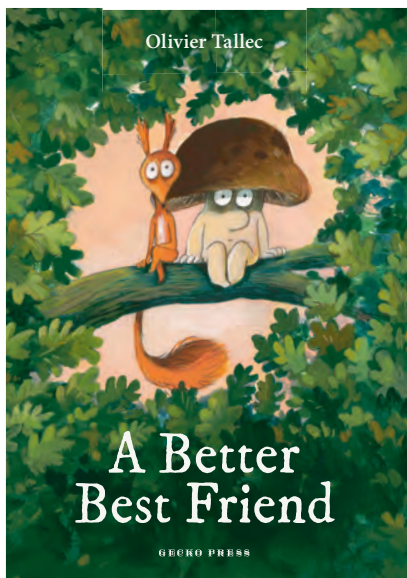
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A Better Best Friend

Author/Illustrator: **Olivier Tallec**

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ABOUT THE BOOK

“This morning when I was out walking, I found a best friend. At least I think so. It certainly looks a lot like it! He really has a best friend kind of face.”

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SALES POINTS

- Playfully explores the best friend question encountered by every child
- Funny, original characters: an expressive silent mushroom and a squirrel who embraces high drama
- An open ending but the message is clear—the more the merrier
- Olivier Tallec is world-renowned

ABOUT THE AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

Olivier Tallec was born in Brittany, France. After graduating from the École Supérieure d’Arts Appliqués Duperré in Paris, he travelled extensively and now lives and works in Paris. He has illustrated over 60 books for children.



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TITLE INFORMATION

Release May 2024

**best friendships | inclusivity |
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Format **hardback**

Size **280 x 200 mm**

Extent **32 pp**

Illustrations **colour**

ISBN **9781776575732**

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At least I think he is. Anyway, he looks like one.



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Vivi Conway and the Haunted Quest

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- Featuring a joyfully diverse cast of characters, with themes of friendship, trust and cooperation as they learn and grow together, as well as an authentic representation of a non-binary lead character
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Publication	2nd May 2024
Age Range	8-12 years
Format	B Format PB
Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781913311902

About the Author

Lizzie Huxley-Jones (they/them) is an autistic author and editor based in London. They are the author of the queer holiday rom-com Make You Mine This Christmas (2022, Hodder Studio) and fantasy middle-grade series Vivi Conway and the Sword of Legend (2023, Knights Of). They write joyful stories that centre queerness and disability. They are also the co-writer of upcoming YA rom-com Hits Different by Love Island alumni Tasha Ghouri. Their non-fiction titles include Stim, an anthology of autistic authors and artists, the children's biography Sir David Attenborough: A Life Story (2020), and the World Book Day title Being an Ally (2023).

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- Jenny Copper is a children's book editor and author who has been creating stories ever since she could read and write. Jenny lives in the Suffolk countryside with her two very spotty Dalmatians. Jenny's favourite authors are Terry Pratchett, Roald Dahl and Jane Austen.

Publication Info

- Format: Full colour, casebound board book with inset acetate windows and integral card steering wheels on each right-hand page
- Extent: 10pp
- Dimensions: 236x191mm
- Cover finishes: Spot UV, matt lamination
- Author: Jenny Copper
- Illustrator: Robin Baines, Sam Rennocks
- RRP: £8.99
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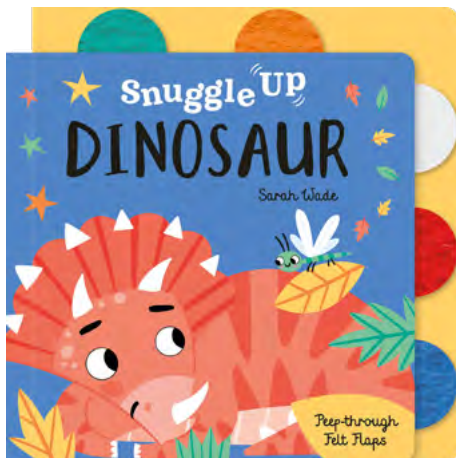
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Snuggle Up - Peep-Through Felt Flap Books



Snuggle up and say 'goodnight' to all the animals with these peep-through felt flap bedtime books.



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- Tactile, touch and feel, peep-through felt flaps provide plenty of calming, sensory read-and-play fun for curious little ones.
- Creates a calming bedtime routine-the gentle, goodnight stories are perfect for getting young ones to sleep even after the busiest of days.
- Charming, beautiful illustrations with things to spot on every page are guaranteed to develop a child's observation skills.

Features & Benefits

- An exciting new bedtime series-combines the outstanding success of touch and feel felt flaps with favourite animal characters and a bedtime story.
- Each large, soft-to-touch felt flap features peep-through holes to peek through and a shaped tab for little hands to easily lift and discover who is sleeping under each flap.
- Can be read as part of a calm bedtime routine-use the felt flaps to 'tuck in' each animal and wish them 'goodnight!'

Testimonials

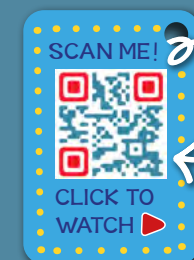
- Touch and feel felt flaps with peep-through holes will help children to develop key motor neurone skills.
- Written by Bobbie Brooks, an award-winning children's book author and winner of the BookTrust Storytime Prize 2023.
- Supports good parenting with gentle stories that can be combined into any child's bedtime routine.

Author | Illustrator

- Sarah is a children's illustrator living in sunny Suffolk with her two daughters, husband and cat called Mouse. Her designs can be found worldwide on over 80 children's titles as well as greeting cards, textiles and stationery. Sarah loves bringing whimsical stories to life with her expressive and playful style.

Publication Info

- Format: Full colour
- board book with felt flaps. Each felt flap features peep-through holes and a tab at the top or side to create colourful tabs around the book
- Extent: 10pp
- Dimensions: 203x203mm
- Cover finishes: Spot UV, varnish
- Author: Bobbie Brooks
- Illustrator: Sarah Wade
- RRP: £8.99
- BIC Code: YBGP
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Learning fun for little ones is made easy peasy with our new Easy Peely Play and Learn series. Just peel, stick and play!



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Features & Benefits

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- Beautiful illustrations by Kidlit illustrator Sarah Wade that are perfect to keep children aged 3-5 engaged with the seek and find activity on each page.

Testimonials

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Author | Illustrator

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Publication Info

- Format: Full colour, casebound board book
- Extent: : 10pp with 2 sheets of reusable play pieces
- Dimensions: 246x221mm
- Cover finishes: Die-cut, gloss
- Author: Holly Hall
- Illustrator: Sarah Wade
- RRP: £9.99
- BIC Code: YBGS
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Publication Info

- Format: Boxed pack
- Extent: 32pp, 5-piece pre-cut habitat model, 5 die-cut cardboard sheets with 25 press-out animals
- Dimensions: 240x195x40mm/9.4x7.7x1.6in
- Cover finishes: Gloss
- Author: Susan Mayes
- Illustrator: Emma Martinez
- RRP: £14.99
- BIC Code: YNNR
- CBMC Code: C4J79



Features & Benefits

- Unique slot-together habitat model with animals, no glue required.
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Author

- Susan Mayes graduated from Leeds University, UK, with a degree in Creative Arts, studying art and literature. She began her writing career as an author of children's non-fiction, later spreading her literary wings to write children's picture storybooks.

Illustrator

- Emma is an illustrator from Barcelona specialising in children's illustration. She lives in a small village near the mountains, and nature and animals are her greatest inspiration.

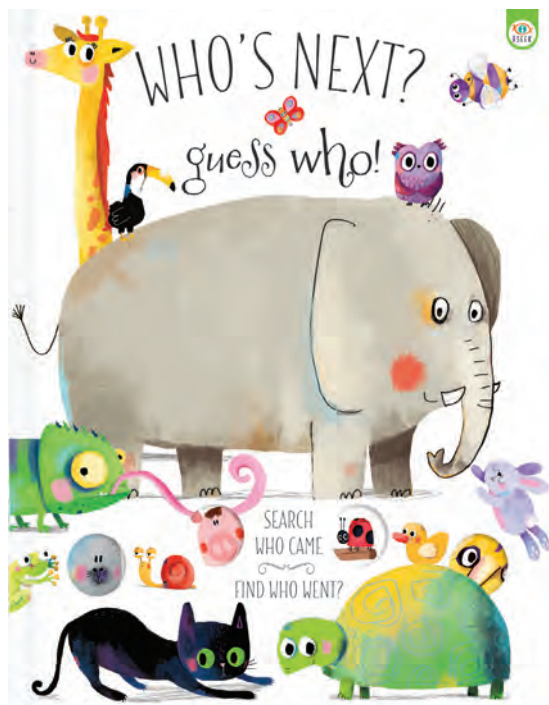
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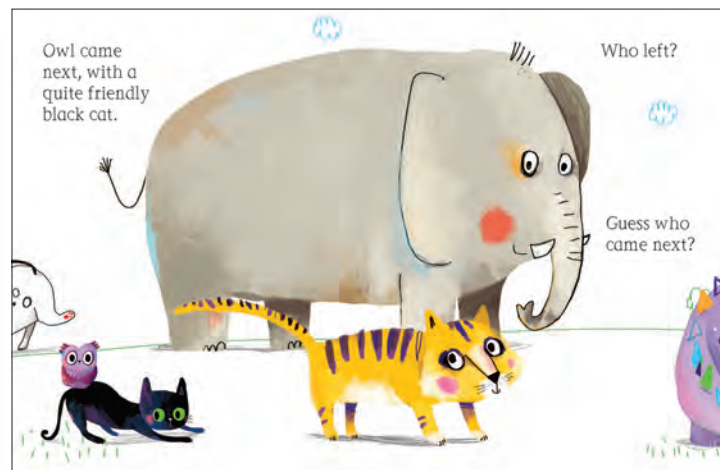


ISBN: 978-1-915995-18-6

Author: Anton Poitier

Illustrations: Sophia Touliaou

Young readers can delight in searching for fun animal characters that come and go on each page.



Publication: May 2024
Age: 3+
Price: £10.99
Format: hardback
Size: 280mm x 230mm
Pages: 36pp
ISBN: 978-1-915995-18-6
Territory: UK and Ireland + Export (excluding N. America & ANZ)

Description

This book offers a fun search and find activity on every page. Young children are invited to guess which animal will appear next, and which animal has left, based on the illustrated hints in the corner of the page. There are 30 different creatures who come and go and young children will delight in spotting them, answering the simple questions as they go. Bold and humorous illustrations will entertain, over and again.

Sales and marketing points

- Fun search and find activity.
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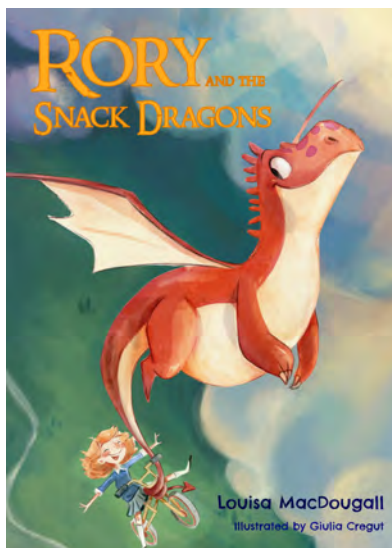
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Category Children's

Age range 06 - 09

Extent 180p

TPS 130 x 180

Binding Paperback

Language English

Rights World

Sales Points

Rory And The Snack Dragons is the first book in a brand new chapter book series for 6 to 9 year-olds. This funny, magical story from debut author Louisa MacDougall is about about the unlikely friendship between Rory, a dragon outcast who likes to eat bicycles, and Flora, a plucky princess who loves to ride them.

Description

Rory is an unusual sort of dragon – he would rather hide than go hunting and he would far rather eat a tasty bicycle than a juicy princess.

In this first book in the Snack Dragon series, Rory bites off more than he can chew when he steals a bike and accidentally kidnaps the princess who owns it.

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About the author

Louisa is a community worker who lives with her husband and three daughters on the windswept Isle of Harris in the Outer Hebrides – where the mist and mountains make it easy to imagine dragons at every turn. Louisa's writing was shortlisted for the Kelpies Prize in 2022 and the Searchlight Prize in 2023.

Rory and the Snack Dragons originally started life as a picture book text which won the Scottish Association of Writers picture book text award in 2022 but it was apparent that a much bigger adventure of dragons, princesses and tasty treats awaited the reader.

This is Louisa's debut chapter book.

About the illustrator

Giulia has been in love with art all her life. She began to draw and paint as soon as she was given her first crayons as a child. At school she struggled with maths, english, and science...luckily she found art. She studied painting, drawing and other disciplines for six years at the Centro d'arte Martenot, in Francesca Del Panta's Studio, Italy.

From 2014 to 2017 she studied illustration at the Nemo Academy in Florence. She now loves her work as a freelance illustrator.

Giulia previously illustrated the Little Door picture book by Emily Dodd, Crime Squirrel Investigators.

The Eternal Return of Clara Hart YA Fiction

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***Russian Doll* meets *Promising Young Woman* in a sensational YA debut about toxic masculinity and gendered violence**

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Spence hates Anthony's sexist jokes but he never says anything – he's a mate, and Spencer doesn't have many. Then Spence finds Anthony assaulting a drugged girl, Clara Hart, at a party. Clara flees the house and is killed by a car on the road.

The next day starts the same way as the last – Spence wakes up in his car, in his school uniform, all over again. And then he sees somebody from the party: Clara Hart.

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To break the spell Spence has to join the dots between Anthony's everyday sexism and his assault on Clara. He must recognise his own complicity and find the courage to call out the toxic behaviour of his friend.

Praise for *The Eternal Return of Clara Hart*

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Binding: Paperback
Format: B format
Extent: 272 pages

Key Sales Points

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- **Highly relevant to young readers today:** Covers vital topical themes of toxic masculinity and misogynistic culture

About the author

Louise grew up in a small town in the English Midlands. After studying History of Art she worked for over a decade in the charity sector across women's and LGBT+ rights, and youth arts.



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Author Information

Krina Patel-Sage is an illustrator, author and designer. In 2018 she was shortlisted for Penguin's WriteNow illustration prize. She wrote and illustrated *My Mindful Book of Zen*, and illustrated *Caterpillar Cake* by Matt Goodfellow for Otter-Barry Books. Krina lives in west London.



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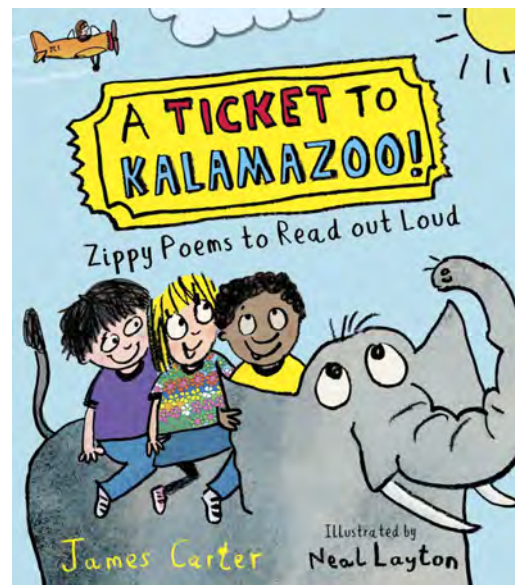
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Author Information

James Carter is an award-winning children's poet, non-fiction writer and musician. An ambassador for National Poetry Day, he travels all over the UK and abroad with his melodica to give lively, action-packed poetry/music performances, workshops and INSET days. In the last 19 years James has visited over 1300 Primary/Prep schools in the UK and abroad and has performed at festivals including Cheltenham, Hay and Edinburgh. He is the author of CLiPPA-shortlisted collection *Zim Zam Zoom* (with Nicola Colton), and, for older children, *Weird, Wild and Wonderful: the poetry world of James Carter* (with Neal Layton). He lives in Oxfordshire.

Neal Layton is an author and illustrator whose images are prized for their spontaneity and inventiveness. His picture books include *The Tree*, *The Story of Stars*, and *Oscar and Arabella*. Born in Chichester, he was going to be a scientist but instead studied Graphic Design, gaining a BA at Newcastle and an MA in Illustration at Central St Martins. He lives with his family in Portsmouth, Hampshire.



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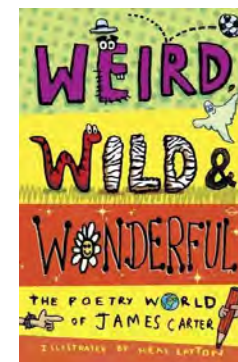
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Ginger-Pincher

When moon is high
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to hit the town
to snoop about

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so no-one knows
can see her creep
on tippy-toes

Or marvel
at that rusty fur
or bushy
fuzzy tail of hers

So Ginger's off
to go a pinchin'
snout-a-sniffin'
whiskers twitchin'

She'll be sneakin'
'round the shops
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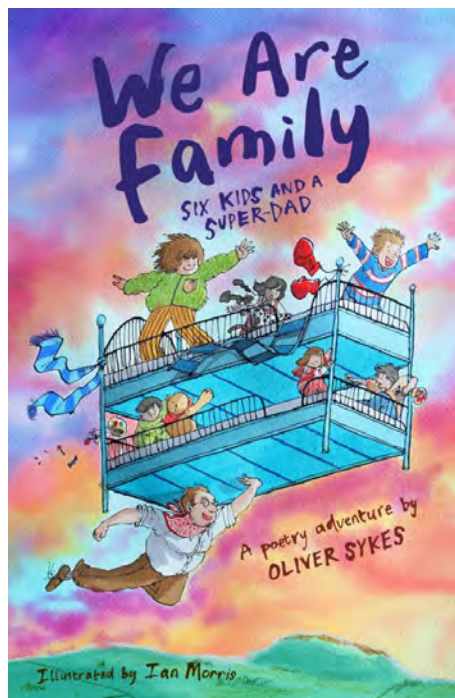
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- A real-life, gripping story told in verse
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Author Information

Oliver Sykes grew up on a council estate in Derbyshire. A former amateur boxer and qualified boxing coach, since 2015 he has worked with Manchester-based Stories of Care, where he is now Lead Artist and Producer. His debut story, *Alfie's First Fight*, illustrated by Ian Morris, is winner of the 'Illustrated Young Reader' category at the 2023 Children's Literature Festivals Book Awards. A theatre adaptation went on a national tour of England in 2022. Oliver lives in Manchester.

Ian Morris has a Master's degree in Illustration from Manchester School of Art. In 2017 he was one of 'Top 10 Upcoming Image Makers' recognised by the Association of Illustrators. He has been nominated for the Carnegie Illustration Medal 2023 and longlisted for the Klaus Flugge Prize 2022. Ian is enthusiastic about encouraging reading and drawing in young children and is a Literacy Champion with the National Literacy Trust for Manchester Central Library. He lives in Manchester.



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Now what’s he doing?
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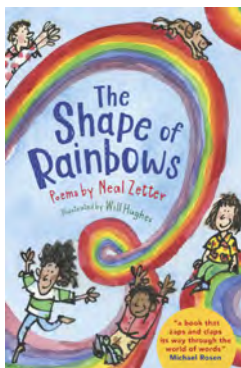
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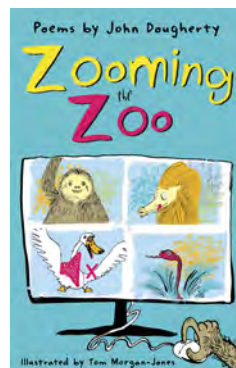
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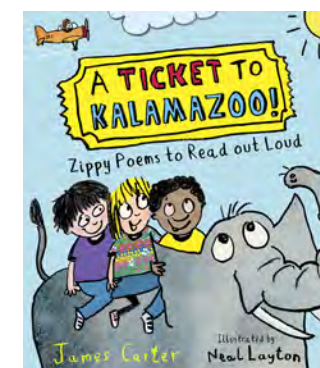
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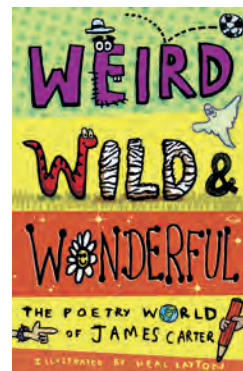


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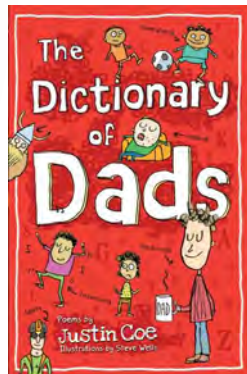
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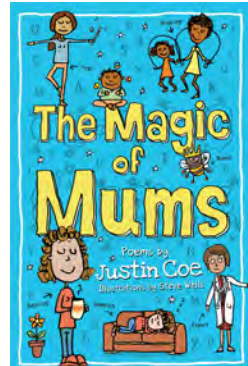
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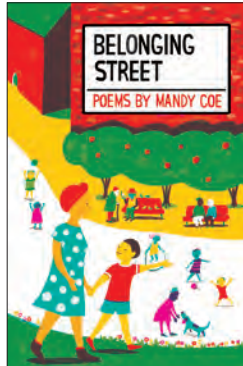


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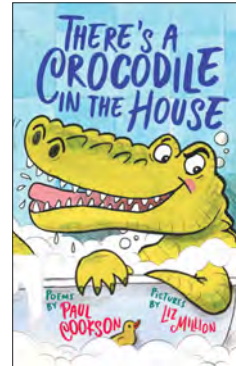


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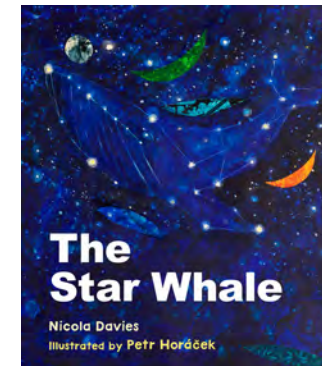


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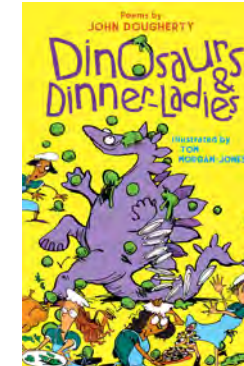


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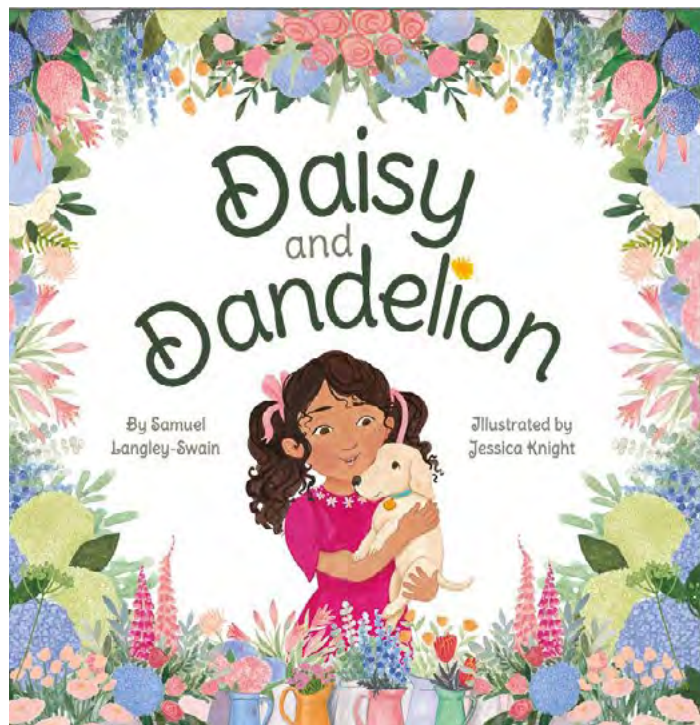
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What if the PERFECT life isn't ACTUALLY perfect at all?

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"This gorgeous story left muddy footprints all over my heart."
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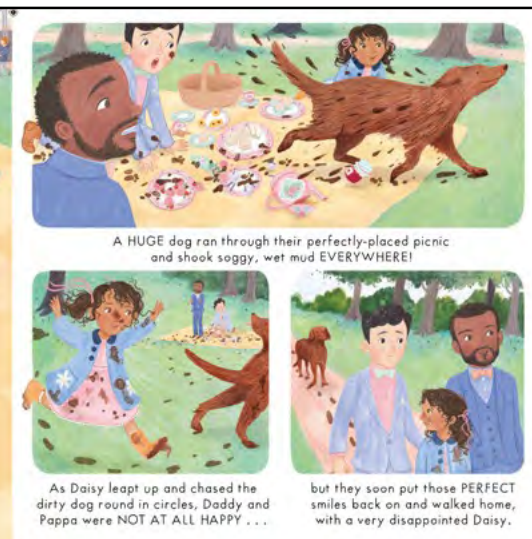
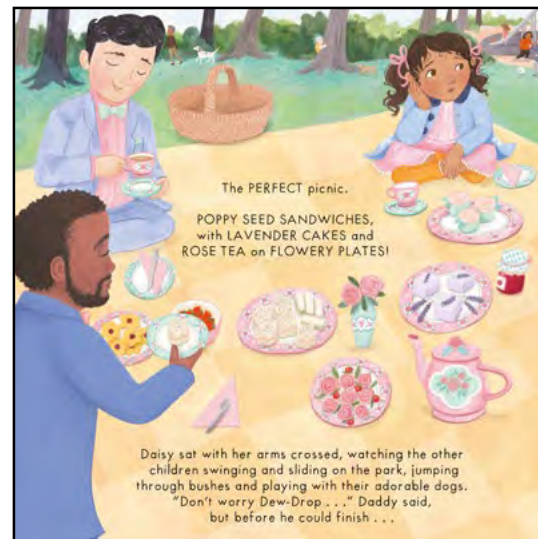
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Eric Carle: The Very Sunny Day!

Musical Bubble Wand Song Book Set

Description:

Come outside for a bubbly, sunny day singalong! Press 5 buttons to play music while you blow bubbles. This box set includes a board book featuring beloved artwork from the World of Eric Carle and a 5-button bubble wand that plays music. Lyrics are printed in the book, so your little ones can read, sing along, and blow bubbles! Bubble mixture recipe included. Matching words with pictures and sounds enhances reading comprehension, and connecting with favorite characters engages young readers at story time.

ISBN: 9781503772175

RRP: £7.99

Binding: Box Set

Format: Bubble Wand Songbook Box Set

Pages: 12

Height: 209.55mm

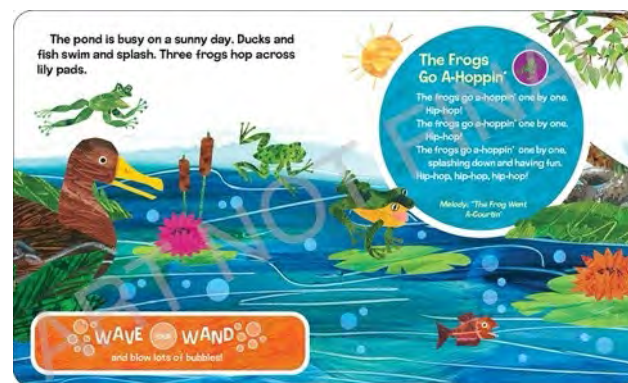
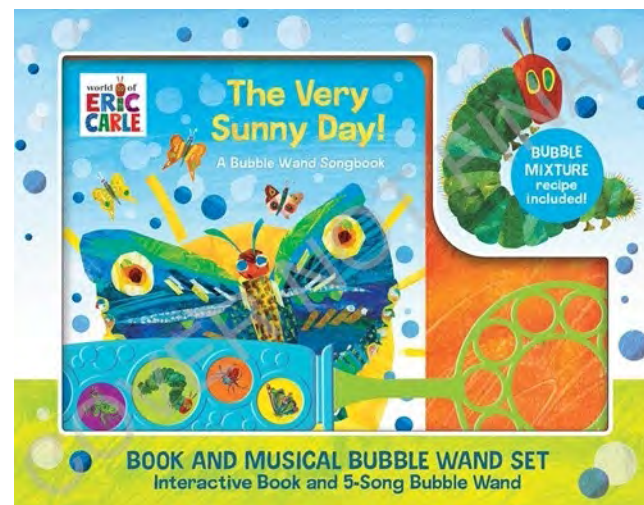
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ISBN: 9781503771826

RRP: £12.99

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Format: Push and Pop Books

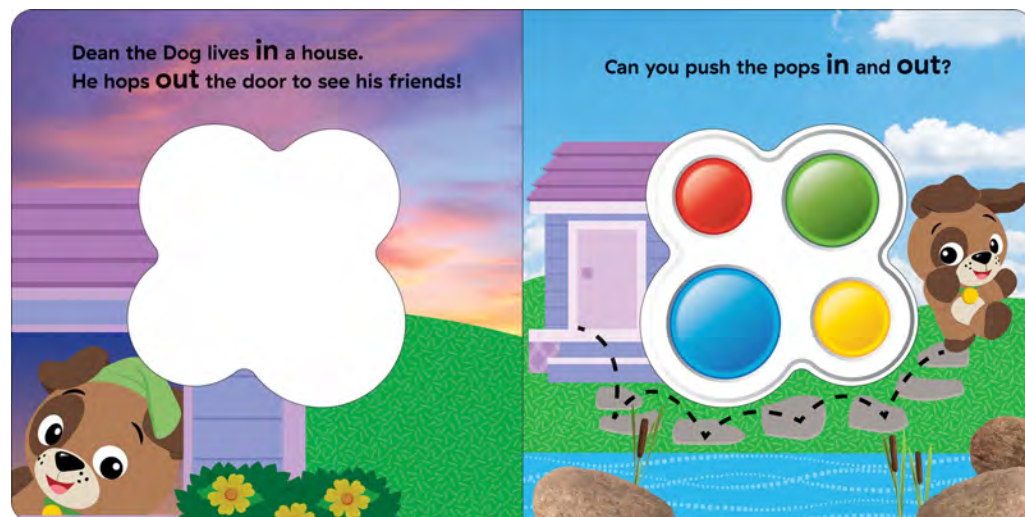
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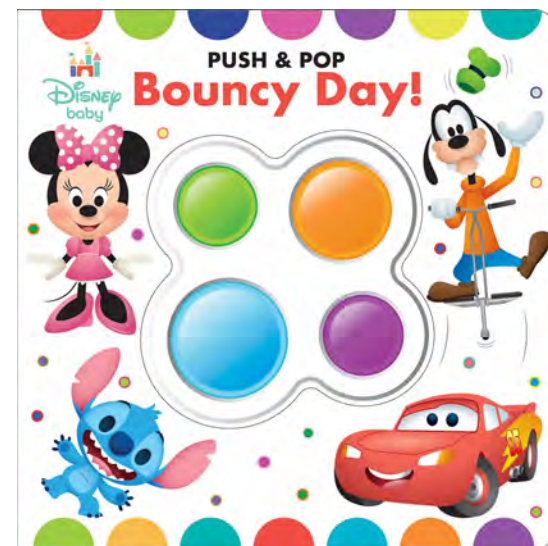
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Eric Carle: Farm Songs Mirror Songbook

Description:

Sing farm songs while you explore around the barnyard!
Press 5 buttons to play music and look in the mirror
while you sing along! Lyrics included.

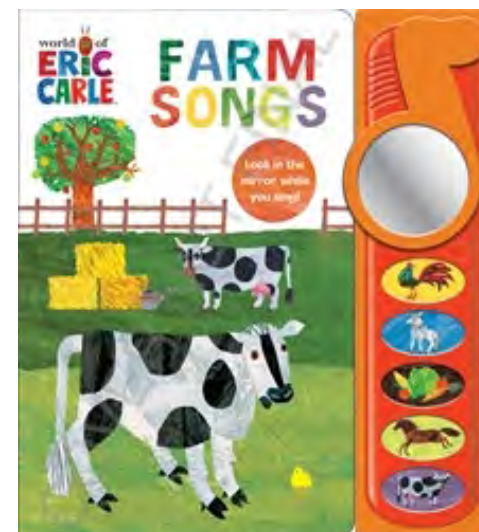
ISBN: 9781503772700

Binding: Board Book
Format: Mirror Songbook
RRP £12.99

Pages: 12
Height: 8.86"
Width: 7.9"
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Height: 225mm
Width: 200.7mm
Depth: 23.9mm

Age Range: From 1 years 6 months to 3 years



Publication Date: 15/05/2024

Disney Baby: Silly Songs

Mirror Song Book

Description:

Sing silly songs with Mickey and friends! Press 5 buttons to play music and look in the mirror while you sing along! Lyrics included.

ISBN: 9781503772687

RRP: £12.99

Binding: Board Book

Format: Mirror Songbook

Pages: 12

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Age Range: From 1 years 6 months to 3 years



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Baby Einstein: Animal Songs

Mirror Song Book

Description:

Sing animal songs with your Baby Einstein friends! Press 5 buttons to play music and sing along. Look in the mirror while you sing! Lyrics included.

ISBN: 9781503772694

RRP: £12.99

Binding: Board Book
Format: Mirror Songbook

Pages: 12
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Mirror Song Book

Description:

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ISBN: 9781503772892

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Binding: Board Book
Format: Mirror Songbook

Pages: 12
Height: 225mm
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Age Range: From 0 years to 1 years 6 months



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Binding **Hardback**

Format **248 x 294mm**

Extent **32 pages**

Word Count

Territorial Rights **World English**

Our Wild Garden

Daniel Seton (Illustrated By Pieter Fannes)

Keynote

A gorgeous picturebook to get kids excited about wild gardening!

Description

What if wildlife wasn't something we saw on nature documentaries, but something that lived in our gardens?

When Ali and Poppy hear about wild gardening at school, they immediately start to dream about all the adventures they could have if they invited the wild into their garden. They soon set to work transforming their ordinary back garden into a beautifully (and slightly less tidy) place, full of wild flowers and butterflies, where they see can see hedgehogs and migrating birds, fox cubs and hummingbird hawk moths...

Our Wild Garden is a stunning picture book about wild gardening and forming a meaningful, rewarding relationship with the natural world at a young age.

Sales Points

- Rewilding and wild gardening is a growing trend, with many prominent champions - but this is the first wild gardening picture book for children
- Aimed at kids living in towns and cities, with access to modest gardens - many of whom are currently growing up without a meaningful relationship to the natural world
- The author is based in the UK, very enthusiastic about wild gardening and available for events

Author Biography

Daniel Seton is an editor and picture book author who lives in Dorchester, Dorset. He has a small garden which he is in the process of wilding, and it already has a visiting hedgehog.

Pieter Fannes is an illustrator who lives in Brussels with his wife, two children and one cat.



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But one day Poppy and Ali hear about rewilding at school.

They start to dream about letting the wild into THEIR garden and all the adventures they could have.



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How to Be Free

Daisy May Johnson

Keynote

The delightful third book in the 'truly marvellous' (*Independent*) How to Be series: a thrilling adventure of found family, undying loyalty and some truly spectacular cake

Description

It's the start of a new term at the School of the Good Sisters and Hanna, Edie and Calla are ready to enjoy everything their extraordinary school has to offer. But they soon realise that Something Is Most Definitely Up. Not only is a mean businessman trying to open a kale factory in Little Hampden and remove all their delicious snacks, but their beloved Headmistress Good Sister June has disappeared - and nobody knows where she's gone.

It's time for Hanna and her friends to rally an army of first years to protest against the horrors of kale while they set out on an adventure to bring Good Sister June home. As they travel across the country following a trail of clues, they will learn about the power of family, friendship, and a well-timed slice of Victoria Sponge...

Sales Points

- The sparkling next book in the *How To Be* series, a major a hit with media, booksellers and young readers
- A bracingly fresh adventure story rooted in children's classics, with a courageous heroine - akin to *Murder Most Unladylike* or a 21st-century *Malory Towers*
- Author Daisy May Johnson is deeply rooted in the children's book world and is an eloquent speaker on the importance of inspiring young readers

Reviews

- '- Praise for the *How to Be* series' - -
- 'This twisty tale is truly marvellous' - *Independent, Children's Book of the Week*
- 'Ridiculously loveable book alert... hilarious and completely endearing' - Clémentine Beauvais, author of *Piglettes*
- '*How to be Brave* is wonderful. It's a brilliantly funny and heartfelt middle-grade adventure that had me cheering, smiling, crying and craving a slice of victoria sponge. Think bake-off-meets-boarding-school with nuns and ducks. I loved it' - Sarah Baker, author of *Through the Mirror Door*

Author Biography

Daisy May Johnson is a writer, librarian and blogger. She writes about children's literature at *Did You Ever Stop To Think*, tweets as @chaletfan, and when she's not doing any of that, you'll find her curled up with her favourite school stories, or baking the world's best chocolate brownies. *How to Be Brave* and *How to Be True* are also available from Pushkin Children's Books.



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Reading Age: From C 8 Years (5AJ)

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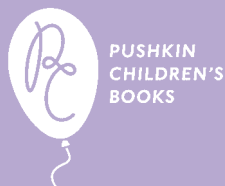


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By Ruth Brown



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In this twist on the favourite childhood game, the reader must solve a riddle to guess which animal is hiding, and then search for it in the beautifully detailed illustrations.

Key Selling Points

- A beautiful gift book with gold foil on the cover
- Good value - will provide hours of entertainment.
- A satisfying bedtime ending.
- Use of rhyme and riddles supports teaching of English and comprehension
- Intricate pictures support visual literacy
- *This seek-and-find picture book full of riddles and detailed, beautifully observed nature drawings of landscapes, leaves, trees and creatures will help to teach letters, rhymes and a love of wildlife.* **SUNDAY TIMES**
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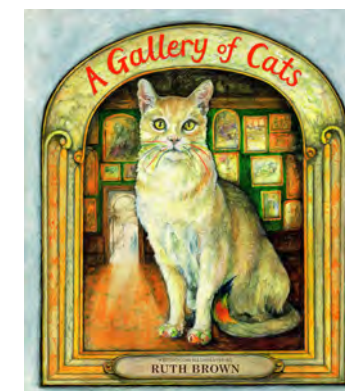
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- Longlisted for the 2023 UKLA Book Award
- Nominated for the 2023 Yoto Carnegie Medal for Illustration
- Author reading [on website](#)
- Ruth Brown is a household name who has created dozens of picture books including *A Dark Dark Tale*, *Greyfriars Bobby* and more recently *A Gallery of Cats*, and *Ten Little Dogs*.

Title	Eye Spy
Author	Ruth Brown
Publication	2 May 2024
Age	3-6
Price	£7.99
Format	Paperback
Size	275 x 240 mm
Extent	32pp
ISBN	978-1-915252-76-0
Territory	World ex USA & Can
BIC Code	YBGT, YBLB, YFP, YBC
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Ruth Brown is the creator of some of Britain's best loved children's books. She was born in Devon and now lives in London and Kent.

Ruth's books are translated in many languages around the world, and she has won the Earthworm Award, the English Association Award, the Prix Sorcière and been shortlisted 3 times for the Kate Greenaway Medal.



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It's a MOUSE!



I spy with my little eye,
something beginning with

H

Its ears are soft. Its legs are long.
It runs so fast it's almost gone!
It **rhymes** with **dare** . . .



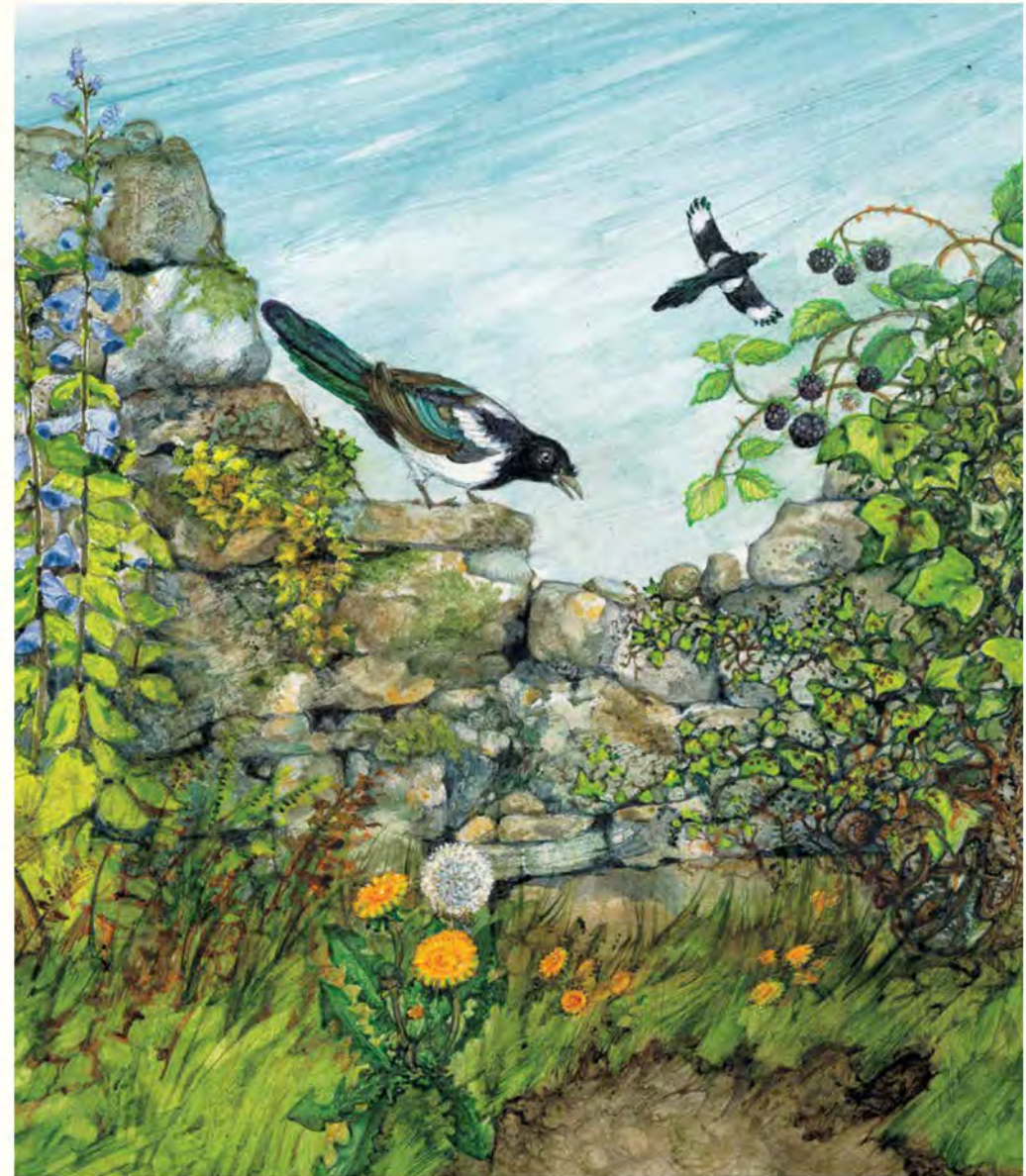
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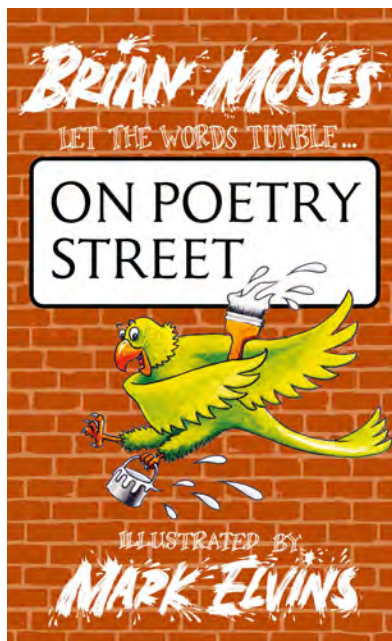


I spy with my little eye,
something beginning with

S

It carries its house upon its back.
It leaves a track of silver.
It rhymes with trail . . .





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On Poetry Street

by Brian Moses, illustrated by Mark Elvins



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Join our Poetry Street party and get creative!

Do you like stringing words together to see what they look like and what they sound like?
 Do you have rhythms dancing in your head as you drift through the day?
 Do you rhyme all the time while your feet tap a beat?
 If you answered YES to all or most of these questions then you're pretty much hooked on words.
 Now – together – let's take a walk down Poetry Street!

Key Selling Points

- Fifty two entertaining poems to stimulate the imagination and get the creative juices flowing
- Contemporary subject matter and writing, crafted with Brian Moses' wonderful rhythm and rhyme
- Playful and provocative
- With an introduction to welcome readers, and two spreads of creative writing ideas at the end, this is both the perfect gift for a child, and the ideal writing manual for use in a classroom
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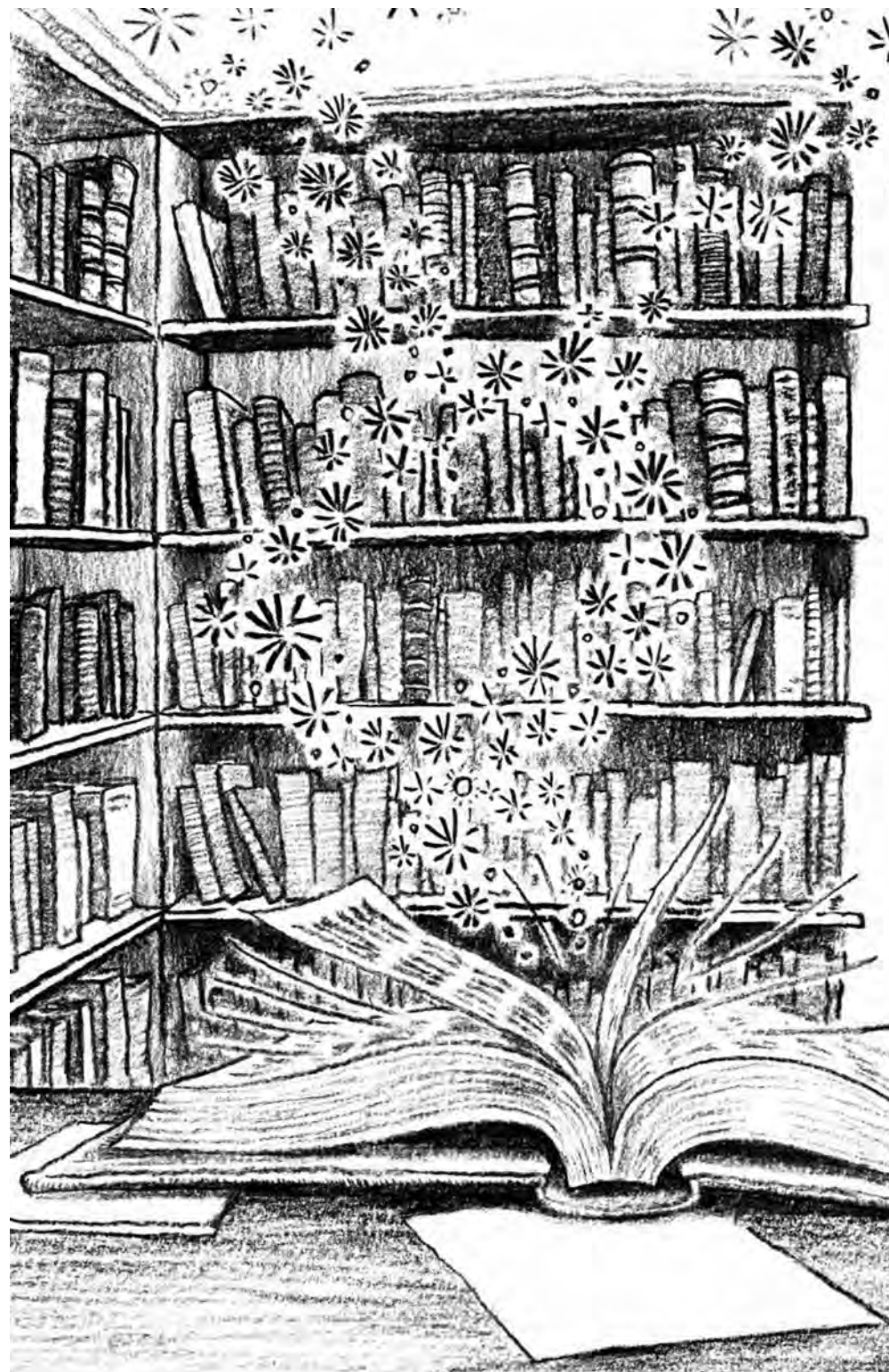
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The incredible origin stories celebrate how ingredients and dishes have travelled the globe to be shared and loved in new and exciting ways – and how food truly connects us all.

With a unique blend of fact and fairy tale that will appeal to fiction fans and non-fiction readers alike, and with intricately detailed four-colour illustrations plus recipes to inspire culinary adventures, this will be a beautiful and delicious book to treasure.

Who knew history can make you hungry!

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WHY TOMATOES WERE ONCE SCARY

A long time ago, some Spanish people travelled to America to find new land and collect objects and ideas they could take back to their own country. They found that the native people had a lot of interesting and valuable things, including a round, shiny and yummy fruit called a tomato. Before this time, people in Europe had never eaten a tomato, which is strange to think about because we eat tomatoes all the time now!



At first, many people in Europe thought the tomato might be a bad thing because they had never seen it before. They thought it might be the same as the fruit in the Bible story that caused Adam and Eve to be kicked out of the Garden of Eden. To make matters worse, after eating tomatoes from plates made of lead, some nobles even died! They didn't know that lead was very poisonous, and the acid in the tomatoes would soak up even more of the metal than they would normally consume at dinner. Yet, they blamed the tomato.

To make things even more mysterious, a man called Pietro Andrae Matthioli, who studied plants, thought the tomato was like a mandrake plant that people used to be very scared of in the past. The mandrake looked like a person and so it was thought that the plant was dangerous and could hurt humans. Because of this, it took a long time before the tomato would be eaten by just anyone. Luckily, the introduction of the pizza and some of the other foods in this book helped a lot – and today, we can hardly eat anything without tomato in it!



HOW THE PIZZA MARGHERITA GOT ITS NAME

There is something humans everywhere have in common: we have been putting delicious toppings on flat bread for thousands of years. But there is supposedly something unique behind the Margherita pizza. You might know it as the first pizza listed on many menus – but how did someone come up with the idea?

It is rumoured that in 1861, the king and queen of Italy

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Explore the daily lives of children around the world through the lens of a single, special day – June 21st, the longest day of the year in the northern hemisphere and the shortest in the southern hemisphere.

Just two times each year - an event called the solstice - Earth leans closest to our home star, the Sun. Since ancient times, people have used the Sun as a timekeeper. They knew that the length of daylight changes in a regular way and celebrated the solstice as a signal of changing seasons. *Solstice* imparts scientific and cultural information using the global experience of a solstice as its scientific core, and the descriptions of children's lives at each latitude as the cultural narrative. It is a browsable nonfiction appealing to informationally minded thinkers aged 7-11. Enhancing the text and illustrations are fascinating infographics about geography, hours of sunlight, sunrise and sunset times, and how the Earth's tilt creates solstices and seasons. A global event needs a global perspective: non-traditional families, interesting facts that crop up in each account (e.g. in the Chinese entry we learn that pandas need to play or else they get sad). Plus, illustrators for each location represent their home countries with authority and beauty.

- Explains the science, history, and cultural significance of the longest day of the year
- Helps young readers to think about children's lives all over the world
- Prompts a conversation about the way children live across the globe
- Features colourful artwork from illustrators who represent their home countries with authority and beauty

Author Information

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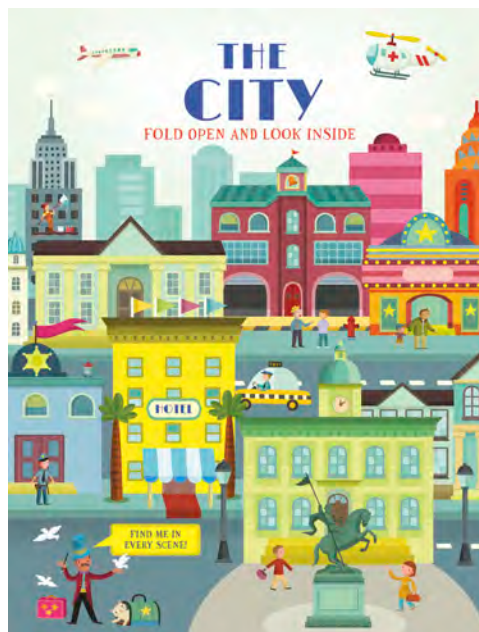
My **okaasan** is an astrophysicist – a scientist who studies how the universe works. There is almost no moisture in the air at Pole and in **fuyu** the darkness is total. So my **okaasan** can do research here that can't be done anywhere else in the world. She listens to the sounds of the Big Bang. That's the explosion that created the universe. We can still pick up leftover signals from it now. They sound like 'shhhhhhhhh'. It's very cool.

Pole is an American-run station, but people come here from all over – scientists from China, New Zealand, Scotland and Chile, engineers from France, Egypt, India and the United States, and Cook is from Canada. There are about 35 people who are spending winter at Pole this year. They all have stories to tell about their homes and their people. I ask what the June solstice is like where they are from. Everyone's stories are different.

Fuyu is very hard at Pole. We are completely isolated. For six months we have to make do with what we brought with us and what is already here. No one will arrive or leave until September, when the **Taiyou** rises and the summer scientists come back with fresh supplies. We don't even have the internet. I had to download all the books and songs I wanted to bring.

The best thing about Pole is the Aurora Australis, the Southern Lights. It's an atmospheric phenomenon that looks like waving curtains of light in the sky – green, purple, bluish, red and pinkish. You can only see them in clear weather, between March and September. They are caused by high-energy particles from the **Taiyou** skidding down Earth's outer atmosphere, drawn to the poles by Earth's magnetic field. The particles gather and create shimmering bursts of light. This reminds me that even though I can't see it now, the **Taiyou** is still there.

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