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# PICTURE BOOKS

FICTION



# BELLA THE BRAVE

REBEL WILSON & ANNABEL TEMPEST

NOVEMBER 2021 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+

*Bella is brave, Bella is bold. She just doesn't know it yet. An empowering picture book about finding your voice from one of Hollywood's best-loved stars, Rebel Wilson.*

Book 2  
coming  
2023

*Bella, be brave.  
Time to make a choice.  
Bella, be bold.  
Time to find your voice.*

Bella has so much to say, but she's just too shy. If only she could be more like her confident sister, Stella. Then one day Bella's mum brings her to the local choir.

Could it finally be Bella's time to shine?



*Rebel Wilson is an Australian actor, writer and producer who has established herself as one of Hollywood's most sought-after entertainers, endearing audiences worldwide with her distinct humour while championing new narratives for women. Rebel has appeared in Pitch Perfect, Bridesmaids, Jojo Rabbit and the film adaptation of Cats. She also produced and starred in Isn't It Romantic and The Hustle.*

*Bella the Brave is Rebel's debut book series for children.*

*Annabel Tempest has illustrated everything from children's books and maps to greeting cards and packaging. Her clients include Simon & Schuster, BabLit-Gibbs Smith and Clarks shoes. Annabel lives in the UK with her husband and a house full of muddy boys and dogs.*



ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Jeanmarie Morosin

RIGHTS HELD: World

MATERIAL AVAILABLE: Final pages

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# LITTLE TREASURE

CHANELLE GOSPER & JENNIFER GOLDSMITH

APRIL 2023 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+

*In the vein of Emma Dodd's Together and Nancy Tillman's On the Night You Were Born, this tender picture book will touch the hearts of children and parents alike, with its poetic observations about the unbreakable bond between mother and child and its reminder to treasure every moment together.*

**"Look!"**

*Here you come, running to me with  
sandy hands cupped carefully.  
What do you have there?*

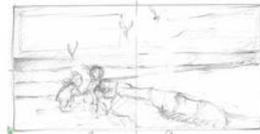
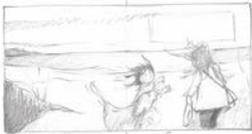
There's treasure to be found in every  
moment ...

A mother and child explore a  
deserted beach on a windy day; a  
morning that they'll treasure always.



*Chanelle Gosper is a writer based in South Australia, where she lives with her husband, daughters and a whole lot of story ideas. A life-long love of learning and adventure has seen her live in three different countries, travel the world and enjoy a colourful career that includes primary school teaching, recruitment, healthcare support and marketing.*

*Jennifer Goldsmith is an internationally renowned figure in the world of handmade inventive toy characters. Jennifer has always thought of toy making as a kind of storytelling and her need to build and share characters now finds life through watercolour and pencil illustrations. She is also the illustrator of Where Happiness Hides by Anthony Bertinin. Follow her [@jennifer.goldsmith.storyteller](https://www.instagram.com/jennifer.goldsmith.storyteller).*

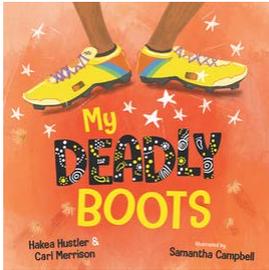


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# MY DEADLY BOOTS

**HAKEA HUSTLER, CARL MERRISON, & SAMANTHA CAMPBELL**

SEPTEMBER 2022 | HARDBACK | 24PP | AGE 3+

*An empowering, uplifting picture book about what it is that makes you who you are, from author Hakea Hustler, First Nations author Carl Merrison and First Nations illustrator Samantha Campbell.*

When a young Aboriginal boy finally receives the footy boots he has been saving for, they give him the confidence he needs to face the struggles in his life. He wears them everywhere, showing them off to his friends and family as he goes.

But when his boots go missing, his grandfather helps him realise there is much more to him than what he wears on his feet – he can draw strength from the support of his family and his connection to culture and Country.



*Hakea Hustler is an experienced teacher who has taught around Australia, including in remote Aboriginal communities. Hakea is committed to Indigenous education with a focus on story as learning and empowerment.*

*Carl Merrison is a respected Jaru/Kija man who was Western Australian runner-up Australian of the Year Local Hero in 2016. He has worked for over 10 years alongside Aboriginal youth as a mentor and coach.*

*Carl and Hakea's first book, Black Cockatoo, was a Children's Book Council of Australia Honour Book for Younger Readers. The Beautiful Night, written by Carl Merrison and Hakea Hustler and illustrated by acclaimed Australian children's book illustrator Dub Leffler, will be published in September 2023 and Loved You Then, written by Carl Merrison and Hakea Hustler, will be published in September 2024.*

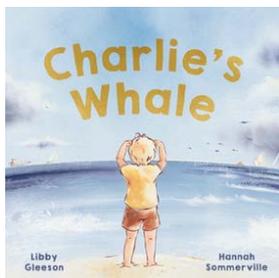
*Samantha Campbell grew up in the Northern Territory and lives in Darwin. She is descended from the Dagoman people from Katherine and as a child lived in remote communities across the Top End. Her first book, Alfred's War, written by Rachel Bin Salleh, was shortlisted for the NSW Premier's Literary Awards and the Speech Pathology Awards.*

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# CHARLIE'S WHALE

**LIBBY GLEESON & HANNAH SOMMERVILLE**

OCTOBER 2022 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+

*An elegant and classic picture book about a little boy who just wants to see a real whale. Minke whales, orcas, beluga whales, humpbacks, sperm whales and right whales, Charlie loves them all. But most of all, he loves the great blue whale. From highly awarded and respected children's author, Libby Gleeson.*

*Charlie loved the sea.  
He loved the seashells and sea horses, the sharks and the stingrays,  
the crabs and the crayfish.  
He loved the gentle waves that crept up onto the sand and tickled his toes.  
He loved the huge wild waves that crashed onto the sand  
and made the beach tremble.  
But most of all he loved the whales.*

Parents will relate to the way children fixate on things they love, and little readers will delight in Charlie's obsession with these giants of the sea.

*Libby Gleeson is an award-winning author of more than 30 books for children and teenagers, including Red (winner of the Prime Minister's Literary Award for Children's Fiction 2013), One Sunday, Eleanor, Elizabeth, Love Me, Love Me Not and the Hannah series. Libby won the prestigious Lady Cutler Award 1997, Dromkeen Medal 2011 and Nan Chauncy Award 2015 for her distinguished service to children's literature. In 2007 she was made a member of the Order of Australia for her contributions to literature as an author and as an advocate for the development of literacy and learning in schools.*

*Hannah Somerville is a bestselling picture book illustrator who creates enchanting watercolour, gouache and digital illustrations. Her picture book Digby & Claude, written by Emma Allen, and Anisa's Alphabet, written by Mike Dumbleton, were selected as Notable Books by the Children's Book Council of Australia.*



ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Jeanmarie Morosin

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# THE GARGOYLE

**ZANA FRAILLON & ROSS MORGAN**

**MAY 2023 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 5+**

*A beautifully written and poignant picture book about our changing environment and what it means to get older, from one of Australia's most critically acclaimed and award-winning writers.*

*He's old, this gargoyle. Very old. Older than me. Older than anyone. He looks tired. I think, if I had a seat, I would have given it to him.*

*He shuffles past me and stands near the door and watches the city smushing past. I thought I heard him sigh. It was an echoey, achy, hollow sort of sound, like the wind when it gusts down lanes and through tunnels and in and out of the big drains that stretch under the city.*

*A small spout of water drips from his mouth and splats on the ground like rain. Or tears maybe.*

This gentle allegory about ageing and our changing environment will stay with you long after you have finished reading. Another masterpiece from Zana Fraillon that is bursting with heart.

*Zana Fraillon was born in Melbourne, but spent her early childhood in San Francisco. Her 2016 book The Bone Sparrow won the Amnesty CILIP Honour, ABIA Book of the Year for Older Readers and the Readings Young Adult Book Prize. It was also shortlisted for the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize, Gold Inky, CILIP Carnegie Medal, Prime Minister's Literary Awards and the Queensland Literary Awards. Her book The Lost Soul Atlas won the 2020 Aurealis Award for Best Children's Fiction and was shortlisted for the 2021 Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year for Older Readers.*



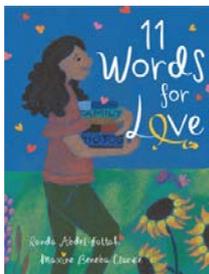
*Ross Morgan is a fine artist and illustrator from Adelaide. In 2019 he won the 'Raising Literacy Australia's Emerging Author and Illustrator Mentoring Project'. His first illustrated book Molly Moores has a House Like Yours, written by Kaliah Tsakalidis, was published in 2020. In 2021 he was shortlisted for the SCBWI Australian Picture Book Illustrator Award as Emerging Illustrator.*

ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Jeanmarie Morosin

RIGHTS HELD: World

MATERIAL AVAILABLE: Requests taken

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# 11 WORDS FOR LOVE

**RANDA ABDEL-FATTAH & MAXINE BENEBA CLARKE**

**AUGUST 2022 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+**

*A moving and joyful book for children from all backgrounds about the many ways we love, from award-winning author Randa Abdel-Fattah and acclaimed illustrator Maxine Beneba Clarke.*

*There are 11 words for love, and my family knows them all.*

A family flees their homeland to find safety in another country, carrying little more than a suitcase full of love.

As their journey unfolds, the oldest child narrates 11 meanings for love as her family show, and are shown, all different kinds of love in their new home, and they also remember the love they have for their homeland and for those left behind or lost along the way.

In the Arabic language, there are over 50 words describing the many ways we love. That's 50 stories, 50 life-worlds. This lyrical and heartwarming book takes you on a journey through 11 of these expressions for love.

*Randa Abdel-Fattah is a Palestinian Egyptian Muslim writer, academic, former lawyer and the multi-award-winning author of 11 books published in over 20 countries, including multiple translations, stage productions in the US and Australia, and a graphic novel series. Randa was nominated for Sweden's 2019 and 2018 Astrid Lindgren Award, the world's biggest children's and young adult literature award.*

*Maxine Beneba Clarke is an Australian poet and writer of Afro-Caribbean descent. She is the ABIA and Indie award-winning author of The Hate Race, Foreign Soil and Carrying the World. She is the author of five books for children, including Wide, Big World, Fashionista, the Children's Book Council of Australia and Boston Globe/Horn Prize award-winning picture book The Patchwork Bike, and the critically acclaimed picture book When We Say Black Lives Matter.*

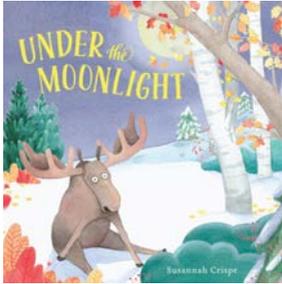


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# UNDER THE MOONLIGHT

SUSANNAH CRISPE

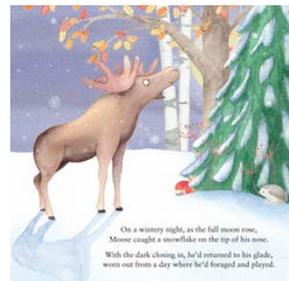
MAY 2022 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+

*A gentle bedtime story that is sure to be a hit with parents and little readers everywhere. Perfect for fans of The Very Cranky Bear and The Gruffalo's Child.*

Meet Moose, an enormous, brave and solitary moose, with nothing to fear. Unfortunately for Moose, his tranquil sleep is about to be shattered by a fright in the night.

Follow Moose as he shows great bravery in facing his fears and investigating the source of the night-time fright.

*Susannah Crispe is a Canberra-based children's book author and illustrator, with a background in zoology and a passion for beautifully crafted books. She won the 2019 Australian Society of Authors Style File Illustration Award Mentorship and came first in the Creative Kids Tales 2020 Writing Competition. See more of her work at [ohsusannah.com.au](http://ohsusannah.com.au) and [@oh.susannah.illustration](https://www.instagram.com/oh.susannah.illustration)*

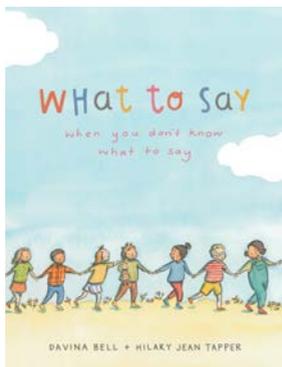


ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Jeanmarie Morosin

RIGHTS HELD: World

MATERIAL AVAILABLE: Final pages

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## WHAT TO SAY WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY

DAVINA BELL & HILARY JEAN TAPPER

JULY 2022 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+

*A beautifully illustrated picture book that offers young readers a way to express their feelings during life's more difficult and awkward moments.*

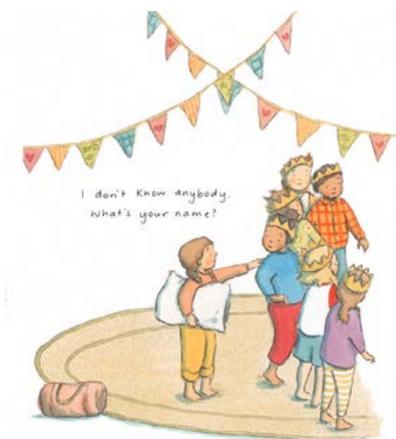
*From award-winning and much-loved author Davina Bell, and exciting new illustrator Hilary Jean Tapper.*

*I'm not brave enough today. Maybe next time.*

*You're hurting my feelings right now.*

*Want to join in?*

A warm and whimsical guide to negotiating life's little moments and big emotions with empathy, kindness and words from the heart.



*Davina Bell is a children's book editor and a writer for young people of many ages. Her picture books include All the Ways To Be Smart, All of the Factors of Why I Love Tractors and Under the Love Umbrella. Her debut young adult novel, The End of the World is Bigger than Love, won the 2021 Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year for Older Readers and the NSW Premier's Literary Awards Prize for Young Adult Fiction. Find out more at [davinabell.com](http://davinabell.com).*

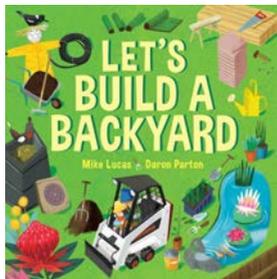
*Hilary Jean Tapper is a New Zealand-based illustrator, creative arts therapist and doll maker. She works with watercolour, ink and pencil, and loves to draw children and nature. Find Hilary at [hilaryjeantapper.com](http://hilaryjeantapper.com) and [@hilaryjeantapper](https://www.instagram.com/hilaryjeantapper).*

ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Jeanmarie Morosin

RIGHTS HELD: World

MATERIAL AVAILABLE: Final pages

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# LET'S BUILD A BACKYARD

MIKE LUCAS & DARON PARTON

MAY 2022 | HARDBACK | 24PP | AGE 3+

*Imagine designing and building your very own backyard!*

*Written by real-life engineer and Children's Book Council of Australia Notable author, Mike Lucas and illustrated by New Zealand favourite, Daron Parton.*

*Slip on your overalls, pop on your hardhat and  
jump in the digger – let's build a backyard!  
We dig, we build, we plant, we sow.  
We make a place to play and grow.  
You and me – one, two, three ... GO!  
Work! Work! Work!*

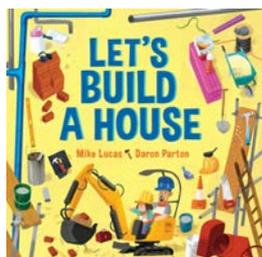


A fun look at creating a backyard from scratch; from moving the mud and building the fence through to planting a vegetable garden and adding in the compost (Poo! Poo! Poo!).

*Let's Build a Backyard* is a high-energy, brightly illustrated picture book. The perfect companion to *Let's Build a House*.

*Mike Lucas is originally from the UK and moved with his family to Australia in 2010. He started his writing career writing funny poetry anthologies and visiting schools and libraries to encourage children to create their own silly rhymes. Mike's first picture book, Olivia's Voice, was a 2018 Children's Book Council of Australia Notable book, followed by Vanishing and Let's Build a House. As well as being a writer, Mike also owns a bookshop in Adelaide, Shakespeare's Bookshop in Blackwood. In 2017, he was the lead organiser of the first ever Adelaide Festival of Children's Books. For five days a week, Mike works as an engineer and has very little time for sleep.*

## ALSO IN THE SERIES



*Daron Parton is an award-winning New Zealand illustrator. He was born in the UK, married a Kiwi and moved to New Zealand in 1995. He has been working as an illustrator since 1990 and is also an illustration tutor at Auckland University of Technology. Daron's books include The Ultimate Survival Guide to Monsters Under Your Bed, A Crocodile in the Family, Let's Build a House and Snake Brought Cake.*

ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Kate Stevens

RIGHTS HELD: World

MATERIAL AVAILABLE: Final pages

RIGHTS SOLD: Available

Let's Build 3  
coming  
May 2023

# MOTHER EARTH

**LIBBY HATHORN**

**APRIL 2023 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+**

*Mother Earth who are you  
So bountiful and various?  
Planet Earth what are you  
Rich in things so curious?  
Lovely, wild, bewitching, flaming,  
Brutal, fierce, not for taming?*

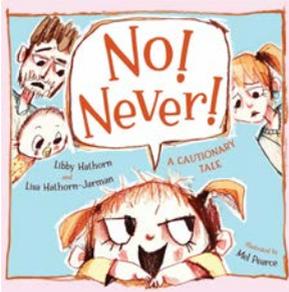


A beautifully illustrated collection of original poems celebrating nature and the environment from one of Australia's most awarded and respected writers for children, who is also a recognised ambassador for children's poetry.

*Libby Hathorn is an award-winning author and poet of more than 70 books for children, young adults, and adult readers. Translated into several languages and adapted for both stage and screen, her work has won honours in Australia, the United States, Great Britain and the Netherlands. In 2014 she won the Alice Award, a national award given to "a woman who has made a distinguished and long term contribution to Australian literature".*

*In 2017 she won the Asher Award, a peace prize, for A Soldier, a Dog and a Boy. Her first young adult novel Thunderwith has enjoyed 30 years in continuous print and was made into a Hallmark Hall of Fame movie. Two of Libby's picture books, Grandma's Shoes and Sky Sash So Blue, have been performed as operas, with a third, Outside, on its way. For more information, go to [libbyhathorn.com](http://libbyhathorn.com).*

## PREVIOUS TITLE



## NO! NEVER!

**LIBBY HATHORN, LISA HATHORN-JARMAN & MEL PEARCE**  
**MAY 2020 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+**

*Winner of the 2020 Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year for Early Childhood. A cautionary tale about a little girl who drives her parents up the wall when she starts answering 'No! Never!' to all their requests – and what happens when the tables are turned on her. A lovely, lively look at the Terrible Twos (or Threes, or Fours, or Fives). Perfect for any parent dealing with tantrums, defiant behaviour or communication issues.*

ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Jeanmarie Morosin

RIGHTS HELD: World

MATERIAL AVAILABLE: Requests taken

RIGHTS SOLD: Available



## BACKYARD BUDDIES

ANDY GEPPERT

AUGUST 2022 | HARDBACK | 24PP | AGE 3+

*A beautifully illustrated somewhat factual introduction to the hoppy, crawly, wriggly, buzzy, fluttery critters that call your backyard home. The perfect companion to Backyard Birdies.*

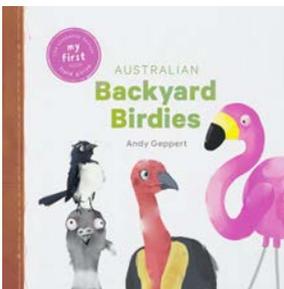
*Butterflies are like moths – just fancier.*

*They fly around during the daytime to show off their pretty, colourful wings. This is probably why moths prefer to only come out at night.*

*Backyard Buddies is a handy field guide full of buzzy facts (some of them even true) about the insects and creatures – ladybugs, snails, blue-tongues and more – that kids are likely to discover living in their backyard.*

*Andy Geppert is an Australian illustrator based in Brisbane. He won the Crichton Award for new illustrators for his work on Little Big Tree in 2010. His follow up picture book, Meep, was selected as a Notable Book by the Children's Book Council of Australia in 2016. Andy is also an award-winning marketing designer. See more of Andy's work at [andygeppert.com](http://andygeppert.com).*

### ALSO IN THE SERIES



## BACKYARD BIRDIES

ANDY GEPPERT

AUGUST 2021 | HARDBACK | 24PP | AGE 3+

*An extraordinarily good looking and somewhat factual illustrated introduction to the birds of Australia.*

*If you would like to learn more VERY REAL facts like this about some of Australia's most common backyard birds, this is the book for you. I mean, who doesn't want to know what bok, bok, bok means in chicken? Or how often a budgerigar poops?*

ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Jeanmarie Morosin

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MATERIAL AVAILABLE: Requests taken

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## BACKYARD SPORTS SERIES



*A joyful picture book series that follows kids as they hop through the backyards of their neighbourhood, collecting equipment and friends to play with as they go. Winner of the black&write! Writing Fellowship for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander writers.*

### BACKYARD FOOTY

**CARL MERRISON & SAMANTHA CAMPBELL**

**MARCH 2023 | HARDBACK | 24PP | AGE 3+**

Jy is playing football alone in his small, dry backyard in the Kimberley region. But when he accidentally kicks it over the fence, a footy adventure begins. In this sweet and sporty story, each character is based on a real footy player!

### BACKYARD TENNIS

**CARL MERRISON & SAMANTHA CAMPBELL**

**MARCH 2024 | HARDBACK | 24PP | AGE 3+**



*Mum loves tennis.*

*We don't have a tennis court out here.*

*But mum gets her old rackets out and takes me to our backyard.*

Inspired by one mum's love of Ash Barty and Evonne Goolagong, a group of kids learn what it's like to play tennis together on the red dirt of the Australian outback.

*Carl Merrison is a respected Jaru/Kija man who was Western Australian runner-up Australian of the Year Local Hero in 2016. He has worked for over 10 years alongside Aboriginal youth as a mentor and coach.*

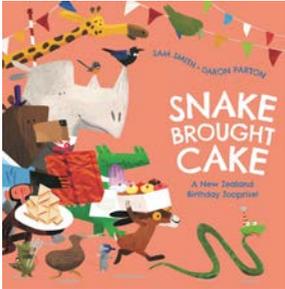
*Samantha Campbell grew up in the Northern Territory and lives in Darwin. She is descended from the Dagoman people from Katherine and as a child lived in remote communities across the Top End. Her first book, Alfred's War, written by Rachel Bin Salleh, was shortlisted for the NSW Premier's Literary Awards and the Speech Pathology Awards.*

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# SNAKE BROUGHT CAKE

SAM SMITH & DARON PARTON

MAY 2022 | PAPERBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+

*Ever wonder what a birthday looks like when the animals are organising it all?*

*It's time to get ready to party!*



*The cockerel crowed across Pettington Zoo.  
The animals woke with a big job to do.  
'The Harry is coming! Today is the day!  
We have to get ready! There's no time to play!'*

It's Harry's birthday and the all the animals at Pettington Zoo are planning a big surprise. It's time to get ready to party!

Written by comedian Sam Smith and illustrated by Daron Parton, this is a heartwarming and hilarious book so full of laughs that you may just be crying by the end.



*Sam Smith is a writer, comedian, and ex-dentist. He pivoted from being a dentist when an MS diagnosis caused him to partially lose his vision. He is a head writer for the TV show 7 Days. He is the go-to audience warm-up act for many shows including Dancing With the Stars, The Project, Have You Been Paying Attention? and Patriot Brains.*

*Daron Parton is an award-winning New Zealand illustrator. He was born in the UK, married a Kiwi and moved to New Zealand in 1995. He has been working as an illustrator since 1990 and is also an illustration tutor at Auckland University of Technology. Daron's books include The Ultimate Survival Guide to Monsters Under Your Bed, A Crocodile in the Family, Let's Build a House and Let's Build a Backyard.*



ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Alison Shucksmith

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# THE CHAOS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

**SARINA DICKSON & LILY EMO**

**OCTOBER 2022 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+**

*With the rhyming style of Clement C. Moore's classic A Night Before Christmas, this timeless tale will take you on a thrilling adventure to Elf School, where the elves are preparing for their final test – but wait, where did those dragons come from?*

*'Tis the run up to Christmas  
and there is so much to do!  
At Elf School we are learning  
how we can help too.*

Elroy McChristmas and his friends are about to sit their final test before Santa decides the best job for each elf. But when it's time to show off their skills, the classroom erupts into chaos!



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Can Elroy and his classmates restore calm before Santa arrives?

*Sarina Dickson is a #1 bestselling writer, artist and educator. She has enjoyed a varied and creative working life, which has led to collaborations with experts in publishing, mental health and wellness, education, illustration, book design and tertiary research. Her writing has been highly commended in the Scribbles Creative Writing Awards. Find Sarina on Instagram [@Creating\\_In\\_The\\_Cracks](#) and Twitter [@Sarina\\_Dickson](#).*

*Lily Emo is an award-winning illustrator living in New Zealand. She spends her time juggling the demands of an illustration/art career and freelancing as a graphic designer and relief art teaching. Lily works with a range of mediums – from Procreate and photoshop to more traditional mediums like watercolour, gouache, graphite and coloured pencil. Find Lily at [lily.emo.com](http://lily.emo.com) and [@lily.emo](http://@lily.emo).*



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# YOU HUNG THE MOON

JESSICA URLICHS & SARAH REINHARDT

MARCH 2023 | HARDBACK | 64PP | AGE 3+

*From Jessica Urlichs, author of the number #1 bestseller The Rainbow in My Heart, comes a beautiful, illustrated gift book for children and adults of all ages who wish to celebrate a life shared with family.*

From poet Jessica Urlichs comes this beautiful, illustrated gift book. In the vein of *All of This Is for You*, each page will feature a verse and illustration that captures the love between children and their parents. The moon serves as a motif throughout, shining from the pages as we follow the course of love shared at infancy, childhood, teenage years and eventual adulthood.

*Jessica Urlichs shot to stardom on social media with her honest and heartfelt poetry centering around her family and motherhood. Jessica met her husband in Australia where they lived together for many years and are now raising their children in New Zealand. She continues to connect with the world through her writing via Instagram. Follow Jessica [@jessurlichs\\_writer](https://www.instagram.com/jessurlichs_writer).*

*Sarah Reinhardt is an illustrator and graphic designer from Germany who is now based in an idyllic seaside town on the east coast of New Zealand. When Sarah is not using her creative side, you'll find her either out in the water surfing or with a coffee in her hand. Find Sarah [@littleyellowgherkin](https://www.instagram.com/littleyellowgherkin).*



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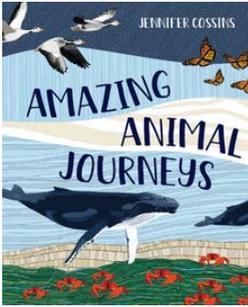
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# PICTURE BOOKS

ILLUSTRATED  
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# AMAZING ANIMAL JOURNEYS

JENNIFER COSSINS

NOVEMBER 2022 | HARDBACK | 64PP | AGE 7+

*A beautifully illustrated title chock-full of fascinating animal facts from the bestselling, award-winning children's author, Jennifer Cossins. Discover 28 animal species from around the world with intriguing migration journeys.*

Did you know that Arctic terns have the longest migration of all animals, from the Arctic to Antarctica? What about that the migration of the Wildebeest can be seen from space? Or that the Hawaiian goby fish develops suction mechanisms on its fins during its migration so it can climb up waterfalls?

Come along for these spellbinding journeys! Perfect for children who delight in learning about the animal kingdom and the world around them.

*Jennifer Cossins is an award-winning artist and writer with a passion for nature, the animal kingdom and all things bright and colourful. Jennifer also designs homewares, textiles and stationery, which she stocks in her store in Hobart, Red Parka.*

*Jennifer's books include A-Z Of Endangered Animals, 101 Collective Nouns, The Baby Animal Book, A-Z Of Australian Animals, The Ultimate Animal Counting Book, A Flamboyance Of Flamingos, The Mummy Animal Book, The Daddy Animal Book, The Ultimate Animal Alphabet Book and Book Of Curious Birds.*



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# THE BIG BOOK OF EXHIBITS

JOAN-MAREE HARGREAVES, MARITA BULLOCK & LIZ ROWLAND

OCTOBER 2022 | HARDBACK | 64PP | AGE 9+

From dinosaur exhibits around the world to a poo machine in Australia, this highly illustrated book includes a mind-boggling array of the world's different eras, places and topics like art, archaeology, technology, craft, history, medicine, popular culture and everyday life.

Care to discover Tokyo's largest collection of pickled parasites, taste some sheep's eyeballs in Sweden's Museum of Disgusting Food or see the British Museum's tiny diamond relics of star dust older than planet Earth?

Showcasing unbelievable and surprising exhibits, big and small, ancient and modern, this book is a treasure trove of the weird and wonderful, that is sure to delight readers around the world.

Joan-Maree Hargreaves has worked in publishing and magazines for more than a decade and has edited a number of international children's titles.

Marita Bullock is an academic and secondary school teacher across the fields of Cultural Studies, Film, Art, and Literature, most recently at the University of Sydney.

Liz Rowland is a British illustrator who has worked with clients including Vogue, Gourmet Traveller and Visit Britain.



## ALSO IN THE SERIES

APRIL 2021 | HARDBACK | 64PP | AGE 7+

Grave-side picnics, epic dance-offs, tomato-throwing frenzies, crying-baby competitions and the biggest bathing ritual on the planet – these are just some of the amazing events in this big book of world festivals.

ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Kate Stevens

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# HOW WE CAME TO BE SURPRISING CREATURES FROM THE SEA

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SERIES

AMAZING EVOLUTION STORIES WITH SAMI BAYLY

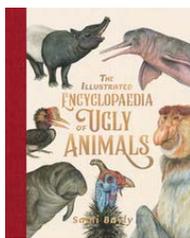
OCTOBER 2022 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 3+

Join Sami as she takes us under the sea in the first instalment of a series that explores the incredible evolution stories behind some of the most unusual and surprising creatures from the sea. Little readers will delight in unusual underwater creatures and discover the wonders of how they came to be.

A brand new, unmissable picture book series from the talent taking the world by storm one ugly, dangerous and peculiar animal at a time. This series will be an instant hit on shelves around the world.



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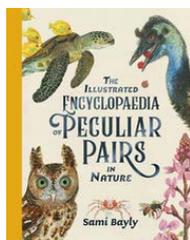


*Marvel as you enter the fascinating hidden world of ugly animals in this illustrated encyclopaedia of the animal kingdom's most unusual and beauty-challenged species. It's time for ugly animals to shine!*

OCTOBER 2019 | HARDBACK | 128PP | AGE 7+

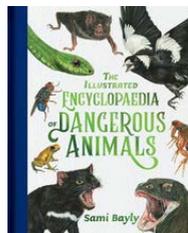
*Dangerous animals get a bad rap, but this beautifully illustrated encyclopaedia helps us appreciate the incredible features of some of our more hair-raising animal species.*

OCTOBER 2020 | HARDBACK | 128PP | AGE 7+



*Many species steer clear of those who are different, but the animals and plants in this book have evolved to form relationships with some of the most unlikely partners, and they couldn't live without them.*

OCTOBER 2021 | HARDBACK | 128PP | AGE 7+



ACQUIRING PUBLISHER: Jeanmarie Morosin

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- Russian (Eksmo)
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# BOSS LADIES OF SCIENCE

PHILLIP MARSDEN

AUGUST 2022 | HARDBACK | 32PP | AGE 5+

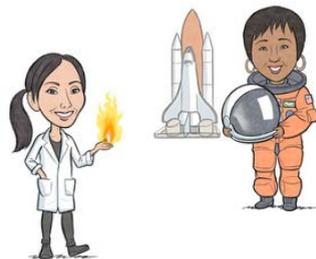
*Boss ladies unite in this illustrated celebration of inspiring and empowered female scientists. From one of Australia's best new talents and author of Boss Ladies of Sport.*

*"Just do your work, and prove them wrong."*

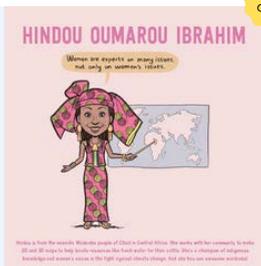
Cohl Furey, Canadian based in Germany,  
Maths and Physics

*"So if you want to – if you're that way inclined and you're thinking of being a scientist, come and do it because it's a fantastic job."*

Maggie Aderin-Pocock, UK, Astronomy



*Phillip Marsden is a Sydney-based full-time illustrator from Liverpool, England. He is a regular contributor to magazines such as Elle, has illustrated books such as Kicking Goals (with Adam Goodes), I Can't Remember the Title But the Cover Is Blue by Elias Greig, A Boy Called Bob by Bob Murphy & Tony Wilson and A Footy Girl's Guide to the Stars of 2017 by Nicole Hayes and Alicia Sometimes. Phillip regularly hosts drawing workshops for kids. You can find Phillip at [phillipmarsden.com](http://phillipmarsden.com) and [@phillipmarsden](https://twitter.com/phillipmarsden).*



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# MY SUPERPOWERS

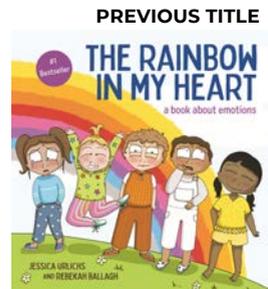
JESSICA URLICHS & REBECCA GIBBS

SEPTEMBER 2022 | PAPERBACK | 32PP | AGE 5+

From Jessica Urlichs, author of the number #1 bestseller *The Rainbow in My Heart*, and illustrator and primary school teacher, Rebecca Gibbs, comes a stunning picture book to demonstrate non-cognitive (soft) skills such as persistence and empathy, and enable conversations between child and parent about mindset skills.

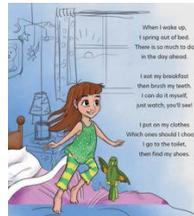
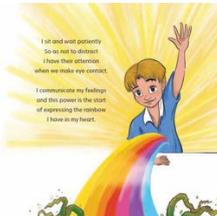
Day after day,  
hour after hour,  
there's always a time  
to use my superpowers!

There is an amazing toolkit of mental skills that children can use everyday – their very own superpowers! This gorgeous book includes questions from a qualified counsellor for parents and teachers to help caregivers start conversations around understanding, identifying and navigating non-cognitive skills such as confidence, teamwork, imagination, resilience and focus.



Jessica Urlichs shot to stardom on social media with her honest and heartfelt poetry centering around her family and motherhood. Jessica met her husband in Australia where they lived together for many years and are now raising their children in New Zealand. She continues to connect with the world with her writing via Instagram. Follow Jessica @jessurlichs\_writer.

Rebecca Gibbs loves to tell stories and create life on the page. She was a primary school teacher before moving on to pursue a world of art and completing a degree in Design and Visual Communications. She was a finalist for the Storylines Gavin Bishop Illustration Award in 2017. Find Rebecca at [rebeccagibbsillustration.com](http://rebeccagibbsillustration.com).



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# THE ISABELLE STORIES



**JANE GODWIN**

**MARCH 2023 | PAPERBACK | 128PP | AGE 6+**

*Isabelle is not magic, she's not the chosen one, she's just an ordinary six year old navigating her way through home and school life, friendships and growing up. These are realistic and heartfelt stories about a recognisable little girl dealing with relatable everyday situations.*



*There are many things you need to get right at school, and Isabelle likes to get things right.*

*It is a lot to remember ... where to line up, how to sit nicely on the mat, listening carefully to Ms Amira, keeping your hands to yourself. When it's time to go to sport and when it's time to go to library. Also, where you are allowed to go in the school grounds, and where you're not allowed to go. Also playing sensibly in the playground, plus remembering to return your take-home book each day, and to put it in the right box.*

*Isabelle tries to be very good, and get everything right all the time, because she really wants to be ...*

Six-year-old Isabelle doesn't have any brothers or sisters. She lives alone with her dad. But she does have a baby cousin, Bibi, who she loves to babysit. Until very recently she was the only Isabelle in her class. Now there's a new girl and her name is Isabel. Isabelle loves her father, rebus puzzles and her special pen. She tries to be a good friend and good at school, but it's not always easy.

Four heart-warming stories in one volume, all about the big and little things that matter when you're growing up and finding your place in the wide new world. From master storyteller, Jane Godwin, one of Australia's most respected writers for children.

*Jane Godwin is the highly acclaimed and internationally published author of many books for children and young people, across all styles and ages. Children's Publisher at Penguin Books Australia for many years, Jane was the co-creator with Davina Bell of the Our Australian Girl series of quality historical fiction for middle-grade readers. Jane's books include her novels Falling From Grace, As Happy as Here (a Children's Book Council of Australia Notable Book) and When Rain Turns to Snow (shortlisted for the Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year for Older Readers and the Prime Minister's Literary Awards for Young Adult Literature). Learn more about Jane at [janegodwin.com.au](http://janegodwin.com.au).*

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# WEDNESDAY WEEKS AND THE DUNGEON OF FIRE

DENIS KNIGHT & CRISTY BURNE

AUGUST 2022 | PAPERBACK | 288PP | AGE 8+

*Gorgomoth the Unclean is back and he's up to no good, of course. Can Wednesday and the gang beat Gorgomoth to the long-lost Stone of Power, or will the world be plunged into Never-Ending Darkness?*

Just when it seems like Wednesday and Alfie might be free to get on with their lives without Gorgomoth ruining everything, the Unclean one rears his ugly head again. This time Gorgomoth is on the trail of the long-lost Stone of Power, which he will be able to use to rule the nine realms and bring about the Third Age of Never-Ending Darkness.

Now Wednesday and the gang must beat Gorgomoth to the stone and pass three trials to see who is worthy of its ancient power. If they don't win, it might just be the end of the world.

The final instalment in the mind-bogglingly fun series that asks the question:

**In a world of magic, can science save the day?**

*Denis Knight is a computer programmer who grew up geeking out about the works of JRR Tolkien, Terry Pratchett and Douglas Adams.*

*Cristy Burne has worked as a science communicator for nearly 20 years. Her books include To The Lighthouse, Off The Track, and Zeroes and Ones.*

*"An action-packed adventure about magic, science, and a mysterious dark tower. Wednesday displays courage and determination to find a solution to her powers – whether it be with science or developing magical powers." – Better Reading*



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# WEDNESDAY WEEKS SERIES

DENIS KNIGHT & CRISTY BURNE

PAPERBACK | AGE 8+

*A seriously smart and funny series about a reluctant sorcerer's apprentice who would rather study science than magic.*

## MEET THE CHARACTERS



## DISCOVER THE SERIES



Book 1: Wednesday Weeks and the Tower of Shadows | May 2021

Wednesday Weeks never wanted to be a sorcerer's apprentice. She'd rather study science than magic. But when her cloak-wearing, staff-wielding grandpa is captured by a power-hungry goblin king, Wednesday must find a way to embrace her magical heritage and rescue him from the dreaded Tower of Shadows. Luckily, she's not alone. Her best friend Alfie is a prime-number fan and robotics expert. But it's going to take more than science, magic, and the world's cutest robot to take down this bad guy ...

Check out the [teachers resources](#) and [read an extract](#).



Book 2: Wednesday Weeks and the Crown of Destiny | September 2021

Gorgomoth the Unclean has escaped and now has turned Grandpa into a frog. It's up to Wednesday and Alfie – with help from Bruce and their new friend Adaline – to track down Gorgomoth and stop him bringing on the Third Age of Never Ending Darkness. Wormholes, giant pinball machines, an evil lair, some misbehaving magic and missing eyebrows (Wednesday doesn't want to talk about it) will all feature in this hilarious adventure to save the nine realms.



# A WALK IN THE DARK

JANE GODWIN

SEPTEMBER 2022 | PAPERBACK | 256PP | AGE 12+

*A gripping and suspenseful rite-of-passage novel about five teenagers and one night that will change them all, from award-winning author Jane Godwin.*

*Five head into the forest, but will all five make it out?*

*"It's just a walk in the dark. What is there to worry about?"*

That's what the head teacher, Johan, says. And so the Year Nines from Otway Community School set out on an overnight hike, with no adults.

But doesn't Johan know that a storm is coming?

When five teenagers head in to the forest that late afternoon, none of them is aware what the night will bring. Each will have to draw on their particular strengths to survive. Each will have to face the unknown, battling the elements, events beyond their control, and their own demons. It's a night that will change everything.

*A Walk in the Dark* is about friendship, trust, identity and family, consent and boundaries, wrapped in a compulsively readable, suspense-filled adventure.

*Jane Godwin is the highly acclaimed and internationally published author of many books for children and young people, across all styles and ages. Children's Publisher at Penguin Books Australia for many years, Jane was the co-creator with Davina Bell of the Our Australian Girl series of quality historical fiction for middle-grade readers. Jane's books include her novels Falling From Grace, As Happy as Here (a Children's Book Council of Australia Notable Book) and When Rain Turns to Snow (shortlisted for the Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year for Older Readers and the Prime Minister's Literary Awards for Young Adult Literature).*

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# YOUNG ADULT



## THE UPWELLING

**LYSTRA ROSE**

SEPTEMBER 2022 | PAPERBACK | 320PP | AGE 12+

*A thrilling YA debut about a young surfer, Kirra, who is mysteriously called into another place without European influence and learns she has the power to save the world.*

*Winner of the black&write! Writing Fellowship for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander writers.*

*The Upwelling* is the story of Kirra, an Aboriginal high school student and avid surfer from the Gold Coast, Australia. Kirra's older brother died during a surfing competition years ago, and Kirra suddenly starts dreaming of him. When Kirra catches a wave on the same break as her brother, she somehow time-slips into a land without European influence.

Here, she meets Narn a young Aboriginal man preparing for initiation into manhood, and Tarni, daughter of the clan's renowned warrior Minjerra. While Kirra adapts to life in this strange place, Narn and Tarni struggle to resist their forbidden love, and a shadow threatens all living things in the land. Kirra learns she, Tarni and Narn have an important role to play in this community, as do their newly discovered magic powers.

Working together will be their only chance to save the world.

*Lystra Rose is a black&write! award-winning writer, editor, and photographer who lives in a land where the rainforest meets the sea ... the sunny Gold Coast, Australia. Lystra is the editor of Surfing Life magazine and executive producer of Surfing Life TV (globally broadcasted on Fuel TV). She is the first female – as well as Indigenous – editor of a mainstream surfing magazine in the world.*

*Lystra loves catching waves at her local break with her family (an interlude between home-schooling tasks). Surfing is Lystra's daily reminder to never let fear stop you from doing the things you love or were meant to do. It's also her creativity generator.*

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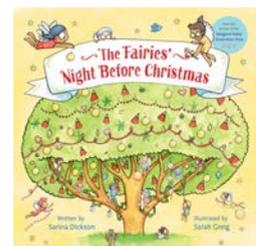
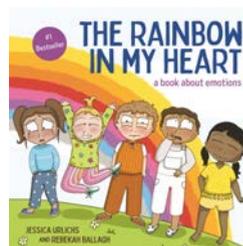
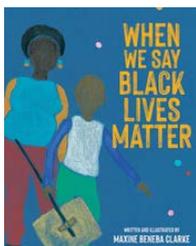
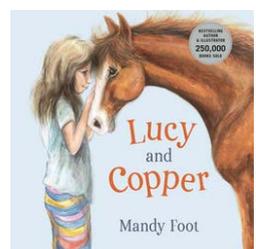
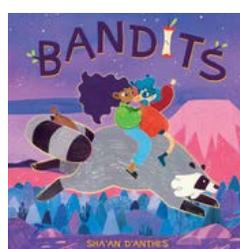
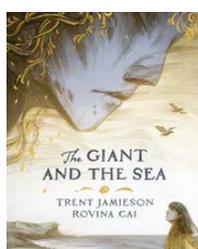
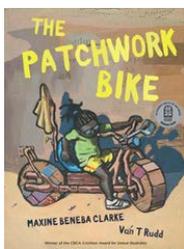
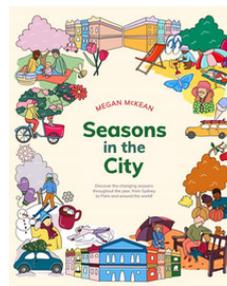
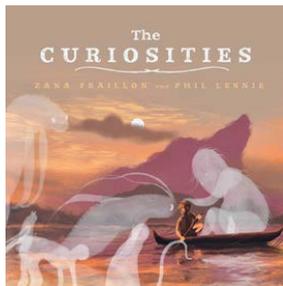
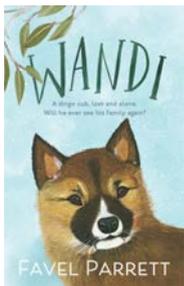
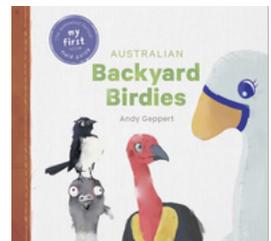
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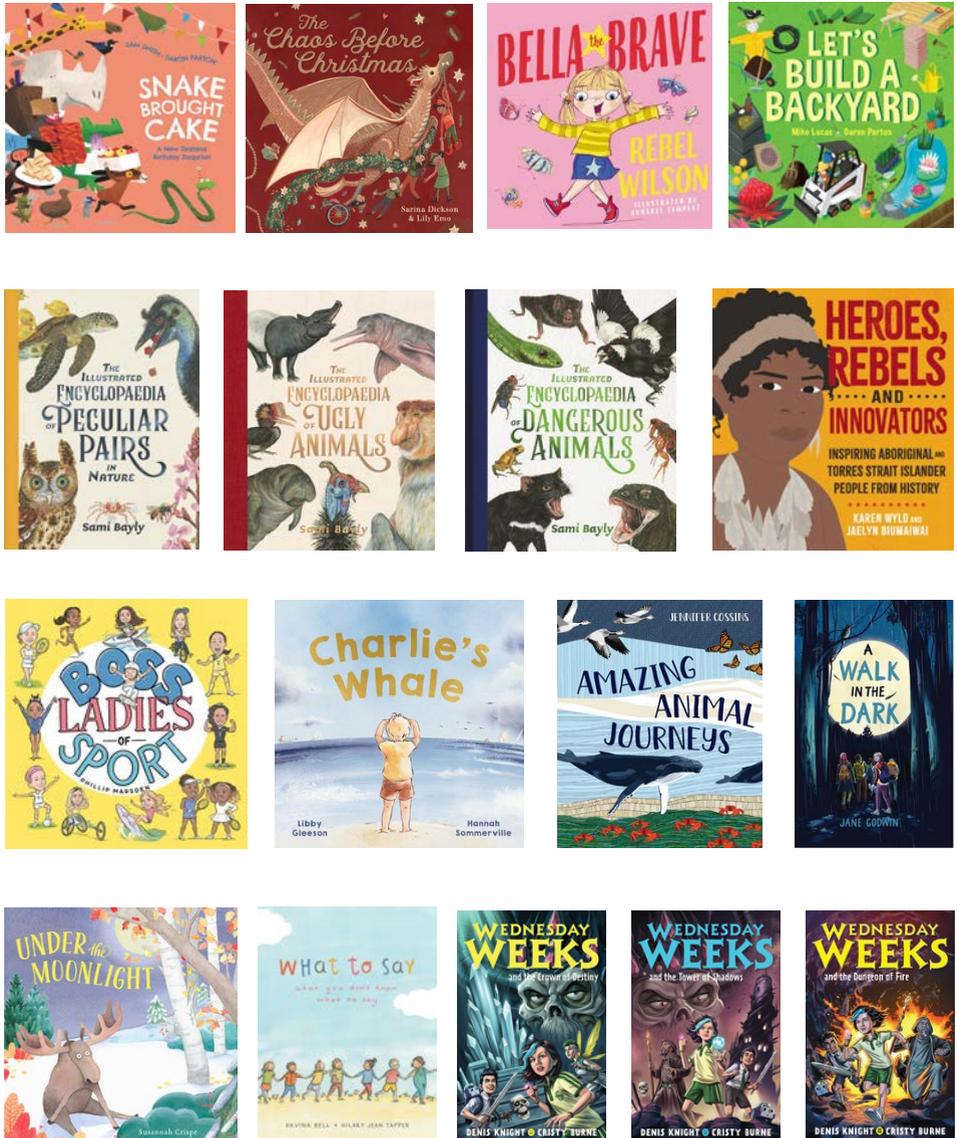
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