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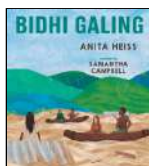
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HIGHLIGHTS



1. BIDHI GALING (BIG RAIN)

Anita Heiss | Samantha Campbell (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Bidhi Galing (Big Rain) celebrates the Wiradyuri heroes of the Great Flood of Gundagai in 1852, told through the eyes of a young girl who is rescued from the raging floodwaters by her father. Wagadhaany grew up near the Marrambidya Bila. She loved dancing in the rain and listening to her father, Yarri, tell her stories about life on Wiradyuri ngurambang. When white people started building on the floodplains, Yarri was worried. He knew the power of the bila and tried to warn the strangers, but they would not listen. Years later, when the big rains came, Yarri and his brother, Jacky Jacky, jumped into their bark canoes and paddled through raging floodwaters, risking their lives to save countless others.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Australian History](#), [First Nations](#), [Flood](#)



2. BIG CAT

Jess Racklyeft | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Big Cat is mysterious. Big Cat is chaotic. Big Cat is lawless. Catherine is not. She likes things to be neat, tidy and orderly. But when the two meet, they discover they have more in common than they think and that sometimes the best adventures can be found in your own backyard. A story about finding your inner wildness in unexpected places.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Adventure](#), [Exploration](#)

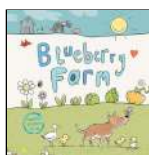


3. BILLY AND THE GIANT ADVENTURE

Jamie Oliver | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

One pinch of adventure, a dash of friendship, a sprinkle of mystery and a HUGE spoonful of magic . . . Jamie Oliver, bestselling author and internationally renowned chef, delivers the perfect recipe for a page-turning children's fiction debut! Billy and his friends know that Waterfall Woods is out of bounds; strange things are rumoured to have happened there and no one in their village has ventured past its walls for decades... But when they discover a secret way in, Billy and his best friends, Anna, Jimmy and Andy, can't resist the temptation to explore! Only to quickly discover that the woods are brimming with magic and inhabited by all sorts of unusual creatures, including a whole community of sprites who need the childrens' help!

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#), [Friendship](#), [Magic](#), [Dyslexic Friendly](#)



4. BLUEBERRY FARM

Stephen Michael King | Hardback | **RRP \$18.99** |

Welcome to Blueberry Farm. The sun is shining, and the trees are filled with song. It's going to be another beautiful day. From the award-winning author and illustrator who brought you Three, Rainbow Bear and Koala Ark.

Categories: [Sustainability](#), [Community](#), [Farms](#)

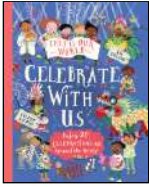


5. **BLUE-TONGUED LIZARD AUSTRALIA'S REMARKABLE WILDLIFE**

John Lesley | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

Australia has been an island continent surrounded by oceans for millions of years. During this long long time its animals have evolved into species that are unique and precious. Find out about Australia's remarkable wildlife in this series then look at them in a whole new way

Categories: [Australian Animals](#), [Wildlife](#), [Reptiles](#), [Lizard](#)

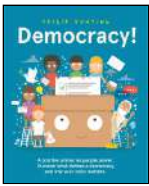


6. **CELEBRATE WITH US! THIS IS OUR WORLD**

Valerie Wilding | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

Meet children from around the world as they tell us about the feasts and festivals they enjoy and the religions and customs they follow. It's a vibrant and colourful celebration of our planet's cultural diversity – an unforgettable journey that brings the people, customs and religions of twenty places to life for young readers. The tour is truly global, as we journey from Eid al-Fitr in the UK to the Hanami cherry blossom festival in Japan, from Christmas Eve in Poland to the Lunar New Year in Korea, via Diwali in India, Australia's indigenous Barunga festival, the Jewish High Holy Days in New York, the Day of the Dead in Mexico, and much more.

Categories: [Multicultural](#), [Culture](#), [Celebrations](#), [Festivals](#)

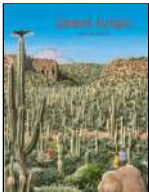


7. **DEMOCRACY!**

Philip Bunting | Paperback | **RRP \$24.99** |

What you say (and how you say it) has the power to change the world. Democracy gives you that power. Democracy is people power. But does democracy really matter? How does it work? And what exactly is democracy, anyway?! Get set to speak up and learn how you can create positive change in your corner of the world. The brilliant new picture book from bestselling Australian author-illustrator Philip Bunting, created in consultation with The Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House, Canberra. Democracy! is full of fascinating and engaging information about democracy, and provides young readers with easily digestible information about the importance of their voice. It is filled with handy tips on how to engage in community discussions, from petitions to peaceful protests, and explains the history of democracy in a funny and positive way.

Categories: [Government](#), [Democracy](#)

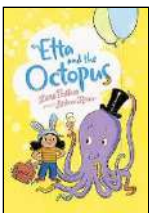


8. **DESERT JUNGLE**

Jeannie Baker | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Chico's grandpa has taken him on holiday where he grew up as a child, out in the desert. Chico has no interest in exploring the land – the desert jungle frightens him, and he'd much rather play on his his tablet. Grandpa decides that it is time to show Chico the secrets and the wonders that the desert has to offer so that he will not fear it but, instead, welcome it, embrace it and help protect it. Grandpa shows Chico paths through the cactus and the scrub, teaches Chico the plants' names – ocotillo, cholla, cirios, pin cushion, fishhook – and, soon, Chico begins to understand the wonders of the wild. He learns the value of watching, waiting and listening for all the life that hums within his desert home.

Categories: [Biodiversity](#), [Nature](#), [Desert](#), [Habitats](#)



9. **ETTA AND THE OCTOPUS**

Zana Fraillon | Andrew Joyner (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$11.99**

A hilarious, fully illustrated tale about an unlikely friendship between a girl and an octopus that is perfect for newly independent readers. FOUND! One octopus! Likes to eat tuna sandwiches. Goes by the name of 'Oswald'. It all began when Etta decided to take a bath . . . And realised she wasn't alone.

Categories: [Humour](#), [Friendship](#), [Differences](#)

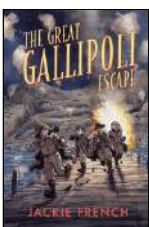


10. **GARDEN AT THE END OF THE WORLD, THE**

Cassy Polimeni | Briony Stewart (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Isla and her mother go on an enchanting journey to the Global Seed Vault in Norway to discover a garden waiting at the end of the world. At the end of the world is an island covered in ice. On the island is a mountain. Inside the mountain is a vault. And inside the vault are millions of seeds. When Isla makes a special discovery, she and her botanist mother adventure to the Global Seed Vault in Norway. Isla is going to leave her precious package there, so children who haven't even been born yet can grow and eat the food we all enjoy. What else will they encounter along the way? The Garden at the End of the World is a hopeful story about protecting nature's treasures for the future.

Categories: [Environmental Issues](#), [Preservation](#), [Climate Change](#), [Nature](#)



11. **GREAT GALLIPOLI ESCAPE, THE**

Jackie French | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

Sixteen-year-old Nipper and his Gallipoli mates Lanky, Spud, Bluey and Wallaby Joe are starving, freezing and ill-equipped. By November 1915 they know that that there is more to winning a war than courage. The Gallipoli campaign has been lost. Nipper has played cricket with the Turks in the opposing dugout, dodged rocket fire and rescued drowning, freezing men when the blizzard snow melted. He is one of the few trusted with the secret kept from even most of the officers: how an entire army will vanish from the Peninsula over three impeccably planned nights. Based on first-hand accounts of those extraordinary last weeks of the Gallipoli campaign, this is the fascinating 'lost story' of how 150,000 men – and their horses and equipment – were secretly moved to waiting ships without a single life lost.

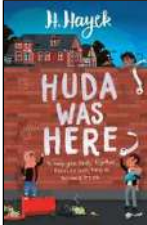


12. HARRIET HOUND

Kate Foster | Sophie Beer (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Meet Harriet Hound. She's eight years old and loves dogs! But Harriet has something else that makes her super ... the power to summon the dogs from her family's rescue shelter every time there's trouble afoot. Whether it's a carnival catastrophe, a sudden storm, or vanishing vegetables, Harriet and her best dog friends use their super special talents and problem-solving skills to save the day!

Categories: [Autism](#), [Autism Spectrum Disorder](#), [Dogs](#), [Adventure](#), [Neurodiversity](#)

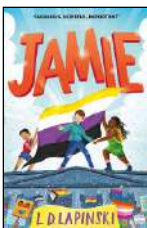


13. HUDA WAS HERE

H Hayek | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

When her dad loses his job as a security officer and has to work interstate, Huda convinces her brother Akeal to sneak out at night to make mischief. They hope that introducing some minor crime activity into the neighbourhood will force their dad's bosses to hire him back. The dynamic duo begin their crime spree by pushing over bins the night before rubbish collection. They're almost caught - but that's only the beginning of the hot water they end up in. As their activities escalate, will they be able to outsmart the authorities? Huda is brave, but how much is she willing to risk for family unity - and what else might she and Akeal uncover along the way?

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Humour](#), [Identity](#), [Culture](#), [Family Unit](#)



14. JAMIE

LD Lapinski | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Jamie Rambeau is a happy 11-year-old non-binary kid who likes nothing better than hanging out with their two best friends Daisy and Ash. But when the trio find out that in Year Seven they will be separated into one school for boys and another for girls, their friendship suddenly seems at risk. And when Jamie realises no one has thought about where they are going to go, they decide to take matters into their own hands, and sort it all out once and for all. As the friends' efforts to raise awareness eventually become a rooftop protest against the binary rules for the local schools, Jamie realises that if they don't figure out a way forwards, they might be at risk of losing both their friends forever.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Acceptance](#), [Bravery](#), [Non Binary](#), [Activism](#), [Human Rights](#)



15. LEEVA AT LAST

Sara Pennypacker | Matthew Cordell (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Leeva Thornblossom loves to learn: her local newspaper teaches her a new word every day, and soap operas show her the many shades of human expression. And when she comes across the announcement that all children are required to go to school, Leeva sees an opportunity to do something that newspapers and television alone can't provide: the chance to meet people. But Leeva's parents, the insufferable mayor and selfish tax collector of their small town, don't want to send her to school, and they certainly don't want her to meet other people. And so, with the help of the town's librarian and her son, Leeva sets out to find answers: what have her parents been hiding from her?

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#), [Secrets](#), [School](#)

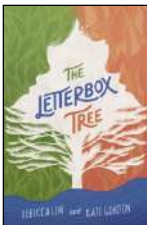


16. LET'S STICK TOGETHER

Smriti Halls | Steve Small (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** |

A joyful, humorous rhyming tale about how friends lift each other up, from the creators of the internationally bestselling I'm Sticking With You and I'm Sticking With You Too. Much-loved characters Bear and Squirrel are back and it's time to party! Squirrel is the expert at throwing parties and knows exactly what to do to make this the biggest and best EVER, but Bear isn't so sure and is feeling a bit shy. Can the two friends find a way to work through their worries and wobbles and stick together? This beautifully written, gorgeously illustrated new I'm Sticking With You story is the perfect book for showing how you're never truly lost when you have a great friend by your side.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Feeling/Emotions](#), [Humour](#), [Rhyming Text](#), [Worry](#)



17. LETTERBOX TREE, THE

Rebecca Lim | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

With sea-levels rising, and the land deforested, over-mined and affected by bushfires and drought - Tasmania is increasingly marooned, its people abandoned. Nyx's father wants them to leave while they still can but, for Nyx, West Hobart is all she's ever known, and where her mother is buried. She seeks solace in the single surviving tree near her home - an 80-foot pine that has defied all odds. Bea, too, finds solace in the tree, and facing a move to the mainland herself, leaves a despairing note, wedged into a hole in its trunk. Nyx finds the note, and writes back. But Nyx and Bea don't realise how special their tree truly is ...

Categories: [Bullying](#), [Friendship](#), [Family](#), [Climate Change](#), [Futuristic](#)



18. MANIFESTOR PROPHECY, THE NIC BLAKE AND THE REMARKABLES

Angie Thomas | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

Internationally bestselling superstar author Angie Thomas makes her middle grade debut with the launch of a new contemporary fantasy trilogy inspired by African American history and folklore. It's not easy being a Remarkable in the Unremarkable world. Some things are cool - like getting a pet hellhound for your twelfth birthday. Others, not so much - like not being trusted to learn magic because you might use it to take revenge on an annoying neighbour. All Nic Blake wants is to be a powerful Manifestor like her dad. But before she has a chance to convince him to teach her the gift, a series of shocking revelations and terrifying events launch Nic and two friends on a hunt for a powerful magic tool she's never heard of ... to save her father from imprisonment for a crime she refuses to believe he committed.

Categories: [Fantasy](#) [Folklore](#)

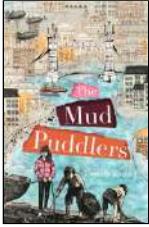


19. MESSAGE THROUGH TIME, A

Anna Ciddor | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

When 11-year-old Felix finds a message in a bottle during a trip to France, he is in for the surprise of a lifetime. Suddenly he is flung back 1700 years to Ancient Roman times, dragging his very unwilling 15-year-old stepsister, Zoe, with him. They are offered sparrows for lunch and horse-spit as medicine, but that is only the beginning! When they ricochet forward to their own time again, Felix and Zoe discover they have accidentally brought a high-class Roman girl with them... Can they navigate the strange Roman world - from opulent city to distant sacred spring - and return the 12-year-old girl to her family before time runs out? Standalone companion novel to the acclaimed *The Boy Who Stepped through Time*.

Categories: [History](#), [Ancient Rome](#), [Adventure](#), [Time Travel](#)



20. MUD PUDDLERS, THE

Pamela Rushby | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Twelve-year-old Nina is not happy. Her scientist parents are spending a year in Antarctica. And Nina's being sent to London to stay with her Aunt Bee, an intertidal archaeologist, who lives on a converted barge on the Thames. She's also a keen mud larker, combing the river mud for fascinating, long-forgotten articles from past lives. Nina arrives with an Attitude. Her parents have never left her behind before. It takes time for her to settle in, helped by the MudPuddlers, a local group of enthusiastic amateur mud larks, and especially by Molly, an elderly MudPuddler living on a nearby barge. Molly draws Nina into the magic and mystery of the ancient river and its treasures. When she finds herself stranded in time, in the Blitz in 1940, Nina and a very unwilling fellow traveller, Tom, become runaways, fumbling their way across wartime England, desperate to return to London. Will they ever see their families again?

Categories: [Timeslip](#), [World War 2](#), [Mudlarking](#)

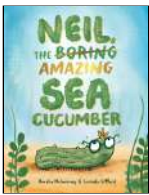


21. NATIONAL SORRY DAY SPECIAL DAYS

Jane Pfeiffer | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

Australians celebrate or commemorate a number of special days throughout the year. These special days give us the chance to reflect on the past appreciate our lives and look to the future together. Australians mark National Sorry Day on 26 May each year. This special day is a time to reflect on how government wrongdoings have affected and continue to affect Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their cultures. It is also a time to consider what reconciliation means for the future of all Australians.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Culture](#), [Identity](#), [First Nations](#)

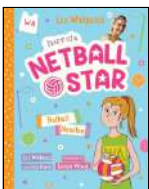


22. NEIL, THE AMAZING SEA CUCUMBER

Amelia McInerney | Lucinda Gifford (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Hello. I'm Neil. I'm a sea cucumber. It's a bit strange that I'm the star of this book. Usually books are about the cool sea creatures. And I'm boring, even for a sea cucumber. Nothing exciting ever happens to me. At least, it hasn't before now ... With deadpan text and hilarious illustrations, this is a fabulous story about a very unlikely hero and one epic adventure.

Categories: [Humour](#), [Adventure](#), [Comedy](#), [Reunited](#)



23. NETBALL NEWBIE DIARY OF A NETBALL STAR

Liz Watson | Fiona Wood (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Liz Watson loves reading, baking, and hanging out with her BFF, Katie. But there's one thing she loves the most ... netball. Read all about it in her diary! Liz's best friend, Katie, has signed up to a try-out day at the local netball club, and Liz decides to give it a go too! But she's never played netball before. What if the rest of the team don't like her? What if she can't shoot a goal? What if she forgets all the rules? Will she be the next netball star?

Categories: [Sport](#), [Netball](#), [Friendship](#), [Family](#), [Determination](#)



24. NOW WE'RE TOGETHER

Nicola Edwards | Jenny Bloomfields (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

This life-affirming picture books takes readers on an adventure away from the glare of phone screens. Admire the wonderful world around us and take a moment to appreciate spending time with loved ones. Gentle rhyming text from Nicola Edwards and stirring, inspiring artwork from Jenny Bloomfield reminds us how much wonder and magic is out there if we put down our phones.

Categories: [Mindfulness](#), [Family](#), [Awareness](#)



25. OUR DRAGON

Mem Fox | Linda Davick (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Mem Fox puts a fresh spin on a new baby story in this tender, funny book about unconditional love.

Categories: [Acceptance](#), [Forgiveness](#), [Family Unit](#)



26. OUR MOB

Jacinta Daniher | Seantelle Walsh (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.95** |

Join our yarning circle and listen to our stories. Our Mob proudly celebrates our Aboriginal culture. Our Mob explores Aboriginal culture and how it is practised within families today through the perspective of a preschool child.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Belonging](#), [Home](#), [Culture](#), [First Nations](#), [Stories](#)

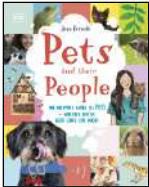


27. PASTA!

Felice Arena | Beatrice Cerocchi (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

These pasta words are fun to say ... Spaghetтини Fagottini Ditalini More Grattini? Manicotti Agnolotti That's a lot-ti! Pasta tastes delicious, but do you know that pasta names are also fun to say? Grab your fork and spoon and get stuck into this rhyming feast. It's enough to make anyone hungry for PASTA! From bestselling author Felice Arena and award-winning illustrator Beatrice Cerocchi comes a joyous ode to the food that everyone loves to eat.

Categories: Food, Cooking, Pasta, Rhyming Text, Onomatopoeia



28. PETS AND THEIR PEOPLE

Jess French | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

With author and vet Dr Jess French, delve deeper into the world of pets than you ever have before! You'll learn lots about the different animals that we might think of as pets, including their history, behaviour, and body language. Importantly, you will discover practical things to do with pets, such as how to treat them kindly, look after their everyday needs, and give them the best life possible. The best thing is, you don't even need a pet to enjoy them! This book provides inspiration for kids who can't own pets, showing them that we can care for animals in lots of other ways, too - from volunteering at animal shelters to leaving food for them out in the wild. From old favourites such as playful puppies and cuddly cats, to more unusual pets such as lizards and snakes, to bugs and hedgehogs in parks and gardens, there are many fascinating animals to meet. Have you ever wondered why cats meow at us but not at each other? When will a dog wag its tail at you? What should you feed a pet snake? And how can you provide a happy home for animals in the wild? Find out all these things and much, much more as you turn the fact-filled pages of this book.

Categories: Pets

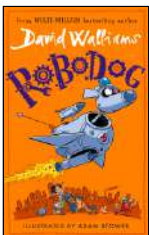


29. QUIET TIME WITH MY SEEYA

Dinalie Dabarera | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Time with my seeya is quiet time. Mum says that's because Seeya and I speak different languages. But that doesn't matter to us, because my seeya and I like all the same things... Whether they are playing dress-ups, going on adventures, making pittu, or reading to each other, any time shared between Sona and her seeya - her Sinhalese grandfather - is full of delight and bursting with love. Dinalie Dabarera's debut solo picture book is a heart-warming meditation on the immutable bond between grandparent and grandchild, brimming with sweet mischief and tender insight.

Categories: Family Unit, Grandparents, Language, Culture, Identity



30. ROBODOG

David Walliams | Adam Stower (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

Enter a world of superheroes and villains in this action-packed comic caper from No.1 bestselling author David Walliams - and meet Robodog: the future of crime fighting! Welcome to the city of Bedlam. Enter if you dare! Bedlam is one of the most dangerous places on Earth - home to a host of wicked villains. Nothing and nobody are safe from these evil criminals. The city needs its own superhero to defeat the supervillains. But who? Robodog! The newest recruit at the Police Dog School, and supercharged for adventure. But can he stop the most feared duo in Bedlam, and their evil plans to ruin the city...?

Categories: Superheroes, Action, Robots



31. SPELLHOUND DRAGONS OF HALLOW

Lian Tanner | Sally soweol Han (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

here are Three Great Secrets in Hallow, a country that loves secrets almost as much as it loves green jellybabies. No, I'm not going to tell you anything more about them. I am a loyal citizen of Hallow, and would never betray- Oh, you have jellybabies? Green ones? Well, I suppose I could tell you a little more. Come closer. Open your ears and your heart, and pass the green jellybabies. I will tell you a story about an enormous magical pup, a child Queen and a very small minch-wiggin with the unfortunate title of Destroyer-of-Dragons. A fascinating tale filled with falsehoods, fortitude and friendship (and just the right number of green jellybabies), from the award-winning author of A Clue for Clara and Museum of Thieves.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Quest, Magic, Friendship

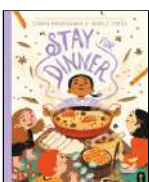


32. SPELLSTONE

Ross Montgomery | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

Evie is used to not being noticed. But when she meets the mysterious Wainwright, she discovers that going unnoticed might just be what makes her unique. Recruited into a secret magical organization, Evie finds herself at the heart of an ancient and magical battle. Evil is returning to the land, and Evie is the only person who can stop it. But how can she defeat the most dangerous magician in the world, when she doesn't even know her own powers?

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure

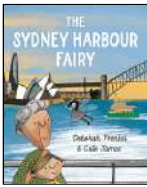


33. STAY FOR DINNER

Sandhya Parappukaran | Michelle Pereira (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$21.59**

Reshma loves dinnertime with her family. Her family eat with their hands - not just finger food type-eating, but hands-on squishy eating. When she's invited to stay for dinner at her friends' places, she finds out that they all eat in different ways. Some go ting ting with their cutlery, and others go click clack with their chopsticks. So what will her friends say when they see her family eat with their hands?

Categories: Multicultural, Culture, Community, Food, Friendship, Community, Inclusivity



34. **SYDNEY HARBOUR FAIRY, THE**

[Deborah Frenkel](#) | [Cate James](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Nanna is taking Charlie for a Girls' Day Out. They'll have high tea, watch the ballet, smell flowers and visit the Sydney Harbour Fairy. Charlie does not like the sound of a Girls' Day Out. And she especially hates fairies. But the Harbour Fairy isn't what Charlie expected, and her Girls' Day Out with Nanna just got so much better. A sparkling ode to imagination, grandmothers and finding magic in unlikely places.

Categories: [Grandparents](#), [Grandmas](#), [Family](#), [Imagination](#), [Excursion](#)



35. **WHEN I'M BIG**

[Karen Blair](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Filled with humour and imagination, When I'm Big is a delightful, warm-hearted celebration of becoming a sibling. From award-winning picture-book creator Karen Blair comes the perfect gift for every family welcoming a new baby. Everyone keeps telling me I'm going to be a big girl soon, but I wonder . . . Just how BIG will I be?

Categories: [New Baby](#), [Family Unit](#), [Siblings](#)



36. **WHEN THINGS AREN'T GOING RIGHT, GO LEFT**

[Marc Colagiovanni](#) | [Peter H Reynolds](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

When things aren't going right—sometimes we simply need to ... go left! We all have worries, fears and frustrations. But we also all have a choice: to carry them with us—or to let them go.

Categories: [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Anxiety](#), [Worry](#)

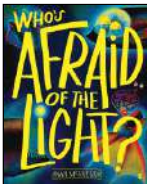


37. **WHEN THINGS WENT WILD**

[Tom Mitchell](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

When Kit's family move to a crumbling house in the Scottish Highlands, he's got a lot to deal with - terrible Wi-Fi, a new school in the middle of nowhere, and, as always, his annoying little brother, Jack. But it's not until the brothers find a strange object on the moors that Kit's problems really begin. A policewoman comes knocking, and the boys learn that they have found a tracker that has been removed from the leg of a golden eagle. The illegal killing of these majestic birds is all too common, and now a pair of nesting eagles are under threat. Kit and Jack start to investigate, soon joined by Tamora - the most popular girl in school - and her younger sister, Bea. Who is trying to harm the eagles, and why? Chief suspects are landowner Lord Cavendish, local farmer McNab and sinister game keeper Mosby . . . Can the city kids cope with the country - and catch the culprit?

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#), [Humour](#), [Animal Conservation](#)



38. **WHO'S AFRAID OF THE LIGHT?**

[Anna McGregor](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Anna McGregor introduces young readers to the wonders of the ocean's 'midnight zone', where no sunlight at all is able to penetrate. We meet Fergus as he hides from a parade of sea creatures that use bioluminescence to find their way in the dark. At least, we think he is hiding ... or is it something else entirely?

Categories: [Ocean Creatures](#), [Bioluminescence](#)

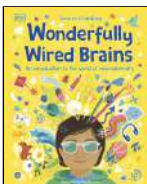


39. **WILDLIFE COMPENDIUM OF THE WORLD**

[Tania McCartney](#) | Hardback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$32.99** |

Divided by continent, and with a handy map opener, you can explore some of the wildest, weirdest and cutest animals that call Earth home. Each animal profile includes the Latin name, type, diet, size, weight, conservation status, curious facts about the species, and the collective noun or baby name for that animal. This book also features sections on animal types and environments, animal rights, a word glossary and the conservation status of each animal.

Categories: [Natural World](#), [Nature](#), [Environment](#), [Habitats](#), [Continents](#), [Animals](#)



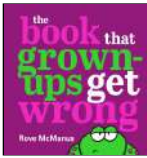
40. **WONDERFULLY WIRED BRAINS: WORLD OF NEURODIVERSITY**

[Louise Gooding](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

It is common for neurodiverse people to feel as though they don't fit in, but their extraordinary differences should be embraced. This book teaches children all about the awesome abilities that neurodiverse individuals have, introduces them to advocates who are challenging neurodiversity stereotypes, and most importantly gives them a safe space to feel accepted.

Categories: [Neurodiverse](#), [Neurodiversity](#), [Brain](#)

AUSTRALIAN PICTURE BOOKS



41. **BOOK THAT GROWN-UPS GET WRONG, THE**

[Rove McManus](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

This is the book that grown-ups get wrong. Which is awkward because there's one reading it to you right now, isn't there? I know it's all going well so far, but trust me. They always, always get it wrong eventually. Watch ...

Categories: [Humour](#), [Interactive](#)



42. **BOWERBIRD BLUE**

[Aura Parker](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

I am a collector. Always looking, finding ... and keeping! Bowerbird loves blue. Magnificent cobalt. Brilliant, vibrant blue! But something is missing. What could it be? This new picture book from Aura Parker stars a beautiful bowerbird on the search for blue! It's a moving story of longing and connection, that unfolds as the bowerbird's search sends him soaring across the sea, sky and city. He swoops and snatches vibrant treasures for his collection, and soon his bower – a mix of natural and unnatural objects – attracts something greater and more fulfilling than he could ever have imagined.

Categories: [Patience](#), [Persistence](#), [Environmental Issues](#), [Home](#), [Mateship](#)



43. **COLOUR MAKES THE WORLD GO ROUND**

[Christopher Nielsen](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$25.99** |

Imagine a RAINBOW without colour, or FLAMINGOS, or RED SHOES, what about a ZEBRA? Oh ... Christopher Nielsen invites the reader to imagine a world with colour ... and without. Cleverly juxtaposing illustrations, he shows how colour, in all its variety, is what creates our wonderful world. Deceptively simple, this is a book that can spark discussion about difference and the depth that it creates.

Categories: [Diversity](#), [Interactive](#), [Difference](#)



44. **CRAFT ROACH**

[Rachel Burke](#) | [Daniel Gray-Barnett](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Craft Roach is an exuberant story about an artsy little bug who lives life a little differently. Written by Rachel Burke (@imakestagram) and with art from best-selling illustrator Daniel Gray-Barnett, Craft Roach is a fun, rhyming picture book about standing out, fitting in and having the courage to be your most joyful self. Craft Roach makes the other bugs feel very tense and stressed. Standing out? Being seen? They do not think it best. But Craft Roach sees things differently, has more than just an inkling – that crawlies wouldn't be so feared, if all of them were twinkling ... Craft Roach is a story that will change your mind about cockroaches, and will delight and encourage young readers to be bold and never dim their light.

Categories: [Rhyming Text](#), [Humour](#), [Cockroaches](#), [Individuality](#)



45. **FRIEND FOR GEORGE, A**

[Gabriel Evans](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

George likes living by the sea, but he often feels lonely. He'd like to have a friend – someone to talk to, someone to share stories with and someone to laugh with. As that's what friends do! When he meets Claude the fish, George finally discovers the joys of having a special friend, as well as learning what it means to be a good friend to someone ... for if you are, the rewards are bountiful

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Environment](#)



46. **HELLO, EMMA MEMMA**

[Emma Memma](#) | [Kerrie Hess](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Introducing Emma Memma! Join Emma Memma for a magical story time as she says hello to the world. Here she is! The wait is finally over, beloved children's entertainer Emma Watkins' next chapter has been unveiled as she makes a joyful transformation into Emma Memma. Sing, dance and sign with Emma Memma! Welcome to a place With a gum blossom tree And pink painted leaves What else can you see? A friend, a buddy A pal to play games She is ready to join in Emma Memma is her name.



47. **HOW BRAVE I CAN BE TEENY TINY STEVIES**

[Byll Stephen](#) | [Simon Howe](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** |

From Byll and Beth Stephen, the writers behind the ABC TV musical sensations Teeny Tiny Stevies, comes a heartwarming story about growing up and moments of everyday bravery – in every stage, and at every age.

Categories: [Self Esteem/Resilience](#), [Bravery](#)

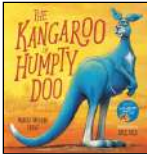


48. **HOW DO YOU SAY HELLO?**

[Ashleigh Barton](#) | [Martina Heiduczek](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

In every country around the world, we all have ways to greet the people that we know and the people that we meet. From bestselling duo Ashleigh Barton and Martina Heiduczek comes a delightful and fun-filled book that celebrates the many different ways we say hello. How Do You Say Hello? is an illuminating look at how we welcome each other, in languages the world over.

Categories: [Greeting](#), [Multicultural](#), [Inclusivity](#), [Acceptance](#)

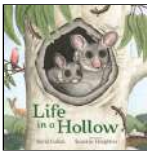


49. **KANGAROO OF HUMPTY DOO, THE**

[Marcia Vaughan Crews](#) | [Louis Shea](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$18.99** |

Join the kangaroo from Humpty Doo on a wild ride across Australia as she grabs one unsuspecting animal after another. Can she squeeze them all in her pouch? Or will she go too far with explosive results? One surprising character enjoys the jolting journey. Can you guess who it will be?

Categories: [Australian Animals](#), [Kangaroos](#), [Humour](#), [Rhyming Text](#)

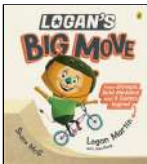


50. **LIFE IN A HOLLOW**

[David Gullan](#) | [Suzanne Houghton](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Who is home in the hollow? Tree hollows are very special places that provide animals, both big and small, with a space to nest and feel safe. Explore life in a tree hollow in the Australian bush and meet the native creatures who come to call a hollow a home. You'll be surprised just how many choose to move in!

Categories: [Habitats](#)



51. **LOGAN'S BIG MOVE**

[Logan Martin](#) | [Shane McG](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

An inspiring and action-packed picture book from Australia's BMX freestyle Olympic gold medalist and 2021 Sports Dad of the Year, Logan Martin. When Logan moves to a new town he discovers the local skatepark and the joys of BMX riding. Little Logan wants to pull off some big tricks but they're not as easy as they look! He'll need to put in lots of hard work and practice to conquer the half pipe. Can he overcome the jitters, nail a new trick and find a way to have fun? Celebrating hard work, dedication and self belief, this story will delight young readers and bike riders.

Categories: [Persistence](#), [Dedication](#), [Self Belief](#), [BMX](#)



52. **MIZUTO AND THE WIND**

[Kaye Baillie](#) | [Luisa Gioffri-Suzuki](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

Mizuto is a young boy living an ordinary life in Japan until one day, something extraordinary happens. Following a deadly tsunami, Mizuto's father is missing. Could a mysterious telephone connected only to the wind help him find his father? Based on real events, Mizuto and the Wind is a story about the forces of nature, grief, family, and the importance of hope.

Categories: [Death/Bereavement](#), [Grief](#), [Earthquake](#), [Natural Disaster](#), [Hope](#)



53. **MR IMPOPPABLE**

[Trent Jamieson](#) | [Brent Wilson](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Mr Impoppable is, well... impoppable. Gerald is not convinced. Will ninja kittens and lightning bolts be enough to prove Gerald right? Or will this unlikely pair form an impoppable bond? At its heart, this is a story of friendship. At its most outrageous, this is a story about a Popatron 3000 Megaburster and one child's very unusual quest!

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Kindness](#), [Humour](#)

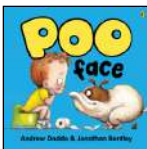


54. **PARCEL FOR GORILLA, A**

[Shelley Knoll-Miller](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$14.99** |

What is in the parcel for Gorilla...?! Guess along with Gorilla and friends in this cheeky jungle tale. There's a rumble in the jungle... it's Gorilla's tummy! Gorilla and friends are HUNGRY, and their bellies are growling. Grumbling. Gurgling! Will what's inside Gorilla's parcel help them...?

Categories: [Birthdays](#), [Celebrations](#), [Anticipation](#), [Surprise](#)

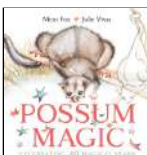


55. **POO FACE**

[Andrew Daddo](#) | [Jonathan Bentley](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$17.99** |

A hilarious and irreverent toilet training book from a popular Aussie author that will have pre-schoolers giggling all the way to the poo - and the zoo! "We've all got one because we all do one. Every day. Somedays twice a day. Somedays more. Everyone has a poo face!" Whether it's a dog or cat, a lion, an elephant, wombat, fish, giraffe or frog, they've all got a poo face - even you!

Categories: [Toilet Humour](#)



56. **POSSUM MAGIC 40TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION**

[Mem Fox](#) | [Julie Vivas](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

For 40 magical years Possum Magic has captivated and enchanted children and adults alike. Mem Fox's lovable characters, little Hush and Grandma Poss, together with Julie Vivas' exquisite illustrations, weave a story of pure magic. Continuously in print since it was first published by Omnibus Books in 1983, Possum Magic has been embraced as a timeless Australian tale.

Categories: [Australian Animals](#) [Australiana](#)

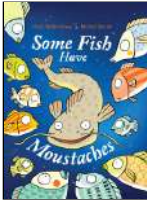


57. **SHADOW CATCHERS**

[Kirsty Murray](#) | [Karen Blair](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

On sunny mornings, we go shadow catching. Inside, outside, in our home and in our neighbourhood, shadows dance around us from morning through to night. Our shadows are so tall, then small, then tall again in sunlight, lamplight and even in the moonlight. A wonderful picture book about playfulness and the joy of light and movement.

Categories: [Family Unit](#), [Siblings](#), [Shadows](#), [Imagination Play](#), [Imagination](#)



58. **SOME FISH HAVE MOUSTACHES**

[Heidi Walkinshaw](#) | [Michel Streich](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Celebrating all kinds of fish ... especially those with moustaches! There are big fish and small fish, round fish and long fish, and fish of all shapes and sizes. But did you know that there are also fish that have ... moustaches?

Categories: [Humour](#), [Rhyming Text](#)

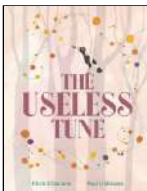


59. **SUNDAY SKATING JETTY JUMPING**

[Andrea Rowe](#) | [Hannah Sommerville](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Clancy's friends skate through the quiet Sunday streets, while Clancy feels self-conscious, and embarrassed, that he's just a beginner. His board stays tucked under his arm; his feet stay firmly on the ground. But his friends aren't giving up on him and Clancy realises the only way forward is to step on his board and try ... even if he might fall.

Categories: [First Experiences](#), [Achievement](#), [Self Esteem/Resilience](#), [Skating](#), [Courage](#), [Friendship](#), [Skating](#)



60. **USELESS TUNE, THE**

[Chris Uhlmann](#) | [Paul Uhlmann](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

All Maggie wants is to find a tree to call home, and has her own special song to offer in return for shelter. But the trees see Maggie either as trouble or as useless and tell her to go away. After all, her song can't protect the trees from drought, or fire, or loggers. Maggie thinks she will never find a home, until at last a humble Scribbly Gum asks to hear her melody ...

Categories: [Australian Birds](#), [Magpies](#), [Belonging](#), [Independence](#), [Resilience](#), [Perseverance](#)

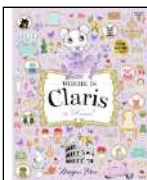


61. **WE ARE MATILDAS**

[Shelley Ware](#) | [Serena Geddes](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Jazzy dreams of being a football star and playing for the CommBank Matildas one day. She has a plan to get there ... now all she needs is a team. This determined leader soon realises that being on the field with her friends is one of the best parts of the game.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Teamwork](#), [Soccer](#), [Football](#), [Competition](#)



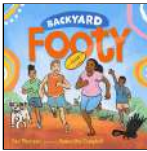
62. **WHERE IS CLARIS IN ROME! LOOK AND FIND BOOK, A CLARIS**

[Megan Hess](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Claris, the chicest mouse in Paris, is setting off on an exciting adventure through Rome! Can you find Claris and her friends in historic places such as the Trevi Fountain, the Colosseum and the Spanish Steps? Look inside to find out!

Categories: [Look and Find](#)

ABORIGINAL PICTURE BOOKS



63. BACKYARD FOOTY

Carl Merrison | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Jy is playing football alone in his small backyard in the Kimberley, but when he accidentally kicks the ball over the fence, a footy adventure begins! Footy by yourself is fun but playing with mates is better. The first title in a joyful black & white Fellowship-winning series, where the fun only grows with family and friends!

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [AFL](#), [Friendship](#)



64. BUSH BIRDS

Helen Milroy | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

'Little birds, big birds, all different kinds. How many bush birds can you find?' From curious blue wrens to booming emus, and from feasting lorikeets to eagles soaring, Bush Birds by Helen Milroy is a fun and lively read with bold illustrations designed to celebrate the birds in our bush.

Categories: [Australian Birds](#)



65. COLOUR ME

Ambelin Kwaymullina | Moira Court (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

This beautiful picture book filled with luminous screen-prints and evocative prose celebrates every individual colour as well as the power of their combination. We are all different. But together we colour our world amazing. Using the rainbow as a metaphor for our diversity and uniqueness, Palyku author Ezekiel Kwaymullina joins forces with award-winning illustrator Moira Court in this gorgeous new picture book.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#)

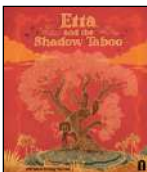


66. COUNTRY TELLS US WHEN

Tsheena Cooper | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Some cultures around the world have four seasons that they look out for on a calendar; Summer, Autumn, Winter and Spring. Us Yawuru mob, we don't have four seasons that are told to us by a calendar. We have six seasons and Country tells us when they have arrived by what we feel, see, taste, smell and hear.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Dual Language](#), [Bilingual](#), [Dhurga Language](#), [Yawuru](#), [Broome](#), [Seasons](#)



67. ETTA AND THE SHADOW TABOO

JM Field | Jeremy Worrall (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Where is theirs? And where is mine? To hurt a shadow is surely a crime When Etta steps on Baawaa's (her sister's) shadow, she learns of the Shadow Taboo, and learns to value the personal space of others, as well as her own.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Traditional Stories](#), [Shadows](#), [Personal Space](#)

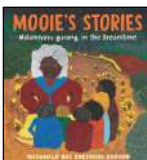


68. GURRIL STORM BIRD

Trevor Fourmile | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Gurril could not understand why everyone was afraid of a snake, even if it was Gudju-gudju, the rainbow serpent! But he was soon to discover just how powerful Gudju-gudju really was and why it is not a good idea to torment the rainbow serpent. Gurril, Storm Bird is a Gimuy Walubara (pronounced ghee-moy-wah-la-burra) Yidinji traditional story that helps to explain the cultural beliefs held by the Yidinji First Nations People of Cairns. The Gimuy Walubarra are the traditional custodians of Cairns and the surrounding regions. This story has been told orally by many generations over thousands of years and is intrinsic to the Yidinji culture, both past and present. The call of the storm bird helps the Yidinji people prepare for the arrival of rain or the wet season. During the dry season the Gimuy Walubarra people would dance and mimic the storm bird to bring in the rain.

Categories: [Cautionary Tale](#), [Aboriginal Studies](#)



69. MOOIE'S STORIES

Ros Kneebone-Dodson | Hardback | **RRP \$24.95** |

Dja Dja Wurrung Ancestors' stories as told to me by my mother, my grandmother, my great-grandmother and my great-great-grandmother before her. How did Wabbee, the freshwater crayfish, get its bright red spots? Why does Wehla, the ringtail possum, have a curly tail? How were Waripi Yaluk, the backwaters of Bulatjal Yaluk Woodlar, the Loddon River, formed? Why does Yern, the moon, light up the night sky? Bunjil, the all-powerful, knows the answers. 'BurWhela' Ros Kneebone-Dodson learned these kiki — these stories of Malamiyayu Gurang, the Dreamtime — from her mother, Mooie. BurWhela's words and images bring to vivid life these stories of her Ngurar Gurk, her Ancestors, from Djandak, the Country of the Loddon River of Central Victoria.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Dual Language](#), [Dja Dja Wurrung](#)

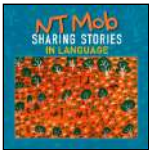


70. **MY LITTLE BARLAAGANTY (SUNSHINE)**

[Melissa Greenwood](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

A soothing bedtime story from mum to baby- As the sun shines throughout the day, it warms your cheeks while we play. As the sun sets in the evening sky, say, 'Yaarri Yarraang, goodbye.' This gentle bedtime story follows the journey a mother and child take across a day and into the Dreamtime - finding special places to visit, creatures to meet and new things to discover. From Gumbaynggirr artist Melissa Greenwood, the creator of the heart-stirring picture book Miimi Marraal, Mother Earth.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Dreaming Stories](#)

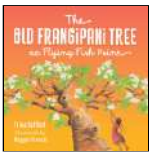


71. **NT MOB: SHARING STORIES IN LANGUAGE**

[Bill Forshaw](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

The nine stories in this book come from nine different regions in the Northern Territory. They are written in the language spoken in that region and they are a mix of traditional stories and stories that reflect life as it is lived in those communities today. Each story has accompanying illustrations. Sharing these favourite stories in this book will not only help make connections between Aboriginal communities stronger - Aboriginal people can read about what is the same as where they live and what is different - but they will also help non-Aboriginal people to better appreciate Aboriginal people and their connection to their countries and languages.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Community](#), [Traditional Stories](#)

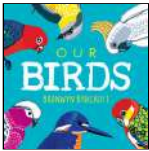


72. **OLD FRANGIPANI TREE AT FLYING FISH POINT, THE**

[Trina Saffioti](#) | [Maggie Prewett](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Based on the experiences of the author's mother, The Old Frangipani Tree at Flying Fish Point is a touching story that follows a young girl named Faith, whose family cannot afford a fancy dress costume for the school's carnival. Luckily, her family have just the costume in mind

Categories: [Community](#), [Courage](#), [Creativity](#)



73. **OUR BIRDS BOARD BOOK**

[Bronwyn Bancroft](#) | Board Book | **RRP \$17.99** |

Our Birds celebrates the beauty found within the Australian landscape. Written and illustrated by Australia's foremost Indigenous illustrator, Dr Bronwyn Bancroft captures the essence of nature in this stunning board book. Our Birds is the magnificent companion to Our Bugs.



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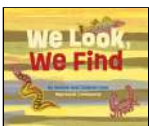


75. **SHORDI KRIK (SHORTY CREEK)**

[Compilation](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

At Shordi Krik, life is sweet. Join students from Barunga School on a trip to their local creek where they play and swim. Written in Kriol and English, everyone will be singing along with this joyful song and learning more about life in Barunga as they go!

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Dual Language](#), [Kriol](#)



76. **WE LOOK, WE FIND**

[Compilation](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

This storybook is the result of a collaborative story writing and art workshop held in the Napranum Community during 2021. The stimulus for the story came from reviewing archived photographs of preschool excursions that documented children's experiences of being 'on Country' with family and Elders. The story features Thaynakwith language words as documented in Thanakupi's Guide to Language and Culture: A Thaynakwith Dictionary 2007.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#), [Dual Language](#), [Thaynakwith](#)



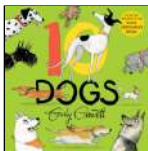
77. **WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

[Joy Murphy](#) | [Lisa Kennedy](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** |

Welcome to the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri People. We are part of this land and the land is part of us. This is where we come from. Wominjeka Wurundjeri balluk yearmenn koondée bik. Welcome to Country.

Categories: [Aboriginal Studies](#)

OVERSEAS PICTURE BOOKS



78. 10 DOGS

[Emily Gravett](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

Ten gorgeous dogs chase, hide and play with ten juicy sausages in this funny, original book about numbers by the multi-award-winning, bestselling Emily Gravett. Bursting with energy and fun, children will love to count the dogs and the sausages, as well as looking out for all the funny details on each page. The book explores numbers one going up to ten, and ten going down to zero, touching on several simple concepts like half, all, more, less along the way. A brilliant companion to Emily's book about counting, colours and cats, 10 Cats.

Categories: [Pets](#), [Dogs](#), [Counting](#), [Maths](#)



79. BEAR BEHIND, THE

[Sam Copeland](#) | [Pippa Curnick](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

Meet Ivor, a little boy in a big world, who absolutely, categorically, definitely does NOT like any sort of attention. So it's more than a minor catastrophe for Ivor to discover on his first day of school that he has a great big . . . BEAR BEHIND! And as the bumbling bear begins to cause chaos and calamity, Ivor's hope for a normal first day at school quickly fades . . .

Categories: [Starting School](#), [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Friendship](#), [Anxiety](#)

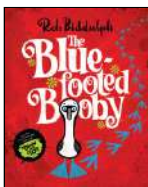


80. BLUE

[Sarah Christou](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Once I had a secret that was big and monstrous... I thought of it as Blue. But Blue the monster doesn't have to be scary. And he doesn't have to be a secret. After all, we all feel blue from time to time and talking about it helps. A friendly, gentle story to help young children navigate big emotions.

Categories: [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Mental Health](#), [Depression](#), [Sadness](#)

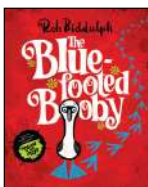


81. BLUE-FOOTED BOOBY, THE

[Rob Biddulph](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

The newest picture book written and illustrated by the bestselling and award-winning Rob Biddulph, the creative star behind the viral and phenomenal #DrawWithRob! Let's follow the footprints! Let's hunt for some clues! Left footprint! Right footprint! No time to lose! As everybody knows, Red-footed Boobies are fabulous bakers. But when Desmond's frangipane tart goes missing amidst a flurry of footprints, the Blue-footed Booby becomes the chief suspect. But all is not as it seems...

Categories: [Humour](#), [Rhyming Text](#)



82. BLUE-FOOTED BOOBY, THE

[Rob Biddulph](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** |

As everybody knows, Red-footed Boobies are fabulous bakers. But when Desmond's frangipane tart goes missing amidst a flurry of footprints, the Blue-footed Booby becomes the chief suspect. But all is not as it seems...

Categories: [Humour](#), [Rhyming Text](#)



83. BOWERBIRD, THE

[Julia Donaldson](#) | [Catherine Rayner](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

Bert the bowerbird is looking for love. He has made the most perfect nest, complete with a pretty purple flower, and is hoping it will help him to meet the bird of his dreams. But when the demanding Nanette comes along, she is far from impressed. Poor Bert is hurt, and flies off to bring her presents a-plenty. But will it ever be enough, and is Nanette really worthy of sweet Bert's love?

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Love](#), [Rhyming Text](#), [Habitat](#), [Companionship](#)



84. CROCODILE HUNGRY

[Eija Sumner](#) | [John Martz](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Crocodile hungry. What can crocodile eat? Canned ham? Too hard to open. Beef jerky? Gets stuck in teeth. Eggs? Bite shell, get toothache. Crocodile cries. Big juicy tears. Crocodile must find food. But where?

Categories: [Humour](#)



85. DAKOTA CRUMB AND THE SECRET BOOKSHOP DAKOTA CRUMB

[Jamie Michalak](#) | [Kelly Murphy](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

Ooh la la! Tiny, intrepid Dakota Crumb is back—hunting for bookish treasure in the City of Light. In a second rollicking adventure, petite mouse treasure-hunter Dakota Crumb has been summoned abroad for a top-secret mission: to help her cousin locate a rare and priceless book. Armed with a mysterious note and clues to guide her through the unexpected perils of a charming Parisian bookshop, Dakota uses her sharp eyes and a knack for scaling heights to make a surprising discovery: a roomful of fellow mice gathered to celebrate—her!

Categories: [Treasure](#), [Mystery](#), [Detective](#)

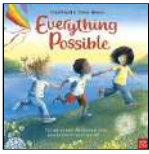


86. **DINOSAUR UNICORN ROBOT ADVENTURE, A PICK A STORY**

Sarah Coyle | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** |

The second book in a brilliant new series of 'pick your own' picture book adventures! Do you love dinosaurs? How about robots? And unicorns? Find them ALL in the pages of this laugh-out-loud interactive adventure! It's Gwen's birthday but, oh no, the birthday cake that Dad's been busy making has DISAPPEARED. Gwen needs YOUR help to find it! Has the cake been stolen by dinosaurs? Or taken by robots? Has it been snatched by unicorns? It's up to YOU to decide! Discover not one but THREE fun-filled worlds in this PICK A STORY adventure. You'll find twists and turns, hilarious characters . . . and decisions to make on every page. So what are you waiting for? Come on in and join the fun!

Categories: [Interactive](#)

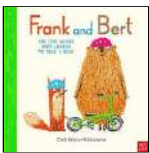


87. **EVERYTHING POSSIBLE**

Fred Small | Alison Brown (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Strong and bold, or quiet and kind, every child is unique and their future filled with possibilities. Based on Fred Small's iconic folk song that became an anthem for generations, Everything Possible celebrates love and friendship, gently encouraging children to dream their own dream and choose their own path, wherever it may take them. An inspiring and uplifting picture book for children everywhere.

Categories: [Kindness](#), [Peace](#), [Mindfulness](#), [Love](#), [Rhyming Text](#)

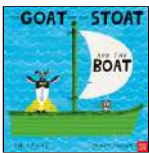


88. **FRANK AND BERT: WHERE BERT LEARNS TO RIDE A BIKE**

Chris Naylor-Ballesteros | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Bert is CERTAIN he can ride his bike as well as Frank, but he is very wobbly! And even when they BOTH try riding Frank's bike . . . it still goes very wrong! Will the best friends make it all the way down from the big hill? Of course! All they need is a little bit of confidence and trust in each other!

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Humour](#), [First Experiences](#), [Bicycles](#)



89. **GOAT AND THE STOAAT AND THE BOAT, THE**

Em Lynas | Matt Hunt (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Stoaat is playing in his favourite boat when suddenly Goat comes bounding in! Chaos ensues as an angry Stoaat tries to chase Goat out of his boat. But before long, Goat and Stoaat's lively antics make the boat wobble and wobble! Uh-oh! Can Stoaat float in the water? And will Goat's colourful coat be ruined?

Categories: [Rhyming Text](#), [Humour](#), [Nonsense](#), [Cumulative Text](#)



90. **GRANDPA AND THE KINGFISHER**

Anna Wilson | Sarah Massini (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Over the course of a year, a young child and their dog watch kingfishers by the river with Grandpa. As spring turns to summer and autumn to winter, the kingfishers raise a family, while Grandpa teaches his grandchild about the power of nature and the circle of life.

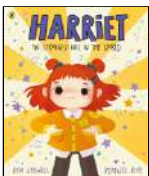
Categories: [Grandparents](#), [Grandfather](#), [Relationships](#), [Grief](#), [Lifecycle](#), [Nature](#)



91. **GREAT HEFFALUMP HUNT, THE WINNIE-THE-POOH**

Giles Andreae | Angela Rozelaar (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

When Winnie-the-Pooh sets out to catch a Heffalump, he finds himself in a sticky situation. Luckily, faithful Piglet isn't far away ... 'But something in his little soul prevented him from running, And Piglet's voice rose clear and strong, "Hold on, Pooh Bear ... I'M COMING!"'



92. **HARRIET THE STRONGEST GIRL IN THE WORLD**

Ben Lerwill | Beatrice Blue (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** |

Harriet isn't just strong - she's the strongest girl in the whole world! And though her super-strength is mostly wonderful, it does make things like bouncing on trampolines, mixing cake batter, and putting the cap on the toothpaste a bit, well... tricky. So when the Seriously Strong Touring Circus comes to town, Harriet thinks she might POP with excitement to see other people just like her! Hans the Hairy and Betty Biceps show her that being strong should be celebrated - and when Muscleman Max prepares to break a world record, Harriet suddenly finds herself taking a starring role in the performance- one she could never have dreamed of... This humorous and empowering read features a brilliant cast of larger-than-life characters, and a heroine that you can't help but root for. A true celebration of strength, difference, and finding a place where you truly belong.

Categories: [Strength](#), [Difference](#), [Inclusion](#), [Acceptance](#), [Belonging](#)

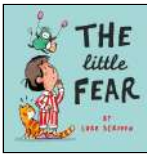


93. **KINDEST RED: A STORY OF HIJAB AND FRIENDSHIP, THE**

Ibtihaj Muhammad | Hatem Aly (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

When Faizah's teacher asks her class to imagine what kind of world they want to live in Faizah imagines a world where everyone is kind to one another, and tries to create that world in the school playground. But what Faizah wants most is be like her big sister, Asiya. Will Faizah's classmates repay her kindness and find a way for her to match Asiya in time for school photo day? An important and uplifting story about celebrating each other's differences and similarities.

Categories: [Family](#), [Kindness](#), [Friendship](#), [Culture](#), [Hijabs](#)



94. **LITTLE FEAR, THE**

[Luke Scriven](#) | [Luke Scriven](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

A brilliant picture book debut on facing your fears, overcoming anxiety and being just a little bit brave, perfect for little worriers. When Sam lets in a little fear one night, he's sure it won't be any bother. But before he knows it, the fear has grown and grown and grown. Until even the sunniest of sunny days doesn't feel very sunny any more. There's only one thing for it. Sam must try and be a little bit brave Beautifully and simply told, this reassuring and empowering story on confronting your fears is a hugely exciting debut from author and illustrator Luke Scriven.

Categories: [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Anxiety](#), [Worry](#), [Courage](#)



95. **MARVELLOUS MARGOT**

[Lou Peacock](#) | [Ingela P Arrhenius](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Have you met Margot? She is cheerful, helpful and kind - the very best kind of friend! It's a marvellous day in the big city. The sky is blue, the sun is shining, and Margot has made a delicious cake for her best friend Oskar! Margot takes her little red wagon and off she goes with cake in tow. But by the time she reaches Oskar's house after having helped all her friends along the way, will there be ANY cake left to share?

Categories: [Feelings/Emotions](#), [Kindness](#), [Caring](#)



96. **MERMAID MOON, THE**

[Briony May Smith](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Once, there were two best friends. One was from the sea, a mermaid named Merrin, and one was from the land, a human named Molly. Merrin has never been to Molly's house; how can she visit when she is a mermaid, and has to stay underwater? But then comes the night of the Mermaid Moon, when sea creatures can fly through the air! And this year, Merrin is finally old enough to join in. Together, she and Molly visit the Mermaid Moon festival, eat ice cream, and ride on a swing in Molly's garden. But trouble arises when it is time for Merrin to leave. If she doesn't get back home before the moon sets, the Mermaid Moon magic will disappear from the earth forever...

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Adventure](#), [Bravery](#), [Mermaids](#), [Kindness](#)

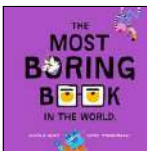


97. **MOLLY, OLIVE AND DEXTER**

[Catherine Rayner](#) | Hardback | Age 4+ | **RRP \$25.99** |

Meet Molly the hare, Olive the owl and Dexter the fox, stars of a delightful new series for toddlers from Kate Greenaway Medal-winning artist Catherine Rayner. Molly the hare loves hide-and-seek. "You two hide," she tells Olive the owl and Dexter the fox, and then she begins to count: "5, 4, 3, 2, 1 - ready or not here I come." But when she opens her eyes, Molly finds the pair straight away! Soon Molly announces Olive and Dexter have to hide properly. Now she has the opposite problem: her friends have hidden too well... Wherever can they be? This is the first in Catherine Rayner's adorable new picture-book series - delivering the charm of the 100 Acre Wood in an irresistible package for toddlers.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Separation](#)

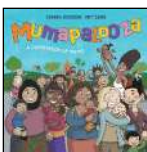


98. **MOST BORING BOOK IN THE WORLD, THE**

[Charlie Leahy](#) | [Darcy Prendergast](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$20.99** |

This is not just any boring book - it is THE MOST BORING BOOK IN THE WORLD! That is why nothing exciting, funny, or even remotely interesting is allowed in it . . .

Categories: [Humour](#)

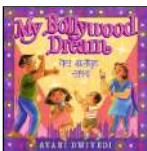


99. **MUMAPALOOZA**

[Sarina Dickson](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$15.99** |

Treasured mums, queen mums, and all the in-between mums! What kind of Mum do you have? Celebrate them all in this ridiculously fun, rhyming picture book from Sarina Dickson, with humorous search-and-find style illustrations from award-winning artist Ant Sang.

Categories: [Mother's Day](#), [Family](#), [Mums](#)



100. **MY BOLLYWOOD DREAM**

[Avani Dwivedi](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Bollywood movies are made of dreams and adventures, and I long to discover them all... It's Friday night and, on the bustling streets of Mumbai, a little girl and her family head to the cinema. As they travel, the girl captures the sights and sounds of the city with her camera, and imagines a movie unfolding before her eyes. And when they reach the screening, the room is electric - it's time to dance!

Categories: [Multicultural](#), [India](#), [Culture](#), [Entertainment](#), [Movies](#), [Aspiration](#)

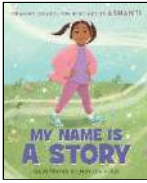


101. **MY DAD IS A TREE**

[John Agee](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Do you want to be a tree? It's easy. Pretend your arms are branches, your body is a trunk, and your legs are roots. Then stand in one place and see what happens! If your parent is as patient as the dad in this story, you might get to stay outside all...day...long! This playful story shows how entering in to the make-believe world of a child can bring fun, empathy and mindfulness. The build-up of amusing drama ends with the feel good exuberance of the little girl who gets her Dad to play with her all day, and loves being outside.

Categories: [Relationships](#), [Humour](#), [Trees](#), [Wildlife](#), [Outdoors](#), [Imagination Play](#)



102. MY NAME IS A STORY

Ashanti | Monica Mikai (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

From Grammy Award-winning singer Ashanti comes an empowering story about a girl who learns to love her unique name. First days aren't easy for a girl with a name like Ashanti. It feels like no one can pronounce it correctly! But with some encouragement from her mom, Ashanti spells her name and learns just how special it is. A is for awesome, S is for sunsets, H is for hand games, A is for art... Inspired by Ashanti's own experience, this delightful picture book shares the joy that one child finds in her name. A perfect pick for classrooms and all story times!

Categories: Culture, Identity, Bullying, Microaggression, Racism, Diversity



103. NOOO! NOT THE DENTIST!

Stephanie Blake | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** |

Poo Bum is children's favourite cheeky rabbit! This time Simon returns in Nooo! Not the Dentist! with his cheeky humour and favourite catchphrase to help young children approach any daunting new experience. Simon gets a sore tooth so needs to take his first trip to the dentist. The night before the appointment, Simon's friend Ferdinand makes the most of the chance to show he knows more. Ferdinand uses his full imagination to describe the graphic horrors of the dentist's chair.

Categories: Dental Hygiene, Health, Teeth



104. ONE DAY

Joanna Ho | Faith Pray (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

One Day is a mother's ode to her baby boy—she shares her hopes and dreams for her son as she envisions him exploring the world. Her son will be courageous and kind, powerful and curious, and blaze his own trail. He will know that it is okay to cry, or be scared, or uncertain. Above all, he will know that he is more than enough exactly as he is. An extraordinary gift for Mother's Day and loved ones everywhere. One day, your hair will tumble across your head as you embark on adventures Life will pull tears that Roll like rivers over your cheeks Let them roll, sweet boy Softness is a sign of strength

Categories: Mother's Day, Family, Mums

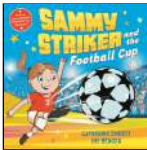


105. SAM FRANCISCO AND THE CAT DISCO

Sarah Tagholm | Binny Talib (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Superstar DJ Sam Francisco wants to throw the disco of the year, but he won't if their crabby neighbour has his way. Luckily, it's the people (or in this case cats) who make a party, and these guys are the best.

Categories: Rhyming Text, Music, Disco, Cats

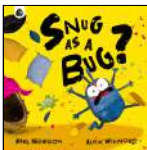


106. SAMMY STRIKER AND THE FOOTBALL CUP

Catherine Emmett | Joe Berger (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** |

Shoot for the stars with Sammy Striker! From Oscars Prize-shortlisted Catherine Emmett and bestselling illustrator Joe Berger, Sammy Striker and the Football Cup is an empowering story for young footie fans, about friendship, football, and having the courage to believe in yourself. Sammy Striker is NEVER found without a football at her feet, and one day at the park, she's spotted by Melissa McDream who coaches the Under 8s National Team! Sammy is a dribbler-extraordinaire, headed straight for the top. But, as the Football Cup gets closer, Sammy's shots on goal go a bit . . . wonky. Will Sammy work out that it's what makes her DIFFERENT that will help them win the final?

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer

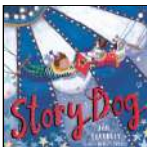


107. SNUG AS A BUG?

Karl Newson | Alex Willmore (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$15.99** |

Meet a bug who is as snug as a bug can be. Oh, but not for long! Along comes a knock on the door and suddenly he is off on a wild and risky adventure... Bug is chased by creature after creature - hes clearly ever so tasty - through woodland, dark caves and a mighty waterfall! He barely escapes becoming some ones dinner and comes close to meeting all sorts of sticky ends, but he keeps insisting he is snug as a bug! Can he make it back home? As snug as a bug can be?

Categories: Rhyming Text, Humour

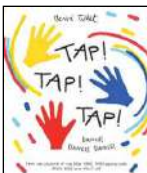


108. STORY DOG

Jan Fearnley | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Harry loves stories. But they make him nervous. The words jumble and tumble when he tries to read out loud. Then one day, Harry meets Cal, a rescue dog, and with a little support and understanding (and one very wet nose) things begin to change . . .

Categories: Pets, Dogs, Rescue, Reading, Persistence



109. TAP! TAP! TAP! DANCE! DANCE! DANCE!

Herve Tullet | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Ready? Place your hand here. Close your eyes. Concentrate. Hit it! Three times: Tap! Tap! Tap! In another delightfully interactive book that celebrates colour and movement, Herve Tullet invites children to use their hands to dance on the page. A gentle glide starts things off, a few little leaps, then big bouncy jumps that grow in complexity and animation, finally building to a crescendo of colour, action and movement!

Categories: Interactive, Creativity



110. THREE LITTLE WOLVES AND THE BIG BAD PIG ANNIVERSAR

Eugene Trivizas | Helen Oxenbury (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** |

A subversive and hilarious spin on the well-loved fairy tale. The three little wolves erect first a solid brick house. The big bad pig comes along and when huffing and puffing fails to work, he uses a sledgehammer to bring the house down. Next they build a home of concrete: The pig demolishes it with his pneumatic drill. The three little wolves choose an even stronger design next time round: They erect a house, made of steel, barbed wire, armor plates and video entry system, but the pig finds a way to demolish it too. It is only when the wolves construct a rather fragile house made of cherry blossoms, daffodils, pink roses, and marigolds that the pig has a change of heart ... A great read for children who enjoyed *The Wolf's Story* by Toby Forward. Kids aged 5 and up will enjoy this hilarious, subversive and brilliant read aloud picture book. Eugene Trivizas's text for *The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig* is perfectly complemented by Helen Oxenbury's watercolour illustrations.

Categories: [Fairytales](#), [Twisted Fairytales](#)



111. TREE AND THE RIVER, THE

Aaron Becker | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Borrowing from multiple cultures and architectural styles to craft astonishing new humanscapes, Aaron Becker tracks the evolution of our species – and its toll on the Earth – through the fates of a lone tree and an enduring river. River and tree bear silent witness over time as people arrive to harness water, wind, and animals; devise technology and transportation; redirect rivers; and reshape the land. Timely and ultimately hopeful, this wordless epic invites readers to pore over spreads densely packed with visual drama.

Categories: [Wordless Picture Book](#), [Passing Of Time](#), [Industry](#), [Change](#), [Environmental Issues](#)

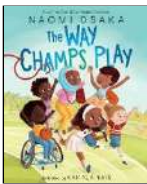


112. TWENTY QUESTIONS

Mac Barnett | Christian Robinson (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$25.99** |

Not all questions have answers. Some have more than one answer. And others have endless answers, unfolding out to the edges of the world. In this spare yet expansive narrative, acclaimed author Mac Barnett poses twenty questions both playful and profound. Some make us giggle. Others challenge our assumptions. The result is a quirky, wandering exploration of where the best questions lead – to stories. Intriguing, richly interactive, and brought to vivid life by, Caldecott Honor Artist, Christian Robinson's bright and whimsical illustrations, *Twenty Questions* is a charming invitation to speculate without limits and know no bounds.

Categories: [Curiosity](#), [Imagination](#), [Creativity](#), [Open Ended Questions](#)



113. WAY CHAMPS PLAY, THE

Naomi Osaka | Kamala Nair (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

In a rhythmic celebration of sport and play, four-time Grand Slam champion and tennis superstar Naomi Osaka shares key steps to becoming a true champ, including being kind, working as a team, doing your best, and most importantly, having fun.

Categories: [Sport](#), [Participation](#), [Team Work](#)

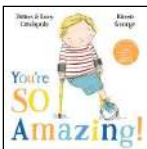


114. WHEN YOU JOINED OUR FAMILY

Harriet Evans | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

From the first time a family is brought together to the beautiful memories they will create, this book showcases the special bond between adopted children and their families. Lyrical, emotive text and soft illustrations take readers on a poignant journey through the adoption process. This book is perfect for families who have experienced adoption, and to teach young readers that family comes in all shapes and sizes.

Categories: [Family Unit](#), [Adoption](#)



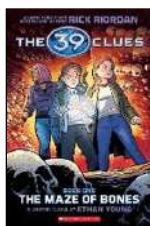
115. YOU'RE SO AMAZING

James Catchpole | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

One-legged Joe is "amazing". He knows this because wherever he goes people always tell him he's amazing. Amazing for sliding down the slide, for kicking a ball. even walking to get an ice cream, or even just eating an icecream. Of course, being Amazing Joe is better than being Poor Joe. But Joe doesn't want to be Amazing Joe OR Poor Joe. He's happiest when he's just Joe.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Disability](#), [Acceptance](#)

GRAPHIC NOVELS

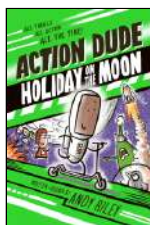


116. MAZE OF BONES GRAPHIC NOVEL 39 CLUES GRAPHIC NOVEL

Rick Riordan | Ethan Young (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$18.99 |

Minutes before she died Grace Cahill changed her will, leaving her descendants an impossible decision: "You have a choice—one million dollars or a clue." Grace is the last matriarch of the Cahills, the world's most powerful family. Everyone from Marie Curie to Harry Houdini is related to the Cahills, yet the source of the family power is lost. 39 Clues hidden around the world will reveal the family's secret, but no one has been able to assemble them. Now the clues race is on, and young Amy and Dan must decide what's important: hunting clues or uncovering what really happened to their parents.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Action, Suspense



117. HOLIDAY TO THE MOON ACTION DUDE

Andy Riley | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 |

A famous billionaire has made a moon hotel. You don't have to just pop into space and come straight back down. You can have a holiday there. In a hotel! On the moon! What could possibly go wrong? Moments before the rocket blasts off, there's a strange broadcast to every TV on earth. It's a warning: anyone who turns on the hotel power unit and extracts precious Element Z will face their doom. There's only one possible solution. Action Dude to the rescue.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour

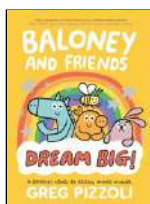


118. REVENGE OF THE ZOMBIE MONKS AN UNOFFICIAL GRAPHIC NOVEL FOR MINECRAFTERS

Cara J Stevens | David Norgren (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 |

Phoenix, Wolfie and friends are back—and this time, the entire world needs saving! Behind the walls of the monastery, the monks of Xenos grow enchanted golden apples for the villagers who live in their border world. The monks also guard the knowledge that keeps Xenos and its citizens safe. But now the monks have been zombified! What will the people of Xenos do now that they have no protection? The only ones who can save Xenos's monks are Phoenix—a miner girl who loves adventure—and her new friends: a hermit and a wolf pup. But Phoenix and her gang do not suspect the culprit who is behind this terrible disaster—a powerful foe who will stop at nothing to keep Phoenix from saving the monks, and her world.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Minecraft



119. DREAM BIG: GRAPHIC NOVEL BALONEY AND FRIENDS

Greg Pizzoli | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 |

Baloney and friends are reaching for the stars—but not without some funny obstacles along the way! Whether they're creating a masterpiece, destroying a birthday cake, or debating online comments about themselves, these lovable characters know how to dream big! This new collection of mini-tales and three mini-comics will have you cheering and rooting for Baloney the pig, Bizz the bumblebee, Peanut the horse, and everyone's favourite grumpy rabbit, Krabbit! And at the end, readers will learn how to make their own minibook by following clear step-by-step instructions.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour

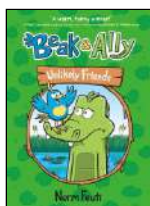


120. BEDTIME JITTERS GRAPHIC NOVEL BEAK AND ALLY

Norm Feuti | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 |

Mysteries abound in the second book of a new graphic novel series about finding friendship in unexpected places! This fun and funny buddy comedy is perfect for fans of Narwhal & Jelly, emerging readers, and all kids who love comics. Beak & Ally are back, and they've got some bedtime jitters! Late at night, the swamp is full of weird noises . . . spooky noises! Like the GUURNT GUURNT! of the horrible Grunty Beast, the CHH CHH CHH CHH of the chilling Chatter Ghosts, and the ZZUMP ZZUMP of the mechanical Zump Monster! How's Beak the bird supposed to get any rest with all these strange sounds sounding off around him Thankfully, Ally the alligator has some good ideas about where all the racket is coming from

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Humour



121. UNLIKELY FRIENDS GRAPHIC NOVEL BEAK AND ALLY

Norm Feuti | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 |

A brand-new early reader graphic novel series about finding friendship in unexpected places! This fun and funny buddy comedy is perfect for fans of Narwhal & Jelly, emerging readers, and all kids who love comics. Ally the alligator is perfectly happy being alone . . . until one day a noisy bird named Beak lands on her snout. Beak thinks Ally is lonely and needs a friend. He has all sorts of friendship goals in mind, like riding bikes together, going to the movies together, and even solving mysteries together! But when a Long-Billed Party Pooper crashes Beak's nest-warming party, Ally decides to show Beak something important to her: sticking up for what's right.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Humour



122. **BIG FOOT AND NESSIE AND THE ART OF GETTING NOTICED** [BIG FOOT AND NESSIE](#)

[Chelsea M Campbell](#) | [Laura Knetzger](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Meet Bigfoot and Nessie! Yes, that Bigfoot and Nessie. Only ... Well, things are a little complicated right now. Bigfoot is having trouble fitting in with his family. He can never quite manage to get himself into the picture, much to the disappointment of his mum, dad, and sister, who always want to be in the spotlight. When he meets Nessie, who's equally desperate to get away from the cameras, he begins to ask himself the ultimate question: What's the price of fame after all? Big-hearted and clever, *The Art of Getting Noticed* by Chelsea M. Campbell and Laura Knetzger invites us to explore our most tender selves through friendship and creativity — and have quite a bit of fun in between!

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#)



123. **COOL CODE: GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE**

[Deirdre Langeland](#) | [Sarah Mai](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$22.99** |

In an attempt to fit in, Zoey develops an app called the Cool Code with a cute llama avatar that will tell her everything from what to say to what to wear based on pop culture algorithms she's uploaded. But when the app gives her ridiculous advice, awkwardness and hilarity ensues. With a few upgrades and a bit of debugging from the coding club, the app actually works—Zoey gets really popular . . . and gets her pulled in all kinds of directions, including away from her real friends. Life's most complicated choices. . . is there a code for that

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Friendship](#), [Bullying](#), [Making Friends](#), [New School](#)



124. **EMMA ON THIN ICING: GRAPHIC NOVEL** [CUPCAKE DIARIES GRAPHIC NOVEL](#)

[Coco Simon](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

The bestselling Cupcake Diaries series is now available in graphic novel format! In this adaptation of the third book, Emma's earning money left and right—but is she in over her head? When Mia asks the Cupcake Club girls to be junior bridesmaids in her mother's wedding, everyone is super excited about the idea—especially when they find the perfect dress for the occasion! It's Emma's dream dress...except for the price tag. And with her mom recently out of work, there's not a lot of room at the Taylor house for extra expenses. Not wanting to disappoint her friends, Emma decides to take on a few more jobs and chores around the house to help cover the cost.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Friendship](#)



125. **BATTLE FOR THE DRAGON GRAPHIC NOVEL** [DIARY OF AN 8-BIT WARRIOR GRAPHIC NOVEL](#)

[Pirate Sourcil](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Runt and his crew are back for the fourth instalment of the *Diary of an 8-Bit Warrior* Graphic Novel series. As they prepare for the epic battle against the evil incarnate of Minecraftia: Herobrine, they know they'll be stronger together, but first they have to get Sweetpea on their side. Unfortunately, the baby dragon does what he pleases. As they contemplate their best strategy, Runt and Blurp have the same nightmare: Herobrine won't let anyone get out alive...unless they give him back Sweetpea. What should they do? Do they stand a chance of defeating Herobrine without losing all their friends? They will need to find courage to face this formidable adversary. The zany fun continues as Runt embarks on his latest pixelated adventures with his friends. Grab your pickaxe and shovel and get ready for more fun!



126. **DOG MAN: 20,000 FLEAS UNDER THE SEA GRAPHIC NOVEL** [DOG MAN](#)

[Dav Pilkey](#) | Hardback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$18.99** |

Piggy is back, and his newest plot is his most diabolical yet. Dog Man and the rest of your favorite characters must join together in this heroic and hilarious, ALL NEW adventure. What new villains are on the horizon? Where are they all coming from? And who will step forward to save the city when scoundrels sabotage our Supa Buddies? Find out in *Dog Man #11* - there's so much more than ever before - it's EPIC!

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#)



127. **SURPRISINGLY SARAH GRAPHIC NOVEL** [EMMIE AND FRIENDS](#)

[Terri Libenson](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

Two choices, two storylines—one surprise ending! Will Sarah be brave enough to ask out her crush or will she lose her nerve Both stories play out in this funny and heartfelt seventh book in the *New York Times* bestselling *Emmie & Friends* series. Secrets. Surprises. MIDDLE SCHOOL. Sarah and Leo have been BFFs since they were little. They share everything... until Sarah starts crushing on Leo's friend Ben. Then one day Sarah is suddenly faced with a big choice ask Ben to the school dance OR chicken out. Either way, Sarah and Leo's friendship will be put to the test. Which one would you choose

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Humour](#)

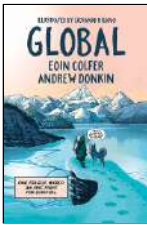


128. **FIRST CAT IN SPACE ATE PIZZA: GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE**

[Mac Barnett](#) | [Shawn Harris](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$22.99** |

Something terrible is happening in the skies! Rats are eating the Moon! There's only one hero for the job, a bold and fearsome beast bio-engineered in a secret lab to be the moon's saviour and Earth's last hope! And that hero is ... a cat. A cat who will be blasted into space! Accompanied by the imperious Moon Queen and LOZ 4000, a toenail clipping robot, the First Cat in Space journeys across a fantastic lunar landscape in a quest to save the world. Will these unlikely heroes save the moon in time? Can a toenail-clipping robot find its purpose in the vast universe? And will the First Cat in Space ever eat some pizza?

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Space](#), [Humour](#)



129. GLOBAL: GRAPHIC NOVEL

Eoin Colfer | Giovanni Rigano (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$32.99** |

Yuki lives in an increasingly deserted Inuit township in Nova Scotia. One day she sets out into the wilderness of the Arctic tundra planning to photograph a rare grolar bear (a terrifying grizzly-polar crossbreed created by climate change) – if she can prove it's a grolar, she can protect it from being shot. With only her faithful dog for company and adrift on a fragment of melting glacier, she finds herself being stalked across the changing wilderness by a starving grolar bear, with only her wits and her harpoon to keep her alive. Sami lives in a fishing village on the Bay of Bengal. But because of the ever-rising ocean level, each day is a struggle to survive. One night, Sami sets out to return to his old, submerged family home, alone. He takes a deep breath and dives beneath the moonlit waters, hoping to find his past. But a cyclone is coming..

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Environmental Issues](#), [Global Warming](#)



130. LEGEND OF THE YEARLING: GRAPHIC NOVEL GUARDIANS OF HORSA

Roan Black | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

In the first installment of the action-packed Guardians of Horsa graphic novel series, four young horses from clashing herds must join forces to solve a mystery and save magic. Welcome to the realm of Horsa, a world of magic, wild horses, and danger. The four elemental herds of Horsa live in uncertain peace, which is to say: stay out of each other's way and all will be fine. But when signs of a mysterious prophecy about a yearling with untold magical powers appear, four young horses from each herd are called to action. Now these elemental enemies must work together to solve the prophecy, find the yearling, and restore balance to Horsa.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#)



131. NAYSAYERS: GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE GUARDIANS OF HORSA

Roan Black | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

In the second installment of the action-packed Guardians of Horsa graphic novel series, not everyone believes in the mission the Guardians are fighting for...and the Naysayers are prepared to fight back. When the Guardians' quest plunges into the Sea Scape, they find out not every horse is on their side. A secret herd called the Naysayers is determined to stop the Guardians at all costs. Now our heroes are faced with mazes, monsters, and mayhem, proving these four young horses are completely out of their depth.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#)



132. LAST COMICS ON EARTH: GRAPHIC NOVEL LAST KIDS ON EARTH GRAPHIC NOVEL

Max Brallier | Douglas Holgate (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

The second graphic novel in the New York Times bestselling The Last Kids on Earth series, now with over 5 million copies in print worldwide and an Emmy Award-winning Netflix Original series Includes brand new Last Kids stories by Max Brallier, featuring full-colour artwork!

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#)

133. MAXIMUM RIDE: MANGA VOLUME 10 MAXIMUM RIDE MANGA

James Patterson | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Maximum Ride and the other members of the Flock have barely recovered from their last arctic adventure when they are confronted by the most frightening catastrophe yet. Millions of fish are dying off the coast of Hawaii and someone – or something – is destroying hundreds of ships. Unable to discover the cause, the government enlists the Flock to help them get to the bottom of the disaster before it's too late. While Max and her team are exploring the depths of the ocean, their every move is being carefully tracked by Mr. Chu – a criminal mastermind with his own plans for the Flock. Can they protect themselves from Mr. Chu's army of mercenaries and save the ocean from utter destruction?

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Manga](#)



134. PARACHUTE KIDS GRAPHIC NOVEL

Betty Tang | Paperback | **RRP \$18.99** |

A dream trip to America turns into a nightmare! Feng-Li can't wait to discover America with her family! But after an action-packed vacation, her parents deliver shocking news: They are returning to Taiwan and leaving Feng-Li and her older siblings in California on their own. Suddenly, the three kids must fend for themselves in a strange new world – and get along. Starting a new school, learning a new language and trying to make new friends while managing a household is hard enough, but Bro and Sis's constant bickering makes everything worse. Thankfully, there are some hilarious moments to balance the stress and loneliness. But as tensions escalate—and all three kids get tangled in a web of bad choices—can Feng-Li keep her family together?

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Immigration](#), [Empathy](#)

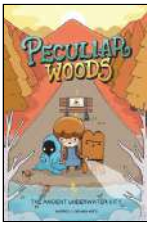


135. PEBBLE AND WREN GRAPHIC NOVEL

Chris Hallbeck | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

Pebble and Wren follows human girl Wren and her live-in monster, Pebble, as she teaches them all about how the human world works—from why the moon changes shape to why we don't eat candy wrappers—while trying to unlock special abilities without which Pebble will have to return to the monster forest.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Friendship](#)

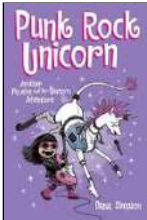


136. **ANCIENT UNDERWATER CITY, THE PECULIAR WOODS**

[Andres J Colmenares](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** |

Nine-year-old Iggie is the new kid in the town of Peculiar Woods, and nothing about his new home is familiar. So how is he supposed to make friends when he's not allowed to talk to strangers? On his first night in the strange new town, Iggie gets lost in the woods, where he discovers he can speak to inanimate objects. He soon teams up with his blanket, Faye, a talking chair and yoga enthusiast named Boris, and a pair of spirited chess pieces, and sets out on an epic quest to help his new friends solve their problems. Along the way, Iggie and friends encounter the nefarious washing machine, Lazarus Gallington, and begin to uncover the mystery of the flooded town. Throughout his epic quest, Iggie discovers the value of friendship while also discovering what needs to be done to save the entire village—before it's too late!

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Adventure](#), [Humour](#), [Friendship](#), [Spooky](#)



137. **PUNK ROCK UNICORN GRAPHIC NOVEL PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN**

[Dana Simpson](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

Phoebe Howell and her unicorn best friend, Marigold Heavenly Nostrils, are headed to music camp for the summer, where they form a punk rock group with fellow campers Sue and Stevie. Marigold also discovers a portal to a parallel dimension where she and Phoebe come face-to-face with the dark and sinister versions of themselves. Throughout their magical and musical adventures, the best friends learn about the value of friendship, following your heart, and rocking your hardest in this sparkling new collection of Phoebe and Her Unicorn comics by award-winning author Dana Simpson.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Unicorns](#), [Friendship](#), [Magic](#)

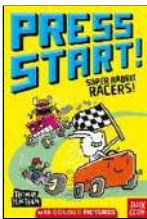


138. **SUPER RABBIT BOY POWERS UP! GRAPHIC NOVEL PRESS START!**

[Thomas Flintham](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

For 5+ kids who love video games but aren't allowed to play as often as they'd like... Sunny's favourite game is Super Rabbit Boy, where his carrot-loving friend must thwart all the plots the evil King Viking of Boom Boom Mountain comes up with. King Viking is planning to build a Super Robot to destroy EVERYTHING and Super Rabbit Boy must find the Super Power Up component before King Viking does. He has a map and his BRAVERY and SKILLS. Can he break the evil wizard's curse, defeat the gobbling goblins and solve the riddles he finds in the Cold, Cold Caves? Or will King Viking get there first and DOOM EVERYTHING.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Gaming](#)

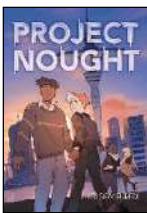


139. **SUPER RABBIT RACERS: GRAPHIC NOVEL PRESS START!**

[Thomas Flintham](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Sunny's favourite game is Super Rabbit Boy, where his carrot-loving friend must thwart all the evil King Viking of Boom Boom Mountain comes up with. King Viking is competing in the Super Cup Grand Prix to win the power of super speed. Super Rabbit Boy and his friends, Racer and Nugget, must work together to stop him! Can they dodge King Viking's fireballs, Robo Bobo's long Robo-arms, Princess Pirate's super-secret boxing gloves AND each other to win all four races? Or will King Viking stop them in their tracks.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Gaming](#)

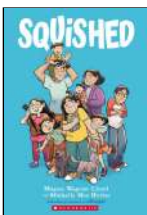


140. **PROJECT NOUGHT: GRAPHIC NOVEL**

[Chelsey Furedi](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$24.99** |

Ren Mittal's last memory in the year 1996 is getting on a bus to visit his mystery pen pal Georgia. When he wakes up in 2122, he thinks he might be hallucinating...he's not! Tech conglomerate Chronotech sponsors a time-travel program to help students in 2122 learn what history was really like...from real-life subjects who've been transported into the future...and Ren is one of them. In 2122, Ren's life in the 1990s is practically ancient history—and Ren's not sure how to feel about that. On top of it all, he learns that his memory will be wiped of all things 2122 before he's sent back to the '90s. Adding to Ren's complicated feels, he's forming a crush on his student guide, Mars. And when he crosses paths with the absolute last person he expected to see in the future, he has a bigger problem on his hands: What if Chronotech isn't the benevolent organization they claim to be, and he and his fellow subjects are in great danger

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Science Fiction](#), [Time Travel](#), [LGBTQIA](#), [Mystery](#)



141. **SQUISHED GRAPHIC NOVEL**

[Megan wagner Lloyd](#) | [Michelle mee Nutter](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$18.99** |

Eleven-year-old Avery Lee loves living in Hickory Valley, Maryland. She loves her neighbourhood, school, and the end-of-summer fair she always goes to with her two best friends. But she's tired of feeling squished by her six siblings! They're noisy and chaotic and the younger kids love her a little too much. All Avery wants is her own room -- her own space to be alone and make art. So she's furious when Theo, her grumpy older brother, gets his own room instead, and her wild baby brother, Max, moves into the room she already shares with her clinging sister Pearl! Avery hatches a plan to finally get her own room, all while trying to get Max to sleep at night, navigating changes in her friendships, and working on an art entry for the fair. And when Avery finds out that her family might move across the country, things get even more complicated. Megan Wagner Lloyd and Michelle Mee Nutter have once again teamed up to tell a funny, heartfelt, and charming story of family, friendship, and growing up.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#)

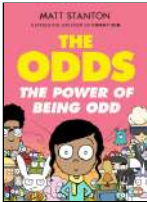


142. SWIM TEAM GRAPHIC NOVEL

[Johnnie Christmas](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

Bree can't wait for her first day at her new middle school, Enith Brigitha, home to the Mighty Manatees—until she's stuck with the only elective that fits her schedule, the dreaded Swim 101. The thought of swimming makes Bree more than a little queasy, yet she's forced to dive headfirst into one of her greatest fears. Lucky for her, Etta, an elderly occupant of her apartment building and former swim team captain, is willing to help. With Etta's training and a lot of hard work, Bree suddenly finds her swim-crazed community counting on her to turn the school's failing team around. But that's easier said than done, especially when their rival, the prestigious Holyoke Prep, has everything they need to leave the Mighty Manatees in their wake. Can Bree defy the odds and guide her team to a state championship, or have the Manatees swum their last lap—for good?

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Sport](#), [Swimming](#), [Teamwork](#), [Community](#), [Courage](#), [Anxiety](#), [Bullying](#)



143. ODDS: POWER OF BEING ODD GRAPHIC NOVEL THE ODDS

[Matt Stanton](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Kip, Dad and the Odds have been taken to Kip's Imaginatorium -- a mysterious building in the middle of the desert. This is her imagination in real life. Going in is easy. Getting out might be impossible. KIP AND THE ODDS DISCOVER THE POWER OF THE IMAGINATION! A place filled with magnificent new characters, unbelievable rooms, secret doors, terrifying Fears and the incredibly strange Dots, could this finally be the way for the Odds to get back to their own worlds? And will the greatest adventure of Kip's life be inside her own mind?

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Friendship](#), [Humour](#), [Family Unit](#), [Identity](#)



144. UP TO NO GHOUL GRAPHIC NOVEL

[Cullen Bunn](#) | [Cat Ferris](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$22.99** |

In this thrilling and spooky middle grade graphic novel companion to *The Ghoul Next Door* by New York Times bestselling author Cullen Bunn and Cat Ferris, Lavinia and Grey team up again to solve the town's mystery. Ever wake up in the middle of the night to awful nightmares about vampires? When a mysterious blood bank rolls into town, Grey can't help but get an eerie feeling. Could it be linked to his nightmares about vampires? After some investigating, Grey learns it's something more sinister than he could ever imagine... and there's only one creature who can help him—Lavinia. Despite the fact they are forbidden to talk to one another again, this spooky mystery is bigger than any promises between the ghouls and humans. This fun, lightly spooky adventure is a good Halloween read but is also the perfect graphic novel read all year round. It's a wonderful escape from everyday life, providing readers with a good scare and plenty of laughter.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Friendship](#), [Adventure](#), [Supernatural](#), [Spooky](#), [Humour](#)

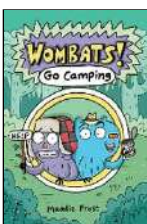


145. THIEF IN THUNDERCLAN: GRAPHIC NOVEL, A WARRIORS GRAPHIC NOVEL

[Erin Hunter](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

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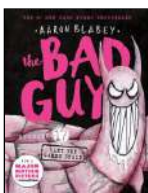
146. WOMBATS! GO CAMPING GRAPHIC NOVEL WOMBATS!

[Maddie Frost](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Meet Albert and Pickles. They're the best of friends, complete opposites, and now the starring duo in a new early-reader graphic novel series that is perfect for fans of the Jack books, Baloney and Friends and Narwhal and Jelly. Albert and Pickles are going camping together for the first time but this pair of besties have very different ideas of what exploring the great outdoors will be like. Albert is ready to camp the old fashioned way, while Pickles is ready to glamp. When Pickles finds out that camping does not include a jacuzzi under the stars, a luxury cabin, and five-course meals, he's going to have to find a way to cope for one whole night. Luckily Albert is there to assist in pitching a tent, cooking their food, and scaring away the bugs. While navigating their way through the rest of this camping trip, Albert and Pickles happen upon a lost baby koala and their friend, Platters who's in search of the Woolly Moon Beast—a legendary, ferocious animal that roams the woods. Together, they'll have to find a way to reunite this baby koala with its mama while this scary creature looms large. And Pickles might find an appreciation for the wilderness along the way.

Categories: [Graphic Novel](#), [Humour](#)

AUSTRALIAN NOVELS



147. **BAD GUYS: LET THE GAMES BEGIN** [BAD GUYS](#)

[Aaron Blabey](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

OK. It's time to stop messin' around ... In this episode, The One is going to be reunited with The Others. You are going to actually meet the real dread Overlord Splaargon. And one character is going to change everything you thought you knew. This is the one you've been waiting for ... the Bad Guys Episode 17!

Categories: [Humour](#)



148. **BEACH DAY** [MEET ELLA](#)

[Rebecca McRitchie](#) | [Danielle McDonald](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$7.99** |

Ella is going to the beach with Zoe and her family! But Ella is too nervous to swim in the water. Can her friends help her to be brave?

Categories: [Family Unit](#), [Friendship](#), [Swimming](#), [Beach](#)



149. **BOOK BUDDIES, THE** [BILLIE B BROWN AND HEY JACK!](#)

[Sally Rippin](#) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Billie and Jack are best friends. They do everything together, like the school Reading Challenge. Billie loves reading, but Jack sometimes get the words mixed up, so they need to work together. But what happens when they get split up for the challenge?

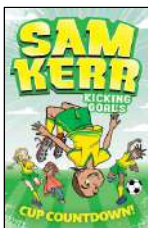


150. **CRASH LANDING** [FAMILY DISASTERS](#)

[Nathan Luff](#) | [Chris Kennett](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

There's a reason families usually live together – to contain the horror and not inflict it on others. A family holiday is a really, really bad idea! After a super embarrassing situation at school, Jakob decides the only way to escape the ridicule is to leave the country on a family holiday. But with a cheapskate worry-wart for a dad and an obnoxiously loud optimist for a mum, fresh humiliation is around every corner. Even worse, the weirdest girl at school is coming along for the ride and won't let Jakob out of her sight. Jakob thinks he has hit rock-bottom. Little does he know there is always further to fall in a family holiday disaster!

Categories: [Humour](#)



151. **CUP COUNTDOWN!** [SAM KERR: KICKING GOALS](#)

[Sam Kerr](#) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

The 2006 World Cup is around the corner and thirteen-year-old Sam Kerr is pumped! Even though the games are being played on the other side of the world, Sam and her best friend, Dylan, are planning to get up early to watch the games live on TV. They couldn't be more excited! But there's more for Sam to get excited about when she's invited to trial for a rep soccer team. The coach of the team has seen Sam play and is blown away by how good she is. Sam gets into the team so now she has to juggle training with the Knights AND with her new rep team. When her mum and dad organise a family holiday interstate it looks like Sam might have to miss out because of her new timetable. She starts to question if she is ready for the big time. Will watching the World Cup convince her that she wants to play in the rep team, or will the juggle of school, training and games all become too much for a young girl who has just started high school?

Categories: [Sport](#), [Soccer](#), [Football](#), [Friendship](#), [Bullying](#)

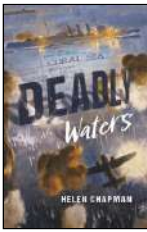


152. **CUSTODIANS** [WYLAH: THE KOORIE WARRIOR](#)

[Jordan Gould](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Wylah has already accomplished the unbelievable feat of uniting the five Guardians, but her journey is far from over. Together with her megafauna friends, she must travel through the treacherous and forbidden Valley of the Spirits to face off against the Dragon Army. Can Wylah defeat the perils that lay ahead and become the ultimate Koorie Warrior?

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#), [Friendship](#), [Culture](#), [First Nations](#)



153. **DEADLY WATERS** AUSTRALIA'S SECOND WORLD WAR

Helen Chapman | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

'You could see the pilot as he came past, immobile, seconds to eternity.' As a teenager, Cliff dreams that one day he will play cricket for Australia, but when war comes he changes cricket whites for a navy uniform. Leaving everything he knows behind he faces new horrors every day, from exploding mines and submarine attacks to deliberate suicide attacks by kamikaze pilots, never knowing if he will see his sweetheart, Marie, again. But amongst all the tragedy of war, Cliff finds something he never thought possible amidst all the fear and devastation ... hope.

Categories: Australian History, War, World War 2

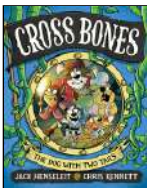


154. **DEJA MOO!** ZOMBIE DIARIES

Matt Zeremes | Jake a Minton (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Follow Jimmy and his friends as they try to stay sane (and human) in a zombie-cow apocalypse. Hello! I'm Jimmy and I'm living in a totally weird ZOMBIE-COW APOCALYPSE! Everyone is mooing and drooling all over the place! So my best buds, Daisy and Hooley, and I are sailing the seas on a ship called AwesomeVille! It's actually as big as a city and it's got EVERYTHING! The ship can take us to a certain billionaire who can help turn my mooing mum back into a human mum. As long as an evil scientist and his super-cool robot stay far far away . . . In the third book in the hilarious zombie-comedy series, author duo Guy Edmonds and Matt Zeremes take readers on a butt-kicking adventure full of cows, explosions, ships, robots, sharks, drool, putt-putt golf, farts and spaghetti. Perfect for fans of The Bad Guys, The Last Kids on Earth and Diary of a Wimpy Kid.

Categories: Humour, Zombies

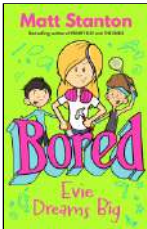


155. **DOG WITH TWO TAILS, THE** CROSS BONES

Jack Henseleit | Chris Kennett (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

When a mysterious goldfish points them towards a long-lost treasure, Magnus, Daisy, Ed, and Spot must set sail on a dangerous jungle cruise. Can the mangy pirates find the legendary treasure cave – or will this latest adventure be their last?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



156. **EVIE DREAMS BIG** BORED

Matt Stanton | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

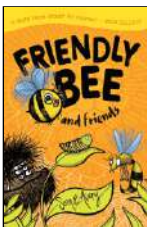
Sometimes feeling bored is just the beginning ... My name is Evie and I'm making plans. Actual plans. I'm going to build my own house. I'm not talking about some silly treehouse either. I'm going to build a real house. Only it seems everyone else who lives in Turtle Place has an opinion they'd like to share. Frog and Milo want to build something totally different, Mr Santos is grumpy, Mrs Katz is spying on us, my sister is the most annoying person on earth and my parents don't believe in me at all. But I have a plan! I have big dreams when I'm bored ... From million-copy bestseller Matt Stanton, author of FUNNY KID and THE ODDS, comes this laugh-out-loud series about the complicated business of being a kid.



157. **FLASH MOB FEVER** ELLA DIARIES

Meredith Costain | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Ella wants to do something fantabulously fabulous for her mum on Mother's Day! Perhaps breakfast in bed? Bake a cake? No, it's all been done before. So Ella asks her best friends, Zoe and Ammy, for their ideas. Together, they come up with the perfect plan to surprise all their mums.



158. **FRIENDLY BEE AND FRIENDS GRAPHIC NOVEL**

Sean e Avery | Sean e Avery (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Meet Friendly Bee: he's a bee who puts himself out there, a bee who sees the best in other beings. Sometimes, Friendly Bee's cheerful attitude gets him into trouble – like almost being squashed by an excessively large shoe; or becoming a delicious meal for the mildly homicidal Enormous Hairy Spider. Luckily, Friendly Bee's reluctant best friend Angry Wasp is there to save this buzzing buffoon from certain doom – if he really has to.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour, Friendship, Difference, Nature

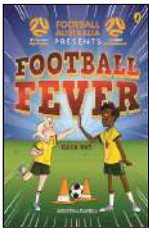


159. **FUN SISTER STORIES** ELLA AND OLIVIA TREASURY

Yvette Poshoglian | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

Meet Ella and Olivia. Big sister. Little sister. Best friends! Follow Ella and Olivia in six fun new stories as they make a new friend, create pompoms with Nanna, go on a very rainy holiday and lots more fun adventures. Stories are so much fun, especially when you get to share them with your sister!

Categories: Siblings, Sisters, Friendship, Family Unit, Pets



160. **GALA DAY FOOTBALL FEVER**

Kristen Darell | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

The fourth book in an action-packed junior fiction series in partnership with Football Australia. Featuring Commbank Matildas and Subway Socceroos stars Kyah Simon, Craig Goodwin, Kyra Cooney-Cross, Garang Kuol – and more! Following their success at the National High Potential Pathway program for Australia's future football stars, the Under 11s Merridale Fever are set to finish their season on a high – if they can win their last game against rivals Newhurst FC, the one team they have never beaten. But before this can happen, a huge storm damages their clubhouse and fields and threatens to cancel their end-of-season Gala Day. Can help from some football greats be the motivation the team needs to be their best both on and off the pitch?

Categories: Sport, Soccer, Football, Competition

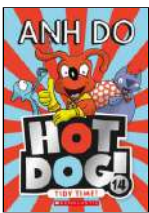


161. **GIANT'S TREK, A**

Nick Stella | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Ash isn't the biggest giant living in Haven-Home. He's not even as big as his twin brother, Oak, who's on the path to taking over from their father as village chief one day. Unlike the warriors in his family, Ash wants to learn incantation—the magic of wood, stone, water and fire. Now that they're twelve, Ash and Oak must go on a trek to prove they're all grown up, and bring back something with which to defend Haven-Home from the wolves who threaten their lives. But when the reclusive Avalanche is chosen as Ash's mentor, could their quest for incantation endanger the village instead?

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure



162. **HOT DOG! TIDY TIME! HOT DOG!**

Anh Do | Dan McGuiness (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Hotdog and his friends are busy cleaning up for Tidy Your Town Day! Whoever collects the most rubbish will win a jungle adventure! Roarsome! Will they clean up the competition, or will someone totally mess with them?!



163. **HUNTED DEADLANDS**

Skye Melki-Wegner | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Fifty years ago, the Fallen Star brought death and despair, ash and toxic rain. Thousands of dinosaurs died as forests withered and seas broiled. But some survived. And were changed. Their minds grew alert. They learned to speak. To dream. To wage war. As the two surviving dinosaur kingdoms battle for the lands of Cretacea, Eleri, a young oryctodromeus and disgraced son of a prince, is exiled from the Mountain Kingdom for saving an enemy soldier from attack. Banished to the merciless Deadlands, a scorched desert full of tar pits, poisonous gas, and carnivores, he will have to join together with a group of questionable allies, including the enemy soldier he saved, to avoid becoming prey. When Eleri and his new friends discover a predatory plot to destroy both herbivore kingdoms, the unlikely heroes must do all they can to try to thwart a deadly invasion plan before their families are ravaged.

Categories: Dinosaurs, Fantasy, Survival, Perspective

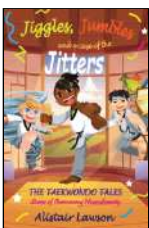


164. **ITTY BITTY KITTY 2 ITTY BITTY KITTY**

Maddy Mara | Noemie gion Landry (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Itty Bitty Kitty LOVES pouncing, lap naps and hiding in suitcases. She HATES being called cute. She is almost a tiger, after all! She may still be a kitten, but Itty Bitty is ready to take on the world. And she knows all the Cat Laws. But her family doesn't seem to know anything. They think she should make friends with puppies! And go on trips! What's a cat to do? Join Itty Bitty on three new epic adventures. Will she stick to the rules? Or will this kitty make up her own rules for life?

Categories: Animal Stories, Cats



165. **JIGGLES, JUMBLES AND A CASE OF THE JITTERS TAEKWONDO TALES**

Alistair Lawson | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Jimmy, Jack and Jane have something in common – they all have a secret. The secret? ... They all think they are different from everyone else around them. Jimmy can't sit still, Jack can't read, and as for Jane, she is so nervous about everything that she's too scared to try anything! The 3 become friends as they explore a new hobby, Taekwondo, and through the breathing and movement exercises that their Sensei teaches them they each realise that EVERYONE is DIFFERENT and that's what makes us all the SAME.

Categories: Neurodiverse, Neurodiversity, ADHD, Dyslexia, Anxiety, Friendship

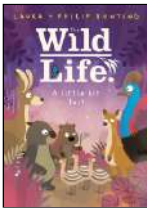


166. **JJ AND THE GIANT PANTHER SMARTY PUP**

Anh Do | Anton Emdin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

JJ the genius pup has Lily and her teammates rolling around with laughter at his antics, until glowing eyes start appearing in the shadows . . . Could it be the legendary GIANT PANTHER??

Categories: Animal Stories, Dogs

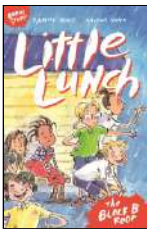


167. **LITTLE BIT LOST, A WILD LIFE**

[Laura Bunting](#) | [Philip Bunting](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Roo has woken up with three new babies – weird babies – in her pouch. But where did they come from? And can Wombat become the funcle (fun uncle) he thinks he will be? Follow Quokka, Wombat and Roo on a quirky quest to return three very lost chicks to their parents.

Categories: [Individuality](#), [Resilience](#)

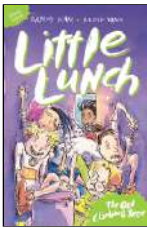


168. **LITTLE LUNCH: BLOCK B ROOF, THE LITTLE LUNCH**

[Danny Katz](#) | [Mitch Vane](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

At Little Lunch Rory sang a haircut song, Debra-Jo tore a hole in her special Silly Sock Day sock and Manny found out his sore thumb had super powers. What else can happen in fifteen minutes?

Categories: [School](#), [Humour](#)

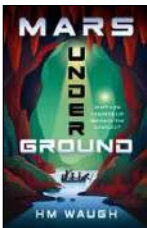


169. **LITTLE LUNCH: OLD CLIMBING TREE, THE LITTLE LUNCH**

[Danny Katz](#) | [Mitch Vane](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

At Little Lunch we squeezed between the portable classroom and the fence, Battie fell off the old climbing tree and Melanie counted EVERYTHING. What else can happen in fifteen minutes?

Categories: [School](#), [Humour](#)

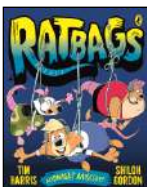


170. **MARS UNDERGROUND**

[Hm Waugh](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

When Dee brought Holt home to Davinci colony, there was a new sense of hope for human life on Mars. A new Y had been found – a precious boy – and more than that, there was a whole settlement still surviving at Newton. It felt like they were saved. But now? There's been no mission organised to go to Newton. Dee is on punishment duties, and Holt and Chayse are kept hidden away with the fragile Futures. Dee is destined to join them in a prison-like life of isolation, unless they can take matters into their own hands. Dee, Holt and Chayse set out to cross the planet to Newton via a network of subterranean tunnels. Can they reach it without encountering the Others – the sinister biocloud they've been running from? And if they make it, can they convince the Newtonians to work with Davinci – those they've been trained to hate?

Categories: [Science Fiction](#), [Thriller](#), [Futuristic](#), [Adventure](#)



171. **MIDNIGHT MISCHIEF RATBAGS**

[Tim Harris](#) | [Shiloh Gordon](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

When rule-loving, leaf-collecting, piano-playing Jigsaw was naughty for good, he dropped his ratbag friends in a bit of bother – he gave them a good reputation! This nightmare situation needs fixing, pronto, and Ripple and Onion are the best ratbags for the job. But while performing some ratty mayhem, they fall into Cracker the cat's claws... Will their midnight mischief turn them into a midnight snack? Or will Jigsaw find a way to save them? Again!

Categories: [Humour](#)



172. **MING AND HILDE LEAD A REVOLUTION GIRLS WHO CHANGED THE WORLD**

[Jackie French](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Ming finds herself in relative luxury, heading to an unknown destination on a ship carrying royal Saxon sheep, travelling with the girls who care for them. What do female shepherds have to do with history? And is it even possible for sheep to be royal? As Ming knows only too well, change is never easy, so how can one girl – and a sheep – change the world?

Categories: [History](#), [Adventure](#), [Time Travel](#)

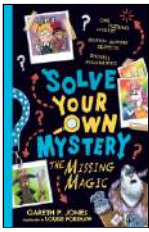


173. **MISS PENNY DREADFUL AND THE MALICIOUS MAZE MISS PENNY DREADFUL**

[Allison Rushby](#) | [Bronte Rose Marando](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

From the moment Penny steps into her family's Hyde Park Square townhouse, she can sense something dreadful has happened. This is confirmed when she discovers her parents' laboratory in terrible disarray. Before she can find out any more, Penny is whisked away with her authoress aunt to Harewood Hall in the countryside, where a malicious maze is rumoured to be gobbling up servants. Miss Penny Dreadful has yet another mystery to solve. And nothing, absolutely nothing, is as it seems!

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Magic](#), [Victorian Era](#)



174. **MISSING MAGIC, THE SOLVE YOUR OWN MYSTERY**

Gareth P Jones | Louise Forshaw (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

It's the first day of Magicon, the world's biggest magic convention, and everyone is in town for the event. But when all the magic in Haventry suddenly goes missing, it's up to YOU to find out who took it and get it back in time for the opening ceremony! Should you tail the head of the powerful Magic Circle, Grand Master Dimpleby, or does the newly crowned king of the elves raise your suspicions? Could Enid the Evil Enchantress be too obvious a suspect, or is Moondance the meditating unicorn deceptively innocent? YOU decide! And you better do so quickly, because without magic to harness it, an ancient monster is rising from its centuries-long sleep under the town...

Categories: [Interactive](#), [Mystery](#)

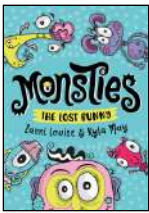


175. **MONSTER ISLAND**

George Ivanoff | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

After following his mum to her top-secret new job, Bernie finds himself on a mysterious remote island inside the Bass Strait Triangle. The scientists working there call it Monster Island, and Bernie soon discovers why... Here, extinct and mythical creatures are alive! But that's not the only mystery. Why are there so many mushrooms? Where have the hostile black drones come from? Who controls them? And why are they spying on the creatures on the island? Bernie and his new friend Ivy are determined to find out.

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Action](#), [Mystery](#), [Dinosaurs](#), [Technology](#)



176. **MONSTIES: LOST BUNNY, THE MONSTIES**

Zanni Louise | Kyla May (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Meet Orla, Pearl, Mig, Boo and Oops – they are THE MONSTIES! The Monsties are five best friend monsters... who are a bit hopeless at being scary. They live in Scaryland, surrounded by scary monsters and scary places (the ScaryMart, the Howlpital, the Shriek Factory) but they much prefer candy and cupcakes to spiders and centipedes. In Lost Bunny, Mig has lost her pet bunny. This is a BIG problem, because Mig can't sleep without Bunny. And when Mig doesn't sleep, she falls apart (literally). Can the Monsties work together to find Bunny?

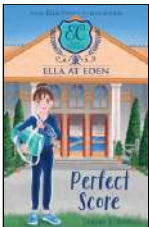
Categories: [Friendship](#), [Kindness](#), [Problem Solving](#)



177. **PEARL: THE LOST UNICORN PEARL THE MAGICAL UNICORN**

Sally Odgers | Adele K Thomas (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Pearl and Olive discover a magical new place – Pink Valley! They can't wait to show their best friend, Tweet. But when they try to return to the valley, they get terribly lost! Can Pearl and her friends find the way back? Or will the tricky gobble-uns ruin their adventure?



178. **PERFECT SCORE ELLA AT EDEN**

Laura Sieveking | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Ella is training hard for the upcoming Interschool Gymnastics Championships. She's even trying to face her fear of doing a backward walkover on the balance beam. But once the competition begins, Ella discovers that someone has been tampering with the equipment. Is it an innocent mistake or something more sinister? And will Ella and her team take home the Championship trophy?

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Sport](#), [Gymnastics](#), [Mystery](#)

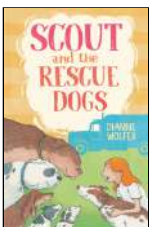


179. **PHILOMELLA AND THE IMPOSSIBLE FOREST**

Doris Brett | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$18.99** |

A were-dragon? A talking tree? Saving a world she didn't know existed? ... Philomella's having an unusual day. Mystery, humour and sparkling magic combine in this middle-grade fantasy-adventure novel – perfect for fans of The World Between Blinks and The Phantom Tollbooth. When Philomella is drawn into the Impossible Forest – a place where anything can happen and usually does – she's headed for all the adventure she never wanted. There's a belligerent princess to rescue, trolls to battle and a treacherously bewitching river to cross ... and that's just for starters. They're all part of a mysterious enemy's grand plan to destroy both the Forest and Philomella – and in this world of strange and dangerous magic, she'll have to beat her deadly opponent using only her brains. And so, joined by some oddball companions (including a picnic basket with attitude, a boy whose ancestors were trees and a grandmother with weaponised kitchenware), Philomella sets out to do the impossible.

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Humour](#), [Magic](#), [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#)



180. **SCOUT AND THE RESCUE DOGS**

Dianne Wolfer | Tony Flowers (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

The summer holidays have finally arrived and Scout can't wait for her adventure in the big rig with Dad. They're on a mission to deliver donations of dog food to animal rescue shelters right across the state. There'll be lots of music, dad-jokes and a brilliant plan that will make sure everyone's got a friend for the holidays. There might even be a special four-legged friend in it for Scout. But Scout and her dad get more than they've bargained for. It's bushfire season – and it's not just the dogs who need rescuing.

Categories: [Community](#), [Natural Disaster](#), [Dogs](#), [Kindness](#), [Volunteering](#), [Climate Change](#)



181. **SHAR-WOLF OF NEW YORK CITY, THE SUPER SLOTH**

Aleesah Darlison | Cheri Hughes (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

In this origin story, pygmy sloth, Romeo Fortez, is born on remote Escudo Island. At his naming ceremony, a once-in-a-millennium event imbibes him with powers of speed, intelligence, and irresistibly hypnotic good looks. When Romeo moves to New York he discovers that Professor Ian Weird-Warp, a geneticist obsessed with splicing animal genes together, has unleashed a gigantic mutant shar-wolf on the city. With the help of some new human and animal friends, Romeo forms a team of crime fighters to save the city from the evil Professor Weird-Warp and his mutant creation.

Categories: Humour, Adventure, Comedy, Danger



182. **SIDEWAYS ORBIT OF EVIE HART, THE**

Samera Kamaledine | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

Evie Hart likes rules. A lot. But as she embarks on her very last year of primary school, it feels like all the rules around her are being broken. When Evie's class starts learning about the Earth's place in the universe, it makes Evie think about her own place in the world and where she belongs. Which has her more worried than ever. When your mum writes a horoscope page for a living, it's hard not to think about what the future holds. Especially when she and the only dad Evie has ever known are acting like they're on different planets. But the more Evie learns about the sky and the stars, the more she learns that changes in the world can't always be controlled. And maybe that's not a bad thing.

Categories: Friendship, Family Unit, Anxiety



183. **SM ELLYBUTT STRIKES BACK PUGNACIOUS AND SCUTTLEBUTT**

Adam Wallace | Wayne Bryant (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

A best selling Larrikin House title but be warned: This is not another cute dog story - this book has bite! If you thought the first book was fun, Book 2 is an absolute RIOT! A pugnacious Pug. A butt-scuttling Greyhound. An unlikely friendship... A highly illustrated series that kids of all reading levels will enjoy!

Categories: Animal Stories, Dogs, Humour



184. **SPOONFUL OF SPYING, A ALICE ÉCLAIR, SPY EXTRAORDINAIRE!**

Sarah Todd Taylor | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Baker by day, spy by night - Alice Éclair leads an exciting double life! A fast-paced adventure full of daring action and delicious cakes! Baker by day, spy by night - Alice Éclair leads an exciting double life! Inventors and artists from all nations have gathered in Paris for the World Fair. All eyes are on the aeroplane exhibition - these incredible machines will take humanity to new heights! Alice suspects that some of these inventors are in terrible danger, but no one will believe her. Surrounded by enemy spies, Alice will need to use every trick in the recipe book if she's to keep her friends safe and stop France's greatest invention from falling into the wrong hands. With a half-baked plan and a dash of daring, Alice must foil the enemy's plot before the whole thing boils over...

Categories: Mystery, Adventure, Baking, France



185. **SUNSHINE ON VINEGAR STREET**

Karen Comer | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

Freya's world is turned upside down when she and her mum move to inner-city Melbourne. Now she's ... Stuck in a new apartment on the eleventh floor and Freya is afraid of lifts. Stuck in a new basketball team where not everyone likes a killer new player. Stuck in a classroom of kids who don't know Freya is a donor-conceived baby. Stuck, just like little Audrey in the Skipping Girl sign suspended in mid-air over the suburb of Abbotsford. Being the new girl makes Freya feel like a dark cloud on a summer's day. Can she figure out how to belong on Vinegar Street?

Categories: Verse Novel, Resilience, Family Unit, Moving House, Friendship



186. **SUPERHUMAN ARMY EBOY**

Anh Do | Marcelo Baez (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Somewhere deep in the oceans lies the key to superhuman strength. Ethan's powers will be put to the ultimate test when he, Penny and Gemini find themselves in a desperate race against the corrupt government and its army of androids. Soon, they are in the clutches of the dreaded Collector. Will they be able to free themselves in time to seize the Grapes of Atlantis?

Categories: Adventure, Courage, Technology, Superpowers, Robots



187. **THURSDAY WORST WEEK EVER**

Eva Amores | Matt Cosgrove (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Have you ever had a bad week? Justin Chase sure has and this is it! Monday was mortifying, Tuesday was tumultuous Wednesday was wild, but now it's ... Thursday! Justin's utterly unwanted celebrity status sees his most embarrassing moments being beamed around the globe! But it's a case of mistaken identity, creating a kidnapping kerfuffle, that will truly test our hapless hero to his limits.

Categories: Humour



188. **TIME'S UP** KENSY AND MAX

Jacqueline Harvey | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

The tenth and final book in the bestselling spy series! When all of your family members are being kidnapped, how do you push aside your fear and discover what's happening before time runs out . . . Someone has been plotting to bring down the Spencers ever since Kensy and Max were thrust into the secret world of Pharos, but they've always managed to stay one step ahead of their attackers . . . until now.

Categories: Adventure, Mystery, Spy, Twins, Intrigue



189. **TRADING TROUBLE** SASKIA SPARK-LEE

Rebecka Sharpe Shelberg | Sofya Karmazina (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$15.99** | Saskia Spark-Lee

collects sparkles – shiny rocks, crafting gems, bits of glittery wrapping paper and even dewdrops off the leaves in her garden. Entranced with a classmate's shiny quartz stone, Saskia promises to trade her real diamond for it.

The only problem is, she doesn't have a diamond! But with the advice of her two dads – Da and Dee –and a spangly surprise, Saskia could solve her trading trouble and light the spark of a new friendship.

Categories: Friendship, Honesty, Truth

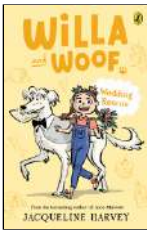


190. **UNDERDOGS FISH FOR TROUBLE, THE** THE UNDERDOGS

Kate Temple | Shiloh Gordon (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

The Underdogs are overdue for a holiday! So when the Mayor of Cape Dog asks for help catching a mysterious sea monster that is terrifying the citizens – the Underdogs head for the coast! Will they be able to catch this mystery monster? Will they find the missing Top Dogs? And will Carl get to go on the Splashinator ride at the brand-new Wet Dog Waterpark?

Categories: Mystery, Humour, Holiday

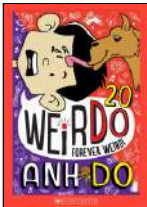


191. **WEDDING RESCUE** WILLA AND WOOF

Jacqueline Harvey | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Summer has arrived and Willa's excited – it's time for Auntie Jane's wedding! But December means it's bushfire season too and Willa's town is in danger. When a spot fire burns down the wedding venue, she has to jump into action to save the day. She'll need to enlist the help of some of Sunset Views retirement village's most talented residents (along with Tae, her best same-age friend; her trusty sidekick Woof; and Frank, her best old-age friend) to pull everything together. Can Willa find a way to rescue the wedding?

Categories: Friendship, Weddings, Bushfires, Problem Solving



192. **WEIRDO 20: FOREVER WEIRD!** WEIRDO

Anh Do | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Bella's moving away! Far away! Weir feels like she might as well be flying to the moon! For now, they're busy working on a cool new play, with FiDo's help. Can they stay friends fur-ever?! It won't be easy ... but it will be funny!

Categories: Humour



193. **WOODWITCH** HEDGEWITCH

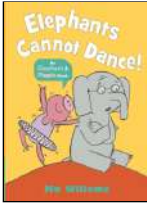
Skye McKenna | Tomislav Tomic (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$22.99** |

Cassie has settled into life in Hedgely when, out of the blue, her troubled cousin, Sebastian, comes to stay for Hallowe'en. Sneering and scornful, Sebastian trails after Cassie and her friends, interfering with their coven projects and belittling the dangers of the faery world. But Cassie, Rue and Tabitha have bigger problems – as the nights grow longer, a dark shadow creeps out of the Hedge and villagers start behaving strangely, possessed with the desire to find a mysterious object. When the Hedgewitch is called away, the girls decide to investigate and discover that whoever is controlling the villagers is seeking a faery relic: an ancient and dangerous weapon, hidden somewhere in the village.

Categories: Fantasy

YOUNGER NOVELS

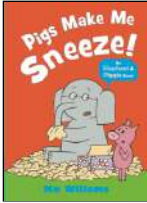
194. ELEPHANTS CANNOT DANCE! AN ELEPHANT AND PIGGIE BOOK



Mo Willems | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** |

Piggie tries to teach Gerald some new dance moves, which doesn't go well. But perhaps Gerald can teach Piggie something even more important? Mo Willems creates another hilarious escapade starring the award-winning duo that will have early readers breaking into laughter from the first page.

195. PIGS MAKE ME SNEEZE! AN ELEPHANT AND PIGGIE BOOK



Mo Willems | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** |

Gerald begins to wonder if he is allergic to his best friend. Will he have to stay away from Piggie for ever.

196. LITTLE LOST KITTEN, THE BARRINGTON STOKE



Holly Webb | Abigail Hookham (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$13.99** |

Lucy and her dad are still feeling sad about the loss of their lovely cat Patch, who had been part of their family for such a longtime. So when a little lost kitten turns up in their garden, Lucy doesn't want to tell her dad in case it upsets him. But she grows to love the little kitten and he doesn't seem to have a home, so Lucy is really upset when he disappears and finally she has to tell her dad the truth. Will her dad be able to help Lucy find the little kitten and can they offer him a new home?

197. BUDGIE BARRINGTON STOKE LITTLE GEMS

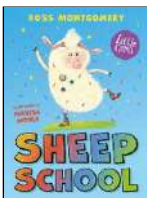


Joseph Coelho | David Barrow (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$13.99** |

Mr Buxton is always having a go at Miles and his friends for climbing the trees outside their tower block. They think he's just a grumpy old man but when Miles finds a lost little budgie it will bring him and Mr Buxton together and show him that they have more in common than he could ever have imagined.

Categories: Reluctant Readers, Dyslexic Friendly

198. SHEEP SCHOOL BARRINGTON STOKE LITTLE GEMS

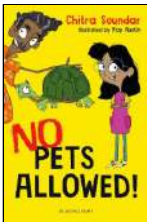


Ross Montgomery | Marisa Morea (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$13.99** |

William the lamb just can't stand still. His feet are always tapping, ready to dance, and he loves nothing more than bursting into song. But his talents aren't always appreciated at Sheep School. Cast out of the flock, he wanders miserably away only to witness the rest of the sheep being captured by the Big Bad Wolf. Can William find a way to put his artistic skills to use to save the day?

Categories: Dyslexic Friendly

199. NO PETS ALLOWED! BLOOMSBURY READER



Chitra Soundar | Fay Austin (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$14.99** |

Keva loves helping out at Grandpa's pet adoption centre. When he has to go to hospital, she knows that his best friend, Atlas the tortoise, is just the thing to cheer him up. It's too bad that the rude hospital manager, Mr Sallow, has banned all pets from the ward! But when Keva notices a picture on his desk, she hatches a plan that she hopes will change his mind...

200. BLUE TIGER BURGLARS, THE DC SUPER PETS



Steve Korte | Mike Kunkel (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$11.99** |

The Penguin and his Bad News Birds have nabbed a blue tiger cub from the Gotham City Zoo. Can Batgirl and her crime-fighting cat Misty bag the fowl fiends and deliver the tiny tiger to safety?



201. CANINE CRISIS, THE DC SUPER PETS

Steve Korte | Mike Kunkel (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$11.99** |

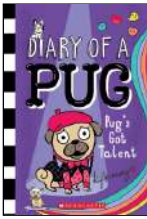
The Cat Crime Club has taken the Space Canine Patrol Agents captive Now Krypto the Super-Dog and his friends must find a way to escape and bring the feline felons to justice



202. MARVELOUS BOXING BUNNY, THE DC SUPER PETS

Steve Korte | Mike Kunkel (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$11.99** |

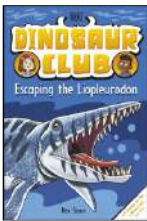
Mr. Mind and Dribodod have taken Hoppy's friends captive at a local carnival Now Marvel Bunny must find a way to send the evildoers to the Fifth Dimension.



203. PUG'S GOT TALENT DIARY OF A PUG

Kyla May | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$9.99** |

Meet the cutest pug on the planet! Name: Baron von Bubbles. Nickname: Bub. Likes: skateboarding; fashion; his human, Bella. Dislikes: Duchess the cat; Nutz the squirrel Bella is putting on a Pet Talent Show! Bub cannot wait to wow the audience with his skateboarding stunts and snazzy costume. But another performer has impressive skills, too. Is there room for two stars in one show?



204. ESCAPING THE LIOPLEURODON DINOSAUR CLUB

Rex Stone | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Jamie has just moved to Ammonite Bay, a stretch of coastline famous for its fossils. Jamie is a member of the Dinosaur Club - a network of kids around the world who love all things prehistoric. Jamie takes his tablet everywhere, just in case he needs to contact the Club. Jamie is exploring Ammonite Bay when he meets Tess. Tess is a member of Dinosaur Club who lives in Ammonite Bay too. She shows Jamie around, including her favourite place - a secret cave with fossils all over the walls.

Categories: Adventure, Dinosaurs



205. ERIN AND ROCKHAMMER DRAGON STORM

Alastair Chisholm | Eric Deschamps (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

In the land of Draconis, there are no dragons. Once, there were. Once, humans and dragons were friends, and created the great city of Rivven together. But then came the Dragon Storm, and the dragons retreated from the world of humans. To the men and women of Draconis, they became legends and myth. When Erin and her dragon Rockhammer get into a fight with another dragonseer, they're sent away to Stillness. There they discover the Solace Stone, a magical object that creates calm. In the peace of Stillness, Erin almost forgets that she can't summon her dragon Rockhammer. But when mysterious soldiers storm Stillness, destroying her home in the process, Erin must find a way or risk being trapped forever...

Categories: Dragons, Adventure, Fantasy, Courage



206. LILY PAD RESCUE FAIRY FOREST SCHOOL

Olivia Brook | Paula Franco (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** |

Poppy Merry Moss is competing in the Lily Pad Lake swimming gala with her best friends Rose Seedpip and Ninad Cleardrop. But nasty Lady Nightshade is determined to ruin the event and fills the lake with a thick algae that covers the swimmers in slimy green gunk. And even worse, the thick algae has trapped a frog family beneath the slime! Can Poppy and her friends clean the lake in time to save the frogs - and the gala?

Categories: Fairies, Magic, Nature

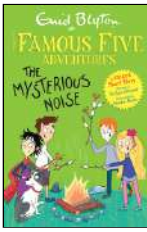


207. GLASS SLIPPER ACADEMY, THE FAIRYTALE NINJAS

Paula Harrison | Monica De Rivas (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Nothing very exciting EVER happens in the town of Hobbleton. Then Red, Snow and Goldie are trained up as fairytale ninjas, and find that anything is possible... When Madame Hart is accused of taking Prince Inigo, the fairytale ninjas are sure that she isn't behind the kidnapping. Can they use their new-found skills to catch the real villain? Or will their ballet teacher stay banished forever?

Categories: Adventure, Ninjas



208. **FIVE AND THE MYSTERY NOISE** FAMOUS FIVE COLOUR SHORT STORIES

Enid Blyton | Safdar Ahmed (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

The Five investigate a mysterious noise on Kirrin Island... The Five are camping on Kirrin Island and hear a mysterious noise coming from the castle. And when they don't find anything in the dark, Dick tries to convince the others that it's the ghost of Kirrin Island. But ghosts aren't real... right?

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Crime](#)



209. **HERCULES QUICK'S BIG BAG OF TRICKS**

Ursula Dubosarsky | Andrew Joyner (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

Hercules Quick wants to be a magnificent magician. He just needs a special box of magic tricks. But the box is expensive, and Hercules doesn't have any money. Luckily, Hercules lives in a big apartment block with Aunt Alligator and his tadpole friend, Sylvie, and he has plenty of neighbours who are willing to pay for his help. Whether it's babysitting for the Elks, spring-cleaning for Queen Claude, or helping Professor Calamari choose the perfect bow tie, no job is too odd for Hercules Quick! Join the enterprising Hercules on his neighbourhood adventures as he discovers that sometimes the best magic of all is not a trick.



210. **HONEY'S HIVE**

Mo O'Hara | Aya Kakeda (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Honey is a young bee buzzing with ambition, who can't find her role in her small hive. Just when she thinks she's found a job she likes, a swarm threatens the whole hive! Honey makes her escape, and discovers a rooftop paradise at the top of a tower block - the perfect place to set up a new hive. Fighting off a swarm of angry wasps, and working together with her friends, Honey saves the day and builds a new home for her and her community!

Categories: [Ambition](#), [Bees](#), [Community](#), [Teamwork](#), [Friendship](#)



211. **JUST HARRIET**

Elana K Arnold | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

here are a few things you should know about Harriet Wermer: She just finished third grade. She has a perfect cat named Matzo Ball. She doesn't always tell the truth. She is very happy to be spending summer vacation away from home and her mom and dad and all the wonderful things she had been planning all year. Okay, maybe that last one isn't entirely the truth. Of course, there's nothing Harriet doesn't like about Marble Island. But Harriet doesn't like the fact that Dad made this decision without even asking her. When Harriet arrives on Marble Island, however, she discovers that it's full of surprises, and even a mystery. One that seems to involve her Dad, back when he was a young boy living on Marble Island. One that Harriet is absolutely going to solve. And that's the truth.



212. **MYSTERY OF THE DISAPPEARING RABBIT, THE** LIZZIE AND LUCKY

Megan Rix | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

The exciting third book in the Lizzie & Lucky series! Join Lizzie and Lucky on another mystery-solving adventure - this time at a magic show! Perfect for fans of Holly Webb and Anisha, Accidental Detective. When Lizzie and her adorable puppy Lucky go to a magic show, things begin to get strange. During a performance the world famous, and very large rabbit, Rudy mysteriously disappears . . . and not on purpose! Now, it's up to Lizzie and Lucky to find Rudy and get to the bottom of who stole the rabbit and why . . .

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Magic](#), [Pets](#), [Dogs](#)

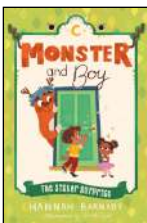


213. **MYSTERY AT THE HOTEL ESPANOL** LULU AND THE DANCE DETECTIVES

Sally Sutton | Lily Uivel (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

If you ever thought detectives can't be divas, you need to meet Lulu and her fabulous mystery-solving dance troupe! This illustrated chapter series is ideal for dance-mad emerging and confident readers. Will Lulu and the Silver Stars deliver a stolen celebrity necklace and an unforgettable dance performance? The Silver Star Dancers have landed a gig a dancing the flamenco at a very ritzy hotel. But before they know it, they're entangled in the robbery of the hotel's most notable guest - Greta Honeyville, star of Recycled Wardrobe Makeover 4. Every last item of her fabulous recycled clothing collection has been swiped, as well as her signature piece, the famous heart-shaped dog-food-tin necklace. Can the Silver Star Dancers catch the thief as well as perform an unforgettable flamenco?

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Dance](#)

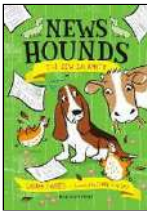


214. **SISTER SURPRISE, THE** MONSTER AND BOY

Hannah Barnaby | Anousha Syed (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Ever since Monster (who sleeps under the bed) and Boy (who sleeps in the bed) met and became best friends, they've learned a lot about each other. So when Monster notices that Boy seems grumpy (Boy's mom has told him he's getting another baby sister), Monster decides to cheer his friend up. Together, they set out on a surprise adventure! But surprise: Boy's sister has tagged along. Together, they learn about how monster babies are born and get their names, before Boy and his sister find yet another surprise waiting for them back home.

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Action](#), [Humour](#), [Surprise](#)



215. **COW CALAMITY, THE NEWS HOUNDS**

Laura James | Charlie Alder (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Bunty is the farmer's dog at Withy Hook Farm, and the weather reporter for the Daily Bark, Puddle's best (and only!) newspaper for dogs. But when Farmer Val is INJURED, it's up to Bunty to keep the farm running. Suddenly, Bunty's life isn't as right as rain it's a WHIRLWIND, as she rushes to collect eggs, check on lambs and deal with a herd of HUGE cows! Can Bunty and her friends rise to the challenge ... or will it be a COW CALAMITY? This young fiction series by the author of Captain Pug is perfect for fans of The Secret Life of Pets and Toto the Ninja Cat.

Categories: Humour, Pets, Mystery, Reporters



216. **PRINCESS IN BLACK AND THE PRINCE IN PINK, THE PRINCESS IN BLACK**

Shannon Hale | Pham LeUyen (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

Princess Magnolia is at the Flower Festival prepping for the evening ball when suddenly she hears a commotion. Oh no! She isn't prepared to fight a monster or ... a grumpy emu! To her surprise, a knight in shining armor comes to the rescue, but not before the princess's prized decorations are stomped on and destroyed. Luckily, the gallant Prince Valerian has his own secret identity—the Prince in Pink—and has been yearning for a chance to show off his special skills, with the help of some twinkle-twinkle and major glam. Glitter has been restored, but then the angry emu returns—with friends! Can the party heroes step up to save the day again?



217. **LULU'S BIG SURPRISE PUPPY CLUB**

Catherine Jacob | Rachael Saunders (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Jaya and her friends are desperate for a puppy of their own. They've even created Puppy Club to find out all they need to know. When the time comes they'll be the perfect owners! Jaya, Willow, Harper and Elsa all dream of having a dog. So when Jaya's aunt, who runs Underdogs Rescue Centre, tells Jaya that new dog Lulu is expecting puppies it feels like the girls' best chance to get their parents to agree. It's time for Operation Paw-fect Puppy! Along with new Puppy Club members, Arlo and Daniel, the children set about trying to prove to their parents what responsible owners they'd be. But will it be enough to persuade them? The first in a gorgeous new series for young animal-loving readers, perfect for fans of Holly Webb and Helen Peters.

Categories: Pets, Dogs, Friendship



218. **CHARLES THE CORONATION FAIRY RAINBOW MAGIC**

Daisy Meadows | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Join Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah as they meet the second ever boy fairy - Charles the Coronation Fairy! Charles the Coronation Fairy helps all coronation ceremonies go smoothly with the help of his shiny, golden orb. He has a special role in the upcoming coronation of Prince Arthur and Princess Grace, but when Jack Frost finds out about Charles's magical object, not only does he steal the orb, but kidnaps Charles as well! Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah must find Charles before Jack Frost works out how to use the magical orb to crown himself Emperor of Fairyland!



219. **NIAMH THE INVITATION FAIRY RAINBOW MAGIC THE BIRTHDAY PARTY FAIRIES**

Daisy Meadows | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Join Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah on a magical birthday adventure. Can the fairy friends help Niamh the Invitation Fairy to send all her party invitations out in time? The Birthday Party Fairies are throwing the biggest celebration of the year - Queen Titania's birthday party! But jealous Jack Frost has stolen their magical objects and is intent on spoiling the fun. Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah must work together to find the missing magical objects and save the party. But there won't be a party if they don't help Niamh the Invitation Fairy to send out the invites. They better help her send them - and quickly!



220. **SARA THE PARTY GAMES FAIRY RAINBOW MAGIC THE BIRTHDAY PARTY FAIRIES**

Daisy Meadows | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

With the big celebration looming, can the fairy friends help Sara the Party Games Fairy to get her missing magical object back? The four friends have managed to get Niamh the Invitation Fairy's magical item back but now Sara the Party Games Fairy's object has gone missing! All birthday parties will be boring without fun games and guests might leave! The gang must help Sara to come up with new games before the big celebration or the party will be ruined!

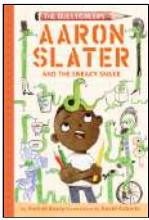


221. **UNICORNS OF SILVER STREET, THE SECRET BEAST CLUB**

Robin Birch | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

"The world is full of magical spaces, hidden from sight by Bewilder Bubbles where all kinds of amazing Secret Beasts live. It's my job to make sure the Bewilder Bubbles remain invisible and the creatures within are kept safe." Leila said. Jayden shook his head, his eyes wide. "Impossible." "Impossible or I'm possible? It really depends on how you look at it," shrugged Leila. Aisha and Jayden are definitely not fans of Outside. Aisha would rather be home playing on her tablet or messaging her friends. Jayden thinks the worlds inside his books are much more exciting than the real one beyond his window. But when they are asked to join the Secret Beast Club, a centuries-old secret group that protects mythological creatures, Aisha and Jayden discover that real magic could be closer than they think. . . you just have to know where to look. . . Inspired by the real life story of Pablo Fanque - the first Black circus owner - and featuring fun facts about the magical creatures within each story, this exciting new series for 6+ readers is not to be missed!

Categories: Magic, Adventure, Friendship

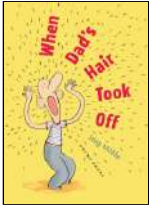


222. AARON SLATER AND THE SNEAKY SNAKE THE QUESTIONEERS

Andrea Beaty | David Roberts (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

Zookeeper Fred loves snakes, but his favorite is a tiny green snake named Vern. Vern is sneaky and constantly tries to hide in Fred's lunch. When Vern gets loose in the zoo and lands atop a boy's head, it's trouble!

Categories: STEAM, Science



223. WHEN DAD'S HAIR TOOK OFF

Jorg Muhle | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** |

One day, Dad's hair decided it was tired of being brushed and combed. It wanted a life of its own, to see the world. It took off. Out of the bathroom, into the kitchen, and before you could say, "Hairsta la vista, baby!" it was gone. Dad gave chase around the town. He spots his hair hiding in the lawn, on the road, at the zoo –it's amazing how many things look like hair. He gives up. Dad tries to accept life without hair. Then the postcards arrive. The hair is on a round-the-world trip and Dad is still bald. Until one day the unbelievable happens and the hair comes back.

Categories: Humour

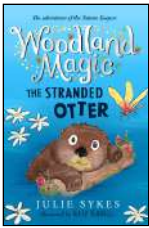


224. WHALE SONG OF PUFFIN CLIFF WIND RIDERS

Jen Marlin | Marta Kissi (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Join Max and Sofia, two kids trying to save the environment one problem at a time with their magical sailboat. Their latest mission Cleaning up the plastic waste that's hurting puffins and belugas in Iceland. In Starry Bay, summer vacation means snorkeling for sea glass by the beach, until Max and Sofia come across an abandoned sailboat. With a spin of the wheel, Wind Rider transports them to animals who need their help! This time, they drop anchor in Iceland's frigid waters, where Max and Sofia team up with the Puffin Patrol, a group of Icelandic kids who protect and preserve the local puffin colony. But it seems that the puffins aren't the only ones in trouble. Max and Sofia will have to think fast to save a beached beluga whale. Wind Riders: Whale Song of Puffin Cliff is the fourth installment in this highly illustrated chapter book series. Each story visits a new location and introduces a human-made problem endangering animals and the environment.

Categories: Environmental Issues, Activism, Adventure, Biodiversity

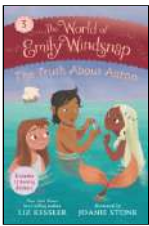


225. STRANDED OTTER, THE WOODLAND MAGIC

Julie Sykes | Katy Riddell (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

The Keepers are secretive little people who live in the middle of Whispering Wood, caring for nature and rewilding it when humans (or Ruffins as they call them) are careless with it. Young Keepers Cora and Jax are looking forward to the Moonlight Party raft race – with their friend Trix's help, they have built a special raft. But at the same time they are beginning to wonder if they'll ever become fully trained Keepers, despite all their rewilding efforts. Then, after an exciting expedition to build a bug hotel and salvage supermarket food waste, they come across a young otter stranded in the stream. Suddenly the raft has a much more important role than Cora ever imagined.

Categories: Adventure, Magic

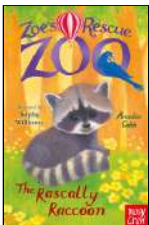


226. TRUTH ABOUT AARON, THE WORLD OF EMILY WINDSNAP

Liz Kessler | Joanie Stone (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Aaron wishes he were special like his best friends, Emily Windsnap and Shona Silkfin, but nothing exciting ever happens at his castle in the middle of the ocean. That is, until a massive, mysterious ship docks at the castle and all the crew members are suspiciously interested in Aaron's trident pendant. One even asks to take a closer look at it . . . then doesn't give it back! Luckily, Emily and Shona are there to help, swimming to the ship with Aaron to retrieve his stolen keepsake. But once onboard, Aaron is shocked to discover the royal meaning behind it.

Categories: Mermaids, Friendship, Family



227. RASCALLY RACCOON, THE ZOE'S RESCUE ZOO

Amelia Cobb | Sophy Williams (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | **RRP \$12.99** |

Zoe loves living at her uncle's rescue zoo because there's always something exciting going on. And Zoe also has an amazing secret... She can actually TALK to the animals! Rocco the raccoon has just arrived at the zoo and he loves to play pranks! Inspired by the rascally animal, Zoe and her friend decide to play their own. But when a prank goes too far, Zoe will need Rocco's help to make things right.

Categories: Adventure

MIDDLE NOVELS

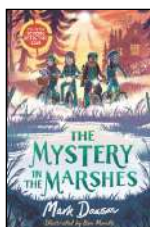


228. **AIR**

[Monica Roe](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Twelve-year-old Emmie is working to raise money for a tricked-out wheelchair to get serious about WCMX, when a mishap on a poorly designed ramp at school throws her plans into a tailspin. Instead of replacing the ramp, her school provides her with a kind but unwelcome aide—and, seeing a golden media opportunity, launches a public fundraiser for her new wheels. Emmie loves her close-knit rural town, but she can't shake the feeling that her goals—and her choices—suddenly aren't hers anymore. With the help of her best friends, Emmie makes a plan to get her dreams off the ground—and show her community what she wants, what she has to give, and how ready she is to do it on her own terms.

Categories: [Disability](#), [Resilience](#), [Community](#)



229. **MYSTERY IN THE MARSHES, THE AFTER SCHOOL DETECTIVE CLUB**

[Mark Dawson](#) | [Ben Mantle](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Max is distraught when he receives a letter from the school telling him he has to go on a weekend of cycling and camping for the Duke of Wellington awards scheme. But things vastly improve when his friends agree to come with him. It isn't long before they find adventure – or adventure finds them... They make a friend called Byron and set up camp in a forest near to his home. But that night they wake to see strange lights and a fierce wind blowing through the trees. Moments later Byron arrives, running and screaming that 'they' are after him. When the gang follow him, they find his rucksack but no sign of the boy. It looks like Byron has been abducted by a UFO! But surely that's not possible... is it?

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Mystery](#)

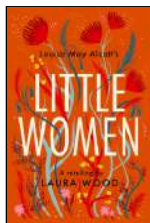


230. **DRAGONRACERS BARRINGTON STOKE**

[Peter Bunzl](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Twins Kitty and Harris Hawk have grown up at the airfield where their father works as an engineer. Kitty in particular is obsessed with the idea of becoming an aeronaut but her father thinks children should stay firmly on the ground. When the twins discover a strange and unusually large egg from which a dragon hatches, little do they imagine that this is the first step on a journey that will see them taking to the skies and competing in the first long-distance air race. Can they win the huge prize that's at stake and will their daring adventure lead their father to change his mind about Kitty's future?

Categories: [Dyslexic Friendly](#), [Adventure](#), [Dragons](#)



231. **LITTLE WOMEN: A RETELLING BARRINGTON STOKE**

[Laura Wood](#) | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$18.99** |

Little Women, the charming story of the brave and resilient March sisters, has been adored by generations of readers who have identified with the struggles of kind and pretty Meg; gentle, delicate Beth; precocious, artistic Amy; and of course wild, tomboyish Jo, determined to forge her own path and become a writer. Follow the girls as they come of age during the American Civil War and fall in love with the story all over again in this retelling by award-winning writer Laura Wood.

Categories: [Classic Novel](#), [Abridged Edition](#), [Dyslexic Friendly](#)



232. **MEG AND MERLIN: RUNNING AWAY BARRINGTON STOKE 4U2READ**

[Tanya Landman](#) | [Sonia Albert](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Meg and her new friend Sam Houseman meet up to take their horses out on a hack, but after a lovely day in the countryside, Meg gets lost while making her way home. Then things take a dangerous turn when Merlin gets spooked and takes off, galloping straight towards a main road ... Can Meg get him back under control before disaster strikes?

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Horses](#), [Horse Lovers](#), [Dyslexic Friendly](#)

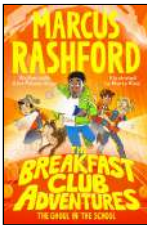


233. **CITY OF SECRETS BATTLE DRAGONS**

[Alex London](#) | Hardback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$26.99** |

Banished from Drakopolis to the desolate frontier town of Glassblower's Gulch, Abel and his family must face a harsh new reality: life without dragons. Far from the lights and lizards of the megacity, Abel's new home effectively bans the great beasts. Anyone caught smuggling dragons is hauled away by the ruthless sheriff and her fearsome deputies. They have the only dragons in town, and they run the dreaded dragon rodeo, which pits those who fall afoul of the sheriff's justice against a wild dragon in a competition for their freedom. It's dragon versus human and only one can win.

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#), [Dragons](#)



234. **GHOUL IN THE SCHOOL, THE BREAKFAST CLUB ADVENTURES**

Marcus Rashford | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

There's something strange going on at school . . . The Breakfast Club Investigators haven't managed to solve a mystery in months – and, even worse, Marcus is worried that the group is going to break up! So when Gbenga, the captain of the school basketball team, comes to ask for their help Marcus knows this might just be the Investigator's last chance to prove themselves. The basketball team have had a streak of bad luck, and Marcus and his mates are sure there's more going on than meets the eye. As the mystery deepens and they uncover one surprising clue after another, they discover that someone – or something – has cursed the basketball team! Can Marcus and his friends solve the mystery in time?

Categories: Sport, Basketball, Teamwork, Mystery, Community



235. **CIRCUS AT THE END OF THE SEA, THE**

Lori Snyder | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Maddy Adriana knows that magic is real. All her life, her heart has pulled her towards things too perfect to be ordinary. One day, that tug leads her to a magical street circus, hidden in plain sight among the canals and boardwalks of Venice Beach. For the first time in Maddy's life, she finally feels like she belongs. But the circus is in grave danger. Maddy will need to confront the frightening side of magic, as well as her own deepest fears, if she's to have any hope of saving the place she dreams of calling home.

Categories: Fantasy, Magic, Belonging



236. **COSIMA UNFORTUNATE STEALS A STAR COSIMA UNFORTUNATE**

Laura Noakes | Flavia Sorrentino (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Exciting, funny, moving – and featuring joyous and authentic disabled representation – Cosima Unfortunate Steals a Star is the middle-grade debut of 2023. Cosima Unfortunate has spent all her life at the Home for Unfortunate Girls – a school where any disabled children, or children deemed different, are sent, whether their families want it or not. It is there that she meets her friends – Pearl, Mary and Diya – and they start to practise mini heists involving the theft of cakes, biscuits and other sweet goodies.

Categories: Disability, Differences, Heist, Mystery, Historical



237. **FARMER FREAK-OUT DIARY OF A MINECRAFT ZOMBIE**

Zack Zombie | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$9.99** |

Ever wonder what life is like for a Minecraft Zombie? Zombie and his family are having fun at the Rotten Pumpkin Patch festival. But disaster strikes when a bunch of evil Zombie clones magically appear and mess up all the pumpkins. Zombie gets punished because his parents think he did it! The look-alike Zombies hide in the nearby hedge maze – the biggest maze in Minecraft! Zombie has to capture all the clones so he can clear his name. But when his friends encounter the clones, can they tell the difference or will they be tricked?



238. **ZOMBIE INVASION DIARY OF A ROBLOX PRO**

Ari Avatar | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$9.99** |

Jez has discovered a new portal, but when she goes to check it out with Ari and Zeke, things get serious real quick. A zombie army breaks through the portal and tries to eat the brains of Ari and his friends! And when the zombies turn their sights on the town, Ari knows they have to do everything they can to stop the zombies from invading all of Blockville!



239. **NOOB'S DIARY OF AN 8-BIT WARRIOR, A DIARY OF AN 8-BIT WARRIOR**

Cube Kid | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

This story follows Runt, a villager who longs to be a warrior. He isn't interested in carrot culture, and he definitely isn't interested in selling them in trade. When Runt decides to leave his home in hopes of fulfilling his lifelong dream, he meets Blurp—a zombie who longs of being a human. The unlikely pair form a bond and set out on adventures to prove themselves to everyone...or at least try!

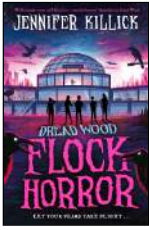


240. **FEAR GROUND DREAD WOOD**

Jennifer Killick | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

There's a new craze at Dread Wood High. Flinch is a game of fear. The more you scare your friends, the more points on the app you get. At first it's fun, but soon fun is replaced by fear. And Angelo and his friends notice that everyone is behaving more and more strangely every day – almost as if something is taking over their brains... With the fair arriving in town, adrenaline and excitement levels are high. But who are the people behind the super-creepy clown masks? With fights breaking out and Flinch in full force, it's time for the final showdown at the Fear Ground. Let the REAL games begin!

Categories: Horror

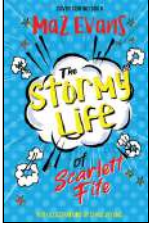


241. **FLOCK HORROR** DREAD WOOD

Jennifer Killick | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Angelo and his friends know that together they can handle any pretty much anything – including giant mutant spiders or snake-like parasites that burrow into your brain. But when a terrifying new enemy attacks from above it seems they have met their ultimate match . . . how can they defeat giant vampire birds that are after BLOOD? With summer term in full force – and sports day and prom night on the horizon – the whole school is in danger. The gang need a plan to bring safety to the skies!

Categories: Horror



242. **STORMY LIFE OF SCARLETT FIFE, THE** EXPLODING LIFE OF SCARLETT FIFE

Maz Evans | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Scarlett Fife has BIG FEELINGS. And when she tries to squash them down, they come back up with shocking results! Feelings are like slime in a party bag. No matter how much someone tells you to keep it in, it'll always find its way out. And very soon, Scarlett notices that every time she pushes her sadness down, the storm breaks! If she's going to avoid her world getting soaking wet, Scarlett will have to work out how to live with her feelings, once and for all ...

Categories: Humour, Feelings/Emotions

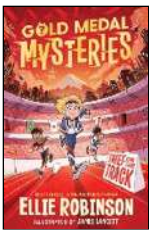


243. **PHOENIX AND THE FROST PALACE** FIREBORN

Aisling Fowler | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

Twelve has become a hunter and chosen a new name to reflect her elemental power: Phoenix. Three months after the destruction of the Hunting Lodge, a witch arrives from the frost palace of Icegaard, desperate for Phoenix's help. Icegaard is in grave danger from an evil force called the Shadowseam, and if the witch-palace falls, all the clans of Ember will fall with it. Travelling north, Phoenix and her friends, Five, Six and Seven, must battle frightening new monsters and find a way to defeat the Shadowseam. But as Phoenix learns to control her new power, the faceless Croke begins to haunt her dreams . . . Phoenix will have to fight with everything she's got to save Ember from mortal danger. But the price of survival may be more than she can pay.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure



244. **THIEF ON THE TRACK** GOLD MEDAL MYSTERIES

Ellie Robinson | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Join three sporting detectives as they race around the world in the brand new mystery adventure series from multi gold medal-winning Paralympian, Ellie Robinson. Hannah, Maria, and Seb are at the World Championships in Tokyo, bonding over their excitement at watching their favourite athletes compete. But Jesse Marks, a star runner on the US relay team has had his gold medal stolen! The sport park is alive with gossip and as the three new friends begin to investigate, several suspects begin to emerge. With time running out before the final race is run, can the detectives uncover who is out to sabotage the team?

Categories: Mystery, Adventure, Detective, Sport



245. **GREAT FOX HEIST, THE** GREAT FOX

Justyn Edwards | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Flick is a magician who needs answers. Her father is still missing, and top illusionist the Great Fox doesn't seem interested in finding him, despite his promises. Meanwhile, she and her friend Charlie must represent the Great Fox in a new competition in the Swiss town of Linth. The Global Order of Magic is electing a new chancellor, and the Fox insists that if he wins, it will help – but Flick isn't so sure. Determined to solve the mystery of her father's disappearance and of The Bell System, his greatest and most mysterious magic trick, Flick must pull off an impossible diamond heist to win. But danger lurks around every corner, and nothing is what it seems.

Categories: Adventure, Magic, Magicians



246. **GREENWILD: WORLD BEHIND THE DOOR, THE**

Pari Thomson | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** |

Daisy Thistledown has recently escaped from boarding school, and has a mystery to solve. The trail will lead her through a hidden doorway to the Greenwild, a rich and verdant land bursting with magic. There, Daisy finds herself confronting a dangerous presence that threatens green magic on both sides of the door. Daisy must band together with a botanical prodigy, a boy who can talk to animals, and a cat with an attitude, to channel the power that can save the Greenwild – and her own world too.

Categories: Fantasy, Magic, Magic Realism, Suspense



247. **LILY GRIM AND THE CITY OF UNDONE**

Andy Ruffell | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Lily Grim's life is a mystery. She has lived with her guardian Gabriel, in their rundown second-hand shop in the City of Undone, for as long as she can remember. For years, the city-dwellers have lived in uneasy discord with The Others – a community of wanderers forced to shelter within the city walls, after they were driven from their nomadic camps in the wilderness. But Undone is a dark and dangerous place to live, especially if you're an Other: feared for their special gifts, they are persecuted by the cruel Master of the City, and taken to the Ring – a prison from which few ever return. When the Master captures Gabriel and throws him into the Ring, Lily is saved by a young Other boy called Dekka

Categories: Adventure, Friendship, Mystery



248. **LOST ON GIBBON ISLAND**

[Jess Butterworth](#) | [Rob Biddulph](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

When Lark's mum takes her family with her on a research trip to Cambodia, Lark never expects that she'll end up stranded on a deserted island, with no one but a baby gibbon for company. But that's exactly what happens. Lost and with no idea how to survive in the jungle, Lark must learn the ways of the wild from the gibbon. And in return, try to help the gibbon find her way home ...

Categories: [Survival](#), [Shipwreck](#), [Poaching](#), [Cambodia](#)



249. **MAPMAKERS, THE**

[Tamzin Merchant](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Ever since Cordelia discovered the hidden map in her father's precious telescope, she's been searching the streets of London by starlight and trying to uncover its secrets. She's sure that her missing father is out there somewhere, and that if she follows his map, she'll finally discover the truth about his disappearance. She never expects to stumble upon a secret society of Mapmakers - or to learn that magic isn't limited to the few Maker families, but is instead is all around, if you just know where to look . . . But danger is lurking around every corner, and Cordelia must convince the rival Maker families to work together for once - not only to bring her father home, but to save the very essence of magic itself . . .

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#), [Magic](#)

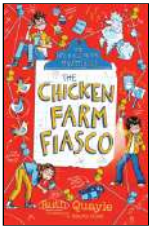


250. **MR LEMONCELLO'S VERY FIRST GAME** [MR LEMONCELLO'S LIBRARY](#)

[Chris Grabenstein](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Luigi has a knack for games and puzzles. But sometimes it feels like the cards are stacked against him. UNTIL a carnival arrives in town and Luigi gets the CHANCE OF A LIFETIME-the opportunity to work for the world famous Professor Marvelmous, a dazzling, banana-hat-wearing barker who puts the SHOW in SHOWMAN! When the carnival closes, Professor Marvelmous leaves behind a mysterious puzzle box along with a clue. A clue that will lead Luigi and his friends on a fantastical treasure hunt to a prize beyond anything they could imagine-if they can find it! Can Luigi crack the codes and unlock the box's secrets? Will there be puzzles? Of course! Balloons? You bet! Will it be fun? Hello! It's a Lemon-cello! BONUS! Can YOU solve the hidden puzzle inside?!

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Adventure](#), [Secrets](#), [Puzzle](#)

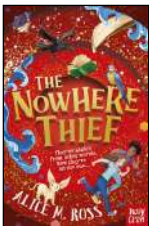


251. **CHICKEN FARM FIASCO, THE** [MUDDLEMOOR MYSTERIES](#)

[Ruth Quayle](#) | [Marta Kissi](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Joe, Tom and Pip are excited about spending the Easter holidays at Granny's in Muddlemoor village. They plan to climb trees, eat chocolate and loll around on Granny's sofa. But wait! They've forgotten that Muddlemoor is a HOTSPOT for CRIME... When a sign appears in Mr Draper's cow field, announcing plans for a horrible battery chicken farm, the children are FED UP. They join a protest group to try to stop the farm and save the chickens. But they soon notice that Mr Draper's enemies keep getting sick. Oh no! Is Mr Draper poisoning them? And, if so, is Granny in DANGER?

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Detective](#)

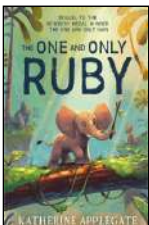


252. **NOWHERE THIEF, THE**

[Alice M Ross](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

Twelve-year-old Elsbeth has an extraordinary power: she can travel to parallel worlds and bring objects back with her. But as freak weather events become more frequent and a strange boy, Idris, starts to turn up everywhere she travels, she has to ask herself: does her gift come with a price?

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Family Unit](#), [Theft](#), [Parallel World](#), [Fantasy](#)

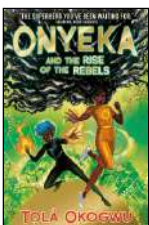


253. **ONE AND ONLY RUBY, THE**

[Katherine Applegate](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

The One and Only Ruby, starring the adorable baby elephant from the Newbery Medal-winning modern classic The One and Only Ivan and its bestselling sequel, The One and Only Bob. Ruby's story picks up a few months after the events of The One and Only Bob. Now living in a wildlife sanctuary, Ruby's caretaker from the elephant orphanage in Africa where she grew up is visiting. Seeing him again brings back a flood of memories both happy and sad of her life before the circus, and she recounts the time she spent in the African savannah to Ivan and Bob.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Empathy](#)



254. **ONYEKA AND THE RISE OF THE REBELS** [ONYEKA](#)

[Tola Okogwu](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Having uncovered head teacher Dr Dòyinbó's hidden agenda behind the Academy of the Sun, Onyeka and her friends are on the run. But they've got bigger problems to worry about - they desperately need to find a way to restore Niyi's Ike superpower and they need to locate Onyeka's missing parents. When their last safe house is uncovered, Onyeka turns to the only potential allies they have left; the Rogues, a group of rebels that have been trying to expose Dr Dòyinbó's lies for years. Joining forces, will the two groups be able to defeat their shared nemesis, or is there a new danger on the horizon for the Solari?



255. **FALL OF THE SCHOOL FOR GOOD AND EVIL, THE SCHOOL FOR GOOD AND EVIL**

[Soman Chainani](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$17.99** |

What rises . . . must fall. Two brothers. One Good. One Evil. In exchange for power and immortality, they watch over the Endless Woods and rule the School for Good and Evil. Yet all School Masters must face a test. Theirs is loyalty. But what happens when loyalty is corrupted? When the bonds of blood are broken? Who will survive? Who will die? And what will become of the school and its students? The journey that started a hundred years ago throttles towards its end. This final chapter in the duology that began with the RISE OF THE SCHOOL FOR GOOD AND EVIL brings the tale of the twin School Masters to the brink of war and a shocking conclusion that will change the course of the school forever.

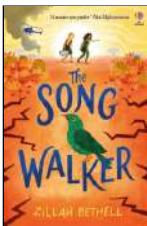
Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#)



256. **SKULDUGGERY PLEASANT: HELL BREAKS LOOSE**

[Derek Landy](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

Return to the world of Skulduggery Pleasant in a short novel set hundreds of years before Valkyrie Cain is even born, and follow Skulduggery, Ghastly, Shudder, Ravel, Saracen, Dexter and Hopeless as they argue, bicker and battle their way through an army of their most hated enemies in order to save their oldest enemy so they can stop another, brand new, enemy...



257. **SONG WALKER, THE**

[Zillah Bethell](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

The Song Walker is an extraordinary new story of friendship, discovery and courage from Zillah Bethell, author of The Shark Caller which won the Wales Book of the Year and the Edward Stanford Children's Travel Book of the Year 2022. "There are three questions that I need to find the answers to: Where am I? What am I doing here? And... Who am I?" When a young girl wakes up in the middle of the desert, she has no idea who she is. She's wearing one shoe, a silky black dress, and she's carrying a strange, heavy case. She meets Tarni, who is on a mysterious quest of her own. Together, the two girls trek across the vast and ever-changing Australian Outback in search of answers. Except both are also hiding secrets...

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Discovery](#), [Outback](#), [Courage](#)

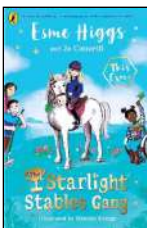


258. **SUZIE AND THE MOON BUGS**

[Katie Tsang](#) | [Amy Nguyen](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Save the universe in the awesome and hilarious space-themed adventure series from bestselling authors Katie and Kevin Tsang! Suzie Wen can't believe her luck – she's the newest crew member of the Space Blasters! She gets to explore the galaxy on a spaceship and meet lots of aliens. But when Suzie and her friends crash land on a mystery jungle planet, they face an infestation of moon bugs! It's up to Suzie and the crew to fix their spaceship, defeat an evil Queen AND save the universe!

Categories: [Humour](#), [Space](#)



259. **STARLIGHT STABLES GANG, THE**

[Esme Higgs](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Summer has always loved horses but she never thought she'd be able to learn how to ride them – not with money being so tight at home. Then she discovers the Starlight Stables where she meets a new gang of friends and learns how to ride in return for helping-out with the horses. It's a dream come true! Summer falls in love with life at the stables and especially with Luna, a beautiful dapple-grey pony. But one day, Summer arrives at the stables to find that Luna has been stolen in the night. It's up to the Starlight Stables Gang to follow the clues and rescue Luna before it's too late!

Categories: [Animal Stories](#)



260. **STINETINGLERS**

[R.L. Stine](#) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

A boy who hates bugs starts to see them everywhere. A basketball player's skin starts to almost drip off his hands – but no one else can see it. Three friends find a hole in the ground that just gets bigger, and bigger, and bigger ... And each story is introduced by Stine himself, providing a personal touch sure to delight fans. Laced with Stine's signature humour and a hefty dose of nightmarish fun, Stinetingers is perfect for fans of Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark and Stine's own Goosebumps books. These chilling tales prove that Stine's epic legacy in the horror genre is justly earned. Dive in, and beware: you might be sleeping with the lights on tonight!

Categories: [Short Stories](#), [Horror](#)



261. **STINK: WORST FAIRY EVER.**

[Jenny McLachlan](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

We all know fairies. They're sweet and sparkly and lovely. Right? WRONG! Meet Stink. Stink is the rudest, naughtiest fairy there's ever been. Instead of sparkles, Stink makes mess. Instead of being kind, Stink plays pranks. She also eats woodlice and rides on rats. From the moment Stink flies out of the fairy door and attaches herself to his hair, Danny knows that Stink is trouble. She needs his help to do a good deed and win her silver wings – and Danny will do anything to get Stink to go back to fairyland. But can Stink ever be good?

Categories: [Humour](#), [Adventure](#), [Fairies](#)



262. **STORM SWIMMER, THE**

[Clare Weze](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Summer was supposed to be Ginika's time for fun, friends and fairs. But instead she's been sent to live at the dead-end seaside boarding house her grandparents run. Even though her parents say it's just for a little while, she can't help feeling abandoned and heartbroken to be missing out on everything she loves back home. And then she meets Peri. He leaps and dives through the water like a dolphin and he talks like a burst of bubbles. He's not exactly a mermaid, but he's definitely something Ginika's never seen before. His family is far away too, but unlike Ginika, he loves his independence. As Ginika shows Peri her world, she starts to feel free as well. They don't need anyone else when they've got each other. But then the lights and noise of the human world start to change Peri. And when things spin out of control, Ginika must be the bravest she's ever been to face her fears and make the hardest decision of her life. Join Ginika and Peri as they dive beneath the waves and walk the lands that will take them into each other's worlds on an adventure they will never forget and a life-changing friendship.

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Science](#), [Multicultural](#)

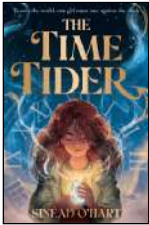


263. **STORY OF GREENRIVER, THE**

[Holly Webb](#) | [Zanna Goldhawk](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Sedge is the reluctant heir to the leadership of the Greenriver otter holt. His first spring he was nearly drowned in a flash flood that swept through the otter community. Now it's spring again, and the river is rising dangerously once more. With the holt threatened, Sedge is convinced he must be the one to save them - if only he's brave enough to journey downstream to find help... Silken has never felt she truly belonged in the beaver lodge. She's too small, too weak, and her strange singing makes the practical and strong beavers feel uneasy. When she is blamed for an accident, Silken knows she will never fit in. She must seize her courage and venture upstream to find a new life... As the two animals journey towards each other on a quest to unravel their true destinies, Sedge and Silken are drawn towards the heart of the turbulent river and its age-old song, which has the power to change all who hear its music.

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Community](#), [Bravery](#), [Courage](#)

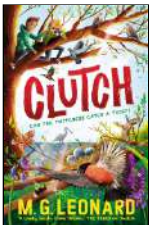


264. **TIME TIDER, THE**

[Sinead O'Hart](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** |

Mara and her dad have lived in their van for as long as she can remember. Whatever her father does to scrape a living has kept them constantly moving and Mara has never questioned it. That is until she uncovers a collection of notes addressed to 'the Tider', an individual responsible for harvesting lost time from people whose lives were cut short. But before Mara can question her father he is taken by a dangerous group who want to use his power for evil. With the very fabric of time and space at stake, it's down to Mara and her new friend Jan to find him before it's too late...

Categories: [Family Unit](#), [Mystery](#), [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#)

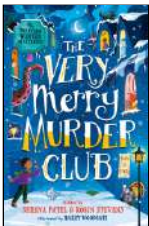


265. **CLUTCH TWITCHERS**

[MG Leonard](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$18.99** |

When the peregrine falcon nest is raided, Twitch realizes a thief is at work. Horrified, he and the Twitchers set out to catch the dangerous criminal, only to be ensnared in a deadly trap. Can they save themselves and stop the villain before anyone gets hurt? Clutch is a thrilling spring mystery adventure about friendship, bravery and protecting nature, perfect for readers 9+ and for fans of Robin Stevens, David Baddiel and Jenny Pearson. It can be enjoyed as a stand-alone adventure or read as part of The Twitchers series.

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Detective](#), [Investigation](#), [Wildlife Mystery](#)



266. **VERY MERRY MURDER CLUB, THE**

[Robin Stevens](#) | [Harry Woodgate](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

This gorgeous wintery collection brings together thirteen bestselling, award-winning and exciting debut authors: Abiola Bello, Annabelle Sami, Benjamin Dean, E.L. Norry, Elle McNicoll, Dominique Valente, Joanna Williams, Maisie Chan, Nizrana Farook, Patrice Lawrence, Roopa Farooki, Serena Patel and Sharna Jackson. With stunning illustrations by Harry Woodgate. Join them as part of the Very Merry Murder Club as they lead you on a snow-covered wintery journey of festive foul play and murderously magnificent mysteries!

Categories: [Short Stories](#), [Mystery](#), [Murder](#)



267. **VILLAINS ACADEMY VILLAINS ACADEMY**

[Ryan Hammond](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Welcome to Villains Academy - the most prestigious villain school in the ENTIRE land. You will either leave here as a fully-formed villain . . . or in tatters. It's werewolf Bram's first day at Villains Academy. He really doesn't feel like a villain at all, but the coveted Villain of the Week trophy is up for grabs, and Bram knows he'll have to dig deep. With the help of new friends Mona the elf-witch, Bryan the lion, Shelia the ghost and Tony the skeleton, can Bram find his inner badness and become the villain he's always dreamed of being?

Categories: [Humour](#), [Adventure](#), [Villains](#)



268. **RIVER WARRIORS: A STARLESS CLAN**

[Erin Hunter](#) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$15.99** |

They have always lived by the code—but only change can keep the peace. A new age is dawning on the warrior Clans. Now a new generation of warriors rises—one wrestling with the legacy of his great ancestor Firestar, one seeking to protect her troubled Clan, and one yearning to prove herself as a medicine cat—as leaders from all five Clans agree that the Warrior Code must be reformed. But when tragedy strikes RiverClan, old fears will threaten the new peace... unless these three young cats can calm the coming storm. This seventh epic Warriors series is full of action, intrigue, and adventure. This first book is the perfect introduction for new readers, while long-time fans will discover what unfolds after the events of *The Broken Code*.

Categories: [Fantasy](#)



269. **WEIRD KID**

[Greg Van Eekhout](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Jake Wind is trying to stay under the radar. Whose radar Anyone who might be too interested in the fact that he has shapeshifting abilities he can't control. Or that his parents found him as a ball of goo when he was a baby. Keeping his powers in check is crucial, though, if he wants to live a normal life and go to middle school instead of being homeschooled (and if he wants to avoid being kidnapped and experimented on, of course). Things feel like they're going his way when he survives his first day of school without transforming and makes a new friend. But when mysterious sinkholes start popping up around town—sinkholes filled with the same extraterrestrial substance as Jake—and his neighbors, classmates, and even his family start acting a little, well, weird, Jake will have to learn to use his powers in order to save his town.

Categories: [Humour](#), [Action](#), [Friendship](#), [Identity](#), [Shapeshifting](#)

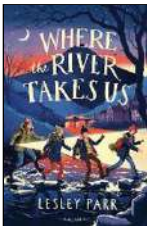


270. **WHEN CLOUDS TOUCH US**

[Thanhha Lai](#) | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

Sequel to verse novel *Inside Out & Back Again* H and her family have worked hard to make a life for themselves in the US, but it hasn't come easy. H has only just started to feel settled when Mother decides that the family will move to Texas for a new job. H knows how hard starting over is and doesn't want to have to do it again. But sometimes even an unwanted change can bring opportunity, new friends and a place to call home.

Categories: [Verse Novel](#), [Family Unit](#), [Belonging](#)

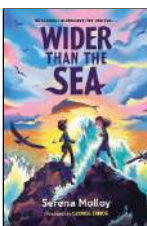


271. **WHERE THE RIVER TAKES US**

[Lesley Parr](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

It's February 1974 and working class families have been hit hard by the three-day week. The reduced power usage means less hours for people to work, and less money to get by on. Thirteen-year-old Jason feels the struggle keenly. Ever since his parents died, it's just been him and his older brother Richie. Richie is doing his best, but since he can't make ends meet he's been doing favours for the wrong people. Every day they fear they won't have enough and will have to be separated. One thing that helps distract Jason is the urban legend about a beast in the valleys. A wild cat that roams the forest, far up the river from their bridge. When Jason's friends learn of a reward for proof of The Beast's existence, they convince Jason this is the answer to his and Richie's money problems. Richie can get himself out of trouble before it's too late and the brothers can stay together. And so a quest begins - Starting at the bridge of their village and following the river north, the four friends soon find themselves on a journey that will change each of them - forever.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Adventure](#), [Hardship](#), [Historical](#)



272. **WIDER THAN THE SEA**

[Serena Molloy](#) | [George Ermos](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$16.99** |

The powerful tale of a girl who feels broken, and the dolphin who makes her whole. Ro finds school impossible. She knows people think she's shy - and stupid. But when she goes to the bay each afternoon to watch the dolphin leap through the water, she finds the strength to keep going. Then the dolphin disappears, and everything starts falling apart. Can Ro overcome her fears to find him?

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Hope](#), [Dyslexia](#), [Dolphins](#)



273. **WILLODEEN**

[Katherine Applegate](#) | [Charles Santoso](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | **RRP \$14.99** |

Eleven-year-old Willodeen adores creatures of all kinds, but her favourites are the most unlovable beasts in the land: strange beasts known as 'screechers'. The villagers of Perchance call them pests, even monsters, but Willodeen believes the animals serve a vital role in the complicated web of nature. Lately, though, nature has seemed angry indeed. Perchance has been cursed with fires and mudslides, droughts and fevers, and even the annual migration of hummingbears, a source of local pride and income, has dwindled. For as long as anyone can remember, the tiny animals have overwintered in shimmering bubble nests perched atop blue willow trees, drawing tourists from far and wide. This year, however, not a single hummingbear has returned to Perchance, and no one knows why. When a handmade birthday gift brings unexpected magic to Willodeen and her new friend, Connor, she's determined to speak up for the animals she loves, and perhaps even uncover the answer to the mystery of the missing hummingbears.

Categories: [Natural World](#), [Relationships](#), [Determination](#)



274. **SUN AND THE STAR, THE WORLD OF PERCY JACKSON**

[Rick Riordan](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$24.99** |

As the son of Hades, Nico di Angelo been through so much, from the premature deaths of his mother and sister, to being outed against his will, to losing his friend Jason during the trials of Apollo. But there is a ray of sunshine in his life--literally- his boyfriend, Will Solace, the son of Apollo. Together the two demigods can overcome any obstacle or foe. At least, that's been the case so far . . . Now Nico is being plagued by a voice calling out to him from Tartarus, the lowest part of the Underworld. He thinks he knows who it is- a reformed Titan named Bob whom Percy and Annabeth had to leave behind when they escaped Hades's realm. Nico's dreams and Rachel Dare's latest prophecy leave little doubt in Nico's mind that Bob is in some kind of trouble. Nico has to go on this quest, whether Mr. D and Chiron like it or not. And of course Will insists on coming with.

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Adventure](#)



275. **WORLD WEAVERS**

[Sam Gayton](#) | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$18.99** |

Hush Quiet is a girl with an infinite baseball cap and certain views on love and kindness. Her sister, Matilda, carries around a shotgun full of bees, and doesn't need much excuse to fire it. Hush and Matilda have been hiding out in a pocket world, ever since the war started. Ever since Dustbowl fell. Ever since what happened to Ma. But when a boy with no memory crosses into their reality, the sisters must confront their past, each other, and the intoxicating power that has torn their lives apart - the power known as worldweaving.

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Thriller](#), [Science Fiction](#), [Climate Fiction](#)

AUSTRALIAN INFORMATION



276. **ALIGHT: A STORY OF FIRE AND NATURE**

Sam Lloyd | [Samantha Metcalfe](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Fire is a natural part of the Australian bush. This is a story about that relationship – fire that breathes life back into nature. Alight shares the story of Australian native plants and animals during a planned fire. Discover how the fire helps Christmas Bells grow new flowers and Wallum Banksia to open its woody seed capsules. Follow Antechinus and a tiny Wallum Sedge Frog as they face the danger of the fire – and the challenges that come after. See how the bush recovers and flourishes after the fire, all under the watch of Old Eucalypt. With engaging text by Sam Lloyd, and stunning illustrations by Samantha Metcalfe, Alight is a gentle exploration of the importance and benefits of healthy fire in the bush.

Categories: [Nature](#), [Fire](#), [Flora](#), [Fauna](#), [Ecosystems](#), [Environment](#)



277. **BLUE-RINGED OCTOPUS AUSTRALIA'S REMARKABLE WILDLIFE**

John Lesley | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

Australia has been an island continent surrounded by oceans for millions of years. During this long long time its animals have evolved into species that are unique and precious. Find out about Australia's remarkable wildlife in this series then look at them in a whole new way

Categories: [Australian Animals](#), [Sea Creatures](#), [Octopus](#)



278. **ECHIDNA AUSTRALIA'S REMARKABLE WILDLIFE**

John Lesley | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

Australia has been an island continent surrounded by oceans for millions of years. During this long long time its animals have evolved into species that are unique and precious. Find out about Australia's remarkable wildlife in this series then look at them in a whole new way

Categories: [Australian Animals](#), [Echidna](#), [Habitats](#)



279. **PLATYPUS AUSTRALIA'S REMARKABLE WILDLIFE**

John Lesley | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

Australia has been an island continent surrounded by oceans for millions of years. During this long long time its animals have evolved into species that are unique and precious. Find out about Australia's remarkable wildlife in this series then look at them in a whole new way

Categories: [Australian Animals](#), [Platypus](#), [Habitats](#)

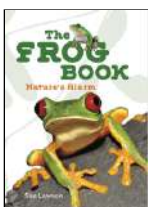


280. **FORGOTTEN SONG: SAVING THE REGENT HONEYEATER**

Coral Vass | [Jess Racklyeft](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

The song of the regent honeyeater has been heard in the bush for many generations – but could it soon be lost forever? Regent's father had learnt the song from his father, who learnt it from his father too. But with Regent's species now facing extinction, there is no one around to teach him. Regent tries to mimic the sounds of different birds but without success. Will Regent learn his mating call before it's too late? Or will his ancient song be forgotten forever?

Categories: [Endangered Species](#), [Conservation](#)

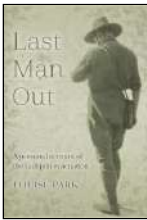


281. **FROG BOOK, THE**

Sue Lawson | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

What animal can drink and breathe through its skin, jump up to 30 times its length and taste with its eye? Frogs are important to the health of the environment. Find out how they are nature's alarm.

Categories: [Environment](#), [Habitats](#), [Frogs](#)



282. LAST MAN OUT

Louise Park | Paperback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$24.99** |

The evacuation from Gallipoli of Australian and New Zealand troops was a logistically incredible undertaking. The exhausted young men were to slip away by ship in the dead of night. But... Someone needed to remain behind to cover for their fellow soldiers. This was a mission that almost certainly meant death. Would it be you? Would you volunteer to be the last man out? And so, the rivalry begins. Who will be chosen to stay on until the end? Who will hold fast to the last to allow tens of thousands to slip away silently from Gallipoli? Only the fittest, the most gallant and capable will be chosen. The pick of the whole force, we are told. And the message is clear: the rear guard of honour will be killed or captured. The rear party, the most daring men of all, doomed. John Alexander Park grew up in England and served in Africa, the Afghan War, and the Boxer Rising before settling in Australia. The assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria in 1914 sparked The Great War – or World War I. On 1st March 1915, John joined the Australian Army in Sydney and was promoted to Sergeant before being assigned to the 19th Battalion. He was 36 years old and a seasoned serviceman when he arrived at Gallipoli.

Categories: [Anzac Day](#), [Australian History](#), [War](#), [World War I](#), [Gallipoli](#)



283. PHONOBET

Kathy Weeden | Kim Drane (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Come and meet the Phonobet, old Alpha Betty's twin, The set of all the sounds you use when wagging your chin. Phonobet is a modern-day, Australian answer to Dr Seuss's ABC. This very clever rhyming text takes an onomatopoeic romp through the 44 phonemes of Australian (and British) English, comparing sounds to trees, bees, trains, robots, monkeys, pirates and more. The text aligns with primary-school phonics programs and could be used by educators in this field. So, once you know the Phonobet, I'm certain that you'll find A wacky world of wonder words with sounds of every kind, The sounds are yours to say and sing and twist and taste and chew. And then, what should you do with them? Well, that's up to you.

Categories: [Rhyming Text](#)



284. SENSATIONAL SHARKS

Tim Flannery | Katie Melrose (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

Have you ever heard about the cookie-cutter shark, which bites out cookie-shaped morsels of flesh from much larger animals than itself? Or the goblin shark, which was thought to have become extinct 100 million years ago until a living specimen was discovered in 1898? And did you know that the whale shark has jaws the size of a 12-year-old child? Come along on an exciting expedition with the world-renowned scientist and explorer Tim Flannery and his daughter Emma, as they spotlight some of the world's weirdest and most fascinating creatures.

Categories: [Ocean Creatures](#), [Sharks](#)



285. ROCK CLIMBING ULTIMATE ADVENTURE SPORTS

Sally Warren | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

This awesome series takes the pursuit of thrill-seeking to crazy daring levels giving kids an insight into the amazing world of adventure sports. Inside these books you will learn about each sport where to do it how to do it and what gear you'll need. Challenge yourself and step up to the edge with this adrenaline-packed adventure sports series.

Categories: [Sport](#), [Extreme Sports](#), [Rock Climbing](#)



286. SKYDIVING ULTIMATE ADVENTURE SPORTS

Sally Warren | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

This awesome series takes the pursuit of thrill-seeking to crazy daring levels giving kids an insight into the amazing world of adventure sports. Inside these books you will learn about each sport where to do it how to do it and what gear you'll need. Challenge yourself and step up to the edge with this adrenaline-packed adventure sports series.

Categories: [Sport](#), [Extreme Sports](#), [Skydiving](#)

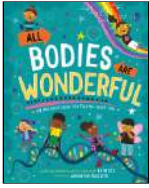


287. VOICE TO PARLIAMENT HANDBOOK, THE

Thomas Mayo | Cathy Wilcox (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$16.99** |

The Voice to Parliament Handbook is an easy-to-follow guide for the millions of Australians who have expressed support for the Uluru Statement from the Heart, but want to better understand what a Voice to Parliament actually means. 'We invite you to walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future.' These words from the Uluru Statement from the Heart are a heartfelt invitation from First Nations People to fellow Australians, who will have the opportunity to respond when the Voice referendum is put to a national vote by the Albanese Government. Indigenous leader Thomas Mayo and acclaimed journalist Kerry O'Brien have written this handbook to answer the most commonly asked questions about why the Voice should be enshrined in the Constitution, and how it might function to improve policies affecting Indigenous communities, and genuinely close the gap on inequalities at the most basic level of human dignity.

GENERAL INFORMATION

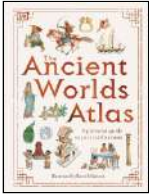


288. **ALL BODIES ARE WONDERFUL**

[Samantha Meredith](#) | [Beth Cox](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Your body is amazing! From the atoms that made you to the things your body can do, ALL bodies are wonderful. We know that bodies can be tricky to understand. Sometimes you might feel like your body is different. But being different is completely natural ... it's all just SCIENCE! With expert advice from Deborah Mackay, Professor of Medical Epigenetics, this book will help you be yourself and feel like you belong ... because you do! Prepare for all the new people you will meet. Trust the experts to help you have big conversations together. Encourage other children to be themselves too. Let's discover that all bodies are WONDERFUL

Categories: [Human Body](#), [Body Image](#), [Health](#)

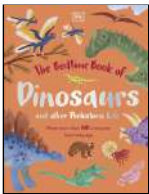


289. **ANCIENT WORLDS ATLAS, THE**

[Dorling Kindersley](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** |

Illustrated guide to where and how the first great civilizations lived, shown on maps From the first cities of Sumer to the empire of the Incas, travel around the world and through 5,000 years of history to see where and how ancient peoples lived. What was it like to live in the crowded city of Rome? Why did the Egyptians build pyramids? When did Samurai warriors first ride into battle? How did sailors first navigate the Pacific Ocean? Which Chinese emperor has a palace with 1,000 bedrooms? All these questions and more are answered in The Ancient Worlds Atlas - a lavishly illustrated guide to past civilizations. From North America to New Zealand, this book takes you on a trip around the world and through history to visit ancient cities and empires, showing who lived where and explaining the unique features of each civilization.

Categories: [History](#), [Ancient World](#)



290. **BEDTIME BOOK OF DINOSAURS AND OTHER PREHISTORIC LI**

[Dorling Kindersley](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Get to know more than 100 of the world's favourite dinosaurs with this essential illustrated introduction This is the must-have illustrated introduction to the world of dinosaurs. Turn each page to find out more about a wide variety of dinosaurs. With beautiful illustrations, storybook text, and key terms highlighted on each page, this book is a wonderful and comprehensive introduction to the dinosaurs that used to roam the world. Many pages are devoted to a single dinosaur, with others featuring a collection of dinosaurs from the same family, and some explore more than one dinosaur type, giving bite-sized chunks of accessible information to help early learners get to know new species. There are also reference pages that dive in deeper to explore dinosaur classification, food chains, and habitats.

Categories: [Dinosaurs](#)

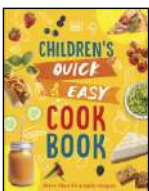


291. **BIRD BOOK, THE**

[Steve Jenkins](#) | [Robin Page](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

Caldecott Honor-winning team Steve Jenkins and Robin Page celebrate the astonishing diversity of bird species in this magnificently illustrated picture book. They can dance, sing, and, of course, fly-what's not to love about birds With more than 10,000 species of dramatically different colors, shapes, and sizes, birds are some of the most fascinating creatures on the planet. The only animal with feathers, birds have soared through the skies for millions of years. In this beautiful picture book, learn what makes a bird a bird, what birds like to eat, and how these masters of the air have evolved. Ever wonder which bird is the smallest Or the fastest Which can fly the highest Or stay airborne longest You'll find answers to these questions and countless others in The Bird Book. Jenkins and Page present a stunning array of these amazing aviators and the extraordinary ways they survive this world, whether in the water, on land, or flying high above.

Categories: [Birds](#)

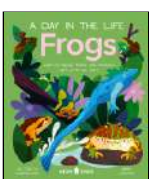


292. **CHILDREN'S QUICK AND EASY COOKBOOK**

[Dorling Kindersley](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Feel right at home in the kitchen with this first cookbook for budding chefs. It is packed with simple but varied recipes, so young cooks can discover new dishes, learn new skills, and perfect great meals that the whole family will enjoy. And for those already handy in the kitchen, there are more involved dishes, and ideas and advice about how to adapt the recipes for different tastes and diets.

Categories: [Cooking](#), [Cookbook](#)

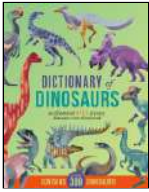


293. **DAY IN THE LIFE OF FROGS, A DAY IN THE LIFE**

[Itzue W Caviedes-Solis](#) | [Henry Rancourt](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$14.99** |

Set over a 24-hour period, meet poisonous tree frogs, see-through glass frogs, and frogs that can freeze their own blood in this kids' non-fiction book about the coolest amphibians in the world. Journey into the rainforest to follow the lives of these nocturnal animals as they dance, hunt, and fight their way through their day. In the style of a nature documentary, this book including gentle science explanations of topics such as metamorphosis that are perfect for future biologists. Witness incredible moments including a Wolverine frog that "shoots" its bones out from beneath its skin and a frog that absorbs frogspawn into its own skin!

Categories: [Rainforest](#), [Habitats](#), [Frogs](#)

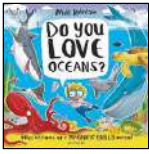


294. DICTIONARY OF DINOSAURS: AN ILLUSTRATED A TO Z

[Dieter Braun](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

From Aardonyx to Zuniceratops, read about when they lived, where they lived, what they ate, and much more. Featuring firm favorites such as T. rex, Ankylosaurus, and Triceratops, as well as lesser-known beasts like the Baryonyx, the Rugops, and the Shanag, no dino is left behind in this comprehensive guide.

Categories: [Dinosaurs](#)



295. DO YOU LOVE OCEANS? WHY OCEANS ARE MAGNIFICENTLY

[Matt Robertson](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$26.99** |

Investigate shipwrecks where scorpionfish hide, dive down to the Mariana trench to meet a dumbo octopus, marvel at ocean giants and dart in between manatees in mangrove forests to find out why oceans are magnificently mega! Did you know lobsters keep their teeth in their tummies? Or that you can find rivers and lakes beneath the ocean? And did you know that sea stars have no brain or blood? With fun and colourful illustrations and bursting with facts, Do You Love Oceans? is perfect for readers who want to explore Earth's spectacular seas, discover the wildlife that lives there and find out why our oceans need protecting.

Categories: [Oceans](#)



296. EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT SHARKS IS WRONG!

[Nick Crumpton](#) | [Gavin Scott](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

From fascinating fishy friendships to incredible powers of invisibility, discover how everything you think you know is actually untrue in this in-depth, ingenious book which debunks many common myths about all kinds of sharks

Categories: [Ocean Creatures](#), [Sharks](#)

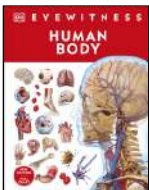


297. EXOPLANETS: WORLDS OUTSIDE OUR SOLAR SYSTEM

[Wendy Bjazevich](#) | [David Miles](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

You know all about the planets near Earth, but what about the planets outside our solar system? How are they discovered? Could there be life? Find out in Exoplanets! NASA has confirmed the existence of over 5,000 exoplanets (planets that lie outside of our solar system), and that number is growing! Exoplanets, the first book of its kind for kids, is a visually packed guidebook to the exoplanets of our universe. You'll learn the four main types of exoplanets, techniques scientists use to discover them, the probability of finding life as we know it beyond Earth, plus detailed information about dozens of some of the most fascinating exoplanets discovered so far, from water worlds to planets that are literally evaporating! It's a thrilling journey, and it all begins in Exoplanets!

Categories: [Space](#), [Universe](#)

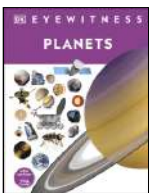


298. HUMAN BODY EYEWITNESS

[Dorling Kindersley](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** |

Learn all about your body from the end of your nose to the tips of your toes. Travel through the amazing human body to learn about the brain centre, muscle power, bony frame, pumping heart, and senses hard at work interpreting and understanding our world. Processes you take for granted, such as breathing and eating, are shown using detailed illustrations and photography, and explained alongside incredible facts and figures. As you look through the body, you'll also learn about the history of our fascination with how the human body works. **Categories:**

[STEM](#), [Science](#), [Biology](#), [Human Body](#)

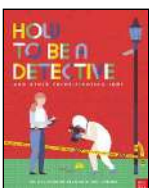


299. PLANETS EYEWITNESS

[Dorling Kindersley](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$22.99** |

Take a tour of Earth and its neighbourhood with this spectacular planetary guide. From Mercury to Neptune, get an eyewitness view of the rocky planets, gas giants, dwarf planets, asteroids, comets, and other bodies that make up our Solar System. Explore the Asteroid Belt that runs between Mars and Jupiter and is filled with small pieces of rock that were left over from when the planets were forming. Surf along the icy rings of Saturn and count the many moons of Jupiter. Venture even further and you'll discover where comets come from, learn why Pluto is now classified as a dwarf planet, and much more.

Categories: [STEM](#), [Science](#), [Space](#), [Solar System](#)



300. HOW TO BE A DETECTIVE AND OTHER CRIME-FIGHTING JOB

[Alexander Beever](#) | [Sol Linero](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

Do you have what it takes to become a detective, a crime scene investigator or a forensic scientist? Find out all about the incredible crime-fighting jobs you could do, from training to become a crime laboratory analyst or a lawyer to working as a helicopter pilot or even becoming an expert in fingerprints. This fully illustrated book will inspire any child with an interest in helping people and fighting crime

Categories: [Detective](#), [Crime](#), [Investigation](#), [Occupations](#)

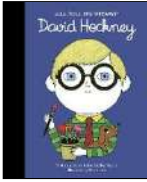


301. **IT'S THE SOUND OF THE THING**

Maxine Beneba Clarke | Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** |

This extraordinary collection celebrates the joy of language and features enticing and relatable poems about everyday life – the sounds of the block, the boredom of detention and the happenings in the schoolyard. Poems about candy, peanut butter and pets. Poems about a big brother's messy room, a grandfather's fading memory and a grandmother's garden magic. Through haiku, sonnets, narrative verse, rhyming couplets, limericks, free verse, tongue-twisters and more, Maxine invites readers to fall in love with the wonder that is poetry.

Categories: Poetry



302. **DAVID HOCKNEY LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS**

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Ana Albero (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Discover the incredible life of David Hockney, the inspirational British artist. Little David loved to draw and looked at the world in his own unique way. He always knew what his path in life would be... he would be an artist! He went to art school and worked day and night to hone his drawing skills. He sold his first painting as a student, and in just five years he had a sell-out solo show of his work. When he moved from the UK to sunny California, he became known for creating bright, bold paintings.

Categories: Famous People, Artists, Art



303. **KING CHARLES LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS**

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Matt Hunt (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Little Charles always knew that, one day, he would have a big job to do. As the son of Queen Elizabeth II, he was a prince, and in the future, he was to inherit the throne of the United Kingdom. As a young man, he developed a passion for one cause; the environment. Charles recognised that plastics and pollutants were causing harm to Earth, and as the Prince of Wales, he spent all his efforts championing climate justice and sustainability. As a member of the Royal Family, Charles used his power to build important organisations such as The Prince's Trust, a charity that works to improve the lives of young people across the UK.

Categories: Famous People, Royal Family

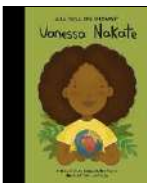


304. **OLIVE MORRIS LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS**

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Aurelia Durand (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Discover the life of Olive Morris, the social justice activist and campaigner. Olive was a child when she moved from the countryside in Jamaica to the busy streets of London in Britain. She soon realised just how tough and hard life was growing up in Britain during the 1970s. Her life changed forever when she witnessed police brutality towards a Black man and was arrested when she came to his aid. Olive became a leader within the Black British community, fighting against any kind of abuse and speaking up about racism.

Categories: Famous People, Activism, Racism



305. **VANESSA NAKATE LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS**

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Olivia Amoah (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$19.99** |

Discover the incredible life of Vanessa Nakate, the Ugandan climate-justice activist. As a kid, when little Vanessa heard about climate change, she thought it was something that happened on the other side of the world. As an adult, she saw how droughts led to crop failure that left families hungry. Inspired by other activists, Vanessa took a stand and began campaigning to save the Congolian rainforests. Soon, she was invited to take her campaign around the world. In 2020, Vanessa participated in an important summit about climate change. But when she was cropped out of a photograph featuring other climate-change activists, it felt like not just her contribution to the movement had been erased, but that the needs of a whole continent had been disregarded. It was a moment that shocked the world, but it spurred Vanessa on to raise her voice louder and to fight harder for climate justice for Africans.

Categories: Famous People, Environment, Activism

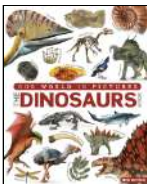


306. **MY FIRST BOOK OF DINOSAURS**

Compilation | Zoe Ingram (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$27.99** |

Illustrated in a bright, contemporary style, this is a modern guide to some of the most popular and interesting dinosaurs from the terrifying Tyrannosaurus Rex to the vicious Velociraptor, taking in such favourites as Stegosaurus, Triceratops, Iguanodon and Diplodocus along the way. This information book for young children is packed with information and fun facts – everything you need to know to help you learn about and identify prehistoric reptiles. With key facts about era, size, weight, diet and origin, there is even a helpful pronunciation guide and a special, "Did you know?" section on each dinosaur, which all young palaeontologists will love!

Categories: Dinosaurs



307. **OUR WORLD IN PICTURES: DINOSAUR BOOK, THE OUR WORLD IN PICTURES**

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | **RRP \$35.00** |

With more than 1,000 images and fascinating facts, The Dinosaur Book brings young readers face-to-face with some of the most incredible creatures ever to exist. Vivid illustrations and realistic digital reconstructions bring to life all forms of prehistoric creatures, showing their fearsome teeth, tails, legs and scales that enabled them to eat, move and defend themselves against predators. Young readers can find out too, about the latest scientific discoveries that have changed the way we see these fascinating prehistoric animals – from the discovery of feathered dinosaurs to analysing what has been found in their stomachs.

Categories: Dinosaurs



308. **OUR WORLD IN PICTURES: HISTORY** [OUR WORLD IN PICTURES](#)

[Dorling Kindersley](#) | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** |

Explore galleries of intriguing objects from ancient civilizations, bygone eras, and breakthrough moments, to understand how the modern world has been influenced by the past. Marvel at the jewellery created in ancient empires. Discover the treasures that travelled along the Silk Road from East Asia to Europe. Uncover the gadgets used by spies during World War II and the Cold War.

Categories: [History](#)

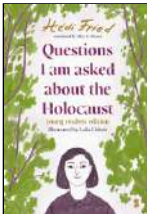


309. **SEARCH FOR A GIANT SQUID** [PICK YOUR PATH](#)

[Amy Seto Forrester](#) | [Andy Chou Musser](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$32.99** |

This series starter takes emerging readers on an expedition to the ocean's twilight zone in search of a giant squid. But giant squids are hard to find. Readers will need to join the expedition and help make choices along the way. First they'll pick their submersible. And then their pilot and dive site. They'll need to be careful—not every path leads where it seems, but whatever path they pick, they'll see and learn amazing things!

Categories: [Interactive](#)

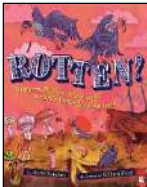


310. **QUESTIONS I AM ASKED ABOUT THE HOLOCAUST: YOUNG RE**

[Heidi Fried](#) | [Laila Ekboir](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 11+ | **RRP \$24.99** |

A young readers edition of the bestselling book from Auschwitz survivor Hedi Fried that answers questions about the Holocaust. Hedi Fried was nineteen when the Nazis arrested her family and transported them to Auschwitz. While there, apart from enduring the daily horrors at the concentration camp, she and her sister were forced into hard labour before being released at the end of the war. After settling in Sweden, Hedi devoted her life to educating young people about the Holocaust. In her 90s, she decided to take the most common questions, and her answers, and turn them into a book so that children all over the world could understand what had happened.

Categories: [History](#), [Memoir](#), [World War 2](#), [Holocaust](#), [Holocaust Survivor](#)

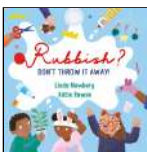


311. **ROTTEN! VULTURES, BEETLES, SLIME AND NATURE'S OTHE**

[Anita Sanchez](#) | [Gilbert Ford](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | **RRP \$19.99** |

A funny and fact-filled look at decomposition in all of its slimy glory, illustrated with dazzling full-color art by Gilbert Ford. Vultures, fungi, dung beetles, and more aid in this fascinating and sometimes smelly aspect of the life cycle that's right under our noses.

Categories: [STEM](#), [Science](#), [Decomposition](#)

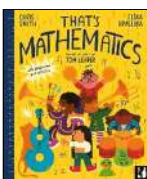


312. **RUBBISH? DON'T THROW IT AWAY**

[Linda Newbery](#) | [Katie Rewse](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.99** |

From pine cones on the grass to old coat-hangers in the cupboard, from empty cardboard boxes to unwanted curtains, used wrapping paper, yogurt pots, odd socks, sinks and fallen leaves What can we do with all this stuff that nobody wants? The Dragonflies nursery know exactly what to do. They are full of creative ideas and love to think up ways in which old things can be made new and useful again. And it's all free!

Categories: [Environmental Issues](#), [Pollution](#), [Rubbish](#), [Waste](#), [Recycling](#)

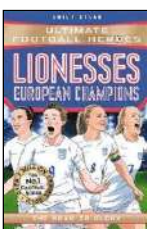


313. **THAT'S MATHEMATICS**

[Tom Lehrer](#) | [Elina Braslina](#) (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

That's Mathematics is a maths book like no other. It's a vibrant, colourful book for young children showing them that maths is useful, interesting, fun and EVERYWHERE! They use it every day when they count, share, play, do sport, make cakes or move to music. Aimed at children from 5 to 8 years, the youngest can enjoy it as a picture book, reading Lehrer's rhyming song lyrics and looking at Elina Braslina's joyful illustrations. They will pick up a basic understanding of real-world maths and learn some core maths language along the way. Older children are challenged to 'Try This' and 'Explore This' by author Chris Smith, who is a maths teacher, musician and all-round maths enthusiast. The activities are designed to deepen their curiosity and knowledge.

Categories: [STEAM](#), [Maths](#), [Counting](#)



314. **LIONESSES: EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS** [ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES](#)

[Emily Stead](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$12.99** |

Celebrating the success of the phenomenal Lionesses, this book follows four key players in their journey from the playground to the pitch, as they prepare for the biggest match of their lives. Learn how star players Lucy Bronze, Ellen White, Leah Williamson and Beth Mead stepped up to help the Lionesses secure the title of European Champions 2022.

Categories: [Soccer](#), [Football](#), [Teamwork](#), [Sport](#)



315. WE ARE PALESTINIAN: CELEBRATION OF CULTURE AND TRADITION

Reem Kassis | Noha Eilouti (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$24.99** |

From culture and food, to music and literature, We Are Palestinian is a celebration of Palestinian heritage. Brought to life by award-winning writer Reem Kassis, every spread is filled with wonderful anecdotes, fascinating facts, memorable quotes and beautiful illustrations by Noha Eilouti, an emerging Palestinian-Canadian illustrator. Discover ALL about the history of iconic Palestinian symbols like tatreez embroidery, or the inspiration behind Mahmoud Darwish's poetry. As you turn every page, you'll find yourself lost in the world of Dabke (the folk dance of Palestine) and amazed by its famous old cities, you'll try traditional food like knafeh, explore the different religions, and find out much more. Each spread of We Are Palestinian is accessible, richly inspiring and visually stunning.

Categories: Culture, Religion, Tradition

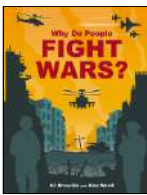


316. WHO ATE WHAT? HISTORICAL GUESSING GAME FOR FOOD

Rachel Levin | Natalia Rojas Castro (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$29.95** |

In this first book of culinary history for children, readers will discover the fascinating dishes eaten by 10 high-interest historical peoples – from prehistoric humans to children of the future. Whether munching on mud-baked hedgehogs like the ancient Egyptians, or nibbling tacos topped with chillis grown in space like the astronauts of today, readers will be immersed in the diverse, tasty, weird, and wonderful food history of the world. Packed with guess-what challenges, unbelievable facts, and interactive guessing game, four real recipes from different eras, and delicious reveals, this fact-filled read-aloud encourages an interest in food (and perhaps a bit of subtle encouragement to taste something new!), and is perfect for history-lovers and food-enthusiasts alike. Ages 5 - 8

Categories: History, Food



317. WHY DO PEOPLE FIGHT WARS?

Ali Brownlie | Hardback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$29.99** |

Written in clear, straightforward language, this book looks at why people go to war and whether it is ever right to kill another person. It explains different attitudes to warfare and why wars are such a major part of history. It also looks at peace keeping organisations and conflict resolution. Questions and topics covered include: What is war?; A brief history of war; Why do wars start?; Why do people fight?; Why do children fight?; Wars and new technology; Colonialism; Exploiting fear; War crimes; Civilians and war; Refugees; After the war; Can war ever be justified?; Are wars reported accurately?; Preventing war and negotiating peace; Resolving conflicts.

Categories: War, Conflict, Conflict Resolution



318. INDIA WORLD EXPLORERS

Drue Rintoul | Hardback | Age 5+ | **RRP \$28.99** |

From its historic landmarks to its diverse landscapes, India dazzles visitors and residents alike! This title introduces readers to the landscapes, wildlife, demographics, and culture of this South Asian country. With leveled text and colorful images introduce India, while special features highlight the country's greetings, wildlife, and more.

Categories: Countries, India

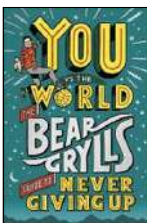


319. GREEN SEA TURTLE YOUNG ZOOLOGIST

Carlee Jackson | Daniel Rieley (Illustrator) | Hardback | **RRP \$12.99** |

Explore coral reefs to study green sea turtles in this beautiful non-fiction field guide for kids. You might know that green sea turtles have incredible shells, but there's so much more to learn about these underwater marvels! Turn the pages to find out how green sea turtles keep seagrass beds healthy by "mowing" them, and how some species of fish like to hitch a ride on their shells. Filled with simple science and plenty of animal facts, this book also looks at the conservation challenges these endangered animals face due to climate change, poaching, and plastic pollution.

Categories: Endangered Species, Climate Change, Pollution, Environmental Issues, Turtles



320. YOU VS THE WORLD: BEAR GRYLLS GUIDE TO NEVER GIVING UP

Bear Grylls | Paperback | Age 10+ | **RRP \$24.99** |

Bear's lessons from the wild are transposed to everyday settings, helping kids to develop emotional resilience Give the young person in your life the mindset they need to thrive. Kids today are presented with new challenges all the time. They face an uncertain future and are under constant pressure to thrive in an overwhelming and fast-paced world. You vs the World- The Bear Grylls Guide to Never Giving Up retells Bear Grylls' most extreme adventures in a kid-friendly way. He shares the life lessons he's learned along the way, and how the skills needed to survive in the wild can be used in everyday life. From finding confidence to bouncing back from failure, Bear gives children the tools they need to survive and thrive in their own lives.

Categories: Growth Mindset, Resilience, Confidence