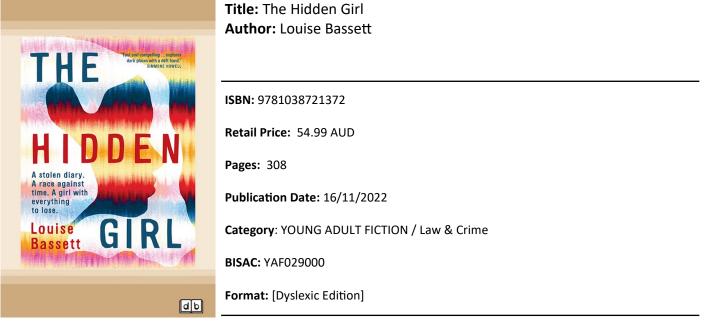


Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Say Cheese! Not only is it school photo day, but there are try-outs for an ice-cream ad! Can Weir and his friends score the starring roles? Or will their TV dreams melt away?! It won't be easy ... but it will be funny!

**About the Author:** Anh Do is one of Australia's best-loved storytellers. His series, including Wolf Girl, E-Boy and WeirDo are adored by millions of kids around the country.



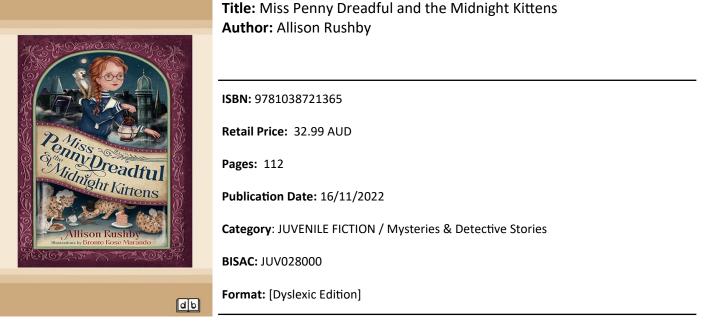


#### Original Publisher: Walker Books Australia

**About the Book:** Within the pages of a stolen diary, Melati discovers a coded cry for help - the diary belongs to Devi, an Indonesian teenager who is being held by traffickers. Mel races across the island of Java and against the clock to work out Devi's identity and where she's being held. Before long the pieces fall into place and Mel must put her own life on the line to save a girl she's never met.

**About the Author:** Louise Bassett is an Australian author who writes for young adults and grown-ups. The Hidden Girl is her debut novel and was shortlisted for the Ampersand Prize. Her award-winning adult short fiction has been published internationally. Her second and third YA novels are in the works. After emigrating from England on a Greek liner, Louise grew up in Adelaide, 'the weird murder capital of Australia' and a fertile environment for a budding writer. After university, she narrowly dodged a career as a lawyer and worked in international aid in Cambodia, Papua New Guinea and Vietnam. While living in Indonesia, she scaled volcanoes and worked with activists who were campaigning to end violence against women. These experiences inspired The Hidden Girl. Louise works in community justice, giving her a deep understanding of the impact of crime and vulnerability; issues she explores in her writing. Based in Melbourne, Louise lives with her partner and too many books. Her stepsons keep her in touch with all things YA.



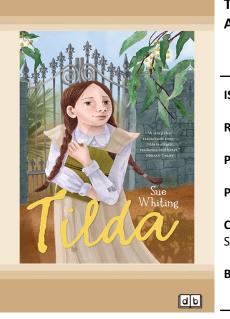


Original Publisher: Walker Books Australia

**About the Book:** "Now, Miss Pickering." Miss Strickland turned to her pupil. "If you would be so kind as to close the door behind you, we will endeavour to discuss why your aunt, her publisher and her monkey have called upon us this afternoon." 1872 Forever in trouble for sketching in her notebook, Penny Pickering dreams of her famous authoress aunt turning up at her boarding school and whisking her away. So when Aunt Harriet appears at Miss Strickland's School for Girls of an Enquiring Mind and asks Penny if she would like to join her on an adventure, Penny knows exactly what to say - yes, please! Penny soon finds herself headed for Hampshire and a strange place called Mr Toddington's Museum of the Curious and Absurd where bewitched kittens are said to have a tea party at midnight.

**About the Author:** Allison Rushby, the daughter of an author, was raised on a wholesome and steady diet of classic English literature. Some of her favourite books, re-read countless dog-eared times include Rumer Godden's The Dolls' House, Frances Hodgson Burnett's The Secret Garden, Dodie Smith's I Capture the Castle and Noel Streatfeild's "Shoes" series. She has long been a fan of cities with long, winding histories, wild, overgrown cemeteries, red brick Victorian museums, foxes and ivy. She prefers to write with a cup of Darjeeling tea by her side and a Devon Rex cat curled up in her lap.





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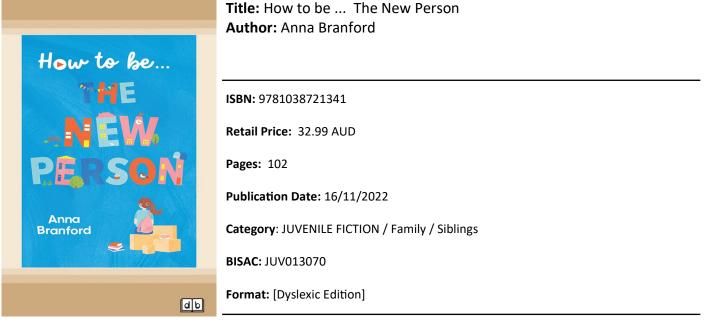
ISBN: 9781038721358 Retail Price: 49.99 AUD Pages: 230 Publication Date: 16/11/2022 Category: JUVENILE FICTION / Social Themes / Physical & Emotional Abuse (see also Social Themes / Sexual Abuse) BISAC: JUV039010

Original Publisher: Walker Books Australia

**About the Book:** <b>L.M. Montgomery meets Ruth Park in a story of friendship, hope and resilience.</b> <i>You have a big heart. And people blessed with a big heart have a choice to make. Do they fill that heart with light and love or do they fill it with darkness and hate? This is your choice to make, Matilda. Make it wisely.</i> <i> </i> Tilda Moss refuses to believe her papa has abandoned her and left her, alone and orphaned, in Brushwood Convent and Home for Girls, no matter what Sister Agatha says. A promise is a promise and Papa promised he would be back for her as soon as he returns from the war. But Tilda is convinced the dreadful Sister Agatha is out to get her. Why is she so hateful all the time? She insists that Matilda declare to all at the convent that she is an orphan. She is not an orphan and she will never say it! Something is amiss and Tilda and her best friend Annie need to find out what before it is too late.

**About the Author:** <b>Sue Whiting</b> is a children's and young adult author and editor who lives and works in a small coastal village south of Sydney. She has written numerous books in a variety of genres: fiction and nonfiction, picture books through to YA, including the best-selling <i>The Firefighters</i> and <i>Missing</i>, the award-winning <i>A Swim in the Sea</i> i> and the CBCA Notable Books, <i>Get a Grip Cooper Jones,</i> <i>Platypus</i> and <i>Beware the Deep Dark Forest</i> i>,<i>.</i> Sue was Publishing Manager and Senior Commissioning Editor at Walker Books Australia for many years, before leaving in 2016 to concentrate on her writing and to work as a freelance editor, writing coach and mentor. A former primary school teacher with a special interest in literacy education and children's literature, Sue is a highly experienced speaker who loves sharing her passion for story and storytelling, reading and writing with people of all ages.



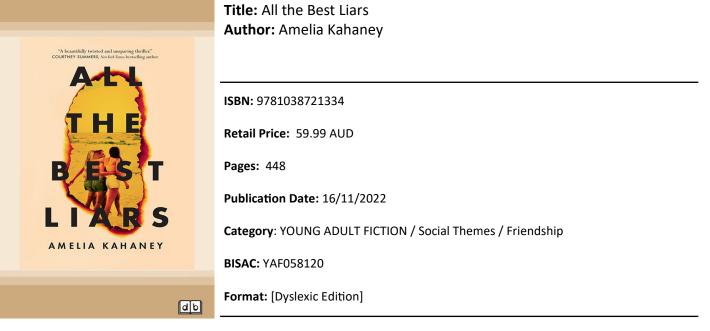


Original Publisher: Walker Books Australia

**About the Book:** <b>Delightful and insightful story from the author of the <i>Violet Mackerel </i>Series</b> Hazel Morrison has a secret habit - pretending to make videos about everyday things. <i>Eight important tips for successfully buttering toast! Putting your hair in a ponytail: a step-by-step guide!</i> But when her family move to the outer suburbs, Hazel has to cope with starting at a new school where she doesn't exactly feel welcomed. A school project inspires her to create a real video - a how-to guide for being "the new person" . . . because everyone, sometime, will meet one, or be one!

**About the Author:** <b>Anna Branford</b> was born in the Isle of Man and spent her early childhood in Sudan and Papua New Guinea before moving to Australia. Creative writing was her favourite subject at school and she wrote stories in all these different countries. Anna is a doll maker and a sociology lecturer at Victoria University. <i>Violet Mackerel's Brilliant Plot</i> was her first published work for Walker Books Australia and was Honour Book in the 2011 Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) Book of the Year Awards, Younger Readers category. In 2013, <i>Violet Mackerel's Personal Space </i> won the Young Readers/Picture Book Award category of the Australian Family Therapists' Award and was short-listed for the 2013 Children's Peace Literature Awards. <i>Violet Mackerel's Possible Friend </i> was short-listed for the 2014 CBCA Book of the Year Awards, Younger Readers category.



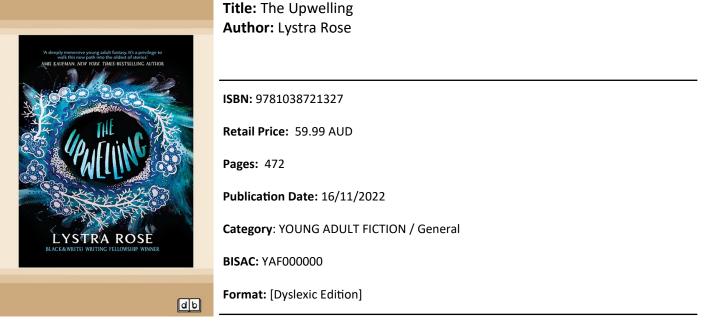


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**About the Book:** <b>A dark, modern psychological thriller of obsession, manipulation and the intensity of friendship.</b> Tic tac toe, three girls in a row. Nine years old and inseparable. Friends for life, or so they think... Best friends Syd, Rain and Brie grew up on the wrong side of the tracks in the stifling California desert, desperately wishing for a way out. In the end, each of them will escape, but not in the way they expect. One will do it by dying, another by lying, a third by taking the fall. A deadly fire is set two weeks before the end of their senior year of high school and nothing will ever be the same. With gorgeous, taut prose and twists to the very last page,<i> All the Best Liars</i> switches between the present and the past to unravel the truth behind the fire and the cost of the secrets at the heart of their friendship.

**About the Author:** <b>Amelia Kahaney </b>grew up in San Diego, California, and Hilo, Hawaii. She received her MFA from Brooklyn College and teaches writing at CUNY and The New School. Her previous YA titles include<i> The Brokenhearted </ i>and <i>The Invisible</i>.



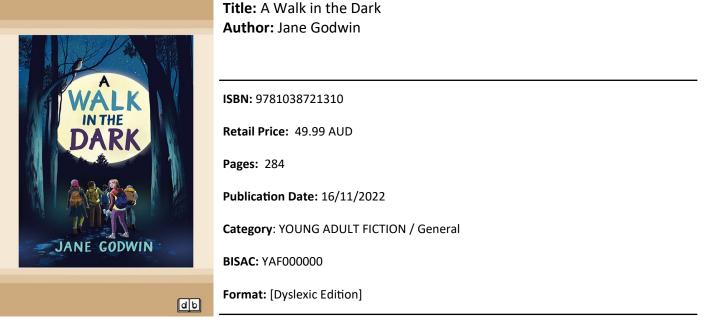


Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Book: <b>'A deeply immersive young adult fantasy and an enthralling debut. It's a privilege to walk this new path into the oldest of stories' </b>AMIE KAUFMAN, <i>New York Times</i>-bestselling author <b> </b>A CAPTIVATING YOUNG ADULT DEBUT FROM A BLACK&WRITE! WRITING FELLOWSHIP WINNER <b> </b> here misfits. its.</b> <b>One chance to save the world.</b> <b> </b> b> Kirra </b> is the great-granddaughter of a truth dreamer, and, like Great Nanna Clara, no-one believes her night-visions are coming true. When an end-of-the-world nightmare forces her to surf where her brother was killed, she time-slips into a place that could ruin her life, here, and in the Dreaming. <b> </b>Narn </b>is the son of a well-respected Elder and holds an enviable role in his saltwater clan. Though he bears the marks of a man, many treat him like an uninitiated boy, including the woman he wants to impress. <b> </b><b>Tarni </b>is the daughter of a fierce hunter and the custodian of a clever gift. Somehow, she understands Kirra when no-one else can. But who sent this unexpected visitor: a powerful ancient healer or an evil shadow-spirit? <b> </b><b>When death threatens all life, can a shortsighted surfer, a laidback dolphin caller and a feisty language unweaver work together to salvage our future?</b> b><b>'It is amazing to read a fantasy novel that draws on ancient original knowledge systems and their understandings. It's fun to read a book you can identify with.'</b> Dr Bronwyn Bancroft, award-winning Bundjalung artist and author <br/> <br/> <br/> <br/> <br/> <br/> <br/> Lystra Rose writes with a fresh and compelling voice, seamlessly marrying meticulous word craft and storytelling </b> nection to her Indigenous culture. This is uniquely Australian storytelling with purpose and a poetic sensibility.' </b> bestselling author <b>'Not a surfer? Me neither, but I felt like I rode the waves with Kirra, feeling the salt spray on my face. Not Indigenous? Me neither, but I felt like I walked, and at times ran, amid the rich Yugambeh culture. There are so</b> <b>many things I am not, but that's why I love to read. The Upwelling is a cultural education by stealth. </b> Bern Young, Rose has expertly crafted a captivating and enchanting fantasy world filled with magic and heart, while reminding us of the rich cultures and histories that were taken during colonisation . . . a must-read for lovers of YA fantasy.' </b>

**About the Author:** Lystra Rose, <i> </i> a descendant of the Guugu Yimithirr, Birri Gubba, Erub and Scottish nations, is an award -winning writer and editor who lives in a land where the rainforest meets the sea . . . the Yugambeh-speaking nation (the Gold Coast), Australia. When she's not catching waves with her husband and two kids, Lystra is editing <i>Surfing Life</i> magazine. She's the first female editor-in-chief of a mainstream surf magazine in the world. <i> The Upwelling</i> is Lystra's debut novel.



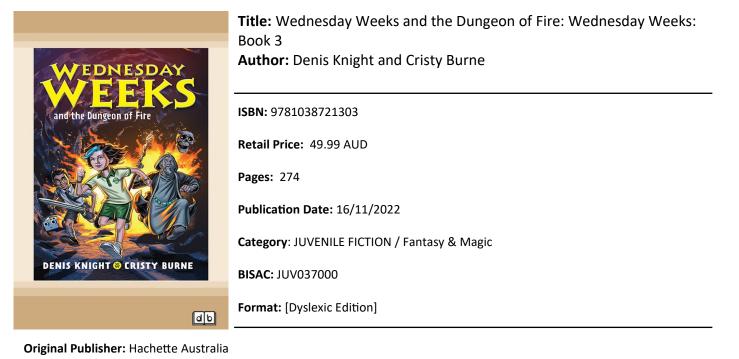


Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

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**About the Author:** <b>Jane Godwin</b> is the highly acclaimed and internationally published author of many books for children and young people, across all styles and ages. Children's Publisher at Penguin Books Australia for many years, Jane was the co-creator with Davina Bell of the Our Australian Girl series of quality historical fiction for middle readers. Jane's books include her novels <i>Falling From Grace, </i> <i>As Happy as Here </i> (a CBCA Notable Book) and <i>When Rain Turns to Snow</i> (shortlisted for the CBCA Book of the Year for Older Readers and for the Prime Minister's Literary Awards) and picture books <i>Go Go and the Silver Shoes</i> (illustrated by Anna Walker), <i>The Silver Sea</i> (with Alison Lester and patients at the Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne) and<i>Watch This!</i> (with designer Beci Orpin and photographer Hilary Walker). Jane is dedicated to pursuing quality and enriching reading and writing experiences for young people, and spends as much time as she can working with them in schools and communities and running literature and writing programs. janegodwin.com.au



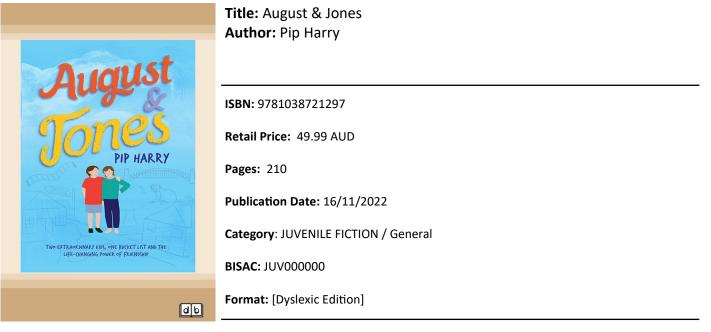


**About the Book:** <b>Wednesday Weeks just wants to finish Year Six without any more magical mishaps. But Gorgomoth the Unclean has other plans.</b> <b> </b>The tyrannical goblin king is back, and he's hot on the trail of the long-lost Stone of Power. If he finds it, it'll be goodbye school holidays and hello Third Age of Never-Ending Darkness. To beat Gorgomoth to the stone, Wednesday and her friends must prove themselves worthy by passing three deadly trials. And so the race is on. But unfriendly cats, tomato sauce geysers and a pizza-train rollercoaster ride through a live volcano won't make their mission any

easier. Will their magic and science be enough to stop Gorgomoth from taking over the universe?

**About the Author:** Science fiction and fantasy author <b>Denis Knight</b> is a computer programmer who grew up geeking out about the works of J.R.R. Tolkien, Terry Pratchett and Douglas Adams. He has also worked as a technical writer, a delivery boy, a tutor, and, for one glorious summer, a tour guide on Rottnest Island. His favourite foods are lasagna and donuts, and his favourite Arnie movie is <i>Eraser</i>. He knows how to ride a motorbike and use a chainsaw, although not both at the same time. He lives in Western Australia with his wife, his two children, and his extensive collection of <i>The X-Files</i> DVDs. He has never been stalked by a laundry kraken, eaten by space wasps or abducted by aliens - as far as he knows. <br/> <br/> Children's author <br/> <br/> Children's author <br/> <br/> Cristy Burne</br/> has worked as a science communicator for nearly 20 years across Australia, Japan, Switzerland, the UK, US, South Africa and beyond. She has performed in a science circus, worked as a garbage analyst, and was a reporter at CERN when they turned on the Large Hadron Collider, but her favourite job is working to embrace the intersection between science, technology and creativity. Her books include <i>To The Lighthouse</i> and <i>Off The Track</i>, and a non-fiction book, <i>Zeroes and Ones</i>, which was a 2019 CBCA Notable Book. In 2020, she told the story of the inventor of spray-on skin in <i>Aussie STEM Stars: Fiona Wood</i>. Cristy is a popular presenter across Australia and overseas.



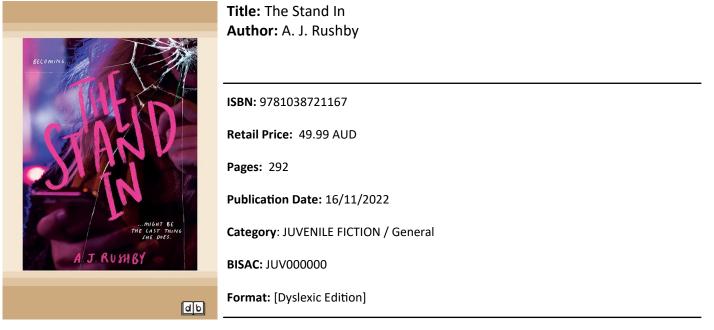


Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

About the Book: <b>From the CBCA Award-winning author of <i>The Little Wave</i> comes the story of two extraordinary kids who discover the life-changing power of friendship and teamwork.</b> Eleven-year-old <b>Jones Kirby</b> has just moved to Sydney from her farm in country New South Wales. She's missing her alpacas and wide-open paddocks and can't get used to her family's tiny city apartment. She's also worried that her vision is blurry - she lost her eye to cancer as a toddler. Could it be another tumour? Enrolling at her new school, Jones meets shy, awkward <b>August Genting</b>. He loves fun facts, the library and knitting as much as Jones loves rock climbing and being outdoors. Who would have thought they'd become fast friends? At home, August's parents are fighting. And for Jones, the news from the doctor is not good. To cheer themselves up, the pair hatch a brilliant plan: the <i>August and Jones Must-See Bucket List</i>. Together, this brave duo will set out to meet a rare monkey, run across the Harbour Bridge and even climb Australia's highest mountain. <b>After all, with your best friend beside you, anything is possible!</b> <b> </b> A delightfully Australian book and a sensitive picture of what family and friendship means ... Highly recommended' <b>ReadPlus</b> 'I wish I was reading it for the first time again - that is how much I loved it ... Pip Harry balances the reality of illness and the joys and travails of being a child with a deft hand. She never overplays the emotional drama of illness and family rifts, but offsets them with the power of friendship, love and strength of character. Harry really portrays the vicissitudes of life with big-hearted sensitivity' <b><i>Readings</i></b> <b>Praise for Pip Harry:</b> 'Fresh, authentic, poignant, light and dark by turns - I wish I'd read this when I was growing up.' <b>JANE GODWIN</b> 'Pip Harry's words are imbued with hope and the message that falling down doesn't mean you never get back up.' <b><i>Children's Books Daily</i></b> 'Pip Harry is a masterful storyteller ... funny and relatable.' <b><i>Readings</i></b> 'Fresh, funny and very contemporary ... reminds us that we all have the chance to change the course of our life and make a difference in the world.' <b><i>Better Reading</i></b>

**About the Author:** Pip Harry is an Australian author, copywriter and journalist. Her young adult novels include<i> I'll Tell You Mine, </i><i>Head of the River</i> and <i>Because of You. </i>Her middle grade novel <i>The Little Wave </i>won the 2020 Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year Award for Younger Readers. Pip's second middle grade novel, <i>Are You There,</i> <i>Buddha?</i>, is a 2022 Children's Book Council of Australia Notable Book and was shortlisted for the 2022 NSW Premier's Literary Awards in the Ethel Turner Prize for Young People's Literature. Pip's next middle grade novel, <i>August & Jones</i>, will be published by Hachette in June 2022.



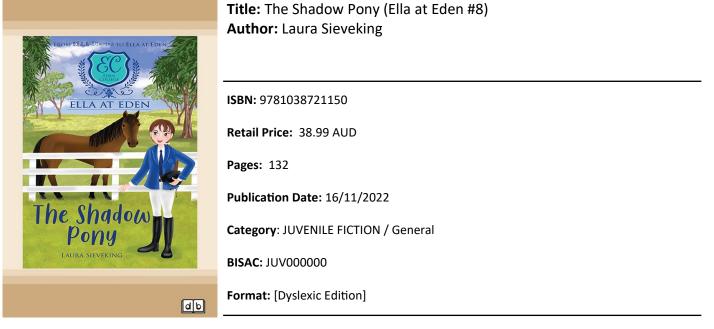


Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** When new girl Millie shows up at Lena's boarding school, she arrives with a question. Why is Lena pretending to be someone she's not? Lena ignores her. Until Millie shows her photo after photo of someone who looks like her. Exactly like her. Intrigued, Lena agrees to meet her look-alike, Saskia. Saskia is wild. And rich. And money is something Lena desperately needs if her mother is to stay in the care home she currently lives in. So when Saskia offers Lena cold, hard cash to stand in for her at family events, Lena finds she can't say no. Sometimes, she doesn't even want to say no-to the weekends away, the beautiful clothes, the amazing food and Saskia's on-again-off-again boyfriend, Rhys. Until, of course, she agrees to one last job. The one she definitely should have said no to. Because that job might be the last thing she ever does

**About the Author:** A.J. Rushby is the author of over twenty-five internationally published, award-winning novels, spanning from junior fiction up to adult fiction and non-fiction. Also known as Allison Rushby, she can be found at www.allisonrushby.com and @allisonrushbyauthor.



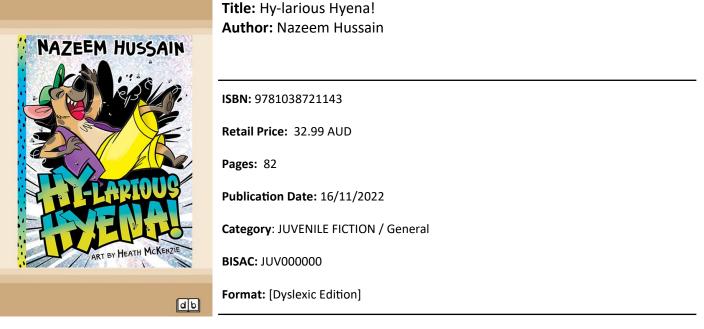


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**About the Book:** When the Eden College equestrian team need an extra member, Ella volunteers. She hasn't ridden much, but she loves horses and wants to support her best friend, Zoe. But when Ella joins the team at their equestrian camp, she keeps seeing a mysterious horse on the horizon. Some say he's not real. Others say he's a ghost. Can Ella help ride Eden College to victory and find out who the shadow pony belongs to?

**About the Author:** Ever since she learnt to hold a pen, Laura Sieveking has loved creating stories. As an adult, Laura has spent the vast majority of her career working in publishing as an editor. After several years, she decided to put down her red pen and open up her laptop to create books of her own. Laura's books revolve around all the things she loved as a child - friendships, sport and a little bit of magic. She has published numerous works for young people.





Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Harry is one Hy-larious hyena, with unstoppable, legendary LOL-powers ... until one prank goes way too far and everyone nearly becomes lion lunch. Is it time for Harry to finally get serious? Hye-No!

**About the Author:** Nazem Hussain is one of the biggest stars of Australian comedy, and a much loved television and radio personality. He won the Best Newcomer Award at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival, and has twice been nominated for the Helpmann Award for Best Comedy Performer, as well as a Logie Award nomination for Most Outstanding Comedy. This is Nazeem's first children's book.



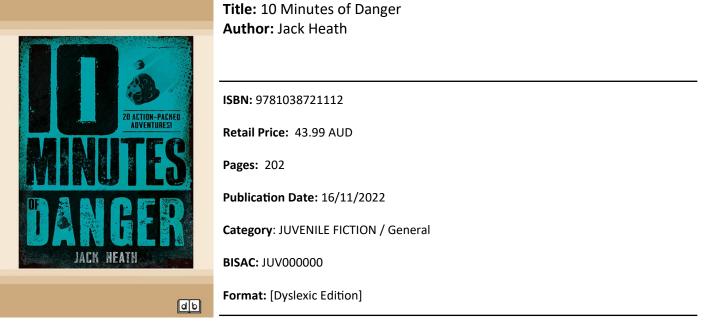


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**About the Book:** How do you leave a family behind? Trailing her orange suitcase and a heart full of worry, thirteen-year-old Agatha is about to go home. She has been in and out of foster care for years now, but her latest new life-lived with naval precision with Katherine, Lawson and their dog, Chief-has proved to be the salvation that Agatha needed. She has new friends, a sense of place, and space to breathe. But when the social worker says it's time to return to her parents, her world comes crashing down. "Home" has always made her anxious and ashamed ... and she can't understand why now she is being forced to go back. Is it possible to find a way to love her parents without having to live with them? From Di Walker comes a story of hope and compassion

**About the Author:** Di Walker is an author based in regional Victoria. Her first book, Unpacking Harper Holt, debuted in 2018. Everything We Keep is her first book with Scholastic.



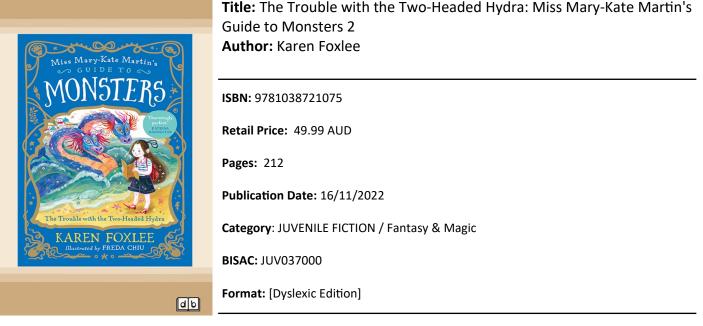


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**About the Book:** 20 stories. 20 dangerous situations. 20 brave kids. 10 minutes to escape. Dodi is in the blast radius of an asteroid on a collision course with Earth. Gary is stuck up a tree with a giant tsunami wave fast approaching. Tatum is climbing a caldera when an earthquake makes the volcano erupt. Read 20 new dangerous stories in 10 minutes of reading time each!

**About the Author:** Jack Heath is the Australian author of 300 Minutes of Danger-CBCA Notable book, who wrote his first book The Lab at age 13 and was offered a publishing contract for it when he was 18. Since releasing The Lab, Jack has written loads of thrilling, heart-thumping books for children, teens and adults, and has been shortlisted for numerous writing awards.



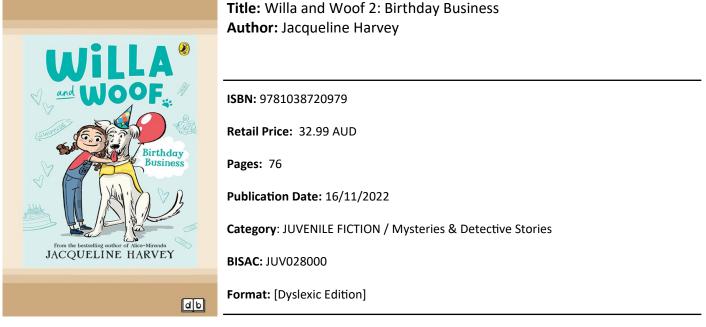


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>Miss Mary-Kate Martin might be anxious, but she's not scared of monsters. Travelling the globe with her famous archaeologist mother, Mary-Kate helps solve legendary problems in this fun fantasy adventure suitable for fans of the Travelling Bookshop or the Magnolia Moon series.</b>

**About the Author:** Karen Foxlee is an Australian author who writes for both kids and young adults. She grew up in the Australian outback mining town Mount Isa and still frequently dreams she is walking barefoot along the dry Leichhardt River. <i>Ophelia and the Marvellous Boy</i>, Karen's first novel for children, was published internationally to much acclaim while her second novel for younger readers, <i>A Most Magical Girl</i>, won the Readings Children's Fiction Prize and was short-listed for the CBCA Awards. Her next book was the internationally successful <i>Lenny's Book of Everything</i>, which won multiple awards including the NSW Premier's Literary Awards, the Queensland Literary Awards, the Indies Book Award, was a CBCA Honour Book and was nominated for the Carnegie Medal. Her latest middle-grade novel, <i>Dragon Skin</i>, was a CBCA Honour Book, winner of the Aurealis Awards and was short-listed for the NSW Premier's Literary Awards, the Indie Book Awards, the Indie Book Awards and the ABIA Awards.<br/>br>Freda Chiu is an author and illustrator from Sydney, Australia. As well as illustrating children's books, her work spans comics, editorial and retail graphics. Outside her art practice, Freda lectures in Illustration at the University of Technology Sydney. Her debut picture book, <i>A Trip to the Hospital</i>, was short-listed for the CBCA Award for New Illustrator and the IBBY Australia Ena NoëI Awards.

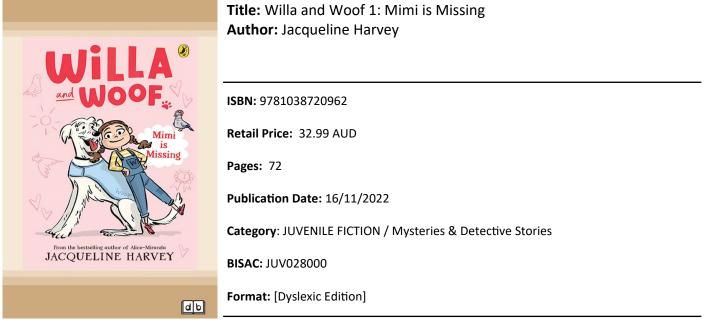




Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

**About the Book:** Adventure, imagination and loads of fun. Willa's best old-age-friend Frank hates birthdays, but that's not going to stop her from throwing him the greatest surprise party ever! Willa plunges headlong into party planning and things immediately start to go wrong. She'll need all her problem-solving skills (with the help of Tae, her best same-age friend, and her trusty sidekick Woof) to save the celebration! Can Willa pull off the surprise?

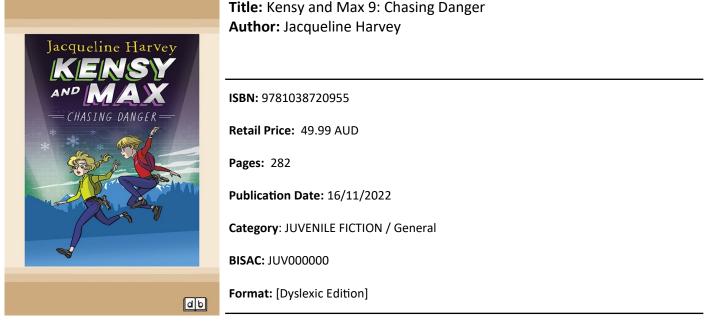




Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

**About the Book:** Adventure, imagination and loads of fun. From the bestselling author of Alice-Miranda comes this humorous and heartfelt series about eight-year-old Willa and her best four-legged friend, Woof! Willa's in trouble. Mimi - the famous racing pigeon owned by Frank, her neighbour and best old-aged friend - is missing. And Willa is pretty sure she's the one who left the cage door open . . . She'll need her most creative ideas (along with the help of Tae, her best same-age friend, and her trusty sidekick Woof, the albino Irish Wolfhound) to track Mimi down before Frank finds out! Can Willa find Mimi before it's too late?

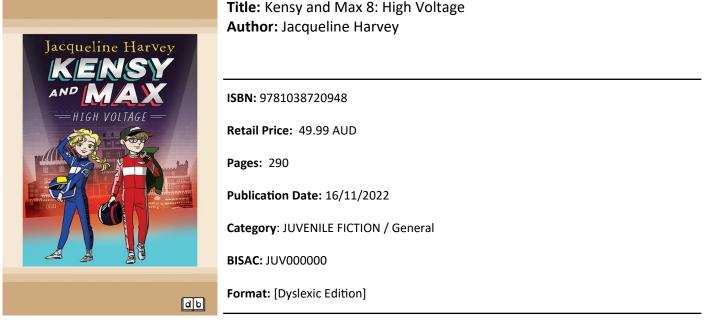




Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

**About the Book:** What do you do when ghosts rise from the past? When they reveal long-buried secrets that could turn your world upside down? When an earthquake causes a breach at a super-secret Pharos prison, Kensy and Max must join an urgent assignment to Queenstown, New Zealand. Time is of the essence - the escaped prisoners are two highly dangerous men out for revenge against both Pharos and the Spencer family. The twins head into the wilderness in pursuit. But the mountains are dangerous, and instability brought on by the earthquake is only making things worse. Meanwhile, strange things are happening back in London as one Pharos agent is attacked and another disappears. It will take all of Kensy and Max's hard-earned skills to come out of this mission alive - but what will be waiting for them when they do?

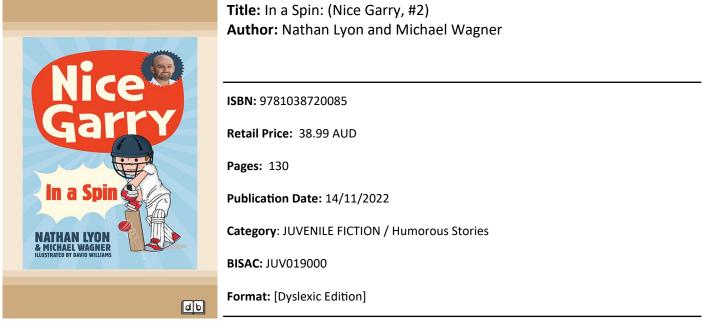




Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

**About the Book:** What happens when you know that family must come first but there are others in desperate need of help? When danger lurks around every corner? After a tumultuous school term, a family holiday with sunshine, sleep-ins and Portuguese tarts is just what Kensy and Max need. And Granny Cordelia is adamant- there are to be no investigations while on vacation. But when strange incidents start piling up, the twins are torn between their loyalty and their nose for adventure. As all leads point to the annual E-Prix championship, Kensy and Max find themselves drawn into the middle of a menacing plot. High-powered sports cars are not the only dangers on the streets of Sintra. Someone wants Wolf Motors and the Formula E car race to go up in smoke, and they won't let anything - or anyone - get in their way.



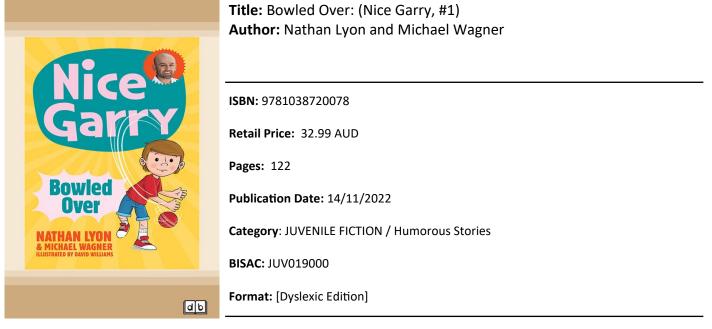


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** Inspired by the talent and passion Australian Test cricketing great Nathan Lyon has for the game, this is the story of an ordinary kid with an extraordinary gift. 'Watch out, Garry!' Garry Keenan is the most exciting new cricketer to play for the Youngstown Under-16s in years. But can a talented ten-year-old off-spinner help his team take on the most feared XI in the competition?

**About the Author:** Michael Wagner is the author of more than 80 books for children including the much-loved Maxx Rumble series, the CBCA Notable picture books Why I Love Footy, Why I Love Summer and Bear Make Den (which he co-authored with Jane Godwin) and the So Wrong series which was shortlisted for multiple children's choice awards in 2019 and 2020. Nathan Lyon is an international cricketer who showed remarkable talent at a very young age and played his junior cricket in country NSW and the ACT. Nathan's international cricket potential was noticed in 2011 while he was combining his two passions of cricket and being a greenkeeper at Adelaide Oval. Since then, it has been a whirlwind rise to the top. Dave Williams has worked as a graphic designer and illustrator for many years, and creating fun, bright illustrations to help tell stories is what he finds most rewarding about children's publishing. Based in the Northwest of England, Dave works (digitally) from his spare room at home in the company of his Sprocker Spaniel Charlie and a few cheeky Ragdoll cats.



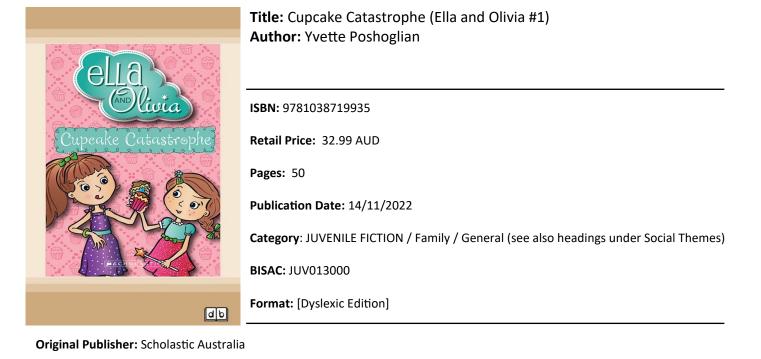


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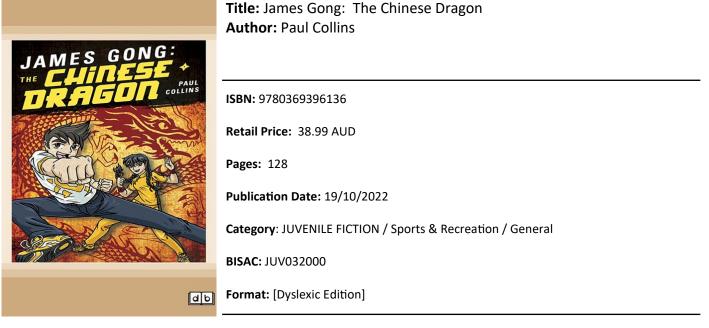




**About the Book:** Meet Ella and Olivia. Big sister. Little sister. Best friends. Ella and Olivia are sisters. Ella is seven years old. Olivia is five-and-a-half years old. They live with their mum and dad and little brother Max. Ella and Olivia are making cupcakes for Dad's birthday. All the family will be there! But when a cooking disaster strikes, will the party be ruined?

**About the Author:** Yvette Poshoglian is an Australian author with a background in teaching, journalism and the publishing industry. She has a keen interest in history and is an avid Sydney Harbour kayaker





Original Publisher: Hybrid Publishers

**About the Book:** Ming Lee - The Chinese Dragon - is the unbeaten, undisputed queen of virtual martial arts. Until she meets James Gong, fresh from his starring role in Ham Solo: Revenge of the Fist. Can their combined skill, grace and teamwork defeat everything the virtso world throws at them? Do they take down the mobsters? The bully? And just where does 'the gymnast' fit into all of this?

**About the Author:** Paul Collins has written over 140 books for children and young adults and several books for adults. He has a black belt in both taekwondo and ju jitsu. He was trained in kick-boxing by former Australian Heavyweight Kick-boxing Champion, Dana Goodson. He trained with the Los Angeles Hell Drivers and later served time in the army with 2 Commando Coy.

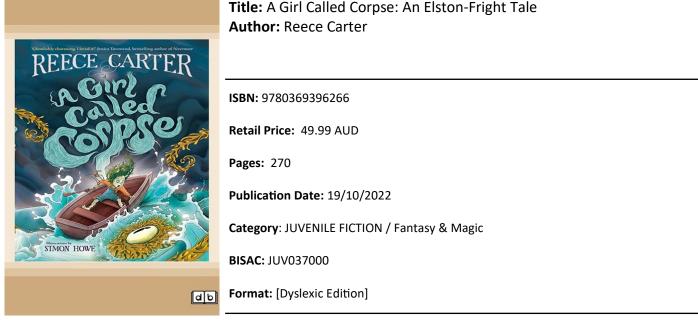




Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Author:** Bren MacDibble was raised on farms all over New Zealand, so is an expert about being a kid on the land. After 20 years in Melbourne, Bren sold everything and spent two years living and working in a bus travelling around Australia. She recently parked her bus in Kalbarri on the beautiful west coast, where she now manages a holiday villa. In 2018, <i>How to Bee</i> - her first novel for younger readers - won the Children's Book Council Book of the Year Award for Younger Readers, the New South Wales Premier's Literary Award Patricia Wrightson Prize for Children's Literature, and the New Zealand Book Awards Wright Family Foundation Esther Glen Award for Junior Fiction. In 2019 <i>The Dog Runner</i> won the New Zealand Book Awards Wright Family Foundation Esther Glen Award for Junior Fiction. Bren also writes for young adults under the name Cally Black.<br> clark<br/>books for children and young adults. Her work has been published in over 15 countries and is in development for both stage and screen. Zana was born in Melbourne but spent her early childhood in San Francisco. Her 2016 novel <i>The Bone Sparrow</i> won the ABIA Book of the Year for Older Children, the Readings Young Adult Book Prize and the Amnesty CILIP Honour. It was shortlisted for the PM's Literary Awards, the CBCA awards, the Qld Literary Awards, Vic Premier's Literary Awards, the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize, the Gold Inky and the CILIP Carnegie Medal. Zana spent a year in China teaching English and now lives in Melbourne with her three children, husband and two dogs. <br/> <br/> spir><br/>





Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: <b>A dazzling debut about a lonely kid ghost who goes searching for answers about her past in a forgotten coastal town that fizzes with secret magic. 'I loved it!' said Jessica Townsend, <i>New York Times</i> bestselling author of <i>Nevermoor.</i></b><br/>><br/>><br/>>i>'Find the thing the Witches call a treasure,' says Old Man, 'and you'll get back all those memories you're missing.' </i><br/>>br/><br/>With a body made of wax, seaweed for hair and polished abalone shells for eyes, Corpse is bound to haunt the Witches' sea shack forever. She has no memory of the kid she was before she was snatched and ended up on the rock-that-doesn't-exist. But the delivery of an unexpected message sets Corpse off on a surprising quest, searching for answers to the old and familiar questions that have filled her not-brain since the day she first woke up a ghost. Questions about her name. Questions about her family. With only her eight-legged friend Simon for company, Corpse heads into the unknown. There will be danger - cruel Witches, a silver-eyed sea monster and a cunning Merchant with a hungry grin but Corpse is not afraid. She'll stop at nothing to uncover the truth about her past. Only some answers, it turns out, are much closer than she thinks. <br/><br/>she there is nothing adventure story about friendship, family and finding out that there is nothing more powerful than a kid acting with their whole heart. <i>A Girl Called Corpse</i> is one of the most exciting children's fantasy debuts to hit the shelves since <i>Nevermoor</i>.<br/>br/><br/>br/>>Ghoulishly charming, with a compelling hero you will adore. I loved it!' Jessica Townsend, <i>New York Times </i>bestselling author of <i>Nevermoor</i>chr/>'Just the right mix of eerie and bleak - think Neil Gaiman by way of Roald Dahl and Tim Burton - with moments of levity.' <i>Books+Publishing</ i><br/>br/><br/>br/>>'Wonderfully imaginative and enthralling.' Jaclyn Moriarty, award-winning author of the Kingdoms and Empires series<br/>/>/Fizzes and crackles with magic, mystery and exactly the correct amount of huntsman spiders. I loved this book so much.' Karen Foxlee, bestselling author of <i>Dragon Skin</i> and <i>Lenny's Book of Everything</i><br/>br/> >'Frightfully good. Death has never seemed such fun.' Jeremy Lachlan, bestselling author of the Jane Doe Chronicles<br/> >'As spine-tinglingly creepy as an old, abandoned cemetery. I loved this with my entire soul!' Shirley Marr, award-winning author of <i>A Glasshouse of Stars</i><br/>br/><br/>br/>>br/>>br/>bramatic and spooky, with the most delightful lively voice.' Amelia Mellor, bestselling author of <i>The Grandest Bookshop in the World</i><br/>i><br/>i></i>

**About the Author:** Reece Carter grew up on his family farm in Tammin, Western Australia. There was an unfortunate lack of witches and ghosts though, so Reece had to find them in books instead. Roald Dahl, Paul Jennings and Emily Rodda were some of his first favourite authors. When Reece moved away to boarding school at the age of eleven, he could regularly be found hiding in the library, tucked away in the corner with a good book. With the encouragement of his English teacher, Reece started writing his own stories. After a few years travelling overseas, Reece moved to Melbourne. But even while working as a nutritionist by day, Reece maintained a secret double life, continuing to write middle-grade novels by night. Now, he lives in Sydney and writes kids' fiction full-time. When not reading or writing, Reece can usually be found talking to his dog Hagrid - and



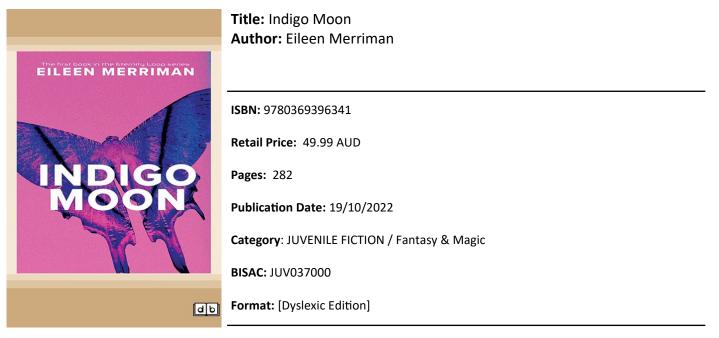
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**About the Book:** In Tazzie Wallaroo & The Perfect Match, famed adventurer, Tasman Wallaroo (known as Tazzie), and her team of 28 shaggy-haired Siberian Cha-Wow-Wows depart the Point of No Return to capture the Abominable Snowman. Will Tazzie and her doggies overcome blizzards and sub-zero weather? Will they survive falling into a crevasse? And thousands of ice mites? And frenzied ice mice? What happens when Tazzie uncovers an igloo? Is this the home of the Abominable Snowman? And how and why is love somehow on the cards? T hen, in Kylie ORiley & The Watta-Wopping Volcano, the worlds most famous volcanologist Kylie ORiley is asked by Hilda to recover her husband, Rudy, who has fallen into WattaWopping Volcano. There she finds a dragon. Luckily, she can speak Dragonese and persuades it to fly her to Cracka-Cracka Boom-Boom, home of the Gidgee Guy tribe. However, the chiefs son, Tumby, fancies Kylie for dinner. Will she escape his cooking pot? Does she save Hildas missing husband? And her precious ring and picnic basket? What antique gift does she receive? To find out the answers to these and other enthralling questions, read these great stories from Book 1 of the Wild & Wacky Adventurers Series!

**About the Author:** Bill Condon has written more than one hundred books for children and young adults, as well as numerous plays and poems. His titles have been shortlisted four times in the Children's Book Council of Australia Awards, and in 2010 he won the Prime Minister's Award for young adult literature. He lives on the south coast of NSW with his wife, Di.



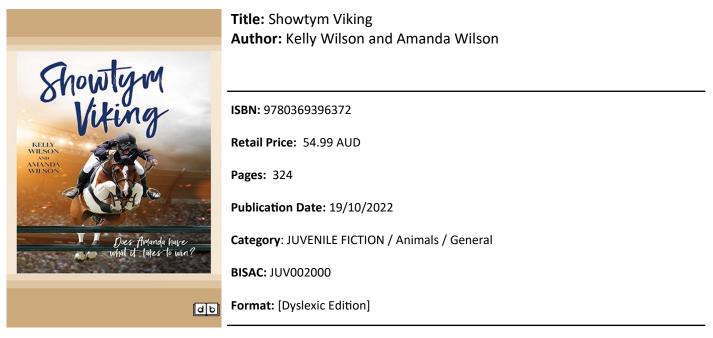


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House New Zealand

**About the Book:** Book 1 of the gritty, fast-paced, thought-provoking Eternity Loop Series. Promise you will never, ever mess with time . . . Both Rigel and Indigo are Offspring, born to virally optimised parents. With dire warnings about the possible consequences of time travel, they have been forbidden from even thinking about it. But Indigo is bored - what could really go wrong? She longs for excitement, which she might just find with the mysterious stranger Billy Raven. Meanwhile, Rigel has an odd feeling that he can't shake off. Is it because his dad, Johnno (aka Phoenix), is off on another dangerous mission? Or is it because of what the Foundation did to his mum, Violet? Or is something else going on? Only time will tell.

**About the Author:** Eileen Merriman's first young adult novel, Pieces of You, was published in 2017, and was a finalist in the NZ Book Awards for Children and Young Adults and a Storylines Notable Book. Since then, a stream of novels for adults and young adults have followed. She has received huge critical praise, with one reviewer saying: 'Merriman is an instinctive story-teller with an innate sense of timing.' In addition to being a regular finalist in the NZ Book Awards for Children and Young Adults, Merriman was a finalist in the 2021 Ngaio Marsh Award for Best Crime Novel and Moonlight Sonata was longlisted for the Jann Medlicott Acorn Prize for Fiction 2020. Editions of some of her young adult novels have been released in Germany, Turkey and the UK and three have been optioned for film or TV, including the Black Spiral Trilogy. Her other awards include runner-up in the 2018 Sunday Star-Times Short Story Award and third in the same award for three consecutive years previous-ly. She works as a consultant haematologist at North Shore Hospital.



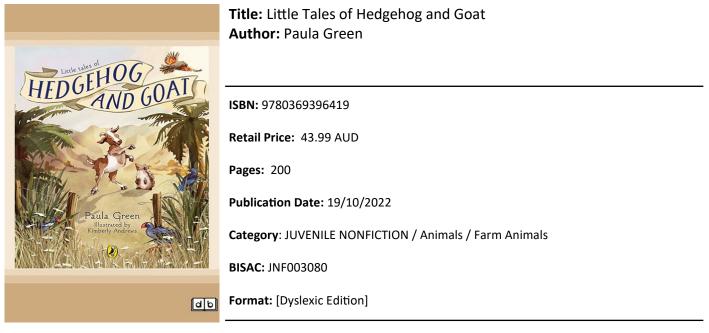


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**About the Book:** A thrilling equestrian novel to delight all fans of the Wilson sisters, inspired by true events - 17-year-old Amanda's nail-biting bid to win the top national Pony of the Year competition.

**About the Author:** Kelly Wilson (Author) Kelly Wilson is the bestselling author of five autobiographical non-fiction books: For the Love of Horses, Stallion Challenges, Mustang Ride, Saving the Snowy Brumbies and Taming the Wild, a children's picture book Ranger the Kaimanawa Stallion and the junior chapter book series Showtym Adventures. With her sisters Vicki and Amanda, Kelly starred in the hit-rating TV series, Keeping Up with the Kaimanawas, following their work taming New Zealand's wild Kaimanawa horses, and travelled around the globe to document, rescue and tame wild horses.



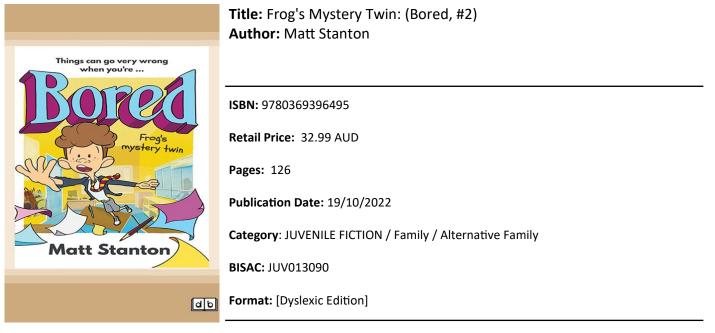


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House New Zealand

**About the Book:** A charming illustrated chapter book for children six years and up about friendship and finding the magic in the everyday.

**About the Author:** Paula Green ONZM is one of New Zealand's most highly regarded poets, as well as an acclaimed writer, reviewer and anthologist. She has published a number of acclaimed poetry collections for adults and children, and edited several anthologies. She is also the author of two picture books. In 2017, she received the Prime Minister's Award for Poetry and was admitted to the New Zealand Order of Merit for Services to Poetry. She lives in coastal West Auckland with her husband, the painter Michael Hight (they have two adult daughters), and champions Aotearoa's present and future poets through her two blogs, Poetry Box for children and Poetry Shelf for adults.



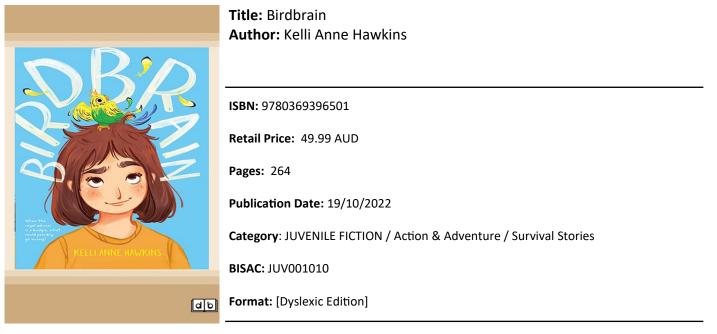


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** Sometimes feeling bored is just the beginning ... My name is Frog and this may have been a very bad idea. I've started at this new school and when you're trying to fit in the best thing you can do is just try something totally crazy! Right? Well, it seemed like a good plan. Only now Luisa has decided I'm her favourite person to make fun of, Evie thinks I'm completely nuts, Milo's grumpy about something or other and I'm about to tell everyone the whole story about my secret twin brother with the same name. True story! I swear. I can get myself in all sorts of trouble when I'm bored ... From the million-copy bestselling author of Funny Kid and The Odds, comes another story in this laugh-out-loud new series about the complicated business of being a kid.

**About the Author:** Matt Stanton is a bestselling children's author and illustrator who has sold more than one million books. His middle-grade series, Funny Kid, debuted as the #1 Australian kids' book and has fans all around the world. He has twenty picture books to his name, including the award-winning Books That Drive Kids Crazy! and Fart Monster series, and is currently creating his immensely popular graphic novel series, The Odds and brand-new series of novels, Bored. Matt lives in Sydney with his wife, bestselling author Beck Stanton, and their children. mattstanton.net



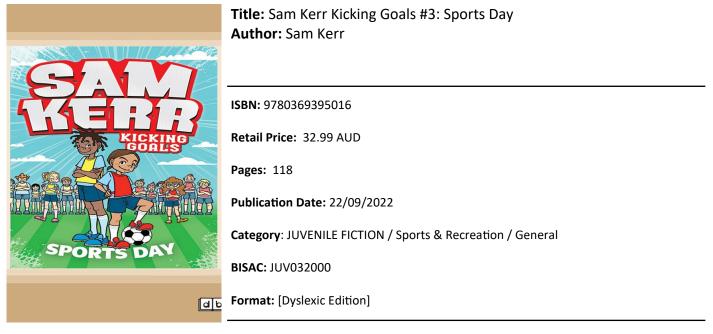


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**About the Book:** The funny, whimsical and quirky new adventure from Australian rising star Kelli Anne Hawkins. When seven strangers arrive at a small Australian caravan park to tell Hadley Boggs that her dad is the long-lost heir to the kingdom of Ludrovia, she can hardly believe it. Her dad - the world's most indecisive man, a man who takes the advice of their pet budgie, a man named BARRY - is king?! Soon, Hadley jets off to an exciting new life, where she meets dancing goats, learns of an ancient Ludrovian prophecy and comes face to face with the country's hair-obsessed president. Hadley quickly falls in love with her quirky adopted home, so when she and her new friends discover the president's secret deal to sell the country to a cheese-loving billionaire, she knows they must act. But can the Birdbrain prophecy help them save Ludrovia before everything turns to fondue?

**About the Author:** Kelli Anne Hawkins has worked as a journalist, graphic designer, administration assistant and mystery shopper - she's even had a job where she just had to remove staples! But all along, her love of books and libraries and reading and daydreaming should have told her she was meant to write books. Some of her favourite things are airports, velvet jackets, mangoes, the colour yellow, the satisfaction of crossing stuff off lists and staring at the ocean. She lives in Newcastle, NSW, with her two children, who are now taller than she is and far better at maths.



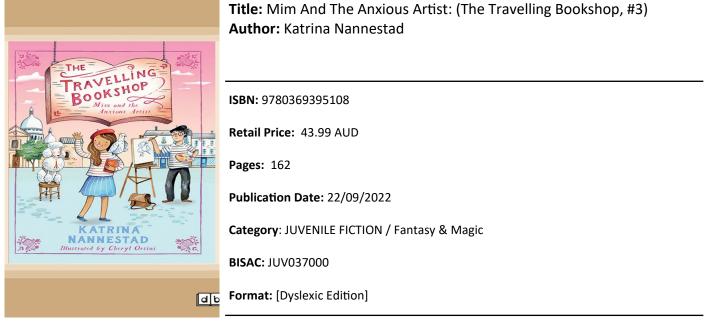


Original Publisher: Simon & Schuster Australia

**About the Book:** Matildas superstar Sam Kerr's incredible story! It's official! Eleven-year-old Sam Kerr is a fully-fledged soccer tragic! So, when the school's annual Sports Day comes around, she is disappointed when soccer isn't on the list of activities. Sam goes on a mission to get her beloved game added to the program. With help from her best friends, Indi and Dylan, she petitions her classmates to create the first-ever soccer team in the history of her school. But will Chelsea stir up trouble and ruin everything? On the home front, Sam and her siblings are organising a surprise party for their parents' wedding anniversary. But things aren't going to plan! And with her team's grand final just around the corner, there's a lot to deal with ... even for a soccer superstar in the making!

**About the Author:** Sam Kerr is the captain of the Australia women's national soccer team - the Matildas - and a leading goal scorer for Chelsea in the English FA Women's Super League. She burst onto the W-League scene as a 15-year-old playing with Perth Glory. In 2016 she played for the Matildas at the Olympics in Brazil, and she was the top goal scorer in the 2017 Tournament of Nations. Since joining Chelsea in 2019, Sam has positioned herself as one of the best female strikers in the world. She was named 2018 Young Australian of the Year. Fiona Harris has written the children's series The Super Moopers, Trolls and Miraculous. She was head scriptwriter on ABC3 TV's Prank Patrol and wrote/co-starred in the TV comedy shows Flipside, Comedy Inc. and SkitHouse. Fiona co-wrote and starred in the international-award-winning web series The Drop Off, with husband Mike McLeish. Their adult fiction novel The Drop-off was released in 2020 and its sequel, The Pick-up, is due out in 2021. Fiona also co-authored Sharni Layton's biography, No Apologies, and Marcus Bontempelli's picture book, both released in 2021. For more information on Fiona Harris visit fionaharris.com. Aki Fukuoka was born in the valleys of the alps of central Japan and was raised in the rolling hills of the New Zealand countryside. After spending her childhood exploring nature with her four siblings, Aki moved out to the city of Auckland to learn how to cross roads, manoeuvre between pedestrians and gain her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. She is currently living in a little wooden cottage house with her husband, four children and animals and works full time as a freelance illustrator. Aki is most well known for her illustrations for the Billie B Brown series.



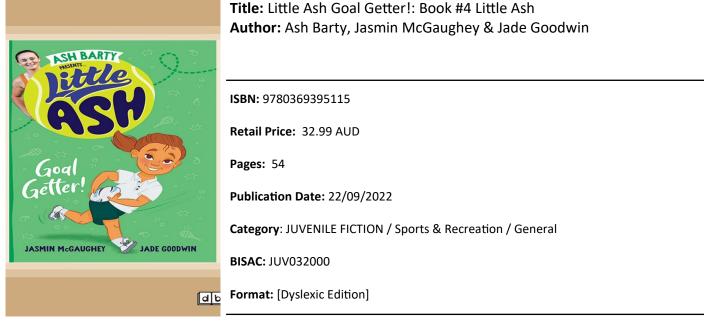


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**About the Book:** The right book might just change your life ... Mim Cohen roams the world in a travelling bookshop, with her dad and brother and a horse called Flossy. Flossy leads them where she will, to the place where they're needed most ... the place where the perfect book will find its way home. Now Mim has arrived in elegant Paris where she meets Pierre, a talented but anxious artist who cannot bear to give up his paintings, even to sell them. He's miserable and poor. His customers are cross. Mim knows they're here to help Pierre. To calm him down. To turn him into a successful artist. To make him truly happy. If only Mim could find him the right book. If only Dad would stop getting muddled and giving everyone the wrong book. The glistening new adventure from award-winning author Katrina Nannestad and beloved illustrator Cheryl Orsini.

**About the Author:** Katrina Nannestad is an award-winning Australian author. Her books include the CBCA-shortlisted We Are Wolves, The Girl Who Brought Mischief, the Travelling Bookshop series, the Girl, the Dog and the Writer series, the Olive of Groves series, the Red Dirt Diaries series, the Lottie Perkins series, and the historical novel Rabbit, Soldier, Angel, Thief. Katrina grew up in country New South Wales, in a neighbourhood stuffed full of happy children. Her adult years have been spent raising boys, teaching, daydreaming and pursuing her love of stories. Katrina celebrates family, friendship and belonging in her writing. She also loves creating stories that bring joy or hope to other people's lives. Katrina now lives on a hillside in central Victoria with her husband, a silly whippet called Olive and a mob of kangaroos.www.katrinanannestad.com Cheryl Orsini is the much-loved illustrator of The Fairy Dancers, The Tales of Mrs Mancini and The Magic Bookshop. She has illustrated more than thirty children's books, and her work regularly appears in magazines and exhibitions. For more, visit www.cherylorsini.com



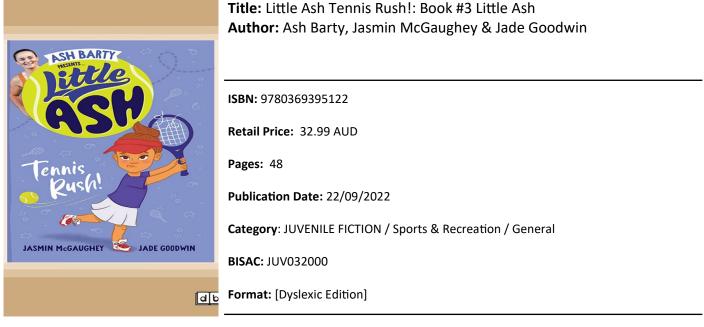


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**About the Book:** Australian tennis superstar Ash Barty teams up with Jasmin McGaughey and Jade Goodwin to bring young readers this fun and exciting new illustrated series about school, sport, friendship and family. Ash loves playing sport, but when she loses the lunchtime touch footy match, it sends her into a spin. What if she can't win anything ever again? Ash knows the answer. If she never plays anything again, then she won't have to lose! Will Ash quit sport for good?

About the Author: Australian Ashleigh Barty was a professional tennis player on the Women's Tennis Association tour from 2011-2022 (with a break from late 2014 to early 2016). Widely regarded as one of the sport's most naturally talented players, Ash's game style and ability to play a wide variety of shots set her apart from her opponents. Ash's off court approach endeared her further to the tennis community and fans around the world. With her signature humility, confidence to guide her own path and commitment to being a good person before all else, she became a role model for many. Ash announced her retirement from professional tennis in March 2022. Ranked WTA World No. 1 and the reigning ladies singles champion at Wimbledon and the Australian Open, she departed from the sport as one of the most accomplished players ever. Her tennis achievements include: 3 Grand Slam singles titles, 1 Grand Slam doubles title, 12 WTA singles titles, 11 WTA doubles titles and an Olympic bronze medal for mixed doubles. Ash held the WTA World No. 1 ranking for 114 consecutive weeks, the fourthlongest streak in tour history, behind Steffi Graf (186 weeks), Serena Williams (also 186) and Martina Navratilova (156). In all, Ash spent 121 weeks at World No. 1, the seventh most in WTA tour history, surpassed only by Steffi Graf, Martina Navratilova, Serena Williams, Chris Evert, Martina Hingis and Monica Seles. A proud Indigenous woman, Ash is committed to creating sport and education opportunities for youth in communities around Australia. A passionate reader and advocate for children's literacy, Ash has published the best-selling Little Ash series for ages five and up. Ash is a huge believer in the long-term benefits of reading for children, and the Little Ash series engages young readers due to its popular themes of sport, family, friendships and school, plus its appealing illustrations and easy-to-read language. Ash's next chapter is yet to be written but will certainly involve a new set of goals and dre



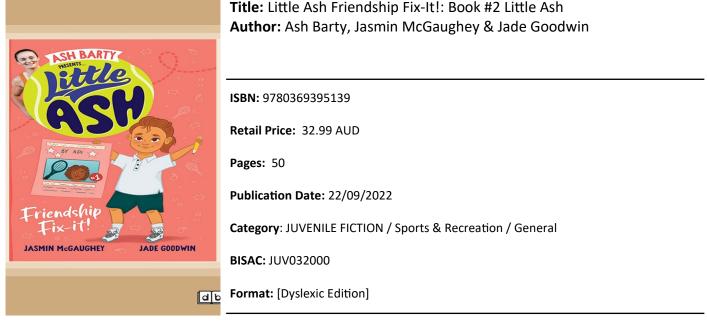


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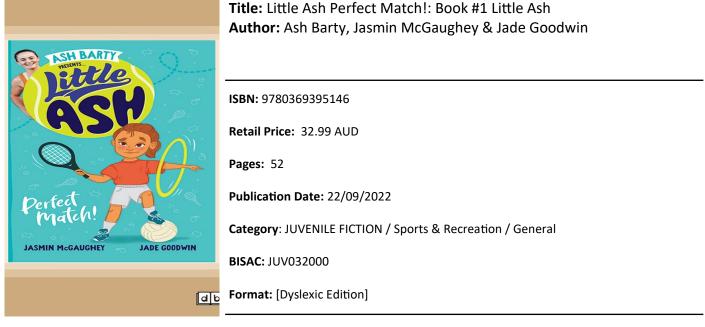


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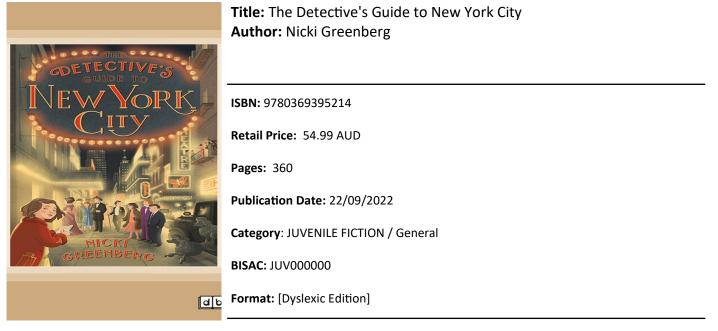


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**About the Book:** Australian tennis superstar Ash Barty teams up with Jasmin McGaughey and Jade Goodwin to bring young readers this fun and exciting new illustrated series about school, sport, friendship and family. Ash loves to play sport. She's tried karate, softball, netball and gymnastics. But none of those sports give her that tingly feeling, the one where you know it's something you'll absolutely love to do. How will Ash ever choose?

About the Author: Australian Ashleigh Barty was a professional tennis player on the Women's Tennis Association tour from 2011-2022 (with a break from late 2014 to early 2016). Widely regarded as one of the sport's most naturally talented players, Ash's game style and ability to play a wide variety of shots set her apart from her opponents. Ash's off court approach endeared her further to the tennis community and fans around the world. With her signature humility, confidence to guide her own path and commitment to being a good person before all else, she became a role model for many. Ash announced her retirement from professional tennis in March 2022. Ranked WTA World No. 1 and the reigning ladies singles champion at Wimbledon and the Australian Open, she departed from the sport as one of the most accomplished players ever. Her tennis achievements include: 3 Grand Slam singles titles, 1 Grand Slam doubles title, 12 WTA singles titles, 11 WTA doubles titles and an Olympic bronze medal for mixed doubles. Ash held the WTA World No. 1 ranking for 114 consecutive weeks, the fourthlongest streak in tour history, behind Steffi Graf (186 weeks), Serena Williams (also 186) and Martina Navratilova (156). In all, Ash spent 121 weeks at World No. 1, the seventh most in WTA tour history, surpassed only by Steffi Graf, Martina Navratilova, Serena Williams, Chris Evert, Martina Hingis and Monica Seles. A proud Indigenous woman, Ash is committed to creating sport and education opportunities for youth in communities around Australia. A passionate reader and advocate for children's literacy, Ash has published the best-selling Little Ash series for ages five and up. Ash is a huge believer in the long-term benefits of reading for children, and the Little Ash series engages young readers due to its popular themes of sport, family, friendships and school, plus its appealing illustrations and easy-to-read language. Ash's next chapter is yet to be written but will certainly involve a new set of goals and dre



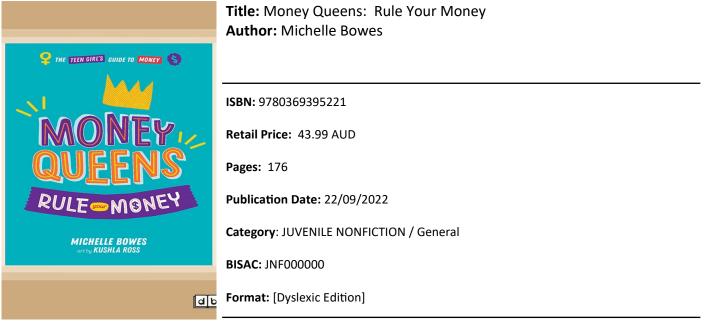


Original Publisher: Affirm Press

**About the Book:** From the bright lights of Broadway to back-alley speakeasies, Nicki Greenberg brings 1920s New York to life in this rollicking return to the world and characters of The Detective's Guide to Ocean Travel.

**About the Author:** Nicki Greenberg is a writer and illustrator based in Victoria. Her first books, in The Digits series, were published when she was fifteen years old. She later spent ten years disguised as a lawyer, while maintaining a not-so-secret Other Life as a comics artist and children's book author. In 2008, Nicki's innovative graphic adaptation of The Great Gatsby was selected as a White Raven at the Bologna Book Fair. She then went on to tackle Hamlet in a lavish 425-page 'staging on the page'. Hamlet was joint winner of the 2011 Children's Book Council of Australia Picture Book of the Year award. Inspired by her own young children, Nicki now dedicates most of her ink to books for younger readers. Her favourite activity is making books, but when she does manage to tear herself away from the desk, Nicki loves to crochet bizarre sea creatures.



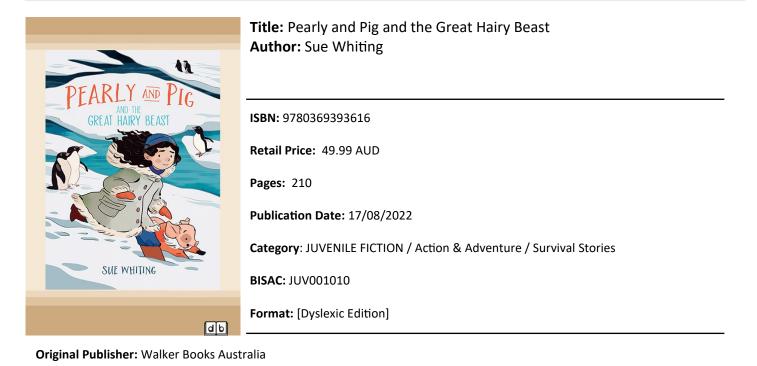


Original Publisher: Affirm Press

**About the Book:** From personal finance writer Michelle Bowes comes a self-empowerment guide that covers all the mustknow money basics like saving and budgeting, as well as bigger topics like credit cards; buy now, pay later services; superannuation; and investing. It even explains how to write a CV, what to do when you get your first job and what to expect to pay for when you finish high school. This guidebook is the best friend that every teen girl needs as she embarks on her first relationship with money.

**About the Author:** A business journalist with over twenty years experience, Michelle Bowes has written countless articles explaining complex financial topics in easy-to-understand and engaging ways, and even more about gender inequality when it comes to money. She believes the solution to overcoming the money challenges women face is for them to start learning about money - and putting good money habits in place - as soon as they start earning it, in their very first teenage job. Her mission is to show all teenage girls that they can be Money Queens, by giving them the tips and tools they need to rule their money. Michelle lives in Sydney with her husband and three kids, including two teenage daughters. This is her first book.





**About the Book:** A fast-paced junior fiction adventure starring a plucky new heroine that has to face her fears to save her parents, her friend and the day! Pearly Woe is a worrier. She worries about everything, especially that she'll never be brave enough to become a member of the top-secret group of stealth adventurers - The Adventurologists' Guild. Pearly also has a special talent - she can talk to animals. Her favourite animal to talk to is her pet pig, called Pig. But with her parents missing, Pig pig-napped and Pearly a stowaway on an icebreaker heading for Antarctica, Pearly's worries just got REAL.

**About the Author:** Sue Whiting is a children's and young adult author and editor who lives and works in a small coastal village south of Sydney. She has written numerous books in a variety of genres: fiction and nonfiction, picture books through to YA, including the best-selling The Firefighters and Missing, the award-winning A Swim in the Sea and the CBCA Notable Books, Get a Grip Cooper Jones, Platypus and Beware the Deep Dark Forest,. Sue was Publishing Manager and Senior Commissioning Editor at Walker Books Australia for many years, before leaving in 2016 to concentrate on her writing and to work from her home as a freelance editor, writing coach and mentor. A former primary school teacher with a special interest in literacy education and children's literature, Sue is a highly experienced speaker who loves sharing her passion for story and storytelling, reading and writing with people of all ages. Join her on her adventures in story at https://suewhiting.com.



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Original Publisher: Walker Books Australia		

**About the Book:** Based on true events, Interned is a moving, well-researched and evocative historical fiction novel that highlights an often forgotten moment in Australian history. It's 1914. Gretta lives a privileged life in Singapore, the daughter of a businessman; Tilly lives a modest life in Brisbane, the daughter of a baker. When war breaks out and both countries turn on their families for being German, the two girls find themselves taken from their homes, interned at a camp in rural New South Wales. Far away from everything they have ever known, Gretta and Tilly are forced to face prejudice, overcome adversity and to make their own community.

**About the Author:** Pamela Rushby is the author of over 200 books for children and young adults, as well as children's TV scripts, documentaries, short stories and freelance journalism. Pam has been an advertising copywriter, pre-school teacher, and producer of educational television, audio and multimedia. She has won several awards, including the NSW Premier's Ethel Turner Prize, five CBCA Notable Books - and a bag of gold coins at a film festival in Iran! Pam believes the strangest, most riveting, heart-breaking, laugh-out-loud stories aren't fiction. They're real. They come from history. And she loves tripping over unusual incidents from history - and then writing about them. Her website is www.pamelarushby.com.



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The Wearing of the Green Claire Saxby	ISBN: 9780369393593 Retail Price: 43.99 AUD Pages: 188 Publication Date: 17/08/2022	
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**About the Book:** <b>A powerful historical novel exploring themes of racism, classism and gender expectations present in a growing nation.</b> When Biddy arrives in Melbourne from Ireland in 1850, she knows exactly what she's going to do - find her rebellious big brother, Ewen. Her plans are derailed when he's not there to meet her and she's forced into a situation that is nothing like she expected. Faced with challenges and chased by luck, bad and good, Biddy must find a strength within herself to build a new life - and to find her missing brother.

**About the Author:** <b>Claire Saxby</b> lives in Melbourne, Australia and loves her city. She is the bestselling and awardwinning author of many books. <i>There Was an Old Sailor </i>(illustrated by Cassandra Allen) won the Society of Children's Book Writes and Illustrators Crystal Kite Award. <i>Big Red Kangaroo </i>and <i>Emu </i>(both illustrated by Graham Byrne) and <i>Koala </i>(illustrated by Julie Vivas) have won numerous awards including the Whitley Award, the Environment Award for Children's Literature, and Children's Book council of Australia (CBCA) Crichton Award. <i>Koala </i>was a CBCA Honour Book. <i>Dingo </i>(illustrated by Tannya Harricks was joint winner of the Patricia Wrightson Prize for Children's Literature at the NSW Premier's Literary Award (2019); won the Royal Zoological Society of NSW's Whitley Award (2018); was shortlisted in 2019 for the CBCA New Illustrator Award, and Best Picture Book in the Educational Publishing awards.



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The Homecoming Horse Jackie Merchant	ISBN: 9780369393586 Retail Price: 54.99 AUD Pages: 316 Publication Date: 17/08/2022 Category: JUVENILE FICTION / Social Themes / Friendship BISAC: JUV039060	
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**About the Book:** <b>A touching novel about finding your home, even if it doesn't look the way you expected.</b> Kennedy and Dad have been on the move since Mum left and their farm had to be sold. When Dad takes on a horse called Ugly, the plan for the horse is clear from the start - train him up, sell him off and put the money toward their new farm deposit. Despite knowing the clock is ticking, the bond between Kennedy and Ugly (or Douglas, as she calls him) becomes unbreakable. In the face of all uncertainty, Douglas has become her home and her haven, but will they have to sell him to have a home of their own?

**About the Author:** <b>Jackie Merchant</b> has worked as a designer, art director and copywriter. She spent the majority of her childhood on the outskirts of Sydney, where, when she was 10, her parents bought an old run-down riding school. Even with no ponies at the time it was a dream come true for a girl with an imagination fuelled by ponies and horses. As an adult Jackie is lucky enough to share her life with 3 beautiful horses (Moxie, Percy and Squiggles) and several other animals. She currently lives in Tasmania.



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**About the Book:** <b>A captivating supernatural mystery set in a house haunted by secrets from the past.</b> Eleven-year-old Lolli must return to London and break a promise she made to herself - to never again enter the house in Spitalfields, an historic building managed by her family. There, Lolli must face up to what she saw in the house several years ago and make things right for two ghosts, one friendly and one decidedly not, and open her heart to people in both the living and twilight worlds.

**About the Author:** <b>Allison Rushby</b>, the daughter of an author, was raised on a wholesome and steady diet of classic English literature. Some of her favourite books, re-read countless dog-eared times include Rumer Godden's <i>The Dolls' House</i>, Frances Hodgson Burnett's <i>The Secret Garden</i>, Dodie Smith's <i>I Capture the Castle</i> and Noel Streatfield's ""Shoes"" series. She has long been a fan of cities with long, winding histories, wild, overgrown cemeteries, red brick Victorian museums, foxes and ivy. She prefers to write with a cup of Darjeeling tea by her side and a Devon Rex cat curled up in her lap. Her work includes<i> When This Bell Rings</i>, which<i> </i> which<i> </i> whoth was<i> </i> shortlisted in the West Australia Young Readers' Book Award, <i>The Turnkey</i>, <i> </i> which was shortlisted in the Speech Pathology Awards and <i> The Seven Keys</i>, which was<i> </i> longlisted in the Davitt Awards.

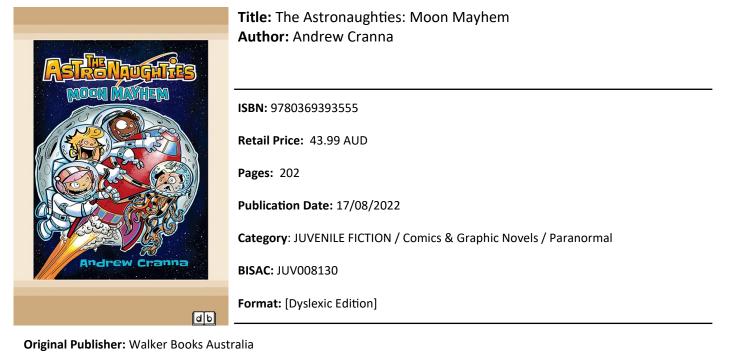


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**About the Book:** <b>A rescue story of love and trust between a boy and a dog from the talented author of <i>Paws</i>.</b><i>Do you hear that? You're Cliff now, and your life is going to get better, I promise.<b></b></i> When eleven-year-old Matt finds Cliff, a hurt, neglected dog abandoned in the bush, he knows the brave little pup needs saving. He wants to help. But can he? Lately, Matt has had way more bad days than good days. The pieces of his life just don't seem to fit together any more and he doesn't understand why. He's finding it impossible to concentrate at school and has lost interest in the activities he used to love. Plus, he's tired all the time. Matt's too afraid to share what's really going on in his own head with anyone. His friends and family will never understand ... maybe it's not only Cliff who needs saving.

**About the Author:** <b>Kate Foster</b> writes children's books about friends, family, and dogs. Originally from the south east of England, she now lives on the beautiful Gold Coast in Australia with her family and rescue dogs. She loves eating cake, reading books, and watching cooking programmes on TV!



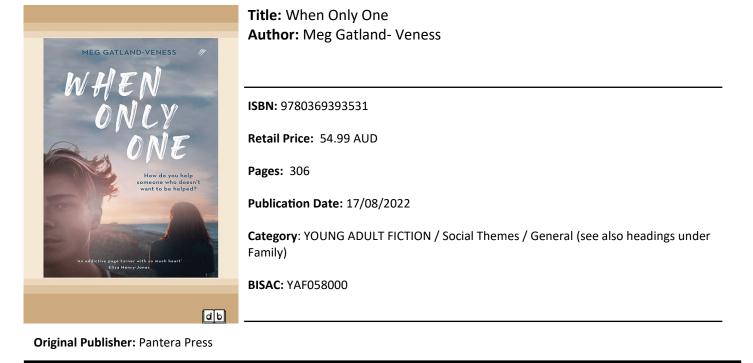


**About the Book:** <b>An out-of-this-world illustrated middle grade adventure that will have young readers giggling across the galaxy!</b> <i>You may be asking yourself, dear reader, how three naughty kids, one pet octopug and their handsome robot minder - that's me - accidentally got strapped inside a 400 megaton thermonuclear rocket on a one-way collision course to the moon? Good question!</i> <i>Well, let me take you back to the beginning . . .</i> In 2120 the Moon has been transformed into the ultimate super-cool intergalactic amusement park. The Astronaughties, the children of some of the park's designers, get a chance to visit the Lunar Park before it officially opens. But when they arrive, they discover their parents are missing. Now their mission is to find them, defeat the baddies and free a trapped alien. Hold on tight, this is going to be one wild rocket

ride!

**About the Author:** <b>Andrew Cranna</b> grew up in rural NSW. After studying Primary Education at university, Andrew travelled around the world teaching and playing rugby in various places. After finishing a bicycle adventure through Asia, Andrew settled in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam to continue teaching and illustrating for travel magazines and local newspapers. Andrew later returned to Australia to complete a Masters Degree in Art Education and take up a position as Art Master at Sydney Grammar Prep School at St Ives where he continues to teach. He currently lives on the Central Coast with his wife and two sons and spends his travel time to school writing and drawing. His books include <i>The Bloodhound Boys: The Great Blood Bank Robbery</i>

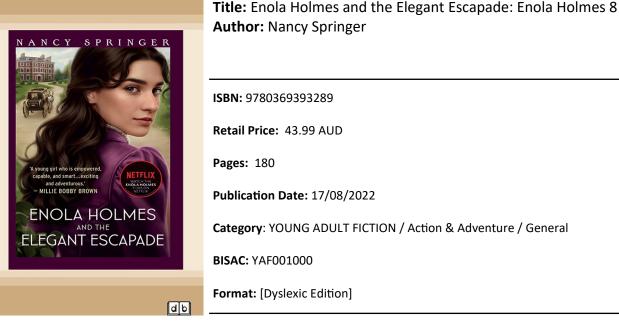




**About the Book:** 'There's someone in the school. They're holding something in their hands. Something terrifying.' 1984. Sam lives with his mum, dad and four brothers in a small farming town and life is pretty good. He works as a lifeguard at the local surf club, is saving to buy his first car, trains with his friends for the Ironman, and on Sunday afternoons he and his family take care packages to their less fortunate neighbours. Then, five years since they last spoke, Emily Burrow climbs through his bedroom window and back into Sam's life. Emily's life couldn't be more different. She lives with her mother, who struggles with mental health, and sometimes her alcoholic father, but it's better when he's not there. There's no hope for Emily's future, and she seems to be the only one who both knows and accepts it. That's why, to Emily, help is just not necessary. The new school year brings a heap of changes. Emily starts to hang out with Sam and his mates. A new girl arrives and Sam is smitten, but she brings with her unexpected adjustments. And Sam's friend Miles faces the biggest challenge of his life. When tragedy strikes one sunny afternoon, everything they thought they knew about growing up will change and they will be forced to face adulthood head on. From the bestselling author of I Had Such Friends comes a gritty novel, full of heart, that shines a light on kids who are doing it tough in a rural Australian town.

**About the Author:** Meg Gatland-Veness is a high school drama teacher. She attended the University of Newcastle where she studied a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Secondary Teaching. Meg has been writing stories for as long as she can remember and reading them even longer. Equal to her love of words is her passion for championing local youths and fostering important conversation about issues facing young Australians. Meg was born in a tiny country town called Milton and now lives on the Central Coast of New South Wales. When she's not writing novels, she channels her creativity into choreographing and directing musicals, writing poetry, singing and dancing. Meg is the author of I Had Such Friends (2018). Her second novel, When Only One, will be published by Pantera Press in June 2022.



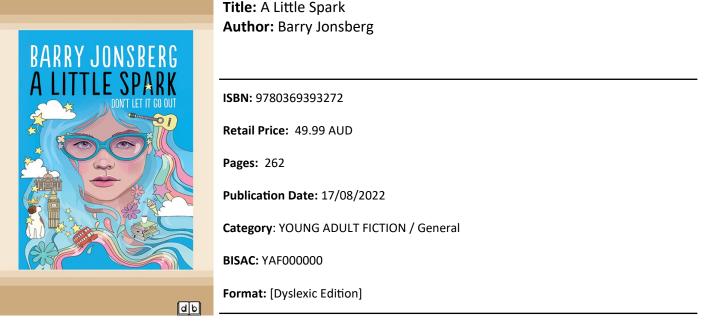


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** Enola Holmes, Sherlock's much younger and feistier sister, returns in this new adventure in the internationally bestselling series and breakout Netflix sensation.Enola Holmes, the much younger sister of Sherlock, is now living independently in London and working as a scientific perditorian (a finder of persons and things). But that is not the normal lot of young women in Victorian England. They are under the near absolute control of their nearest male relative until adulthood. Such is the case of Enola's friend, Lady Cecily Alastair. Twice before Enola has rescued Lady Cecily from unpleasant designs of her caddish father, Sir Eustace Alastair, Baronet. And when Enola is brusquely turned away at the door of the Alastair home, it soon becomes apparent that Lady Cecily once again needs her help.Affecting a bold escape, Enola takes Lady Cecily to her secret office only to be quickly found by the person hired by Lady Cecily's mother to find the missing girl - Sherlock Holmes himself. But the girl has already disappeared again, now loose on her own in the unforgiving city of London.Even worse, Lady Cecily has a secret that few know. She has dual personalities - one, which is left-handed, is independent and competent; the other, which is right-handed, is meek and mild. Now Enola must find Lady Cecily again - before one of her personalities gets her into more trouble than she can handle and before Sherlock can find and return her to her father. Once again, for Enola, the game is afoot.

**About the Author**: Nancy Springer is the author of the nationally bestselling Enola Holmes novels as well as more than 50 other books for children and adults. She has sold over 2 million copies worldwide and has won two Edgar Awards for Best Mystery for the YA novels Toughing It (Harcourt Brace, 1994) and Looking for Jamie Bridger (Dial, 1995) and the Tiptree Award for Larque on the Wing (William Morrow, 1994). Her short story, "The Boy Who Plaited Manes", was nominated for the Hugo Award for Best Short Story, Nebula Award for Best Short Story, the World Fantasy Best Short Story, and the Locus Award for Best Short Story. Springer's books have been sold around the world.



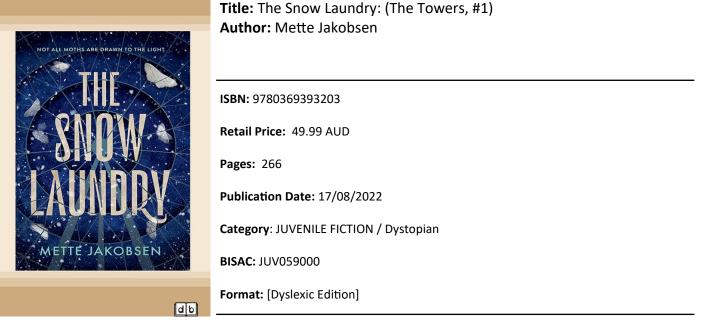


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** From the bestselling multi-award-winning author of My Life as an Alphabet and A Song Only I Can Hear comes another wonderful middle fiction novel that is warm, upbeat, intriguing and wholly absorbing. I don't tell Mum and Sam anything about my weekends with Dad. It would be giving them tickets into that world. The world Dad and I have created. And I don't want to do that. It's ours. It's all we have. It's all we've been allowed since my parents got divorced. Cate gets to spend every second weekend with her dad, and each time something special and surprising happens. Something that fires the creative spark that Cate channels into her writing. And everything is fine until Cate's stepdad, Sam, gets offered his dream job in London and her mum decides they are going to move to England with him?...Cate must decide what she wants for herself. She loves both her parents - but she must choose between them. A warm and funny novel full of unexpected twists and turns, joy and heartbreak.

**About the Author:** Barry Jonsberg has won numerous awards for his books, both nationally and internationally. He has been published in eighteen countries and translated into many languages. His bestselling novel, My Life As An Alphabet, was recently made into an award-winning film, H is For Happiness, released throughout the world to great critical acclaim. The same production company is now working on television and film adaptations of his last two novels, A Song Only I Can Hear and Catch Me If I Fall. Barry lives in Darwin, in the Top End of Australia, with his wife Anita and his crazy dog, Zorro.



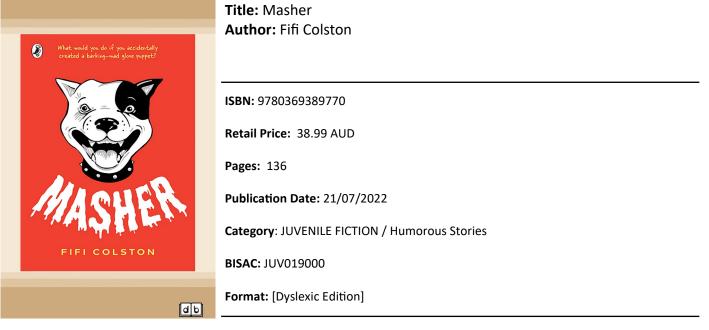


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** With the intensity of The Handmaid's Tale, the drama of Divergent and the political intrigue of The Darkest Minds series, this is a captivating, fast-paced thriller set in a dystopian world not so different from our own. Sixteen-year-old Ally is one of 400 homeless young people who have been promised new and better lives in exchange for their votes. The once homeless children and teenagers are now warm and fed. But they are forced to work for the new administration - and their new home is really a prison. When Ally's boyfriend Bon vanishes into thin air, her search for him leads her to discovering that the homeless kids are really lab rats intended for scientific testing. And as Ally delves deeper into her search for Bon, she learns the frightening truth behind his disappearance.

**About the Author:** Originally from Denmark, Mette Jakobsen now resides in Sydney. She is an adventurer, author and playwright. Mette has a PhD in Creative Writing and has graduated from NIDA's Playwright Studio. Her novels have been shortlisted for the Commonwealth Book Prize, topped the Indie Book List, and mentioned on Oprah's Booklist. Mette has taught creative writing at universities and several of her plays have been broadcast on ABC Radio National. The Snow Laundry is her first YA title.



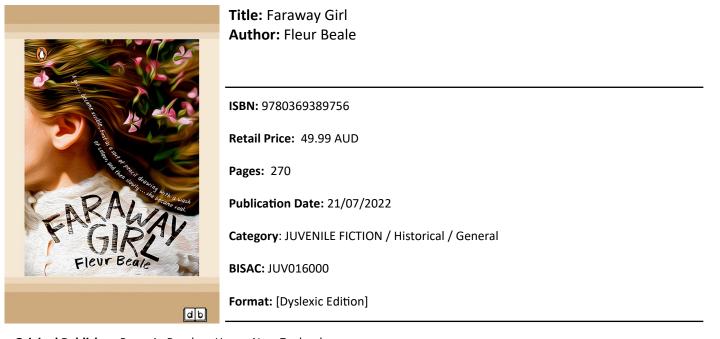


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House New Zealand

**About the Book:** What would you do if you accidentally created a barking-mad glove puppet, with sharp teeth, a fierce attitude and an unpredictable mouth?

**About the Author:** Fifi Colston is a straight-up creative with her fingers in many arty pies. She is an award-winning juniorfiction novelist and illustrator of more than 30 children's books, a poet and a television presenter of arts and crafts - firstly on TVNZ's 'What Now' and then 'The Good Morning Show'. She has been creating World of Wearable Arts designs with 26 category entries in 24 years and has been a finalist and an award-winner many times over. She has also worked with Weta Workshop, 3 Foot 7 Productions, Pukeko Pictures and The Production Shed in the New Zealand TV and film industry as a costumier, puppet maker and illustrator and trainee scriptwriter. In between writing and creating, Fifi enjoys visiting schools and community groups, inspiring budding artists and writers through workshops in creative process.



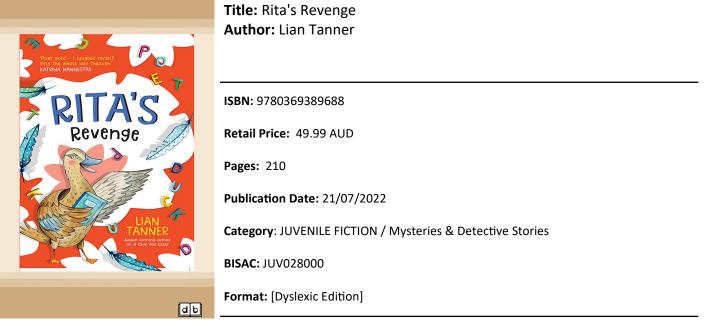


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House New Zealand

About the Book: A contemporary young-adult novel with mysterious goings-on, time travel, a curse and a strange painting.

**About the Author:** Fleur Beale is the author of many award-winning books for children and young adults - she has now had more than 40 books published in New Zealand, as well as being published in the United States and England. Beale is the only writer to have twice won the Storylines Gaelyn Gordon Award for a Much-Loved Book: with Slide the Corner in 2007, and I Am Not Esther in 2009. She won the Esther Glen Award for distinguished contribution to children's literature for Juno of Taris in the 2009 LIANZA Children's Book Awards. Fierce September won the YA category in the 2011 NZ Post Children's Book Awards and the LIANZA Young Adult Award in 2011. In 2012 she won the Margaret Mahy Medal for her outstanding contribution to children's writing and in 2015 she was made an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit. A former high-school teacher, Beale lives in Wellington.





Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Author:** Lian Tanner has worked as a teacher, a tourist bus driver, a freelance journalist, a juggler, an editor and a professional actor. She has been dynamited while scuba diving and arrested while busking. She once spent a week in the jungles of Papua New Guinea, searching for a Japanese soldier left over from the Second World War. It took her a while to realise that all this was preparation for becoming a writer. Nowadays Lian lives by the sea in southern Tasmania.



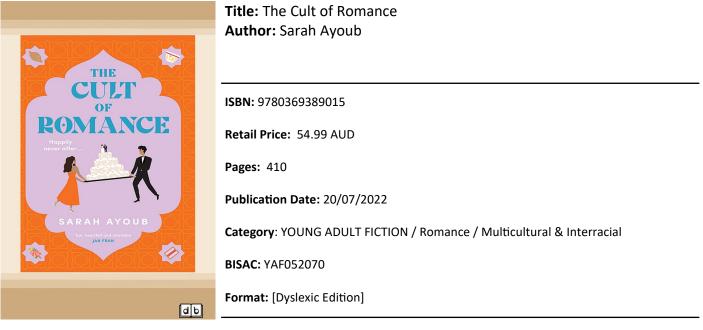


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

About the Book: A spine-tingling and heart-warming story about friendship and finding your special place in the world. Gus doesn't want to make friends. She also doesn't want to be intrigued by the cat-lady teacher at her new school, or the Riley's Comet project that she and her seaweed-eating science partner are working on together. And she definitely doesn't want to fall in love with her job as the projectionist at the Starlight, a drive-in movie theatre that her family is reviving. Because, knowing Gus's luck, she and her family could be moving on in a day, or a week, or a month. When the ghosts that haunt Mum catch up with them. Or if the Starlight doesn't succeed. Then she'll have to say goodbye. Again. And saying goodbye is too hard. PRAISE FOR GUS AND THE STARLIGHT 'A magical middle-grade book with a feather-light fantastical touch that wonderfully helps the young protagonist figure out their complex and confusing family; the hope they have in their heart for a fresh start, and the ways that the past can haunt and help us. Just - stunning!' - Danielle Binks, award-winning author of The Year the Maps Changed 'An utterly captivating tale of family, friends and a haunted drive-in cinema, told with gentle humour and poignant moments that tug on the heart-strings.' - Kate Forsyth, best-selling and award-winning author of The Chain of Charms series 'What a beautifully-put-together middle grade novel. Victoria has done such a great job of bringing this tale to life. Gus is a wonderful hero and I was cheering for her and the Ables the whole way. This has the perfect mix of feels, humour and pathos, and a sprinkle of supernatural!' - Karen Foxlee, award-winning author of Lenny's Book of Everything and Dragon Skin 'A novel that is as full of heart as it is ghosts. Charming, exciting, poignant. An enchanting debut.' - Rebecca McRitchie, award-winning author of the Whimsy & Woe and Jinxed! series 'A delightfully offbeat ghost story, featuring cinema, snacks, school projects and the joy of second chances.' - Jaclyn Moriarty, award-winning author of The Extremely Inconvenient Adventures of Bronte Mettlestone 'A moving and haunting read. This magical and quintessentially Australian tale is all about storytelling and how we have the capacity to rewrite our own destinies.' - Yvette Poshoglian, best-selling author of the Ella and Olivia series 'A lovely, quirky, heart-warming story, about ghosts and movies and finding a home.' - Judith Rossell, awardwinning author of Withering-by-Sea 'Quirky, sweetly nostalgic and deeply immersive. A book that quickly became a treasured friend.' - Jen Storer, award-winning author of the Truly Tan series

**About the Author**: Victoria writes works of fiction and for theatre. Her novel for young adults, The Dream Walker, was nominated for the Queensland Literary Awards and the Children's Book Council of Australia Awards.Recently Victoria was commissioned by the Museum of Brisbane to write a work for The Storytellers, an interactive exhibition celebrating the layers of the city's history. Victoria lives in Brisbane with her family and a blue heeler who is 98 in dog years. She often googles rescue cats, even though she is allergic. When not writing stories Victoria works as a communications nerd.Gus and The Starlight is her first book for Middle Grade readers.



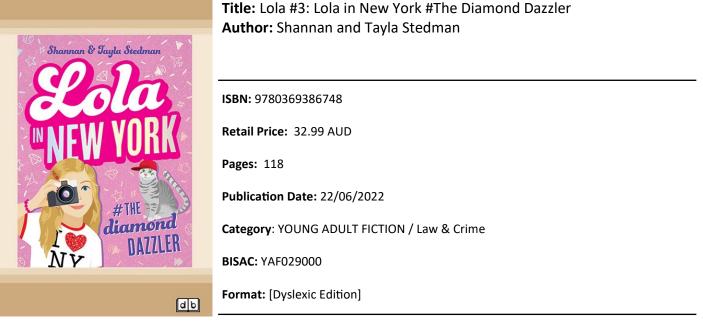


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About the Book: When your bestie is marrying a guy she barely knows, can you save her from the cult before it's too late? Natalie is living proof that love is a scam. She's traumatised by her parents' failed marriage and overwhelmed by her grandmother's expectations of good Lebanese girls - marriage, motherhood and exceptional tabouli-making skills. When her best friend decides to get hitched to a guy in the motherland, Nat's not exactly thrilled by the mammoth task before her: juggling cultural traditions, extra bridesmaid dresses and super-judgemental relatives. And to top it off there's the annoyingly goodlooking best man and his constant need to mansplain all of the things. Natalie is in for the trip of her life. But can she save her friend from the cult of romance, without falling in love herself? PRAISE FOR THE CULT OF ROMANCE 'The Cult of Romance is a vividly realised, dazzling and charming book which made me snort with laughter as much as it compelled me to pause for thought. Ayoub tackles the agonies and joys of in-betweenness, of what, who and where we make and feel homeland and heartland. Her intimacy with the worlds she writes about is obvious in her rich and subtle descriptions. Ayoub has given Australian YA literature a fresh and uniquely cross-generational and cross-border perspective on perennial themes of identity, family, friendship, loyalty and love. A young Australian Lebanese woman grappling with these questions as she navigates her parent's homeland, Lebanon. The story invites readers to think about the many worlds-and worlds within worlds- children of migrants must navigate without losing sight of the humour, lightness and joys in the journey. Ayoub has written something truly original and special.' - Randa Abdel-Fattah, award-winning author of When Michael Met Mina 'The Cult of Romance is a fun, heartfelt and relatable read that buzzes with youthful energy. Sarah Ayoub manages to criss-cross two worlds and tenderly land in the space in between, where children of diaspora often find themselves. Her book deftly captures the angst of growing up torn between two cultures. The Cult of Romance is for those who've never seen themselves in the pages of a novel, whose old-country customs say more about who they are than who their parents or grandparents were. In this way, The Cult of Romance is a quintessentially Australian story about love, family, belonging and finding your place in the world.' - Jan Fran, social commentator and Walkley Award-winning journalist

**About the Author:** Sarah Ayoub is a journalist, bestselling author and academic with a PhD in migrant Australian YA literature. Her work has been published in The Guardian, The Sydney Morning Herald, Sydney Review of Books, Meanjin and more. Sarah is a Stella Schools Program ambassador, has mentored the youth curators of The Sydney Writers' Festival YA program, contributed to the anthology Arab, Australian, Other: Stories on Race and Identity and most recently been a judge for the NSW Premier's Literary Awards. Sarah was elected to the board of the Australian Society of Authors in 2021 and is currently working on her first novel for adults as the writer-in-residence of Sweatshop Literacy Movement. Sarah is an advocate for education and Australian stories, appearing at schools and festivals where she promotes her YA novels Hate is Such a Strong Word,The Yearbook Committee andThe Cult of Romance as well as her debut picture book, The Love that Grew.



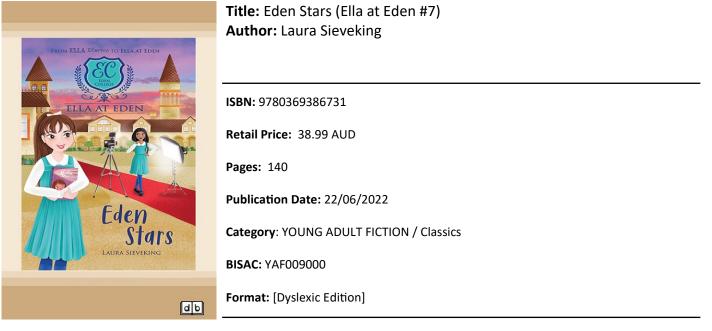


Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Join Lola, Vee and Ryan on the trip of a lifetime to New York City! Get set for a wild ride across the city. Not only are Lola and her friends visiting all the cool tourists spots New York has to offer, there is also a case for our favourite YouTuber to solve. A jewel thief known as the Diamond Dazzler has been robbing stores across New York. The clever thief dazzles people to make their getaway, and no one knows they have been robbed until the thief has already have gone. Can Lola and her friends visit all of the must-see spots on their Bucket-List Spectacular and solve the case?

**About the Author:** Shannan & Tayla Stedman are two sisters from Sydney - who write and operate their own children's entertainment business, Happily Ever Laughter. They published their first children's book, Harlow and the Lost Laughter in 2018. Lola in New York #TheDiamondDazzler is their third book with Scholastic, and the fourth book in the Lola series is to be released in September 2022.



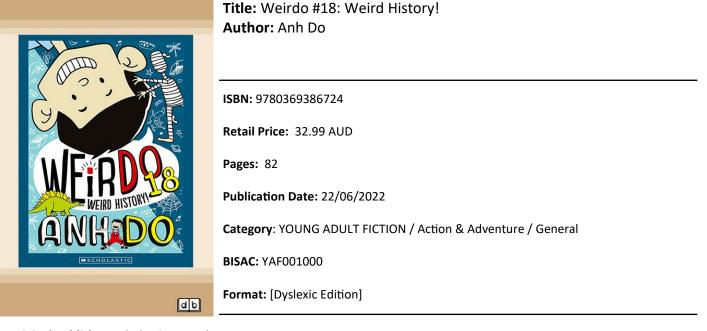


Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** The Eden College girls can't believe it. The famous child-movie star, Ariel Anderson, is going to be starring in a new movie ... which is being filmed at their school! As rivalries grow over who might get to be an extra in the movie, something sinister is happening behind the scenes. Who is sending threatening notes to Ariel? Can Ella solve the mystery before Ariel is in real danger?

**About the Author:** Ever since she learnt to hold a pen, Laura Sieveking has loved creating stories. As an adult, Laura has spent the vast majority of her career working in publishing as an editor. After several years, she decided to put down her red pen and open up her laptop to create books of her own. Laura's books revolve around all the things she loved as a child - friendships, sport and a little bit of magic. She has published numerous works for young people.





Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Weir and his friends have been busy working on stories for an awesome writing competition! Will mixing heroes with history help them win the prize?! Only time will tell! It won't be easy ... but it will be FUNNY!

**About the Author:** Anh Do is one of Australia's leading comedians. He has also acted in television series and films, written screenplays and is a sought-after keynote speaker. His unique and inspirational experience leaving Vietnam as a toddler and growing up in Australia is the subject of his bestselling and award-winning memoir, The Happiest Refugee.



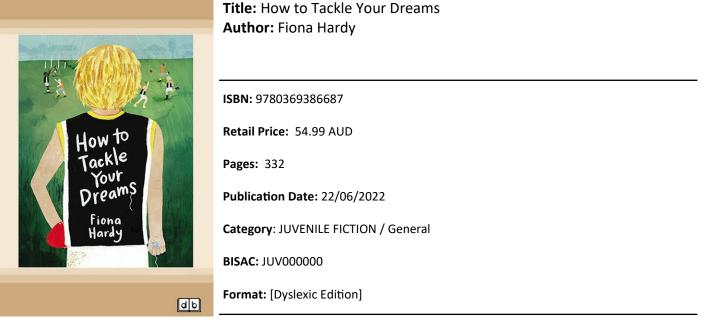


Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** In 1942, 12-year-old Nick lives in Rose Bay, Sydney, with his mum, dad and sister, and dreams of becoming a writer like his dad. But with the world at war, Nick is constantly on alert for anything that seems out of the ordinary and then late one night he sees it! A plane! But no-one believes him! Then, the unimaginable happens. Sydney is attacked! And Nick starts noticing people behaving strangely. Is it just his imagination or something more sinister?

**About the Author:** Sophie Masson is one of Australia's most prolific and successful writers for children, with over fifty novels published in Australia and overseas. She lives in Armidale, New South Wales.



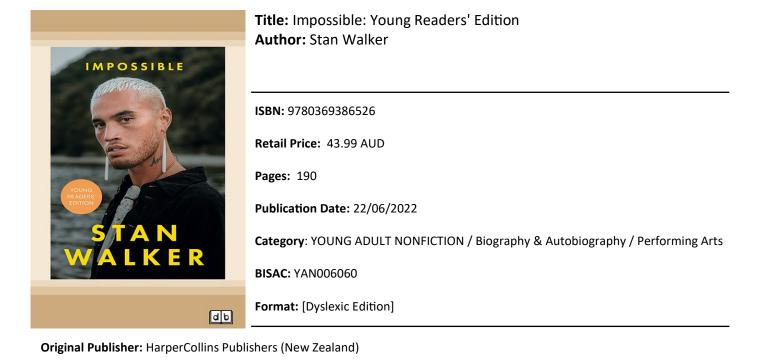


Original Publisher: Affirm Press

**About the Book:** Everyone knows that Homer loves Australian Rules football. But ever since his dad moved away and his mum was drafted in the women's league, something has changed. He's spending more time fixing clothes with his grandfather than scoring goals with his friends. When Homer's upgraded school shirt becomes the talk of the playground, he sees a business opportunity that could make him enough money to visit his dad. But the more stitches Homer makes, the more that every-thing else in his life begins to unravel. His friends don't understand him, his dad feels further away than ever, and even playing football doesn't feel like the escape it used to. Can Homer find a way to get back to how things used to be? And what does it mean if he can't? From the award-winning author behind How to Make a Movie in 12 Days and How to Write the Soundtrack to Your Life comes a warm and funny celebration of following your dreams, wherever they lead.

**About the Author:** Fiona Hardy knew she wanted to be a writer when she was in Grade One and got too many compliments for an underwhelming retelling of Alice in Wonderland. She loves books so much that she sells them, writes them, and has published reviews for them too. Her first book, How to Make a Movie in 12 Days, was a CBCA Notable book and shortlisted for the Speech Pathology Book of the Year Award. Her second book, How to Write the Soundtrack to Your Life, won the 2021 Children's Peace Literature Award. Fiona lives in Melbourne with a bunch of guitars, a keyboard, a clarinet, a violin, a harmonica and an accordion. Oh, and her partner, daughter, and cat. (The cat doesn't play any of the instruments. Yet.)





**About the Book:** Stan Walker is one of Aotearoa's most famous singers. But nothing ever came easy for Stan. What were the chances of success for a kid whose parents had both been in jail? Whose world had been filled with drugs and violence and things no kid should even know about? In this young readers' edition of his bestselling autobiography, follow Stan's journey of overcoming impossible odds to achieve his dreams and make peace with his past.

**About the Author:** Stan Walker is a trans-Tasman musician, performing artist and actor. He was born in Melbourne and grew up between Tauranga, New Zealand, and Ocean Shores, New South Wales. Walker was the winner of the seventh and final season of Australian Idol in 2009, and was a judge on the first and second season of The X Factor NZ, in 2013 and 2015. Over the past decade Walker has become one of Aotearoa's most respected figures, and continues to devote much of his life to his family, his people, and to maoritanga. Stan has earned eight gold and five platinum singles as well as one double platinum and one triple platinum single in New Zealand. Along the way, Walker has received eight New Zealand Music Awards and five ARIA Music Award nominations. He's won the Waiata Maori Award for Radio Airplay Record of the Year five times, in 2010, 2011 and then three consecutive years in a row from 2013 to 2015. Walker has also appeared in the feature films Mount Zion (2013), Born to Dance (2015) and Hunt for the Wilderpeople (2016). He currently lives in Auckland, New Zealand.



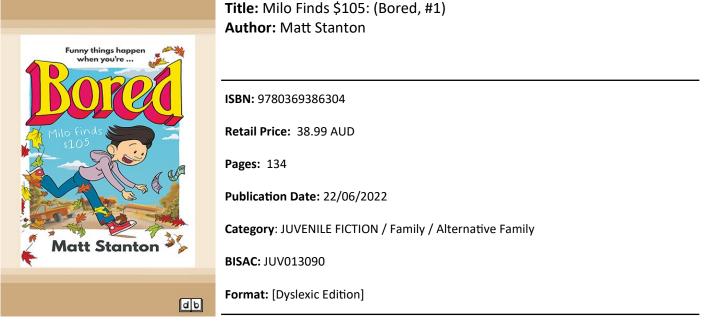


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** The right book might just change your life ... Mim Cohen roams the world in a travelling bookshop, with her dad and brother and a horse called Flossy. Flossy leads them where she will, to the place where they're needed most ... the place where the perfect book will find its way home. Now Mim has arrived on a charming Greek Island, where a wedding is about to take place. Everyone is excited - everyone, that is, except the bride and groom. Mim knows they're here to help Anjelica, the bride. To stop the wedding. To set her free to follow her dreams. If only Anjelica would read the right book, the one Mim gave her. If only she would stop reading the wrong book. From award-winning author Katrina Nannestad and beloved illustrator Cheryl Orsini comes an enchanting series for young readers.

**About the Author:** Katrina Nannestad is an award-winning Australian author. Her books include the CBCA-shortlisted We Are Wolves, The Girl Who Brought Mischief, the Travelling Bookshop series, the Girl, the Dog and the Writer series, the Olive of Groves series, the Red Dirt Diaries series, the Lottie Perkins series, and the historical novel Rabbit, Soldier, Angel, Thief. Katrina grew up in country New South Wales, in a neighbourhood stuffed full of happy children. Her adult years have been spent raising boys, teaching, daydreaming and pursuing her love of stories. Katrina celebrates family, friendship and belonging in her writing. She also loves creating stories that bring joy or hope to other people's lives.Katrina now lives on a hillside in central Victoria with her husband, a silly whippet called Olive and a mob of kangaroos.www.katrinanannestad.com Cheryl Orsini is the much-loved illustrator of The Fairy Dancers, The Tales of Mrs Mancini and The Magic Bookshop. She has illustrated more than thirty children's books, and her work regularly appears in magazines and exhibitions. For more, visit www.cherylorsini.com



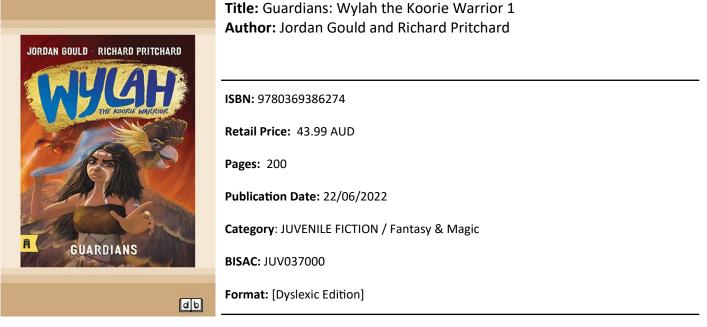


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** Sometimes feeling bored is just the beginning ... Hi, I'm Milo, and right now I'm chasing \$105 as it flies down my street. The wind is blowing it towards Evie Watson's house, which is very bad news. It's also making for some pretty awkward running. My neighbours, Rocco, Luisa and Zak, must be laughing their heads off. And who knows what's happening with the new kid next door. His name is Frog and he's invented his own type of martial art, which he's not very good at even though he made it up. Finding this much money should have been a good thing, but it's turning into a disaster! From million-copy bestseller Matt Stanton, author of FUNNY KID and THE ODDS, comes an hilarious new series about the complicated business of being a kid. PRAISE 'Milo Finds \$105 is about friendships and how they can morph and evolve, and ... how first impressions are not always what they seem. The language between the kids is authentic and there is a strong sense of family in the book ... The chapters are short and engaging, which may inspire confidence in reluctant readers. Stanton, author of 'Funny Kid' and 'The Odds', looks to have produced another winning series' - Books+Publishing 'all the sharp wit, funny dialogue and all round good times that we expect and love from a Matt Stanton experience but oh my heart, it was nostalgic, very clever with all the feels and the perfect book to help kids navigate through the complicated business of being a kid' - Gleebooks

**About the Author:** Matt Stanton is a bestselling children's author and illustrator, with over a quarter of a million books in print. He is the co-creator of seven bestselling picture books, including the mega-hits, THERE IS A MONSTER UNDER MY BED WHO FARTS and THIS IS A BALL. He is launching his much-anticipated middle-grade series, FUNNY KID, around the world in 2017.



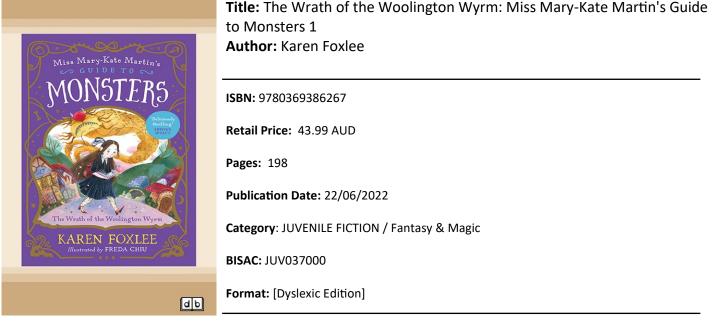


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>Meet Wylah: warrior, hero and friend. Her adventures have been 40,000 years in the making!</b><br/>><br/>><br/>Wylah is brave, clever and strong-willed, and all her best friends are giant megafauna animals. But she isn't a warrior. Not yet, anyway.<br/>><br/>>then comes the day when her family is stolen by the dragon army, and her life is forever changed. She must find the courage to set out on a journey to save them. What will it take for Wylah to become a warrior, like her Grandmother before her?<br/>>t/><br/>>troducing an unforgettable cast of characters, <i>Wylah The Koorie Warrior </i>is a heart-stopping and imaginative adventure, inspired by First Nations history and grounded in culture.

**About the Author:** Jordan Gould is a Peek Whurrong man from Warrnambool, Victoria. He performs Welcome to Country ceremonies at corporate and private gatherings. He is passionate about teaching and talking to groups about culture, language and reconciliation.<br><br>Richard Pritchard - a New Zealand-born Samoan man - has had a dream of writing books since he was a teenager. His passion for visual storytelling has led him to work in graphic design, film, animation, commercials and video games.





Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>Miss Mary-Kate Martin might be anxious, but she's not scared of monsters. Travelling the globe with her famous archaeologist mother, Mary-Kate helps solve legendary problems in this fun fantasy adventure suitable for fans of the Travelling Bookshop or the Magnolia Moon series.</b>
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About the Author: Karen Foxlee is an Australian author who writes for both kids and young adults. She grew up in the Australia outback mining town Mount Isa and still frequently dreams she is walking barefoot along the dry Leichhardt River. Karen's first novel <i>The Anatomy of Wings</i> won numerous awards including the Dobbie Award and the Commonwealth Writers' Prize for Best First Book. <i>Ophelia and the Marvellous Boy</i>, Karen's first novel for children, was published internationally to much acclaim while her second novel for younger readers, <i>A Most Magical Girl</i>, won the Readings Children's Fiction Prize in 2017 and was CBCA short-listed the same year. Her next book was the internationally successful <i>Lenny's Book of Everything</i>, which has won multiple awards including the NSW Premier's Literary Award, the Indies Book Award, the Queensland Literary Award, was a CBCA Honour Book and was nominated for the Carnegie Medal. Her latest middle-grade novel, <i>Dragon Skin</i>, was short-listed for the CBCA Awards, the NSW Premier's Literary Awards, the Aurealis Awards and the Indie Book Awards. Karen lives in South East Queensland with her daughter and several animals, including two wicked parrots, who frequently eat parts of her laptop when she isn't looking. Her passions are her daughter, writing, daydreaming, baking, running and swimming in the sea.<br><br/>trating children's books, her work spans comics, editorial and retail graphics. Outside her art practice, Freda lectures in Illustration at the University of Technology Sydney. Her debut picture book, <i>A Trip to the Hospital</i>, was short-listed for the IBBY Australia Ena NoëI Award.





Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: <b>Seventeen-year-old Phoebe's life is turned upside down when she moves from the city to the country to live with her dad in this powerful and uplifting story about family breakdowns, facing truths and finding balance.</b>

**About the Author:** Dr Jared Thomas is a Nukunu person of the Southern Flinders Ranges, William and Margaret Geary Research Fellow, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Material Culture and Art at the South Australian Museum and the University of South Australia, and an Indigenous Literacy Foundation ambassador. He is the highly regarded author of critically acclaimed books for young adults including <i>Sweet Guy</i>, which was short-listed for both the Victorian Premier's Literary Awards and the Adelaide Festival Awards for Literature, and <i>Calypso Summer</i>, for which Jared was awarded the Kuril Dhagun Indigenous Writing Fellowship, and which was selected by the International Youth Library as a White Raven Book and short-listed for the Victorian Premier's Literary Award for Indigenous Writing. Jared is also the author of the YA novel <i>Songs that Sound Like Blood</i>, and the co-author of the Patty Mills series Game Day.

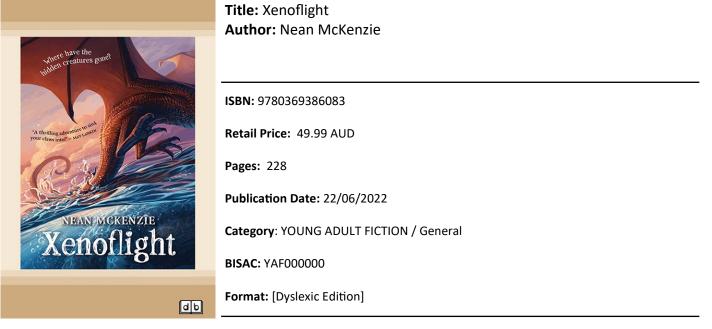




Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Author:** Emi Watanabe Cohen wrote her first novel when she was 12 years old - the most complete draft she can find clocks in at 234,780 words. That's over 1,000 pages! Thankfully, her editing skills have improved since then. Her more recent work involves Jewish and/or Japanese folklore, complicated families and a dash of improbable magic. She is a graduate of Brandeis University, where she studied Creative Writing. <i>The Lost Ryu </i>is her debut novel. www.emicohenwrites.com





Original Publisher: MidnightSun Publishing

**About the Book:** <div>"Apart from the company of her flying pet ferret Fernando and her auntie Carla, 13-year-old Nessa Santiago is alone. Her mother died in a circus accident and she has never known her father. But when the day finally comes for Nessa to meet him, everything goes wrong. Her auntie unexpectedly leaves in a helicopter and a menacing Cryptid Hunter, who captures unusual creatures like Fernando, shows up instead. In order to keep Fernando safe, Nessa must run.</ div><div><br/>br /></div><div>With help from Kep, a boy from her school, Nessa embarks on a wild journey through rural Australia to find her father. Nessa, Fernando and Kep are pursued by the anti-cryptid organisation HARNESS and a mysterious giant bird in the sky. Along the way, they meet weird and wonderful creatures, but with each new encounter, more questions arise.</div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><div>What are the visions Nessa gets every time she closes her eyes? And what are they trying to tell her about her parents?"</div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>div><br/>d

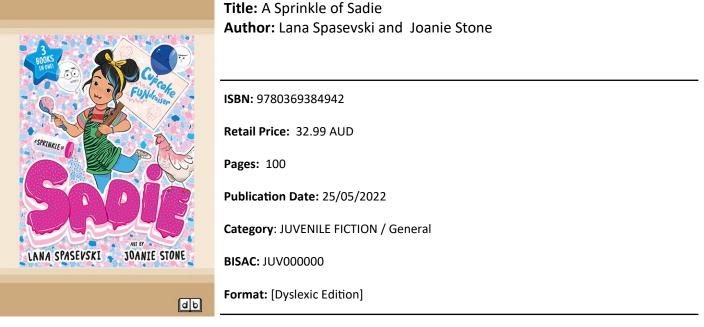




About the Book: The suspense-filled conclusion to the black Spiral trilogy.

**About the Author:** Eileen Merriman's first young adult novel, Pieces of You, was published in 2017, and was a finalist in the NZ Book Awards for Children and Young Adults and a Storylines Notable Book. Since then, she has published another nine novels for adults and young adults and received huge critical praise. In addition to being a regular finalist in the NZ Book Awards for Children and Young Adults, Merriman was a finalist in the 2021 Ngaio Marsh Award for Best Crime Novel and Moonlight Sonata was longlisted for the Jann Medlicott Acorn Prize for Fiction 2020. Editions of some of her young adult novels have been released in Germany, Turkey and the UK and three have been optioned for film or TV, including the Black Spiral Trilogy. Her other awards include runner-up in the 2018 Sunday Star-Times Short Story Award and third in the same award for three consecutive years previously. She works as a consultant haematologist at North Shore Hospital.





Original Publisher: Affirm Press

**About the Book:** Say hello to Sadie ... a superstar baker with a big heart In this book, Sadie needs to - throw a surprise birthday for her mum. - help out at the Cookgrove fundraising day.

**About the Author:** Lana LOVES writing kids' books just as much as Sadie LOVES sprinkles! Her writing is endlessly inspired by her young daughters who she lovingly calls her little book butterflies. Lana spends many hours treasure hunting in bookshops and attempting messy home bakes. She hopes to inspire a love of storytelling through her books and sensationally sweet characters. Joanie Stone was born and raised in Virginia, where she still lives today with her husband and young daughter. She spends her days painting in her light-filled studio in the country, surrounded by nature. She has a love for all things vintage, especially children's book illustration, advertising and fashion from long ago. She uses her background in traditional hand drawn animation to bring life and movement to her characters and fills her images with textures reminiscent of children's books from the past. She hopes her images will inspire kids to pick up a pencil and create their own worlds through stories and art.



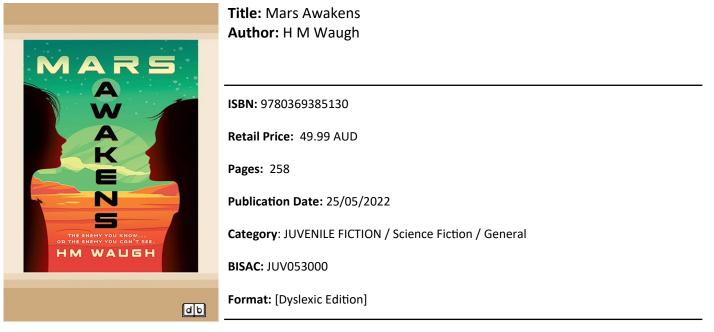


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** A hilarious new adventure from bestselling children's author Tanya Hennessy. Wherever Stevie goes, high drama is sure to follow...Stevie Louise is an entrepreneur (that's like a business person), an entertainer (obviously), and an extrovert on the inside (wait, is this a thing?).Stevie and the Brooke Street crew are hard-up for cash. Going viral doesn't last forever, you know, and killer costumes are expensive. To keep their showbiz dream alive, the kids are competing in a local talent quest. But the competition is stiff (I mean, have you ever heard four goats sing acapella?), and Alex has a unicorn horn glued to his forehead for at least the next three weeks. It's tough working under these conditions, but Stevie is up for any challenge to save Lunchbox Productions... A gloriously warm, funny and relatable story from bestselling author, much-loved comedian, writer, radio announcer and social media sensation Tanya Hennessy.

About the Author: If Amy Schumer and Rebel Wilson had a love child, you'd get Tanya Hennessy - comedian, radio announcer and social media sensation. Originally from Newcastle, Tanya started in radio in 2012. Since then she has become an international social media sensation; written her first book, bestseller Am I Doing This Right?; become an ambassador for Priceline Pharmacy; sold out 27 venues for her first comedy show Low Expectations; and appeared on I'm a Celebrity, Get Me Out of Here! In 2017 Tanya's rising star was recognized when she won the Junkee Award for Breakthrough Artist, was nominated for Cosmo Woman of the Year, selected to perform at Australia's first VIDCON and won best radio documentary at the Australian Commercial Radio Awards. Talented and hilarious, Tanya is a true multi-media star. Leigh Hedstrom is a freelance illustrator who lives on the Sunshine Coast with her family. She grew up in South Africa, drawing every day and dreaming that one day she might become a Disney animator. In the early 2000s, hand-drawn animation studios all around the world closed their doors, so she had to find the next best thing, which turned out to be the actual best thing - illustration. What Leigh loves about illustrating is being able to work across a bunch of different industries: publishing (books), education (workbooks, teaching aids and videos), advertising, and more recently, product development (toys). She also gets to work with amazingly talented people, like Tanya Hennessy. The Stevie Louise books have become a favourite project, because it's not often that Leigh gets to draw the same characters many times ... Stevie, Alex, Trixie, Addison, Macey, Luke and Hannah have crept into her heart and become like real people to her. Leigh enjoys the perks of a work-from-home job, such as the privacy to sing showtunes whilst working, having a cat within arms reach and eating lunch from a plate.



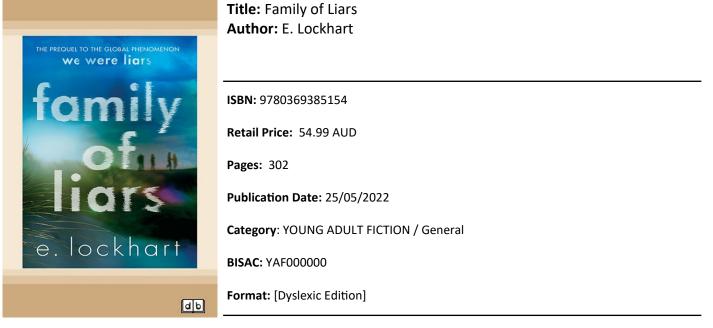


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** Kids from rival Martian colonies must come together to fight for survival in this thrilling middle-grade space adventure from an exciting Australian talent.Raised in rival colonies on Mars, each long ago abandoned by Earth, Dee and Holt have been brought up to hate even the idea of each other. But when a mysterious object crash-lands on a far-flung plain, they are both sent to investigate and their fates intertwine. Together they must battle epic storms and deadly bioclouds while unpicking the web of lies they have been told about their planet. Will their bond be strong enough to withstand the arrival of a mysterious invader that threatens to end life on Mars forever?Timely and compelling, Mars Awakens is the unputdownable first book in a duology offering a window into our future.

**About the Author:** H.M. Waugh is an environmental scientist, writer and educator with a long-term love of wild places and high mountains. This has led to icy feet and sunburnt cheeks in magical countries like New Zealand, Nepal, Bolivia and Switzerland. She has studied dolphins in New Zealand and rare plants in the Wheatbelt, and worked in mining and construction projects across Western Australia. When she's not writing, she's teaching school and community groups about science and the environment.



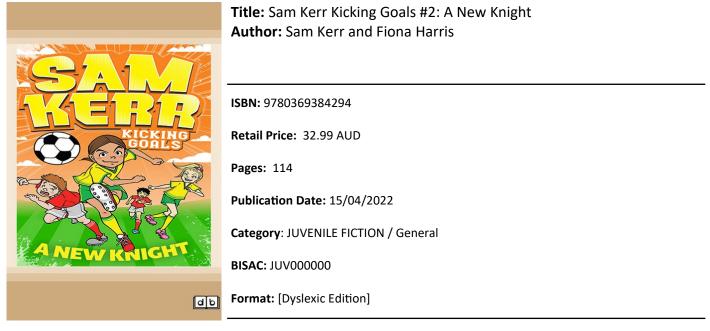


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** The page-turning must-read thriller prequel to We Were Liars - #1 New York Times bestseller and TikTok sensation - takes readers back to the story of another summer, another generation, and the secrets that will haunt them for decades to come. Includes a hand-drawn map and family tree.Prequel to WE WERE LIARS, the #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER and award-winning YA novel that TikTok can't stop talking about!A windswept private island off the coast of Massachusetts.A hungry ocean, churning with secrets and sorrow.A fiery, addicted heiress. An irresistible, unpredictable boy.A summer of unforgivable betrayal and terrible mistakes. Welcome back to the Sinclair family. They were always liars.Praise for We Were Liars:'Thrilling, beautiful and blisteringly smart - utterly unforgettable.' JOHN GREEN'We Were Liars is heartbreaking, witty, beautiful and disturbing. E. Lockhart's best book to date.' JUSTINE LARBALESTIER'A haunting tale about how families live within their own mythologies. Sad, wonderful, and real.' SCOTT WESTERFELD

**About the Author:** E. Lockhart is the author of the #1 New York Times bestseller We Were Liars. She also invented a superhero for DC Comics. Her books include Whistle: A New Gotham City Hero and Again Again. The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks was a National Book Award finalist and a Printz Honor Book. Genuine Fraud was a New York Times bestseller and a finalist for the L.A. Times Book Prize. Visit her online at EmilyLockhart.com, and follow @elockhartbooks on Instagram and @elockhart on Twitter.



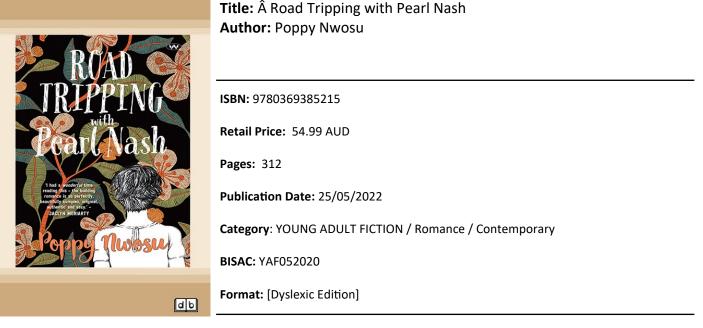


Original Publisher: Simon & Schuster Australia

**About the Book:** After a rough start, Sam Kerr settles into playing soccer for the Knights. But there's so much to learn - new rules and positions and strategies ... Lately, it seems like soccer is the only thing she can think about. When she finds out she'll have to wear a dress (gross) and dance in front of a hundred people (terrifying) at her cousin's upcoming wedding, Sam feels like she's all but had enough. So why isn't her best friend Indi supporting her? And why is school bully Chelsea suddenly a bit ... nice? Will Sam be able to mend her friendships - and score a few goals in the meantime - before it's too late?

About the Author: Sam Kerr is the captain of the Australia women's national soccer team - the Matildas - and a leading goal scorer for Chelsea in the English FA Women's Super League. She burst onto the W-League scene as a 15-year-old playing with Perth Glory. In 2016 she played for the Matildas at the Olympics in Brazil, and she was the top goal scorer in the 2017 Tournament of Nations. Since joining Chelsea in 2019, Sam has positioned herself as one of the best female strikers in the world. She was named 2018 Young Australian of the Year. Fiona has written the children's series The Super Moopers, Trolls and Miraculous. She was head scriptwriter on ABC3 TV's Prank Patrol and wrote/co-starred in the TV comedy shows Flipside, Comedy Inc. and SkitHouse. Fiona co-wrote and starred in the international-award-winning web series The Drop Off, with husband Mike McLeish. Their adult fiction novel The Drop-off was released in 2020 and its sequel, The Pick-up, is due out in 2021. Fiona also co-authored Sharni Layton's biography, No Apologies, and Marcus Bontempelli's picture book, both released in 2021. For more information on Fiona Harris visit fionaharris.com. Aki Fukuoka was born in the valleys of the alps of central Japan and was raised in the rolling hills of the New Zealand countryside. After spending her childhood exploring nature with her four siblings, Aki moved out to the city of Auckland to learn how to cross roads, manoeuvre between pedestrians and gain her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. She is currently living in a little wooden cottage house with her husband, four children and animals and works full time as a freelance illustrator. Aki is most well known for her illustrations for the Billie B Brown series.



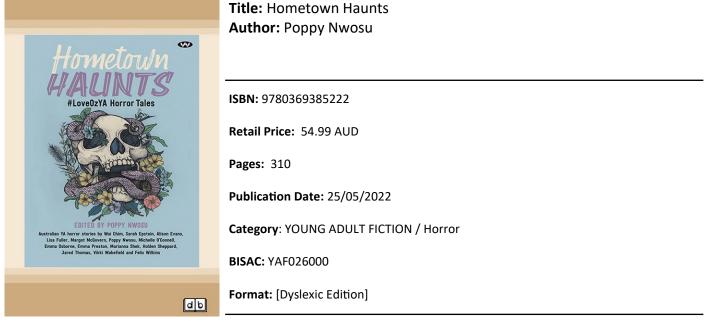


Original Publisher: Wakefield Press

**About the Book:** The summer is finally here, and Pearl Nash is on a mission to save her slowly disintegrating friendship with a whirlwind end-of-year road trip that is definitely, absolutely, most positively going to solve all her problems.Except,instead of her best friend Daisy's feet on her dash, suddenly Pearl ends up stuck in the middle of the desert beside Obi Okocha, a boy with a mega-watt smile and an endlessly irritating attitude. Tasked with delivering him to the most epic end-of-year party ever, located in a beach shack in literal middle-of-nowhere woop woop, Pearl Nash is certain that nothing could be worse than this.She's wrong.Add in a breakdown, multiple arguments, an AWOL nana and a kiss that was most definitely a huge mistake, and suddenly Pearl has the perfect ingredients for the perfect disaster.Road Tripping with Pearl Nash is a story about home and family, about breaking apart and fusing together, and, of course, about love.

**About the Author:** Poppy Nwosu is an author of young adult fiction. She has published three romantic contemporary novels: Making Friends with Alice Dyson (2019), Taking Down Evelyn Tait (2020), and Road Tripping with Pearl Nash (2021), and is the editor of the 2021 Wakefield Press YA anthology Hometown Haunts: #LoveOzYA Horror Tales (a project supported by an Australia Council for the Arts grant). Her work has been shortlisted for the Adelaide Festival Unpublished Manuscript Award and the Readings Young Adult Book Prize, and has been awarded the SA Writers Fellowship residency at Varuna Writers House, as well as an Arts SA grant. She has appeared at Adelaide Writers Week and Salisbury Writers Festival, among others.

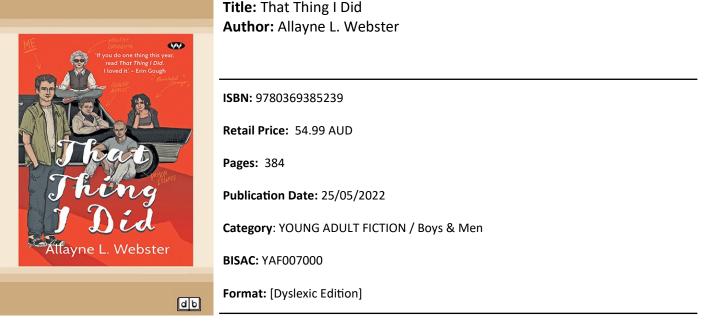




Original Publisher: Wakefield Press

**About the Book:** One bite of an apple from a family shrine unearths hungry ghosts. A poison garden unfurls a polite boy's deepest, darkest desires. Interfering with an Indigenous burial site unleashes ancestral revenge, to a metal soundtrack. An underground dance party during Covid threatens to turn lethal. And on the edge of a coastal rainforest, a grieving sister waits to witness a mysterious 'unravelling'.This #LoveOzYA anthology - the first to focus entirely on horror - unites a stellar cast of Australia's finest YA authors with talented new and emerging voices, including two graphic artists.Contributors are Wai Chim, Sarah Epstein, Alison Evans, Lisa Fuller, Margot McGovern, Poppy Nwosu, Michelle O'Connell, Emma Osborne, Emma Preston, Marianna Shek, Holden Sheppard, Jared Thomas, Vikki Wakefield and Felix Wilkins.The stories in this wide-ranging collection dig deep and go hard. While some are straight-up terrifying rollercoaster rides, others are psychologically rooted in our society's deepest fears and concerns: acceptance and fitting in, love and loss, desire and temptation, and the terror of a world threatened by catastrophic change ... and even collapse.From body horror to the supernatural, hauntings to transformations, and the everyday evil of humans to menacing outside forces, Hometown Haunts will have you glued to your chair ... until you leap out of it!



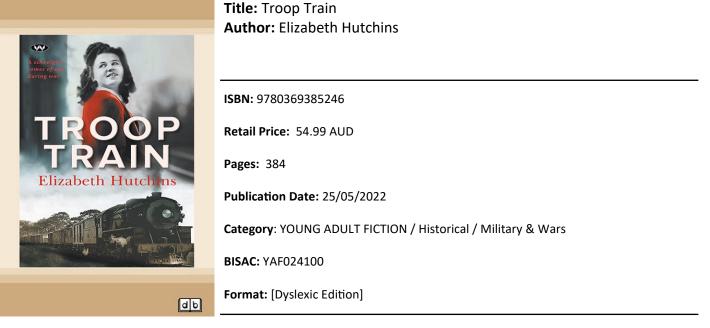


Original Publisher: Wakefield Press

**About the Book:** Five misfits hit the road in a haunted hearse, on a madcap road-trip from their prison-bordering suburb behind the 'Mullet-Proof Fence' to small-town Mount Gambier.After Taylor Kennedy makes a fatal Facebook error and is dumped by his best friend, he's befriended by his eccentric next-door neighbour. Aspiring pornographer Chip drives a funeral hearse and talks to dead people, and he wants Taylor's help.But mild-mannered prison escapee Jackson Rollock has other plans. They're liberating Jackson's beloved, mouthy grandmother from her nursing home and hitting the road to fulfil her dying wish with beautiful hitchhiker Chloe on board.They'll break the rules, bare their souls ... and make a shitload of questionable jokes, while inadvertently exploring sexuality, consent, the dark side of social media, mental health and friendship.Frank, fearless and taboo-breaking, That Thing I Did is a rollicking road trip with a serious side.

**About the Author:** Allayne L. Webster is an internationally published Children's and Young Adult author. She also plays guitar, sings and sometimes she illustrates. Allayne is the proud recipient of three arts grants and a South Australian Premier's Reading Challenge Ambassador. She has served on literary festival boards and her novels have been listed for various awards. Paper Planes (Scholastic) was a 2016 CBCA Notable, shortlisted for the Adelaide Festival Awards, and has recently been included in the Australian Heritage Literary Project Untapped Collection. A Cardboard Palace (MidnightSun Publishing) was a 2018 CBCA Notable, published in Sweden. Our Little Secret (Scholastic) was listed for the Golden Inkys, and The Centre of My Everything (Penguin RandomHouse) was listed in the 2019 Davitt Awards and shortlisted in the 2020 Adelaide Festival Awards. Sensitive (UQP) is published in Russia and was shortlisted in the 2020 Australian Speech Pathology Awards.



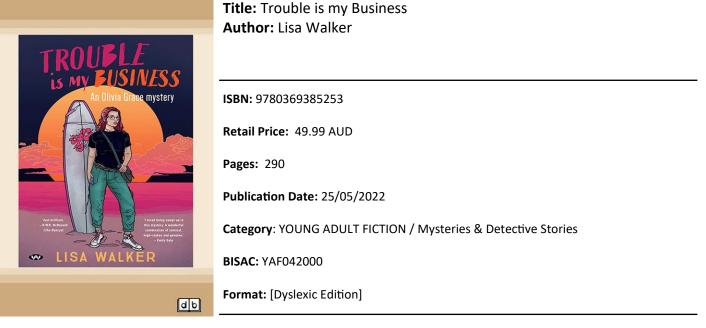


Original Publisher: Wakefield Press

**About the Book:** It's February 1942 and the Second World War is raging.Japanese planes are bombing Darwin, Australia fears an invasion, and the train track leads straight through the desert to Adelaide. Fourteen-year-old Rosemary Lister begins a diary to share the upheavals and tensions of her new life in the country, storing memories for her father, missing in Singapore.Nearly four years later, after war's end, she has learnt of love and grief and her book is full - but one troop train has yet to arrive.This moving and uplifting family saga was inspired by the stories of those who lived through the war in the Adelaide Hills. It is based on well-known author Elizabeth Hutchins' careful research studying newspaper articles, books, memoirs and historical collections - and talking to those who were there.

**About the Author:** Elizabeth Hutchins, former teacher and executive officer of the Australian Association for the Teaching of English, is author of a dozen books, as well as prize-winning travel and environmental articles and many short stories. She lives in Adelaide with her husband and her constant companion Millie, an RSPCA rescue cat.



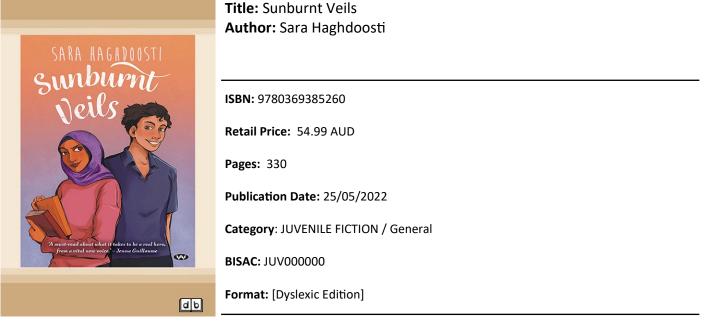


Original Publisher: Wakefield Press

**About the Book:** Olivia Grace, recently retired teen PI, has her priorities sorted. Pass first-year law, look after her little sister, and persuade her parents to come back from a Nepali monastery to resume ... well, parenting. But after Olivia's friend Abbey goes missing in Byron Bay, a short drive from Olivia's Gold Coast home, she can't sit back and study Torts. It's time to go undercover as hippie-chick Nansea, in hippie-chic Byron Bay, hub of influencers and international tourism, and home of yoga, surfing and wellness culture.Olivia's looking for answers, with the help of her stash of disguises, the PI skills her irresistible ex-boss Rosco taught her - and a nose for trouble. Her suspects include a hardcore surfer who often argued with Abbey in the surf, a charismatic cult leader and an acrobatic botany student.And then there's Rosco, officially assigned to the case, and proving impossible to avoid.Lisa Walker's second Olivia Grace novel is another rip-roaring excursion into madcap sunshine noir, with nods to Nancy Drew and Sherlock Holmes, and a flavour of Veronica Mars meets Elmore Leonard.

**About the Author:** Lisa Walker writes novels for adults and young adults. She has also written an ABC Radio National play and been published in the Age, Griffith Review, Big Issue and the Review of Australian Fiction. Her recent novels include a young adult coming-of-age story, Paris Syndrome (HarperCollins, 2018), and a climate change comedy, Melt (Lacuna, 2018). She has worked in environmental communication and as a wilderness guide, and recently spent six months in a Kmart tent in outback Australia. Lisa lives, surfs and writes on the north coast of New South Wales. The Girl with the Gold Bikini, her sixth novel, introduced teen PI Olivia Grace. Trouble is my Business is the second Olivia Grace novel.



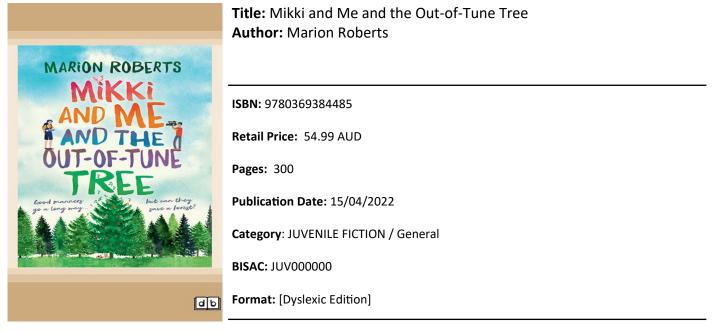


Original Publisher: Wakefield Press

**About the Book:** Sunburnt Veils is a smart, funny, character-based exploration of Islamophobia through a heroine who's the kind of girl who reads at parties, but pushes herself to take a visible stand after a fellow student calls in a bomb threat on her first day of university, after she leaves a bag in a lecture theatre to take a phone call.Girl meets boy, ghosts his text messages, then convinces him to help her run for the student union. Just your typical love story with a hijabi twist.Tara wears hijab even though her parents hate it, and in a swipe right world she's looking for the 'will go to the ends of the earth for you' type of love. Or, she would be, if she hadn't sworn off boys to focus on getting into med. Besides, what's wrong with just crushing on the assassins, mages and thieves in the fantasy books she reads?When a bomb threat on her first day of university throws her together with totally annoying party king and oh-so-entitled politician's son Alex, things get complicated. Tara needs to decide if she's happy reading about heroes, or if she's ready to step up and be one herself.

**About the Author:** Sara Haghdoosti was born in Iran, grew up in Sydney and now lives in Chicago. Like her protagonist, she has been politically active from a young age. Sara got her start in organising at the Australian Youth Climate Coalition and then went on to work at GetUp, Change.org, the Mozilla Foundation and founded Berim ('Let's go' in Farsi) - a non-profit that worked to support change makers in Iran. She's currently the Deputy Director at Win Without War. Her writing has appeared in the Sydney Morning Herald and The Drum and she's been a panelist on ABC TV's Q&A. Sunburnt Veils is her first novel.



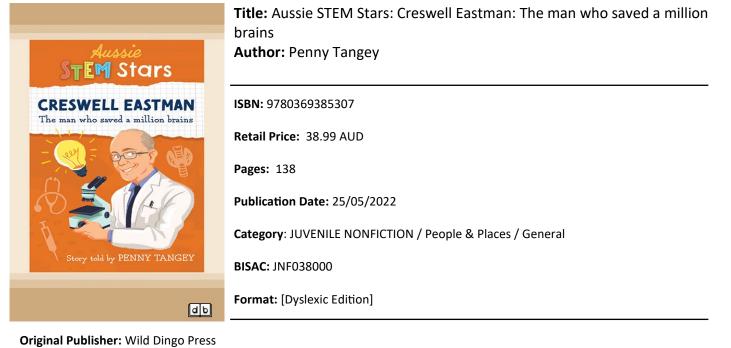


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>After becoming attuned to the songs of the forest and setting up a successful social media nature channel, Alberta Bracken and Mikki Watanabe are determined to pull out all the stops to save their local grove of trees in this thoroughly enjoyable novel for young readers.</b><br/>br/>Eleven-year-old Alberta Bracken is having a terrible summer. After a bikeriding accident, caused by the local bully, her arm's in a cast so she can't do her most favourite holiday activity: boogie boarding at the local beach. And her little sister Clementine is EXTREMELY ANNOYING. <br/>br/>the local beach. And her little sister Clementine is EXTREMELY ANNOYING. <br/>br/>sent her dad packing - after discovering his behaviour has been far from...well-mannered. <br/>br/>so when budding filmmaker Mikki Watanabe suggests they start a YouTube channel about the secret life of trees - Alberta is ALL IN. And when they discover their trees are earmarked for removal by the local council it's suddenly a race against time to save them.<br/>br/>set them.<br/>br/>br/>Funny, warm and a little offbeat, this highly entertaining novel hits all the right notes for middle-fiction readers.

**About the Author:** Marion Roberts always wanted to be a fashion designer, but she studied science, alternative medicine and psychotherapy instead. She worked as a naturopath and also a chef, as well as teaching people to cook. Marion started writing because she wanted a job she could do in her pyjamas. Also, her friends kept saying her emails were too long, and she needed to find another place to put her stories. She was born in Melbourne, which has always been her home town.



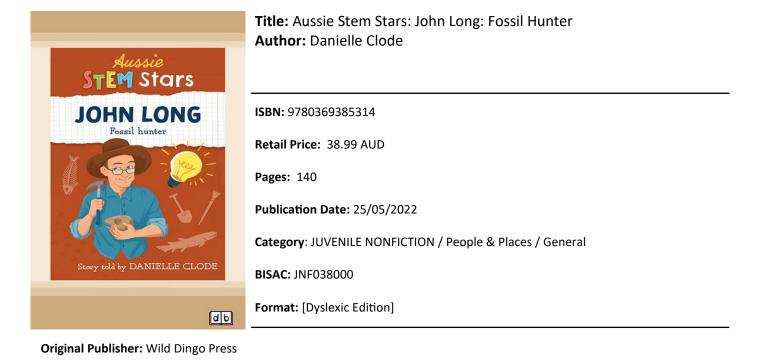


**About the Book:** Creswell John Eastman AO is the Clinical Professor of Medicine at Sydney University Medical School, Principal of the Sydney Thyroid Clinic and Consultant Emeritus to the Westmead Hospital. Eastman is an endocrinologist and has directed or conducted research and public health projects into elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (IDD) in Malaysia, Indonesia, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, several Pacific Islands, Hong Kong, China and Tibet and Australia. For his work in remote areas of China, he has been dubbed the 'man who saved a million brains'. In 2013 Eastman expressed concern that IDD may be affecting Australian children's ability to perform at school and reiterated that view in 2016. While the initial focus was mostly on indigenous children, he recently expanded it to include all children. Cres was awarded Membership of the Order of Australia in 1994 for his contributions to Medicine, particularly in the field of Endocrinology, and was awarded the Premier's Gold

Service Award in 2002 for development of the NSW Forensic DNA service laboratory.

About the Author: Penny Tangey writes humorous books for young people. Her book As Fast As I Can won the Readings Children's Book Prize and the Queensland Literary Awards Children's Book Award.





**About the Book:** John Albert Long is an Australian paleontologist who is currently Strategic Professor in Palaeontology at Flinders University in Adelaide, South Australia. He was previously the Vice President of Research and Collections at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County. He is also an author of popular science books. His main area of research is on the fossil fish of the Late Devonian Gogo Formation from northern Western Australia. It has yielded many important insights into fish evolution, such as Gogonasus and Materpiscis, the later specimen being crucial to our understanding of the origins of vertebrate reproduction. His love of fossil collecting began at age 7 and he graduated with PhD from Monash University in 1984, specialising in Palaeozoic fish evolution. He held postdoctoral positions at the Australian National University, The University of Western Australia and The University of Tasmania before taking up a position as Curator in Vertebrate Palaeontology at the Western Australian Museum and then as Head of Sciences at Museum Victoria.

**About the Author:** Danielle Clode grew up on a boat sailing around Australia with her parents and her cat. She has worked as a zookeeper, in museum collections and feeding giant fish at an underwater observatory. She studied at Adelaide University before doing her zoology doctorate at Oxford University studying seabirds in Scotland. She is now an Associate Professor of Writing at Flinders University in Adelaide. Danielle has written many award-winning nonfiction science books about bushfires, sailing ships, killer whales and nature. She has written three books on Australian fossils including Prehistoric Giants: The Megafauna of Australia, Prehistoric Marine Life of Australia's Inland Sea and Australia's Amazing Fossils: From Dinosaurs to Diprotodons.



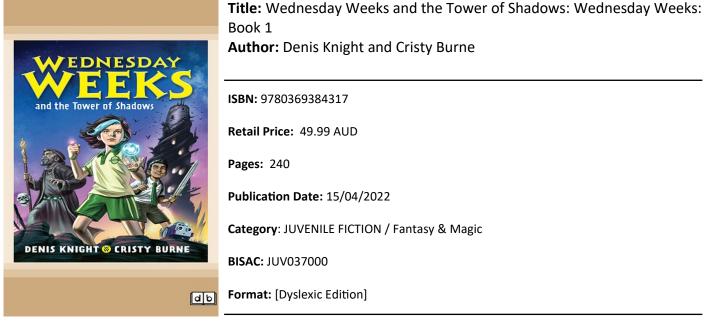


Original Publisher: MidnightSun Publishing

**About the Book:** It's 1665. Rats have infested homes and alleys in Marie Perrin's provincial French town. Twelve-year-old Marie is set to become a maid, although she hungers for adventure. However, one mistake alters her fate and as punishment she is forced to apprentice for an intimidating rat-catcher. Away from her parents and twin brother, and handling gnarly rat traps under Gustave Renard's unusual mentorship, Marie must overcome a new set of challenges which come after a plague enters her town. Are rats responsible for the spread of the illness? Can Marie find a way out of the bubbling danger around her? The Rat-Catcher's Apprentice depicts non-traditional families, belonging and female bravery in an atmospheric historical setting. 'An intrepid heroine, a perilous time in plague-ridden France, a society cleaved by class division. The Rat-Catcher's Apprentice is full of heart and hope with a young girl who dares to dream of a life unrestrained by her gender. A compelling and rollicking MG novel.' - Amra Pajalic 'A gripping, historical adventure story of bravery and belonging.' - Judith Rossell 'An exceptional nov-el, full of twists and turns and intrigue, with a heart that is brave and kind and true. I adored this timeless story.' - Kate Gordon

About the Author: Maggie Jankuloska was born in Ohrid, Macedonia. She has worked as a teacher/tutor in numerous settings. Maggie was one of the recipients of the 2018 Maurice Saxby Creative Writing Program. Her short fiction and non-fiction pieces have appeared in: The Age/Sydney Morning Herald, SBS Voices, Award Winning Australian Writing, n-SCRIBE and more. In 2020 she participated in the Written in the Time of COVID-19 public art display and was featured in the subsequent anthology. The Rat-Catcher's Apprentice is Maggie Jankuloska's first published novel.



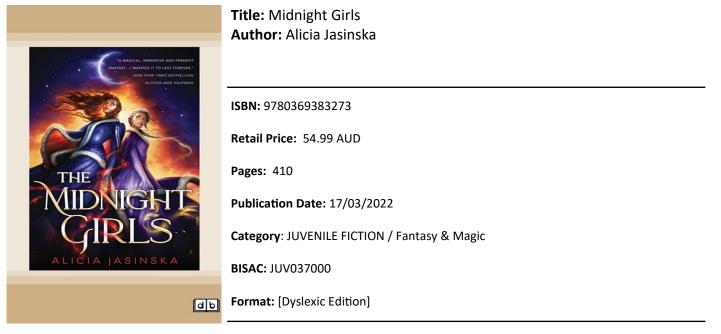


Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

**About the Book:** In a world of magic, can science save the day? Wednesday Weeks never wanted to be a sorcerer's apprentice. She'd rather study science than magic. But when her cloak-wearing, staff-wielding grandpa is captured by a power-hungry goblin king, Wednesday must find a way to embrace her magical heritage and rescue him from the dreaded Tower of Shadows. Luckily, she's not alone. Her best friend Alfie is a prime-number fan and robotics expert who's all-in on Wednesday's epic plan involving parallel universes, swords of power, and a wise-cracking talking skull. But it's going to take more than science, magic, and the world's cutest robot to take down this bad guy. Because the goblin king is playing for the ultimate prize - and Wednesday and Alfie just walked into his trap...

**About the Author:** Cristy Burne (Author) Children's author Cristy Burne has worked as a science communicator for nearly 20 years across Australia, Japan, Switzerland, the UK, US, South Africa and beyond. She has performed in a science circus, worked as a garbage analyst, and was a reporter at CERN when they turned on the Large Hadron Collider, but her favourite job is working to embrace the intersection between science, technology and creativity. Her books include To The Lighthouse and Off The Track, and a non-fiction book, Zeroes and Ones, which was a 2019 CBCA Notable Book. In 2020, she told the story of the inventor of spray-on skin in Aussie STEM Stars: Fiona Wood. Cristy is a popular presenter across Australia and overseas. Denis Knight (Author) Science fiction and fantasy author Denis Knight is a computer programmer who grew up geeking out about the works of J.R.R. Tolkien, Terry Pratchett and Douglas Adams. He has also worked as a technical writer, a delivery boy, a tutor, and, for one glorious summer, a tour guide on Rottnest Island. His favourite foods are lasagna and donuts, and his favourite Arnie movie is Eraser. He knows how to ride a motorbike and use a chainsaw, although not both at the same time. He lives in Western Australia with his wife, his two children, and his extensive collection of The X-Files DVDs. He has never been stalked by a laundry kraken, eaten by space wasps or abducted by aliens - as far as he knows.



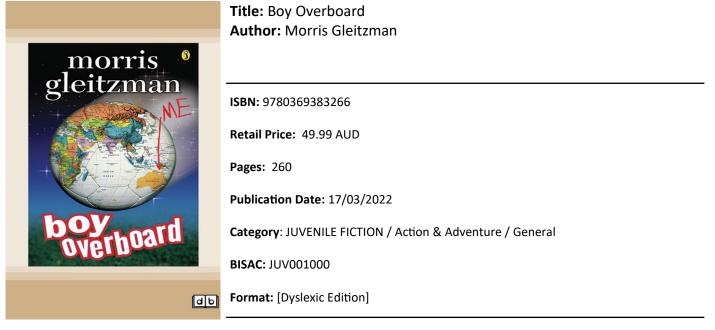


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

**About the Book:** In a snow-cloaked kingdom, two wicked rivals secretly compete for the pure heart of a prince, only to discover they might be falling for each other. 'A magical, immersive and feminist fantasy - I wanted it to last forever.' - New York Times bestselling author, Amie Kaufman In a snow-cloaked kingdom, now is a time for mischief and revelry. For the next few weeks, all will be wintry balls, glittery disguises, and nightly torch-lit sleigh-parties. But unbeknown to the merrymakers, two uninvited girls join the fun. Zosia and Marynka are drawn to each other the moment they meet - until they discover they're rivals, who both have their sights set on the prince's heart. If one consumes a pure heart, she'll gain immeasurable power. Marynka plans to bring the prince's back to her patron in order to prove herself, while Zosia is determined to take his heart and its power for herself. Their ambition turns into a magical contest, even as their attraction to one another grows. But their attempts on the prince's life draws the attention of the city that would die for him, and their escalating rivalry might cost them not only their love for each other but both their lives. 'Alicia Jasinska is a master of dark, atmospheric fantasy. The Midnight Girls reads like a modern-day Grimms' fairytale with a dash of historical fiction and a compelling sapphic romance. I loved the unique magic system, the wintry world, the fragments of Slavic folklore. It's evocative and enchanting, and it completely swept me away.' Tobias Madden, author of Anything But Fine

**About the Author:** Alicia Jasinska is a fantasy writer hailing from Sydney, Australia. A library technician by day, she spends her nights writing and hanging upside down from the trapeze and aerial hoop. She is the author of The Dark Tide and The Midnight Girls. Visit her at aliciajasinska.com.



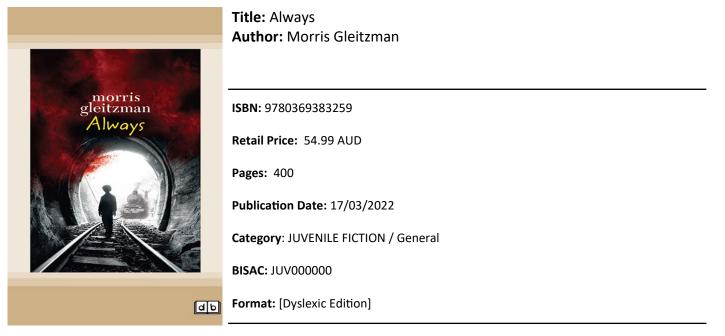


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

**About the Book:** A story of adventure, ball control and hope. Jamal and Bibi have a dream. To lead Australia to soccer glory in the next World Cup. But first they must face landmines, pirates, storms and assassins. Can Jamal and his family survive their incredible journey and get to Australia? Sometimes, to save the people you love, you have to go overboard.

**About the Author:** Morris Gleitzman grew up in England and came to Australia when he was sixteen. After university he worked for ten years as a screenwriter. Then he had a wonderful experience. He wrote a novel for young people. Now, after 42 books, he's one of Australia's most popular authors. He was appointed the Australian Children's Laureate for 2018-2019.



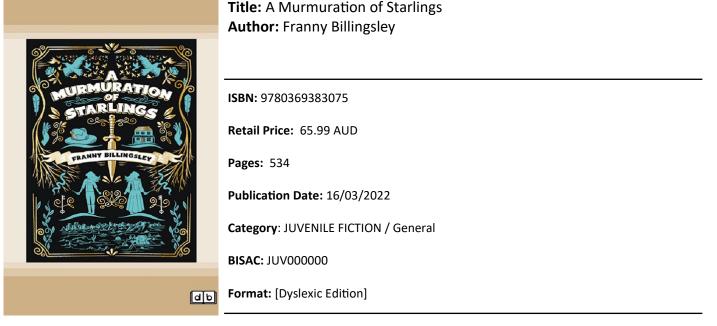


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

**About the Book:** The much-anticipated final journey in the story of Felix, hero of Morris Gleitzman's multi-award-winning Once, Then, After, Soon, Maybe and Now. It's fifteen years since readers were first introduced to Felix in Once and across six celebrated books, our brave young hero has survived many unforgettable and emotional journeys. Now comes the seventh and final part of Felix's story, bringing to a powerful climax a series that countless young readers around the world will remember - Always.

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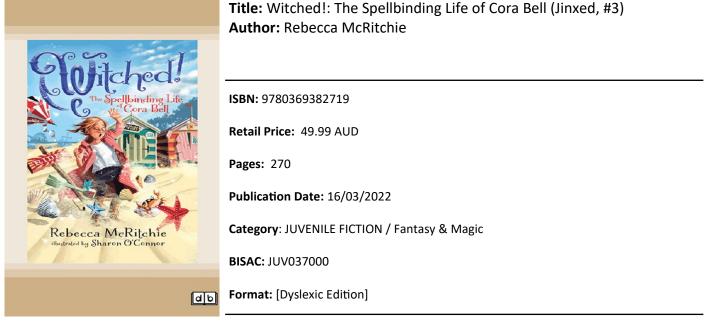


Original Publisher: Affirm Press

**About the Book:** Robber Girl doesn't have a name. Or a home. But she does have a dagger. And she has Gentleman Jack. Together, they are wild. Part Western fantasy, part literary mystery and wholly unputdownable, A Murmuration of Starlings is loaded with magic, action, and intrigue, and features a character who will stay with you long after the final page.

**About the Author:** Franny Billingsley's books owe their images and rhythms to the songs her father sang - two songs every night, unless she chose a Scottish ballad with more than thirty verses. Then he'd sing only one song because he was faithful to every word and had four other kids waiting. Now Franny sings to her own two kids, and she reminds herself of the great gift her father gave her whenever she's tempted to skip a verse. She lives in Chicago with her four dogs and works as a children's bookseller.



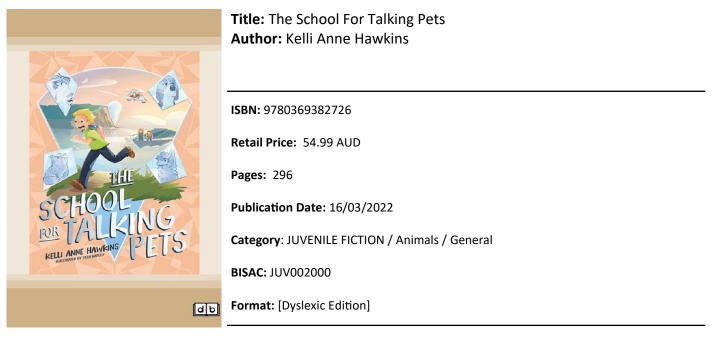


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** From the talented author of Whimsy and Woe comes the final title in the series about Cora, an orphan who could be magical! The final fight against magic ... Cora Bell is racing against time. With her beloved guardian, Dot, badly injured, Cora must face fearsome werewolves, gross beetle worms and a vengeful warlock in order to save her. But as questions about her long-lost parents arise, Cora and her fairy friends begin a search for the one person who might hold all the answers. The one person who disappeared the same night Cora's parents did ... Will Cora finally discover the truth about her family? Or will the evil syphon return to finish what he started, and destroy Cora once and for all? The thrilling conclusion to the magical Cora Bell series.

**About the Author:** Rebecca McRitchie would love to tell you that she was raised by wolves in the depths of a snow-laden forest until she stumbled upon and saved a village from the fiery peril of a disgruntled dragon. But, truthfully, she works as a children's editor and lives in Sydney. Whimsy and Woe and the sequel, Whimsy and Woe: The Final Act, are her first fiction titles. Sharon O'Connor is a freelance illustrator who lives in Melbourne with her husband and triplet sons. After graduating from RMIT Graphic Design, Sharon has spent many years designing and illustrating in publishing, textiles and packaging with a particular love of character design. In her spare time she likes to paint, bake, hang out with animals and take lots of photos.





Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** DOCTOR DOLITTLE MEETS WILLY WONKA IN THIS FUNNY AND THRILLING ADVENTURE FROM AN EXCITING NEW VOICE. Pets? Tick! TALKING pets? Double tick! Silly spies, secret plots and one shy kid who might just save the day? Tick, tick, tick! Anything's possible at the School for Talking Pets ... When Rusty Mulligan and his pet blue-tongued lizard win a week on a secret island, at Miss Alice Einstein's School for Talking Pets, the shy twelve-year-old is thrilled. His best friend will learn to talk! But once on the island, things don't go to plan ... And Rusty must work with the other competition winners, a terrifyingly tattooed gardener, and a multitude of clever animals to save the school from the clutches of the two secret agents who have come to shut it down - by any means necessary ... PRAISE 'a delightful tale that is reminiscent of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and The Mysterious Benedict Society ... Animal lovers aged 8-12 will enjoy this fun-filled romp' - Annie Waters, Books + Publishing

**About the Author:** Kelli Anne Hawkins has worked as a journalist, graphic designer, administration assistant and mystery shopper - she's even had a job where she just had to remove staples! But all along, her love of books and libraries and reading and daydreaming should have told her she was meant to write books. Some of her favourite things are airports, velvet jackets, mangoes, the colour yellow, the satisfaction of crossing stuff off lists and staring at the ocean. She lives in Newcastle, NSW, with her two children, who are now taller than she is and far better at maths. Beth Harvey is a Brisbane-based emerging artist who works professionally as an animator and animation director, most notably on the ABC series Bluey. Her artistic skills vary across a diverse range of mediums, from digital art to watercolour, pencils, ink, acrylic and oils. She enjoys telling stories through art - and has just entered the world of illustrating for children. www.bethharvey.com



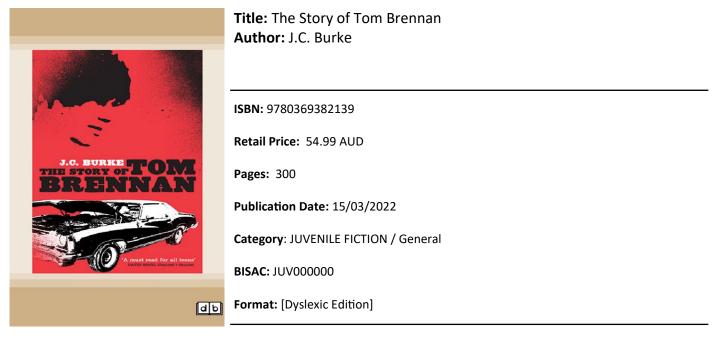


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** Award-winning writer Katrina Nannestad transports us to Russia and the Great Patriotic War and into the life of Sasha, a soldier at only six years old ... Wood splinters and Mama screams and the nearest soldier seizes her roughly by the arms. My sister pokes her bruised face out from beneath the table and shouts, 'Run, Sasha! Run!' So I run. I run like a rabbit. It's spring, 1942. The sky is blue, the air is warm and sweet with the scent of flowers. And then everything is gone. The flowers, the proud geese, the pretty wooden houses, the friendly neighbours. Only Sasha remains. But one small boy, alone in wartorn Russia, cannot survive. One small boy without a family cannot survive. One small boy without his home cannot survive. What that small boy needs is an army. From the award-winning author of We Are Wolves comes the story of a young boy who becomes a soldier at six, fighting in the only way he can - with love. But is love ever enough when the world is at war? AWARDS Shortlisted - The Indie Book Awards 2022 (Children's)

**About the Author:** Katrina Nannestad is an award-winning Australian author. Her books include the CBCA-shortlisted We Are Wolves, The Girl Who Brought Mischief, the Travelling Bookshop series, the Girl, the Dog and the Writer series, the Olive of Groves series, the Red Dirt Diaries series, the Lottie Perkins series, and the historical novel Rabbit, Soldier, Angel, Thief. Katrina grew up in country New South Wales, in a neighbourhood stuffed full of happy children. Her adult years have been spent raising boys, teaching, daydreaming and pursuing her love of stories. Katrina celebrates family, friendship and belonging in her writing. She also loves creating stories that bring joy or hope to other people's lives.Katrina now lives on a hillside in central Victoria with her husband, a silly whippet called Olive and a mob of kangaroos.www.katrinanannestad.com



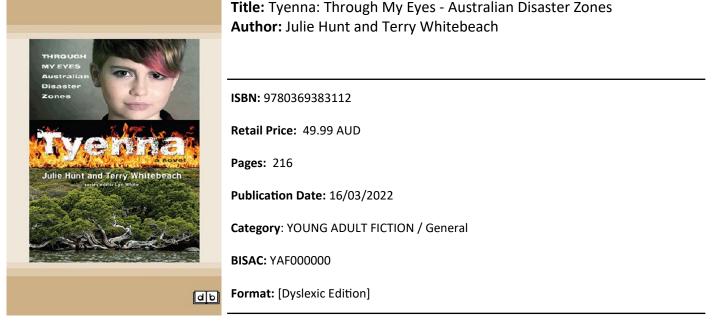


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia

**About the Book:** A powerful story of love and loss, secrets and revelations - and making sense of a past that once seemed perfect. A powerful story of love and loss, secrets and revelations - and making sense of a past that once seemed perfect. For Tom Brennan, life is about rugby, mates and family - until a night of celebration changes his life forever. Tom's world explodes as his brother Daniel is sent to jail and the Brennans are forced to leave the small town Tom's lived in his whole life. Tom is a survivor, but he needs a ticket out of the past just as much as Daniel. He will find it in many forms . . . Prizes: Winner of Children's Book Council of Australia Awards: Book of the Year - Older Readers 2006 and Australian Family Therapists' Award for Children's Literature: Older Readers 2005.

**About the Author:** J.C. Burke was born in Sydney in 1965, the fourth of five sisters. With writers for parents, she grew up in a world of noise, drama and books, but she decided to become a nurse after her mother lost a long battle with cancer. Since Burke started writing in 1999, she has published a number of acclaimed books for teenagers and young adults, including Children's Book Council Notable Books White Lies and The Red Cardigan, Aurealis Awards finalist Nine Letters Long, The Story of Tom Brennan, Faking Sweet, Starfish Sisters, Ocean Pearl and Pig Boy. The Story of Tom Brennan won the 2006 CBC Book of the Year - Older Readers and the 2006 Australian Family Therapists Award for Children's Literature. It is currently on the NSW HSC syllabus list. Jane lives in Sydney with her family.



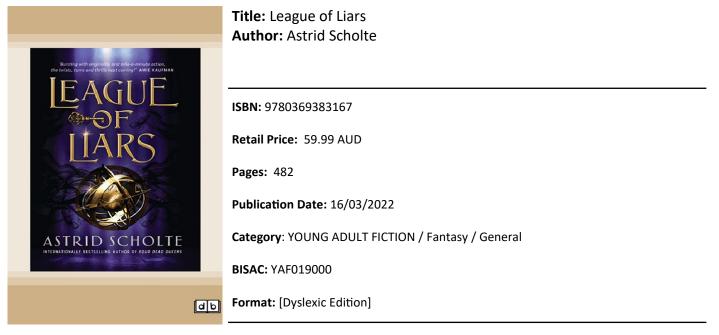


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>An engaging and suspenseful novel about one girl's experience of the terrifying Tasmanian bushfires.</br><br><br><br/><br/>><br/><i>They huddle low, nostrils burning from the smoke. A wave of despair flows over Tye. Nothing will survive this<br/>firestorm. The bush and everything she loves will be lost. </i><br/><br/><br/><br/><br/><br/>>l's the summer holidays, and Tye is staying at her<br/>grandparents' lodge at Chancy's Point in Tasmania's beautiful Central Highlands. But her plans for fun with best friend Lily and<br/>working on her pencil pine conservation project are thwarted as fire threatens the community and the bush she loves - and<br/>when Tye discovers Bailey, a runaway boy hiding out, she is torn between secretly helping him and her loyalty to her grandpar-<br/>ents.<br/>>br/><br/>str/>st he fire comes closer and evacuation warnings abound, Tye is caught up in the battle of her life. Will she<br/>and Bailey survive? What will happen to her beloved pencil pines and the wildlife at risk? Can she and her close-knit communi-<br/>ty make a difference in a world threatened by climate change?

About the Author: Julie Hunt loves storytelling and traditional folktales. Her stories combine other-worldly elements with down-to-earth humour. She loves travel and is fascinated by landscapes and the tales they inspire. This interest has taken her from the rugged west coast of Ireland to the ice caves of Romania where she collected ideas for her graphic novel, <i>KidGlovz</i>, illustrated by Dale Newman. <i>KidGlovz</i> won the 2016 Queensland Literary Award and her latest novel, <i>Shine Mountain</i>, was shortlisted for the 2019 NSW Premier's Award. She has received many awards and commendations for earlier books, including winning Readings' inaugural Children's Book Prize for <i>Song for a Scarlet Runner</i> in 2014 and the Children's Book Council of Australia Picture Book of the Year Award for <i>The Coat</i>, illustrated by Ron Brooks, in 2013.<br><br>Dr Terry Whitebeach is a Tasmanian writer, historian and community artist who has performed, presented conference papers and taught creative writing in community, workplace and educational settings. Her publications include poetry, radio plays, novels for young adults and biographies or life histories. <i>Trouble Tomorrow</i> was her fourth collaborative project with Sarafino Enadio.<br><br>Series editor and series creator Lyn White has extensive experience as a primary school teacher-librarian and EAL teacher and in 2010 completed postgraduate studies in Editing and Communications at the University of Melbourne. Lyn is passionate about children's literature and has great expertise in engaging students with quality texts. Her work with refugee children motivated her to create the acclaimed Through My Eyes series of books set in contemporary war zones. Lyn created and edited the Through My Eyes - Natural Disaster Zones series to pay tribute to the courage and resilience of children who are often the most vulnerable in post-disaster situations. Lyn continues to teach EAL and is an education consultant and conference presenter.

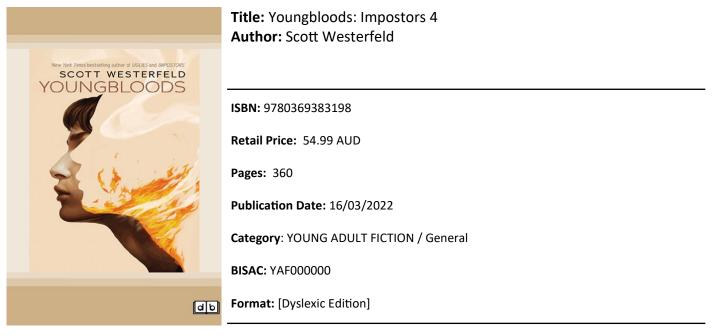




Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Author:** Astrid Scholte was raised on a diet of Spielberg, Lucas and Disney and knew she wanted to be surrounded by all things fantastical from a young age. She's spent the last fourteen years working in film, animation and television as both an artist and manager. Career highlights include working on James Cameron's <i>Avatar</i>, Steven Spielberg's <i>The Adventures of Tintin </i>and Disney's<i>Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur</i>. She lives in Melbourne, Australia with her fiance and two cats, Lilo and Mickey. Her debut YA novel, <i>Four Dead Queens</i>, is an international bestseller and award winner.<br/>br>



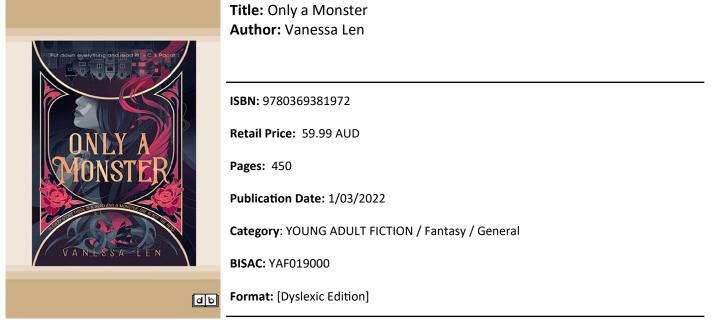


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>The thrilling final book in the <i>New York Times</i> bestselling Impostors series.</b><br/><br/>><br/>>IT'S TIME TO COME OUT OF HIDING<br/><br/>><br/>Frey has spent her life in a family of deceivers, a stand-in for her sister, manipulated at her father's command. Free from them at last, she is finding her own voice - and using it to question everything her family stood for.<br/>br/><br/>Tally Youngblood was once the most famous rebel in the world. But for over a decade, she's kept to the shadows, allowing her myth to grow. Now she sees that while the revolution she led destroyed the Pretty regime, it created dangerous new societies. <i>Freedom</i>, she observes, <i>has a way of destroying things.</i><br/>br/><br/>str/><br/>str/><br/>str/>str/><br/>br/><br/>str/><br/>str/><br/>str/>strest and conspiracy, Frey and Tally join forces - but how will they know who else to trust?<br/><br/>br/><br/>str/><br/>with <i>Youngbloods</i>, master storyteller Scott Westerfeld brings back his most iconic character and merges his Impostors and Uglies series into a breathtaking tale of rivalry, rebellion and repercussions.

**About the Author:** Scott Westerfeld is best known as the author of the Uglies series, a number-one <i>New York Times</i> bestseller, and the Leviathan and Zeroes trilogies, both <i>New York Times</i> bestsellers. His standalone novels include <i>So Yesterday</i>, and <i>Afterworlds</i>. His other works include the Midnighters trilogy, the Peeps and Risen Empire duologies, and the eponymous first book of the Horizon multiplatform series. His novels have won the Philip K Dick Special Citation, the Aurealis Award (twice), the Victorian Premier's Award, and have been named <i>New York Times </i>Notable Books and Best Books for Young Adults Top Ten Children's Books of the Year.<br/>br>Scott also co-wrote the Shay's Story Uglies-based graph-ic novels with Devin Grayson. He is also the author of the graphic novel <i>Spill Zone</i>, illustrated by Alex Puvilland.<br/>br><br/>br>He lives in Sydney and New York.



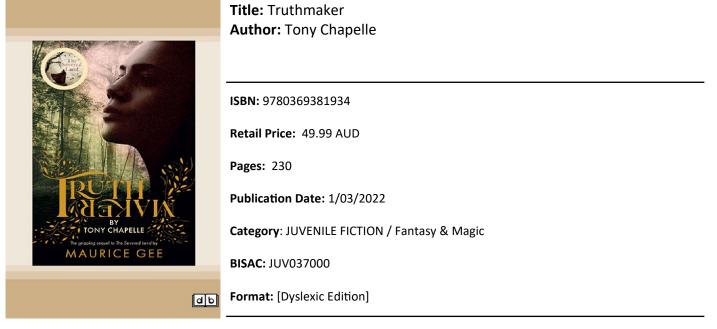


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

About the Book: <b>Joan Chang-Hunt has no idea she's part monster until she's thrust into a battle between the boy she has a crush on and one of the most ruthless monster families of London. A brilliantly compelling YA fantasy from a dazzling new Australian talent.</b><br/>><br/>i>Don't forget the rule. No one can know what you are. What we are. You must never tell anyone about monsters.</i><br/>orl> only a monster would kill a hero. Right?<br/>br/>Every family has its secrets, but the summer Joan Chang-Hunt goes to stay with her Gran in London, she learns hers is bigger than most. The Hunts are one of twelve families in London with terrifying, hidden powers.<br/>br/>sor/>Joan is half-monster. And what's more, her summer crush Nick isn't just a cute boy - he's hiding a secret as well; a secret that places Joan in terrible danger. <br/> <br/> >br/>When the monsters of London are attacked, Joan is forced on the run with the ruthless Aaron Oliver, heir to a monster family who are sworn enemies of her own. Joan is drawn deeper into a world that simmers with hostilities, alliances and secrets. And her rare and dangerous power means she's being hunted. She'll have to embrace her own monstrousness if she is to save herself, and her family. Because in this story . . . <br/>
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/vanessa Len's world of monsters and heroes is like nothing I've ever read, utterly fresh and unique. It's a page-turning YA adventure with breathtaking twists and a rich, dangerous setting. I loved the girl antihero at its centre, and the depth of the themes that it tackles. But most of all I love the way it turns the genre on its head. Put down everything and read it!' - CS Pacat<br/>
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-/>'<i>Only a Monster</i> is captivating and unique and - dare I say it - utterly monstrous (in the best possible way). This engrossing debut will have YA readers longing to steal time just so they can devour the pages over and over again!' - Lynette Noni

**About the Author:** Vanessa Len is an Australian author of Chinese-Malaysian and Maltese heritage. An educational editor, she has worked on everything from language learning programs to STEM resources, to professional learning for teachers. Vanessa is a graduate of the Clarion Workshop in San Diego, and she lives in Melbourne.



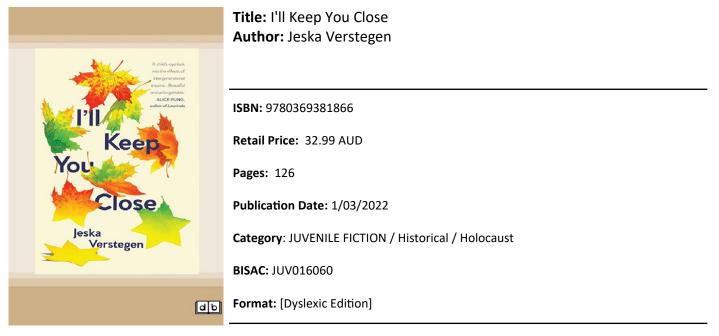


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House New Zealand

**About the Book:** The sequel to Maurice Gee's The Severed Land, written by Tony Chapelle, authorised and endorsed by Maurice Gee. Picking up where The Severed Land left off, this suspense-filled novel continues the story of the brave ex-slave Fliss. Despite her idyllic new life behind the safety of the wall, she can't help longing for someone special of her own. That's when a young man appears, preaching peace and unity. His arrival, however, is about to send Fliss and her friend Minnie back through the wall on a hazardous mission. There's danger at every corner, perilous journeys and the contstant threat of betrayal and capture.

**About the Author:** Tony Chapelle has had a professional life as a historian, mainly in schools and universities in the South Pacific. Over the past few decades he has concentrated on creative writing, and has publisehd Original Sin, a book of short stories, many of them award-winning, and a sequence of novels for adult: Merely a Girl, The Youngest Son, A Distant Belonging, and Kindred. He lives in Palmerston North with his daughter and grandddaughters.



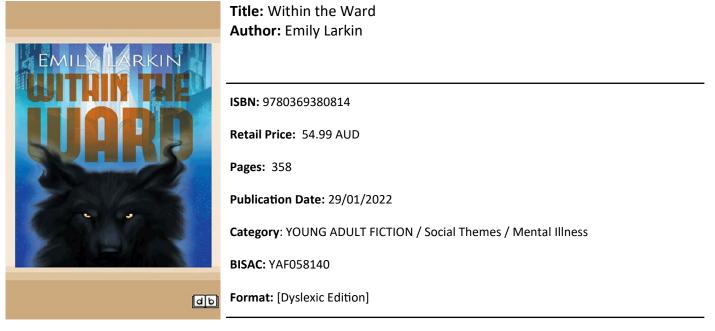


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>A beautifully written novel based on a true story about a young girl who comes to understand why her mother is so fearful and overprotective when her class starts studying the Holocaust.</b><br/><br/><br/>>dr/><br/>starts drawn so tightly every day. And what exactly is she trying to drown out when she floods the house with Mozart? What are they hiding from?<br/><br/>dr/><br/>dr/><br/>when Jeska's grandmother accidentally calls her by a stranger's name, she seizes her first clue to uncovering her family's past, and hopefully to all that's gone unsaid. With the help of an old family photo album, her father's encyclopedia collection and the unquestioning friendship of a stray cat, the silence begins to melt into frightening clarity: Jeska's family survived a terror that they've worked hard to keep secret all her life. And somehow, it has both nothing and everything to do with her, all at once. <br/>dr/><br/>the story of navigating generational trauma as a child, <i>I'll Keep You Close</i> is about what comes after disaster: how survivors move forward, what they bring with them when they do, and the promise of beginning again while always keeping the past close.<br/>dr/><br/>dr/><br/>duiet, child's-eye look into the effects of intergenerational trauma, from a guileless, devastating poet. Beautiful and unforgettable.' Alice Pung, award-winning author of <i>Laurinda</i>

**About the Author**: Jeska Verstegen is an author and illustrator living in Amsterdam. She is a descendant of Emanuel Querido, the revolutionary Jewish-Dutch publisher who was captured and killed by the Nazis in World War II. Jeska began her career in 1990 as an illustrator for magazines and children's books. The white sheet of paper feels to her like a stage where you can perform any role, and one day she decided to paint pictures with words as well. Writing <i>I'll Keep You Close</i> reacquainted her with herself and also gave her a new colour palette of diligently chosen words. <i>I'll Keep You Close</i> is her debut novel, based on the true story of her own family history.



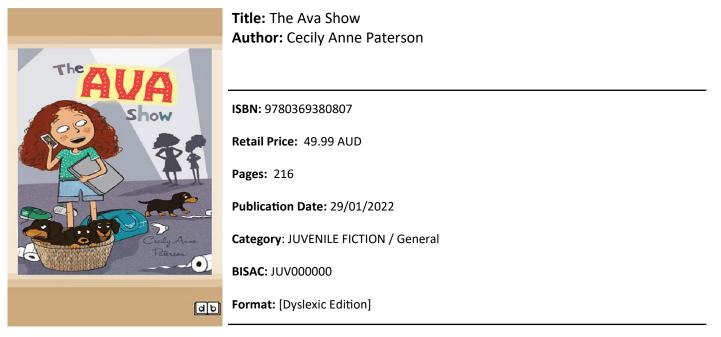


Original Publisher: Wombat Books

**About the Book:** Paige Newell can't stop feeling-and hurting. The 17-year-old has never fit in, since her turbulent emotions and rebellious streak place her at odds with Raydale's clinical rationality. When her best friend dies, Paige is ready to end it all. But, before she can make a final exit, she's admitted to Raydale State Hospital. There, she is immersed in a dream reality, called 'the Journey'. If patients finish the Journey, then they can go home. The Journey is meant to be the cure, but Paige soon discovers dark forces within the hospital, and that the dream reality is the stuff of nightmares. Paige wants to escape her pain, but is drawn into the lives of other patients. When they need her help, she must act. Paige can't get the past back, but maybe the future is within reach. Can the patients escape the ward? And can Paige find reasons to live?

**About the Author:** Emily Larkin is a Queensland author who holds a Doctor of Creative Arts (Creative Writing) from the University of the Sunshine Coast. She writes fiction for children, teens, and adults - and loves holding writing workshops. Emily has worked as a Sessional Tutor in Creative Writing, English Literature, and Communication at the University of Queensland, QUT International College, and USC. Emily is the author of The Whirlpool, a picture book illustrated by Helene Magisson and published by Wombat Books. Emily's short fiction has featured in Australian and international literary journals, including Idiom 23, Meniscus, Seizure, Number Eleven Magazine, Flumes, The Zodiac Review, Streetlight Magazine, Literary Orphans, Black Fox Literary Magazine, and After the Pause. Her YA dystopian novel is due for release with Rhiza Edge in 2021. To follow Emily, visit https://www.facebook.com/ehlarkinauthor.



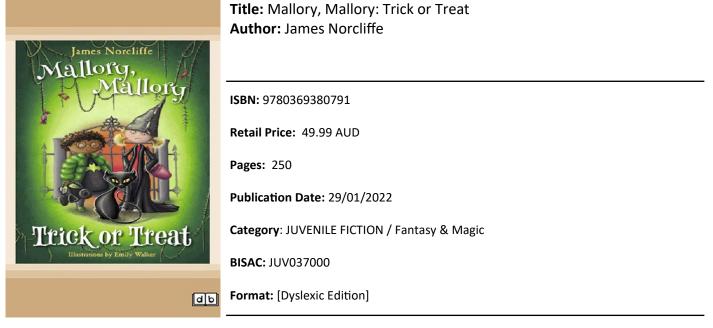


Original Publisher: Wombat Books

**About the Book:** Ava's been training hard for an awesome athletics season, and is looking forward to celebrating her 12th birthday. Life's great-and Chloe the dog is having puppies! Even if Mum gets annoyed at Ava's lack of organisation, Ava can always rely on her best friend Josie and her sister Maddie to pick up after her. But when the pandemic hits, everything's cancelled. There's no school, no birthday, no athletics, no toilet paper and definitely no Josie to rely on. When a puppy goes missing, it's Ava's fault. Can she mend her irresponsible ways in time?

**About the Author**: Cecily Anne Paterson grew up overseas, going to boarding school in the Himalayan mountains and spending her holidays in the deserts of Pakistan. She's the author of eight books for girls, including the CALEB Prize winner, Charlie Franks is A-OK, and the Amazon Breakthrough Novel Award semi-finalist, Invisible. Her 'brave-hearted' stories for preteen and young teen girls focus on friendships, real life and growing up. Her writing has a distinctive, contemporary Australian voice that's both innocent and emotionally complex. She hopes her characters will inspire girls to make great friendships and to be great friends themselves. All Cecily's novels so far have been situated on the NSW South Coast, particularly in beautiful Kangaroo Valley, where she lived for ten years. Wombat Books has published the Kangaroo Valley School series, including How Not To Be Popular, Smart Girls Don't Wear Mascara, Lola in the Middle and The Ava Show. Cecily enjoys playing the cello, op-shopping and making things. An experienced and accomplished speaker and presenter, she loves doing writing workshops and author visits for schools. She's also presents an online 'Write Your Memoir' course through the Red Lounge for Writers website.



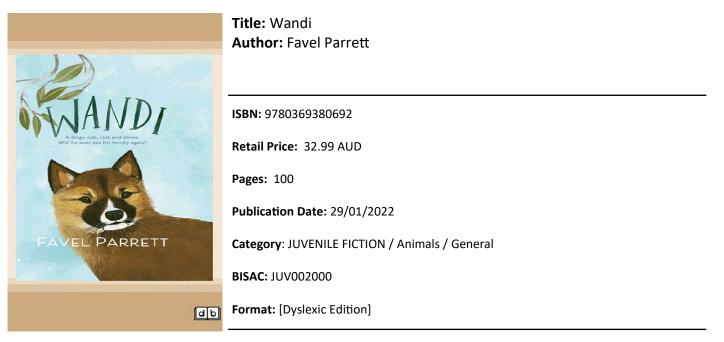


Original Publisher: Penguin Random House New Zealand

**About the Book:** Scheming Mallory and her reluctant sidekick Arthur have a Halloween misadventure involving nasty tricks, time travel and a sneaky cat.

About the Author: Described by The Sapling as a 'national treasure', James Norcliffe is an award-winning poet and writer, and the author of several children's fantasy books celebrated for their unexpected plot twists and magical wit. He has won awards and residencies - most recently the 2018 Creative New Zealand Randall Cottage Writer in Residence in Wellington. His children's novel The Loblolly Boy was published in New Zealand, the United States and Australia, and won the 2010 NZ Post Junior Fiction Award and a Storylines Notable Junior Fiction award. The Loblolly Boy & the Sorcerer was a finalist in the Junior Fiction category of the 2012 New Zealand Post Book Awards for Children and Young Adults, as was The Pirates and the Nightmaker in 2015. Twice Upon a Time was published in 2017, and The Revenge of the Tooth Fairy, the first of his novels featuring wicked Mallory, in 2020. James lives in Church Bay, Canterbury.Emily Walker has always loved drawing and painting, and just about every form of artistic expression. This led her into work as a hair stylist and creating special-effect makeup, face painting and bodypainting. But when she had children, she fell in love all over again with picture books and turned her talents to illustration, inspired by the idea of being able to transport readers into a limitless imagined world with characters that could touch the heart. Since that time her misty, magical illustrations have been twice shortlisted for the Storylines Gavin Bishop Award for Illustration (2017 and 2019) and for the Margaret Mahy Illustration Award (2019). Mallory, Mallory: The Revenge of the Tooth Fairy by James Norcliffe was her first published book (Puffin, 2020), and she has since illustrated a picture book by Diana Neild, Daddy Monster ABC (One Tree Press, 2020). She lives in Auckland.



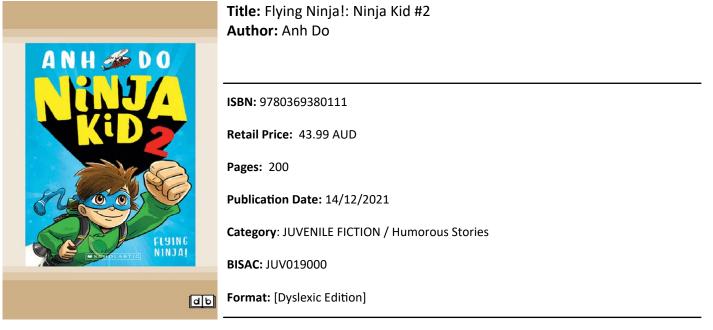


Original Publisher: Hachette Australia

**About the Book:** A young cub is snatched from his family and home by a giant eagle, then dropped, injured and alone, in a suburban garden. This is where he meets his first Human, and begins his long journey to becoming the most famous dingo in the world. He will never see his mountain home again, or his family. But it is his destiny to save alpine dingoes from extinction, and he dreams of a time when all cubs like him can live in the wild in safety, instead of facing poison and bullets and hatred. A children's literary classic in-the-making from one of Australia's most-loved authors.

**About the Author:** In 2011, Favel Parrett's career was launched with her critically acclaimed debut PAST THE SHALLOWS. A heart-breaking novel, it was sold internationally, shortlisted in the prestigious Miles Franklin Award and won the Dobbie Literary Award. Favel herself won the ABIA Newcomer of the Year Award in 2012. Her next novel, WHEN THE NIGHT COMES, was also critically acclaimed and further consolidated Favel's reputation with booksellers and readers. Favel's short stories have been published in various journals including <i>Island</i>, <i>Griffith Review </i>and <i>Wet Ink</i>. THERE WAS STILL LOVE was Favel's eagerly awaited third novel. WANDI is her first novel for children.



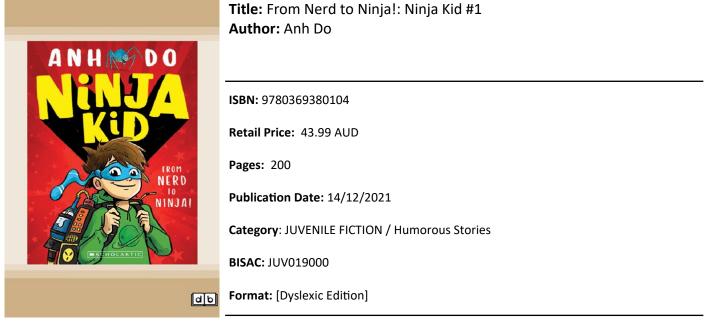


Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Nelson is a ninja. He's not the coolest. Or the bravest. But he is the world's nerdiest ninja! And now he has to stop an animal rampage and machines going crazy all over town! For that, he'll need his new jetpack... and some serious ninja skills! How will Nelson learn to fly when he's scared of heights?!

**About the Author:** Anh Do is one of Australia's leading comedians. He has also acted in television series and films, written screenplays and is a sought-after keynote speaker. His unique and inspirational experience leaving Vietnam as a toddler and growing up in Australia is the subject of his bestselling and award-winning memoir, The Happiest Refugee.



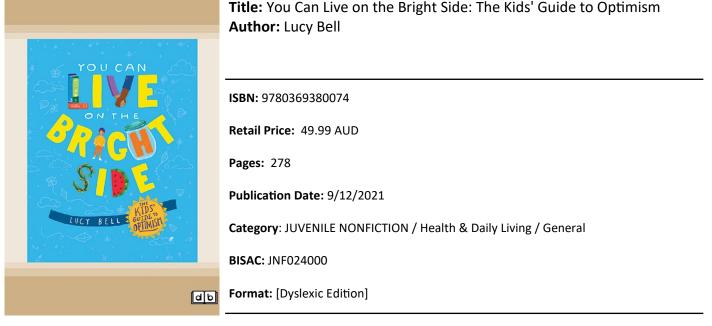


Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Nelson's a nerd! Unfit, uncool...totally awkward! But when he wakes up on his tenth birthday, he discovers he's a NINJA! THE LAST NINJA ON EARTH! How's he going to save the world when he can't even get his undies on the right way?! With the help of Grandma's inventions and his wild cousin Kenny, can Nelson master his new ninja skills AND save Duck Creek?

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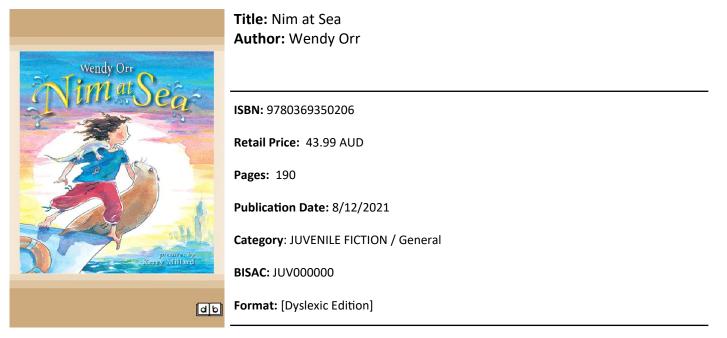


Original Publisher: Pantera Press

**About the Book:** Do you ever wake up in the morning, look out your window to see the sun shining, and just know that today will be a good day? This is called optimism, or positivity, and it's such a nice feeling to have. It's also something that you can learn, practise and improve, so you can experience it more often! This action-oriented, fun-filled book is designed to teach you some easy activities and strategies to make you feel lighter, optimistic about the future, and more confident, empowering and inspiring you to live a happy and healthy life. You Can Live on the Bright Side contains tips, tricks and tools to help you find the things that make you excited to leap out of bed each morning, ready to do more of what you love, and find even more things that make you uniquely you! ...

**About the Author:** Lucy Bell is a book editor and music teacher on a journey to live a more ethical, sustainable and mindful life. After getting her Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Sydney with majors in English and Ancient History, Lucy studied a Master of Publishing. Now she works for a social-purpose publishing house making big differences and helping fund not-forprofits and charities to close the literacy gap. Lucy grew up on the NSW Central Coast surrounded by four siblings, a cat, two dogs, two sheep, a lizard, lots of guinea pigs and thirteen chickens. She now lives in Sydney and while watering her balcony garden, dreams of one day owning her own country farmhouse.



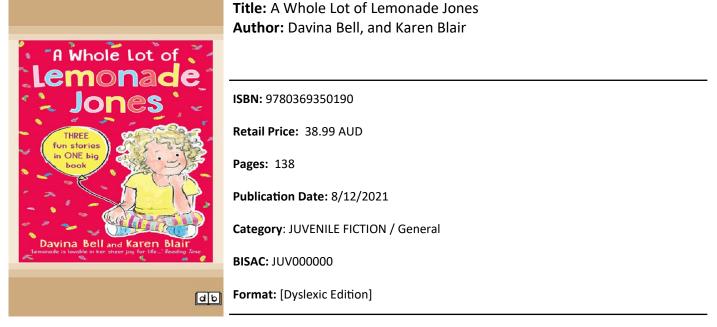


Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>A sequel to the popular <i>Nim's Island</i> (now a major film). When Selkie the sea lion is kidnapped, Nim has to leave her island paradise, stow away on board a cruise ship, and work out how to rescue Selkie and all the captive animals in the ship's zoo. She also needs to reunite her family. Luckily she has Fred, her funny marine iguana, and two new ship -board friends, to help her.</b></br/>schr/><br/>schr/><br/>schr/>Nim lives on an island in the middle of the wide blue sea with her father Jack, a marine iguana called Fred, a sea lion called Selkie, and their new friend Alex Rover. Nim is as free as a bird, and she wouldn't swap places with anyone.<br/>br/>schr/>But when Alex flies away in the seaplane, without saying goodbye, and Selkie is captured by villains from a cruise ship, Nim must risk everything to bring them back. Her dangerous rescue mission takes her far across the ocean, to New York City. It's a good thing she has Fred and two new friends by her side.<br/>schr/>chr/>dr/>A fabulous fantasyadventure for young readers from the author of <i>Peeling the Onion, Spook's Shack, Mokie and Bik</i>

**About the Author:** Wendy Orr was born in Edmonton, Canada, but grew up in various places across Canada, France and the USA. She started writing for children after a career as an occupational therapist. She's the author of many award-winning books and lives on the Mornington Peninsula, near Melbourne.





Original Publisher: Allen & Unwin Book Publishers

**About the Book:** <b>Lemonade Jones likes questions and does NOT like rules. Three funny stories suitable for newly independent readers who loved the Billie B Brown series.</b>

**About the Author:** Davina Bell is a writer for children of many ages. Her best-loved picture books include <i>All the Ways To Be Smart</i>, <i>Under the Love Umbrella </i>and <i>All of the Factors of Why I Love Tractors</i>, She writes junior fiction, middle-grade novels, and her debut young adult title, <i>The End of the World Is Bigger Than Love</i>, won Book of the Year for Older Readers at the Children's Book Council of Australia Awards and the Ethel Turner Prize at the NSW Premier's Literary Awards. Originally from Perth, Davina now lives in Melbourne. She is a children's book publisher and often speaks at schools and festivals around the country, sharing her love of books and ideas.<br/>br><br/>karen Blair is an award-winning illustrator and author of numerous picture books. She has collaborated with some of Australia's leading children's authors, including recently with Kirsty Murray on the CBCA Honour Book <i>When Billy was a Dog</i>. Karen is also a primary art teacher and her characters are often inspired by her students and her own two children. She loves to help tell stories that explore the joy of discovery and play in the outdoors and the special relationships in children's lives.

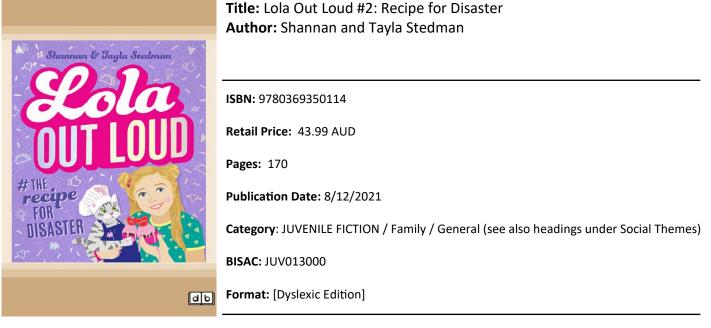




#### Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Ella and Grace are off to London to represent Eden College in an international art competition. They'll be staying in a proper English boarding school, and their art will be on show in a real London gallery! But then Grace's artwork goes missing from the exhibit. And so does a multi-million-dollar painting. Are the two thefts connected? Now Ella has two mysteries to solve!

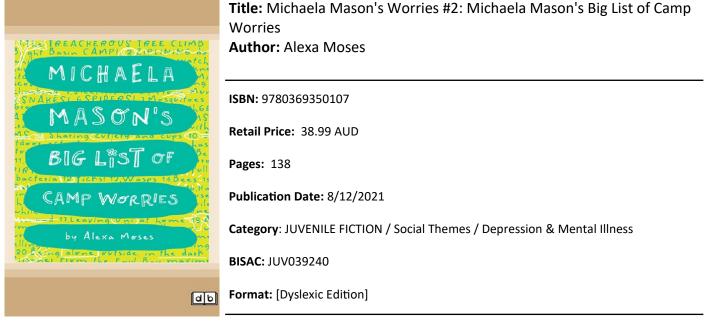




Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** School holidays are here, Lola's super-fun Aunt Helen is coming to babysit and water parks, waffles and epic challenges for Lola's vlog are on the menu! Sounds awesome, right? WRONG! Because when Aunt Helen arrives, she is heart-broken aka. no fun at all. Lola and her friends have cooked up the perfect plan! Could love be the special ingredient to turn these holidays around? Meanwhile, Stampy has ditched his banjo for a chef's hat, but are cats and cooking really a winning combo? Talk about the ultimate mix-up!

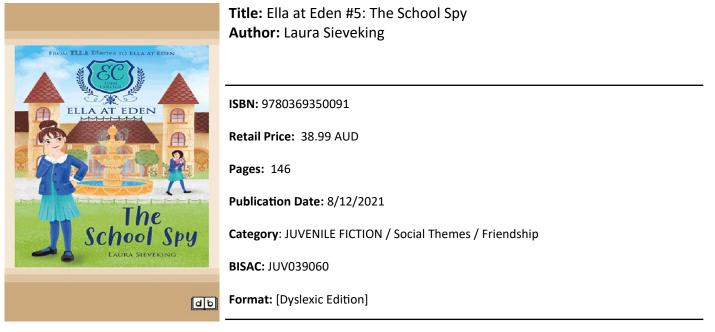




#### Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** 'I'm not good at CAMP. In fact, CAMP involves a gazillion horrible things I'm bad at or scared of. But trying to explain why I'm scared of CAMP is impossible. People don't understand what it's like to have a fizzy, jumpy, 'what if' brain like mine. I'm going to need a whole new list of CAMP worries.' First school trip. First tree climb. 22 CAMP worries. Can Michaela Mason handle it?





#### Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** There's a new girl in Ella's class and she is all kinds of mean. Even though Ella tries to give her a chance, she is making life difficult for all the Eden girls. To make matters worse, there's a stranger in the school who is clearly up to something. Is Ella's beloved Eden College in danger? And if it is, how can one girl save an entire school from disaster?





Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Mr Mosely isn't a pedigreed dog, but he is just the dog Corey and his family want: he is loyal, protective and loving. And he is much more than that. He might well be the one thing that holds them all together.

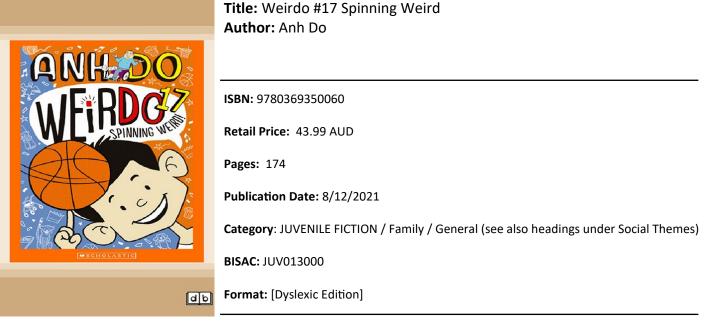




Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** Scarlett was gifted with beauty. But beauty can be taken in a day, in a single moment, by one car fire. Now permanently scarred, Scarlett has become a smudge in her perfect world. She can see only one acceptable solution: to escape the modern world for Matilda Mountain, which is desolate, isolated, forlorn. Perfect. But mountains are not always as lonely as they appear. And unexpected friendships can be found in the wilderness. Friendships that challenge her ideas about perfection and her place in the world. Can Scarlett break free from the confines of her beauty-obsessed culture to discover who she is beyond the layers of her skin?

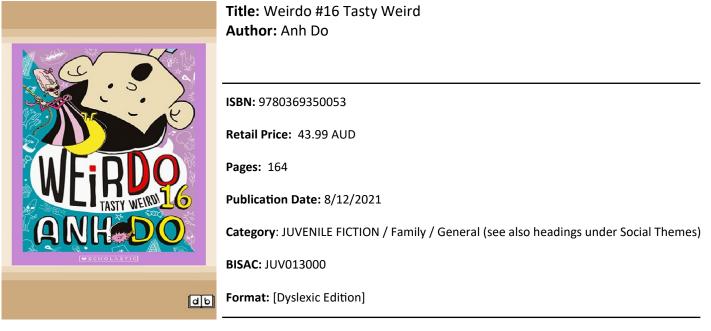




Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** LET'S GO, LIONS! Weir and his basketball team REALLY want to WIN! But Bella and Henry's ALLEY-OOP is more of an ALLY-OOPS! Toby's DUNK is more of a CLUNK! And Weir's free throw is more of an OH NO! Can their new teacher Miss Carroll help out?! It won't be easy... but it will be FUNNY!





Original Publisher: Scholastic Australia

**About the Book:** The Cook-Off is on! Weir and his friends have their eyes on the prize-a trip to Queen Bubblegum's LOLLY FAC-TORY! Will the battle be a piece of cake?! It won't be easy... but it will be funny!



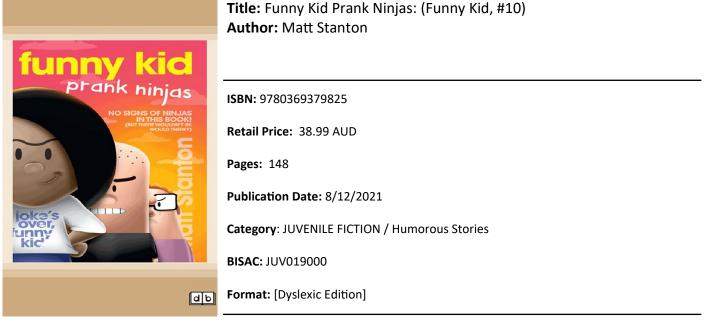
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Original Publisher: Pan Macmillan Australia

**About the Book:** Andy and Terry are going on holiday in their latest, greatest book, The 143-Storey Treehouse. What could possibly go wrong? Andy and Terry's treehouse now has 13 new storeys, including a word-o-matic (it knows every word in the whole world!); a recycling depot; a wrecking ball; a complaining room; a spooky graveyard (where it's always midnight, even in the middle of the day); a toffee-apple orchard guarded by a kind scarecrow; and a camping ground where you can have a nice, relaxing camping holiday - unless you get caught by hobyahs, put in a bag and poked with a stick, that is . . . Well, what are you waiting for? Come on up!

**About the Author:** Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton began their creative partnership with Just Tricking! in 1997. They have now collaborated on eight Just books (with more than a million copies sold), the off-the-wall The Cat on the Mat is Flat, and now the phenomenal, sales-breaking, award-winning Treehouse series. Andy and Terry have won numerous kids choice awards and many of their titles are nominated every year. The 13-Storey Treehouse, The 26-Storey Treehouse, The 39-Storey Treehouse, The 52-Storey Treehouse, The 65-Storey Treehouse, The 78-Storey Treehouse, The 104-Storey Treehouse and The 117-Storey Treehouse have all won ABIA awards. The 91-Storey Treehouse won the ABIA Audiobook of the Year in 2018 and The 52-Storey Treehouse also won the overall ABIA Book of the Year in 2015.



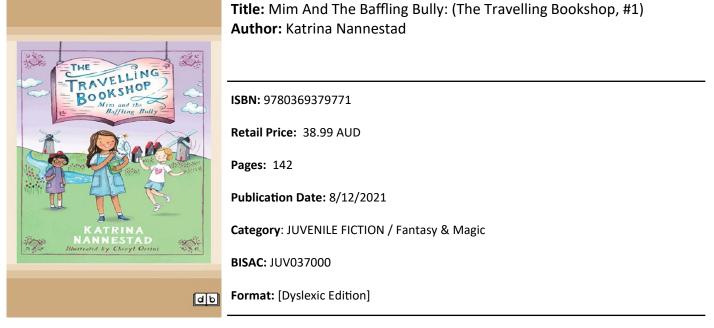


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** Joke's over, Funny Kid! Frenemies go head to head in this brand-new Funny Kid adventure. Every kid wants to laugh, but Max is the boy who can make it happen. These school holidays Redhill is in chaos as Max and his friends are locked in an epic prank battle ... with each other! Max is the funny kid and his pranking powers are being put to the test! A movie-theatre ninja, toilet turbulence, shopping-mall disasters, cling-film mazes and an unimaginable Kid-Free Zone are just some of the things in store for Max and his friends in this brand-new Funny Kid adventure. FUNNY KID is the mega-bestselling series from author-illustrator Matt Stanton that has everyone laughing! PRAISE FOR FUNNY KID 'my favourite thing in the book was everything' - Elliott 'better than Wimpy Kid, Big Nate and Tom Gates combined' - Ally 'humour is injected into every page' - Children's Book Council of Australia's Reading Time 'absolutely hilarious' - Tim Harris, author of the Exploding Endings series

**About the Author:** Matt Stanton is a bestselling children's author and illustrator who has sold more than one million books worldwide. His middle-grade series Funny Kid debuted as the #1 Australian kids' book and has legions of fans across the globe. He has published such bestselling picture books as There Is a Monster Under My Bed Who Farts, This Is a Ball and Pea + Nut!, and produces a daily YouTube show for kids. He lives and works in Sydney, Australia, with his wife, bestselling author Beck Stanton, and their children.mattstanton.net



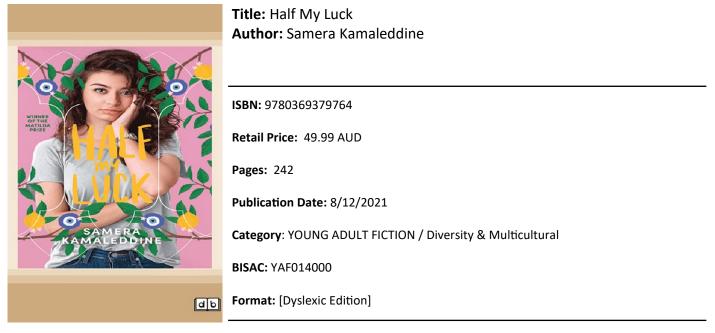


Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** The right book might just change your life ... Mim Cohen roams the world in a travelling bookshop, with her dad and brother and a horse called Flossy. Flossy leads them where she will, to the place where they're needed most ... the place where the perfect book will find its way home. Now Mim has arrived in a pretty Dutch village where she meets Willemina, a kind and gentle child, who is being bullied by a girl named Gerda. Mim knows they're here to help Willemina. To change her life. To make her strong and brave and happy. If only Dad would find her the right book. If only he would stop giving everyone else the wrong book! From the beloved author of The Girl, the Dog and the Writer in Rome and We Are Wolves comes an enchanting series for young readers.

**About the Author**: Katrina Nannestad is an award-winning Australian author. Her books include the CBCA-shortlisted We Are Wolves, The Girl Who Brought Mischief, the Travelling Bookshop series, the Girl, the Dog and the Writer series, the Olive of Groves series, the Red Dirt Diaries series, the Lottie Perkins series, and the forthcoming historical novel Rabbit, Soldier, Angel, Thief. Katrina grew up in country New South Wales, in a neighbourhood stuffed full of happy children. Her adult years have been spent raising boys, teaching, daydreaming and pursuing her love of stories. Katrina celebrates family, friendship and belonging in her writing. She also loves creating stories that bring joy or hope to other people's lives.Katrina now lives on a hillside in central Victoria with her husband, a silly whippet called Olive and a mob of kangaroos.www.katrinanannestad.com Cheryl Orsini is the much-loved illustrator of The Fairy Dancers, The Tales of Mrs Mancini and The Magic Bookshop. She has illustrated more than thirty children's books, and her work regularly appears in magazines and exhibitions. For more, visit www.cherylorsini.com





Original Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Australia

**About the Book:** From the winner of the inaugural Matilda Prize comes a heartwarming coming-of-age story about growing up in Australia when you're caught between two cultures Layla Karimi has been cursed by the evil eye. Well, that's what Layla's superstitious grandmother tells her. And Layla reckons it makes sense as she's sort of Australian and sort of Lebanese: a 'halfie' who doesn't really fit into either world. And when all hell breaks loose at the first beach party of the summer, Layla finds herself caught between her friends and the Lebanese kids who call themselves 'the Cedar Army' (of which her cousin Sufia is the Queen Bee). One group has been wrongfully accused and Layla knows the truth that would clear their name. But will she speak up? PRAISE 'a warm-hearted and authentic coming-of-age story about the impact of race and place on our sense of self and belonging ... perfect for fans of other recent Own Voices releases like Sunburnt Veils by Sara Haghdoosti and Tiger Daughter by Rebecca Lim' - Mischa Parkee, Books + Publishing

**About the Author:** Samera Kamaleddine is a Sydney-based journalist who spent the early part of her career writing about boys, annoying parents and friendship dramas in teen magazines including Dolly and Girlfriend. When she's not writing (and sometimes when she is), you can find her lolling about on the beach. Half My Luck is her first novel.