

SUPER SNAKE

GREGG DREISE

- The exciting first book in a brand new series by a bestselling and award-winning author
- Filled with his well-loved colourful paintings
- The themes of the story are sharing and accepting the good with the bad
- A morality tale, set in the context of a Creation story
- Teacher support material linked to the Australian curriculum

Age range 5 to 10

'You can't have a rainbow without water. Dhurraluwi guuma-li — Come together! Wantima — Rise up! Woorri — Share.'

This is the first book in the new series by award-winning children's book author Gregg Dreise and the first in a new square format. Told with heart and humour, *Super Snake* will be a family favourite.

A charming morality tale, this book tells the tale of the Rainbow Serpent and the creation of the Darling/Barka River.

In the Dreamtime, the bush was in the middle of a drought. A storm came and Mundegutta Gooriya the Super Snake was created.

Way back, before Once-upon-a-time there was the Dreamtime and the bush was in the middle of a drought.

After a storm, one large rainbow curved down. The Super Snake slithered down that rainbow on to the earth and promised the Elders he could help them find water. That Super Snake called out, 'You can't have a rainbow without water.'

'Dhurraluwi guuma-li — Come together! Wantima — Rise up! Woorri — Share.'

Like many, Gregg read *The Rainbow Serpent* by Dick Roughsey in primary school. He has always wanted to make a Rainbow Serpent book from his own Culture to highlight to people the diverse Countries and Cultures across Australia. Although people around the world may think of Aboriginal people as all being the same, there are hundreds of Countries on this continent.



9781922142955 | March 2024 | Magabala Books | HB
| 32pp | 250x250mm | AU\$27.99 | NZ\$32.99

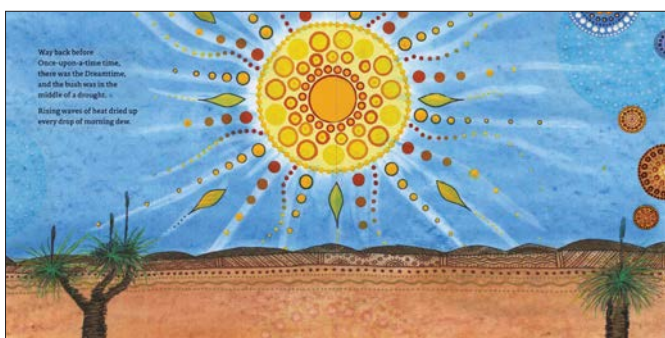
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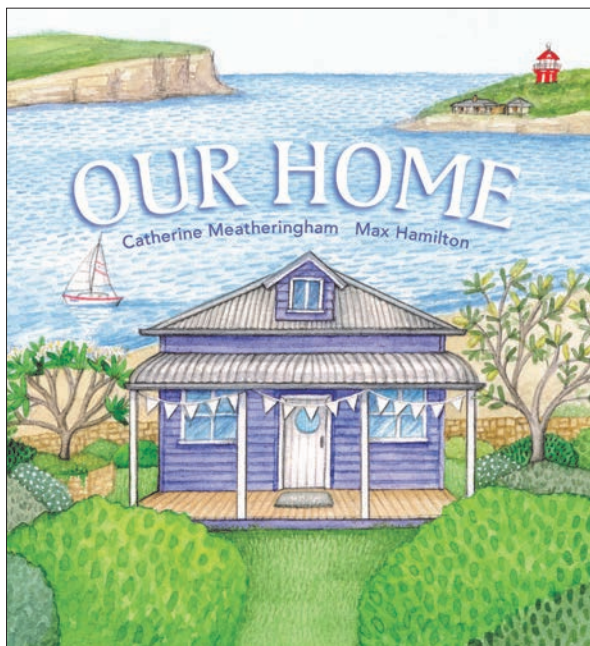


About the author:

Gregg Dreise is a proud descendant of the Goomelroi/Kamilaroi and Euahlayi people of southwest Queensland and north-west New South Wales. His storytelling shows his pride in his Indigenous culture, and he creates beautiful morality tales to help us all to rise up to

be our best. His Cultural stories have a wonderful way of showing the actions of animals to help us humans to grow up with morals and respect.





OUR HOME

CATHERINE MEATHERINGHAM, ILLUSTRATED BY MAX HAMILTON

- Max Hamilton has just won the CBCA Book of the Year Award: Early Childhood
- Showcasing a whole range of different homes in different places around Australia
- Great for sending overseas
- Springboard for discussion about the different places in Australia and the different ways people live
- Celebration of the diversity of people and places in Australia

Age Range 3+

'Come with us, see our homes, hear their sounds.'

Our Home is a picture book about where children live in Australia. From a rugged coast to an outback station to a high-rise apartment, *Our Home* showcases the landscapes, families and communities that make up our homes in Australia.

Our Home is full of onomatopoeia to describe the sounds that homes make. Suburban homes *whizz*, beach homes *sigh* and farms *rustle*.

Children aged 3 and over will love to join in with this noisy story that fosters belonging, identity and a sense of place.

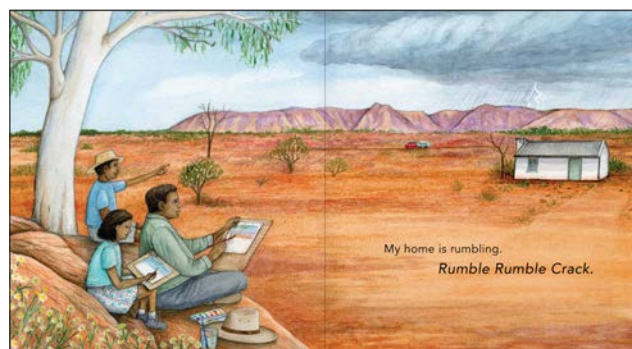
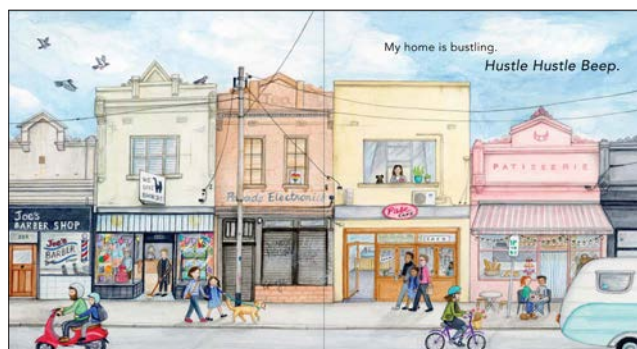


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9781921136481 | March 2024 | Windy Hollow Books | HB | 32pp | 250x230mm | AU\$29.99 | NZ\$34.99

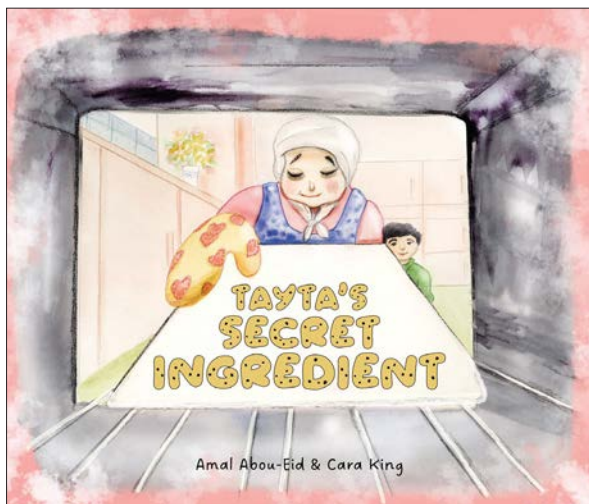
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About the author and illustrator:

Catherine Meatheringham loves to write picture books full of music and onomatopoeia to encourage children to join in with the story. She lives in Canberra with her husband, two children, golden retriever and three chickens.

Max Hamilton is an award-winning illustrator, graphic designer and most enthusiastically a maker of children's books. Max Hamilton won the CBCA Book of the Year: Early Childhood for the book she illustrated for Vikki Conley, *Where the Lyrebird Lives*. She enjoys noticing the little details in things, loves to get lost in the world of illustration and stories. Max lives in Jannali in Sydney with her partner, two daughters, a couple of guinea pigs and a very cuddly dog.



TAYTA'S SECRET INGREDIENT

AMAL ABU-EID, ILLUSTRATED BY CARA KING

- A beautiful book about a Lebanese boy and his grandma baking a traditional Lebanese treat for Harmony Day
- Published to coincide with Harmony Day on Thursday 21 March 2024

All ages

Billy loves Harmony Day. He loves the colours, the clothes and especially the food. This year Tayta is making *kaak*, a Lebanese treat, for Billy to share with his class but he can't share the recipe because Tayta bakes with a secret ingredient.

Tayta's Secret Ingredient is a heart-warming intergenerational story about everyday life in multicultural Australia, where a curious boy takes centre stage alongside his beloved baking grandmother.



9781922858122 | March 2024 | MidnightSun Publishing | HB | 32pp | 240x280mm | AU\$29.99 | NZ\$34.99

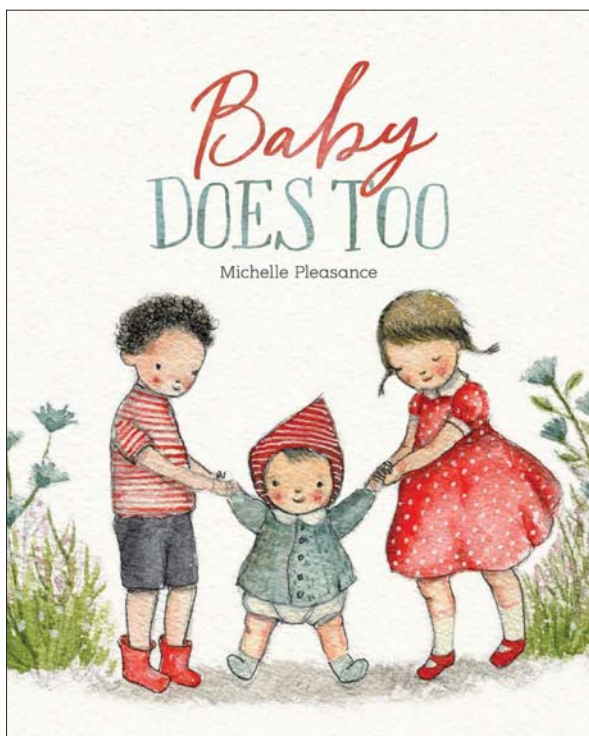
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About the author and illustrator:

Amal Abou-Eid is a passionate educator, mother and author of multiple self-published books. Amal started writing children's books when she realised she couldn't find books for her children with characters and stories that related to their Muslim Lebanese Australian identity. She believes in the power of representation and inclusion in books and writes stories which depict characters and events her family and community can identify with and relate to. She hopes her stories can educate, entertain and empower others to tell their stories, too.

Cara King is a Melbourne-based illustrator and graphic designer. She has illustrated around 10 books since 2016, published both traditionally and for self-publishing authors. Cara enjoys painting in watercolour, scribbling with pencils and dabbles in a bit of digital art too. She has a love of nature, travel and animals and shares her home with her husband, 2 boys, 5 chickens, some fish, bees and a toy poodle.



9781921136573 | March 2024 | Windy Hollow Books | HB | 24pp | 255x205mm | AU\$28.95 | NZ\$34.99

DISCOUNT: GEN

About the author:

As a child, **Michelle Pleasance** went to many different primary schools. She found she could make new friends through drawing, which she has continued to do until the present day. She lives in a small country town where the kangaroos populate her front yard. Michelle is inspired by vintage children's books and nostalgia. She is a maker of stories, songs, pictures and cardigans. She has been illustrating children's prints and cards for some time and is very happy to be releasing *Baby Does Too* as her first book. Michelle has a strong following for her greeting cards and art prints distributed by Nuovo Group to gift stores and bookshops around Australia.

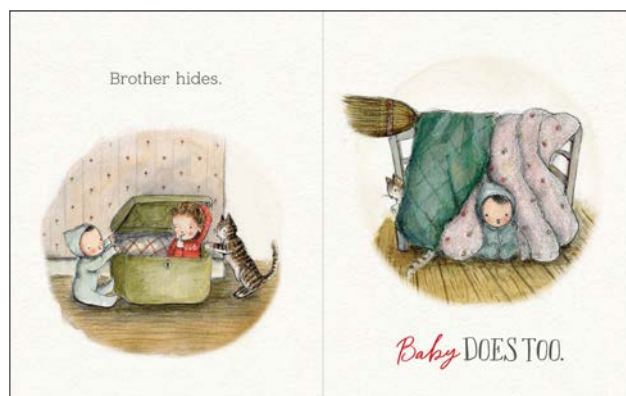
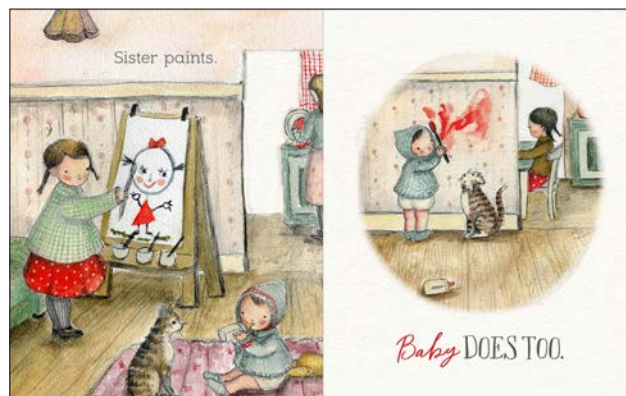
BABY DOES TOO
MICHELLE PLEASANCE

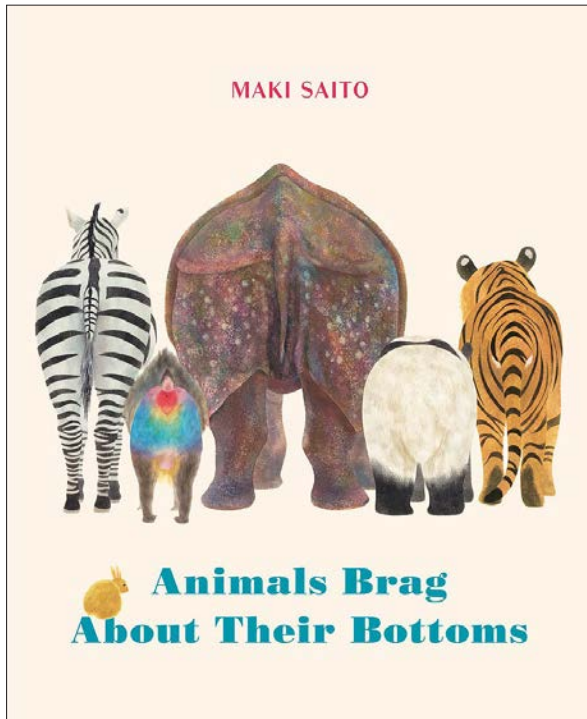
- For lovers of nostalgic children's illustration
- Gift book for a new baby
- Michelle has a strong following for her whimsical illustrations

Age range 0 to 3

'When Nana knits, sister bakes and brother hides, what does baby do?'

A beautifully illustrated book celebrating the joy and chaos of babyhood.





ANIMALS BRAG ABOUT THEIR BOTTOMS

MAKI SAITO, TRANSLATED BY BRIAN BERGSTROM

- The board book edition of the popular, much loved children’s book
- Perfect gift for a new baby: *Animals Brag About Their Bottoms* will be entertaining for parents as well as their little one
- Great for an interactive read aloud: The simple and comedic text begs to be read aloud, and will have everyone laughing along
- Celebrates self love and body positivity
- Gorgeously illustrated: Maki Saito using traditional Japanese art techniques, which gives the book a unique and special feel

Age range 0 to 2

A perfect baby gift, this charming and funny board book features animals from around the world, each one celebrating their uniquely shaped bum!

All bottoms are wonderful! Don’t you agree? Each animal has a different reason for loving their behind — from cute and round to fashionable and striped! Illustrator Maki Saito’s traditional Japanese art techniques add a sophisticated, beautiful feel to a book about...animal butts!

Now available as a board book, this celebration of self love and body positivity will have the tiniest of readers (and their parents) laughing out loud at the backsides of hippos, zebras, pandas, and more.

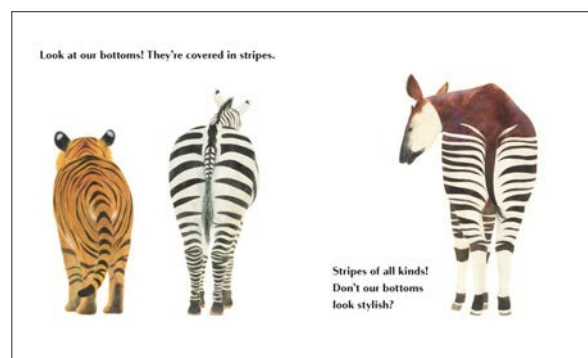
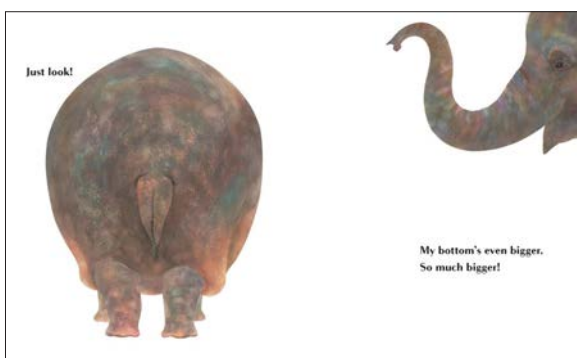
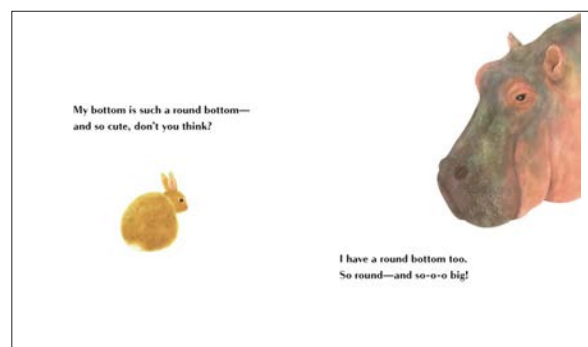


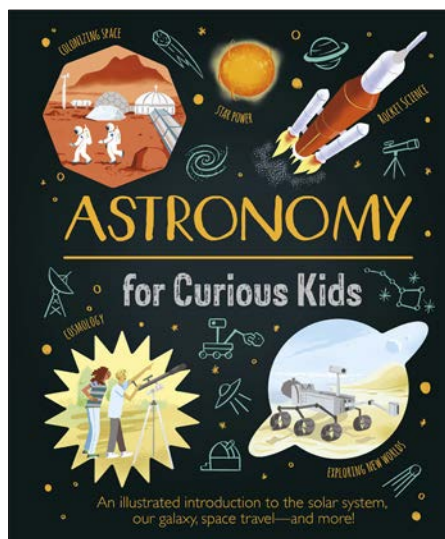
9781778401510 | March 2024 | Greystone Kids | BH | 28pp | 171x140mm | AU\$15.99 | NZ\$19.99

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About the author:

Maki Saito is an artist and author known for her unique artistic methods using paper collage, stenciled paintings, and bin-gata, a traditional Japanese dyeing technique developed in Okinawa. She has written and illustrated several books in Japanese, inspired by her love for all living creatures in nature. *Animals Brag About Their Bottoms* is her first book translated into English.





ASTRONOMY FOR CURIOUS KIDS

An illustrated introduction to the solar system, our galaxy, space travel — and more!

GILES SPARROW, ILLUSTRATED BY NIK NEVES

- Beautifully illustrated, accessible guide to the world of astronomy
- Explains how stars are born and how they die
- Learn how to navigate the night sky using constellations
- Explores the Big Bang, black holes, solar eclipses, shooting stars, supergiants, and supernovas

Age range 8 to 12

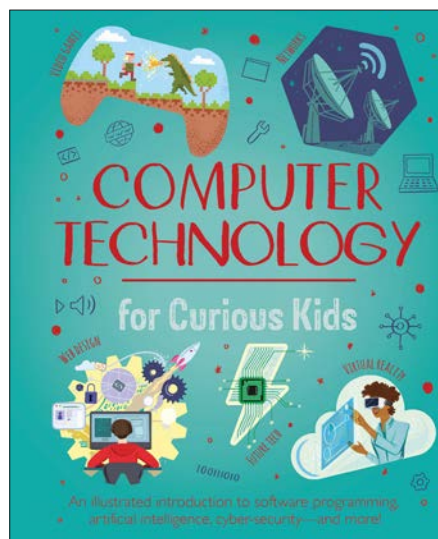
Look up to the stars and observe the wonders of outer space with this beautifully illustrated, inspirational, and accessible introduction to astronomy. Visit other planets in our solar system, steer a course through the constellations, and head away from our galaxy to unlock the secrets of interstellar space.

Take a tour of the night sky and the wonders of the Universe with *Astronomy for Curious Kids*. Travel through time and space from the Big Bang to black holes, and study solar eclipses, shooting stars, supergiants and supernovas for a journey that is literally out of this world.

Reading level varies from child to child, but we recommend this book for ages 8 to 12.



9781486318384 | March 2024 | CSIRO Publishing | HB | 128pp | 280x225mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN



COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY FOR CURIOUS KIDS

An illustrated introduction to software programming, artificial intelligence, cyber-security — and more!

CHRIS OXLADE, ILLUSTRATED BY NIK NEVES

- Explores the technology that's transforming the way we work, play, and stay in touch
- Beautifully illustrated, accessible guide to computer science
- Please note, this title is published under the name *Computer Science for Curious Kids* outside Australia

Age range 8 to 12

Upgrade your tech knowledge with this beautifully illustrated, inspirational, and accessible guide to the fascinating field of computing. From the simplest software to electronic brains, and from smartphone apps to social media and video games, there are gigabytes of data for you to unravel. Discover the skills you'll need to become a top-class coder or a cyber sensation, and how microprocessors monitor our factories, fitness, traffic, and even guide robots across other worlds.

From the abacus to apps, games to graphics, and GPS to smart speakers, *Computer Technology for Curious Kids* provides all the data you need to transform yourself into a computer-tech wizard.



9781486318360 | March 2024 | CSIRO Publishing | HB | 128pp | 280x225mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN



THE DREAMING VOLUME 1
QUEENIE CHAN

- An atmospheric supernatural mystery-horror manga
- A Lovecraftian tale in the tradition of such Australian classics as *Picnic at Hanging Rock*
- Second (revised) edition, changed to suit current Middle Grade/ Young Adult readers, with additional background information for interested readers

Age range 12+

When twin sisters Amber and Jeanie are accepted into an exclusive boarding school, their future looks bright. But the school's halls harbour a terrible secret: students have been known to wander into the surrounding bushlands and vanish...without a trace!

No one knows where they went — or why. But as Amber and Jeanie are about to learn, the key to the school's dark past may lie in the world of their dreams.

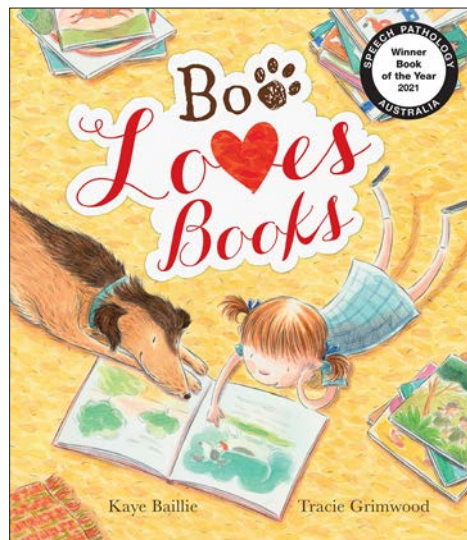
An atmospheric supernatural mystery-horror, this is a Lovecraftian tale in the tradition of such Australian classics as *Picnic at Hanging Rock*.



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9781922856395 | February 2024 | ifwg Publishing
International | PB | 190pp | 191x127mm | AU \$24.95 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN



BOO LOVES BOOKS

KAYE BAILLIE, ILLUSTRATED BY TRACIE GRIMWOOD

- **Now in paperback!**
- Features a creative solution to help reluctant readers overcome their fear of making mistakes while reading
- A charming story of friendship between a shy girl and a huge, gentle rescue dog

****Winner of the Speech Pathology 2021 Book of the Year Award: 3 to 5 years****

Age range 3 to 6

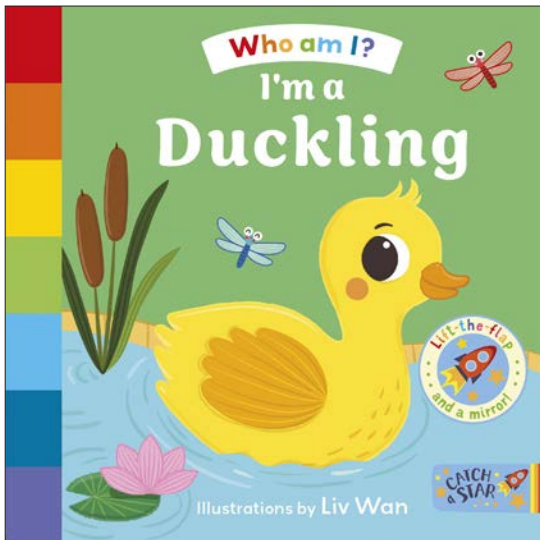
Everyone else in class loves reading, but Phoebe hates it. It makes her feel anxious and she worries about getting words wrong. She is even more anxious when she finds out that she and her classmates will be taking a trip to an animal shelter to read to...the dogs! But when Phoebe meets Big Boo, a nervous but gentle dog, maybe they can face their fears together?



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9781922326942 | March 2024 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp | 274x240mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN



I'M A DUCKLING

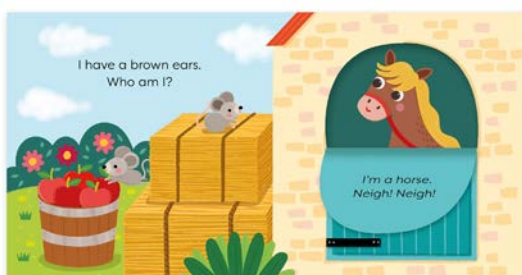
LIV WAN

- **Bright and colourful lift-the-flap children's board book**
- **Aims to help children develop early word recognition by reading the clues**
- **Readers will love the surprise mirror ending!**

Age range 0 to 3

Find out which farm animals are hiding in this colourful, interactive lift-the-flap children's board book with a surprise ending.

A brand-new series where little readers can guess which animals are hiding under colourful flaps by reading the clues. Perfect for reading aloud and developing early world recognition, children will want to read these books again and again.



GLOBE DEFENDERS

Rainforest Rescue

JONNY DAYMOND, ILLUSTRATED BY MARCO GUADALUPI

- **Exciting eco-adventure that encourages children to engage with issues facing our world today. A useful resource in the classroom**
- **Diverse set of characters**
- **Key themes are environmental issues, digital enhancement, history, loss, sibling connection and family**

Age range 9+

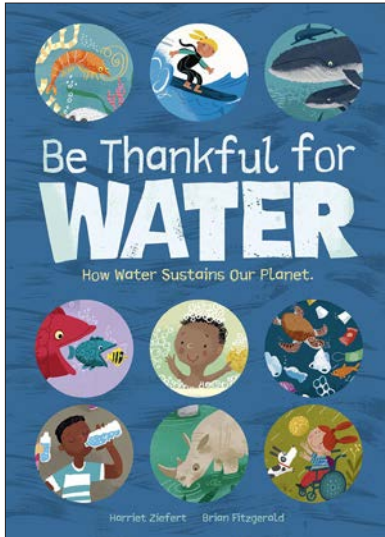
When Jess and Jack Rayworth reluctantly enter the gates of their latest school Hilltop Academy, they don't know they're entering the training ground for a secret agency. An agency set up to stop damage inflicted on the planet through the greed of a sinister organisation known as the Lobby. They soon work out that Hilltop also has something to do with their missing parents. And following their hunch, they are launched into a battle for survival deep in the Amazon rainforest, trying to help save someone else's home and family. But will this help them save their own?



9781922326850 | March 2024 | New Frontier | BH | 12pp | 165x165mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN



9781922326959 | March 2024 | New Frontier | PB | 339pp | 198x129mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN



BE THANKFUL FOR WATER

How water sustains our planet
 HARRIET ZIEFERT, ILLUSTRATED BY BRIAN FITZGERALD

- Kids will view this vital resource in a whole new light after going on an aquatic eco-tour in this gorgeous poem about water
- This title offers a fresh take on the ‘where does it come from’ book. Rhyming couplets and lush artwork elevate the genre and combine to make the nonfiction content compelling to young children

Age range 4 to 8

Using lilting, rhyming couplets, this book explores the many way that water is essential to our lives and the existence of life on earth. But it doesn't stop there! Kids will also learn about the many uses of water.



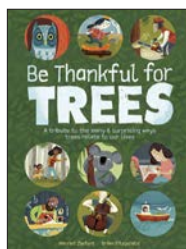
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9781636550749 | March 2024 | Red Comet Press | HB | 80pp | 260x197mm | AU \$34.99 | NZ \$39.99 | DISC: GEN

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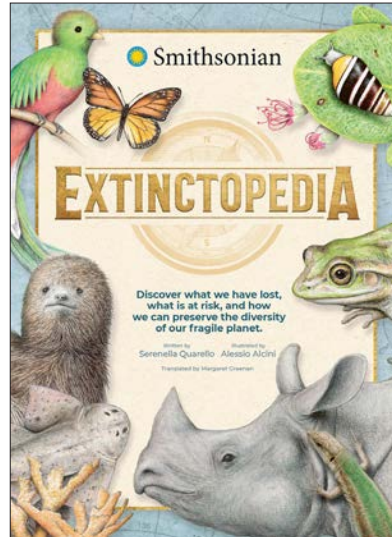
BE THANKFUL FOR TREES

HARRIET ZIEFERT,
 ILLUSTRATED BY BRIAN FITZGERALD



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9781636550206 | July 2022 | Red Comet Press | HB | 80pp | 260x195mm | AU \$34.99 | NZ \$39.99 | DISC: GEN



EXTINCTOPEDIA

Discover those we have lost, those at risk and how we can preserve the diversity of our fragile planet

SERENELLA QUARELLO, ILLUSTRATED BY ALESSIO ALCINI, TRANSLATED BY MARGARET GREENAN

- Highlights over 150 animals that are either lost or near extinction
- Provides information on endangered species and habitats
- Beautiful artwork reminiscent of 19th Century naturalists notebooks

Age range 9 to 12

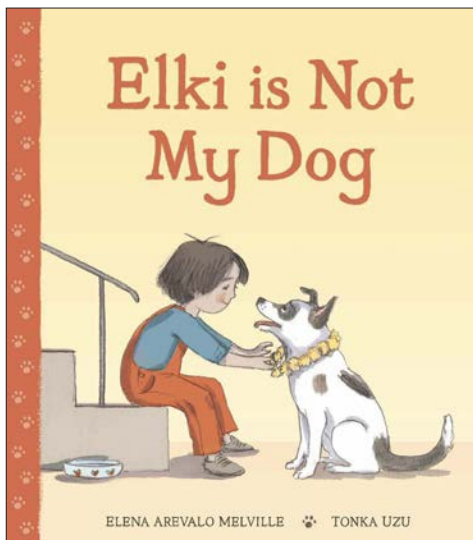
A Smithsonian collaboration — this journey of discovery through the animal kingdom, past and present, calls on us to educate ourselves and take action to save the amazing diversity of our planet.

Every living creature contributes towards the richness and beauty of our planet. Each one has a reason to exist, from the giant panda to the pygmy possum, and if we lose them, it will be forever. *Extinctopedia* tells a complex story, not just of those who are extinct, but also of those in greatest peril, with explanations of what threatens their survival. It is also a story of hope — hope for animals who have been rediscovered, hope in the form of newly-discovered animals, and hope that we might hear the warning call and act to preserve the amazing biodiversity of our fragile planet for future generations to come.



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9781636550725 | March 2024 | Red Comet Press | HB | 64pp | 330x241mm | AU \$39.99 | NZ \$44.99 | DISC: GEN



ELKI IS NOT MY DOG

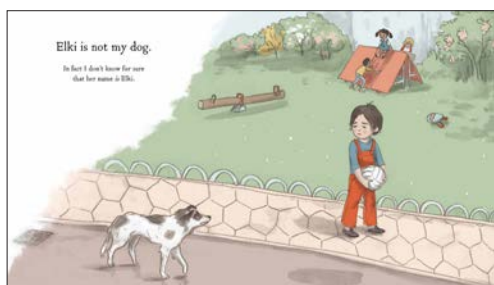
ELENA AREVALO MELVILLE, ILLUSTRATED BY TONKA UZU

- Shows how one act of kindness can change the attitude of other people
- An uplifting book about feeling empathy for someone in need and taking action to help
- Gentle illustrations set the scene and beautifully show the bond between Elki and her found friend

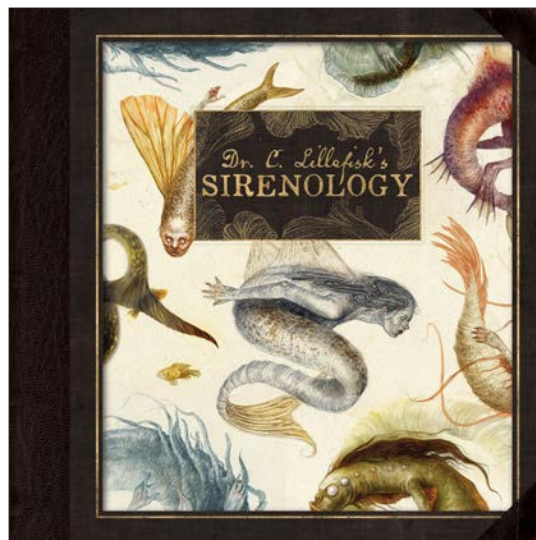
Age range 4+

When a small group of children befriend a stray dog, the entire community is inspired to become involved.

Elki does not have a home — she is a stray dog who finds kindness in the company of a little group of children. They play together during the day, but Elki must stay alone outside every night because dogs are not allowed in their block of flats. One day Elki disappears and is found injured. Who will look after her and how?



9781915252364 | March 2024 | Scallywag Press | HB | 32pp | 275x240mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN



DR. C. LILLEFISK'S SIRENOLOGY

A guide to mermaids and other under-the-sea-phenomenon

JANA HEIDERSORF, DR. CECILIA LILLEFISK

- This book is a blend of imagined mythology and art. It falls into the tradition of Brian Froud's *Faeries* and blends it with DiTerlizzi's *Arthur Spiderwick's Field Guide to the Fantastical World Around You*
- Under the pretense of true scientific exploration Jana Heidersorf (writing as Dr. Lillefisk) unleashes her imagined world of the mermaids. Each creature pulls elements from fantasy and creatures from the real world to create a fantastical world beneath the waves

Age range 10+

The future of mermaids is in peril. Open this book and learn about these wild and mysterious creatures before they are gone forever. Dr. Lillefisk presents her field notes, sketches, and research on the rich and expansive mermaid ecosystem and how it exists alongside the human world. Indeed, the growing environmental threat that humans impose on these creatures is at the fore of Dr. Lillefisk's appeal for attention and funding so that research and preservation of these creatures can continue.

'I've always known mermaids to be real, I've seen proof of their existence. But for those who still think they're the stuff of fairytales, this book will certainly change their mind.' — Iris Compiet



9781777791865 | March 2024 | Eye of Newt Books | HB | 100pp | 241x241mm | AU \$55.00 | NZ \$65.00 | DISC: GEN

MY RHINOCEROS

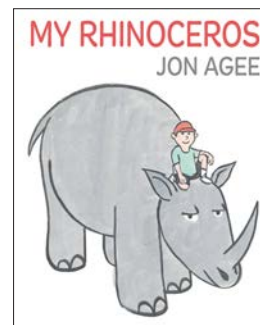
WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY JON AGEE

'Jon Agee's *My Rhinoceros* is a genuine masterpiece. Even better, every kid will love it.' — Maurice Sendak

- **Teacher's notes available**
- **Deadpan, first person narration of this hilarious drama by a convincing young story teller**
- **A witty look at how our pre-conceived expectations of people can be wrong**
- **Award winning author with more than 2 million copies in print worldwide**

Age range 3 to 6

A hilarious story from master of the absurd, Jon Agee, where a boy finds out that his pet rhinoceros can do more than he bargained for! If you should ever get a rhinoceros for a pet, you're in for a surprise. It won't chase a ball. Or a stick. Or a frisbee. In fact, according to the experts, a rhinoceros does only two things: pop balloons and poke holes in kites. But don't be discouraged. As you'll discover in this book, rhinoceroses can do more — so much more — than that!



9781912650996 | March 2024 | Scallywag Press | HB | 32pp | 279x222mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$24.99 | DISC: GEN

IT TAKES GUTS

How Your Body Turns Food Into Fuel (and Poop)

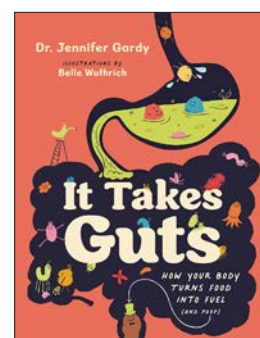
JENNIFER DR. GARDY, ILLUSTRATED BY BELLE WUTHRICH

- **Now in paperback!**
- **Inspired by the *New York Times*-bestseller *Gut: The Inside Story of Our Body's Most Underrated Organ* by Dr. Giulia Enders, from the same publisher**
- **Includes quirky and visually stimulating illustrations to help kids better understand one of the body's most complex organs — our gut and digestive system**

Age range 8 to 12

****Winner of the 2023 AAAS/Subaru Prize for Excellence in Science Books****

An illustrated book about the digestive system and microbiome for young readers, from famous (and funny) scientist Dr. Jennifer Gardy.



9781778401640 | March 2024 | Greystone Kids | PB | 144pp | 229x178mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN

INSIDE IN

X-Rays of Nature's Hidden World

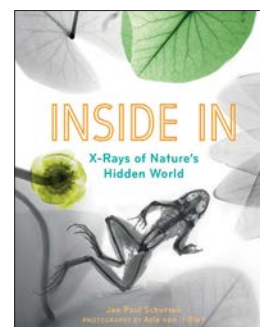
JAN PAUL SCHUTTEN, PHOTOGRAPHY BY ARIE VAN 'T RIET, TRANSLATED BY LAURA WATKINSON

- **Now in paperback!**
- **Visually stunning and highly original, these X-Ray images of everything from plants to frogs and insects help kids understand the anatomy of the natural world**
- **An engaging introduction to science for kids that helps them to think and learn outside the box**

Age range 8 to 12

****A *Smithsonian Magazine* Best Children's Book of the Year****

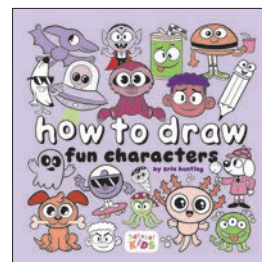
Using incredible X-ray techniques, *Inside In* displays creatures and their natural habitats in a never-before-seen way. Kids will learn the awesome answers to questions like: What does a bee look like under its furry coat? How does a tree frog use its eyes to swallow?



9781771646819 | March 2024 | Greystone Kids | PB | 128pp | 254x203mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN

HOW TO DRAW COOL CHARACTERS

ILLUSTRATED BY ERIN HUNTING



- **Adding something of the highest quality, with high production values and professionally created artwork, to the children's art book market to offer a desirable alternative for parents**
- **Fun, creative, and clear presentation that breaks learning down into achievable tasks that even the youngest children can follow**

Age range 4 to 12

Unleash your child's creative side with this super-cool drawing activity book.

Inside you'll find over 100 pages of step-by-step drawing lessons, perfect for ages 4 years and up, each one featuring a fun character. New lines are added at each step, so a child can gradually build up an impressive sketch, and all the drawing is done on separate paper, meaning the book can be kept for years to come. Featuring awesome illustrations and invaluable tips from professional artist Erin Hunting, this book is the perfect starting point for a child's journey into art.

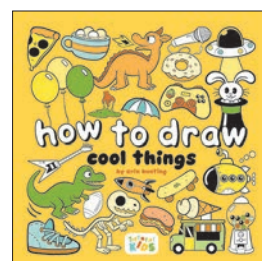


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HOW TO DRAW COOL THINGS

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- **Learn to draw a variety of cool characters in an appealing style, with inspiration from the very popular manga and anime style, plus Disney-esque elements**
- **High-quality art, presentation, and print quality that all comes with a competitive price tag**
- **Created by a single established children's artist, so every title in the series has the same appealing style**

Age range 4 to 12

Unleash your child's creative side with this super-cool drawing activity book.

The child will learn to add up simple shapes and lines to create something recognisable and most importantly, super cool. Children's love for art will be sparked and their confidence boosted as they realise they can make marks on a page that mean something, and start to imagine their own cool creations. The only tools they will need are pens or pencils, paper, and this book.

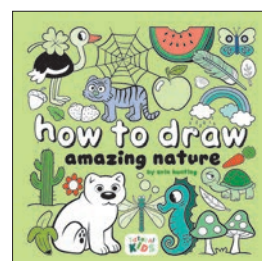


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HOW TO DRAW AMAZING NATURE

ILLUSTRATED BY ERIN HUNTING



- **Fun, creative, and clear presentation that breaks learning down into achievable tasks that even the youngest children can follow**
- **Learn to draw a variety of cool characters in an appealing style, with inspiration from the very popular manga and anime style, plus Disney-esque elements**

Age range 4 to 12

Unleash your child's creative side with this super-cool drawing activity book.

Inside you'll find over 100 pages of step-by-step drawing lessons, perfect for ages 4 years and up, each one featuring something amazing from nature. New lines are added at each step, so a child can gradually build up an impressive sketch, and all the drawing is done on separate paper, meaning the book can be kept for years to come. Featuring awesome illustrations and invaluable tips from professional artist Erin Hunting, this book is the perfect starting point for a child's journey into art.



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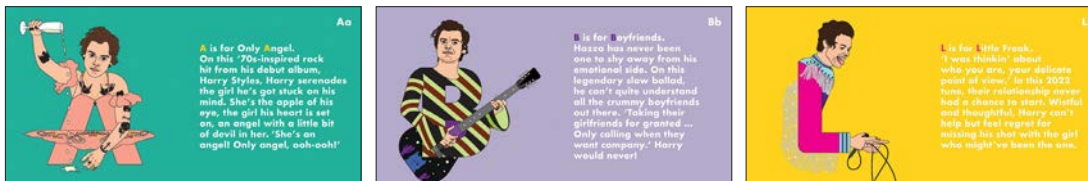
HARRY STYLES LEGENDS ALPHABET

BECK FEINER, CREATED BY ALPHABET LEGENDS



- Beck Feiner is an acclaimed Australian illustrator and author. She illustrates with a vibrancy and a joie de vivre that is infectious, while tackling subject matter that is poignant and ‘of the moment’ — but always with a smile

From Watermelon Sugar to Adore You, Matilda to As It Was, *Harry Styles Legends Alphabet* is a swooning, pop-filled voyage through the greatest hits of Britain’s brightest star. Put on your flashiest suit jacket (or dress!) and get ready to fall head-over-heels for Harry Styles.



9780645851434 | March 2024 | Alphabet Legends | HB | 56pp | 203x203mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

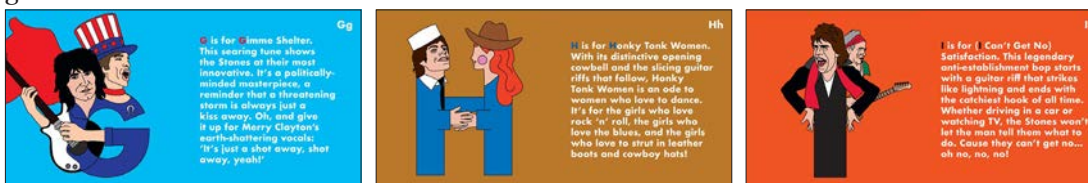
ROLLING STONES LEGENDS ALPHABET

BECK FEINER, CREATED BY ALPHABET LEGENDS



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From Angie to Wild Horses, Start Me Up to Ruby Tuesday, *Rolling Stones Legends Alphabet* is a blues-soaked journey through the works of Mick, Keith, Jones, Wyman, and Watts. Grab a Jagger-inspired velvet suit, and prepare for pure satisfaction as we dive into the Stones’ greatest hits!



9780645851458 | March 2024 | Alphabet Legends | HB | 56pp | 203x203mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

CAPTAIN LASERHAWK: A BLOOD DRAGON REMIX

BEN KAHN, ILLUSTRATED BY BAYOU KUN

- Adi Shankar, creator and executive producer of *Captain Laserhawk: A Blood Dragon Remix*, was also the producer of *Castlevania*, one of the most successful original animated shows on Netflix
- The manga is penned by GLAAD Media award-nominated writer Ben Kahn

Age range 16+

A prequel to *Captain Laserhawk*, the Netflix original animated series featuring alter egos from Ubisoft’s vast library of characters.

Dolph Laserhawk, the once-powerful and illustrious super-soldier stationed under the oppressive Eden mega-corporation, stands at a crossroads between staying a mindless killing machine under Eden’s control and joining a band of rebel outcasts on a risky undercover mission. Before he can finally be free of the manipulative forces surrounding him, he must relive the best and worst moments of his life.



9781427874047 | March 2024 | Tokyopop | PB | 178pp | 208x147mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN

SHAPESCAPES

MAGDA GARGULAKOVA, STEPANKA SEKANINOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY LUKAS FIBRICH

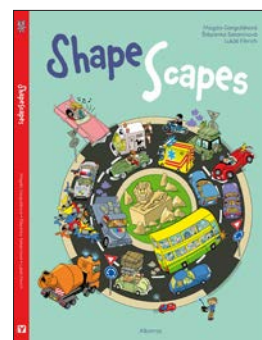
- **Everyday situations framed in basic shapes: circle, triangle, square, rectangle, oval, and trapezium**
- **Bustling illustrations with numerous eye-catching details that kids can look for**
- **A little teddy bear is hidden on every double page for kids to find**

Age range 3 to 6

With detailed illustrations, this conceptual book provides young readers with a playful, geometric adventure in a fun world of shapes.

Shapes provide space and offer boundaries, allowing kids to let their imagination run wild and watch all the shapes come to life. In this captivating book, children will enter a world of shapes and imagination to learn about geometry.

9788000070032 | March 2024 | Albatros Media | HB | 36pp | 249x178mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN



WORDS ABOUT WHERE

Let's Learn Prepositions

MAGDA GARGULAKOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY MARIE URBANKOVA

- **A helpful aid for the correct use of basic spatial prepositions**
- **Clear layout: One leading picture with a clearly arranged infographic for every preposition, followed by four additional examples**
- **Kids test their newly acquired knowledge on the final spread in a search-and-find game**

Age range 3 to 6

In this illustrated preposition book, kids will learn English spatial prepositions with visual examples and fun games to test their knowledge.

With simple explanations and lots of fun, colourful illustrations, this fully illustrated book uses visual examples to teach children how to use 8 basic prepositions of place in everyday situations.

9788000070049 | March 2024 | Albatros Media | HB | 18pp | 229x211mm | AU \$22.99 | NZ \$27.99 | DISC: GEN



RISE UP AND SING!

Power, Protest, and Activism in Music

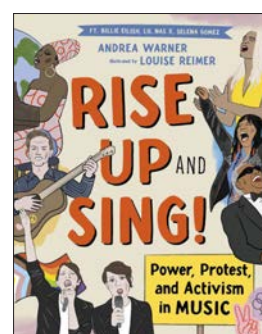
ANDREA WARNER, ILLUSTRATED BY LOUISE REIMER

- **Uses music to introduce teens to the power of activism, and many social justice issues — from Indigenous and 2SLGBTQIA+ rights to climate justice and the peace/anti-war movement**
- **Includes artists that young teens will know and love, such as Lil Nas X, Billie Eilish, Lizzo, Kendrick Lamar, and more**
- **Shares the art and activism of famous icons young teens may know less about, including Neil Young, Nina Simone, John Lennon and Yoko Ono, and Tracy Chapman**

Age range 12 to 17

This inspiring introduction to activism and social justice for young teens shows the important role music plays in changing the world. In *Rise Up and Sing!*, Andrea Warner explores how music has contributed to the fight for social justice.

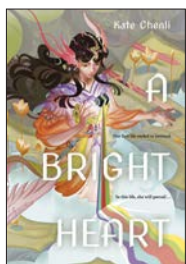
9781771648981 | March 2024 | Greystone Kids | HB | 200pp | 229x178mm | AU \$34.99 | NZ \$39.99 | DISC: GEN



A BRIGHT HEART

KATE CHENLI

- **Who *wouldn't* want the chance to take down the man who betrayed and killed her? It is impossible not to become deeply invested in Mingshin's second-chance vengeance mission, which was inspired by a popular trope in Chinese storytelling**
- **Mingshin has vowed to never fall in love again but fate keeps bringing her and arrogant, handsome Prince Jieh together**



Age range 14 to 17

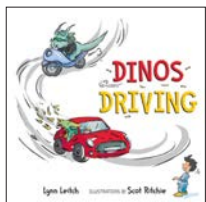
What if you could avenge your own murder? A brilliant young woman gets a second chance at life in this debut YA tale of vengeance, court intrigue, and romance, inspired by classic Chinese tropes. Mingshin outsmarted three princes to help the man she loved become king. But she doesn't see Ren's betrayal coming, not until she's lying in a pool of her own blood on the palace steps.

9781454949923 | March 2024 | Union Square & Co | HB | 344pp | 209x139mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

DINOS DRIVING

LYNN LEITCH, ILLUSTRATED
BY SCOT RITCHIE

- **Now as a board book!**
- **Well-reviewed by *Kirkus Reviews*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Booklist*, and more**
- **Teaches children about the names of dinosaurs in a fun and easy to learn method**



Age range 2 to 5

In a smart and silly picture book enriched with preschool-friendly facts and activities, Lynn Leitch and the acclaimed Scot Ritchie propose the perfect modes of transport for eight charismatic dinosaurs

What kind of a car would a tiny Velociraptor drive? Perhaps a mini car? But what would suit a vegetarian Iguanodon or a pack of rowdy Triceratops? What would an ideal vehicle be for a T-rex? Whatever it is, it had better come with an adjustable steering wheel for those short arms!

9781772782950 | March 2024 | Pajama Press | BH | 22pp | 178x178mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN

TAGGING FREEDOM

RHONDA ROUMANI

- **Samira and Kareem's stories unfold in alternating voices, making this appealing to a broad, middle-grade audience**
- ***Tagging Freedom* captures the experience of kids stepping out of their comfort zone and making their voices heard on issues that shape their world. It also celebrates artists whose work fuels social change**



Age range 8 to 12

Out of the revolutions across the Arab world comes this inspirational story of hope, freedom, and belonging, perfect for fans of *Other Words for Home* and *A Good Kind of Trouble*.

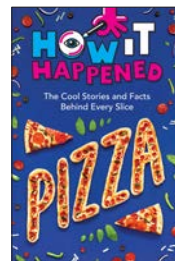
Kareem Haddad of Damascus, Syria, never dreamed of becoming a graffiti artist. But when a group of boys from another town tag subversive slogans outside their school, and another boy is killed while in custody, Kareem and his friends are inspired to start secretly tag messages of freedom around their city.

9781454950721 | March 2024 | Union Square Kids | PB | 288pp | 209x139mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

HOW IT HAPPENED! PIZZA

The Cool Stories and Facts
Behind Every Slice

PAIGE TOWLER



- **The narrative structure of the text allows readers to digest facts and keep turning the pages without getting overwhelmed**
- **The interior design features photos, illustrations, bursts, and sidebars to make the reading experience lively and visually approachable**

Age range 8 to 12

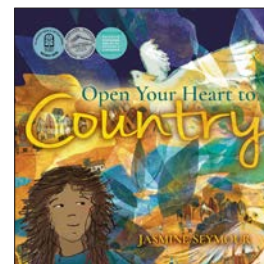
Find out how pizza became the world's favourite comfort food in this nonfiction book, part of the *How It Happened!* series.

Did you know that every hour, more than one million slices of pizza are eaten in the United States? But this cheesy flatbread had a long journey before becoming a global comfort food.

9781454945147 | March 2024 | Union Square Kids | PB | 192pp | 228x152mm | AU \$22.99 | NZ \$27.99 | DISC: GEN

OPEN YOUR HEART TO COUNTRY

JASMINE SEYMOUR



- From the 2020 winner of the CBCA Award for New Illustrator
- First Nations bilingual story in Darug Language

****Winner, Prime Minister's Literary Awards 2023, Children's Literature****

****Shortlisted, NSW Premier's Literary Awards 2023, Indigenous Writers' Prize****

****Shortlisted, 2023 Karajia Award for Children's Literature****

Age range 4+

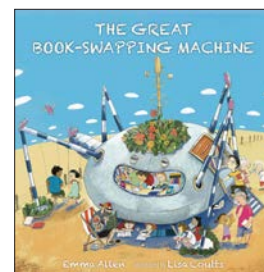
Told in English and Dharug, *Open Your Heart to Country* is a moving account of reconnection to Country from a First Nations perspective. Sharing the nourishing power of returning home and being immersed in the language of Country, this picture book invites readers to reflect on the importance of place, not only for First Nations peoples but for everyone.



9781922613769 | June 2022 | Magabala Books | HB | 32pp | 250x250mm | AU \$27.99 | NZ \$32.99 | DISC: GEN

THE GREAT BOOK-SWAPPING MACHINE

EMMA ALLEN, ILLUSTRATED BY LISA COUTTS



- **Hot price! Was \$24.99, now \$9.99**
- A story to inspire a love of books, reading and libraries, large and small
- Highlights the significance of diverse people coming together and connecting through community
- Featuring playful illustrations that bring the delightful story to life in an iconic Australian setting

Age range 4 +

Late one night, a thing appears in the paddock next to Fabio's house.

His dad calls it 'space junk' but inside Fabio discovers books. Books about the galaxy; big, fat books; books full of poems. He swaps a book with Leila from next door and the thing becomes a Great Book-swapping Machine.



9780642279736 | September 2021 | National Library of Australia | HB | 40pp | 255x245mm | AU \$9.99 | NZ \$12.99 | DISC: GEN

WILL THE WONDERKID

Treasure Hunter of the Australian Outback: Flexi Edition

STEPHANIE OWEN REEDER



- **Hot price! Was \$24.99, now \$9.99**
- Retells the true story of the 1915 discovery of the Coober Pedy opal fields by 15-year-old explorer Will Hutchison
- Features a teenage boy surviving in an adult world and in a very difficult environment, and succeeding against the odds by following his instincts, keeping a cool head, and having faith in his abilities

Age range 6+

It's December 1914, and young Will Hutchison heads off into the South Australian desert in search of gold with his father, two other explorers and six camels. Their expedition doesn't go according to plan, and finding water becomes their prime concern.



9781922507358 | June 2022 | National Library of Australia | PB | 132pp | 210x190mm | AU \$9.99 | NZ \$12.99 | DISC: GEN