

**ELLA AND THE SLEEPOVER SAFARI**

CASSY POLIMENI, ILLUSTRATED BY HYKIE BREEZE

- **Book 2** in the *Ella and the Frogs* four-book junior fiction series from CBCA Notable author Cassy Polimeni (*The Garden at the End of The World*, UQP 2023, illus. Briony Stewart)
- Teaching notes for *Ella and the Amazing Frog Orchestra* (book 1) and *Ella and the Sleepover Safari* (book 2) available on publication
- Exciting and fun illustrations by Hykie Breeze, (Sydney-based Hong Kong-born graphic designer and illustrator) feature on the front and back cover with accompanying illustrations throughout the text
- National publicity campaign by KEAN & Creative

Age range 5 to 8

Ella's worlds collide when her old friend Viv and new friend Mai finally meet at Ella's birthday party – a sleepover at the zoo!

Ella can't wait to explore and learn about the animals, but it's hard to have a good time when your two best friends aren't getting along. The search for an escaped animal threatens to drive them all even further apart, or can they learn to work together?



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Warrane (Sydney)

Also available:

**ELLA AND THE AMAZING FROG ORCHESTRA**  
CASSY POLIMENI



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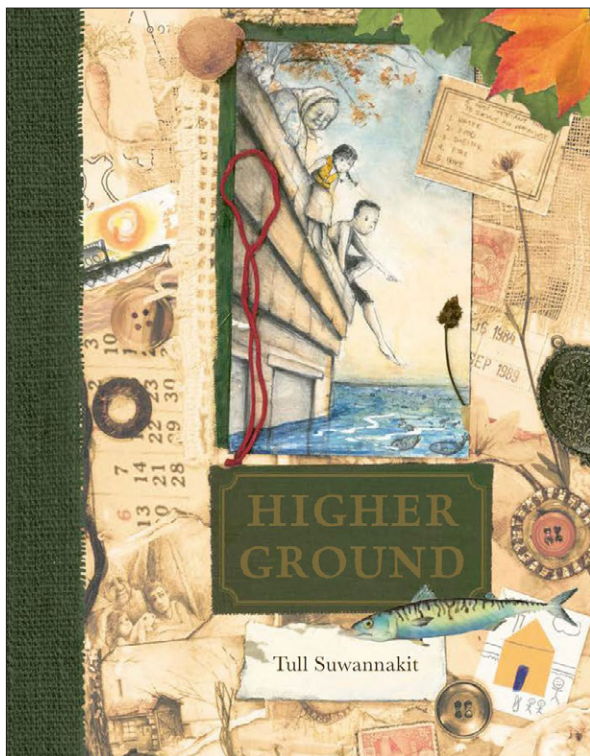
**About the author and illustrator:**



**Cassy Polimeni** is a freelance editor and the author of *The Garden at the End of the World* (picture book) and *Ella and the Frogs* (junior fiction series). Cassy has presented story times and workshops at kindergartens, libraries and festivals. Cassy lives on Bunorong country.



**Hykie Breeze** is a Hong Kong born graphic designer and illustrator living in Sydney (Dharawal Country), Australia. After several years working in marketing, events and program management Hykie decided to switch careers and become a designer. She has worked with Canon, Australia Council for the Arts, PETAA, and CommBank.



## HIGHER GROUND

TULL SUWANNAKIT

- Beautifully illustrated by award-winning author/illustrator whose books have been translated into many languages throughout the world
- *Higher Ground* combines elements of a graphic novel with illustrated picture book and diary, which provides a unique and innovative reading experience
- The use of sparse text and prose not only captures the mood and tone of the narrative but also aids readers with learning differences
- The story teaches readers the importance of family values, independence and life lessons
- A wonderful starting point for exploring themes of resilience, strength in the face of adversity and sustainability

Age range 5 to 8

After a great flood, a grandmother, her two grandchildren and their pet rabbit must learn to survive living on their rooftop garden, relying on scarce resources and limited space. Days turn into weeks, and weeks into months, but through life lessons and words of wisdom, hope emerges.

*Higher Ground* is an inspiring coming-of-age tale of resilience, courage and spirit that illuminates how life can be beautiful even in the darkest of times.



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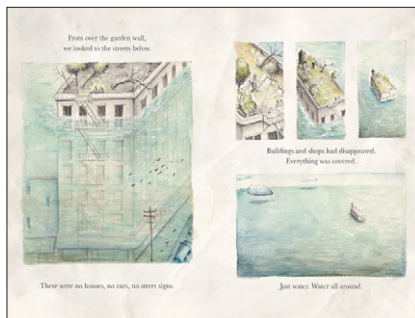


9781922326997 | March 2025 | New Frontier | HB | 136pp | 230x170mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99



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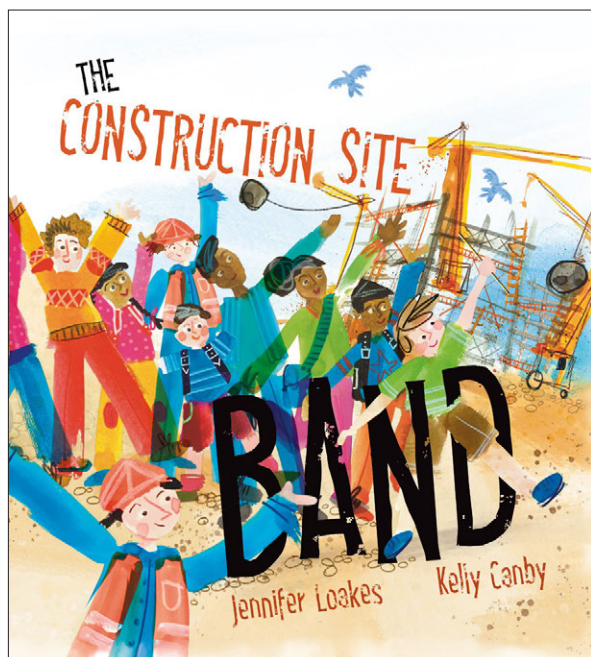
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### About the author:

**Tull Suwannakit** is an author and illustrator of books for children. He is a graduate of Savannah College of Art and Design in Savannah, Georgia, and has illustrated and written numerous children's picture books that have been translated into many languages throughout the world. His publishing clients include New Frontier Publishing, Walker Books, Candlewick Press and Scholastic Press.

Working predominantly with watercolour and graphite, Tull's books have been featured in *The Sydney Morning Herald* and *The New York Times* and on ABC's Mornings radio and *Play School* on ABC Kids. Some of his books were included among the Notables list as part of The Children's Book Council of Australia Awards and shortlisted for the Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards and The Crystal Kite Awards. Along with his bookmaking, Tull is an art teacher and uses his experience in visual arts and storytelling to promote creative expression for people of all ages. He lives a quiet life with his son and their dog in a rural town nestled among the trees and nature outside Melbourne. For more information about Tull, please visit: [www.TullSuwannakit.net](http://www.TullSuwannakit.net)



**THE CONSTRUCTION SITE BAND**

JENNIFER LOAKES, ILLUSTRATED BY KELLY CANBY

- Fun noisy read aloud for young children
- A celebration of the activity in the city
- A book about the way people live with the sound of machinery in their lives
- Kelly Canby just won the CBCA Book of the Year award for her book *Timeless*

Age range 3 to 6

The construction site band is ready.

It's time for the day to begin.

A delightfully noisy book that celebrates all the noise and colour of city life.



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9781922998156 | March 2025 | Windy Hollow Books | HB | 32pp | 215x235mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99



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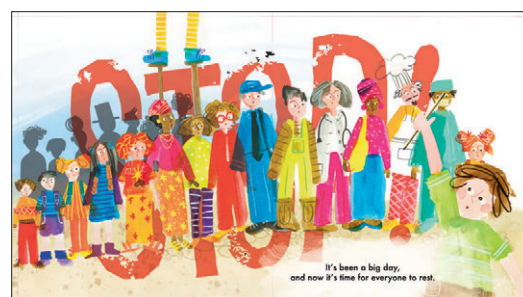
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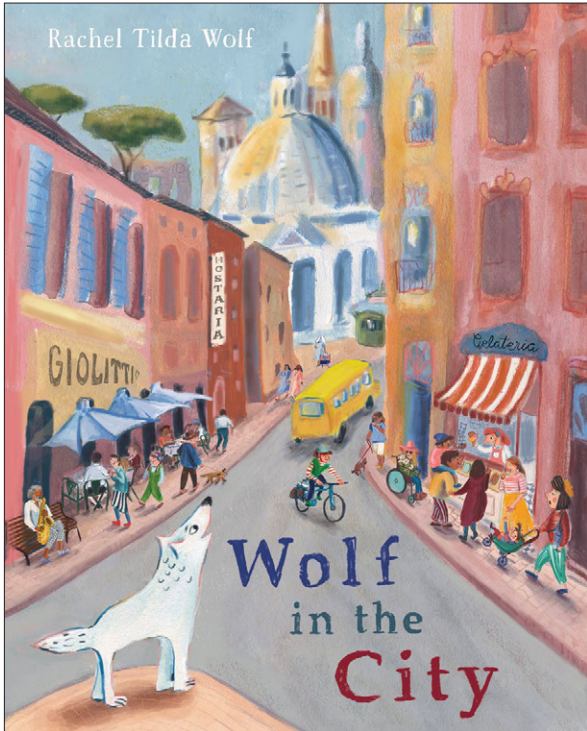
**'I enjoyed thinking about how the machinery sounds would interact with people's day. Perhaps one of the most special things for me about this book, is the idea that people can hear music in their lives if they listen closely and use their imagination.'** – Jennifer Loakes

**About the author and illustrator:**

**Jennifer Loakes** is an internationally published children's author based in sunny Brisbane. *The Construction Site Band* is her fourth book with Windy Hollow Books. Since she was a little girl, Jennifer's been listening to stories, reading stories, and thinking up stories of her own. When stories take a back seat, Jennifer works as a psychologist and enjoys spending time with her family and being at the beach.

**Kelly Canby** is an award-winning internationally published illustrator and author of over two dozen books for children. Kelly was born in London, England, but has lived in Australia since the age of three, which is probably around the same age she started playing with pencils and crayons, and it was probably only a few years after that that she decided playing with pencils and crayons was something she wanted to do for the rest of her life.





**WOLF IN THE CITY**  
RACHEL TILDA WOLF

- **Gorgeous colour and soft, attractive artwork from a debut author and artist**
- **An appealing main character who goes on a quest for fulfilment**
- **Explores the need to be appreciated, and the importance of finding out where you belong**
- **Humourous, with a dig at vanity and selfishness**
- **Rachel has been shortlisted for the World Illustration Award**

**Age range 3 to 6**

A warm and amusing story about learning to appreciate what you already have, by a talented debut picture book artist.

Wolf lived on a plinth in a tired old square on the edge of a vast and magnificent city. Taken for granted and pooped on by Pigeon, she longs to be admired and to find her place amongst the famous statues in the City Centre. One day she sets off on the bus to do just that, but she discovers that the city statues are mean and selfish.

Wolf soon realises that she misses home, and heads back to her old square only to find that her friends there have missed her just as much.

With warmth and humour, this delight of a debut picture book by author and illustrator Rachel Tilda Wolf explores the need to be appreciated and the importance of finding 'home'.



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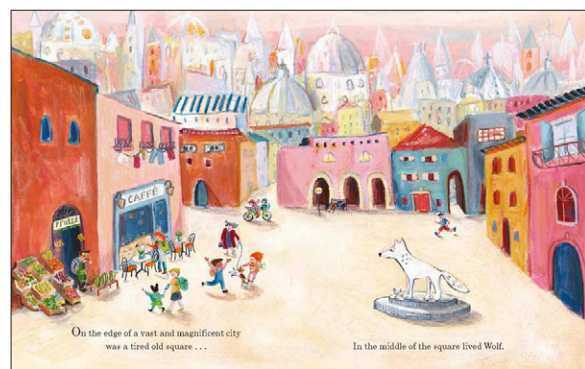
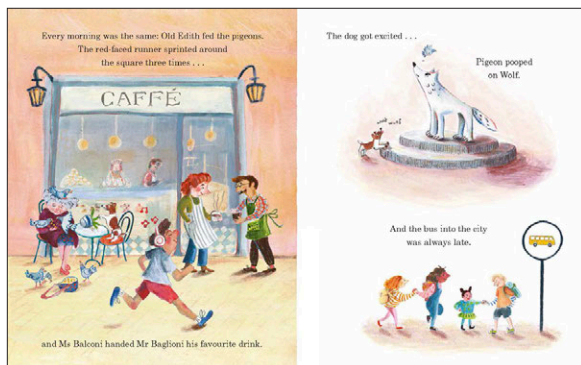
A book to share from  
Sallywag Press

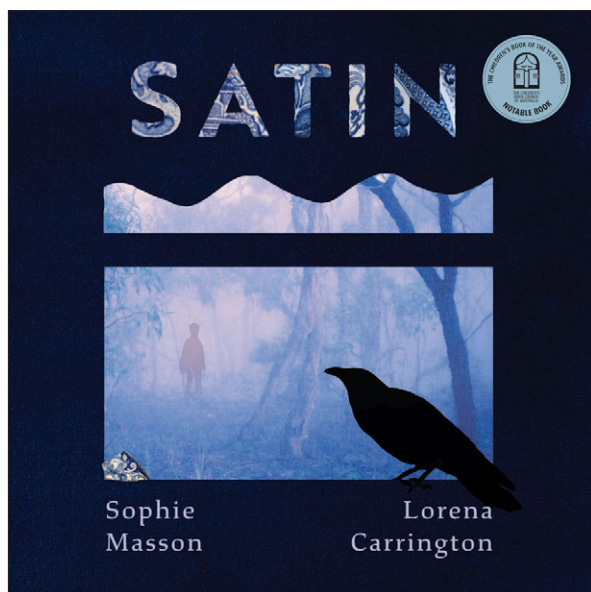
9781915252838 | March 2025 | Sallywag Press | HB | 32pp | 270x216mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99

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**About the author:**

**Rachel Tilda Wolf** graduated from the MA in Children's Book Illustration at Cambridge School of Art in 2023. She lives by the sea in Deal, in Kent, and can often be seen out and about sketchbook in hand drawing from life. *Wolf in the City* is her debut picture book.





**SATIN**

SOPHIE MASSON, ILLUSTRATED BY LORENA CARRINGTON

- Same beautiful book, now in paperback!
- Notable Book in the Children's Book Council Awards

Age range 4+

*Every morning early, when no-one's about, Satin slips out of the forest and walks along the sleepy sunrise streets, looking for blue...*

He's collected all kinds of blues, from all kinds of places. He's making something beautiful, with all those blues. But something's missing, and he doesn't know what it is. And then, one day, he comes to a street he's never been in before. And what he finds there will change his lonely life forever.

A beautiful, haunting fable by award-winning writer Sophie Masson and acclaimed illustrator Lorena Carrington.

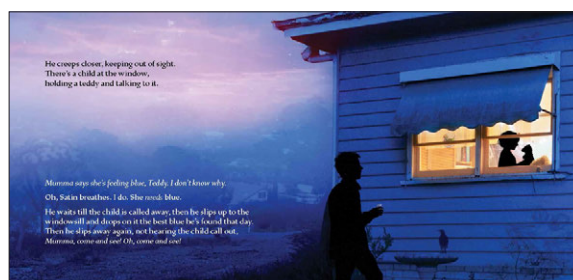
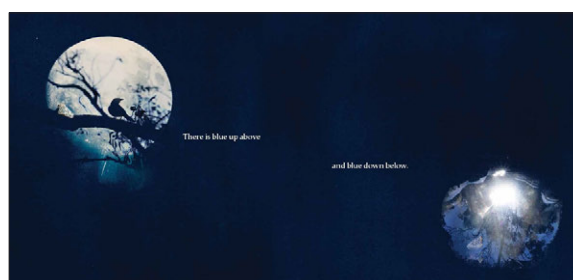
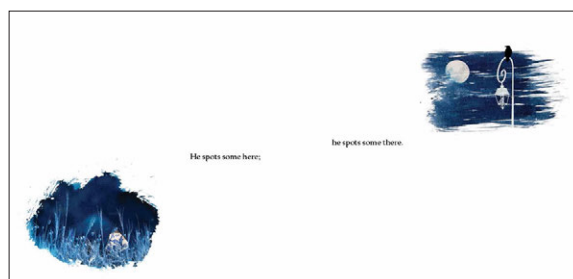
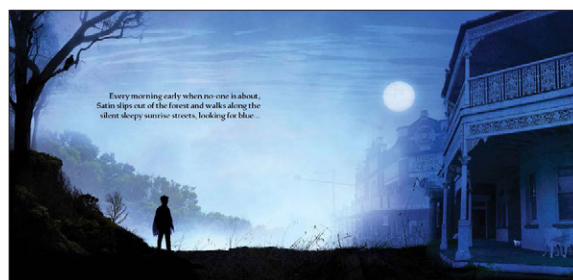


9781922858559 | March 2025 |  
MidnightSun Publishing | PB | 32pp |  
240x240mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99



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Warrane (Sydney)  
Bunorong, Vic



**About the author and illustrator:**

Born in Indonesia of French parents, and brought up in France and Australia, **Sophie Masson** is the award-winning and internationally published author of over seventy books for children, young adults and adults. A former Chair of the Australian Society of Authors and current Chair of the New England Writers' Centre, in 2019 Sophie received an AM award in the Order of Australia honours list.

**Lorena Carrington** is an illustrator whose books have been published in Australia and internationally. Her works are created using photography and digital montage techniques to form richly layered images. She has worked with the likes of Kate Forsyth, Sophie Masson and Carmel Bird, and has illustrated fairy tale collections, picture books, and created covers for novels and anthologies. She also exhibits her work in galleries around Australia, and holds workshops on illustration, books and story. She is recipient of the 2020 Australian Fairy Tale Society award, for her 'outstanding contribution to the field of Australian Fairy Tales.'



## I HEARD A BIRD

ROB RAMSDEN

- **Now in paperback!**
- **Mindfulness and meditation will be appreciated by adults and children alike**
- **Wellbeing – via the sights and sounds of the natural world**
- **A simple text using poetry and repetition which will be a joy to re-read many times**
- **Cover with texture and embossing and high production values**

**Age range 3 to 7**

*I heard a bird. I breathed in – listening.*

*I heard my breathing, my heart beating...*

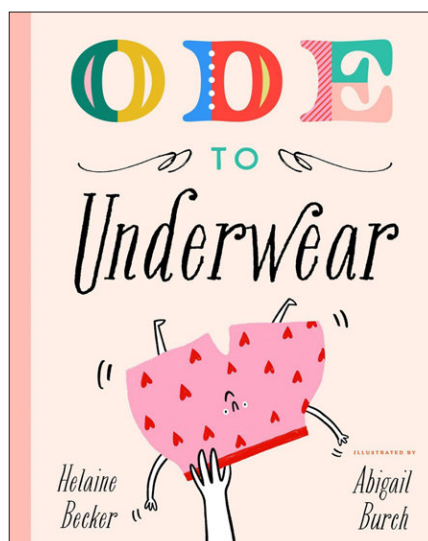
A little girl hears a bird which is frightened away by some cats fighting. As she searches for her bird, she encounters many other intriguing animals and insects. Then, after sitting down to listen to and enjoy the sounds of nature all around, suddenly her bird comes back!

This enchanting exploration of the sights and sounds of the natural world brings in themes of music, mindfulness and meditation, and will be appreciated by adults and children alike.



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9781915252814 | March 2025 | Scallywag Press | PB | 32pp | 240x240mm | AU \$18.99 | NZ \$21.99 | DISC: GEN



## ODE TO UNDERWEAR

HELAINE BECKER, ILLUSTRATED BY ABIGAIL BURCH

- **Potty joke-adjacent – kids love to laugh about underwear!**
- **Underwear books are perennial favourites for this age group**
- **Works as a potty training encouragement**

**Age range 3 to 8**

Let the rump-us begin!

With its cheeky pictures and riotous rhymes, *Ode to Underwear* gets behind that most overlooked, underappreciated wardrobe essential – underwear!

In brief: Be prepared to laugh your butt off.

*Let's hear it for our underwear*

*Our fun to wear best underwear*

*It keeps us warm and dry down there*

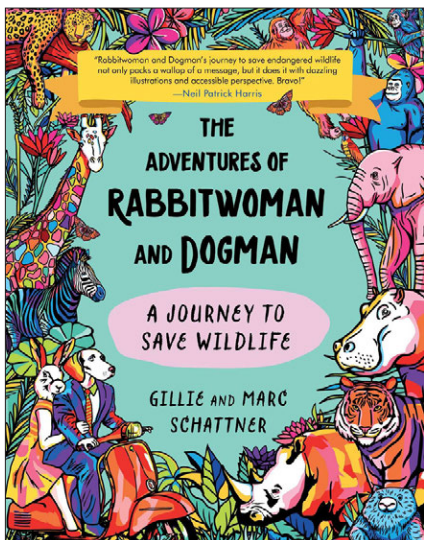
*So give a cheer for underwear!*



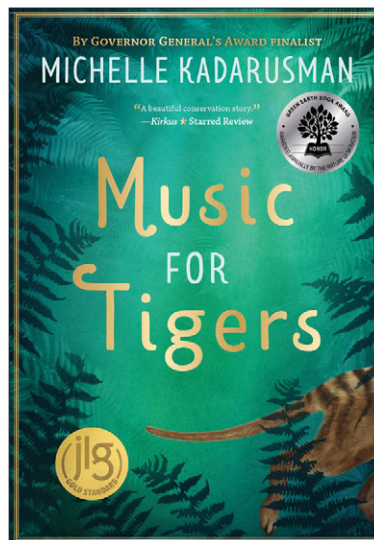
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9781638191940 | March 2025 | Bushel & Peck | HB | 32pp | 279x229mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN





**'Rabbitwoman and Dogman's journey to save endangered wildlife not only packs a wallop of a message, but it does it with dazzling illustrations and accessible perspective. Bravo!' – Neil Patrick Harris**



**MUSIC FOR TIGERS**  
MICHELLE KADARUSMAN

- **Now in an enhanced paperback edition!**
- **STEM themes, and a refreshing partnership of science and art with Louisa's focus on violin eventually marrying with the conservation efforts of her family**
- **Critically praised presentation of a main character's Autism Spectrum Disorder**
- **Compelling setting in the Tasmanian rainforest; includes a map of the world with Tasmania inset**

**Age range 8 to 12**

Shipped halfway around the world to spend the summer with her mum's eccentric Australian relatives, middle schooler and passionate violinist Louisa is prepared to be resentful.

But life at the family's remote camp in the Tasmanian rainforest is intriguing, to say the least. There are pig-footed bandicoots, scary spiders, weird noises and odours in the night, and a quirky boy named Colin who cooks the most amazing meals. Not the least strange is her Uncle Ruff, with his unusual pet and veiled hints about something named Convict Rock.

Finally, Louisa learns the truth: Convict Rock is a sanctuary established by her great-grandmother Eleanor – a sanctuary for Tasmanian tigers, Australia's huge marsupials that were famously hunted into extinction almost a hundred years ago. Or so the world believes.

**THE ADVENTURES OF RABBITWOMAN AND DOGMAN**  
A Journey to Save Wildlife  
GILLIE SCHATTNER, MARC SCHATTNER

- **The book successfully merges the worlds of art and education, advocating for conservation and inspiring everyone to make a real difference, whether through tree planting, waste reduction, or supporting conservation organisations**

**Age range 4 to 8**

Ready for adventure? Join explorers Rabbitwoman and Dogman on a whirlwind trip around the world to meet endangered animals that need our help. Learn about how each one plays a vital role in the life of our planet and how their survival rests in our hands.

Acclaimed international artists Gillie and Marc's new children's book, *The Adventures of Rabbitwoman and Dogman: A Journey To Save Wildlife*, is an exhilarating global adventure suitable for readers of all ages, seamlessly bringing art and education together. This beautifully illustrated book not only tells heartwarming tales of endangered species but also features never-before-seen artworks by the acclaimed artist duo.

**'Quirky and ultimately compelling...Lisa Frank-esque illustrations explode off pages...This eye-catching kid magnet will bring new energy to animal collections.'** – *Booklist*



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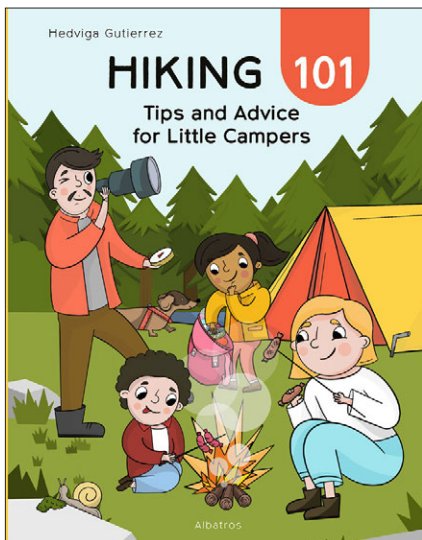
9781510780538 | March 2025 | Sky Pony Press | HB | 48pp | 279x216mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN



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9781772783285 | March 2025 | Pajama Press | PB | 216pp | 203x139mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN





**LET'S GO HIKING**  
 Tips and Advice for Little Campers  
 HEDVIGA GUTIERREZ

- A compact guide for little explorers, covering gear choices and wilderness navigation for a safe and exciting outdoor experience
- Prioritise safety with basic first aid tips, empowering readers to confidently handle minor injuries during outdoor exploration
- Rounded corners and a conveniently compact size to slip effortlessly into backpacks of young explorers

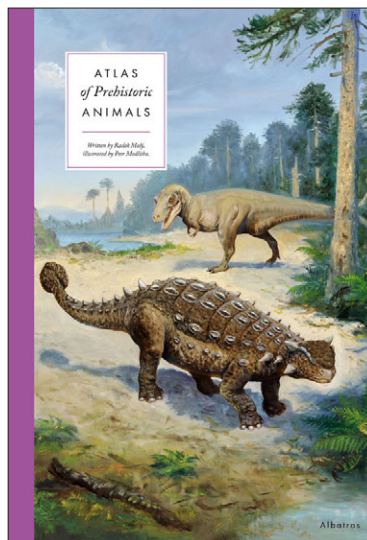
**Age range 6 to 9**

An interactive guide for young explorers that imparts essential outdoor skills, safety tips, and exciting challenges, ensuring a memorable hiking experience.

*Hiking 101: Tips and Advice for Little Campers* is the ultimate guide for young adventurers, designed to transform every hike into an exciting journey of discovery. Set against the backdrop of the picturesque countryside, this book takes kids on an interactive learning adventure.



9788000072944 | March 2025 | Albatros Media | HB | 40pp | 215x165mm | AU \$27.99 | NZ \$32.99 | DISC: GEN



**ATLAS OF PREHISTORIC ANIMALS**  
 RADEK MALY, ILLUSTRATED BY PETR MODLITBA

- The pages of this book come alive with vivid descriptions and meticulously crafted illustrations that breathe life into long-extinct creatures
- Through captivating narratives, the book seamlessly connects the past with the present. By drawing parallels between ancient and modern ecosystems, readers gain a deeper appreciation for the interconnectedness of life on Earth

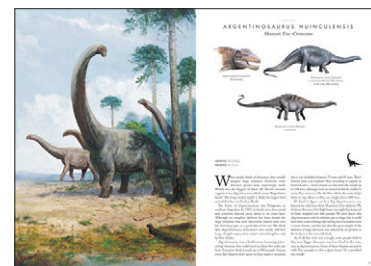
**Age range 9 to 12**

Delve into the world of dinosaurs and prehistoric creatures in the fourth installment in the *Large Encyclopedias* series, featuring stunning illustrations and engaging scientific narratives.

Embark on a fascinating odyssey through the annals of time with *Atlas of Prehistoric Animals*, a captivating addition to the Large Encyclopedias series. Authored by Radek Maly and reviewed by a renowned Czech paleontologist, this book meticulously unfolds the story of life on Earth, from its inception 3,900 million years ago to the emergence of the first organisms with hard shells and skeletons 60 million years later.



9788000072920 | March 2025 | Albatros Media | HB | 88pp | 330x228mm | AU \$39.99 | NZ \$44.99 | DISC: GEN







## SHADOW PLAY

Guess What It Is

HELENA HARASTOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY SERAFIMA KOSIKAVA

- Transform learning into a thrilling guessing game, encouraging critical thinking and observational skills as kids discover the secrets behind each shadow
- Empower kids to explore the outdoors, observe shadows, and unravel mysteries themselves, fostering curiosity and a connection with nature

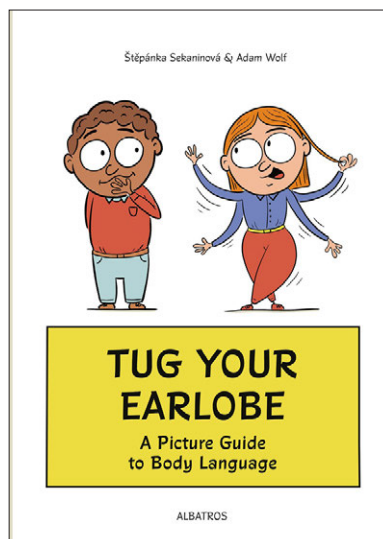
### Age range 3 to 6

Explore the fascinating world of shadows in an interactive guessing game, fostering creativity, observational skills, and a deeper connection with nature in this engaging children's book.

Through an interactive novelty format with fold-out pages and cutouts, children engage in a guessing game, unraveling the secrets behind each shadow. The play of light and darkness creates an imaginative journey, challenging kids to recognise familiar objects while sparking creativity and spatial perception.



9788000072876 | March 2025 | Albatros Media | BK | 24pp | 220x220mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN



## TUG YOUR EARLOBE

A Picture Guide to Body Language

STEPANKA SEKANINOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY ADAM WOLF

- Kids learn to empathise with others by recognising and understanding emotions conveyed through body language, fostering kindness and emotional intelligence

### Age range 7 to 10

Discover the secrets of non-verbal communication with this pocket-sized guide, offering graphic illustrations and practical insights for understanding body language in various situations.

Whether deciphering a friend's honesty, detecting nervousness, or identifying confidence, this book serves as a visual vocabulary guide to the language the body speaks without words.



9788000072937 | March 2025 | Albatros Media | HB | 56pp | 210x147mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

### Also available:

**SAY WHAT? HOW WE COMMUNICATE**  
RADKA PIRO, ILLUSTRATED BY CHARLOTTE MOLAS



9788000070919 | October 2024 | Albatros Media | HB | 48pp | 279x241mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

## MANDEEP'S CLOUDY DAYS

KULJINDER KAUR BRAR, ILLUSTRATED BY SAMRATH KAUR

- Mandeep shows a range of emotions and learns how to cope with turbulent feelings and changes at home
- Mandeep uses journaling as a coping strategy and her exhibits self-regulation

Age range 4 to 7

A beautiful picture book exploring how to cope with difficult and complex emotions when we're away from the people we love.

Spending time with her dad makes Mandeep's days shine. They have cha parties, perform Bhangra shows, and best of all, they write jokes together in her favourite unicorn journal. But when Dad starts a job as a truck driver, he starts being away from home most of the week. Without Dad, storm clouds start taking over Mandeep's sunny days, casting a shadow on all the things she used to love doing. Can anything help Mandeep feel better?



9781773219059 | March 2025 | Annick Press | HB | 32pp | 254x203mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

## CLIMATE CHAMPIONS

15 Women Fighting for Your Future

RACHEL SARAH

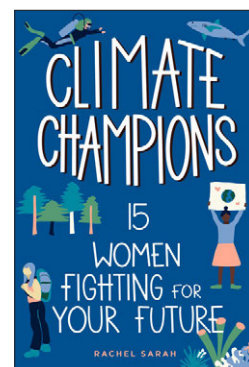
**'This book promises an introduction to 15 women climate champions, but it delivers far more...the women's stories offer hope and inspiration.'** – *Booklist*, starred review

- **Now in paperback!**
- **New price point and format ideal for school library collections**
- **Accessible and energetic profiles of the victories and struggles of scientists who are working on behalf of the planet**

Age range 12+

These 15 contemporary climate champions are on the frontlines of science to create a sustainable future on Earth.

They are climate scientists, journalists, professors, academics, researchers, and policy makers from around the world who draft policies with real-world impact, run science labs to find new answers to old problems, and lead organisations at the forefront of change. These women do not shy away from showing how racial and social injustices lie at the root of so many climate-related issues.



9798890680099 | March 2025 | Chicago Review Press | PB | 224pp | 215x139mm | AU \$22.99 | NZ \$27.99 | DISC: GEN

## SCHOOLPALOOZA

A Silly Symphony of Schooltime Rhymes

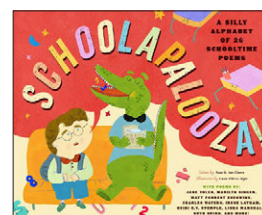
EDITED BY RYAN G. VAN CLEAVE, ILLUSTRATED BY LAURA VIT RIA J. GER

- **Includes twenty-six of the best children's poets working today, including Jane Yolen, Marilyn Singer, Charles Waters and more**
- **Kids writing their own classroom poems, as well as those who'd rather be out in the sun, will find lots to relate to in these lines**

Age range 5 to 10

Twenty-six poets from Jane Yolen and Heidi Stemple to Charles Waters and Marilyn Singer cheer, wail and salute the classroom in this silly tribute to school.

Calculators and erasers, school buses and pop quizzes, recess and a school holiday countdown – nothing about the school day (or school year) is out of bounds in this poetry collection from today's best children's poets.



9781638192138 | March 2025 | Moonshower | HB | 64pp | 229x279mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN

## SELF-REGULATION WORKBOOK FOR 3 TO 5 YEAR OLDS

Play-Based and Creative Activities to Build Coping Skills and Handle Big Emotions

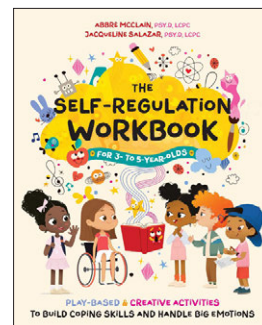
ABBRE MCCLAIN, JACQUELINE SALAZAR

- Discover play-based activities and coping strategies to help children ages 3 to 5 with social and emotional functioning, attachment patterns, and handling anxiety and other strong emotions!

### Age range 3 to 5

Children aged 3 to 5 years are experiencing a period of rapid growth, and play is the key medium in which all aspects of their development, especially social and emotional development, occur.

This evidence-based workbook acts as a resource for trusted adults and caregivers, providing playful and creative activities that will help foster self-regulation skills necessary for healthy emotional development in their children.



9781646047291 | March 2025 | Ulysses Press | PB | 128pp | 254x203mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN

## HOW TO DRAW CUTE STUFF

A Step-By-Step Drawing Guide for Kids

CATHERINE V. HOLMES

- A step-by-step approach to cute art, making it easy for children to bring to life adorable characters and scenes
- Perfect for both beginners and those eager to expand their artistic horizons, this book promises to be a cherished addition to any young artist's library, continuing the series' legacy of inspiring new generations of artists

### Age range 6 to 11

Do you have a little Picasso at home who is fascinated by the world of cute and cuddly creatures, enticing food, and lovable aliens? Discover a new world of creativity and self-expression with *How to Draw Cute Stuff*, specially designed to introduce the principles of drawing to kids aged 6 to 11.



9781956769722 | March 2025 | Library Tales | PB | 93pp | 279x216mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN

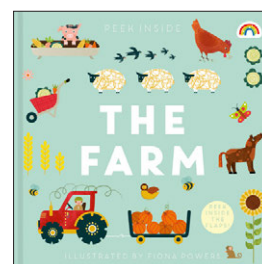
## THE FARM

EDITED BY PHILIP DAUNCEY, ILLUSTRATED BY FIONA POWERS

- Chunky lift the flap books, great for little hands
- Case bound with flap section and spacers on each spread
- Vibrant illustrations with scenes to reveal

### Age range 1+

Peek inside! With ten chunky flaps and peepo surprises, your child will love learning all about the farm.



9781784682552 | March 2025 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 10pp | 185x185mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

## THE OCEAN

EDITED BY PHILIP DAUNCEY, ILLUSTRATED BY FIONA POWERS

- **Chunky lift the flap books, great for little hands**
- **Case bound with flap section and spacers on each spread**
- **Vibrant illustrations with scenes to reveal**

Age range 1+

Peek inside! With ten chunky flaps and peepo surprises your child will love learning all about the ocean and animals.



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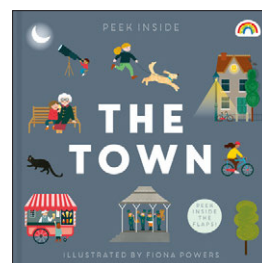
## THE TOWN

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Peek inside! With ten chunky flaps and peepo surprises your child will love learning all about the town outside.



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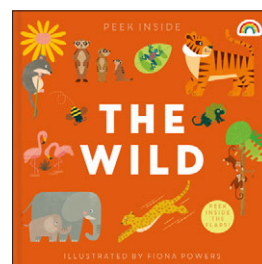
## THE WILD

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- **Vibrant illustrations with scenes to reveal**

Age range 1+

Peek inside! With ten chunky flaps and peepo surprises your child will love learning all about the wild world.



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Introducing Union Square and Co's *Children's Signature Clothbound Classics*

Beautiful unabridged, illustrated cloth hardcover editions of reading list staples

**ANNE OF GREEN GABLES**

LUCY MAUD MONTGOMERY

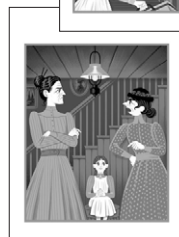
- **Vibrant cloth cover with intricately patterned sprayed edges, plus a ribbon**

**Age range 8+**

When Matthew and Marilla Cuthbert ask the orphanage for a boy to help on the farm, they are surprised to receive Anne – a talkative, dreamy, red-haired, freckle-faced girl. Despite Anne's imaginative antics, her presence fills the small town of Avonlea with joy and laughter.

Filled with evocative descriptions of Prince Edward Island, this beloved classic is now available in a collectible clothbound edition, complete with black-and-white illustrations that bring the story to life.

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**BLACK BEAUTY**

ANNA SEWELL

- **Attractive package and affordable pricing make this the go-to edition for summer reading lists and literature course assignments**

**Age range 8+**

Despite *Black Beauty* being her only published work, Anna Sewell is widely regarded as one of the most successful children's novelists from England. *Black Beauty* chronicles the life of a horse in Victorian England. At the hands of different owners, he experiences discipline, friendship, overwork, and, ultimately, love. Young readers will be moved by this empathetic novel about animal hardship – a story that's still relevant even today.



9781454957324 | March 2025 | Union Square Kids | HB | 272pp | 165x139mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN

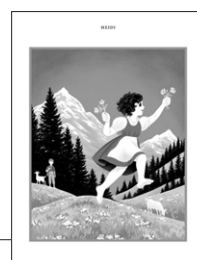
**HEIDI**

JOHANNA SPYRI

- **Perfect for collectors, gift giving, and library building**

**Age range 8+**

When Heidi's parents die and she can no longer live with her aunt, she must stay with her ill-tempered grandfather who lives alone in the Swiss Alps. The townspeople worry that such a young girl has been left with a bad-tempered hermit. But Heidi thrives in the mountains and loves living with her grandfather. She is happiest playing with the mountain goats, picking wildflowers, and making friends. Then Heidi is taken away to serve as a companion to a lonely woman. Will she ever get back to the people and the mountains she loves so much?



9781454957348 | March 2025 | Union Square Kids | HB | 392pp | 165x139mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN

## THE LITTLE MERMAID AND OTHER TALES

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN

- Vibrant cloth cover with intricately patterned sprayed edges, plus a ribbon

Age range 8+

Hans Christian Andersen's iconic fairy tales have been shared and treasured for generations. Readers across the world know his poignant tale 'The Little Mermaid', whose title character chooses love above all, and 'Thumbelina', about the very tiny girl who goes on a big adventure. Now, fifteen of his beloved stories, including 'The Ugly Duckling', 'The Princess and the Pea', and 'The Snow Queen', are collected in this illustrated edition.



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HOWARD PYLE

- Attractive package and affordable pricing make this the go-to edition for summer reading lists and literature course assignments

Age range 8+

Although the folklore of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table is centuries old, their spirited adventures continue to capture the hearts of young readers today. Camelot, Merlin, Morgana, the Holy Grail – all originating from Arthurian legend – have been widely adapted in media and modern fantasy world-building.



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## THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS

KENNETH GRAHAME

- This edition is perfect for collectors, gift giving, and library building

Age range 8+

Mole, Ratty, Toad, and Badger are four friends living in the Wild Wood. From racing in a motorcar to getting lost in the forest, their days are always full of high-energy antics and adventures. Today's young readers will be charmed by this story of friendship and generosity.



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## SENSATIONAL AUSTRALIAN ANIMALS

STEPHANIE OWEN REEDER, ILLUSTRATED BY CHER HART

- Showcases over 145 fascinating and intriguing insects, birds, arthropods, mammals, sea creatures and other animals

\*\*Winner, Whitley Awards 2024\*\*

Age range 8 to 12

Explore the fascinating world of native Australian animals through the five basic senses – sight, sound, smell, taste and touch.

Covering more than 145 truly astounding animals – from sharp-eyed whale sharks to sticky-bellied green tree frogs – *Sensational Australian Animals* showcases the strange things these creatures can do with their eyes, ears, noses, mouths and skin!



9781486316892 | February 2024 | CSIRO Publishing | HB | 64pp | 280x215mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN



## Back to School Favourites!



### ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL

VIKKI CONLEY, ILLUSTRATED BY LUCIA MASCIULLO

- An interesting and fun picture book exploring all the diverse ways that children journey to school across the globe
- A celebration of the universal joy of childhood, friendship and learning – something that is relatable for children everywhere



**Age range 3 to 6**

Every day, children all over the world are travelling to school – by bus, by canoe, through valleys, over mountains and snow. How do you get to school?

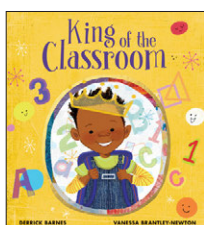
With themes of diversity and culture, *On the Way to School* celebrates the joy and challenges of travelling to school.

9781922326928 | September 2023 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp | 240x280mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

### KING OF THE CLASSROOM

DERRICK BARNES, ILLUSTRATED BY VANESSA BRANTLEY-NEWTON

- Newbery Honor-winning author Derrick Barnes's empowering story will give new kindergarteners a reassuring confidence boost



**Age range 3 to 6**

An upbeat story about a confident little boy who takes pride in his first day of nursery.

Starting kindergarten is a big milestone – and the hero of this story is ready to make his mark! He's dressed himself, eaten a pile of pancakes, and can't wait to be a part of a whole new kingdom of kids. The day will be jam-packed, but he's up to the challenge, taking new experiences in stride with his infectious enthusiasm. And afterward, he can't wait to tell his proud parents all about his achievements – and then wake up to start another day.

9781912650361 | February 2021 | Scallywag Press | HB | 32pp | 254x223mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

### TWELVE DAYS OF KINDNESS

CORI BROOKE, ILLUSTRATED BY FIONA BURROWS

- A book that celebrates inclusion and the benefits of working together as a team
- The book includes a list of twelve things to help children remember to be kind to each other, with friendship and kindness as core themes



**\*\*Shortlisted, 2021 West Australian Young Readers' Book Awards (WAYRBA)\*\***

**Age range 3 to 6**

One little girl realises that a girl in her class is struggling to make friends. With the help of their football coach they came up with a plan. Can their school football team bring them together, and expand their friendship group?

9781922326201 | January 2021 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp | 280x240mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN

### QUEEN OF THE CLASSROOM

DERRICK BARNES, ILLUSTRATED BY VANESSA BRANTLEY-NEWTON

- The perfect book to reinforce excitement and boost the confidence of kids soon to start school themselves
- A positive and empowering message about being your best self



**Age range 3 to 6**

Get ready for your first day at nursery school with this exuberant little girl!

MJ is more than ready for her first day of school! With her hair freshly braided and her 'first day at school' outfit, she also knows all the good things she's going to bring to the classroom, stuff like her kindness, friendliness, and impressive soccer skills, too!

9781912650941 | October 2022 | Scallywag Press | PB | 32pp | 254x228mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN



Back to School Favourites!



## DON'T WORRY, FELIX

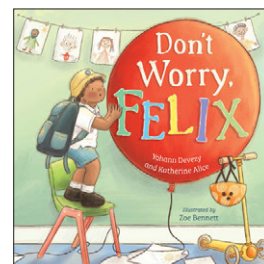
YOHANN DEVEZY, KATHERINE ALICE, ILLUSTRATED BY ZOE BENNETT



- Normalises children's experiences of anxiety
- Empowers children to identify and decrease symptoms of stress and worry and face their fears
- Celebrates self-empowerment, emotional regulation and the importance of helping others

Age range 3 to 6

Felix has a problem. It's a big, red, round problem. A worry balloon that follows him everywhere he goes...As his heart thumps, stomach twists and toes wiggle, it grows and grows and stops him from doing what he wants to do. But when Felix learns a special trick, things start to change...



9781923145054 | October 2024 | New Frontier | HB | 32pp | 254x254mm | AU \$26.99 | NZ \$32.99 | DISC: GEN

## THE AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLKIDS' GUIDE TO DEBATING AND PUBLIC SPEAKING

CLAIRE DUFFY

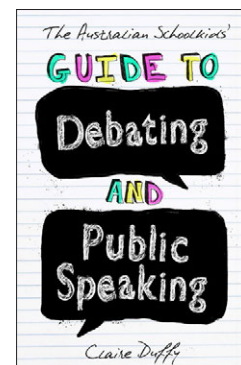


- Practical step-by-step advice along with tips from current and ex-debators and public speakers information, as well as being lots of fun

Age range 10+

Welcome to the world of school debating and public speaking, the best training ground for speaking, reasoning, arguing and looking critically at the big issues of today.

Claire Duffy not only demystifies the process of debating and public speaking, but makes it fun by drawing on her many years of experience working directly with students, using language to which they relate.



9781742234236 | September 2015 | NewSouth | PB | 288pp | 210x135mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN

## THE AUSTRALIAN STUDENTS' GUIDE TO WRITING AND GRAMMAR

CLAIRE DUFFY

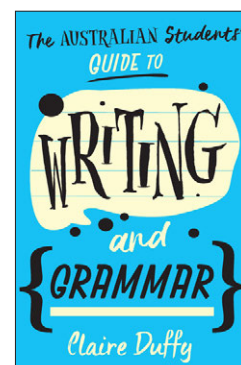


- Bestselling grammar books like *Eats, Shoots and Leaves* and *Sin and Syntax* are written for adults, this is the first Australian book for school students
- Easy-to-use, informative and packed with fun examples, breakout boxes and tips

Age range 12+

Has anyone ever asked you to catch a red big ball? No. Because in English we would say 'big red ball'. Why is that?

After the success of her bestselling *The Australian Schoolkids' Guide to Debating and Public Speaking*, Claire Duffy turns her hand to helping students write well.



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**KID REPORTER**

The secret to breaking news  
SAFFRON HOWDEN, DHANA QUINN

- First Australian guide for kids on journalism
- Allows kids to become active citizens, have a voice, and participate in the media landscape in an informed and empowered way



Age range 10+

You don't need to be an adult to break news and change the world. You can start your career as a young reporter right now! Fun, informative and easy to use, *Kid Reporter* is packed with inspiring stories from young people who've already started their reporting careers and tips and tricks from leading journalism experts.

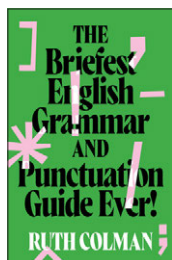
No matter what grades you get now, this book will revolutionise your essay writing – and get you the marks to prove it.

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**THE BRIEFEST ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION GUIDE EVER!**

RUTH COLMAN

- Perfect those who need to freshen up their grammar and punctuation skills, including school students and those learning English for the first time



Have you ever been unsure where an apostrophe should go? Do you know the difference between a regular and an irregular verb? And why should you care?

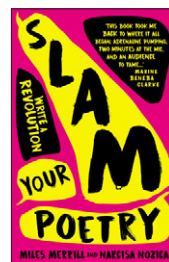
*The Briefest English Grammar and Punctuation Guide Ever!* clearly and simply explains how language works, and makes understanding punctuation easy. Ruth Colman will help you sort out your verbs from your nouns and your adjectives from your adverbs.

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**SLAM YOUR POETRY**

Write a Revolution  
MILES MERRILL, NARCISA NOZICA

- The first Australian poetry slam how-to guide packed with inspiring advice for teachers, students and aspiring spoken word poets of all ages
- Features tips from spoken word superstars Maxine Beneba Clarke, Zohab Zee Khan, Luka Lesson, Omar Musa and more



No props. No music. No costumes. Just you, your words and a mic—you've got two minutes to make the crowd scream your name.

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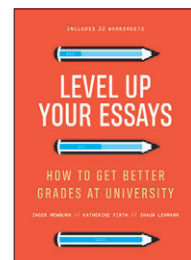
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How to get better grades at university

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- Easy to read and full of practical examples to make essay writing as straight forward (and painless) as possible



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