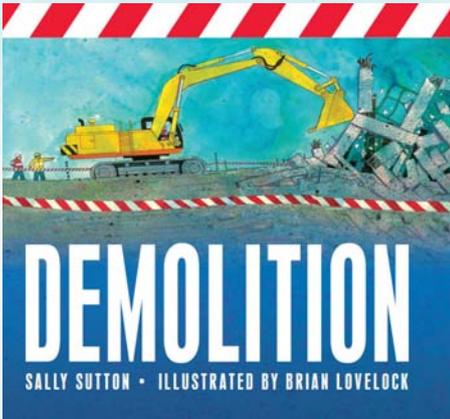


DEMOLITION

SALLY SUTTON - BRIAN LOVELOCK

The untold picture-book success story



New Zealand's very own internationally best-selling author-illustrator duo, Sally Sutton and Brian Lovelock, return to their award-winning form with brand-new picture book *Demolition*.

Demolition picks up where the success of their first joint picture book *Roadworks* left off. An international phenomenon, *Roadworks* won the NZ Post Picture Book of the Year Award (2009), sold over 100,000 copies worldwide and became one of Walker Books Australia and New Zealand's most successful international exports to the U.S. market.

An unlikely pairing as any other – Sally, a successful children's author and playwright who once lived in the Arizona Desert, and Brian, an accomplished illustrator and Auckland-based geothermal engineer – bring

Demolition to full colour in a deliciously onomatopoeic and finely detailed homage to all things heavy, noisy and boisterous.

Sally, speaking from her home in Birkenhead, Auckland, explains that her motive behind creating *Roadworks* came from seeing a gap in the market for plot-driven books about machines.

"I noticed the shortage of good 'machine' books for boys on the market. Many books had lots of description, and lots of noise, but not much plot: most of the activity seemed to have very little purpose.

I wanted to write a book where a process was seen being completed to the end. I also wanted to make the text rhythmic and pleasurable to read (not least for machine-bored parents!) – and I wanted my little girl to have fun reading it too."

Parents can now breathe a collective sigh of relief worldwide as *Demolition* caters perfectly for the machine-mad, crash-tumbling noisy little readers for whom cuddly animals will not suffice.

A book to entertain, inspire and educate – featuring a pictorial glossary of the machines with information for children to pore over – *Demolition* is another sure-fire hit for this talented duo, and will be a must-have on every bookshelf this year.

AUCKLAND BOOK LAUNCH FOR DEMOLITION

Demolition will be launched at the Auckland National Library on Thursday 8th March 2012.

Date: Thursday 8th March 2012

Time: 4 PM – 6 PM

Venue: Auckland National Library, 8 Stanley Street, Parnell Auckland New Zealand

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