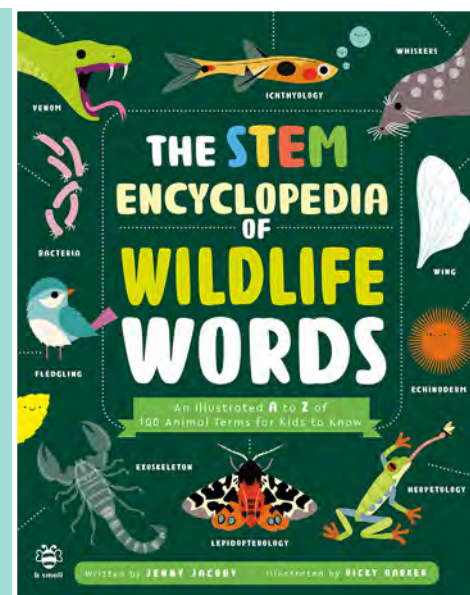
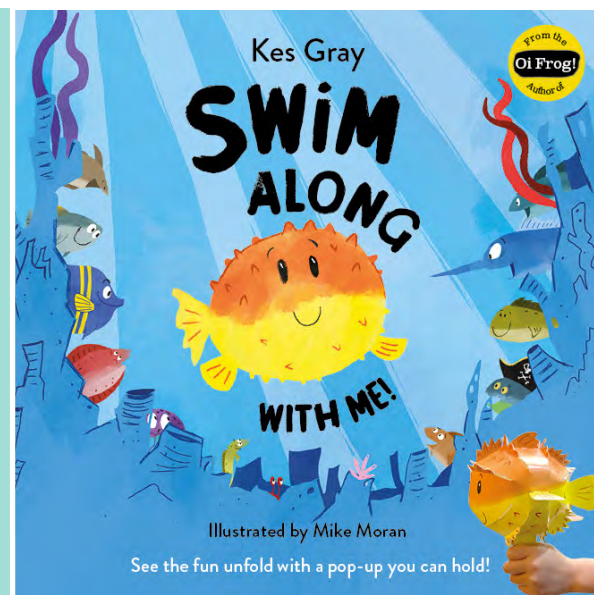


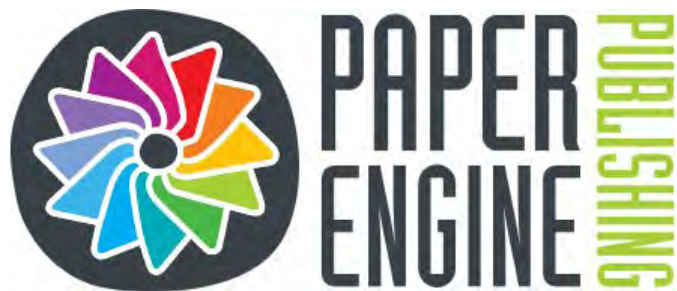
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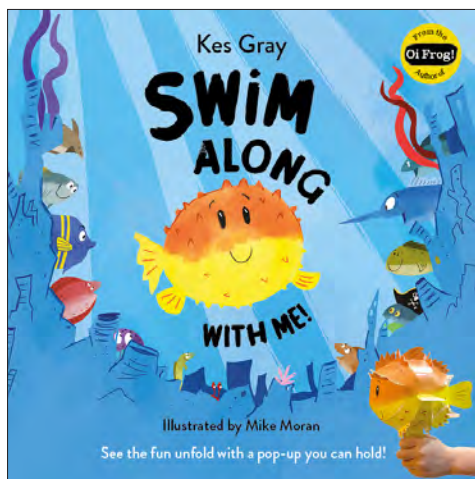


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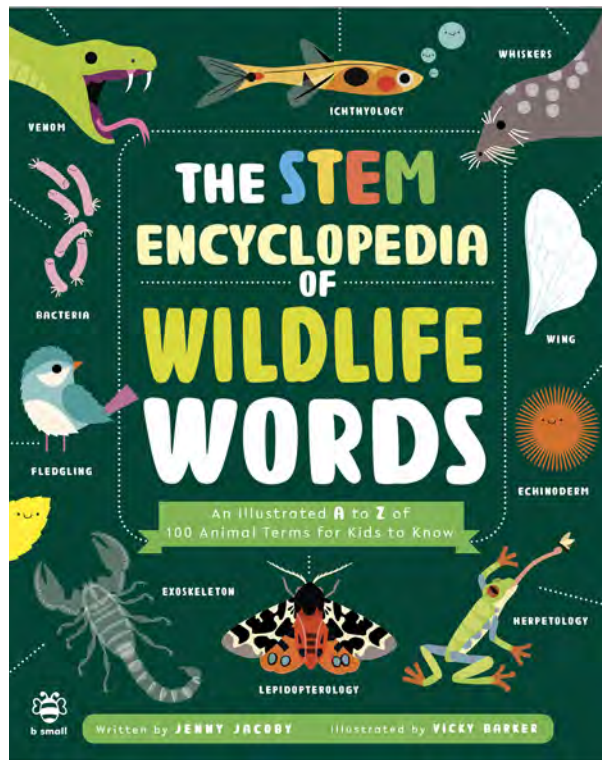
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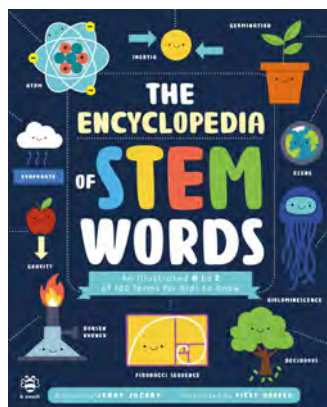
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HERPETOLOGY

Herpetology is the study of **reptiles** and **amphibians**. The word comes from the Greek meaning 'knowledge of creeping animals'. They were once **classified** in the same group as they share some key features.

Reptiles and amphibians live in many different environments, and each species is adapted to its local **climate**. Both groups live on every continent apart from Antarctica.

Reptiles and amphibians are **ectothermic**. They rely on the outside environment to control their body temperature.

Both reptiles and amphibians are **vertebrates** and have good eyesight – they can even see more colours than humans can!

The study

Herpetologists study reptiles' and amphibians' behaviour, **biology** and ecology (how they live in their environment). They also study how best to look after these animals, which is called husbandry. This helps pet reptile and amphibian owners understand what each species' life in the wild would be like, to keep their pet as healthy and happy as possible.



HIBERNATION

Hibernation is a way for some **endothermic** animals to survive the cold, dark winter so they don't have to **forage** for food when there is little available.

Hibernation is more than a long winter sleep. Hibernating animals turn down their **metabolism** to use very little energy, and their body temperature drops. This is called **torpor** and scientists still don't fully understand how it works!

Brumation is similar to hibernation but it is what **ectotherms** do. The difference is that when it's warm enough ectotherms can move about to find water, but when it's cold again they return to brumation, which can last for weeks or months. Hibernating animals do not move at all.

Hibernation can last for days, weeks or months, depending on the animal and the temperature.

Aestivation

There is a summer version of hibernation called **aestivation**. It is when animals slow down to avoid severe heat or **drought**. The spadefoot toad, which lives in the Sonora desert of North America, can aestivate underground for up to a year! It pops back up as soon as it rains.





Goodnight, Bruce

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Mother Bruce's family of mice and geese will do **ANYTHING** to get out of going to sleep in this hilarious and all-too-relatable bedtime story.

It's bedtime in Soggy Hollow.
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and keep up their correspondence.

Will Bruce ever get them to sleep? What's a tired old bear to do?

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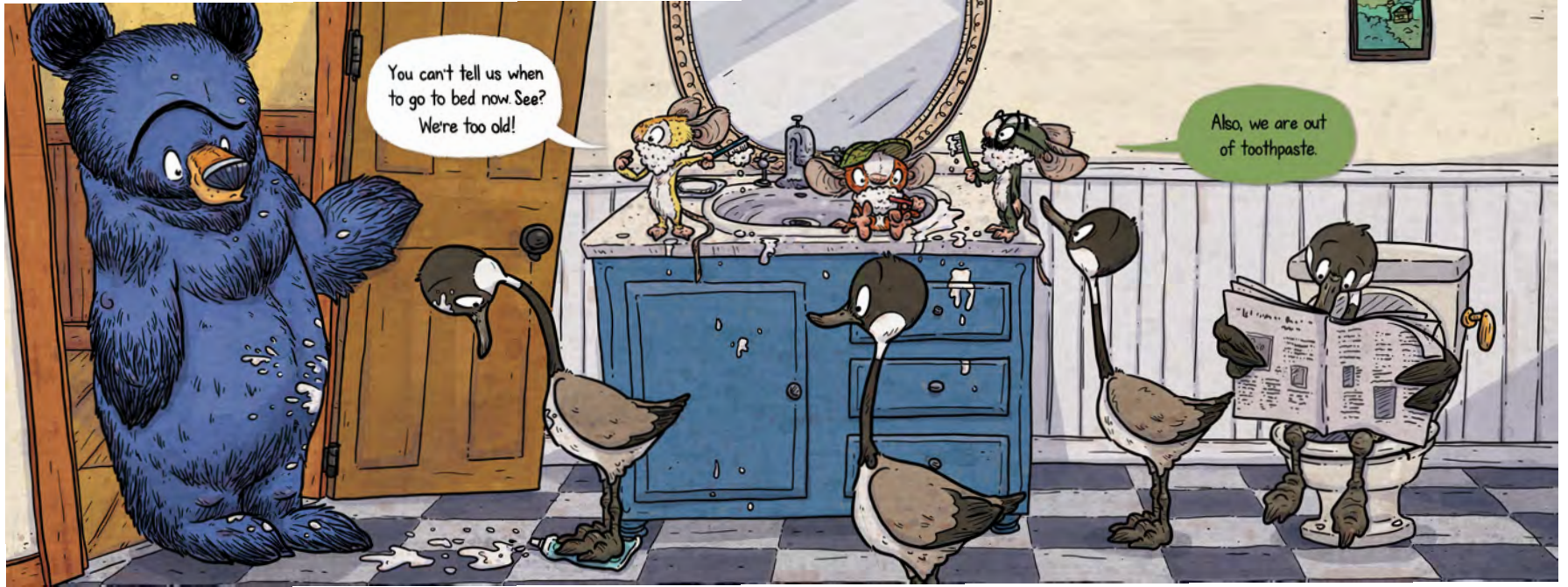
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Habitat Heroes

Carolina Coroa

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Bob the Builder meets The Octonauts in this picture book series that follows a team of kiddos who combine their tools, facts, and feelings to build dream homes for the animals in their town.

HABITAT EMERGENCY! Habitat Heroes, you're our only hope!

When Merriweather the platypus goes missing at the zoo before her welcome party, there's only one group to call—the Habitat Heroes!

As the heroes use their handy tools and research to search for Merriweather (where could she be? In the savannah? In the jungle?) they realize something must be missing from her new habitat. They'll need to build some additions so the platypus can feel at home.

But what does a platypus like? Sticks? Worms? Playing in the mud? Sounds like fun, actually.

Can the Habitat Heroes help Merriweather feel welcome in time for her platypus party?

- **PERFECT FOR ENVIRONMENTALLY FOCUSED PARENTS:** this picture book combines kids love of animals with topical themes of environmental conservation and activism.
- **INSPIRES SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING** with topics of teamwork, friendship, and mental health.

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ISBN	9781368113953
Format	254 x 203 mm
Price	£14.99
Age	3-5 years
Extent	40
Publisher	Disney Hyperion

The Heroes sprang into action.

Another mission awaits!

C'mon, team! Let's fix this habitat!
We can't have a platypus party
without a platypus!



FAST FACT! Platypuses have
a tail like a beaver and a bill like
a duck. People used to think
they were made-up!

At the zoo, Dr. Park showed the Habitat Heroes
the new platypus enclosure.

No one has seen Merriweather anywhere!
We've been searching all over.

Nature designs the
coolest animals!





Green Jolene and the Backyard Bees

Wendy Mass

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This illustrated chapter book series by New York Times best-selling author Wendy Mass is perfect for kids who are inspired by Greta Thunberg.

This story may begin with a worm, but it's really about bees.

Jolene Greenfield is digging up her front yard. Why? Well, she got the idea when she learned something very important: bees are dying! There is so much she didn't know about bees! Like how they help plants grow. And as land is developed, the areas where bees find pollen is being destroyed. When Jolene's mom stops her from digging up the front yard for a garden to attract bees, Jolene must come up with a new plan to help them. But it's a pretty big problem. Is this one even Green Jolene can't solve? It's a good thing she has neighbors and friends to help.

This book is part of the Disney Planet Possible Books program, aiming to inspire and empower young readers to take care of planet Earth through amazing stories and kid-friendly environmental activities.

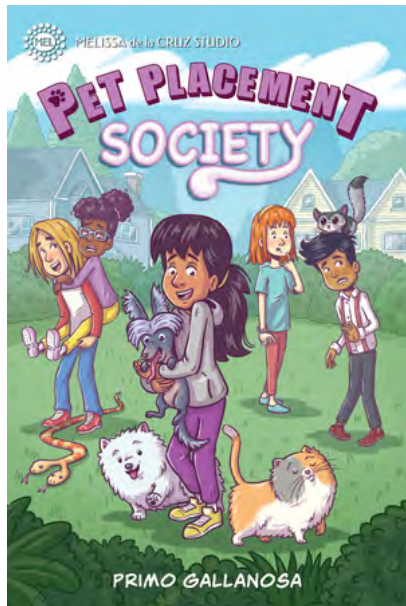


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Pet Placement Society

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Primo Gallanosa

In this graphic novel series perfect for animal lovers and fans of The Baby-Sitters Club, a group of tweens form a club to help find the perfect homes for animals at the local shelter while learning how to deal with middle school drama.

Twelve-year-old Mia is having a hard time. Her parents are arguing about overcrowding at the animal shelter they own. Her best friend, Lily, is suddenly no longer interested in the things they used to do together. And it's been impossible for her classmates to agree on a topic for their big group project!

With so much going wrong, Mia just wants to do one thing right. She attempts to befriend one of the students in her project group, a new kid named Riley, by pressuring him to adopt a dog from her parents' shelter. Riley reluctantly agrees, but it isn't long before he brings the dog back. It wasn't a perfect fit, and Riley wasn't ready for the responsibility.

But Mia isn't discouraged. If anything, she's more determined than ever to solve all her problems, starting with her parents' shelter. If she can find the perfect homes for the animals there, Mia can help her family, bring her school group together, and maybe even reconnect with Lily. With some luck and hard work, anything is possible!

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Format 152 x 229 mm

Price £12.99

Age 8-12 years

Extent 208

Publisher Disney Hyperion

LILY AND I WERE GETTING INTO A FULL-BLOWN FIGHT IN FRONT OF EVERYONE. I WASN'T SURE EXACTLY WHAT I WAS SAYING, BUT FROM THE LOOKS ON PEOPLE'S FACES IT MUST'VE BEEN BAD.



IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T LIKE DOING THOSE THINGS, IT'S JUST I WANT TO TRY **NEW** THINGS. WHY IS THAT **SO HARD** FOR YOU TO UNDERSTAND?

GUYS, I THINK WE'RE GETTING A LITTLE SIDETRACKED HERE. MAYBE THIS IS SOMETHING YOU CAN TALK ABOUT PRIVATELY.



WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS.



I'LL SEE YOU AFTER SCHOOL FOR DETENTION, MIA.



OOOOOOOOHHH.

YES, MR. SULLIVAN . . .



Firebred

Julie Kagawa

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Newfound friends must overcome countless danger in a quest to save the world in this epic sequel of the Storm Dragons saga!

REMY has come a long way from his life as a scrappy orphan on Cutthroat Wedge. Still on the run from the evil pirate Jhaeros, Remy and his dragon, Storm, set out to find a True Dragon, the only creature old enough to understand why the magic that powers their floating islands is dying. After a confession from a long-forgotten sky knight about the remote location of a True Dragon, Remy is more determined than ever to help save the day. But this is easier said than done when an ancient force has done everything in its power to keep that True Dragon hidden.

GEM is ready to harness magic to protect her friends, but training is impossible now that she's far away from the College of Magic. That is, until she teams up with the surly wizard Lysander aboard the Queen's Blade, forming a begrudging partnership and beginning a journey to master magic. As Gem grows stronger, so does her desire to live up to her title as the princess by halting the kingdom's impending doom. But what good is revealing the truth about the dire state of the world if nobody will listen?

To save their realm, Remy, Gem, and Storm must evade the king's guards, discover the hidden truths about the past, and face down a vengeful villain none of them saw coming. Together they will discover who they are, what it means to be a good friend, and what it takes to be a hero.

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Zoe Hana Mikuta delivers a bloody and unrelenting fantasy about young witches dangling on the edge of love and obsession, of magic and madness, of life and death (and death and death and death). . .

Just like her mother and her mother's mother, 18-year-old Vanity Adams is destined to lead a lavish life under the patronship of the Museum, someday taking her place as its premiere necromantic Spectacle and the centerpiece of their weekly soirees thrown for the City's elite.

But until that day, Vanity (and the other young witches of the Museum) is isolated from the outside world and purged of her magic—magic being particularly unstable for teenagers and often leading to antisocial conduct, mood swings, bloodlust, delusions, and, most concerning, a habitual, violent obsession with one another.

To all of this, Vanity thinks: Well, whatever. Better than being confined to the Sanatorium with the less fortunate witches, imprisoned in a chemically induced coma as her blood is harvested to make World, the City's favorite designer drug. At least she'll be dead someday, there's always that. And at least the Museum has Arrogance, Vanity's twin sister, who just might remember how to do magic, and who just might be where our story begins. . . .



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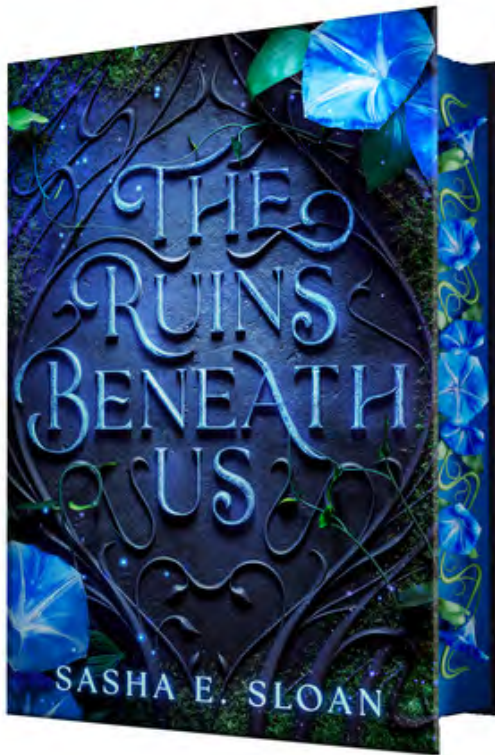
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DARING, DAZZLING WRITING: Gorgeous, evocative, and rhythmic prose is matched by fast-paced, blockbuster-worthy twists and turns

INTRICATE, UNFORGETTABLE WORLDBUILDING: Zoe mixes a Gothic Victorian setting with aesthetics from Korea's Joseon Dynasty to create a fantasy world unlike anything we've ever seen



The Ruins Beneath Us

Sasha Sloan

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This first book in a romantasy duology by TikTok star Sasha E. Sloan combines a compelling love triangle, luscious worldbuilding, and spellbinding magic to deliver a debut with everything romantasy readers crave.

Young elf Lyria has spent her life in hiding while a dangerous war brews between the elven kingdom and human world. Now eighteen, she has grown restless hiding on the outskirts of the forest that surrounds the human world. One day, while her mother is away, Lyria hears a boy in the forest calling for help and rescues him from certain death. Unbeknownst to her, the boy, Finn, is the crowned Prince, and he wants Lyria to become the kingdom's royal apothecary!

Terrified that Finn is going to discover she's an elf and she used magic to heal him while he was unconscious, Lyria struggles to fit in with the human kingdom while also hiding her identity. At court, she meets the jaded Head Healer, Cygnus, who is cold, highly suspicious of her, and constantly questions her abilities. But earth-shattering secrets can't lay dormant forever, and after Lyria and Cygnus discover a dark and sinister world hidden underneath the palace, Lyria must decide once and for all who—if anyone—she should trust.

This slow-burn YA romantasy by BookTok sensation Sasha Sloan will appeal to fans of other successful TikTok hits like Lightlark and Assistant to the Villain.

SOCIAL MEDIA POWERHOUSE: Sasha Sloan is a BookTok influencer with over 1.2M TikTok followers, and she is excited to use her platform to release trending content including skits, cosplay challenges, and book teasers

LIMITED SPRAYED EDGE EDITION: The first printing will include a limited run of a sprayed edge edition with a highly Instagramable package perfect for romantasy book collectors

#1 GENRE ROMANTASY: This slow-burn fantasy-romance has all the tropes BookTok readers are hungry for

CROSSOVER APPEAL: Just enough spice for adult audiences while still remaining YA

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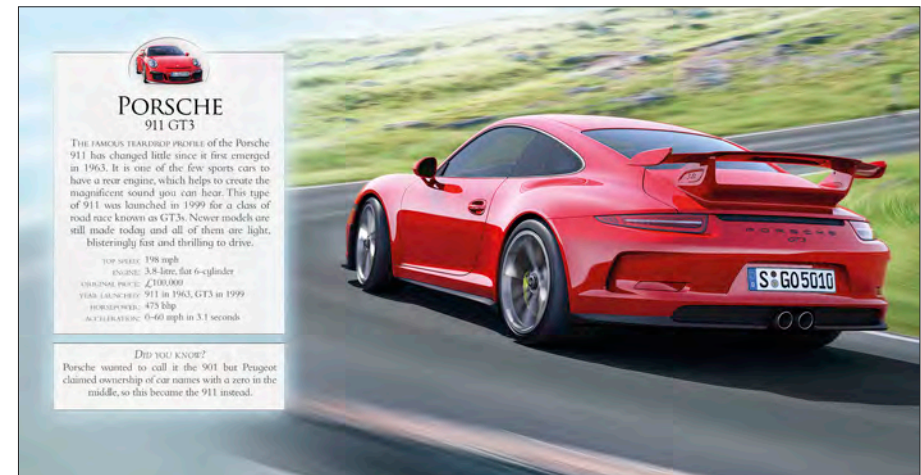


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- Foreword by new Wales Children's Laureate, Nicola Davies
- Introduction by leading 'fantasy literature' academic Dimitra Fini of Glasgow University.

Summary:

When Conor finds out mysterious Meurig is under a spell, he promises to help. Meurig's immortal soul is trapped in a small white candle, and if anyone burns the candle away, Meurig will die. Conor and his friend Sara try to rescue it for him, but then it falls into the hands of his deadly enemy, the treacherous river-goddess Hafren.

And she will only give it back for a terrible price.

Catherine Fisher's classic tale of magic, courage and music is set on the Gwent levels, where the mists rise from the waterlogged fields, and no one is safe from the vengeance of the river.



Catherine Fisher is an award-winning master storyteller. Her YA fantasy novel *Incarceron* was a New York Times bestseller, and her magical middle-grade *The Clockwork Crow* (Firefly 2018), won the Tir na N-og Wales children's book award and was shortlisted for the Blue Peter Book Awards. She lives in Newport, South Wales.

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Malachy Doyle has written over a hundred books, from picture books to teenage novels. His books have won the Nestle Smarties Prize, the Tir na n-Og Award and the English Association Award. Malachy spent twenty-five years in Wales, before returning to Ireland, where he lives on a tiny island with his wife, cats, dogs and ducks.

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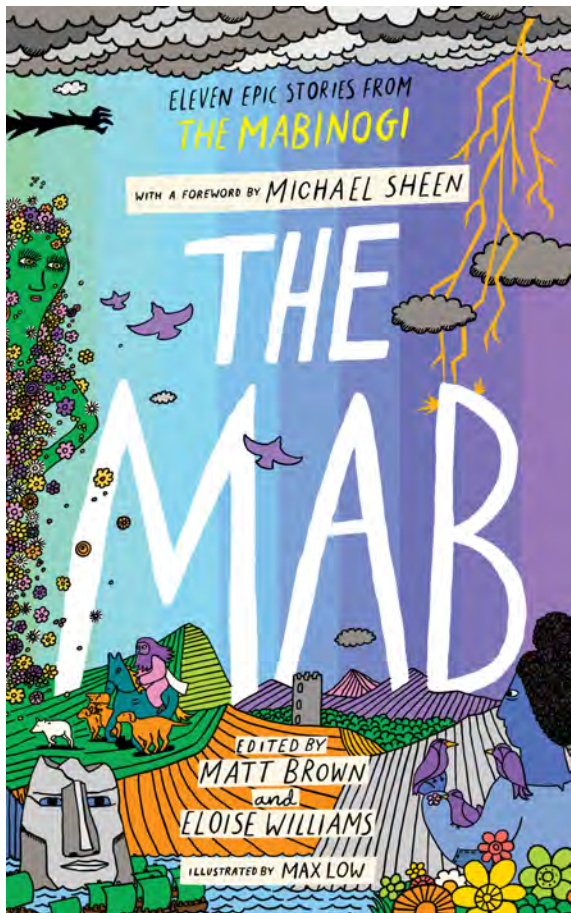
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The Mab

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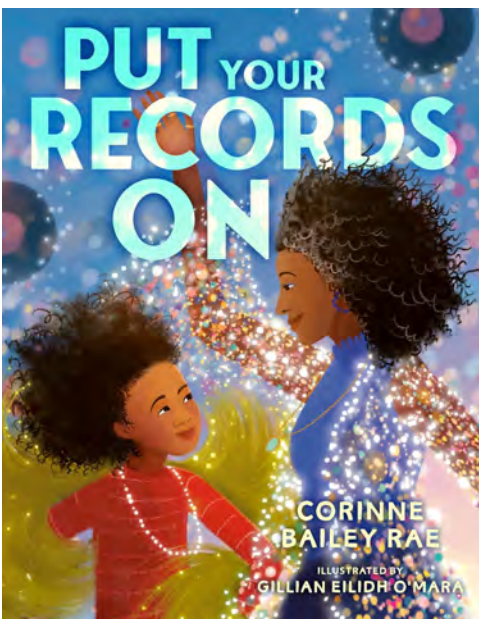
The stories in this illustrated edition have been reimaged by an extraordinary team of writers, and each appears alongside a Welsh-language translation.



Matt Brown (L) is an author and broadcaster. He has written eight books, including *Mutant Zombies Cursed My School Trip* which won the FCBG Children's Book Award in 2020. Before dyeing his hair grey for fashion reasons, Matt presented on some of the UK's most popular TV shows and he has been on the radio a lot, hosting shows and making documentaries. He is a passionate promoter of reading for pleasure in schools as well as an advocate of saving public libraries.

Eloise Williams (R) grew up in Llantrisant and lives in West Wales, very close to the sea. She was Wales' first Children's Laureate from September 2019 to August 2022. Books include: *Gaslight*, *Seaglass*, *Wilde*, *Honesty and Lies* and *Elen's Island* and she is currently working on *The Library of Lost Stories*, publishing with Firefly Press Autumn 2026.

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Inspired by Corinne Bailey Rae's award-winning hit song, this picture book celebrates music's unique power to soothe or energize us when we need it most.

"There's a song here for every emotion--for the whole rainbow of feelings," Portia tells Bea. Then they listen together, dancing to a celebration song, laughing along with a circus-happy song, and feeling held by a song that comforts them during a thunderstorm. Bea heads home at the end of the day, excited to continue learning about herself and her world through music.

Corinne Bailey Rae's "Put Your Records On" is a multi-platinum anthem about freedom and joy. Now, in this beautiful storybook, the Grammy Award-winning musician brings that empowerment and exuberance to children.

THE AUTHOR

British singer/songwriter/musician Corinne Bailey Rae was born and still lives in Leeds, England. She shot to stardom with her self-titled #1 debut album in 2006, featuring the global hits "Put Your Records On" and "Like A Star."

Gillian Eilidh O'Mara was born and raised in Scotland. A self-taught artist with a master's degree from the University of St. Andrews, she has illustrated several children's books, including *The Night Whale* by Bryher Mackenzie, and has co-founded several social ventures, including a poetry festival, children's literacy projects, and a tea company supporting girls' education.

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I HOPE YOU GET YOUR DREAMS

JUST GO AHEAD, LET YOUR HAIR DOWN





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Age Range: 9 - 12

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Action and adventure stories)

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NETTA BECKER AND THE MISSING MEMORY MAZE

JENNIFER CLAESSEN

THE BOOK

Legend and edge-of-your-seat action fuse together in this exciting second instalment of the Netta Becker trilogy, underpinned with a feminist retelling of Ancient Greek myth.

A hall full of statues. A pair of lost siblings. Monsters at every turn.

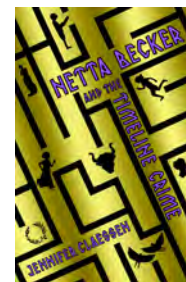
Under orders from the Titan called the Crone, Netta steps out of time itself. And, panicking just a little, her little brother Remy follows. Lost and alone, they each wake in a strange maze-like world as statues. Netta breaks free and begins her double quest: to find her brother and the second sister Titan.

But Remy can't remember who he has lost – and when he is rescued by young Tig, he leaves his memories of Netta behind. By breaking sphinx riddles and with mythical beasts as new allies, Netta and Remy must find out who they are – and who the League of Archon is – in the Realm of Memory itself.

THE AUTHOR

Jennifer was born in Reading so, of course, grew up a book worm. She is the author of the *Month of Magic* series.

She studied literature and theatre at at least five universities. As teacher and theatre-maker, Jennifer loves stories and leads interactive drama-based workshops. She is currently Writer in Residence at Abney Park, a cemetery in North East London, where she works with Year 5 students on telling their own stories. Jennifer has two small feral children and is raising them to love reading, travel and ice cream just like her.



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45 THINGS TO DO BEFORE YOU'RE 45

JULIA TUFFS

THE BOOK

Meet Charlie; unfulfilled and perimenopausal, Charlie's suburban life is a far cry from the Manhattan glamour she once dreamed of. Her husband is incapable of talking about anything other than his latest Ironman challenge, her sex life consists of fictional encounters with Hollywood stars, her kids need constant man-management, and to make things worse, her optician has just prescribed her reading glasses. Oh, and she can't stop crying at TV adverts...

In the hope of re-discovering her sense of self, Charlie begins writing a list: 45 things to do before she's 45.

Eat an oyster

Take up parkour

Read War and Peace

Take ecstasy

Try stand-up comedy

Go to a sex club

Determined to complete them all, Charlie embarks on a chaotic odyssey through her own spectacular midlife crisis, challenging herself to become the person she wants to be. But what happens if we're not that person? How do we learn to let them go? Or does something else have to give?

THE AUTHOR

After a brief (but fun) stint working in television and as a primary school teacher, Julia decided to take her writing dreams more seriously.

She lives in South-West London with her family and ragdoll cats (Billy and Nora) and spends her time writing, reading, dreaming of holidays and watching too much reality TV. She aims to write the kinds of books that will have people laughing out loud – and crying – on their commute. Her young adult novel, HEXED, was nominated for the Laugh Out Loud Awards, and its sequel, TWICE HEXED won the children's category at the Isle Of Wight Book Awards.

45 THINGS TO DO BEFORE YOU'RE 45, is her adult fiction debut.

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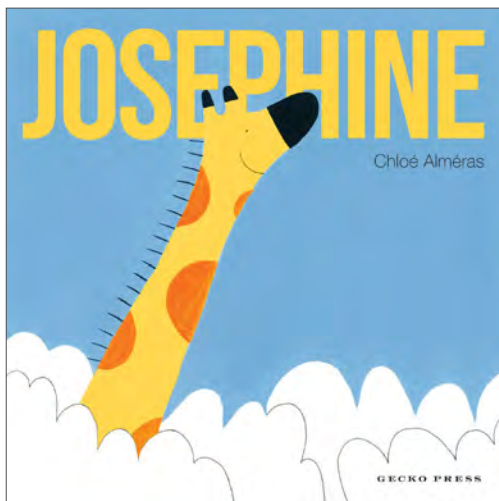
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Josephine

Author and Illustrator **Chloé Alméras**

The curious, optimistic giraffe in this gifty board book lifts our spirits as she discovers a bright new world of shapes, patterns, friends and nature

ABOUT THE BOOK

Little yellow giraffe Josephine is out and about—eyes wide open and muzzle in the air. She pokes her nose into the blue and her hooves into the green, plays with the clouds and makes rings in the water. The world is so full of interesting things! Take a walk with Josephine to explore shapes and patterns, near and far, nature through the seasons, things that are different and things that are the same. Illustrated with simple lines and printed with a happy pop of neon yellow, this unique book makes simple but enchanting connections that let us see the world afresh through Josephine's eyes.

SALES POINTS

- Playful and original take on first ideas, shapes and seasons
- Josephine's wide-eyed, innocent pleasure in the world is pure toddler
- Printed with neon ink as a gorgeous gift package

ABOUT THE AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

Chloé Alméras was born in Fontenay-aux-Roses, France, and studied illustration at the École Estienne and the Lycée Corvisart in Paris. She has published numerous children's books and designed the visual identity of the Bologna Book Fair in 2018.

TITLE INFORMATION

Release **March 2026**

Ages **1–4**

Format **boardbook**

Size **150 x 150 mm square 5 5/16 x 5 5/16 in**

Pages **24 pp**

Illustrations **colour**

ISBN **9798765673041**

NZD **19.99** AUD **17.99** GBP **8.99** USD **9.99**

Translator **Daniel Hahn**

Original Language **French**

This book in 3 ideas

shapes and patterns, connections, nature

WHY I CHOSE THIS BOOK

“This sweet, curious giraffe stays with you with her bright pop of colour and openness to the world.”

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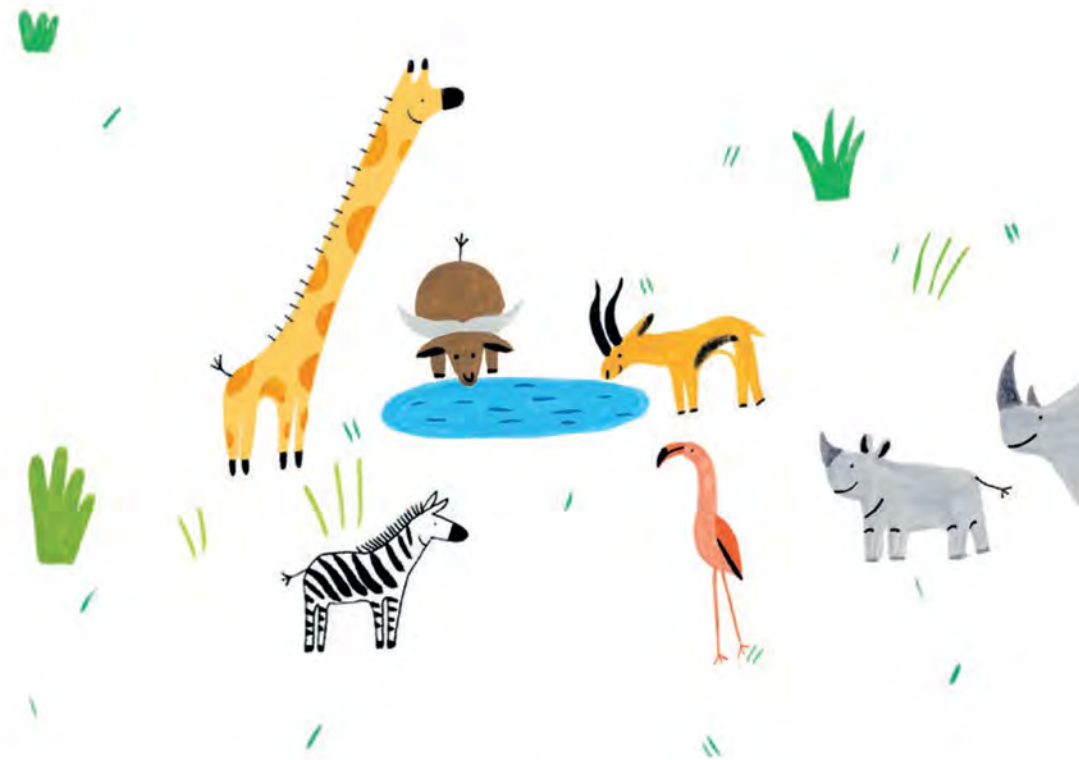
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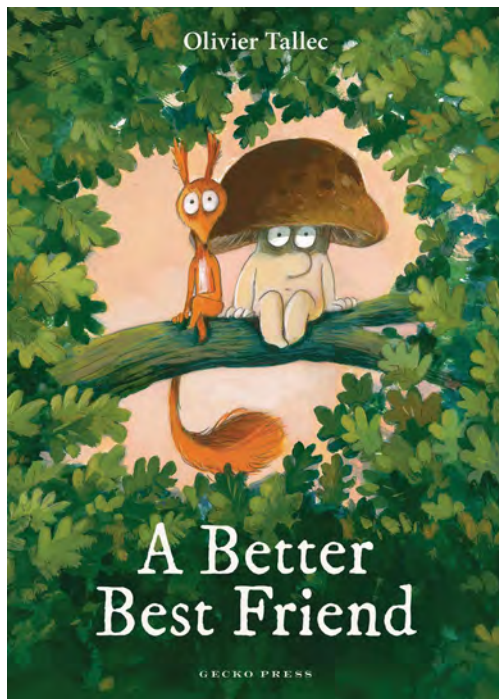
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Suddenly, Josephine feels a bit lonely.



Then, moments later—look,
she has company.



A Better Best Friend

Author and Illustrator **Olivier Tallec**

A feel-good picture book about best friendship told with dry comedy and an open ending

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.

In this comedic picture book exploring a forever childhood question about friendship, squirrel and a mushroom explore the forest through the seasons, show each other special trees, build snow mushrooms, share the good times and bad—which become good bad times alongside a friend. Then spring arrives, and so does a new friend. And then another. This raises a profound question for an overthinking squirrel: should we have just one best friend?

SALES POINTS

- Playfully explores a question encountered by every child: should we have just one best friend?
- 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 a world-renowned French picture book author and illustrator whose humorous and sensitive artwork has many followers

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 more than 60 books for children.

NEW IN PAPERBACK

TITLE INFORMATION

Release March 2026

Ages **4–7**

Format **paperback**

Size **200 x 280 mm portrait**

Pages **32 pp**

Illustrations **colour**

ISBN **9781776575749**

NZD **19.99** AUD **17.99** GBP **8.99**

Translator **Anthony Shugaar**

Original Language **French**

This book in 3 ideas

**best friendships, inclusivity,
humorous illustrations**

WHY I CHOSE THIS BOOK

“This is a dryly funny story about having a best friend—and we love the expressive face of the lugubrious mushroom friend.”

Rachel Lawson, Publisher

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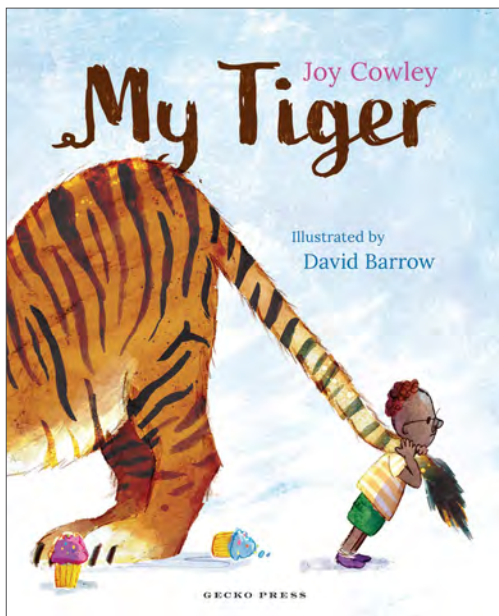
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My Tiger

Author **Joy Cowley** Illustrator **David Barrow**

A boy's pet tiger is apprehensive about his first trip to the dentist—but the twist ending of this funny picture book turns the dentist's advice satisfyingly on its head (and that's the end of the dentist)

ABOUT THE BOOK

My tiger loved cake, and I went with him to the cake shop. Then he got a bad tooth, so I went with him to the dentist. My tiger didn't like sitting in the waiting room, climbing onto the dentist chair, or being told by the dentist what to eat. Especially when she said no more cake! What's a tiger supposed to eat? A bossy adult is made to look silly and a charming tiger wins the reader's heart in this subversively funny story about a love of cake and the pull of natural tiger instincts.

SALES POINTS

- An irresistible tiger full of personality
- Brings lightness to the fear of going to the dentist
- A delightfully subversive surprise ending
- New Zealand's leading children's writer alongside the author/illustrator of best-selling title *Have You Seen Elephant?*

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 honors for her best-selling books and was shortlisted for the Hans Christian Andersen Award.

David Barrow has an MA from the Cambridge School of Art, United Kingdom, where he now teaches. He won the Sebastian Walker award and was shortlisted for the Waterstones Prize with his picture book *Have You Seen Elephant?*

TITLE INFORMATION

Release **March 2026**

Ages **4–7**

Format **hardcover**

Size **225 x 276 mm portrait 8 17/20 x 10 17/20 in**

Pages **32 pp**

Illustrations **colour**

ISBN **9798765683200**

NZD **29.99** AUD **27.99** GBP **12.99** USD **18.99**

Original Language **English (NZ/UK)**

This book in 3 ideas

tiger, dentist, twist ending

WHY I CHOSE THIS BOOK

“This popular story has been collected in many anthologies but now gets full picture book treatment with a magnificent and endearing new tiger.”

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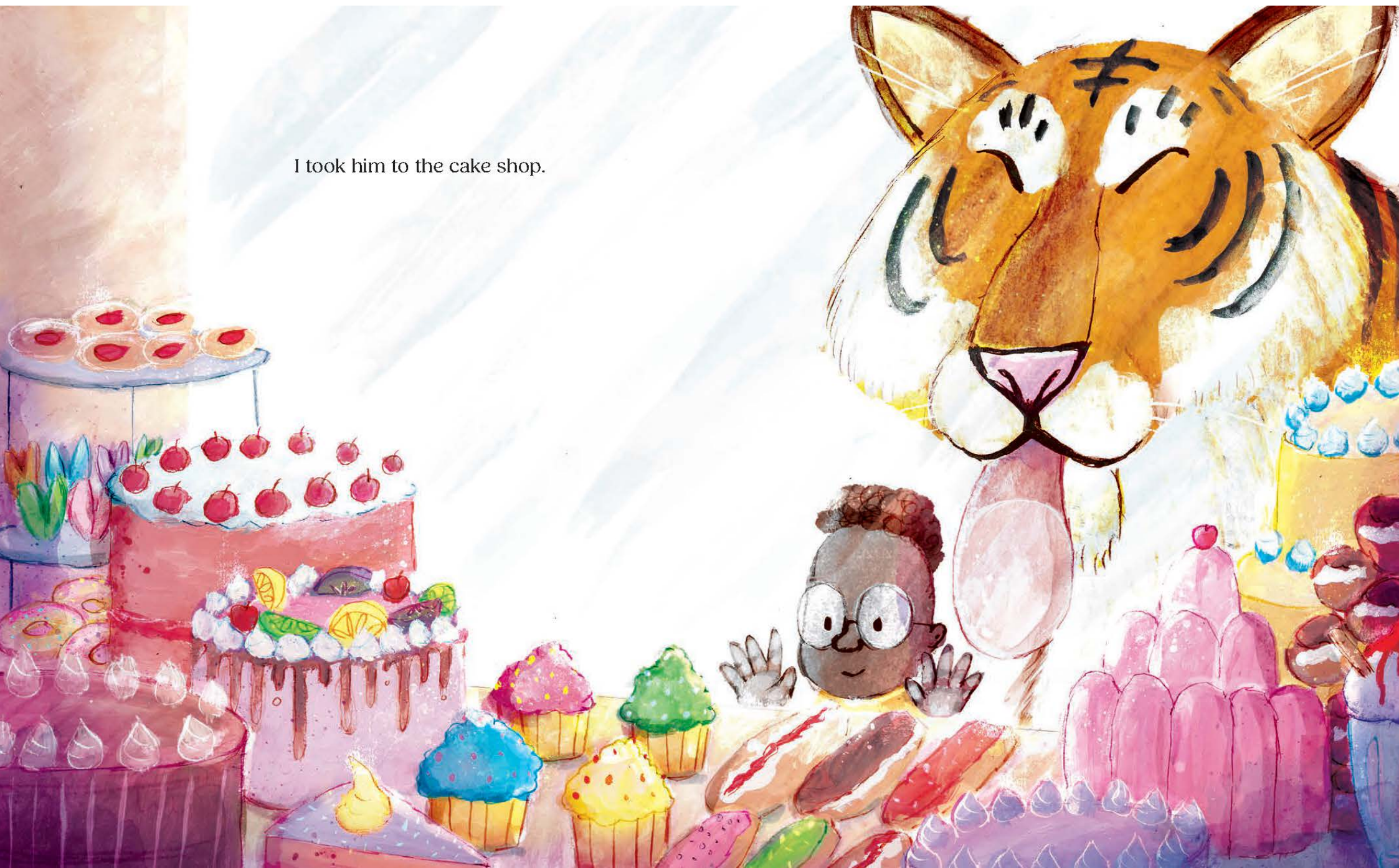
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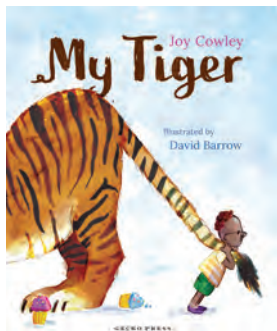
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I took him to the cake shop.



“A twist at the end is like pudding after vegetables.” —Joy Cowley

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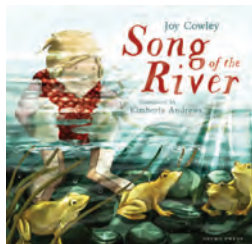
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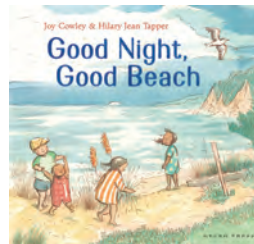
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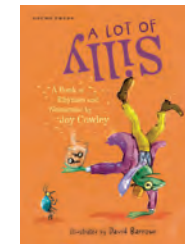
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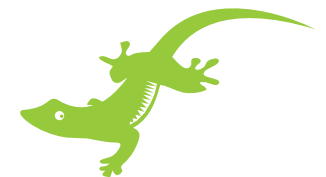


Joy Cowley is a celebrated New Zealand writer for children and adults, who has won many awards and honours. These include a New Zealand Arts Foundation Icon Award for lifetime achievement, the Prime Minister's Award for contribution to literature, and shortlisting for the Hans Christian Andersen Award.

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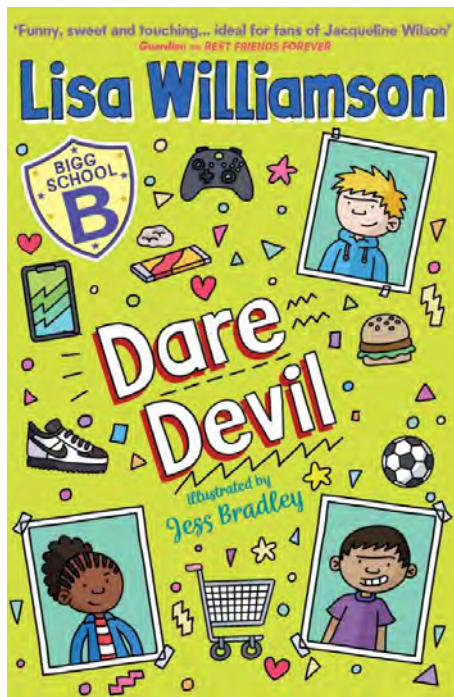
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Audience: Children/juvenile, Primary education, Lower secondary education

Series: Bigg School

Bigg School: Dare Devil

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Main Description

Ollie Marsden is popular and confident, but when his mates are banned from hanging out with him because he's a bad influence, Ollie realises how much he hates being on his own.

Determined to impress Luca, a boy from the year above, Ollie accepts all his dares to prove his worth. As the risks get bigger, Ollie is sure he can count on Luca, but will his new friend have his back when it really matters?

Key Points

It's Ollie's turn to tell his story in the latest addition to the Bigg School series

Explores the pressure to fit in and be accepted and what it means to be a good friend with a light touch and lots of empathy

Jess Bradley's hilarious illustrations brilliantly express the thoughts and feelings of the characters

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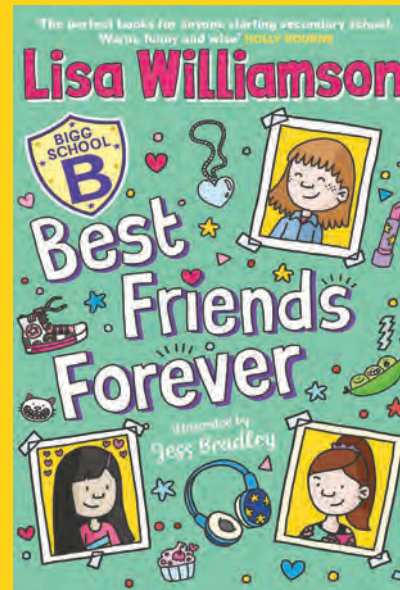
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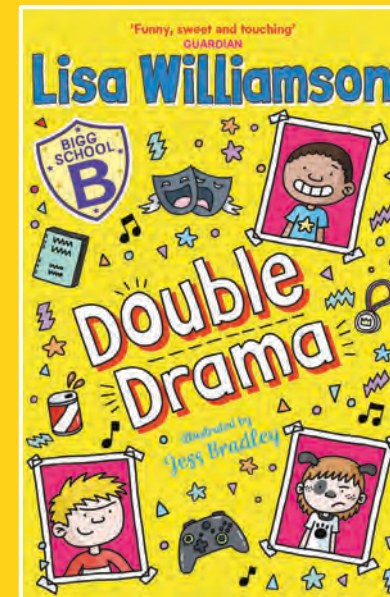
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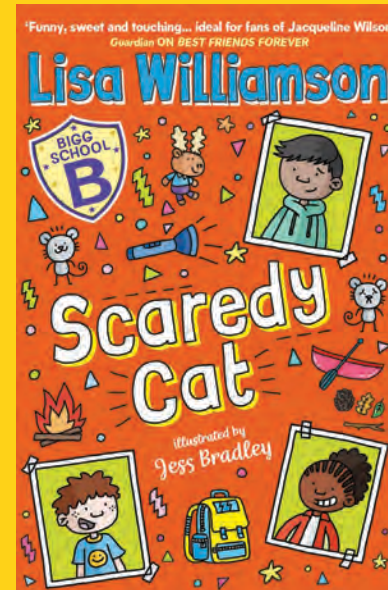
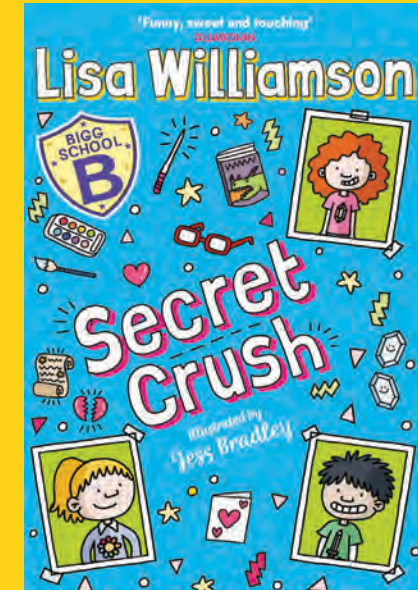
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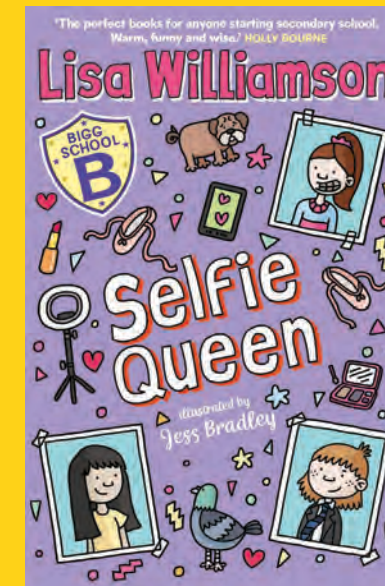
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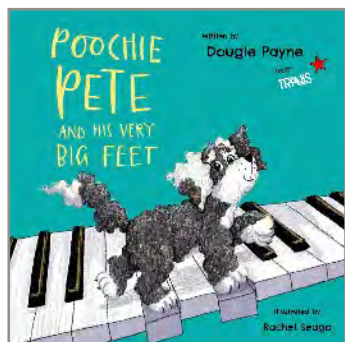
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Poochie Pete and his Very Big Feet

Written by Dougie Payne

Illustrated by Rachel Seago



Price £7.99

Pub date 5th March 2026

ISBN 9781739192952

Category Children's

Age range 03 to 06 years

Extent 32pp

TPS 240 x 240

Binding Paperback

Language English

Rights World

Sales Points

The debut picture book from Dougie Payne, the multi platinum selling bassist and backing vocalist, with Scottish indie rock band, Travis. Beautifully illustrated by debut picture book illustrator Rachel Seago.

For anyone who loves dog's and music.

A fabulous rhyming tale full of heart, with themes of individuality, creativity, friendship, bravery and joy.

Dougie is planning to write original songs for his book which will be available as downloads using a QR code.

Description

The heartwarming rhyming story of Pete, a lonely, scruffy pooch who was born with enormous feet which are always getting in the way of all he tries to do.

With all of the chaos he leaves behind because of his big feet no one wants to be his friend and he longs to find his place in the world.

It's not until he discovers a music shop, and it's helpful owner, Henry Large, that he finds his own song and the place where his heart truly belongs.

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About the author

Dougie Payne is the bass player and backing vocalist with multi platinum selling Scottish indie band, TRAVIS.

Dougie was a graduate of Glasgow School of Art where he met the other members of Travis before joining the band on bass guitar, going on to record best-selling albums and selling out stadiums across the globe.

He has always read and written stories for his two children illustrating them himself, but was much more keen to develop his writing. In an effort to hone down his ideas he was mentored by award-winning author, Maisie Chan.

Poochie Pete is Dougie's debut picture book.

About the illustrator

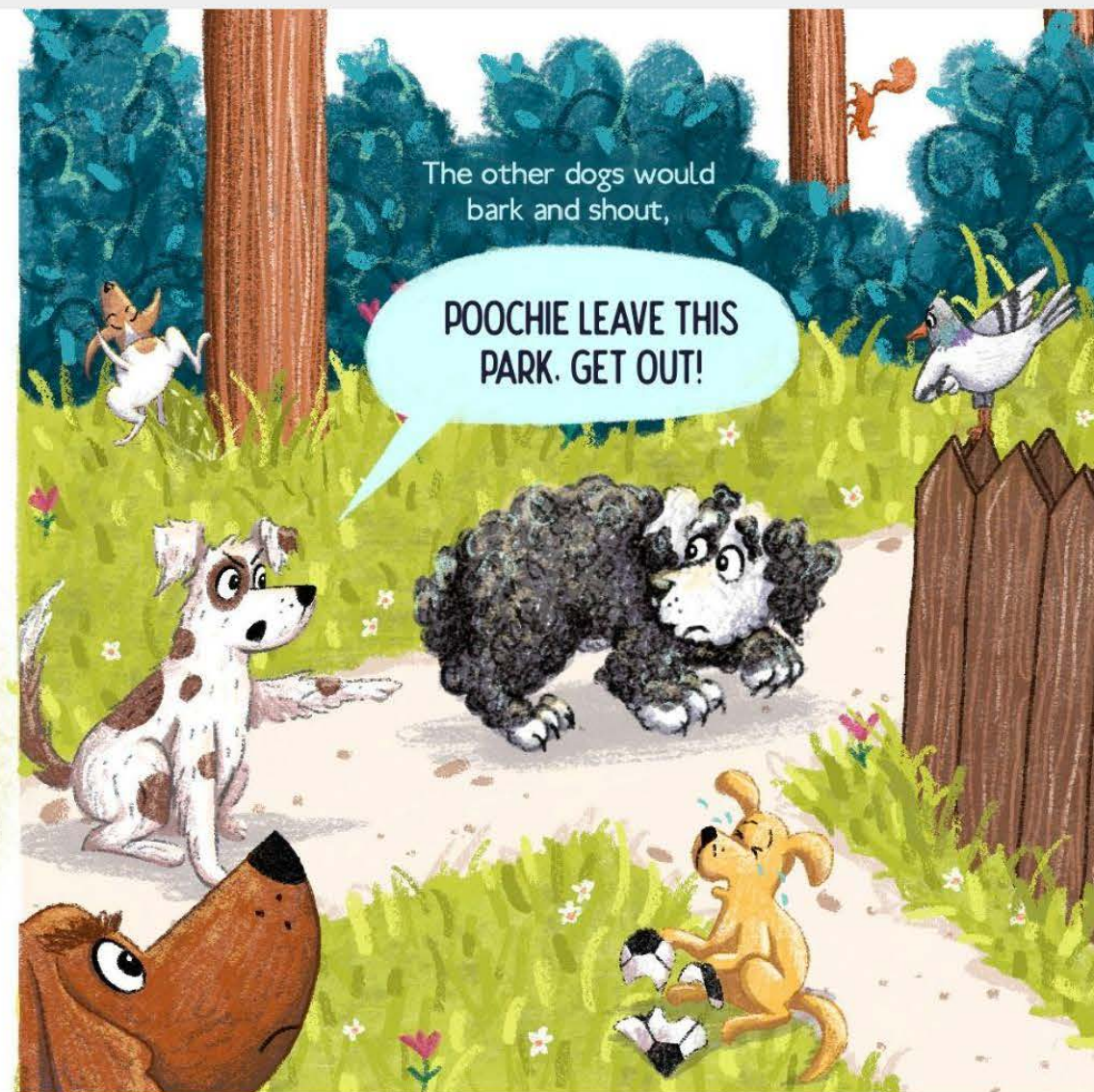
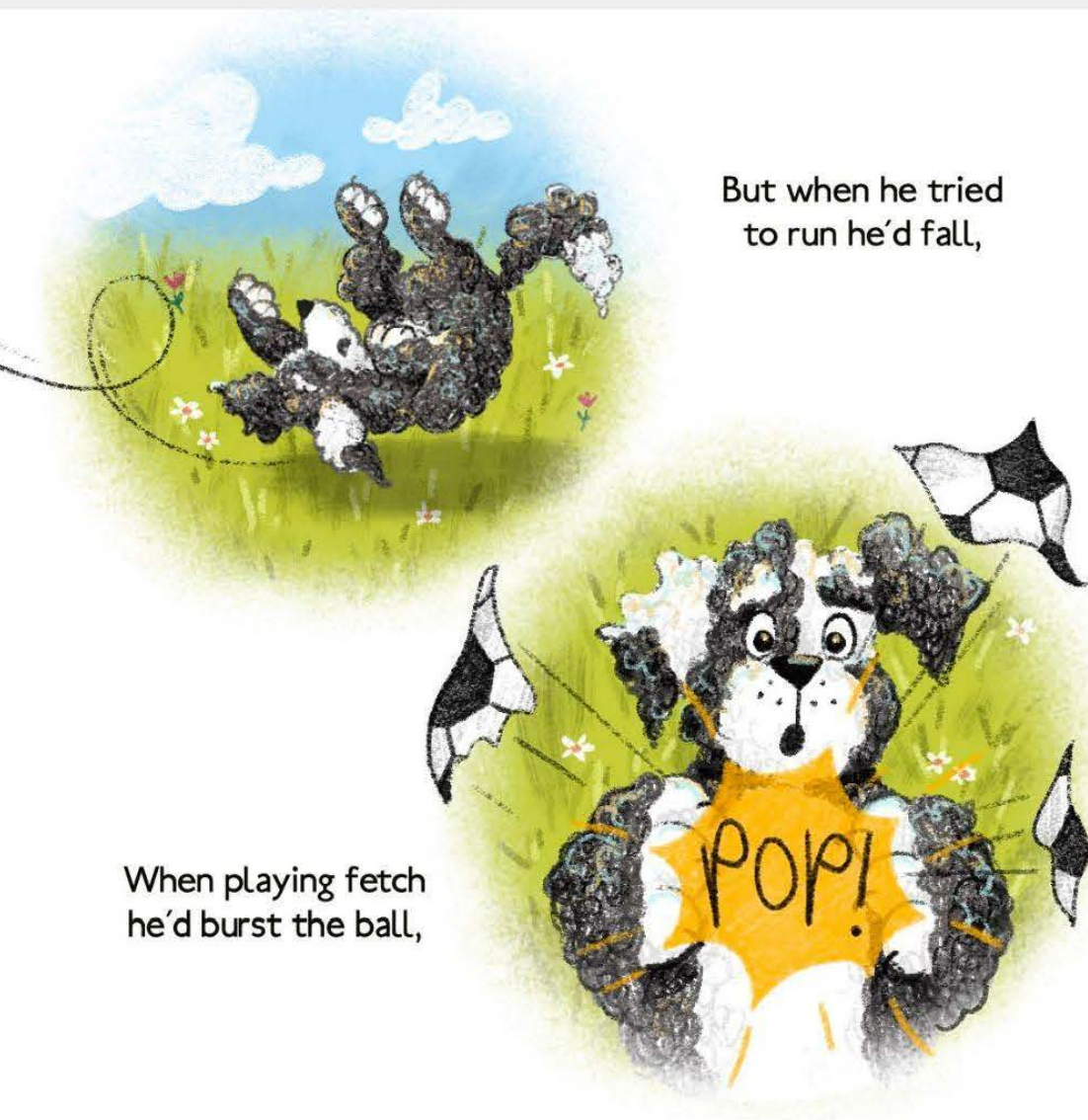
Rachel Seago

After several years travelling the world working freelance from wherever I could find wifi, I have finally settled (for now) in my home country of Scotland. My main focus is children's illustration and I now create the majority of my work digitally. My inspiration is drawn from nature, places I've been and people I've seen.

Rachel has illustrated the Lola and Larch series of chapter books published by Nosy Crow.

Poochie Pete is Rachel's debut picture book.

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ADVANCED INFORMATION

Moon Moon Can't Sleep by Johnathan Sung



5 Mar 2026 | HB | 9781919273907 | 220 x 220mm | 36pp | £14.99 | Age 4+ | Thema: YBCS1 Bedtime stories | BISAC: JUV010000 Bedtime & Dreams



In this modern, visually-bold bedtime story, a wolf-boy who can't sleep without his missing teddy overcomes his nighttime worries and fear of the dark to find his way back to sleep.

Moon Moon can't sleep...

One missing teddy.
One brave wolf-boy.
A forest full of shadows.
But he's not giving up just yet.



KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Explores overcoming sleep anxieties, like fear of the dark and loneliness
- Rhythmic, read-aloud text ideal for unwinding at bedtime
- Modern graphic illustration style appeals to children and grown-ups alike

Johnathan Sung is an author, illustrator, and animator based in Belfast. He loves finding playful ways to share ideas about ourselves and the world around us. *'Moon Moon Can't Sleep'* is his debut picture book.

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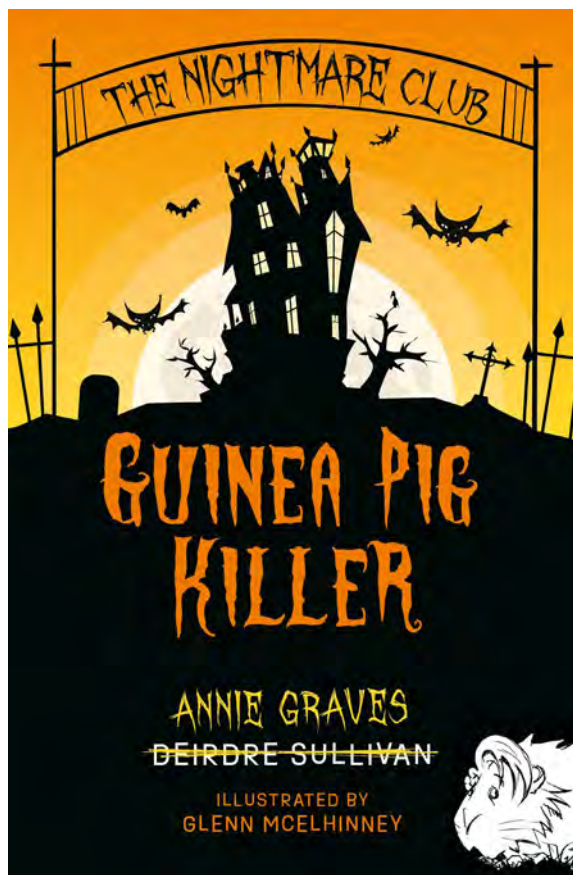


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The Nightmare Club: Guinea Pig Killer

by Deirdre Sullivan Annie Graves, illustrated by Glenn McElhinney

19 March 2026 | PB | 9781915071163 | 198 x 129mm | 64pp | £6.99 | Age 7+ | Thema: YFD Horror & ghost stories | BISAC: YAF018000 Horror



Welcome to the Nightmare Club, the sleepover that is definitely not for wimps. Annie Graves is your host, and she only invites guests who can tell really creepy stories.

Sandy hates his sister's guinea pig. No way is he taking care of Princess Snowflake while the rest of the family's away.

After all, dead pets tell no tales...

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You've been warned!

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KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Ideal for reluctant readers, with **dyslexic-friendly fonts** and fun **black-and-white illustrations**
- **Part of a series**, readers can build their 'Nightmare Club' collection
- Spooky stories that make children laugh-out-loud, including **vampires, mad scientists** and **monsters**



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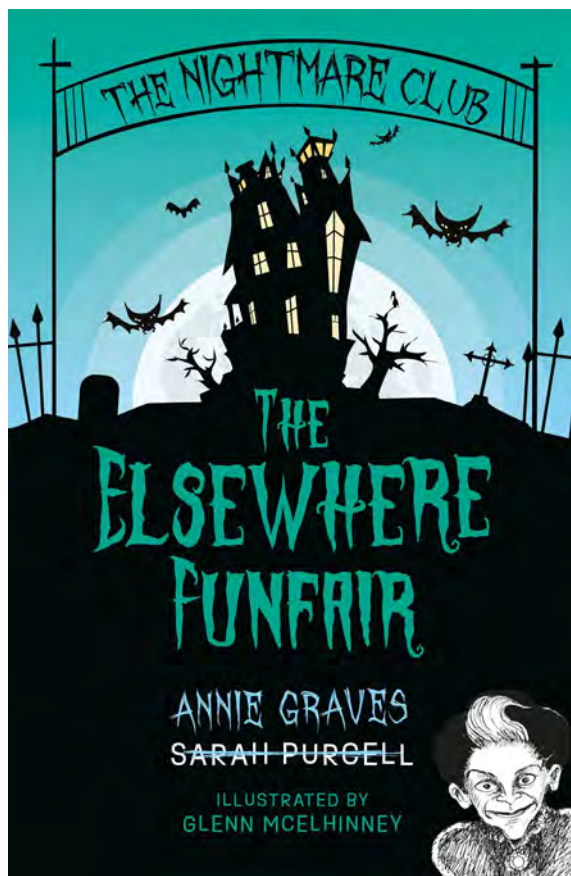
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ADVANCED INFORMATION

The Nightmare Club: The Elsewhere Funfair

by Sarah Purcell Annie Graves, illustrated by Glenn McElhinney

19 March 2026 | PB | 9781912417179 | 198 x 129mm | 272pp | £6.99 | Age 7+ | Thema: YFD Horror & ghost stories | BISAC: YAF018000 Horror



Welcome to the Nightmare Club, the sleepover that is definitely not for wimps. Annie Graves is your host, and she only invites guests who can tell really creepy stories.

Lynn thinks her granny is really cool, until family secrets start creeping out...

Reader be warned – a trip to the funfair does not always turn out as planned!

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Little Rhino Lost

Candy Gourlay, illustrated by Jamie Bauza



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£8.99

Paperback

275 x 240 mm, 32 pages

Interest age: From 3 years

BICs: YBCS

RIGHTS: ROW

Not for Sale: US CA

A little girl's encounter with a baby rhino inspires the greening of her city neighbourhood

Little Rhino is lost in the big, crowded city and he's afraid his mummy will never find him, far from home, with no tall trees, yummy leaves or green grass anywhere.

Maya wants to help but what can she do to make her home a place that Little Rhino's mummy will come to? Can Maya and everyone around her turn their homes and their city into a welcoming green space, with flowers, plants and trees - somewhere a little rhinoceros could call home?

- A **gentle, humorous** fantasy with a powerful **ecological theme**
- A story about **kindness** and about making change happen
- "A **heartwarming tale** about kindness community, and the magic of small changes making a big difference. **Highly recommended** for EYPS." *Books for Topics*
- "New picture by Candy Gourlay, **beautifully illustrated** by Jamie Bauza. Appealing story with **important themes** raising awareness of endangered animals and deforestation." *Love My Books*
- "The beautiful, vibrant illustrations portray Maya's imagination, the community and the magic of seedlings, which together turn a city into a beautiful oasis...*Little Rhino Lost* is a **warm story** about being lost and finding the way home, suitable for ages 3 and up." *School Reading List*
- "Told with **vibrant illustrations**, this is an **enchanted** story about **empathy, kindness, community spirit** and the enriching impact of **nature**." *Inclusive Books for Children*

Author Information

Candy Gourlay is an internationally acclaimed writer of children's books, whose work is published in many languages across the world. On the Otter-Barry list she is author of *Is It A Mermaid?* illustrated by Francesca Chessa. Born in the Philippines, Candy now lives in London. She writes, "The last rhinos of Southeast Asia now live in Indonesia, but they are on the brink of extinction. Wouldn't it be lovely if we could make our world a place a baby rhinoceros can call home?" **Jamie Bauza** is an illustrator, designer and crafter, based in Manila, Philippines. She is a graduate of Ateneo de Manila University, where she received a Visual Arts Award. In 2018 she attended the Summer Illustration Residency at the School of Visual Arts, New York. Jamie is a member and past president of Ang INK, a Philippine association of artists committed to the creation and promotion of illustration for children.



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That night Maya dreamed about
green jungles
and **giant ferns**
and a mama rhinoceros
leading her baby
home to the forest.

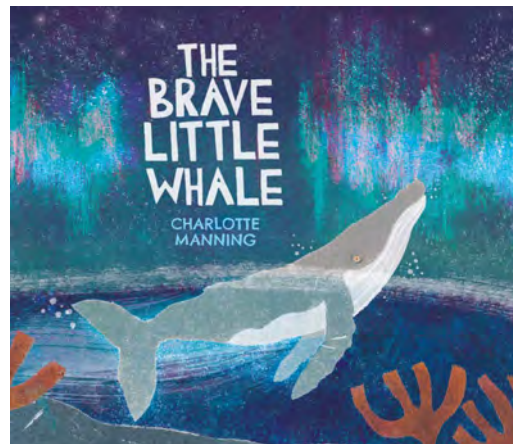


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The Brave Little Whale

Charlotte Manning

An exciting story about the real lives of humpback whales, with gorgeous illustrations



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£12.99

Hardback

240 x 275 mm, 32 pages

Interest age: From 4 years

BICs: YBCS

RIGHTS: WORLD

"Be brave, little Uki, be brave," calls Grandpa Yuka. But Uki doesn't feel brave at all!

Uki is a young Humpback Whale. Every year his beloved grandpa Yuka leads little Uki and the whale pod from tropical seas to the icy waters of the Arctic. But this time is different – this time Cousin Amka will be the leader...

There are dangers ahead for the whales, terrible storms and hungry sharks. And when sharp-toothed Orcas attack, Amka becomes trapped deep down, in an old fishing net.

Can Uki remember the song of peace his grandfather taught him? Can he save the pod and will he now be brave enough to lead the whales to safety?

This exciting story with richly coloured illustrations, is inspired by the real lives of Humpback Whales, and includes fascinating facts about the whales and their amazing journey.

- An **immersive** experience, drawing children into the whales' underwater lives
- Includes **key facts** about whales and their habitats alongside the story
- **Gorgeous illustrations** by an up and coming picture book creator
- Vividly depicts whale and ocean **conservation issues**

Author Information

Charlotte Manning is a graduate of the Cambridge School of Art's MA course in Children's Book illustration. An accomplished animal artist, she works with mixed media, painting and pochoir (stencil) to depict animals in their own environments. She was shortlisted in 2020 both for the World Illustration Awards and for the Communication Arts Illustration Competition. Her first book was *The Lost Horse* (2022). Charlotte lives in Canada.

Suddenly we heard a different sort of song...
"Click-click-squeeeeeek!"
A hungry pack of Orcas had heard us.
Amka panicked.

"Scatter!"
he called, and dived deep.

We all fled for our lives in different directions....

Orcas are intelligent and playful members of the dolphin family, but they are also fierce, meat-eating hunters and will sometimes prey on whales. Orca pods are usually led by an older female.



Later, we all tail-splashed
and spy-hopped for joy.

Amka whispered to me,
"Dear Uki, you saved us all.
The Orca queen was right,
please lead us from now on,
our brave little whale!"

Humpbacks are the most athletic of all whales and they love leaping and jumping. Spy-hopping helps whales see above the surface.





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£14.99

Hardback

275 x 240 mm, 40 pages

Colour illustrations

Interest age: From 6 years

BICs: YNN

RIGHTS: WORLD

Cities Going Wild

To Save the Planet

Catherine Barr, illustrated by Christiane Engel

Shows how cities across the world are adopting methods of wilding, to bring live nature into urban environments where most of the world's children live.

By 2050 two thirds of the world's population is projected to be living in cities. High tower blocks, glass walls, busy roads, power lines and air pollution are everyday hazards. How can we make our cities less dangerous and more friendly to wildlife?

Catherine Barr and Christiane Engel follow up their ground-breaking *Wildlife Crossings* with a worldwide look at what children and adults are doing, and can do, to make urban places safer and at the same time to improve the quality of life for everyone.

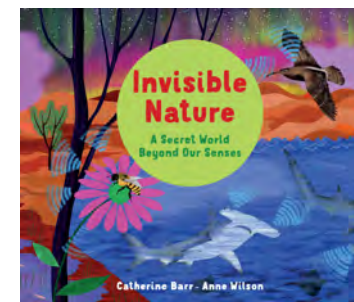
This important book shows that nature brings joy, health and resilience to climate change in an increasingly urban world. From peregrine falcons and pangolins to butterflies and bees, meet the wildlife that is settling in to city life.

- Another **ground-breaking** title from the author and illustrator of *Wildlife Crossings*
- Worldwide in scope with examples from every continent
- Shows how children and families can contribute, and enrich their own lives and those of their communities
- Brilliant **graphic colour spreads** bring the subject to life
- Catherine Barr has a gift for bringing crucial environmental topics to child level in a positive and constructive way

Author Information

Catherine Barr is a leading author on science and nature topics for young children, specialising in presenting them in new and exciting ways. Her previous books for Otter-Barry are *Red Alert: 15 Endangered Animals Fighting to Survive*, *Invisible Nature: A Secret World Beyond Our Senses* (winner of the *Teach Primary* science book prize) and *Wildlife Crossings: Protecting Animal Pathways Around the World*. She lives in the Welsh Borders.

Christiane Engel grew up in Germany and now lives in Kent, England. She is an author and book creator as well as an illustrator, with over 50 books for young children to her credit. She has previously collaborated with Catherine Barr for Otter-Barry Books in *Water*, and *Wildlife Crossings*.



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High-Rise Tweets

Central Park, New York City, USA

In Spring and Autumn, there is a busy bird highway in the skies over New York City. Songbirds, shorebirds, seabirds and birds of prey migrate along the Atlantic Flyway, heading south down the North American coast. Listen out and look up to see Brent Geese arriving from the Arctic for winter, and honking Snow Geese. Twice a year migrating flocks funnel through Central Park.

Bird visitors like Yellow-Rumped Warblers meet permanent park residents like the pretty Northern Flicker and the American Robin. Spy New York's famous Red-Tailed Hawks. Beyond the trees, one bird slices through the concrete jungle after pigeons. This Peregrine Falcon is the world's fastest flying bird.

Can you spot these birds?



Yellow-Rumped Warbler



Brent Goose



Snow Goose



Peregrine Falcon



Northern Shoveler



Red-Tailed Hawk

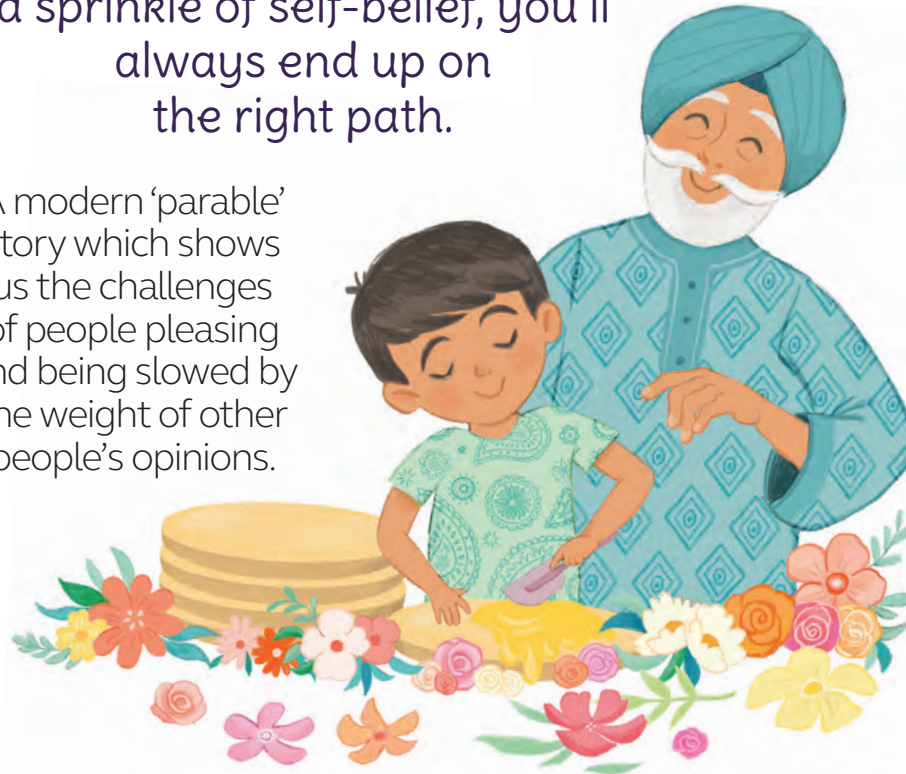


American Robin



‘With a pinch of positivity and a sprinkle of self-belief, you’ll always end up on the right path.’

A modern ‘parable’ story which shows us the challenges of people pleasing and being slowed by the weight of other people’s opinions.



Ari’s family bakery makes the finest cakes, using recipes passed down through generations. One day they receive a special request to make a magnificent cake for the queen, in time for the royal peacock’s birthday! With a long journey ahead, Ari and his grandad take their trusty horse, Cinnamon, to safely deliver their creation. Along the way they’re slowed down, not only by their heavy cake, a broken cart and hundred of goats, but also by the many townspeople sharing their opinions and giving mixed advice. Will they reach the palace in time?

Picture book | 220 x 300 mm | RRP: £7.99
Extent: 32pp | Age range: 4-7 | Pub Date: 05.03.26

Includes a Cardamom-Spiced Mango Cake Recipe

BY THE SAME AUTHOR



Monika Singh Gangotra is a South Asian author from Australia, now based in Birmingham. She is known for her picture book “Sunflower Sisters” (2021), which celebrates cultural diversity and friendship. Drawing from her Indian heritage and experiences as a migrant, Gangotra writes stories that promote inclusivity and cultural understanding. She actively advocates for diverse representation in children’s literature and media.

Backlist:
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"But it **IS** perfect!" the Queen replied, rolling her eyes at the king.

"Mango is **MY** favourite –
No matter how hard any of us may try,
you simply can't please **EVERYONE!**"



Grandad and Ari both laughed
in agreement and ate the
BIGGEST slice of cake . . .



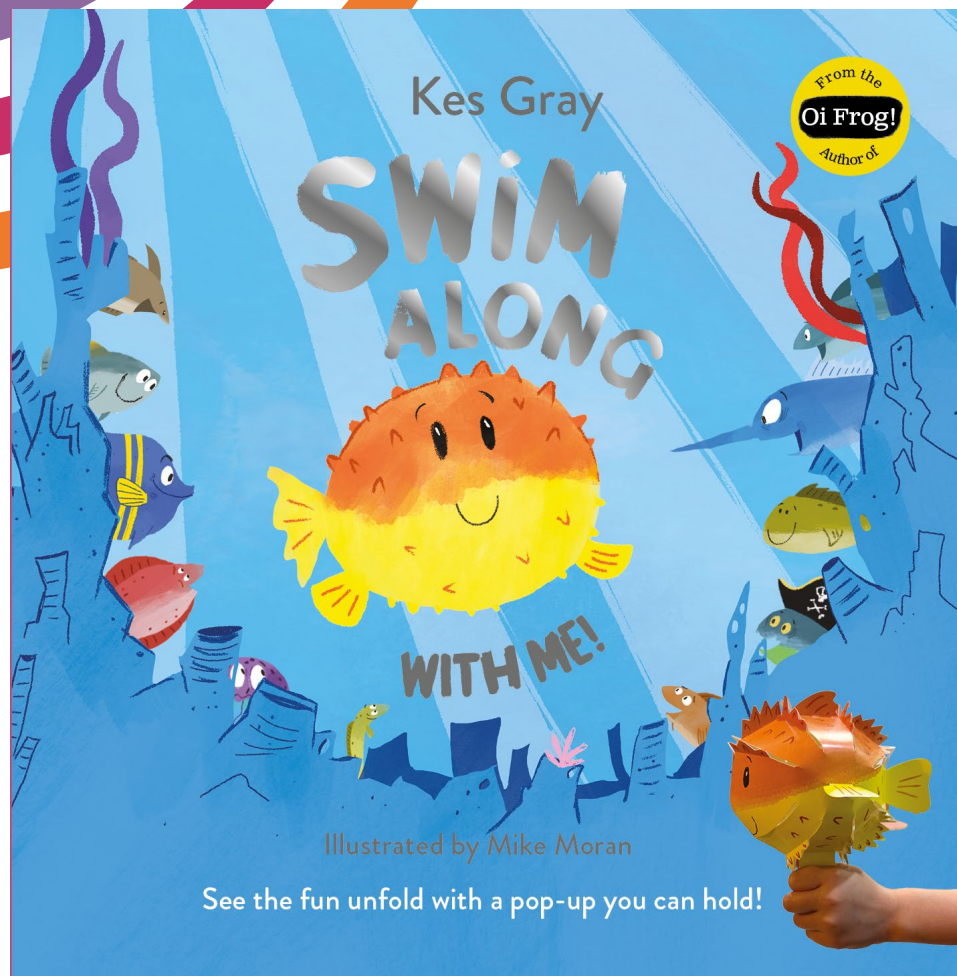
. . . with extra mango jam.

Swim Along With Me

Kes Gray and Mike Moran

LOOK INSIDE!

12 March | Board Book | 230 x 203 mm | 3+ | £12.99 | 9781918030006



Dive into this delightful underwater adventure where the story comes to life with a pop-up toy! This interactive story combines reading with play as the main character is a pop-up toy that children can hold and interact with, making story time an ocean of fun!

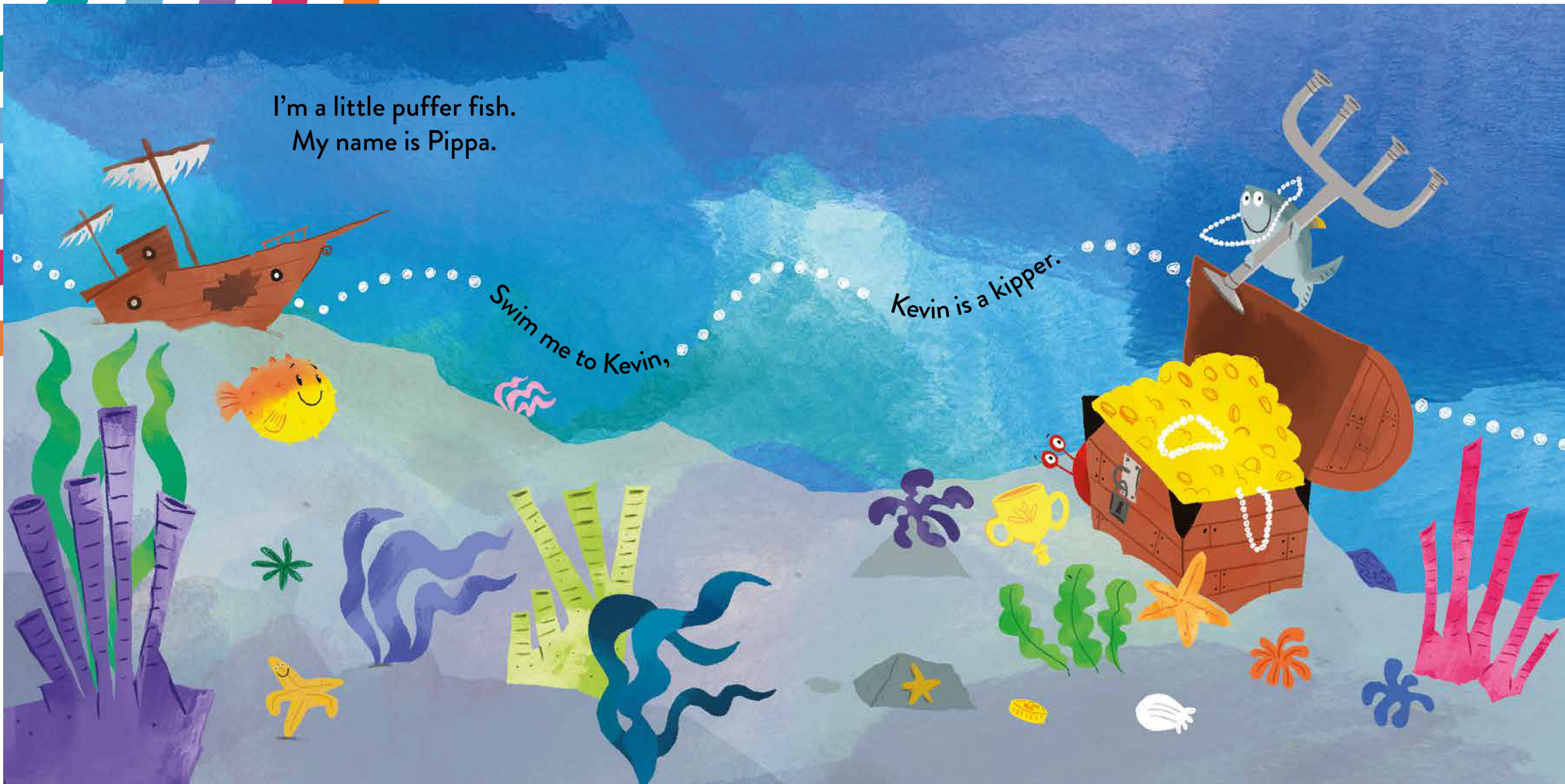
- Includes a removable, interactive pop-up puffer fish toy that children can hold and play with
- Funny rhymes, playful rhythm, and simple repetition keep kids laughing along
- Spectacular surprise finale with a friendly pop-up shark
- From best selling children's author Kes Gray (over 3 million books sold)



I'm a little puffer fish.
My name is Pippa.

Swim me to Kevin,

Kevin is a kipper.



How Big is Big?

Geff Newland


26 March | Board Book | 230 x 203 mm | 3+ | £12.99 | 9781918030013

LOOK INSIDE!



Filled with rhythmic repetition, playful scale, and ingenious paper engineering, How Big is Big? Is a joyful exploration of perspective, size, and curiosity – perfect for little readers with big imaginations.

- Featuring interactive pop-ups on each page in a surprise lift-the-flap element to captivate young readers
- Simple repetition makes the story perfect to read aloud together
- Playfully encourages progressive learning and introduces children to size comparison in a fun way
- Introduces a fun and curious character in and



"Butterfly, how big is big?" asked Ant.

"Big is LARGE, just like me!" she announced,
spreading her wings as wide as she could.

"You certainly are big," replied Ant.
"But I'm sure there is someone bigger."

So up and over, down and around, Ant marched on until he found...



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CARRY ALONG SOUND BOOK PAW PATROL EASTER PUPS!

The pups are ready for a big Easter egg hunt!

Read along as Marshall, Rubble, Skye, and the rest of the PAW Patrol help hide colourful eggs around Adventure Bay.

- Four buttons include recognisable PAW Patrol sounds
- Built-in handle allows little ones to play on the go
- A perfect small gift book to add to Easter baskets and gifts
- PAW Patrol Season 13 due to release in 2026, and PAW Patrol The Dino Movie releases in cinemas August 2026



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Format: Carry Along Sound Book
RRP: £8.99
Extent: 12pp




Height: 190.5 mm
Width: 152 mm
Depth: 10 mm
Age Range: From 18 months



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Now there are plenty of eggs  for everyone
to find! Mayor Goodway thanks the pups. 

"No job is too big, no pup,  lamb,  or
bunny  is too small!" says Ryder.





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TRACE-A-TRACK SOUND BOOK PAW PATROL: PAWSOME VEHICLES

Are you ready to roll?

Move the PAW Patrol pups along the tracks for hands-on story time!

Help Marshall, Skye, Zuma, and Rubble save the day!

- Includes 4 vehicles which readers can 'drive' along 5 different tracks built into the book
- 5 exciting sound buttons can be used to bring the action to life!
- PAW Patrol Season 13 due to release in 2026, and PAW Patrol The Dino Movie releases in cinemas August 2026



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Format: Trace-a-Track
RRP: £12.99
Extent: 8 pp


Height: 197 mm
Width: 254 mm
Depth: 18.29 mm
Age Range: From 3 years




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A giant mommy octopus can't find her baby! The PAW Patrol is ready for action!  Zuma heads out in his hovercraft submarine. 



Let's dive in!  Steer beneath the waves to help Zuma search the sea.



You found him! Pup-pup hooray! 





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LITTLE STEERING WHEEL BOOK HOT WHEELS LET'S RACE PIZZA TO GO, GO, GO!

Jump into the driver's seat!

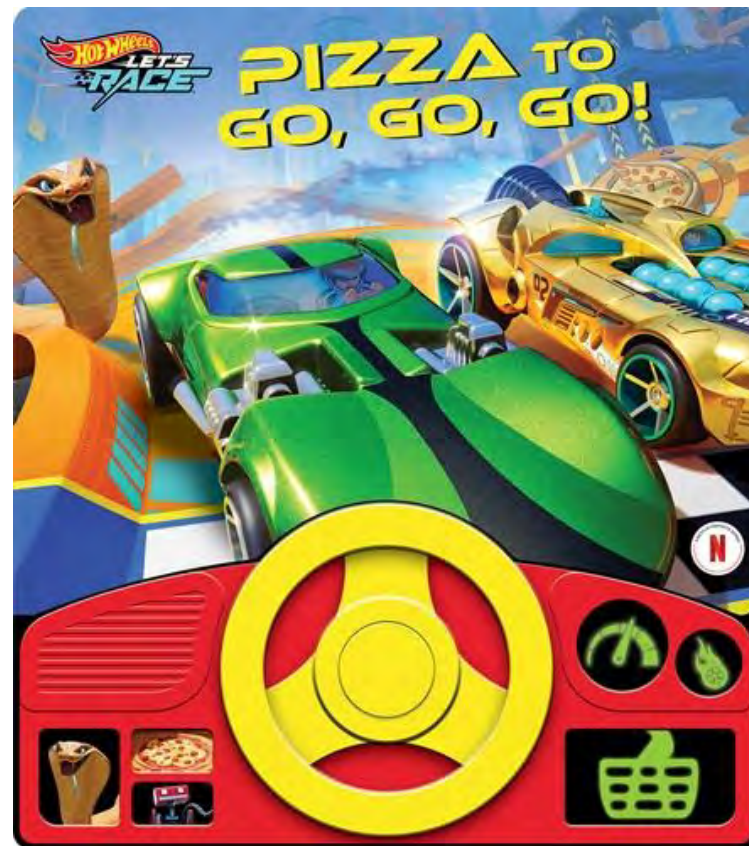
Join the Hot Wheels racers for an exciting high-speed adventure as they race to deliver pizzas through a tricky track, complete with many obstacles including a giant cobra!

- Attached driving module includes a working steering wheel and a dashboard that plays 8 turbo-charged sounds!
- Featuring familiar characters from the *Hot Wheels Let's Race* animated show (Netflix)

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Extent: 12 pp



Height: 225 mm
Width: 196.85 mm
Depth: 25.4 mm
Age Range: From 3 years



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Brights has an idea. She leads the snake  back to the pizza shop. The snake thinks the sign is a real pizza!  If it eats the sign, the snake won't be able to move.



Use your rocket booster  to knock the sign into the snake's  mouth!





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I'M READY TO READ STITCH ON THE LOOSE!

Read along as Stitch goes to school with Lilo...and gets lost!

Press 10 buttons to hear each page and every word read out loud.

- Stitch continues to be a leading Disney brand in apparel, toy and books
- Simple sentences, large type, and expressive narration make it easy for beginning readers to follow along
- Bridge the gap between picture book and chapter book, with the addition of audio



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Binding: HB
Format: I'm Ready to Read
RRP: £8.99
Extent: 24 pp

Height: 230 mm
Width: 187 mm
Depth: 15.5 mm
Age Range: From 4 years



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Stitch mixes up something smelly.

Everyone runs away.





Jacomini

Rébecca Dautremer

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Meet Jacominus, a tiny baby rabbit who loves playing with his equally adorable friends in this gentle story about friendship and learning to be yourself.

Jacominus is beautiful, he is kind and gentle, clever and funny. But can you be too beautiful? Or too kind and gentle? The answer is: never! This gentle board book for young children is a joyful exploration of children's personalities. With tender illustrations that are both stunning and adorable, journey with Jacominus as he learns who he is, and discovers the fun he can have with his friends by being himself.

Sales points:

- A story of friendship with a gentle text and adorable characters
- From the critically acclaimed author and illustrator, Rébecca Dautremer
- Perfect for fans of Shaun Tan

Marketing and Publicity:

- Review mailing and Instagram outreach
- POS still available – standees and bookmarks

Rébecca Dautremer, born in 1971 in Gap, Hautes-Alpes, is a celebrated French illustrator and author of children's literature. She studied graphic design at the École Nationale Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs and transitioned from photography to illustration in 1996, a shift that influenced her focus on lighting in her artwork. Dautremer's first children's book, *L'Amoureux*, was published in 2003 and won the Prix Sorcières. Known for her evocative gouache paintings, she collaborates professionally with her husband, author Taï-Marc Le Thanh.



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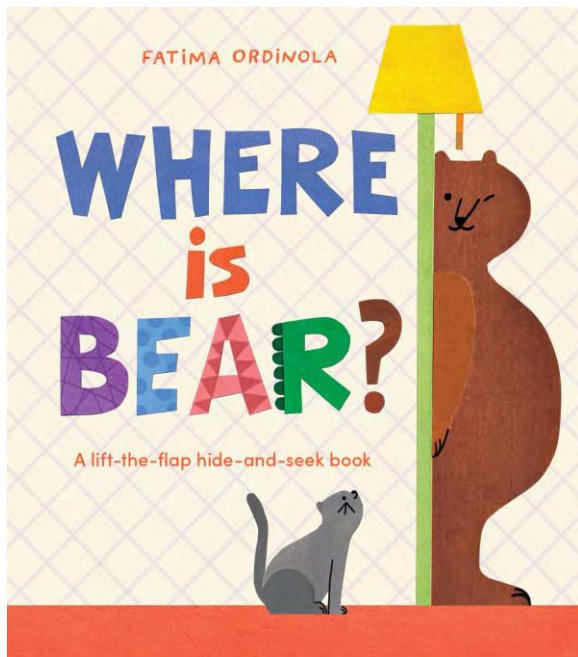
Interest Age: Up to 3 years



Not at all!



You can never be too gentle.



Pub Date: 26/03/2026

RRP: £7.99

Format: Board Book

ISBN: 9781836270928

Extent: 10 pages

Dimensions: 200 x 180 mm

Interest Age: Up to 3 years

Where is Bear?

Fátima Ordinola

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children's books



Where is Bear? Is he hiding behind the fridge? Is he hiding under the sofa? Is he in the bathtub?

Bear loves to play hide-and-seek! Can you find him? Lift each flap to discover where Bear is hiding around the house. With adorable artwork and a clever cat who knows Bear's secrets. The playful text encourages learning of prepositions and first words, while the interactive flaps spark curiosity and joy.

From the creator of *Our Love* and *Our Dreams* comes an adorable new pre-school range exploring first concepts.

Sales points:

- Adorable artwork that captures attention and sparks the imagination
- Interactive flaps engage young readers with fun surprises as they search for Bear
- Familiar household locations make it easy for little ones to connect with the story
- Simple, repetitive phrasing supports language development and engagement

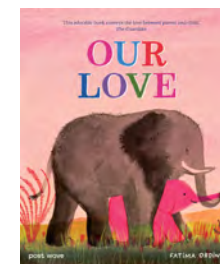
Marketing and Publicity:

- Extensive review mailing
- Paid Instagram campaign
- BookTrust activity – will pitch for Book of the Day, How to Draw video and competition
- Promotion on LoveReading4Kids

Fátima Ordinola is a graphic designer and illustrator born in Peru and currently residing in Cambridge, UK. In 2023, she graduated from the Cambridge School of Art with a distinction in the MA Children's Book Illustration programme. Her work has been recognised by the Bologna Children's Book Fair, The Batsford Prize, The Hamburger Bilderbuchpreis, and The Unpublished Picture Book Showcase. Her first picture book as an author, *Our Love*, was published in 2025.



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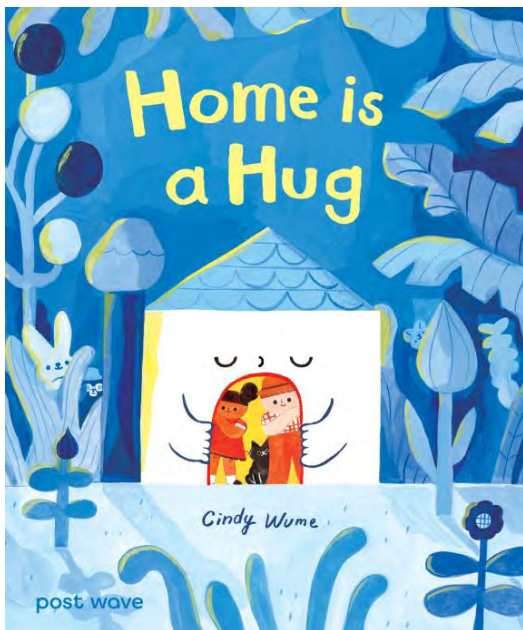
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Is Bear **beneath** the coat?



No!
It's Bat
having
a nap.



Pub Date: 26/03/2026

RRP: £12.99

Format: Hardback

ISBN: 9781836271000

Extent: 40 pages

Dimensions: 260 x 215 mm

Interest Age: 3 - 5 years

Thema: YNMP, YFN, YXHB, YXW, 5AC

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Home is a Hug

Cindy Wume

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children's books



Discover the true meaning of home in this heartfelt hug of a book, featuring peek-through pages and lift-the-flap surprises.

With gentle text and colourful illustrations, this picture book imagines all the different shapes a home can take, from an apple to a cardboard box, an umbrella, a cosy reading nook and finally a reassuring hug. Clever flaps and peek-through pages invite readers to uncover hidden surprises throughout, crafting a deceptively simple story full of unexpected die-cut delights. Perfect for children navigating change, this is a playful ode to all the places we find comfort.

Sales points:

- Features die-cut details, lift-the-flap surprises and an imaginatively shaped gatefold
- Sparks meaningful conversations about what 'home' means to children
- Perfect for both at home and classroom discussions
- Gently reassures children that homes can change, grow and come in many different shapes
- An evergreen topic warmly conveyed through vivid illustrations and simple text

Marketing and Publicity:

- Extensive review mailing
- Organic social media campaign supported by Cindy who has 25k followers
- Activity sheets
- Promotion on LoveReading4Kids

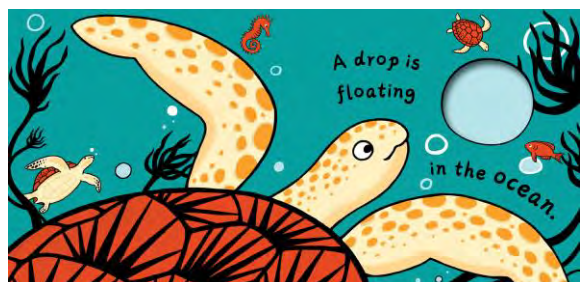
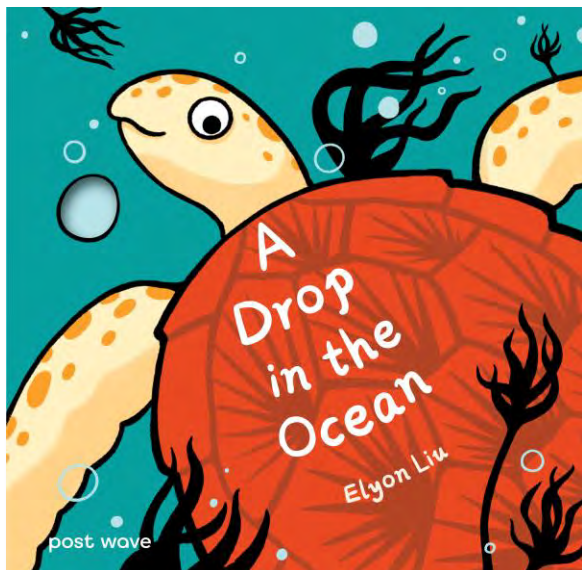
Cindy Wume is an author and illustrator from Taiwan. She works primarily with gouache, marker, ink, dip-pen, and coloured pencils. She typically draws inspiration from her observations of humanity, a sense of place, loving of nature and her own imagination. Her published titles include *The Bookshop Cat* and *The Gardening Dog* (Macmillan Children's Books) and Sylvia Plath's *The Bed Book* (Faber & Faber).



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A Drop in the Ocean

Elyon Liu

post wave
children's books



From cloud to cup, follow the journey of a water droplet in this beautifully illustrated book by Elyon Liu, where little ones discover the water cycle.

This sweet introduction to the water cycle is perfect for little ones. Starting with a tiny droplet in the ocean, watch it transform into a cloud, fall as rain, and flow into a river, eventually becoming part of a cup of tea enjoyed by a mother. Her tear of happiness returns to the sea, completing the circle. With engaging die-cuts on every page and easy-to-learn first words, this book is perfect for toddlers who are eager to learn more about our world.

Sales points:

- Ideal for fans of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*.
- A gentle, engaging way to explore the water cycle
- Engaging peek-through die-cuts on every page and a unique illustration style
- Perfect for introducing early vocabulary

Marketing and Publicity:

- Review mailing and Instagram outreach
- Elyon is available for window installations and events

Elyon Liu is an award-winning storyteller from Beijing. Her accolades include the Apila First Print Award, First Prize for Chinese Original Picture Book, JIA Illustration Bronze Award, and Macmillan Prize Highly Commended. Elyon is also a British Council Venice Fellow.

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Format: Hardback

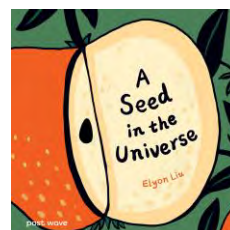
ISBN: 9781836270454

Extent: 24 pages

Dimensions: 210 x 210 mm

Interest Age: 3 - 5 years

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Which is
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by the clouds.



Are you hiding... little elephant?

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Main Features & Benefits

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Author Klara Tünner
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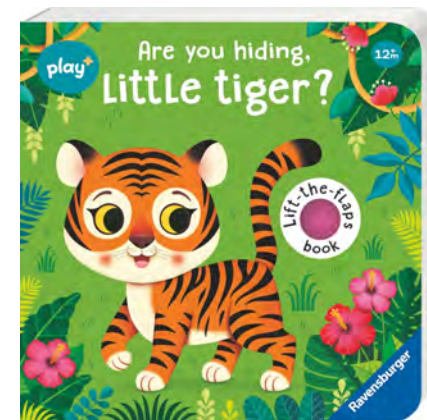
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Where are you, little tiger?

There you are!





Tick Tock Around the Clock

by Ruth Brown



From the author of classic picture books *Dark Dark Tale* and *Greyfriars Bobby* comes this beautiful picture book about a day in the life of Tick Tock the cat.

Follow Tick-Tock through a noisy and eventful day – from waking up until bedtime. His encounters with squirrels and mice don't end up quite as he hoped, but he always has a meal and a lap to return to every evening.

A comically observed and detailed picture book from one of the greats of children's illustration.

Key Selling Points

- A gorgeous book for cat lovers of all ages - one third of UK households have a cat!
- Children will identify with the cat's routine of waking up, breakfast, going out, playing, dinner and bedtime, and will love joining in with the noises heard throughout the day
- Tick Tock's emotions are recognisable – pleasure, excitement, concentration, dejection and anticipation
- A safe bed time story with detailed art and humour, reminiscent of Shirley Hughes
- Beautiful hardback with gold foil on cover

Sales and Marketing

- Author is a household favourite popular in schools and libraries and well reviewed
- Free teacher notes and activities available on the website
- Postcards available
- Author's recent titles are *Ten Little Dogs*, *Eye Spy*, *A Gallery of Cats*.

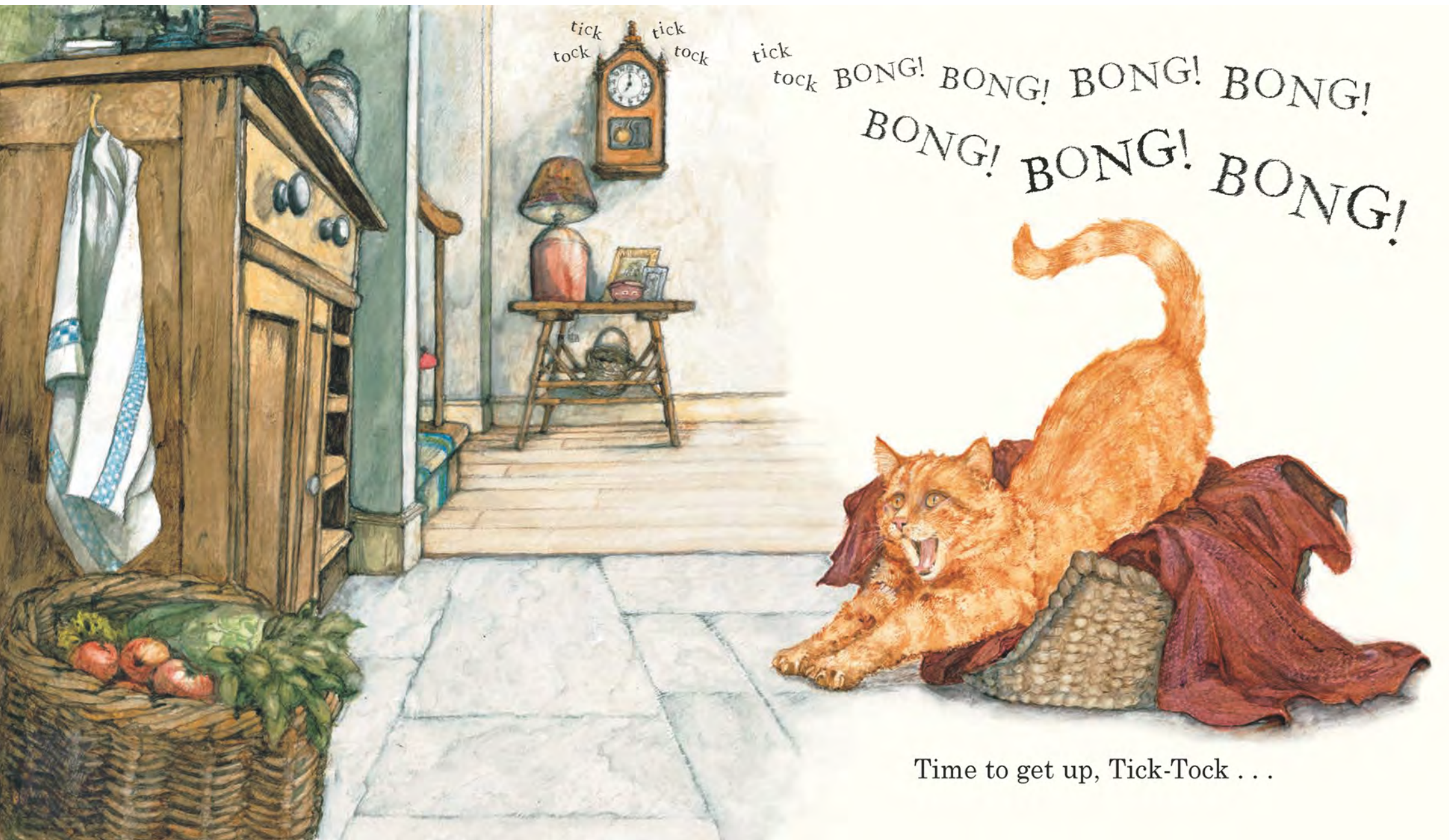
Ruth Brown is the creator of some of Britain's best loved children's books. She was born in Devon and now lives in London and Frome. Ruth's books are translated in many languages around the world, and she has won the Earthworm Award, the English Association Award, the Prix Sorcière and been shortlisted 3 times for the Kate Greenaway Medal.



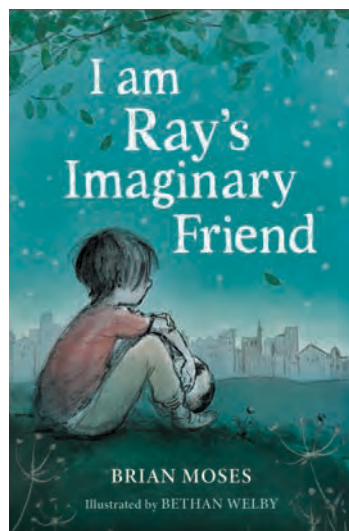
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Time to get up, Tick-Tock . . .



I am Ray's Imaginary Friend

by Brian Moses and Bethan Welby



A moving and humorous verse chapter book written by an imaginary friend

Ray loves life in his village until one day he hears his parents talking about moving away. Traumatized by the idea, Ray invents an imaginary friend to talk to and even runs away. Eventually Ray is able to accept the move, and also the refugee mother and child who come to live with his family in the new house.

Key Selling Points

- Uniquely narrated by an imaginary friend, which brings gentle humour to the story
- A relatable story about anxiety and empathy
- Free verse format makes for easy reading, creating space for the feelings experienced by Ray
- A boy character – but a book for boys and girls
- Fabulous illustrations with both emotional depth and light-heartedness
- Cover has matt lamination and foil.

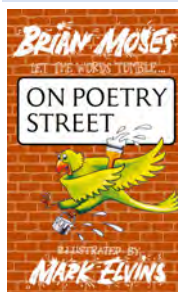
Sales and Marketing

- Brian Moses is a household name, and regularly visits schools and performs at poetry events
- Brian's latest book *On Poetry Street* was long listed for the UKLA Award.
- Author active on social media. SM campaign, videos, giveaways
- Campaigns with Love Reading, Toppsta, Authorgraph in Books for Keeps, YLG website
- Bookmarks, free teacher notes planned for website

Brian Moses lives in East Sussex, UK. His books have sold over one million copies and he has been labelled 'one of Britain's favourite children's poets' by the National Poetry Archive.

Bethan Welby lives in Devon, UK. Her debut picture book *The After Christmas Tree* was longlisted for the Klaus Flugge Award, and *Phyllis and Grace* was short listed for the V&A Award, nominated for the Carnegie, and won a White Raven.

Publication	5 March 2026
Age	7 to 11
Price	£8.99
Format	PB, b/w ills
Size	198 x 129mm
Extent	216pp
ISBN	978-1-83630-034-2
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*in a town.
She'll need to be on her lead
all the time.*

*She'll miss chasing rabbits,
and foxes
and squirrels
and pheasants.*

*She never catches anything,
it's just the chase
that she loves.*

But there's a park,
Ray's dad said,
and the river bank.

We'll find new places
for Bess to run,
she'll adapt,
she'll be fine.

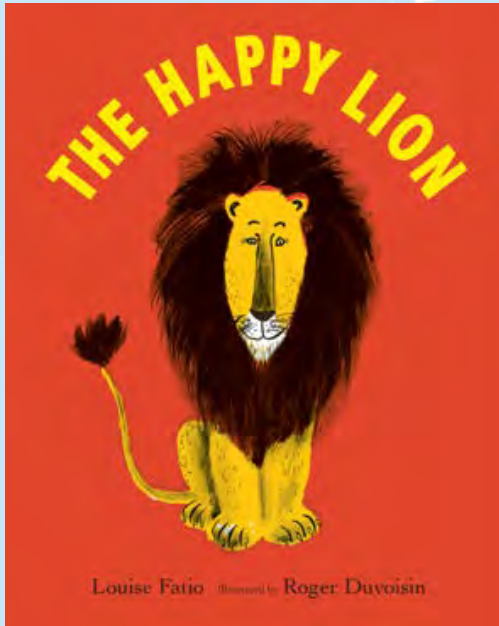
As long as she's with
the family who love her,
that's all she cares about.

*But Bess doesn't want to leave here,
and neither do I,
Ray whispers.*



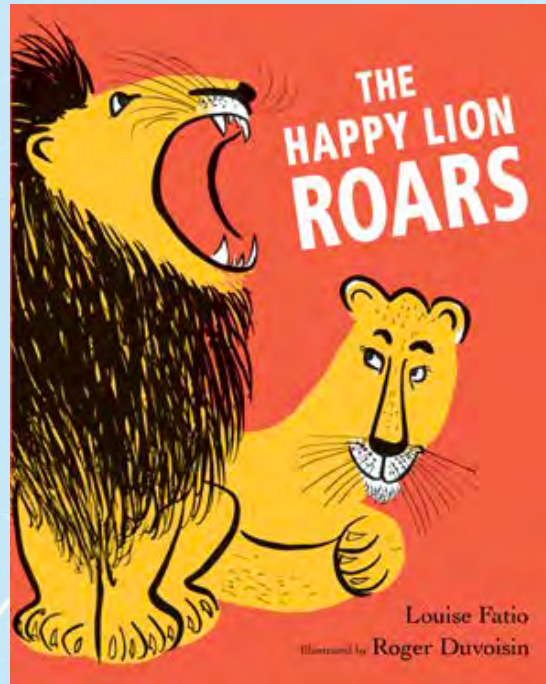
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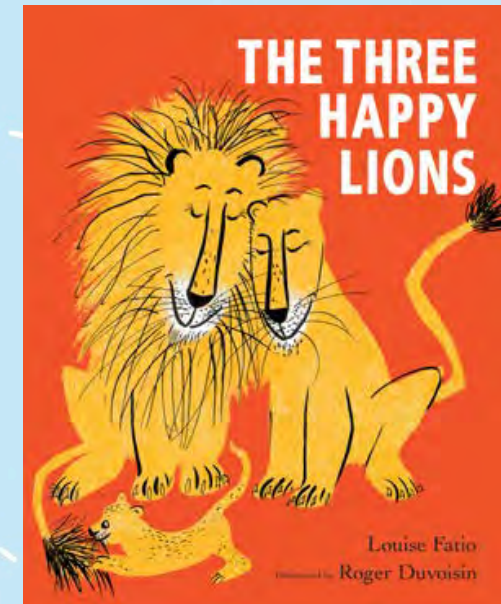


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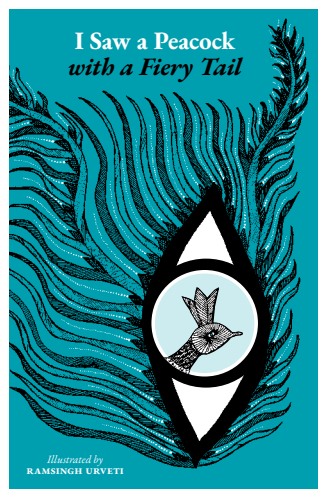
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Roger Duvoisin illustrated over 100 books of which he wrote 40. *The Happy Lion* won the inaugural German Children's Book Prize in 1956. In 1947 Roger won the Caldecott Medal for *White Snow*, *Bright Snow* and in 1966 a Caldecott Honor with *Hide and Seek Fog*.



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I SAW A PEACOCK WITH A FIERY TAIL

RAMSINGH URVETI, JONATHAN YAMAKAMI

A well-known folk poem from 17th century England, *I Saw a Peacock with a Fiery Tail* is a form of trick verse. The poem at first seems nonsensical, but given a break in the middle of each line, its meaning begins to unravel.

In this pioneering visual exploration of *I Saw a Peacock*, Pardhan Gond tribal artist Ramsingh Urveti and book designers Jonathan Yamakami and Disha Naik use art and design in the service of language.

Working with die-cuts, and colour, they mirror the ways in which poetry creates meaning, revealing, and concealing at the same time through a play with syntax.

Look Inside!

RAMSINGH URVETI belongs to the indigenous Gond community, and is from Madhya Pradesh in central India. A winner of national and international awards, he creates intense and poetic art. Urveti has contributed to Tara's award-winning book *The Night Life of Trees* and to other silkscreenprinted classics such as *Signature* and *Sun and Moon*.

JONATHAN YAMAKAMI is a designer who works with graphic art and ceramics. Originally from São Paulo, Brazil, he resides in the USA. He has worked with Tara Books on a number of projects, including *Signature*, *The Enduring Ark*, and *Sita's Ramayana*.

DISHA NAIK is a young graphic designer, who continues to explore aspects of book design

BOOK DETAILS

Art / Poetry
56 pp; HC; two colours
155 mm x 247 mm
Offset-printed
ISBN: 978-93-80340-14-2

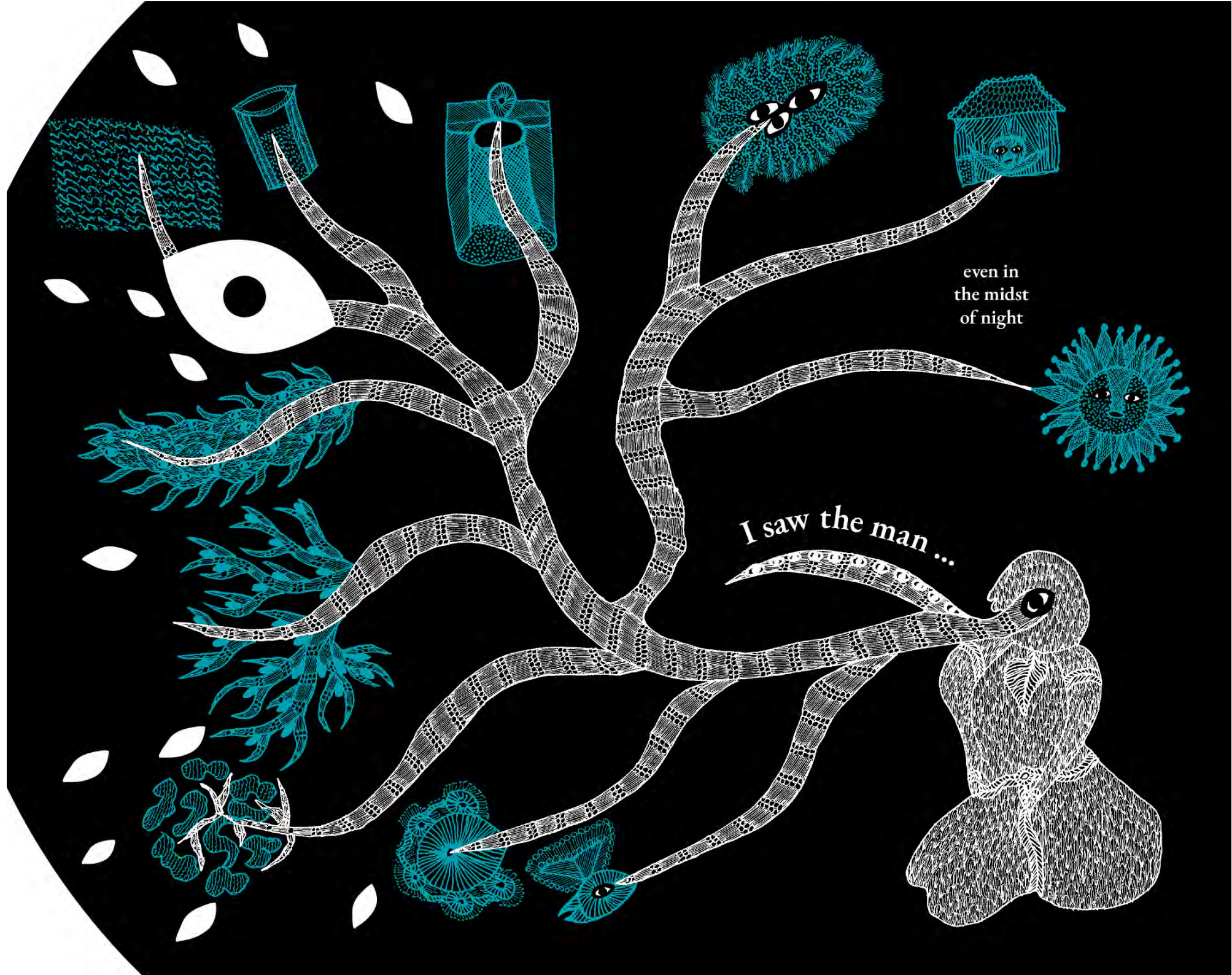
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HIGHLIGHTS

- An exquisite book artifact, which has been described as a 'die-cut masterpiece... unlike any book you've ever held in your hands and in your heart, and which outcharms even the most impressive die-cut books of the past decade' (The Marginalian, formerly Brain Pickings)
- Featured in the USBBY Outstanding International Books honor list, 2013
- Listed in The New York Times' 'Favorite Book Cover Designs of 2012'

KEY FEATURES

- As much a book for students of art and design, as for poetry lovers
- An object lesson in how a book works, with the words, art, die-cut and the page working to create meaning
- Die-cuts on each page that offer varied and playful ways for the reader to interact with the text
- A reminder of why tactile books matter in the digital age as well
- A collectible for bibliophiles



even in
the midst
of night

I saw the man ...

Magic Torch Books: Goodnight Panda

Say 'goodnight' with this magical torch book series!

Author: Katie Button | Illustrator: Eleanor Lamb



ISBN: 978-1-83555-483-8

Pub date: 05 March 2026

Price: £7.99

Format: Full colour casebound hardback

Cover finishes: Spot uv matt lamination

Additional Info: 5 pages with inset acetate and a card torch on a ribbon

Extent: 12pp

Dimensions: 186 x 186 mm

BIC Code: YBGT3

CBMC Code: A3J79

Age range: 3 to 5

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Magic torch novelty book format to wow little readers!

Simple illustrations and text are combined with a beautiful colour palette to create a perfect preschool look.

Interactive storytime - perfect for reluctant readers!

Repetitive, rhyming text to help young children learn rhythm and tone.

Clever windows throughout reveal hidden animals when the torch is inserted.

Includes a handy ribbon to keep the magic torch attached to the book.

Part of a range of adorable animal-themed bedtime novelty board books!

Panda is ready for bed, but first she wants to say goodnight to all her animal friends.

Young children will love to help Panda find her animal friends in this interactive novelty board book. There's a monkey, a wolf, a tiger, a yak and many more popular animals waiting to be discovered in the scenes. From exploring the wide river and searching in the desert to looking in the bamboo forest, there's different places to search and different animals to look for on each magic page. Simply insert the included 'magic torch' between the pages to find Panda's friends in each night-time scene and watch children glow with delight as hidden pictures appear!

Illustrator: Eleanor Lamb

Eleanor graduated from the Norwich University of the Arts with a degree in illustration and has been drawing, illustrating and creating ever since. Eleanor has a passion for fine art and will never miss an opportunity to see works of Van Gogh during her travels. Eleanor is a super paws-itive person and loves drawing rabbits, ducks and cats, of course!



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Who can Panda see,
in the pale moonbeams?

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Wolf!

Sleep well,
sweet dreams!

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Insert the
"torch" between
the pages to find
the animals!

Hand Puppet Pals: Have you ever met a Magical Unicorn?

Make story time fun with a cute, soft hand puppet and a laugh-out-loud story all in one!

Author: Lou Treleaven | Illustrator: Carlo Beranek



ISBN: 978-1-83555-167-7

Pub date: 05 March 2026

Price: £8.99

Format: Full colour board book

Cover finishes: Matt lamination

Additional Info: die-cut hole through front cover and all pages plus integral plush hand puppet

Extent: 10pp

Dimensions: 203 x 203 mm

BIC Code: YBGT3

CBMC Code: A3J79

Age range: 3 to 5

The read-and-play format combines a soft-to-touch unicorn hand puppet with a funny, interactive story.

Hands-on interactive stories for little ones and adults with plenty of read-aloud fun to make the puppets and stories come alive.

Developed by the creators of the best-selling hand puppet format - over 2 million hand puppet books sold worldwide!

Have you ever met a magical unicorn?

Sparkles the unicorn can grant wishes with a swish of her magical horn. But one day, Sparkles has a cold and with each SNEEZE, her magic gets muddled up - with some very funny results!

Make story time fun with this "read-and-play" book that combines a laugh-out-loud story with a soft-to-touch hand puppet all in one book! Children will be captivated as they read the funny, rhyming story about a very magical unicorn and act out the story with the plush unicorn puppet mouth to make Sparkles go "ACHOO!" on every page.

The soft, plush hand puppet mouth fits both big and little hands for read-aloud together time, and for peace of mind, the puppet is securely attached to the back of the book. Simply place your hand inside the puppet and move your fingers and thumb to act out the story and bring Sparkles the Unicorn to life!

Illustrator: Carlo Beranek

Carlo Beranek is a freelance illustrator based in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. His work is bold, bright and colourful, and often invested with strong messages that carry forward Carlo's belief in art's ability not only to entertain but also to educate and inspire. If Carlo weren't an illustrator he would have been a chef. He loves reading, listening to music, going to the cinema, and would jump at the chance to move to a big city like London or New York and adopt a dog.



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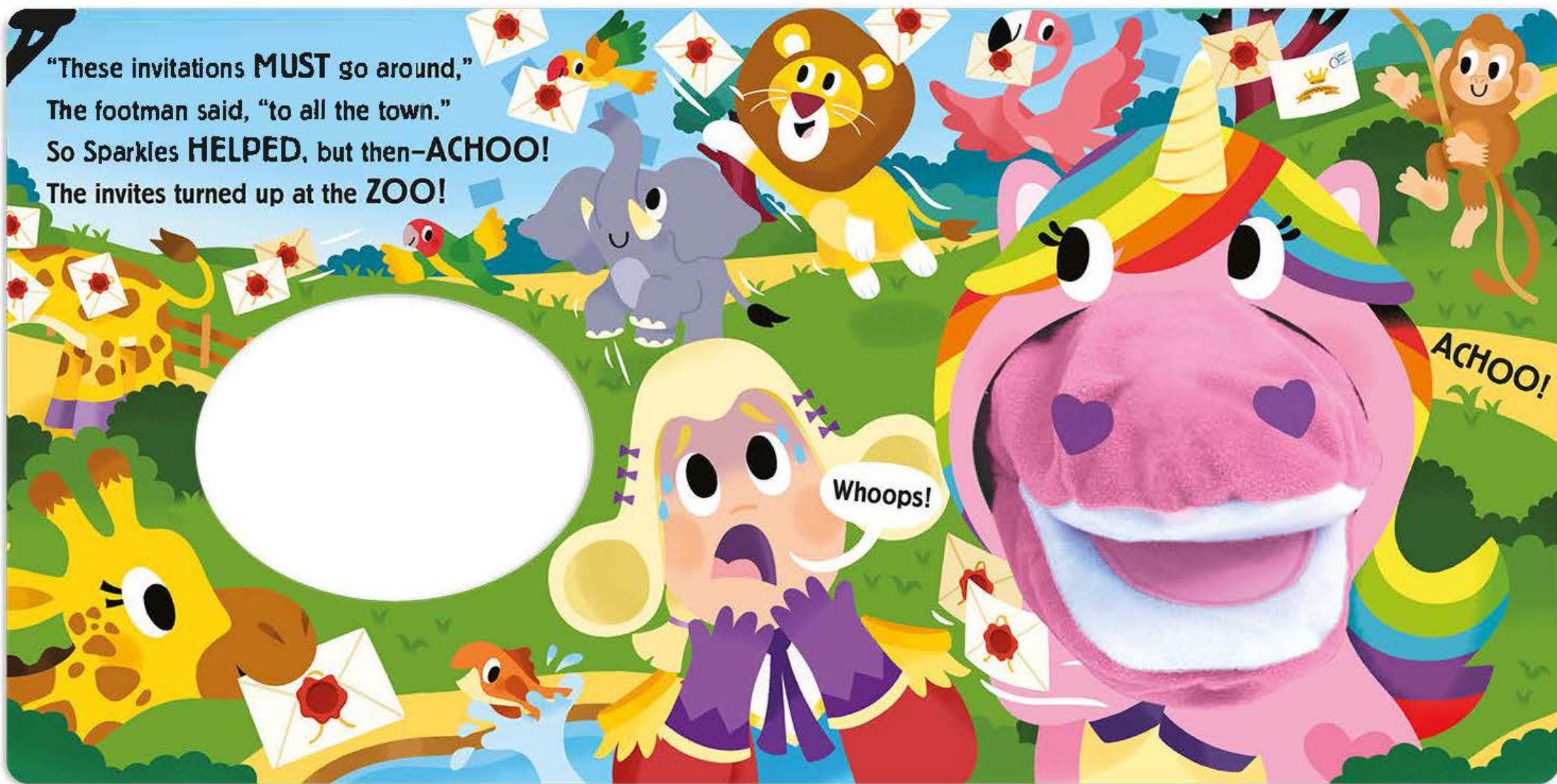
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"These invitations **MUST** go around,"
The footman said, "to all the town."
So Sparkles **HELPED**, but then-**ACHOO!**
The invites turned up at the **ZOO!**





Hand Puppet Pals: Have you ever met a Roaring Dinosaur?

Make story time fun with a cute, soft hand puppet and a laugh-out-loud story all in one!

Author: Lou Treleaven | Illustrator: Carlo Beranek

The read-and-play format combines a soft-to-touch dinosaur hand puppet with a funny, interactive story.

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Developed by the creators of the best-selling hand puppet format - over 2 million hand puppet books sold worldwide!

Have you ever met a dinosaur who cannot roar?

Rumble the Tyrannosaurus rex can squeak, burp, giggle and even bark, but he cannot work out how to roar. One day, Rumble's dino friends decide to teach him. Will Rumble ever find his roar?

Make story time fun with this "read-and-play" book that combines a laugh-out-loud story with a soft-to-touch hand puppet all in one book! Children will be captivated as they read the funny, rhyming story about a very noisy T. rex and act out the story with the plush dinosaur puppet mouth to help Rumble learn to "ROAR!" on every page.

The soft, plush hand puppet mouth fits both big and little hands for read-aloud together time, and for peace of mind, the puppet is securely attached to the back of the book. Simply place your hand inside the puppet and move your fingers and thumb to act out the story and bring Rumble the T. rex to life!

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Cover finishes: Matt lamination

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His friends encouraged him to **TRY**,
"Use all your **STRENGTH** and let it **FLY!**"

He cleared his **THROAT** and **STAMPED** his feet,
But all that came out was a **SQUEAK!**

SQUEAK!



Water Painting Search and Find: Search and Find Jungle Animals

Create your own colourful pictures with this magical series and watch the scenes transform in front of you!

Author: Georgie Taylor | Illustrator: Juniper Walker

Search and find the hiding items again and again - paint with water, leave to dry, then paint again!

Develops fine motor skills, memory recall, and text and picture association skills.

Perfect for activity fun on the move!

Paint with water for search and find wild animal fun!

Create paw-some pictures with this water painting book, then search and find the wild animal pictures that are hiding on each page. Simply apply water with the special pen, leave to dry, then paint your pictures and search and find again.



ISBN: 978-1-83555-513-2

Pub date: 12 March 2026

Price: £8.99

Format: Full colour casebound hardback

Cover finishes: Matt lamination

Additional Info: 5 water-painting scenes, refillable water pen

Extent: 10pp

Dimensions: 240 x 200 mm

BIC Code: YBGC

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Age range: 3 to 5

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Illustrator: Juniper Walker

Juniper graduated with a degree in Graphic Design and Illustration from the University of Suffolk. She has created her own characters and worlds ever since she could pick up a pencil! As well as illustration, Juniper loves animals, adventures and collecting too many house plants.



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Hello! Hello!

Paint and find...

A bird with a red tail

An orangutan with pink fur

A blue dragonfly



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Water Painting Search and Find: Search and Find Robots

Create your own colourful pictures with this magical series and watch the scenes transform in front of you!

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Paint with water for search and find robot fun!

Create robo-tally awesome pictures with this water painting book, then search and find the things that are hiding on each page. Simply apply water with the special pen, leave to dry, then paint your robot pictures and search and find again.



ISBN: 978-1-83555-489-0

Pub date: 12 March 2026

Price: £8.99

Format: Full colour casebound hardback

Cover finishes: Matt lamination

Additional Info: 5 water-painting scenes, refillable water pen

Extent: 10pp

Dimensions: 240 x 200 mm

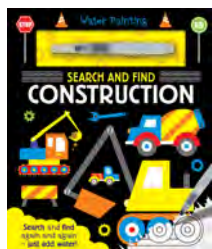
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Illustrator: Robin Baines

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Wipe-Clean Activity Fun: Animals

Wipe-clean magic with puzzles and drawing fun!

Author: Will Putnam | Illustrator: Sarah Wade

Reusable fun! Wipe-clean pages and pen for hours of play.

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Wipe-clean magic with puzzles and drawing fun!

Join Zoologist Zara as she travels through the African savannahs and the South American rainforests in her trusty jeep. Packed with over 20 exciting puzzles, this fur-mazing book will delight animal fans aged 5 and up while helping them develop key skills like pen control and problem-solving.

With activities like odd-one-out, pairing puzzles, mazes, spot-the-difference and drawing challenges, children will love the sense of accomplishment after completing each page. Filled with illustrations that bring Zara's safari adventure to life, this book will inspire curiosity and creativity in young animal fans.

Help Zara on her search-and-find quest to discover the rare rainbow butterflies – there's one hidden on every page, adding an extra challenge for readers as they journey through the wild with Zara and learn lots of fascinating animal facts along the way.

The wipe-clean pages and included pen mean children can enjoy these activities again and again. Whether at home or on the go, this wipe-clean book is a roaring good time and will make paw-some memories for every little zoologist-in-training.

Illustrator: Sarah Wade

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.



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ISBN: 978-1-83555-290-2

Pub date: 05 March 2026

Price: £7.99

Format: Full colour saddle stitched paperback

Cover finishes: Spot uv matt lamination

Additional Info: 115mm long wipe clean pen attached to spine with a large wafer seal (50 H x 90mm W)

Extent: 24pp

Dimensions: 280 x 216 mm

BIC Code: YBGC

CBMC Code: B5L79

Age range: 5 to 7

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Crocodile Maze

Zara needs to help a poorly zebra, but there are crocodiles in her way! Draw a line through the maze from the start to the finish, avoiding the crocodiles!



Safari Search and Find

Zara is about to leave the Tanzanian safari park and head north, but first, she needs to tidy up the area. Can you find and circle all the items in the scene?



Find and circle these important items.



1 backpack



4 binoculars



3 water bottles



6 field notebooks



3 safari hats



7 walkie-talkies

5+



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Wipe-Clean Activity Fun: Dinosaurs

Wipe-clean magic with puzzles and drawing fun!

Author: Will Putnam | Illustrator: Sarah Wade

Reusable fun! Wipe-clean pages and pen for hours of play.

Learn through play! Discover fascinating facts and boost pen control and problem-solving skills.

Children can feel a sense of reward and satisfaction every time they finish an activity.

Wipe-clean magic with puzzles and drawing fun!

Join Palaeontologist Ruby as she travels through time to the Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous periods in her amazing time machine. Packed with over 20 exciting puzzles, this roar-some book will delight dinosaur fans aged 5 and up while helping them develop key skills like pen control and problem-solving.

With activities like odd-one-out, pairing puzzles, mazes, spot-the-difference and drawing challenges, children will love the sense of accomplishment after completing each page. Filled with T.rexcellent illustrations that bring Ruby's prehistoric adventure to life, this book will inspire curiosity and creativity in young dinosaur fans.

Help Ruby on her search-and-find quest to discover the golden dinosaur eggs – there's one hidden on every page, adding an extra challenge for readers as they journey through time with Ruby and learn lots of fascinating dinosaur facts along the way.

The wipe-clean pages and included pen mean children can enjoy these activities again and again. Whether at home or on the go, this wipe-clean book is a roaring good time and will make dino-mite memories for every little palaeontologist-in-training.

Illustrator: Sarah Wade

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Extent: 24pp

Dimensions: 280 x 216 mm

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Age range: 5 to 7

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Volcano Maze

A volcano has erupted! Help Ruby run to the safety of the mountains. Draw a line through the maze from start to finish.

Yikes!
Can you help
me escape?

Did you know?
Coelophysis (SEE-
lo-FY-sis) was one of
the first dinosaurs
to run in packs!

→ START

← FINISH

Triassic Search and Find

Ruby explores the wild Triassic landscape. Before she time travels to the next era, she needs to clear up her campground. Can you find and circle all the items in the scene?

Roar!

Hiss!

Find and circle these important items.



4 compasses



1 backpack



3 rock hammers



5 rolled-up maps



7 magnifying glasses



2 lanterns

5+



Two Windmills

555 Sticker Fun: 555 Sticker Fun Football

The ultimate sticker book series, with over 555 stickers and things to spot on every page!

Author: Susan Mayes | Illustrator: Dan Crisp

Perfect activity book for imaginative play alongside big football tournaments.

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A perfect fantasy football activity book to give to a child for soccer-themed fun.



ISBN: 978-1-83555-460-9

Pub date: 05 March 2026

Price: £6.99

Format: Full colour perfect bound paperback

Cover finishes: Spot uv matt lamination

Extent: 48pp

Dimensions: 280 x 216 mm

BIC Code: YBGS

CBMC Code: B3L79

Age range: 5 to 7

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Dan Crisp lives in West Yorkshire, UK, with his wife Isabel and their children, Tom, Matilda and Caleb. As well as enjoying writing Dan is a professional illustrator and studied illustration in Sheffield and at The North East Wales Institute. He loves illustrating and enjoys karate, the outdoors, cycling and hiking.



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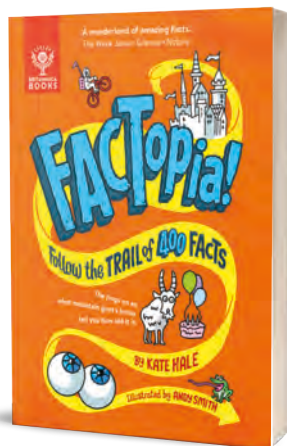
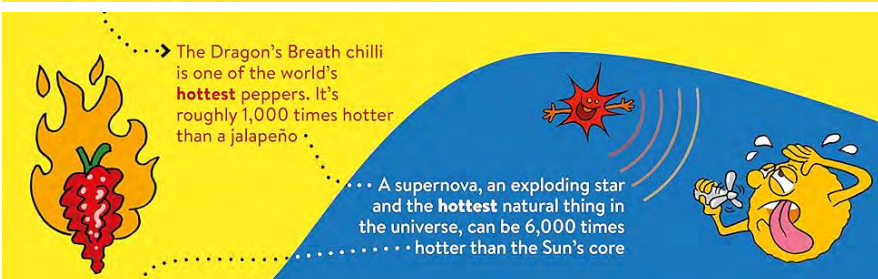
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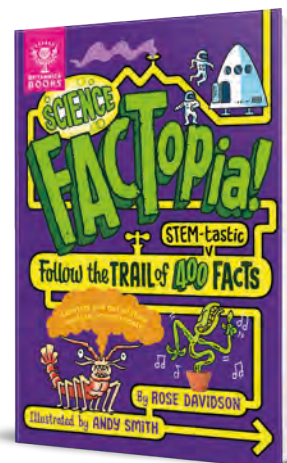
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Price	£ 12.99
Format	Board Book
Size (box)	280 x 150 (80) x 27 mm
Size (book)	90 x 150 mm
Extent	12 pages
BIC code	YB
Age	2+
Features	3 cut-to-shape books in one slipcase

KEY SELLING POINTS:

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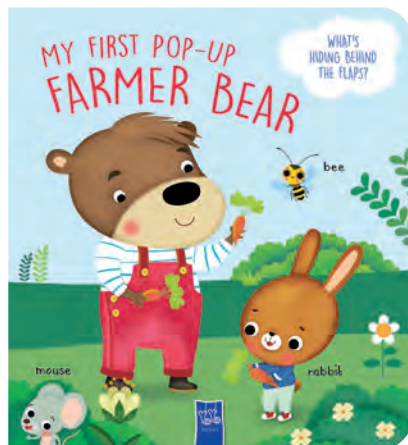
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My First Pop-Up



Goodnight Bear
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GOODNIGHT BEAR FARMER BEAR

There is lots to do and discover in this charming pop-up series. Fun flaps and surprising pop-ups will spark the imagination of any child as they follow the adventures of Bear, as he prepares for bedtime or spends a fun day at the farm.

Publication	FEBRUARY 2026
Price	£9.99
Format	Board book
Size	230 x 210 mm
Extent	10 pages
BIC code	YB
Age	1+
Features	5 pop-ups, flaps to lift

KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Contains 5 big pop-ups and surprises hidden behind flaps.
- The vibrant colours of the illustrations capture the interest of children.
- The fun stories are perfect to read at bedtime.

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TURTLE • WHALE DUCK • FROG

This series made from soft scuba fabric is the perfect companion for your little one in and out of the tub. They will love playing with the fun tails and paws of the colourful animals. And with their handy hanging loop, you can take these books wherever you go and hang them up to dry!

Publication	FEBRUARY 2026
Price	£9.99
Format	Bath book
Size	160 x 160 mm
Extent	8 pages
BIC code	YB
Age	1+
Features	Loose elements and hanging loop

KEY SELLING POINTS:

- The handy hanging loop makes them easy to carry around.
- The super-soft scuba fabric will stimulate your baby's sense of touch.
- A splash-tastic series!

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ELEPHANT • BEAR DOG • CAT

With these fully felt books, days out have never been such fun! Thanks to an elastic strap, parents can attach the book to the buggy, allowing their child to learn animal names along the way. Babies will enjoy touching and interacting with the soft felt book.

Publication	FEBRUARY 2026
Price	£7.99
Format	Soft book
Size	140 x 140 mm
Extent	10 pages
BIC code	YB
Age	1+
Features	Elastic strap with clip

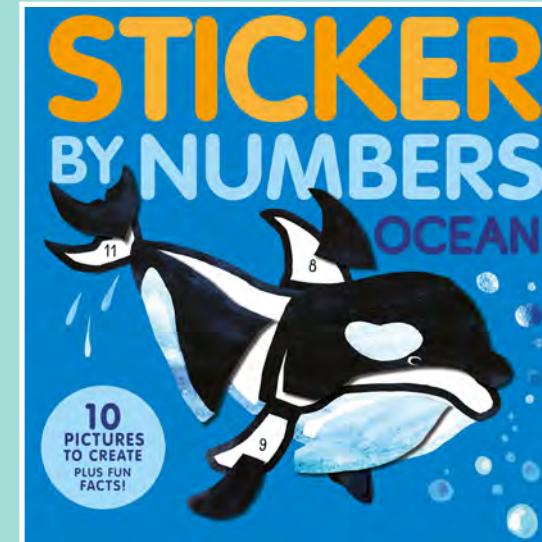
KEY SELLING POINTS:

- These fully felt touch-and-feel books will stimulate the sensory development of babies and toddlers.
- A chance to learn animal names in a fun way.
- Includes an elastic strap to attach the book to a buggy.

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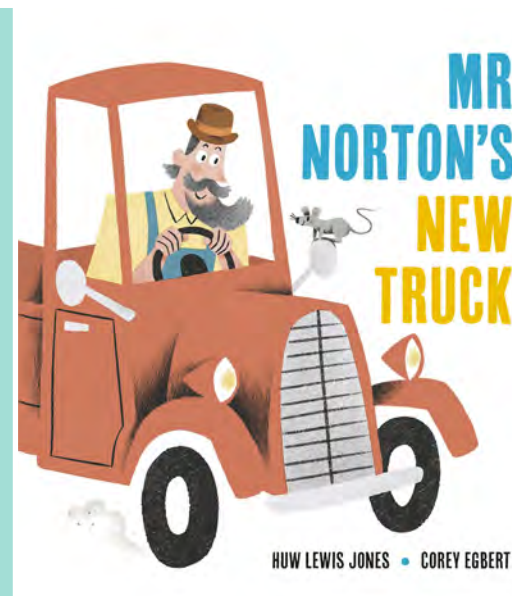
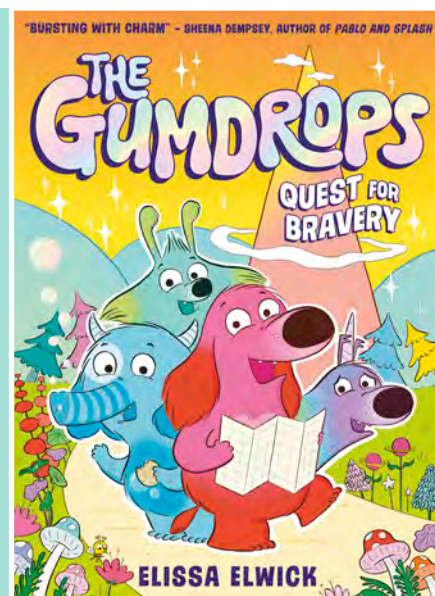
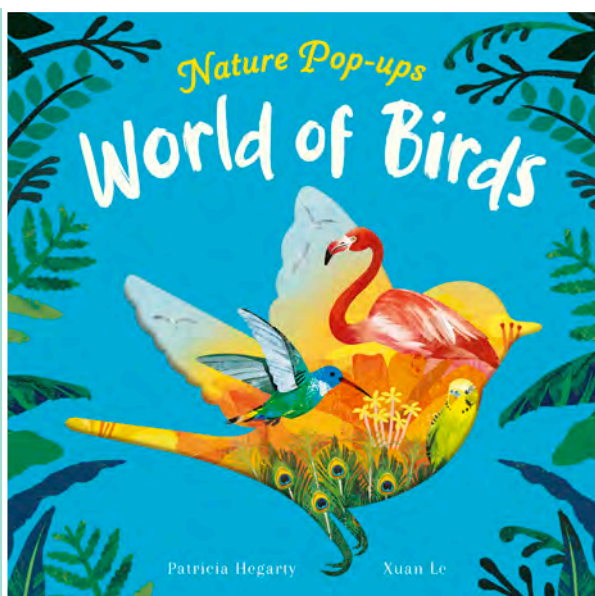
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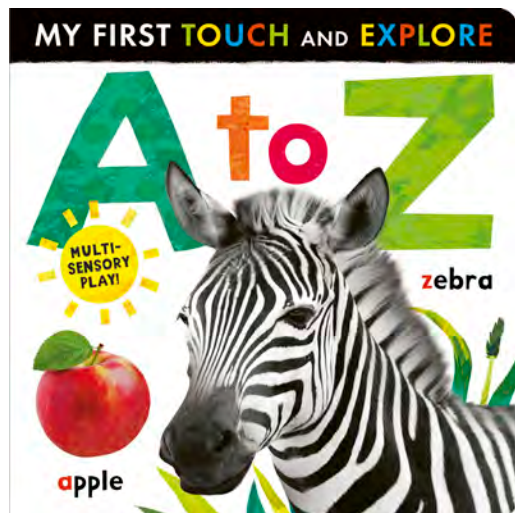
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MARCH 2026 NEW TITLES

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My First Touch and Explore: A to Z

By (author) Lauren Crisp

Illustrated by Laura Silveira

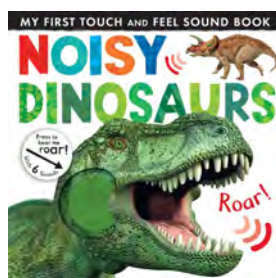


Introduce your child to the wonderful world of words with *My First Touch and Explore: A to Z* - a chunky, interactive board book designed to make early learning exciting and enjoyable. This engaging A to Z book is packed with tactile features that invite little hands to explore every page.

From stroking a dog's fur to tracing a robot's wavy arms or lifting flaps to discover surprises, each page includes colourful illustrations and everyday words to learn. With textures to feel, shapes to trace and questions to answer, this is a multi-sensory adventure through the alphabet.

This book supports early language development and letter recognition.

If your child loved titles like *That's Not My...*, *Baby Touch: ABC*, or *Alphaprints: ABC*, they'll love exploring this interactive A to Z journey again and again.



9781848691650
BB £12.99

WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Lauren Crisp

Lauren Crisp is a children's book editor who is lucky enough to make beautiful books every day. She lives in London but grew up in Yorkshire, and loves long country walks with her dog, Ludo. She enjoys reading, writing and dreaming up fun rhymes for the books she works on.

Laura Silveira

Laura Silveira is a Londoner at heart but now resides in leafy Leicestershire. She earned her BA in Graphic Design at the University for the Creative Arts, Epsom. She has since worked with creative teams large and small, her work featuring on greeting cards, patterns for textiles, packaging, branding, maps, and children's illustrations. Influenced by the late greats Eric Carle and Quentin Blake, she works with a combination of hand-painted textures, Procreate and Photoshop.

Pub Date: 5 March 2026

RRP: £9.99

Format: Board book

ISBN: 9781801047630

Extent: 16 pages

Dimensions: 196 x 196 mm

Interest Age: 1-3 years

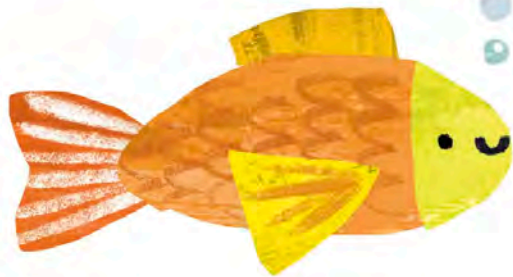
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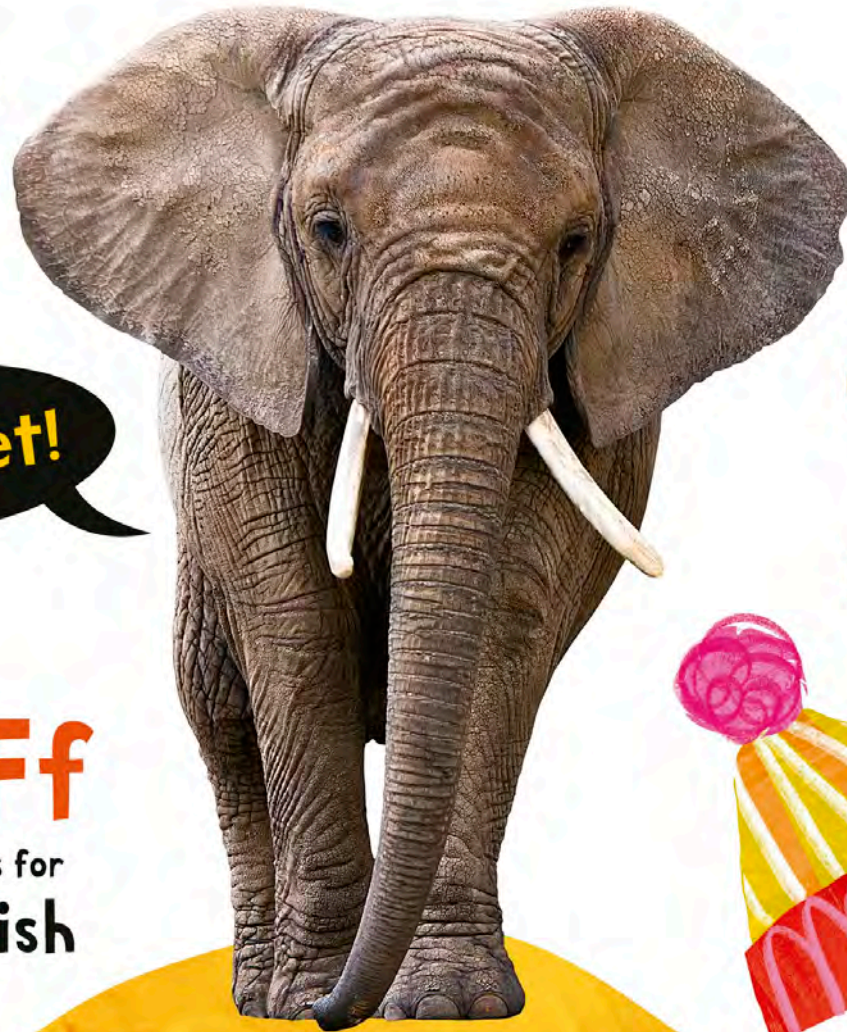
Series: My First Touch and Explore Book

What sound does an
elephant make?

Ee
is for
elephant



Ff
is for
fish



Trumpet!

Gg
is for
goat



Bleat!

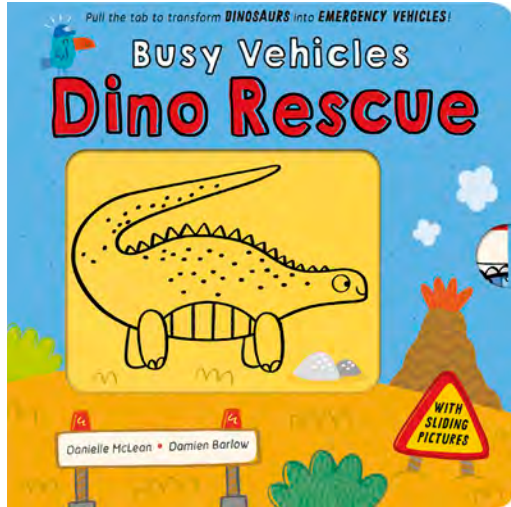


Hh is for **hat**

Busy Vehicles: Dino Rescue

By (author) Danielle McLean

Illustrated by Damien Barlow



*A dino tumbles from a tree
with an almighty CRASH.
We need an ambulance right now . . .
to bring help in a FLASH!*

Oh no! The dinos are in trouble and need rescue vehicles to ZOOM along to save them! By pulling the sliding tabs on each page, little ones can watch the dinosaurs transform into busy vehicles and carry out some ROAR-some rescues . . .

Featuring MAGIC transformations with the sliding pictures on every page, fun dino facts, a read-aloud rhyming text and clever, colourful illustrations from Damien Barlow, this chunky board book is a great gift for children who love dinosaurs and things that go!

This heroic, high-stakes tale is perfect for fans of *Busy Ambulance* by Louise Forshaw, *Peekaboo Dinosaur* by Camilla Reid, *Emergency!* by Margaret Mayo and Alex Ayliffe, and *Paw Patrol*. **Also available: Busy Builders: Dinos at Work**

WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Danielle McLean

Danielle is a children's book writer and editor, living in London. She is mum to Olive and Henry, who are her biggest fans, and who love books as much as she does. She's written books about lots of fun things like magical mermicorns, mysterious sparkly poo, friendly fungi and much, much more.

Damien Barlow

Damien Barlow is a papercut artist turned children's illustrator from the North East. He lives with his wife Lisa and cat Luna in Newcastle. He loves hiking, eating pastries and travelling to American National Parks.

Pub Date: 5 March 2026

RRP: £7.99

Format: Board book

ISBN: 9781838919825

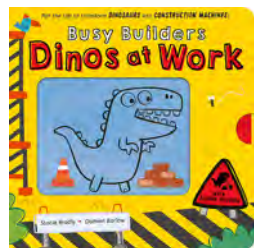
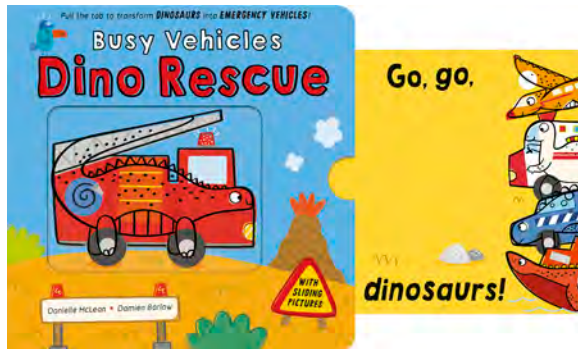
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Interest Age: 1-3 years

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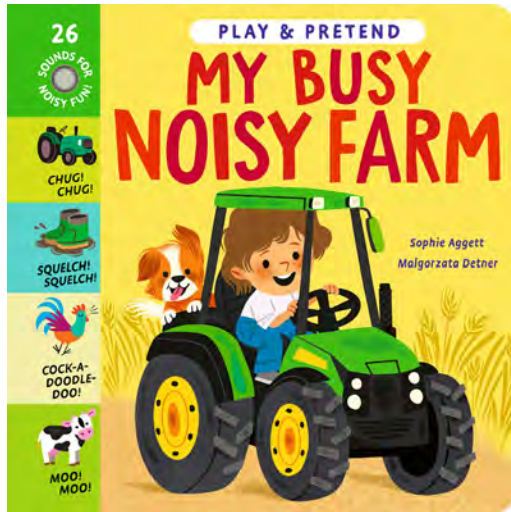
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BB £7.99

A naughty dino's
on the **RUN**. Look at her
FLYING past.

Stop that
thief!

We need **POLICE**
to get here now...





My Busy Noisy Farm

By (author) Sophie Aggett

Illustrated by Malgorzata Detner



Over fields, turn giant wheels.

Press buttons, bright and BIG!

CHUG-BEEP-BEEP and SPRINKLE! VROOM!

There's so much soil to dig.

It's time for little ones to become busy farmers for the day, carrying out the NOISY tasks in the farmyard! From grooming the NEIGHING horses, to driving the CHUGGING tractor, children will love immersing themselves into a busy day at work with the 26 real-life farm sounds.

With a vibrant rhyming text, and adorable illustrations by Malgorzata Detner, this chunky board book is perfect to engage little ones in an interactive play experience - developing their social, emotional, language and thinking skills!

Nurture your child's imagination with the questions and tasks at the bottom of the page - name your favourite horse, count the number of piglets and scatter seeds into the field. *My Busy Noisy Farm* is perfect for fans of *Farm Sounds* by Sam Taplin and Federica Iossa, *The Noisy Farm Book* by Axel Scheffler, and *Flip and Find Farmers* by Samantha Meredith.



WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Sophie Aggett

Sophie lives in London and likes to spend her time reading detective stories and eating pizza. She loves her job writing and editing children's books but thinks she would be good at solving mysteries too.

When she retires, she plans to open a detective agency by the sea.

Malgorzata Detner

Malgorzata Detner is an illustrator based in Poland. She currently lives with her family, a cocker spaniel, some snails, and two rats in Warsaw. When she is not illustrating, Malgorzata enjoys family time and needle felting colourful toys.

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Format: Board book

ISBN: 9781838919771

Extent: 16 pages

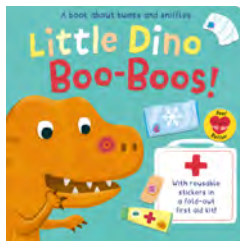
Dimensions: 216 x 216 mm

Interest Age: 2-5 years

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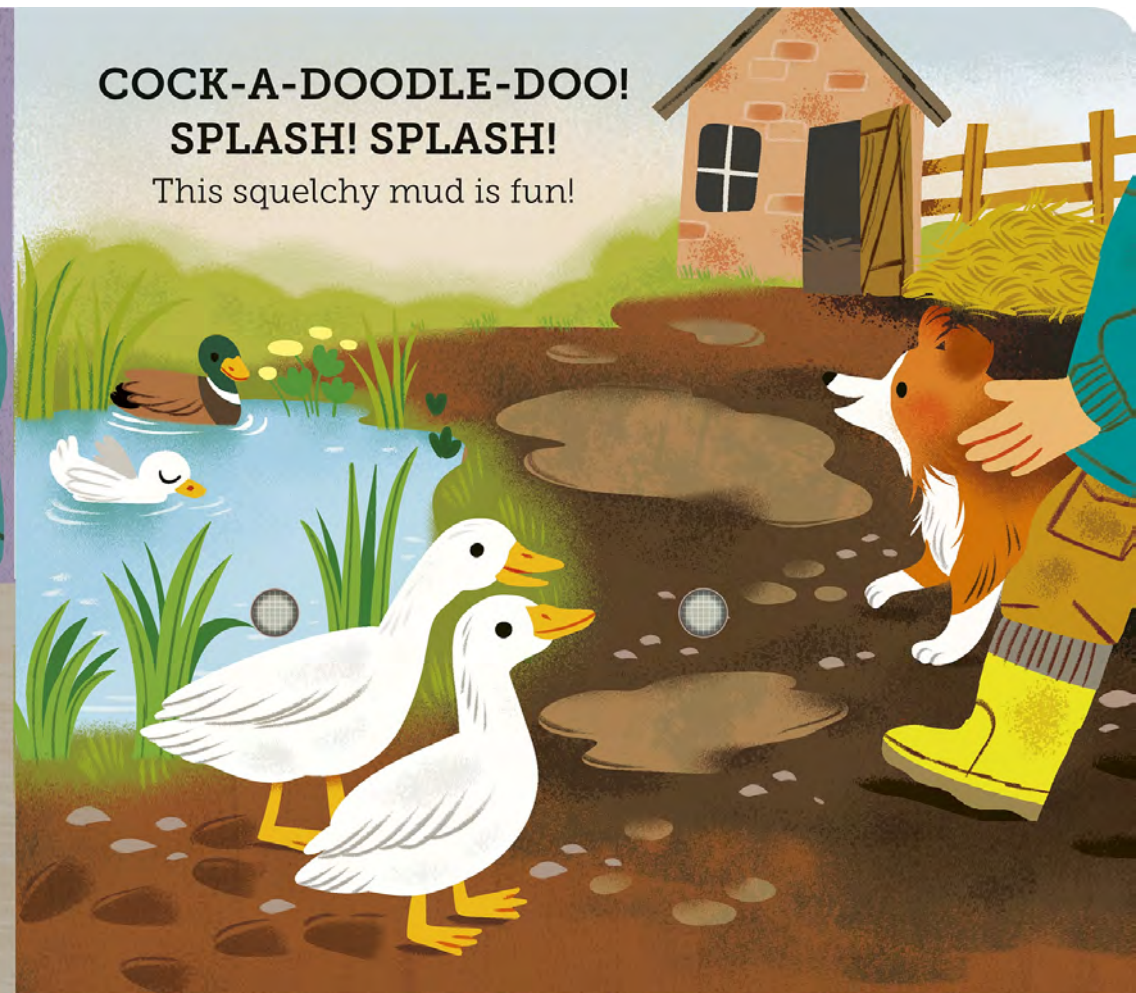
Today, **YOU** are in charge at the farm!

Time to start –
it's still so dark!
Pull boots on,
one by one.

Make sure to wake up early
because there is a lot to do!



What colour boots
will you wear today?



COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO!
SPLASH! SPLASH!

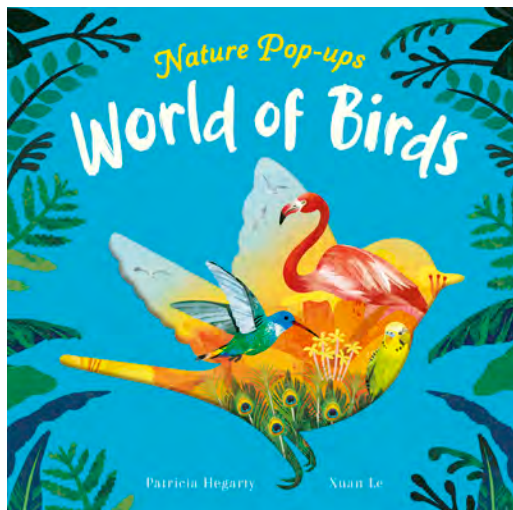
This squelchy mud is fun!

Don't forget to
bring your dog.



Wave hello to
the animals!





9781838917340
BB £14.99

Nature Pop-Ups: World of Birds

By (author) Patricia Hegarty

Illustrated by Xuan Le



This beautiful pop-up book showcases a menagerie of magnificent birds. Each spread is brought to life by a pop-up scene featuring birds ranging from peacocks to parakeets and flamingos to hummingbirds. With gorgeous illustrations and highly intricate pop-ups, this stylish board book will delight nature-loving adults and children alike.

Immerse yourself in a beautiful world of birds with this nature pop-up book! Perfect for mini bird-lovers.

- Featuring elaborate pop-ups on every spread, created by a professional paper engineer.
- Showcasing six iconic birds.
- With stunning illustrations and intricate pop-ups, this makes the perfect gift book for any age!

WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Patricia Hegarty

Patricia Hegarty is currently the Editorial Director of Caterpillar Books and has written about all kinds of things from trees and bees to ABCs (and she loves to rhyme).

Xuan Le

Xuan Le was born in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. She studied fashion design and graphic design and has many years of experience working on children's books and magazines for local and foreign publishers. Her creative inspiration comes from a lot of things in life, especially the colours and structures in nature. She also likes to make miniature paper craft, short animation and learn about music production.

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RRP: £14.99

Format: Board Book

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Dimensions: 226 x 226 mm

Interest Age: 3 - 6 years

THEMA: YNN

CBMC: A3J79

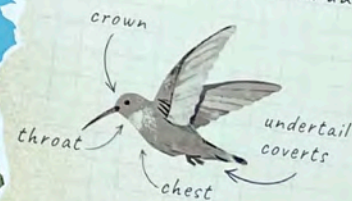
Series: Nature Pop-ups

A tiny hummingbird
noiselessly beats her wings

as she flits, thrumming,
from flower to flower.

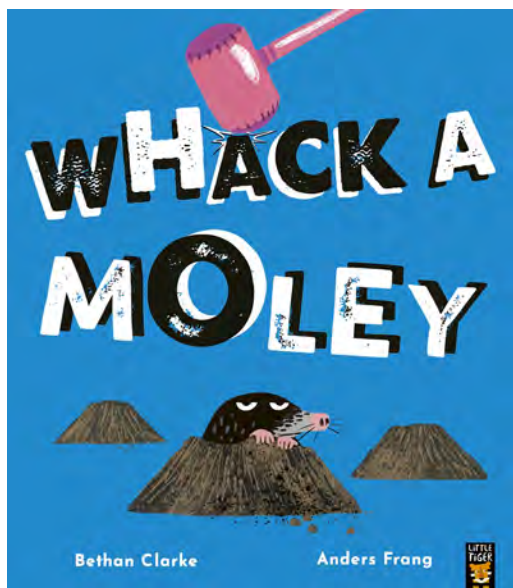


Nature Notes Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)



Hummingbirds are the only birds
that can fly upside down
and backwards.

Hummingbirds fly at speeds of
32-48kmph (20-30mph).



Whack-a-Moley

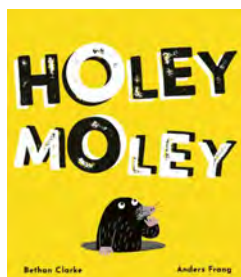
By (author) Bethan Clarke
Illustrated by Anders Frang



Gus the Goat wants to play a game. “Tiddlywinks?” suggests Mavis Mole. “Pah, more like Tiddly-stinks!” says Gus. He’s thinking bigger. He’s thinking braver. He’s thinking . . . Whack a Moley! Ouch! Poor Mavis Mole. Will the pair find a game that doesn’t involve someone getting bopped on the head?

A hilarious new adventure from the creators of the award-winning *Holey Moley*.

- Packed with witty puns and plenty of slapstick visual humour.
- Builds on the dynamic relationship between the exuberant Gus the Goat and the deadpan Mavis Mole.
- *Holey Moley* was the winner of the Oxfordshire Book Awards, which is voted for entirely by children, and the Academy of British Cover Design (ABCD) Award



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WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Bethan Clarke

Bethan Clarke has been a story maker-upper ever since she could write them back to front. This has proven to be a vital outlet for her love of silliness and fondness for puns. Bethan lives near Manchester with her two children and a headful of nonsense.

Anders Frang

Anders Frang is a Danish illustrator with a passion for illustrating picture books. He seeks inspiration in many forms of art, but also in playing music, his dog Ella, and cycling trips. He is working and living in Copenhagen after spending several years in Edinburgh, and holds an MA from the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts.

Pub Date: 5 March 2026

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ISBN: 9781838919917

Extent: 32 pages

Dimensions: 280 x 245 mm

Interest Age: 3 - 6 years

THEMA: YBCS|YBC|YBCS2

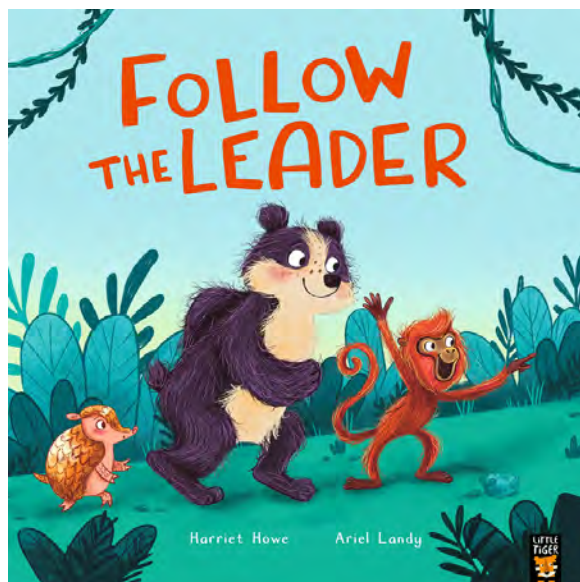
CBMC: A3M79



MAVIS!

Can we play a game?

Yes!
Tiddlywinks
is my favourite.



Follow the Leader

By (author) Harriet Howe

Illustrated by Ariel Landy



Monkey, Bear and Armadillo are melting in the jungle heat - so off they go on a wild journey to the cool, sparkling lake. But wait! How should they get there? Who gets to hold the map? And who should lead the way? . . .

Join three big personalities on a sun-soaked jungle adventure. Packed with map-reading mishaps, flying fruit and swamp splats! All brought to life through Harriet Howe's playful, rhyming text and Ariel Landy's expressive, uproarious illustrations.

If you loved *The Squirrels Who Squabbled* by Rachel Bright & Jim Field, *Bear Came Along* by Richard T. Morris & LeUyen Pham, or *That Fruit Is Mine!* by Anuska Allepuz, you'll be swept up by this fantastic new take on bossiness, bickering and learning to work as a team - no matter who's holding the map!

WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Harriet Howe

Harriet's first word was 'book', and she's loved stories ever since, so it's a dream come true to end up writing her own. When not writing, Harriet works in television. But she's happiest with a pencil in one hand, a cup of tea in the other, brewing up her next story.

Ariel Landy

Ariel Landy is a former teacher who can't believe she gets to draw for a living. When she's not working on her next book, she's likely dreaming up stories with her family, doting on her grumpy old dog, or pottering about her herb garden in southern France.

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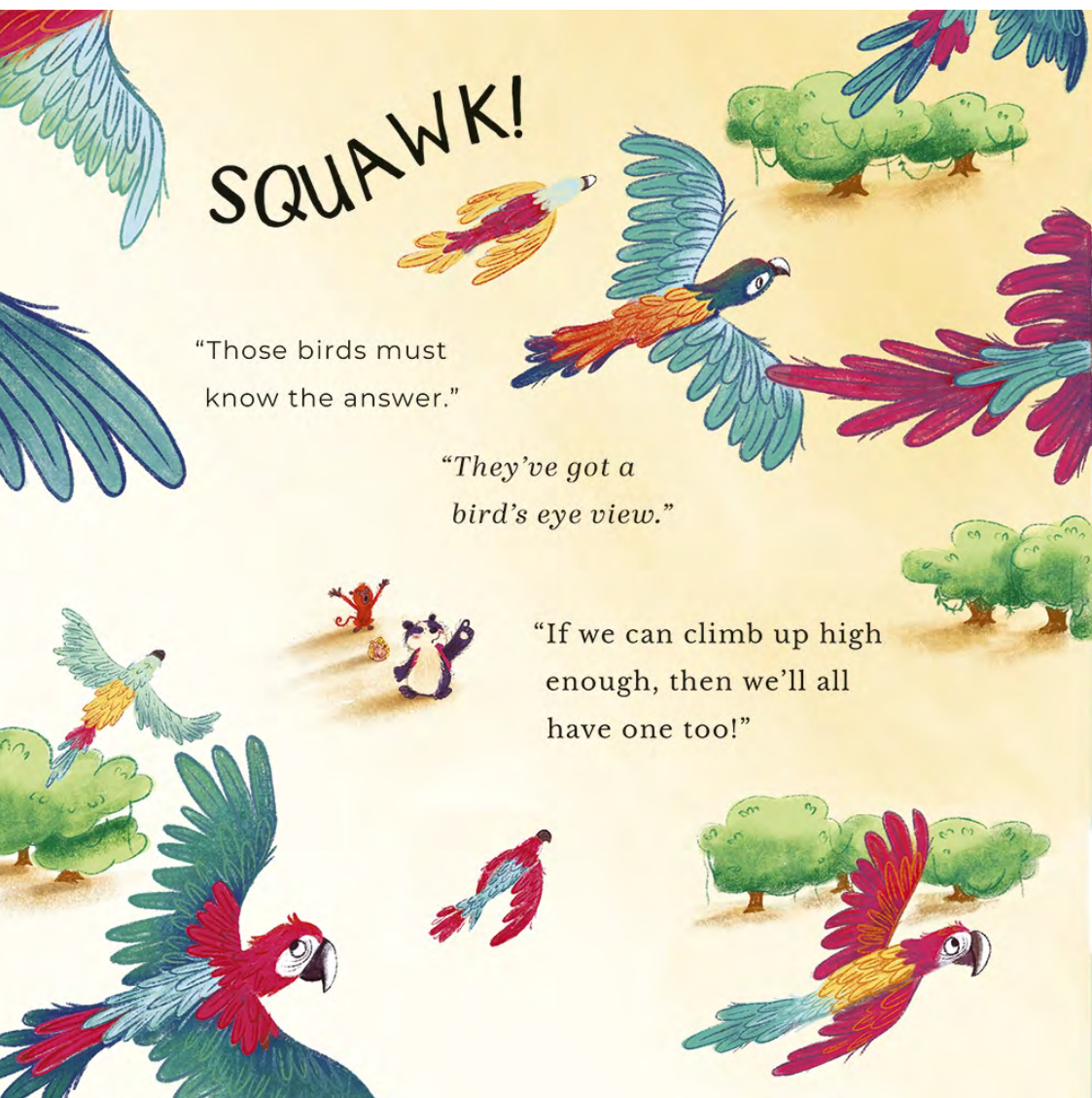
Dimensions: 260 x 260 mm

Interest Age: 3-6 years

THEMA: YBC|YBCS|YBCS2|JBSP1

CBMC: A3M79






SQUAWK!

"Those birds must
know the answer."

*"They've got a
bird's eye view."*

"If we can climb up high
enough, then we'll all
have one too!"



"Wowee!
The lake!
I see it!"

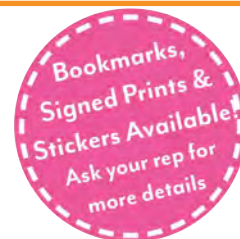
*"It's still so far.
Oh dash!"*

"Unless we take
that short cut,
look! We'll be
there in a flash!"



Mo's Stick

By (author) Fiona Lumbers



Mo is sad - the little mouse's favourite stick is GONE! It could take Mo up to the stars and across the sea, and no other stick will ever be as good. But was it the stick that was special, or could it have been Mo's wild and wonderful imagination? A beautifully rendered celebration of imagination.

This charming new character, created by the illustrator of the bestselling *Luna Loves...* series, is perfect for fans of characters such as Pip and Posy, Maisy and Miffy. Mo captures the determination, creativity and expressiveness of young children.

Beautifully rendered illustrations with collage elements make this hugely appealing for young readers. With clever die-cuts throughout, this is the perfect book to inspire imaginative play.



WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Fiona Lumbers

Fiona Lumbers has drawn on anything and everything from an early age and always insisted she would be an artist when she grew up. Fiona moved to London in 2000 to study for an MA in Painting at the Royal College of Art. A combination of her obsession with picture books and the arrival of her first son led her down the path of illustration and she hasn't looked back since. Fiona is the illustrator of the bestselling *Luna Loves...* series, written by Joseph Coelho, and wrote and illustrated the critically-acclaimed *Clem and Crab*.

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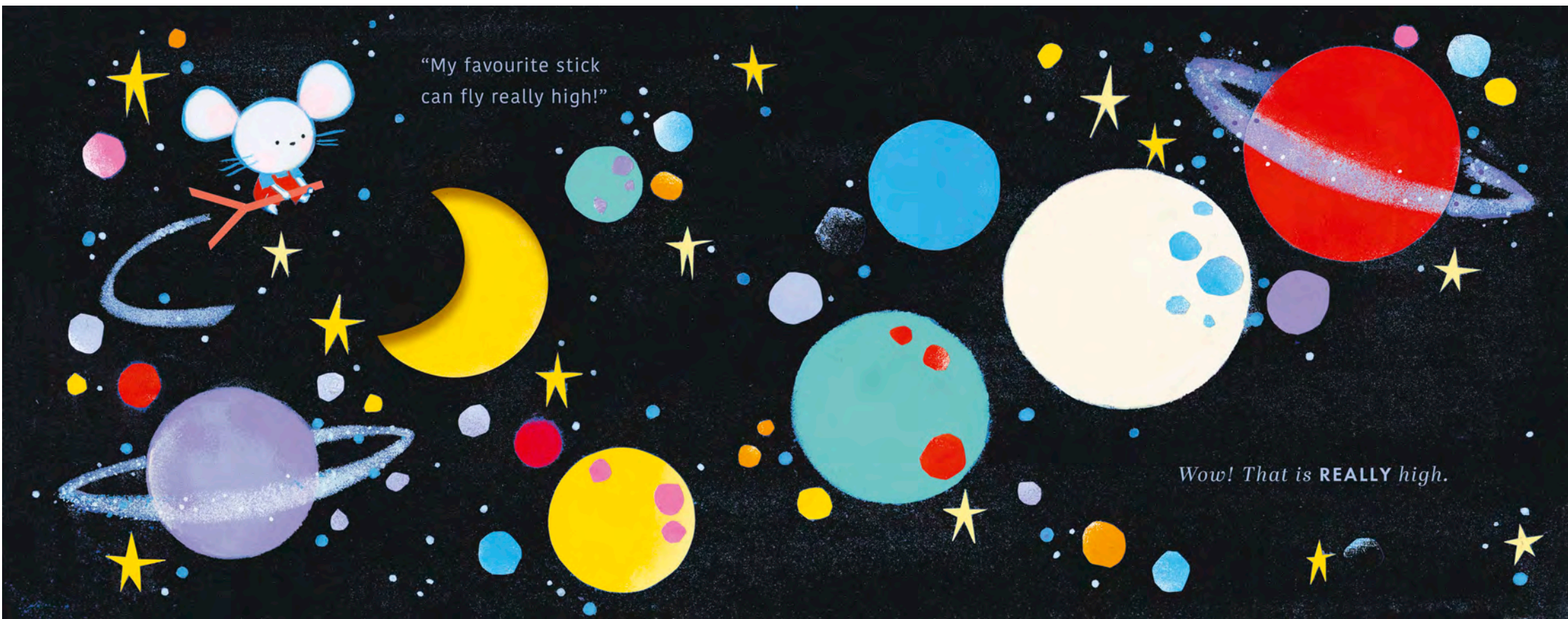
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Interest Age: 3 -6 years

THEMA: YBCS2 | YBCH | YFP | YFC

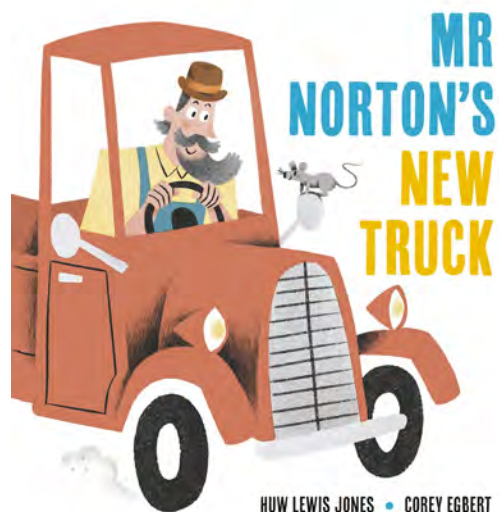
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Series: Little Mouse Mo



"My favourite stick
can fly really high!"

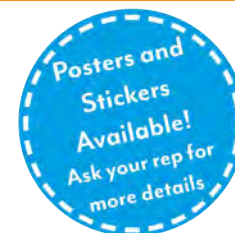
*Wow! That is **REALLY** high.*



Mr Norton's New Truck

By (author) Huw Lewis Jones

Illustrated by Corey Egbert



One Monday morning, Horace Norton finds that a bear has broken his bicycle! How ever will he get to work? On Tuesday the bus is too busy, on Wednesday a scooter is too small, and when he tries a pair of roller skates on Thursday it doesn't end at all well.

Will Mr Norton find the perfect vehicle and finally get to work on time?

Packed with vehicular chaos and an accumulative text that begs to be read aloud, this is a future classic in the making.



WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Huw Lewis Jones

Huw Lewis Jones has voyaged many times to Antarctica, meeting all kinds of penguins. He is now a professor at Falmouth University teaching natural history and other creative things. Huw has written books about photography, mountains, and maps, but these days his stories are mostly about annoying apples and befuddled badgers. He lives in Cornwall.

Corey Egbert

Corey Egbert is an illustrator based in Virginia. He believes in creating imaginative and hopeful art that empowers young people to make their world better. He lives with his wife, son, and three cats in an old brick house in the Shenandoah Valley.

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RRP: £12.99

Format: Hardback

ISBN: 9781838919672

Extent: 32 pages

Dimensions: 286 x 251 mm

Interest Age: 3-6 years

THEMA: YBCS

CBMC: A3M79

Series: Mr Norton



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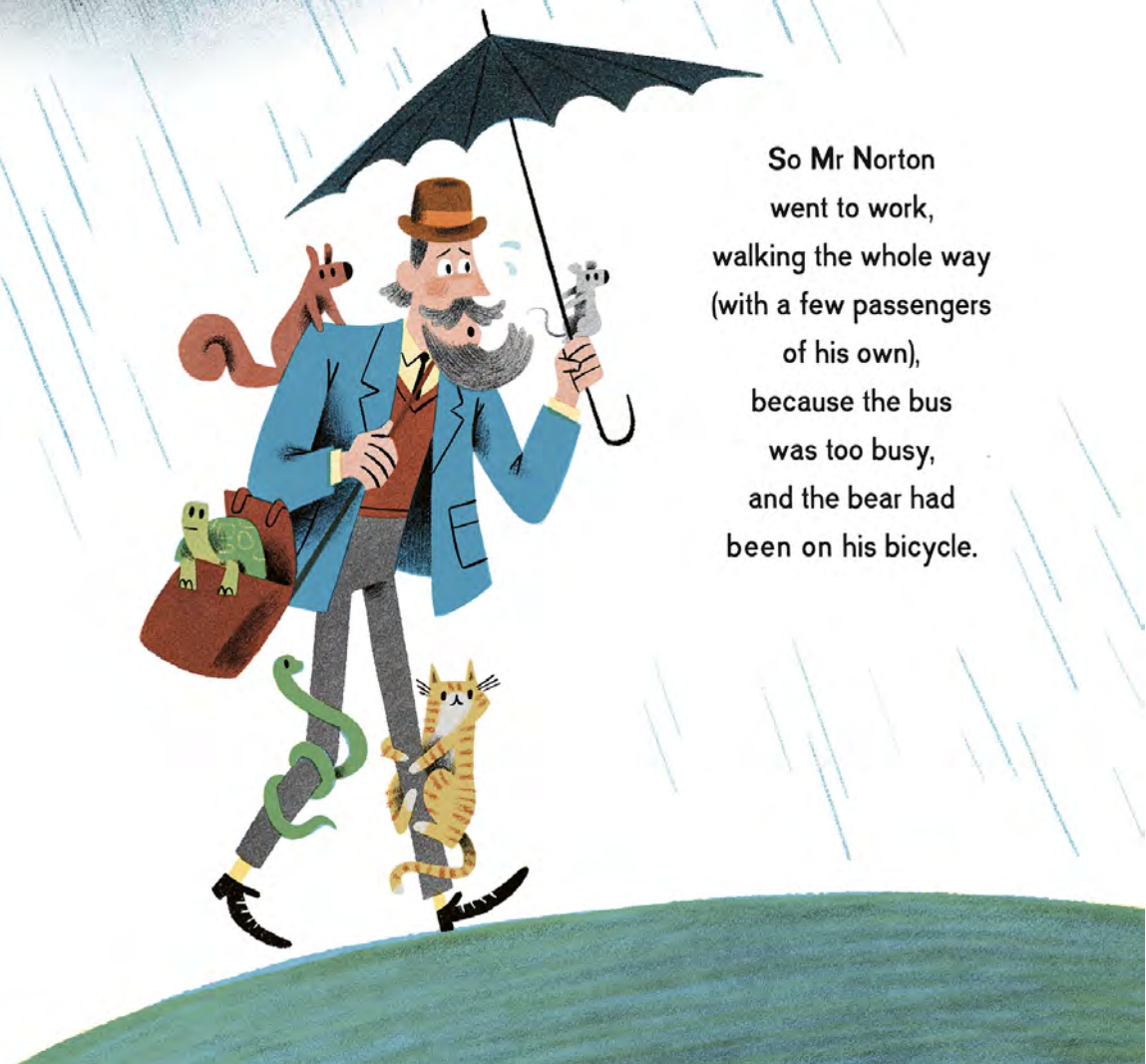
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On Tuesday morning,
Horace tried to catch the bus.

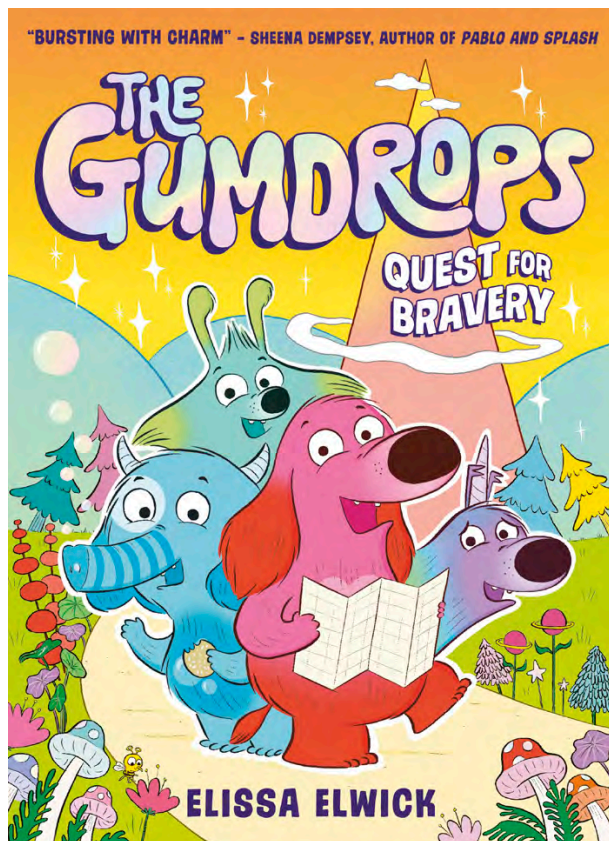
What a fuss!



No one else could fit on,
no matter how much they
squashed and squeezed.



So Mr Norton
went to work,
walking the whole way
(with a few passengers
of his own),
because the bus
was too busy,
and the bear had
been on his bicycle.



The Gumdrops: Quest for Bravery

By (author) **Elissa Elwick**



Meet the Gumdrops - the guardians of a magical land, full of magical beings! You might meet Imaginary Friends, your favourite characters from a story, or creations from your dreams...

The Gumdrops are always up for a challenge - and when they get a letter from a child in need of an imaginary friend, they have their work cut out! Can YOU help them search for the ingredients to make the perfect companion? You'll have to keep an eye out for the mischievous, but adorable, Evilee along the way...

A fun and interactive graphic novel for fans of *Narwhal and Jelly* and *Bumble and Snug*.



WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Elissa Elwick

Elissa Elwick is the illustrator of the *FETCH AND STICK* series. She writes as well as illustrates and is the author/illustrator of *THE PRINCESS AND THE SLEEP STEALER*. She conjures up ideas from her colourful desk at the Fleece Station, London. www.elissaelwick.co.uk | @ElissaElwick.

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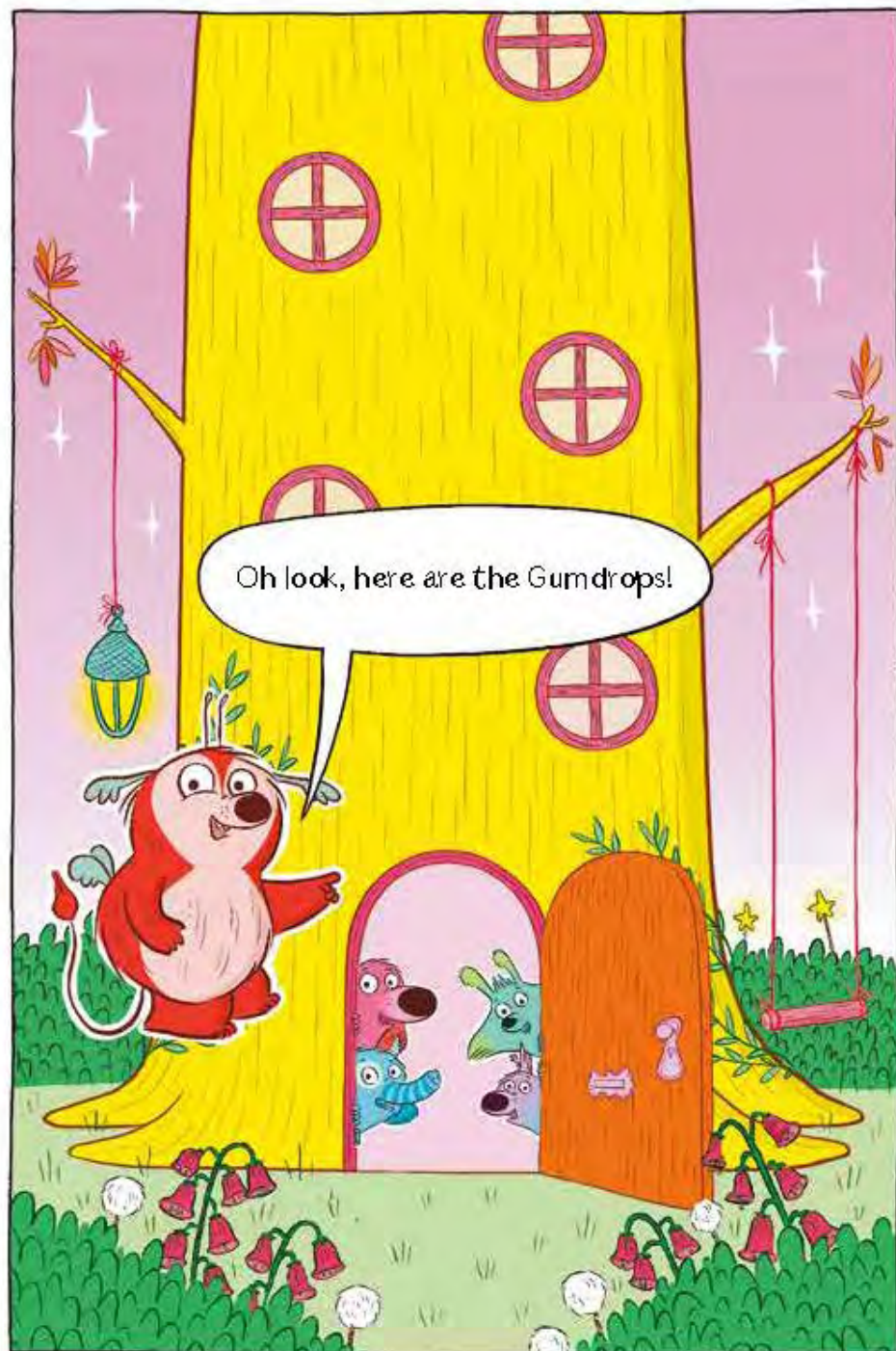
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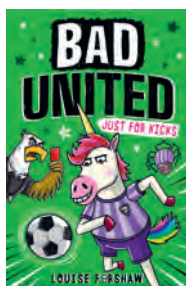
Interest Age: 5-8 years

THEMA: YNUC|YFH|YFC|YFQ

CBMC: B3N79

Series: The Gumdrops





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Bad United: Team Spirit

By (author) Louise Forshaw



Tales of Bad United's stunning skills have reached the stars! The Uni-Horn Roamers have invited them to play a friendly match, and the team is THRILLED to be going up against (semi-)pro leaguers. Hoof is sure that this is a sign that Bad United has truly Made It.

Serena isn't available to coach the team, so she leaves their captain, Bones, in charge of getting them allpitch-ready. Everyone is totally game, until they realise that Bones might be taking this all a BIT more seriously than they are... As tensions flare, can Bad United keep it together, or will this be their FINAL game together?

The fourth book in a super and silly graphic novel series, perfect for fans of THE BAD GUYS and THE NOTHING TO SEE HERE HOTEL.

WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Louise Forshaw

Louise Forshaw is an illustrator (and sometimes author) living in a small town in the North East, UK. She graduated with a BA (Hons) in Illustration and Animation from Newcastle College. Louise works from home in a small studio, supervised by her three noisy and very mischievous Jack Russell Terriers.

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Interest Age: 5-8 years

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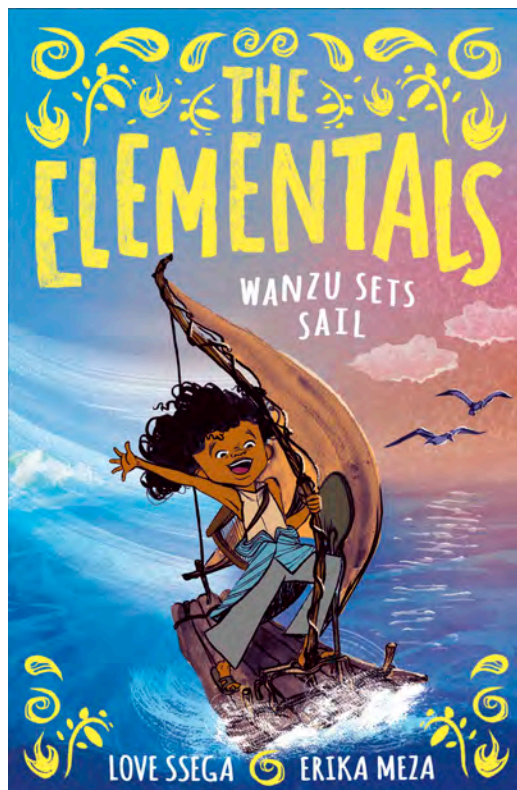
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Series: Bad United



Eventually, I arrived at the locker room.

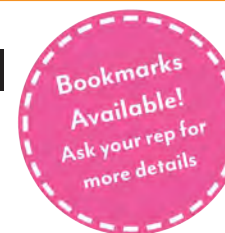




The Elementals: Wanzu Sets Sail

By (author) Love Ssega

Illustrated by Erika Meza



Wanzu and his friends will do whatever it takes to keep Sealand - their island home - safe. They all have magical powers connected to the four elements: Air, Water, Earth and Fire. But curious and playful Wanzu hasn't discovered what his power is yet...

When storms threaten to flood the island, Wanzu leads his friends on a rescue mission. Their quest takes them to magical places, where they learn how to stop the water taking over their home. But will they be able to make it back to Sealand and save the day in time? And will Wanzu ever discover his power?

Moana meets the *Famous Five* - *The Elementals* is perfect for readers in search of adventure!

WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Love Ssega

Love Ssega is a musician, producer and performing artist of Ugandan heritage, creating work that blurs the lines of civic engagement, understanding, activism and hope. He is Associate Artist at the Southbank Centre 2024-2027. He has had work commissioned by the National Gallery, Royal Shakespeare Company, Serpentine and Whitechapel Gallery amongst others, was the Philharmonia Orchestra's Artist in Residence for 2022-23, and was a featured co-writer for the Southbank's Imagine a Story project, as chosen by lead author Sita Brahmachari.

Erika Meza

Erika was born in Mexico and developed a taste for eclairs in Paris before moving to the UK to teach drawing. Her picture book *To The Other Side* won the Diverse Book Award, and was shortlisted for the Yoto Carnegie Medal, the Jhalek Prize, the Inclusive Books for Children Award and the Little Rebels Award, and selected by Empathy Lab for The 2024 Read for Empathy Collection.

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Format: Paperback

ISBN: 9781788958165

Extent: 144 pages

Dimensions: 198 x 129 mm

Interest Age: 6-8 years

THEMA: YFC|YFH|YFP|YFN|YXZG

CBMC: B3N79

Series: The Elementals

to stay out in the Far Sea.

"I heard your harp and your song, and I had to come and see who it was," Mr Dolphin replied.

Wanzu was shocked, again! "You could hear my song all the way in the Far Sea?"

"I could! But I was also coming to find Jijja - I have a message for her. Can you pass it on?"

Wanzu nodded and Mr Dolphin continued: "The balance of the worlds is unsettled and I can't figure it out. The waters seem to be rising. I need to go now and spread the word to my fellow sea creatures."

Wanzu was sad that he couldn't spend more time with his new friend. But he sensed that this was important.

"Don't look sad, my boy. Next time we meet, there'll be more time to play! But now, head back to Jijja. I can tell that you have an important role to play in all this... There's something in the air."



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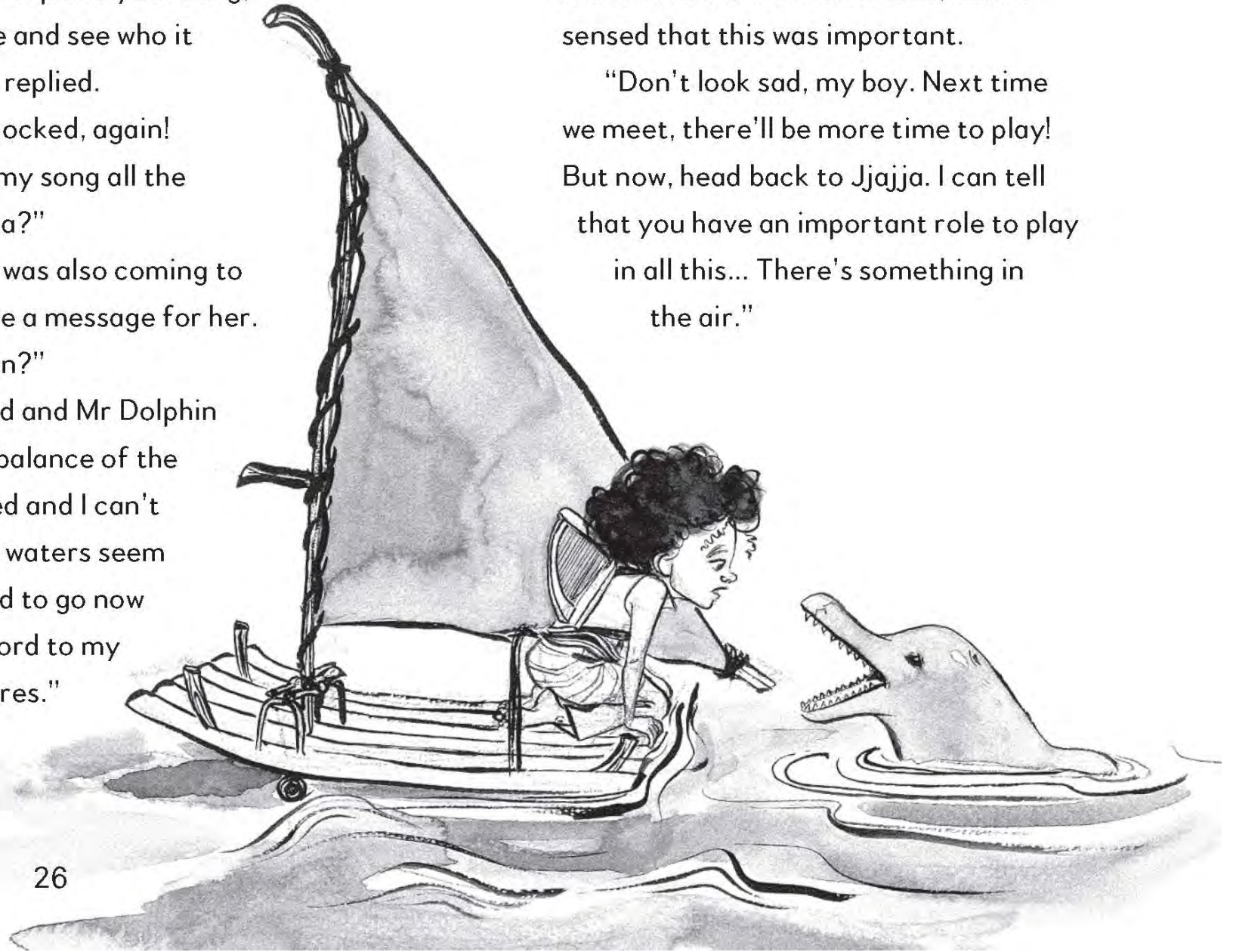
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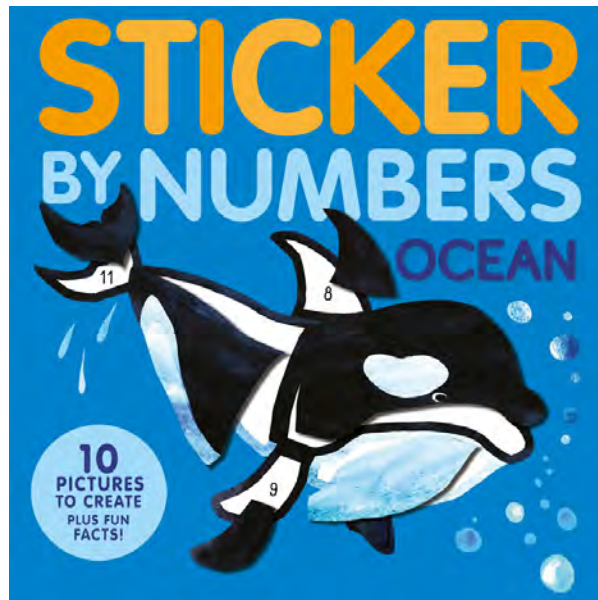
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Stickers By Numbers: Ocean

By (author) Jonny Marx

Illustrated by Christiane Engel



This sticker-by-numbers book is the perfect gift for animal lovers and budding explorers. Dive into the deep ocean and explore a wild and watery world and meet a whole array of animals along the way. From splashing sea turtles and astonishing orcas to eerie anglerfish and stunning starfish, there is so much to explore.

Vibrant and beautifully detailed artwork from Christiane Engel brings the mysterious underwater world to life and encourages an interest in this fascinating subject. Fun facts on each page accompany the sticker projects, allowing little explorers to learn as they create.

Perforated pages allow readers to display their creations once they are created, making this an excellent and interactive book for your little one.



WHO'S BEHIND THE BOOK?

Jonny Marx

Jonny Marx lives in London, where he works as a children's book editor and author. From a compendium of mythical monsters and a chronology of prehistoric creatures, to books about crime capers, lost unicorns, incredible human beings and humankind, Jonny has worked on more than 60 titles (and counting!).

Christiane Engel

Christiane loves writing and illustrating, especially for children and young people! She has illustrated over 30 children's books so far and also works on magazines, advertising, juvenile fiction, and kids' products. Christiane lives by the sea in England.

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Dimensions: 230 x 230 mm

Interest Age: 5-8 years

THEMA: YBG|YNNBI

CBMC: B3L79

Series: Sticker by Numbers

ORCAS

Orcas live in groups called **PODS**. Each pod is usually led by a mature female, who teaches the younger orcas to **HUNT**.

A large orca can grow to be 9m (30ft) in length – that's as long as a small truck!

Orcas are among the most **INTELLIGENT** animals on the planet.

