

Gorgeously Me!

by Jonathan Van Ness

illustrated by Kamala Nair

A celebration of all the things that make you extraordinary, unique, and gorgeously YOU, by Jonathan Van Ness, *New York Times* bestselling author and star of the Netflix hit show *Queer Eye*.

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I won't be afraid to stand out

or show the world what I'm all about.

I am exactly who I'm meant to be.

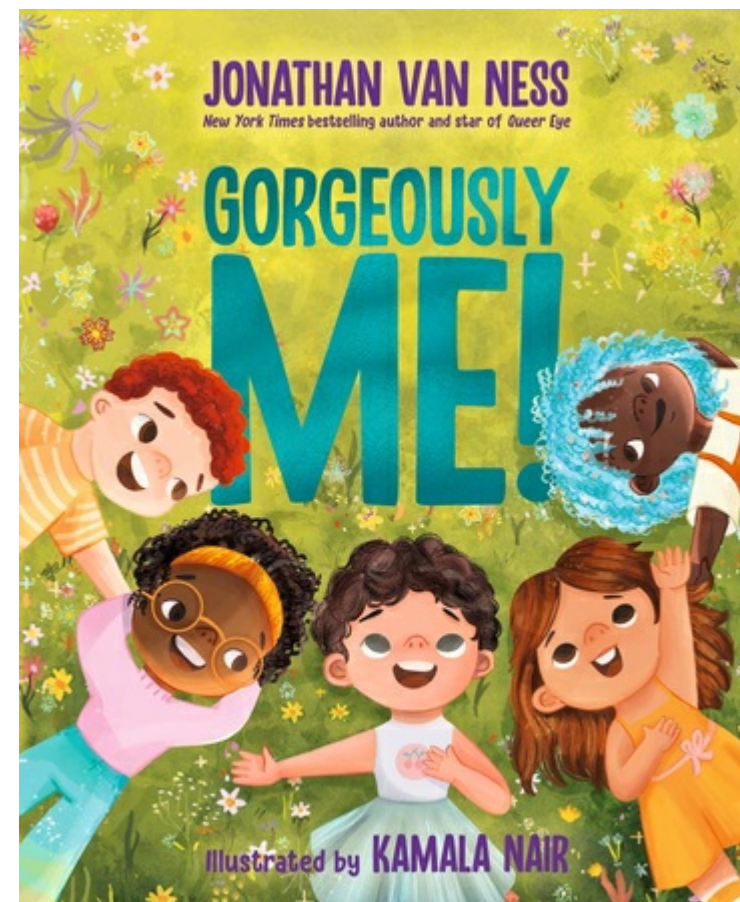
Perfectly, happily, gorgeously me!

Being true to yourself and showing the world who you are isn't always easy. *Gorgeously Me* assures young readers that they are loved and cherished, exactly as they are. A joyous, lyrical ode of pride and self love and a celebration of all of the things that make us exceptional. Perfect for fans of *I Am Enough* by Grace Byers.

By the one and only **Jonathan Van Ness**, of *Queer Eye* fame! **GORGEOUSLY ME**, a celebration of all the things that make you extraordinary, unique, and gorgeously YOU, is a book that every kid needs to read, and so true to Jonathan. Brought to life by illustrator **Kamala Nair**.

- **STAR OF NETFLIX'S HIT SHOW *QUEER EYE* JONATHAN VAN NESS!** Jonathan Van Ness is an Emmy-nominated television personality, *New York Times* bestselling author, international touring comedian, podcaster, and hairstylist to the stars. JVN has 5.7 million followers on Instagram and 1 million on TikTok.
- **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** of *Love That Story* and *Over the Top!* He has already found his fans in the book space and readers are ready for more JVN!
- **SELF-LOVE:** Jonathan Van Ness has cemented themselves as someone who promotes positivity, joy, and self-love, and that message is prominently displayed in *Gorgeously Me!*
- **PERFECT FOR PRIDE MONTH AND BEYOND!** With its themes of self-acceptance, loving yourself, and having pride in who you are, *Gorgeously Me* is the perfect book for Pride Month, but the universal self-love theme also makes it the perfect read any time of year!
- **LETTER FROM THE AUTHOR:** There is a letter from Jonathan all about self-love and positivity included at the back of the book.
- **JOYOUS AND BRIGHT ILLUSTRATIONS:** Kamala Nair has brought this jubilant manuscript to life with bold, bright, and gorgeous art!

Jonathan Van Ness (he/she/they) is an Emmy-nominated television personality, *New York Times* bestselling author, international touring comedian, podcaster, and hairstylist to the stars. He stars on Netflix's Emmy Award-winning series *Queer Eye*, and is the host and executive producer of the Netflix series *Getting Curious with Jonathan Van Ness*.



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Grey

by Laura Dockrill
illustrated by Lauren Child

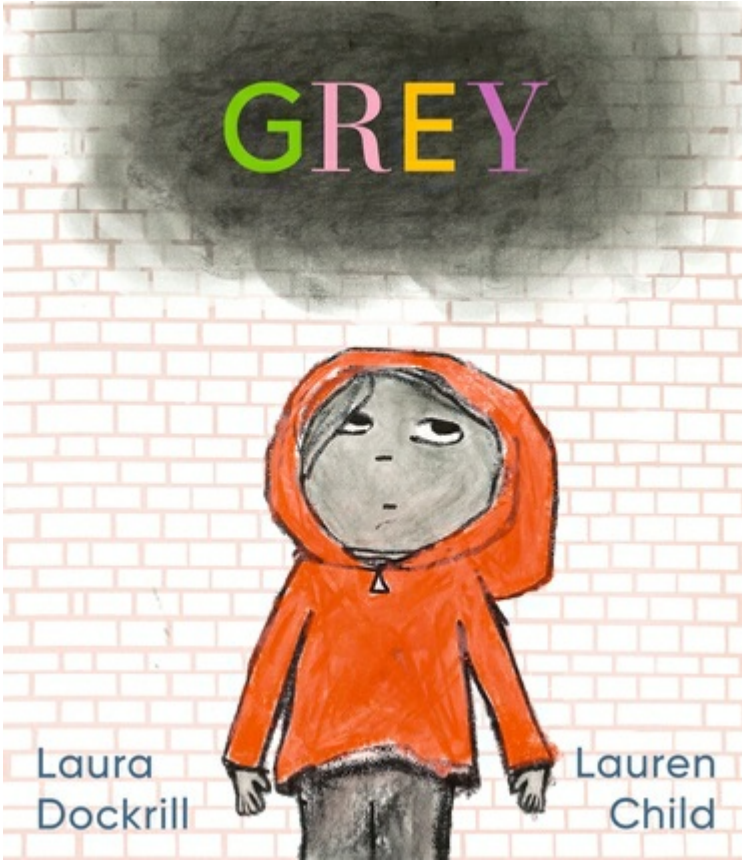
An iconic picture book collaboration about feelings and acceptance from two of the most beloved voices in children's literature.

Beautifully crafted compositions together with simple die-cut design, reveal the story of a child who feels as though all their colours have disappeared. Despite the joyful orange balloon, the huge yellow sun and the bright green trees, the child still feels grey. That is until a reassuring hand reaches out and shares words of kindness. Soon the child begins to see the warmth of colour again, and understands that their colours will always be there and that they will always be loved, whether they feel grey or sunshine yellow. Laura and Lauren have created a beautiful book full of empathy and understanding that will provide comfort and hope to readers of all ages.

- Lyrical, tender and truthful words combine with playful, warm and stylish art in this unique picture book illustrated by former Children's Laureate.
- With its empathic message of unconditional love, both young and old will cherish this timeless story.

Laura Dockrill, a graduate of the Brit School of Performing Arts, is a performance poet, an author and an illustrator. At the age of twenty-two, she was named one of *The Times*' "Top Ten Literary Stars". She is the author of the bestselling Darcy Burdock series, the first of which was shortlisted for the Waterstones Book of the Year prize. Her adult book *What Have I Done* is an honest memoir about suffering post-natal mental illness. Her debut picture book, and first collaboration with Maria Karipidou, was *Angry Cookie*. Laura lives in south-west London; find her online at lauradockrill.co.uk and on Twitter and Instagram as @LauraDockrill.

Lauren Child is an award-winning artist and writer. She is the creator of many much-loved characters, including Clarice Bean, Charlie and Lola, Hubert Horatio and Ruby Redfort. Lauren won the prestigious Kate Greenaway Medal in 2000 for *I Will Not Ever Never Eat a Tomato*, the first of her Charlie and Lola picture books. In 2010 she was awarded an MBE for Services to Literature, and was announced as the tenth Waterstones' Children's Laureate in 2017. Her books have sold over 15 million copies worldwide. Lauren lives in north-west London; find her online at milkmonitor.me and on Instagram as @laurenchildthatsme.



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The Book of Hours

by Clare McFadden

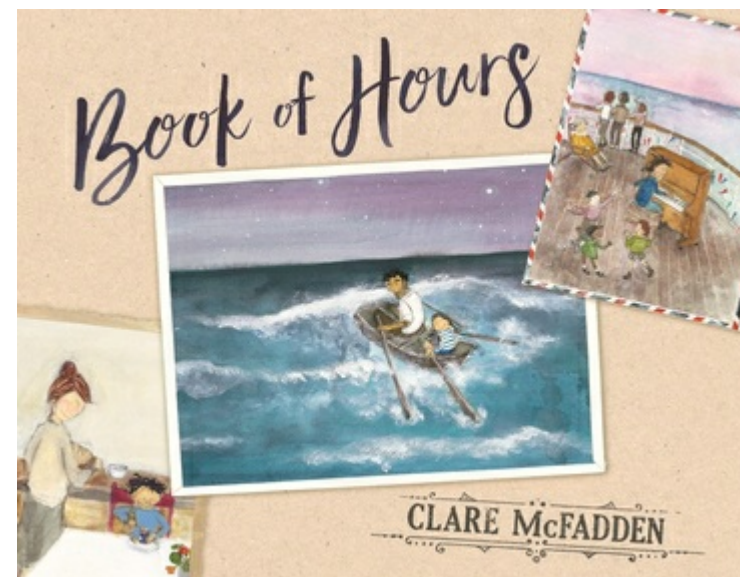
illustrated by Clare McFadden

**Every life is made of hours, moments and feelings. The times that create us. What will you remember?
A unique invitation to ponder the making of memories and the mystery of time.**

With scarce, poetic text, Clare McFadden's pictures tell a thousand words, and the story of a lifetime. Dreamy and dreamlike, aof the page shows a triptych of images, a slice of life captured in photograph or memory, with the themes that bind those moments together: as a very young child, as an older girl and as a grown woman. This unique book is an invitation to ponder the special moments in life, their simplicity, silence and beauty.

- Clare McFadden's first book, *The Flying Orchestra*, was awarded the Children's Book Council of Australia's Crichton Award in 2011.
- Each spread tells the story of the same person, at a different time in her life.
- Unique insight into the moments that link childhood and adulthood.
- Perfect reading for grandparents and parents to share with a child.
- Promotes classroom discussion about time, personality and growing up.
- 6+

Clare McFadden is a writer, artist and educator. She has worked in arts education with children, young people, and communities in both Australia and the United States. Her first book, *The Flying Orchestra*, was awarded the CBCA Crichton Award, was selected as one of the "50 Books You Can't Put Down", was adapted for the stage as the headlining work at the "Out of the Box" Festival and listed as one of the Australian Booksellers' Association's 50 Favourite Children's Books. Clare is the Director of Education at Write the World – a writing community for young writers ages 13 - 18. She holds a Master's Degree in Education from Harvard University.



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Big Gorilla: A Book of Opposites

by Anthony Browne

illustrated by Anthony Browne

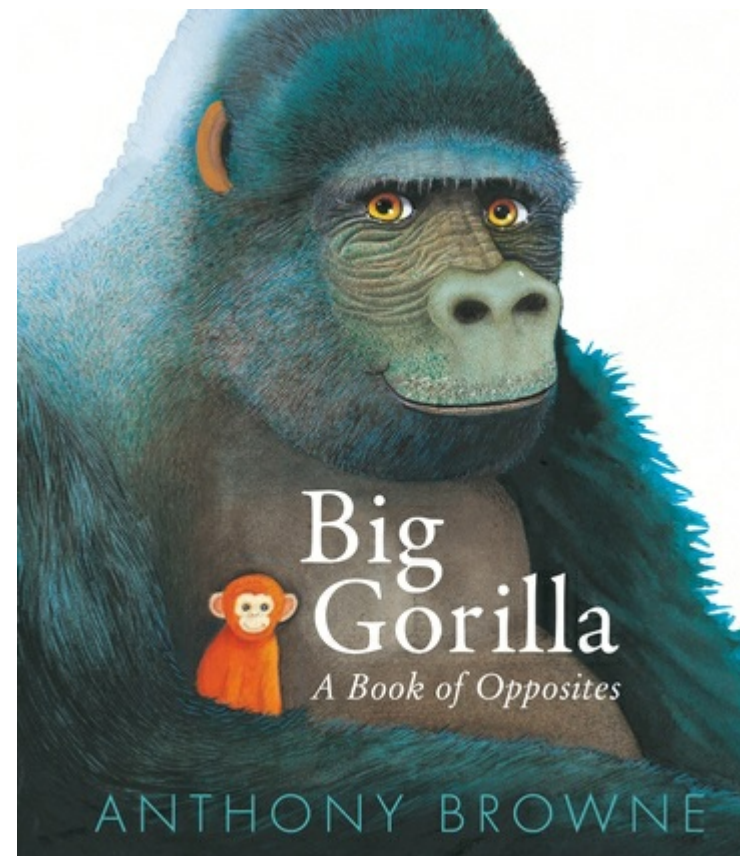
Learn all about opposites through internationally renowned master picture book-maker Anthony Browne's beloved primates.

What's the opposite of old? Young! What's the opposite of sad? Happy! But what's the opposite of opposite...?

Featuring a range of exquisite primates, from gorillas to chimpanzees, white-faced capuchins to orangutans, Anthony Browne has created a wonderfully unique first book of opposites, with his striking palette and quirky flair for facial expressions sure to charm readers of all ages.

- The perfect book for learning all about opposites through Anthony Browne's beautiful artwork and his favourite members of the animal kingdom.
- Anthony Browne is a former Children's Laureate and has won every major prize in children's illustration, including the Kate Greenaway Medal and the Hans Christian Andersen Award. He is an international bestseller: his books have been translated into 26 languages and have sold over 9 million copies around the world.
- "Browne is an original... He has a brave determination to follow his own obsessions, and perhaps his masterpiece as an artist is the work that makes least concession to what others might expect to see in a children's book. There's a touch of genius to it." *The Guardian*

Anthony Browne is one of the most celebrated author-illustrators working today. UK Children's Laureate from 2009 to 2011 and winner of multiple awards – including the prestigious Kate Greenaway Medal and the much-coveted Hans Christian Andersen Award – Anthony is renowned for his unique style. He was made a CBE for his award-winning career. His work is loved and admired all around the world. He lives in Kent.



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Thank You

by Jarvis
illustrated by Jarvis

I thank the moon for the night time. I thank the sun for the day. I thank my boots for knowing the way...

There is so much to be thankful for! In this happy and hopeful picture book for the very young, we see the world through a child's eyes as he thanks all of the things that give him joy – the sun, his bicycle, the jelly in his bowl, and so much more.

Jarvis creates beautiful collage art in this first book of gratitude; a book that inspires children to think about what they might like to say "thank you" to, too!

- A warm, funny and celebratory book about gratitude that makes a perfect gift.
- With a charming mix of the goofy and the profound, this book of thanks speaks directly to children and invites them to contemplate what they are thankful for in their own lives.
- Another fresh offering from Jarvis, the author-illustrator of *The Boy with Flowers in His Hair*.

Jarvis studied Graphic Design and previously worked as a record sleeve designer, website designer and an animation director before becoming a children's bookmaker. His books with Walker include *The Boy with Flowers in His Hair*, *Follow Me, Flo!*, *Tropical Terry*, *Mrs Mole, I'm Home!* and *Alan's Big, Scary Teeth*, which won the V&A Best Illustrated Book. He is also the illustrator of the much-loved "Pick a ..." series written by Patricia Toht, *Pick a Pine Tree*, *Pick a Pumpkin* and *Pick a Perfect Egg*. Jarvis lives in Manchester with his wife and their dog and cat. Follow him on Twitter as @heyimjarvis, and on Instagram as @booksbyjarvis.



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Mini and Milo: The Big Flappy Ears

by Venita Dimos
illustrated by Natasha Curtin

Story-led, with humour and heart, with “Big Skills for Mini People” the “hidden veggies”, Mini and Milo help children gain much-needed skills such as conflict management and resilience skills. Now with additional parenting tips included!

Mini’s ears are bigger than big and huger than huge ... but she has a problem. They aren’t very good at listening. When Mini misses out on the excursion, she realises that maybe her ears aren’t the problem after all. It’s not the size or shape of your ears that count, but using them!

This series follows the adventures of Mini and Milo as they navigate friendship and all its ups and downs –example, competitiveness, managing inner voices, learning to listen, and communicating effectively.

Big Skills for Mini People: Listening
Now with additional parenting tips included!

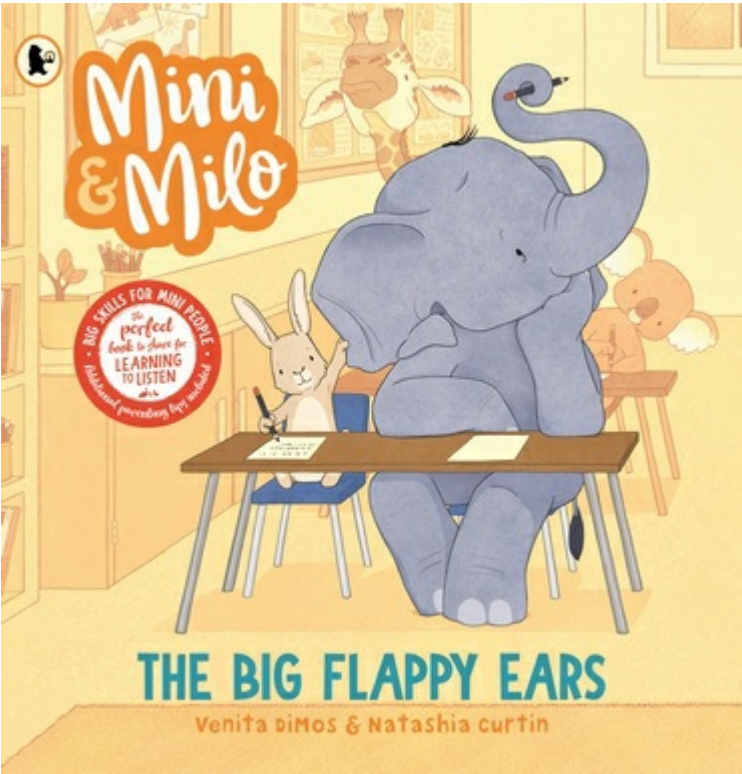
- **Character-led, branded series full of humour and emotional intelligence**
- **Adorable characters who learn from hilarious hit and miss, and always via their own agency, will appeal to children**
- **Parents will love the “Big Skills for Mini People” - the "hidden veggies" as Mini and Milo model much-needed skills (even at an early age) such as conflict management, communication and resilience . This second title models: LISTENING**
- **Written with charm , humour and expertise by Venita Dimos, a lawyer, mediator, family dispute resolution practitioner and specialist in conflict management and "applied emotional intelligence"**
- **The illustrations by Natasha Curtin immediately create characters, and a delightful world, that children (and parents) will love**
- **Big Skills for Mini People: Listening**

Venita Dimos is an experienced lawyer, mediator and coach. For over 20 years she has helped thousands of people solve complex problems and navigate difficult times in their lives.

As a mother of three daughters, she is passionate about empowering children with the skills and resilience to navigate the inevitable curveballs that life throws at them. Venita’s books explore key life skills in a fun, humorous and imaginative way. Her *Mini & Milo* series has been driven by the importance of teaching children emotional and social intelligence early on, so they arrive into adulthood armed with skills that support their future success and happiness.

Venita lives in Melbourne with her daughters. She is an outright optimist, loves heartfelt conversations and has a penchant for all things chocolate. Visit her online at venitadimos.com and Instagram @venitadimos

Natasha Curtin grew up in a Yolngu township in the Northern Territory, and completed high school while living in the highlands of Papua New Guinea. She always had her nose in a book, or was drawing pictures - because computer games weren’t invented yet, and it was stinky hot outside. She moved to Melbourne in the 1990s to study graphic design and learned how to live in a big city.



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Mini and Milo: The Teeny-Tiny Voice

by Venita Dimos
illustrated by Natasha Curtin

First title in a new series, with endearing and charming characters, Mini and Milo model emotional intelligence in stories filled with humour and heart.

This series follows the adventures of Mini and Milo as they navigate friendship and all its ups and downs – competitiveness, managing inner voices, learning to listen, and communicating effectively.

Mini has a tiny house, a tiny bedroom, and a tiny best friend who dreams of being a magician. She also has a big secret – she hears a tiny invisible voice that sometimes causes big trouble. Mini realises that just as she has rules to follow, she just might be able to set some for her own invisible mischief maker.

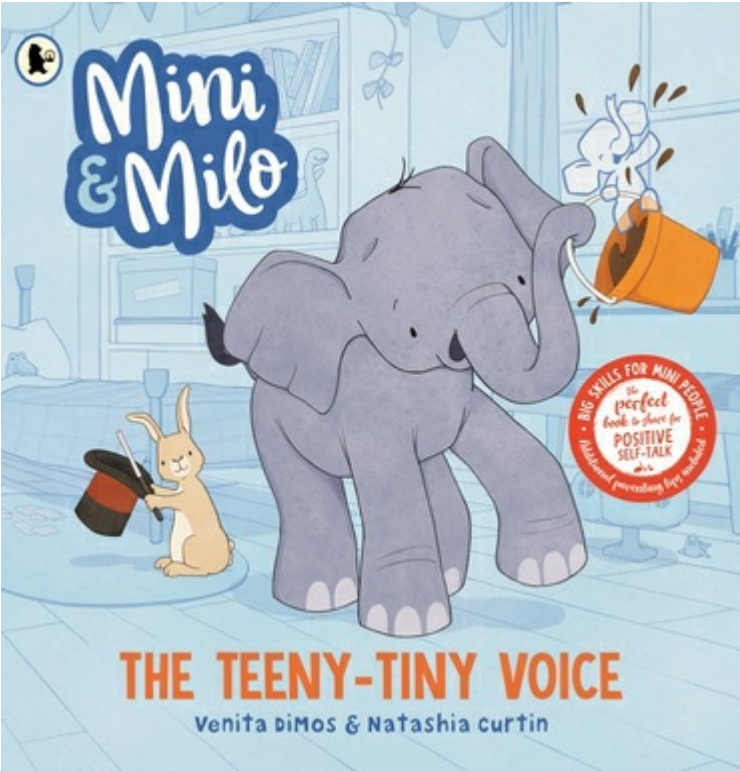
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Natasha (pronounced Na-tar-sha) **Curtin** grew up in a Yolngu township in the Northern Territory, and completed high school while living in the highlands of Papua New Guinea. She always had her nose in a book, or was drawing pictures - because computer games weren’t invented yet, and it was stinky hot outside. She moved to Melbourne in the 1990s to study graphic design and learned how to live in a big city. While working as a graphic designer, Natasha met and married a lovely man, and they had two boys (who don’t draw, because computer games were invented). She likes boogie-boarding, listening to music and hanging with friends. She promised to barrack for Collingwood in her wedding vows. She hates rockmelon, rap music and bad paragraph spacing. You can follow her on Instagram, Facebook or at natashiacurtin.com.



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The Spaceman

by Randy Cecil

illustrated by Randy Cecil

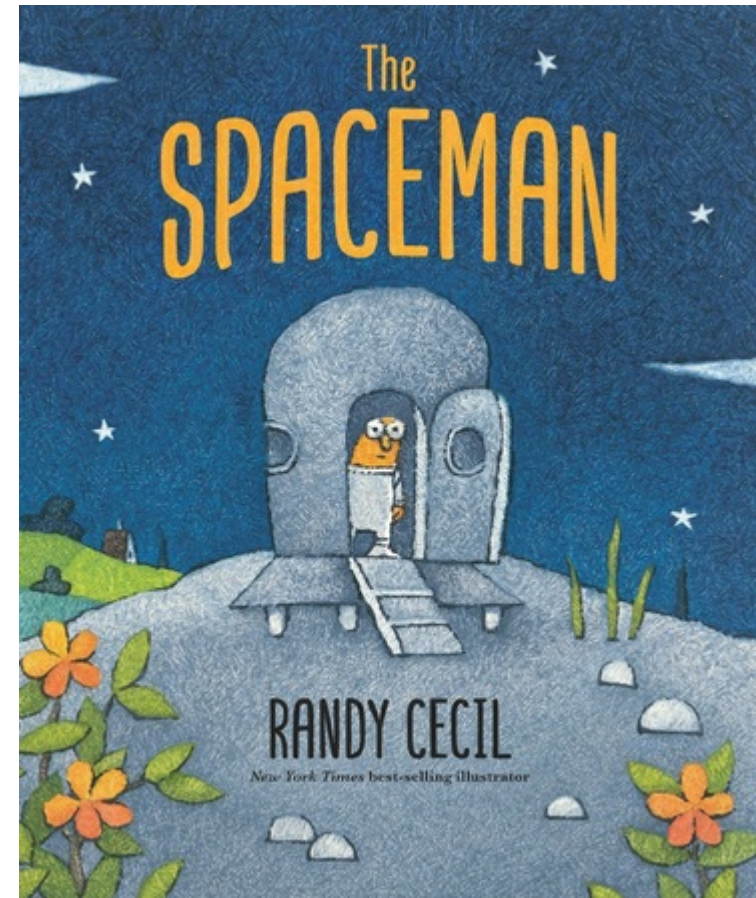
Lovingly illustrated, this wry and gentle fantasy will speak to adults as well as children – and cast the familiar in an astonishing new light.

A tiny Spaceman arrives on a new planet, ready to perform his monotonous tasks – collecting samples, labelling and filing them, and moving on to the next planet. But pausing to look around, the Spaceman is dazzled by the beauty of his surroundings. Marvelling at a varied landscape of flowers, butterflies, and other wondrous creatures, he finds a pond to float in and a goofy beast who seems to want to be his friend. Could it be that the Spaceman has found a new home? With deadpan humour, this simple and sophisticated story offers surprises on each lively spread.

From a veteran creator comes a delightfully droll story radiating warmth and the wonder of the new, reminding us to look up from our mundane lives and embrace discovery.

- **Delightfully wry, simple-yet-sophisticated story, sweetly told with witty illustrations.**
- **Randy Cecil is a truly original artist. His quirky characters and richly textured paintings are as expressive and engaging as they are funny.**
- **Holds extra appeal in our post-pandemic world as the Spaceman learns to treasure every life experience and question what matters most.**
- **A gentle commentary on protecting our planet and admiring the beauty all around us.**

Randy Cecil is the author-illustrator of *Douglas, Duck*, and many other highly acclaimed picture books. He is also the illustrator of James Howe's *Brontorina* and *Tyrone O'Saurus Dreams*; Elizabeth Bluemle's *How Do You Wokka-Wokka?* and *My Father the Dog*; Barbara Joosse's *Girl and Dragon* series, and numerous other books for young readers. He lives in Texas, USA.



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Earnest Sandpiper's Great Ascent

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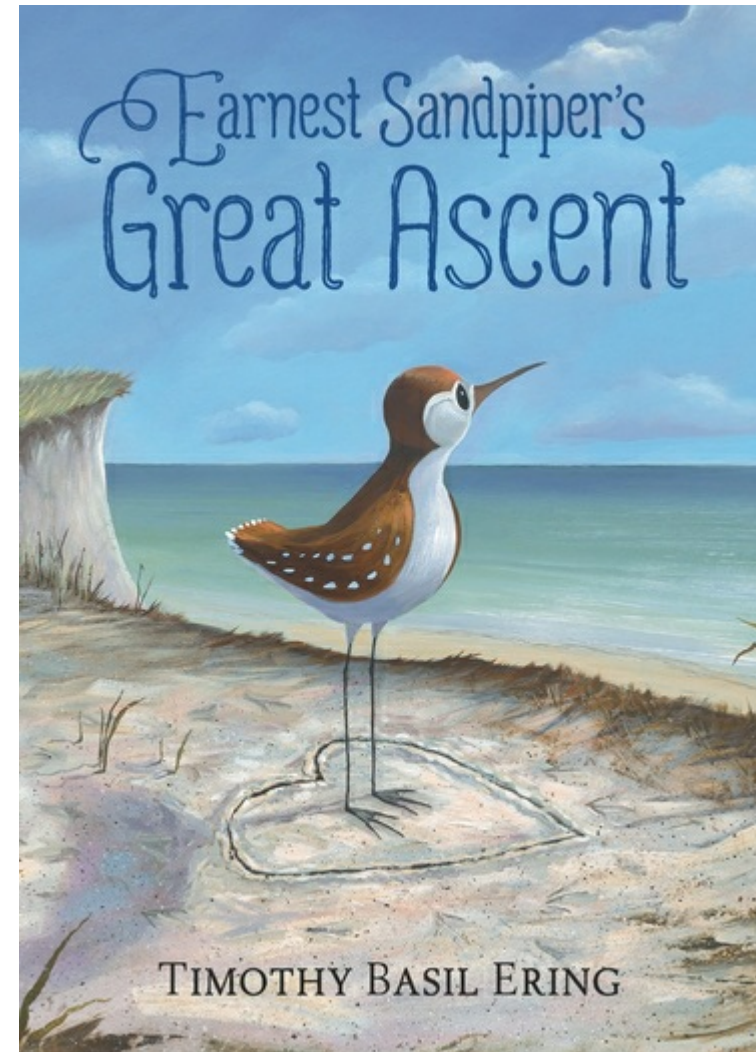
Spirited text and whimsical, sea-bright illustrations encourage wary fledglings to achieve the impossible, all in their own good time.

"Breathe . . . try . . . jump . . . FLY!"

With trademark energy and warmth, acclaimed creator Timothy Basil Ering delivers another picture book hero for young children to root for and relate to. The time has come for three young sandpipers to soar, but Earnest seems tied to the ground. He has wings and tail feathers just like his brother and sister; what makes him so afraid? Magic will happen, Mum promises, when he's ready. But no matter how much she and Dad coach him or his siblings cheer him on, Earnest's efforts only lead him into danger. Perhaps, with his family's support and a little trust in himself, they'll lead him out again.

- **Acclaimed author-illustrator Timothy Basil Ering has created another winning tale about finding one's courage, persevering and staying open to adventure.**
- **With the support of his family, a frightened young bird learns to fly.**
- **Includes a very gentle background message about how humans need to take care the ocean and shore environment for the creatures living there.**

Timothy Basil Ering is the illustrator of the Newbery Medal winner *The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DiCamillo as well as *Walrus Song* by Janet Lawler, *Finn Throws a Fit!* by David Elliott and *Snook Alone* by Marilyn Nelson. He is also the author-illustrator of *The Story of Frog Belly Rat Bone*, *Necks Out for Adventure!*, *The Almost Fearless Hamilton Squidlegger* and *The Unexpected Love Story of Alfred Fiddleduckling*. Timothy Basil Ering lives in Massachusetts, USA.



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The Little Books of the Little Brontës

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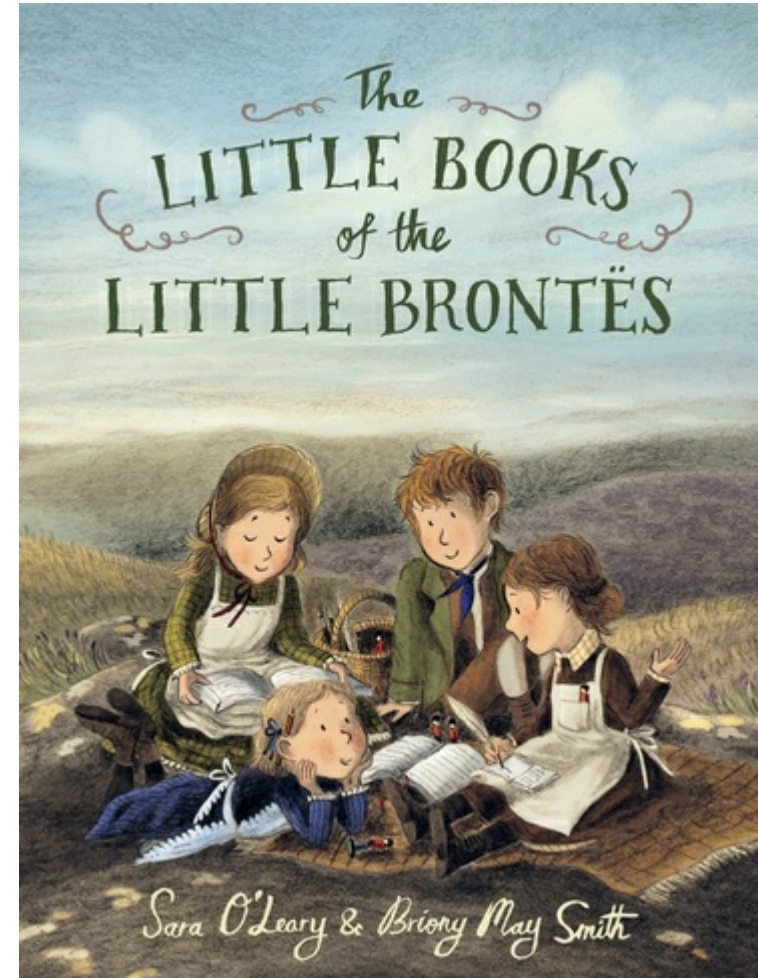
The inspiring true tale of young siblings who loved to make stories – and grew up to be among English literature's finest writers.

Many years ago, the four children of the Brontë family – Charlotte, Branwell, Emily and Anne – lived in a windswept house by the Yorkshire moors with their father. Although their lives were often filled with sadness and their world was only as large as the distance they could walk, their inner worlds were bound only by their imaginations. Hungry for stories, these children devoured novels and poetry, history and fables. And with the gift of a group of toy soldiers, they were inspired to make their own tiny books ... a passion that would last them a lifetime.

- Includes an author's note, timeline of the Brontës' lives and a fun craft with instructions on creating your own little book.
- This picture book will enchant both those who love the literary sisters and those who are learning about them for the first time.
- A moving and atmospheric story about the power of imagination, the joy of storytelling and the love of books.
- This book is jacketed.

Sara O'Leary is the Canadian author of many beloved picture books for children, including *This Is Sadie*, which was adapted by the New York City Children's Theatre, and its follow-up, *This Is Ruby*. Among her most recent books for children are *Gemma and the Giant Girl*, the recipient of several honors in Canada, and *Maud and Grand-Maud*, which received three starred reviews. Sara is also the author of the adult novel *A Ghost in the House*. She has taught screenwriting and writing for children at Concordia University in Montreal.

Briony May Smith graduated from Falmouth University with a First Class degree in Illustration. Since then, she has been shortlisted for the British Comic Awards and has twice been highly commended for the Macmillan Children's Prize. She is the author-illustrator of *A Practical Present for Philippa Pheasant*, *The Mermaid Moon* and *Margaret's Unicorn*, and the illustrator of *The Giant's Necklace*, written by Michael Morpurgo and *Tooth Fairy in Training* and *Witch in Training*, both written by Michelle Robinson. Briony May lives in Devon; find her online at brionymaysmith.com and on Twitter and Instagram as @BrionyMaySmith.



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To the End of the World, Far, Far Away

by Ronda Armitage

illustrated by Victoria Turnbull

To the end of the world, far, far away – it's where Louis and his mother go to express their love.

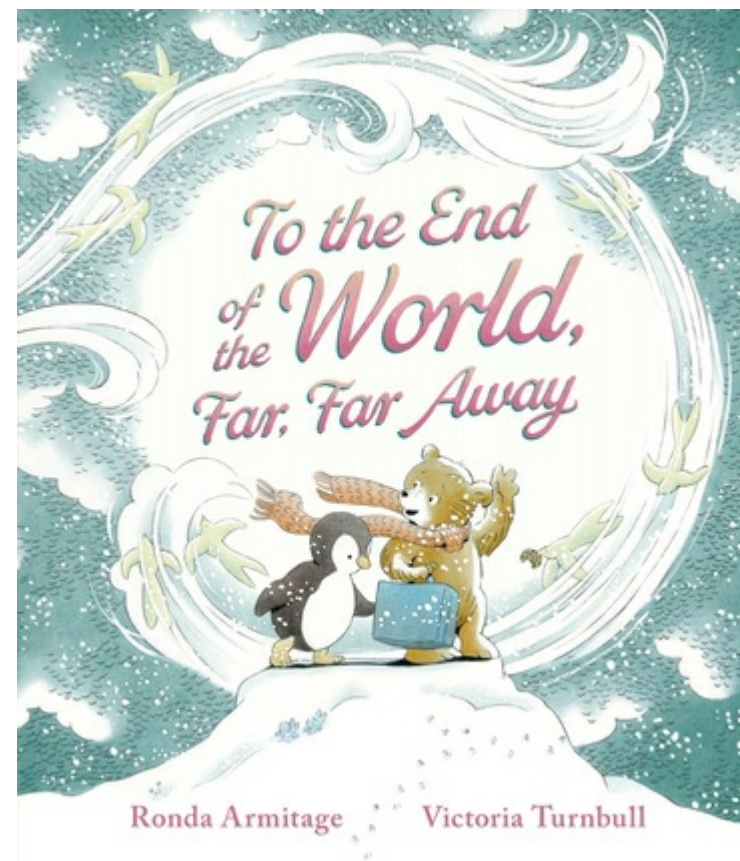
When his mother gets cross, Louis decides to run away: "I'm going to the end of the world far, far away." Playfully, dramatically, his mother describes how sad she would be to see him go. And we realize, "going away" is a game they both love to play.

This fantastical story articulates the depth and breadth of a mother's love, and is filled with Victoria Turnbull's rich, whimsical scenes full of wonder; scenes that will take children to the very ends of their imaginations.

- **A lyrical, beautiful and comforting story that will reassure children of their parents' love.**
- **Explores a child's impulse to "run away", rarely explored in picture books.**
- **This is the supremely talented Victoria Turnbull's debut to the Walker list. Victoria has been nominated for the Kate Greenaway and shortlisted for the Waterstones Book Prize.**

Ronda Armitage is the author of many children's books, including *A Mighty Bity Creature*, illustrated by Nikki Dyson, and the much-loved Lighthouse Keeper series of stories, illustrated by her husband, David Armitage, which are still in print after 45 years. Born in New Zealand, Ronda now lives in East Sussex. Find her online at rondarmitage.com.

Victoria Turnbull is a British illustrator. After winning the AOI's new talent award, her author-illustrator debut, *The Sea Tiger*, was nominated for the Kate Greenaway Medal and shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize. She is also the author-illustrator of *Kings of the Castle*, *Pandora* and *Cloud Forest*. Victoria lives in London. Find her online at victurnbull.com and as @vic_turnbull on Twitter and Instagram.



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WALKER BOOKS

Bear and Bird: The Picnic and Other Stories

by Jarvis
illustrated by Jarvis

Full of funny mix-ups and comic misunderstandings, as well as genuine warmth and affection, these four stories are the start of an irresistibly charming new chapter book series from award-winning creator Jarvis.

"These wittily illustrated stories of mishaps, hurt feelings, fondness and friendship have a transporting quality, ideal for 5+." *Guardian*

Bear and Bird are best friends! And while they don't always understand each other, they both agree: all they want is to make the other happy. So, when Bear forgets to pack for a picnic (but pretends that he didn't), Bird doesn't let on that she knew all along. And when Bird discovers that Bear has more of a certain talent than she does, well, Bear finds a touching way to make her feel better...

- Jarvis has sold over 1.2 million copies in 20 languages worldwide. He is the winner of the Oscar's Book Prize (for *The Boy with Flowers in His Hair*) and the V&A Best Illustrated Book (for *Alan's Big, Scary Teeth*).
- The adventures will continue in *Bear and Bird: The Stars and Other Stories* (Book Two), *The Adventure and Other Stories* (Book Three) and *The Stick and Other Stories* (Book Four).
- "A sweet, funny book for early readers ... the illustrations are glorious." *Irish Independent*

Jarvis is the author-illustrator of *Alan's Big, Scary Teeth*; *Tropical Terry*; *Follow Me, Flo!*, *The Boy with Flowers in His Hair* and *Thank You*, as well as the illustrator of *Pick a Pine Tree*, *Pick a Pumpkin* and *Pick a Perfect Egg*, all written by Patricia Toht. *Bear and Bird: The Picnic and Other Stories* is Jarvis's first chapter book. An animator who has worked as a record jacket designer and an animation director, he lives in Manchester with his wife and their dog called Milo. Follow him on Twitter as @heyimjarvis and on Instagram as @booksbyjarvis.



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Brown Bears

by Nick Crumpton

illustrated by Colleen Larmour

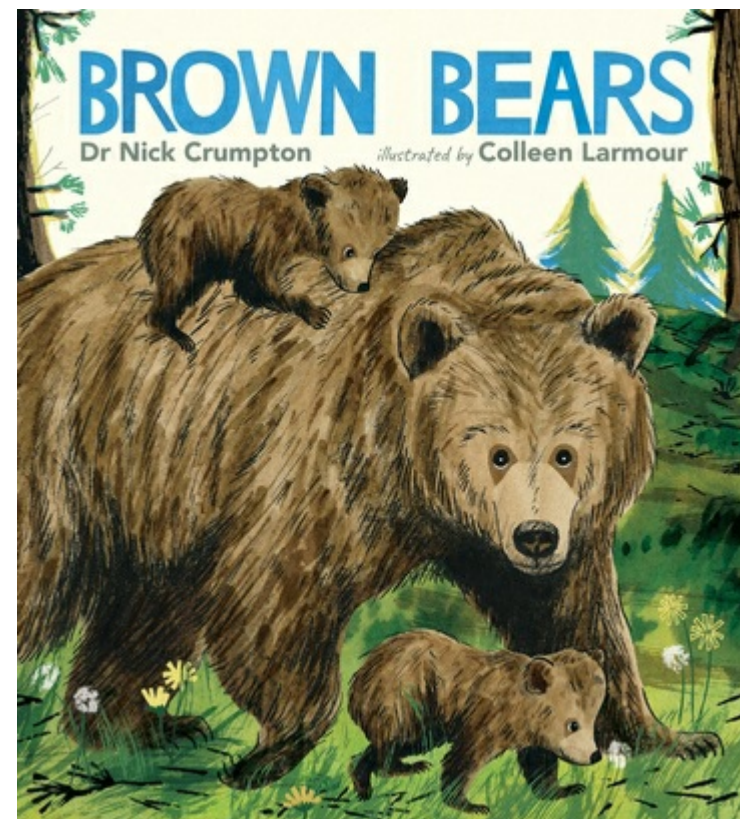
Follow a mother bear as she teaches her cubs how to survive in the wilderness in this beautiful and absorbing Nature Storybook.

Spring has arrived in Alaska, and a brown bear is waking up. She was alone when she fell asleep at the start of winter; now she is climbing out of her den with two cubs. Follow them as they discover how to survive in the wilderness, from climbing trees to catching salmon, as their mother teaches the cubs how to be bears. From zoologist Dr Nick Crumpton and with stunning art from Colleen Larmour, this is a gentle and fascinating introduction to brown bears.

- **The latest book in the perennially popular Nature Storybook series on a popular and iconic animal, the brown bear.**
- **Dr Nick Crumpton is a rising star of our strand of nature and natural history books, and has published popular titles with Nosy Crow and Flying Eye.**
- **Includes index and note on conservation.**

Dr Nick Crumpton is a zoologist and children's author. He grew up in the UK Midlands but has worked as a biologist in Indonesia, North America and central Europe. He received his PhD from the University of Cambridge and works at the Natural History Museum in London. He writes about his passion – biodiversity, both living and extinct – and has a particular fondness for weevils and sharks. Nick lives in a tumbling down house in North London with his partner and progeny. Follow him on Twitter as @LSmonster.

Colleen Larmour is an illustrator and designer, living in Northern Ireland. She first studied art at Liverpool Art School, with a focus on children's animation and design, before completing an MA in Children's Book Illustration at the Cambridge School of Art. As well as children's illustration, Colleen has produced artwork for magazines, client commissions and her own online shop Little Carousel.



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Little Fish's Opposites

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illustrated by Lucy Cousins

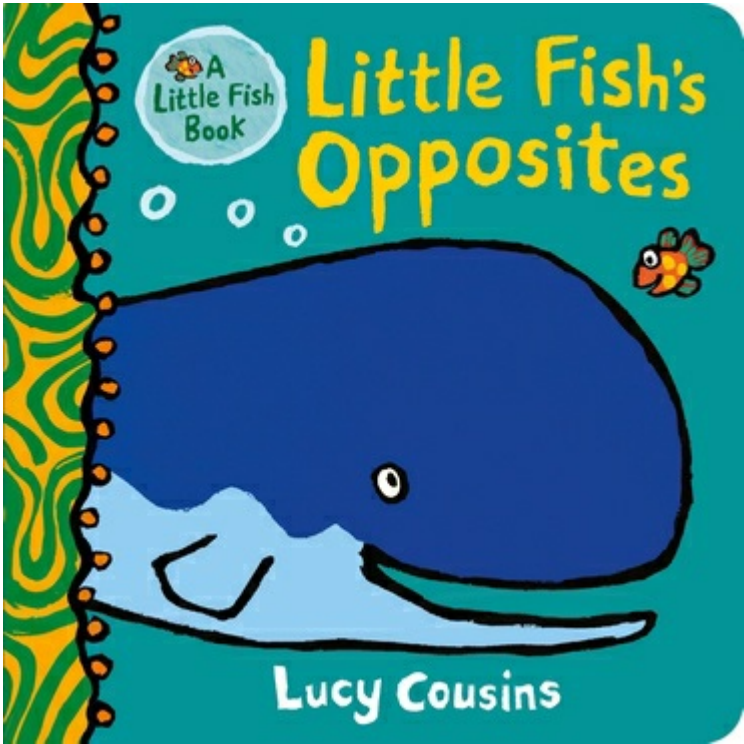
Join Little Fish and his friends in this colourful, deep-sea delight with opposite pairs to discover on every page. The latest edition to the Little Fish Series.

Hello, I am Little Fish,
swimming in the sea.
Today I'm learning opposites,
come along with me!

Explore opposite word pairs with Little Fish in this fun, interactive board book with a lively rhyming text that begs to be read aloud. From the **old** sea turtle to the **young** seahorses and from the **big** blue whale to **small** Little Fish himself, babies and toddlers will love learning about opposites in the underwater world of Little Fish. Lucy Cousins is the multi-award-winning creator of *Hooray for Fish!* and her vibrant artwork and playful ocean creatures capture the imaginations of children of all ages.

- A perfect introduction to opposites for little ones, and a fantastic addition to the eleven-strong *Little Fish* series.
- From the internationally acclaimed author-illustrator Lucy Cousins, creator of *Hooray for Fish!* and the *Maisy* series.
- Sturdy board book format ideal for the youngest readers.
- Lucy Cousins' books have sold over 42 million copies worldwide and are available in 33 different languages.

Lucy Cousins is the multi-award-winning creator of *Maisy*. Her unique titles fascinate toddlers with their child-like simplicity, bold outlines and vivid colours. "Maisy does things that children all over the world do," Lucy Cousins says of her superstar mouse. "The way she dresses, the way she acts, are typical of children all over the world." Lucy Cousins works from her home in Hampshire, England. Other titles include *Hooray for Fish!* – which has appeared in animation in Japan; the bestselling *New York Times* Top 10 Best Illustrated Children's Book *Yummy*; the Smarties Book Prize-winning *Jazzy in the Jungle*; the critically acclaimed *Peck Peck Peck*, which won Best Picture Book in the BookTrust Best Book Awards, as well as the British Book Design and Production Award in the Children's Trade category; and more recently *Splash, Splash, Ducky!*, *Let's Play Monsters!* and *A Good Place*.



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Maisy Loves Trees: A Maisy's Planet Book

by Lucy Cousins

illustrated by Lucy Cousins

Explore the world of trees with Maisy in this brand-new series celebrating our planet!

Maisy is learning all about different kinds of trees. What is a tree and how does it grow? How do leaves vary? How do trees change through the year and why don't some trees change at all? Little ones will discover the answers to these questions and many more in this colourful board book. Open out the final scene and wonder at amazing trees from around the world!

Maisy's Planet books are perfect for little nature-lovers aged from 18 months. Each sturdy, toddler-friendly board book celebrates a different feature of the natural world with bright colours, simple language and a fun open-out final spread.

Love our planet with Maisy!

- Discover amazing tree species from oak to cherry, maple to baobab and much more!
- Launching the brand new Maisy's Planet series as a pair with *Maisy Loves Bees*.
- With a fun, open-out final gatefold scene!
- Publishing in the same month as the International Day of Forests (21st March)!
- Lucy Cousins' books have sold over 42 million copies worldwide and are available in 33 different languages.

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Cora Seen and Heard

by Zanni Louise

The second novel from beloved children’s author Zanni Louise. Perfect middle grade reading, for fans of Martine Murray, Nova Weetman, Shirley Marr and Sheryl Clark

Being the new kid is hard enough, without your secret thoughts being put on display for all to see. Shy, library-lurking Cora Lane moves to a small town, where her parents have bought an old theatre to renovate. After discovering the secret letters of a famous local performer, Cora writes back, using her imaginary penpal to reveal all her secrets and worries. When her letters accidentally go public, Cora thinks her life is over – but no one would ever suspect the writer is the quiet new kid ... would they?

- **Acclaimed author Zanni Louise has twice been recognised in the CBCA Notables lists.**
- **A celebration of community, music and the power of friendship.**
- **A celebration of community, music and the power of friendship, from an acclaimed and prolific author**

Based in the Byron Bay hinterland, **Zanni Louise** is passionate about writing quality books for children and inspiring people to write their own stories.

Zanni has written 16 books for children, including picture books and junior fiction. Her books have been described as quirky, warm and funny, and are sold in many foreign territories. She’s been twice listed in the CBCA Notables, and her picture book *Archie and the Bear* was selected for the highly prestigious international children’s catalogue: The White Ravens.



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Wolves of Greycoat Hall: Tayles of the Forest

by Lucinda Gifford
illustrated by Lucinda Gifford

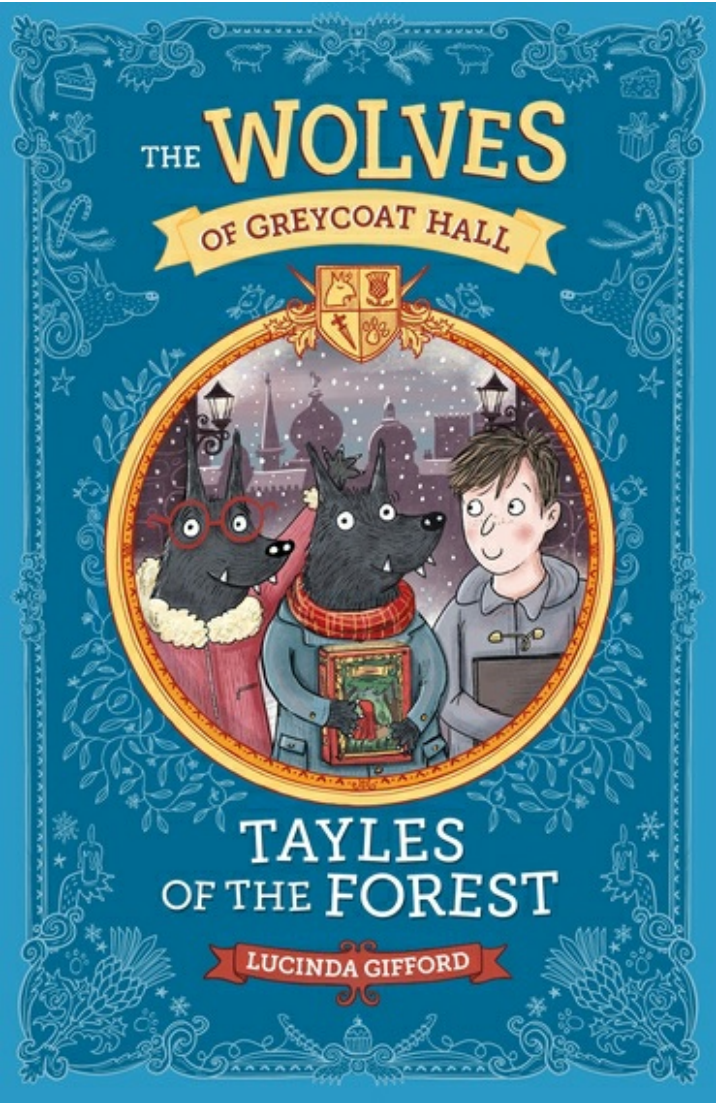
The third book in the much loved Wolves series - with another ingenious mystery to solve, from award-winning creator Lucinda Gifford. A romp of a read and packed with endearing illustrations.

Boris is a thoughtful young wolf who likes art galleries, cheese and building snow forts with fancy battlements. When Boris finds a rare copy of *Tayles of the Forest* in an antique shop, strange things begin to happen, but with his friends Pierre, Lotta and Freddie visiting for the holidays, they are soon on the case.

- Final installment of the Wolves of Greycoat Hall, described by the Sydney Morning Herald as "an absolute winner, teeming with humour, whimsy and warmth".
- Clever and funny, producing howls of delight, in an artfully designed paperback
- Lucinda Gifford is a phenomenally talented award-winning author/illustrator, creating over 30 books to amuse and entertain young readers

Lucinda Gifford is the author and illustrator of many well-loved children’s books. She was brought up in the north of Scotland, where there are a million times more seagulls than humans. To get away from the seagulls, Lucinda went to Edinburgh to study architecture. After this she had a fantastically successful career in advertising, coming up with over-the-top campaign ideas and doodling masterpieces on a big pad of paper. Years later, Lucinda realised that her favourite things were doodling and exaggerating. So she put some of her best drawings and most unlikely stories in a folio and started looking for work in children’s books.

Lucinda has since illustrated over 30 books, eight of which she has also written. She lives in Melbourne, Australia. But sometimes, from her studio, she can still hear the squawk of the gulls and the roar of the North Sea. Her favourite things to draw include wolves, dragons and castles.



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Blame My Virgo Moon

by Freja Nicole Woolf

Hilarious follow up to *Never Trust a Gemini* featuring Cat Phillips, astrology aficionado and chaotic teen lesbian, as she struggles to balance romance, friendship and a star turn onstage.

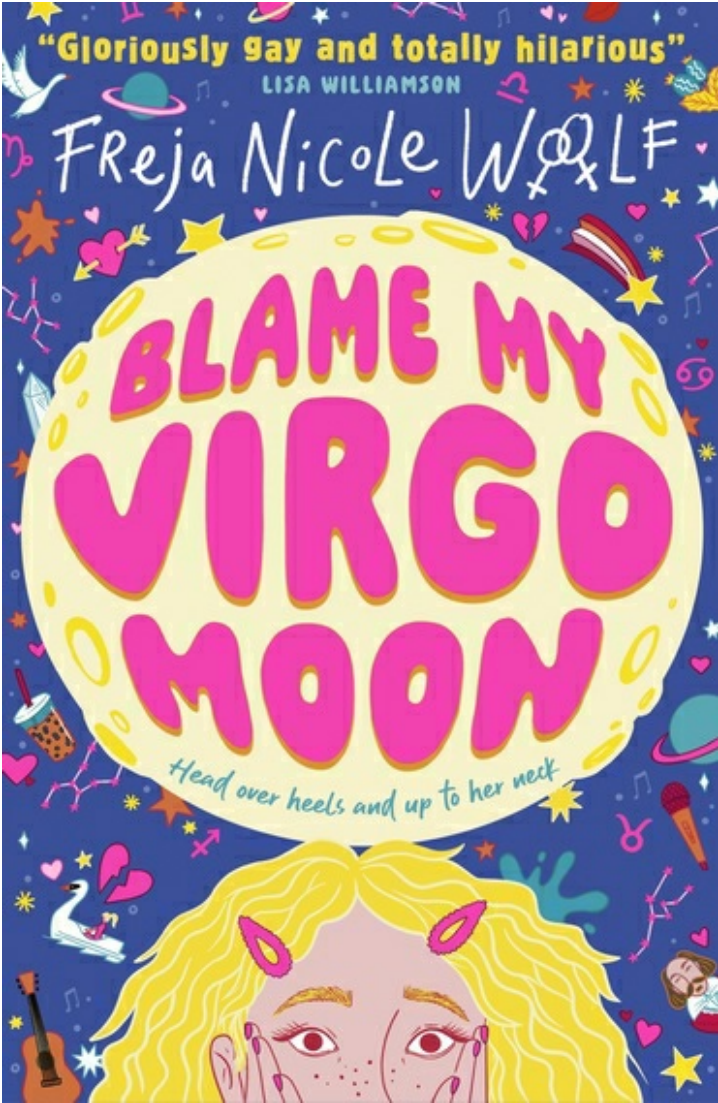
Life should be Gucci gooseberry gorgeous for loved-up Cat. And it is ... until her über-cool and swoonsome girlfriend, Morgan Delaney, takes on Cat's friend – and the most powerfully popular influencer in Lambley Common – Siobhan Collingdale, for the hotly contested spot of Head Girl.

With her loyalties put to the test, Cat throws herself into the gender-indifferent school production of *Romeo and Juliet*. (A decision she soon regrets...)

As life imitates art, Cat's left wondering if she (or the school) can survive Collingdale versus Delaney.

- The first book in the series, *Never Trust a Gemini*, is set to become ***the* teen rom com of 2023.**
- *Blame My Virgo Moon* to publish in the run up to Pride month (June) to tie-in with LGBTQ+ opportunities established by marketing and PR for Book 1.
- Hilarious, authentic LGBTQ+ romantic comedy with audience-friendly zodiac themes.
- Perfect for fans of international bestsellers Louise Rennison and Holly Smale.

Freja Nicole Woolf's writing is absolutely not autobiographical. (Except for the bits that are.) She's been writing since school and, at the über-ancient age of twenty-four, she finally wrote her debut, *Never Trust a Gemini*, as a joyful, romantic alternative to the issue-led LGBTQ+ stories she grew up with. She lives in London and aspires to be a Capricorn. Unfortunately, she's a Pisces.



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Swift and Hawk: Supernova

by Logan Macx

Swift and Hawk are on the run in the third mission in the unputdownable hi-tech, high-adventure spy series for fans of Alex Rider and Young Bond.

An epic chase. An unstoppable enemy. On a breakneck mission to rescue their AI from evil organization Razor, teen spies Swift and Hawk uncover a lead that could help them take down Razor for good. But with only a location and the word "Supernova" to follow, Swift and Hawk must use every spy trick they have in a relentless race across America. Only someone else is chasing them – and they'll stop at nothing until Swift is dead...

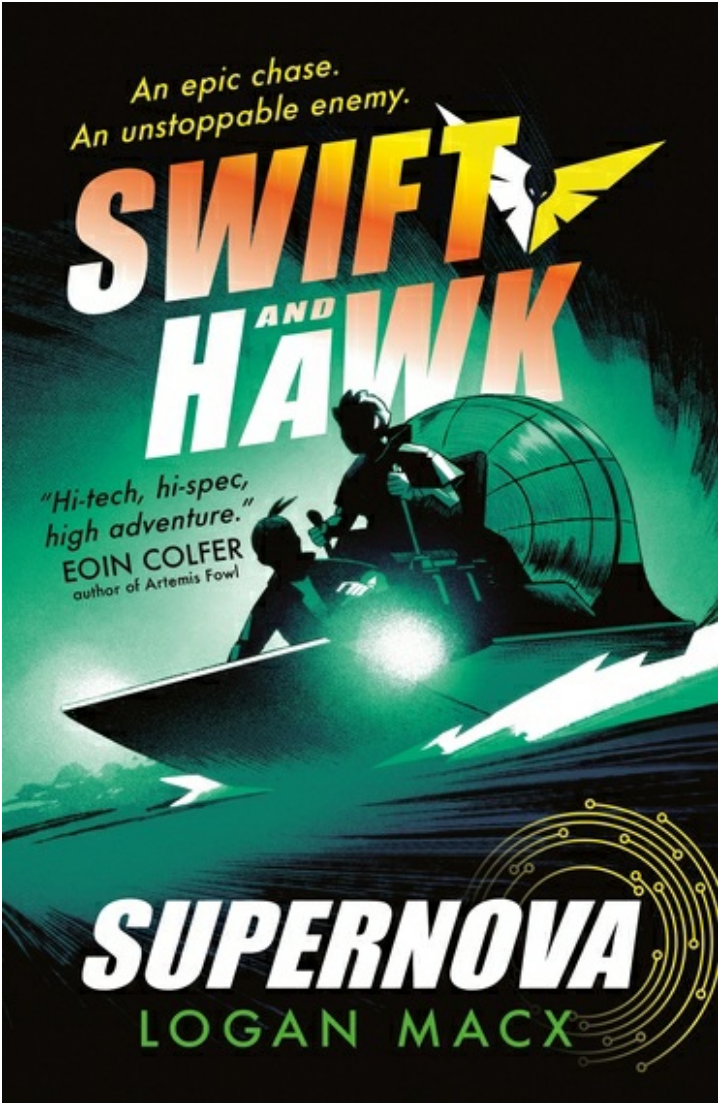
- Caleb's AI Sam is at the heart of this series. With imaginative capabilities, seemingly limitless potential and a developing sense of ethics, this powerful AI ensures the series is highly topical.
- Opening with a heart-racing rescue mission in the mountains of Nova Scotia and ending with a terrifying fight in a secret nuclear lab deep in the Everglades, this is a thrilling chase across America.
- Includes exciting battle scenes set in the game world *Terrorform*, making this series ideal for kids who love tech and gaming.
- "Hi-tech, hi-spec and high adventure. This is the next generation of super spies." Eoin Colfer, author of *Artemis Fowl*
- Ed Docx and Matt Plampin are well-connected, award-winning authors. Eager for school events and proactive with radio interviews and press, they are determined to get kids hooked on Swift and Hawk.

Logan Macx is rumoured to be an ex-spy formerly with the British Secret Intelligence Service, specialising in cyber communications and unexplained events. His whereabouts are unknown at this time but he is in periodic communication with the ghost writers of this series – Edward Docx and Matthew Plampin.

Edward Docx is an award-winning novelist and journalist, and a writer for television and film. When not writing Swift and Hawk, he works as a writer on a hit TV series about spies and the intelligence service. Find him at @EdwardDocx.

Matthew Plampin is the bestselling author of four acclaimed historical novels, as well as the teen spy adventure series Swift and Hawk. When not writing, Matt can be found giving lectures in nineteenth century art and architecture, or battling villains in video games. Say hello at @MatthewPlampin.

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The Family Fortuna

by Lindsay Eagar

Lindsay Eagar’s dazzling YA debut welcomes us backstage at the Family Fortuna circus, where wonders lurk in wait to steal your breath away. You won’t believe your eyes!

Beaked. Feathered. Monstrous. Avita was born to be a star. Her tent sells out nightly, and every performance incites bloodcurdling screams. But when a handsome young artist arrives to create posters of the performers, she’s appalled by his rendering of Bird Girl. Is that all he sees? A hideous monster? Determined to be more, Avita devises a plan to snatch freedom out from under the greased moustache of her charismatic father. But will their fragile circus family survive the show she has in mind?

- The dark and dazzling YA debut of lauded middle-grade author Lindsay Eagar, whose most recent title, *The Patron Thief of Bread*, received six starred reviews (*Booklist*, *Kirkus Reviews*, *School Library Journal*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Shelf Awareness*, and *The Bulletin of the Center for Children’s Books*).
- This YA crossover title is perfect for fans of Stephanie Garber’s *Caraval* series, Katherine Dunn’s *Geek Love*, and Erin Morgenstern’s *The Night Circus*.
- With a gorgeous cover that will snag your attention and a dazzling text that will hold it fast, this is *Moulin Rouge* by way of David Lynch or Darren Aronofsky – dark, twisted, magnetic, and astonishing. As the tagline says, "You won't believe your eyes!"

Lindsay Eagar is the highly acclaimed author of the middle-grade novels *Hour of the Bees*, *Race to the Bottom of the Sea*, *The Bigfoot Files*, and *The Patron Thief of Bread*. *The Family Fortuna* is her debut novel for young adults. She lives in the mountains of Utah with her husband and their two daughters.



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Orris and Timble: The Beginning

by Kate DiCamillo
illustrated by Carmen Mok

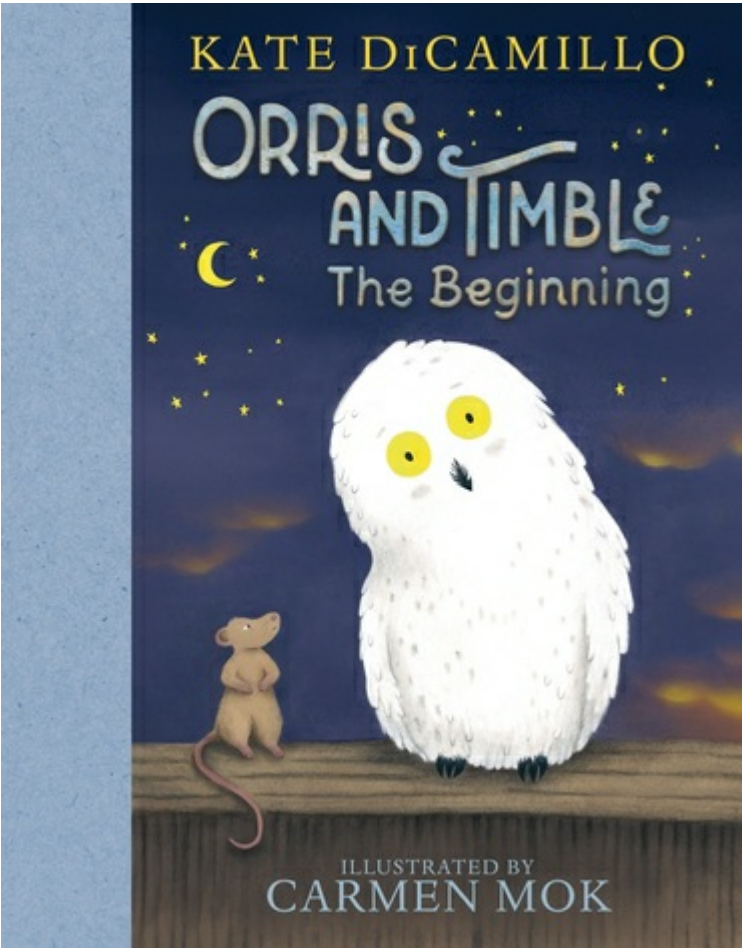
From beloved storyteller Kate DiCamillo comes the first book in a warm and funny early-reader trilogy about a misanthropic rat and a naive owl—and the beginning of a beautiful friendship.

Orris the rat lives alone in an old barn surrounded by his treasures, until the day his solitude is disrupted by a sudden flutter of wings and a loud screech. A small owl has gotten caught in a trap in the barn. Can Orris “make the good and noble choice” (as the king on his prized sardine can might recommend) and rescue the owl, despite the fact that owls and rats are natural enemies? And if he does, will he be ready for the consequences? With humor and tenderness, two-time Newbery Medalist Kate DiCamillo brings us this first of three tales celebrating unlikely friendship and the power of sharing stories and doing the right thing—a soon-to-be classic brought to expressive life by the full-color illustrations of Carmen Mok.

- The first book in a new series for young readers from *New York Times* bestselling and two-time Newbery Award winning author Kate DiCamillo
- Carmen Mok’s full-color illustrations make this an appealing package (and Canadian friends, take note: she is from Ontario!)
- A book about friendship, overcoming your fears, doing the right thing, and the power of stories

Kate DiCamillo is one of America’s most beloved storytellers. She is a former National Ambassador for Young People’s Literature and a two-time Newbery Medalist. Born in Philadelphia, she grew up in Florida and now lives in Minneapolis.

Carmen Mok is an award-winning illustrator of several acclaimed picture books with experience in product design, hand-lettering, and graphic design. She studied studio art at the University of Waterloo and craft design at Sheridan College, both in Ontario. Carmen Mok lives in Toronto, Canada.



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Monti and Leo: A Newcomer in Pocketville

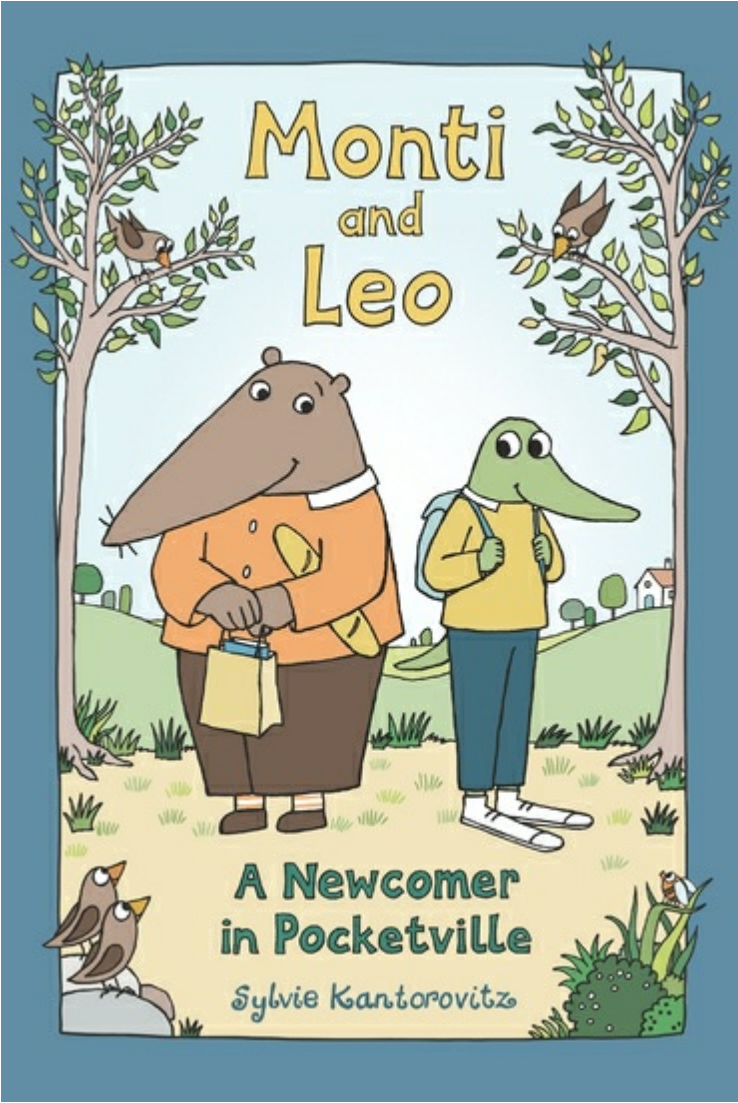
by Sylvie Kantorovitz
illustrated by Sylvie Kantorovitz

A charming graphic novel for early readers with strong themes of friendship and kindness that celebrates difference and new ideas with a light-hearted touch.

Pocketville is a small town, set in its ways, and the arrival of a stranger causes a stir. Monti the mole is stunned one morning to find Leo the lizard hogging his special reading rock. When Monti visits the bakery and the library, he learns that the last cinnamon roll has been purchased, and the book he was waiting for has been checked out. What's a fastidious mole to do? When Monti confronts Leo, the newcomer turns out to be agreeable in the extreme, and friendship is a given. Now to convince the town's cantankerous baker, Ms Sheep, to stop turning everyone against Leo. Together, Monti and Leo hatch a plot that will have Ms Sheep singing Leo's praises in no time. This reassuring tale of friendship against the odds from the creator of the graphic memoir *Sylvie* draws on the author's experiences as an immigrant and will appeal to anyone who has struggled to fit in in a new place.

- This young graphic novel for emerging readers introduces two lovable characters, one a creature of habit and one bursting with new ideas.
- Gently explores prejudice and small mindedness while being warmly humanist about all the characters in Pocketville, friendly and not so friendly.
- Features charming art by the celebrated author-illustrator of *Sylvie*.
- The first in a delightful series that fills the need for young graphic novels, perfect for readers of all abilities.

Sylvie Kantorovitz was born in Casablanca and grew up in France. She is the author-illustrator of many books, including the graphic memoir *Sylvie*. She lives in New York's Hudson Valley with her partner, author-illustrator Barbara Lehman.



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Beti and the Little Round House

by Atinuke

illustrated by Emily Hughes

A charming collection of four stories that celebrate a delightfully spirited little girl living in the heart of the wild countryside with family and friends.

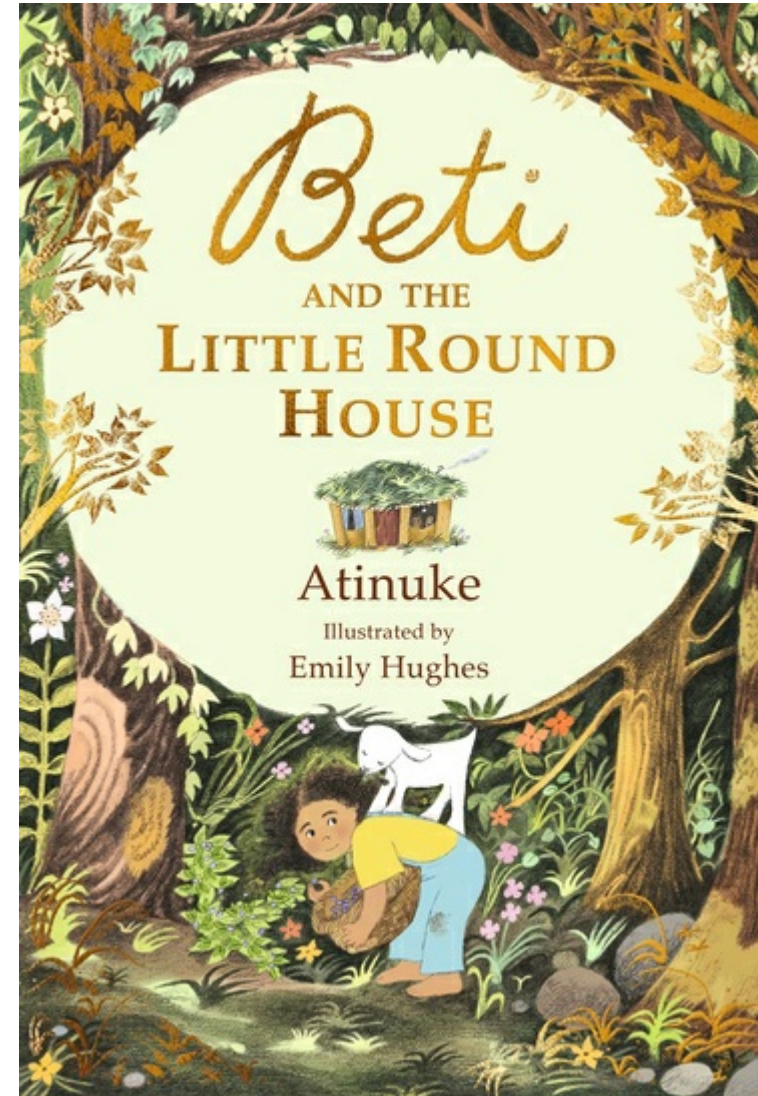
Beti lives in a little round house in the green woods under the mountains. She lives with Mam, Tad, Baby Jac and her very own tiny goat called Naughty. Beti loves the little round house. With each changing season, there is always the promise of adventure! In playful, humorous and exciting stories, world-renowned storyteller Atinuke draws on her own experience of building and living in a round house to create a truly magical sense of place, and an unforgettable new children's book character for readers to immerse themselves in and embrace.

- Every page is rich in humour and filled with wonderful details of living with nature, and on the land. Beti has chickens and horses and goats to look after, and fruit and vegetables to grow and forage!
- Each story celebrates community, friendship, the power of self-belief, and the virtues of being in the wild.
- Beautifully illustrated throughout in black and white vignettes and full-colour scenes *Beti and the Little Round House* is a gift that young readers will treasure forever.

Atinuke was born in Nigeria and spent her childhood in both Africa and the UK. As a traditional oral storyteller, drawing upon her recent Yoruba ancestry, she visits schools and theatres all over the world. Atinuke is the author of the bestselling Anna Hibiscus fiction series, the Too Small Tola series, the No. 1 Car Spotter series, the non-fiction book *Africa, Amazing Africa* illustrated by Mouni Feddag and the picture books *Baby Goes to Market*, *B Is for Baby*, and *Catch That Chicken!* all illustrated by Angela Brooksbank. Atinuke lives on a mountain overlooking the sea in west Wales and supports the charity SOS Children's Village. Visit her online at atinuke-author.weebly.com

Born in Hilo, Hawaii, **Emily Hughes** is a talented young illustrator who studied at The Arts University College Boumemouth and whose first picture book, *Wild*, was met to great acclaim. Inspired by picture book illustration from the 1960s and 1970s and Chinese cinema, Emily is quickly becoming renowned for the enchanting, atmospheric worlds she creates for her each and every character. She has illustrated *A Brave Bear* by Sean Taylor, *Charlie and Mouse* by Laurel Snyder and *Everything You Need for a Treehouse* by Carter Higgins. She lives in east London. Find Emily online at e-hug.blogspot.co.uk and on Instagram @PlaidEmily.

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The Secret Library

by Kekla Magoon

Travel through time with National Book Award Finalist Kekla Magoon in a page-turning fantasy adventure about family secrets and finding the courage to plot your own life story.

Since Grandpa died, Dally’s days are dull and restricted. She’s eleven and a half years old, and her exacting single mother is already preparing her to take over the family business. Starved for adventure and release, Dally rescues a mysterious envelope from her mother’s clutches, an envelope Grandpa had earmarked for her. The map she finds inside leads straight to an ancient vault, a library of secrets where each book is a portal to a precise moment in time. As Dally “checks out” adventure after adventure—including an exhilarating outing with pirates—she begins to dive deep into her family’s hidden history. Soon she’s visiting every day to escape the demands of the present. But the library has secrets of its own, intentions that would shape her life as surely as her mother’s meticulous plans. What will *Dally* choose? Equal parts mystery and adventure—with a biracial child puzzling out her identity alongside the legacy of the past—this masterful middle-grade fantasy rivets with crackling prose, playful plot twists, and timeless themes. A satisfying choice for fans of *Kindred* and *When You Reach Me*.

- *Kindred* meets *When You Reach Me*—a time travel fantasy exploring identity, family secrets, and a call to adventure that no young reader will be able to resist.
- Author Kekla Magoon is a Margaret Edwards award winner, a National Book Award finalist, and a four-time Coretta Scott King Honoree. Her fans will be delighted to have a new book from her, and this particular novel—with its kid-friendly plot and strong themes—should be her most popular yet.
- Beautiful production values, including an illustrated map and family tree

Kekla Magoon is the renowned author of numerous fiction and nonfiction titles for young readers, including *X: A Novel*, cowritten with Ilyasah Shabazz, *Revolution in Our Time: The Black Panther Party’s Promise to the People*, and *The Season of Styx Malone*. She has received the Margaret A. Edwards Award, an NAACP Image Award, a *Boston Globe–Horn Book* Award, and four Coretta Scott King Honors, among others. Kekla Magoon lives in Montpelier, Vermont, and teaches at Vermont College of Fine Arts.



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My First Book of Farm Animals

illustrated by Zoe Ingram

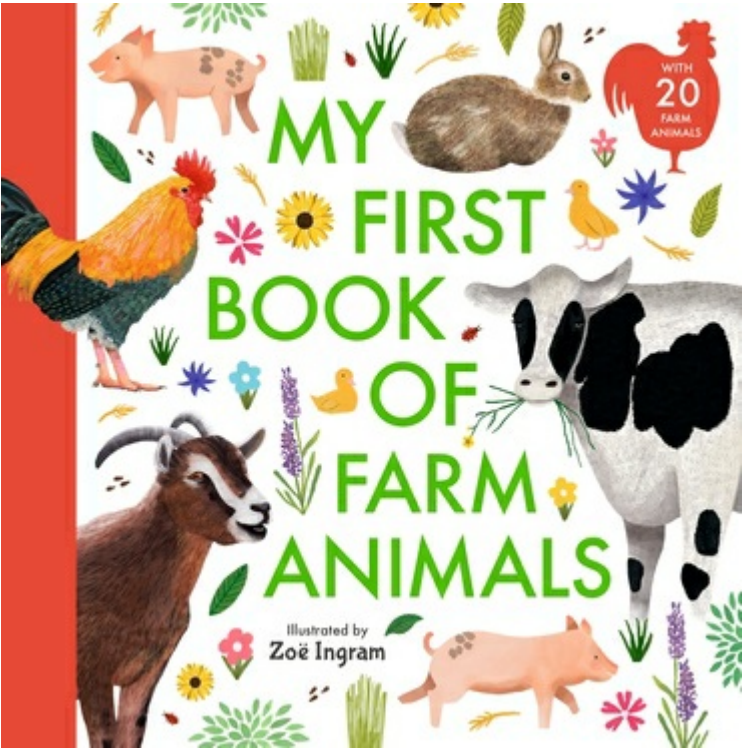
The perfect gift for any young animal-lover, this beautifully illustrated information book is an ideal introduction to the world of farm animals!

Illustrated in a bright, contemporary style, this is a modern guide to some of the most popular and interesting farm animals from adorable alpacas to talkative turkeys, taking in such favourites as cows, goats, pigs and sheep along the way. This information book for young children is packed with information and fun facts – everything you need to know to help you learn about and identify farmyard friends!

With key facts about size, weight, diet and lifespan, there is even a helpful guide to animal babies and a special, "Did you know?" section on each creature, which all young would-be farmers will love!

- Features 20 of the most popular and interesting farm animals.
- Simple, engaging text and clear illustrations to inspire curiosity and discovery.
- Following on from *My First Book of Birds*, *My First Book of Woodland Animals*, *My First Book of Sea Creatures*, *My First Book of Minibeasts* and *My First Book of Dinosaurs*, this is the sixth title in this growing new series.

Zoë Ingram is an award-winning artist and illustrator who lives and works in Edinburgh, Scotland. She has illustrated numerous books for children and adults as well as designing, fabric, stationery and wallpaper. She is inspired by the world around her and her two daughters. Zoë's artwork has been described as lush, colourful, elegant, playful, organic and design with a twist! Zoe is in love with colour and often uses hand lettering, layering and textures in her work combining traditional methods with digital finishing.



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My Antarctica: True Adventures in the Land of Mummified Seals, Space Robots, and So Much More

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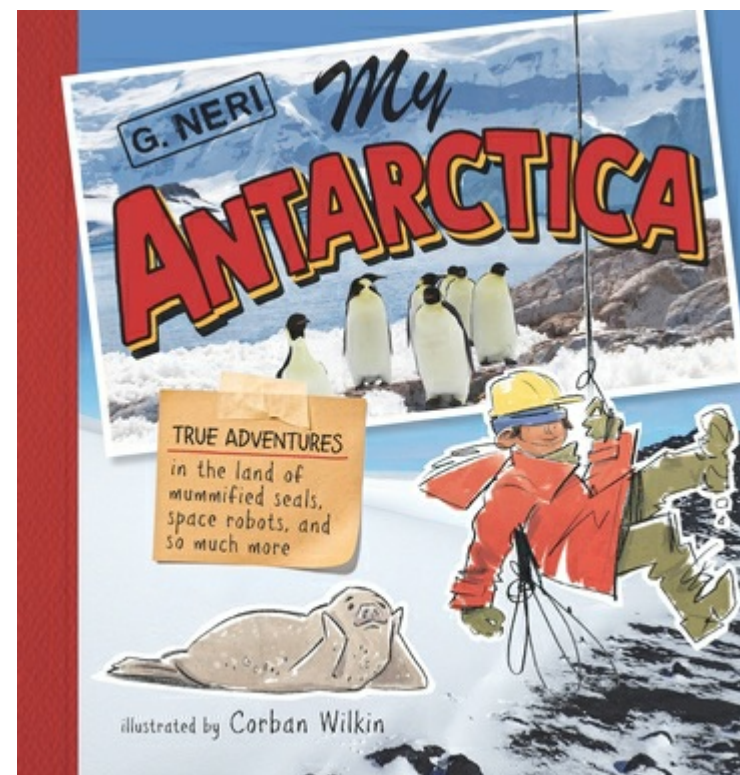
Follow Coretta Scott King Honor-winning author G. Neri to the end of the world in a captivating travel memoir that explores Antarctica through the curiosity and wonder of his inner child—the kid who dreamed of one day becoming an explorer.

Antarctica is a land of extremes—the coldest, windiest, highest, and driest place on the planet. It's a world where the sun stays hidden half of the year and where visitors must undergo a week of special training before it's safe to go outside (watch out for lava bombs!). It's also a place of stark beauty, history, and endless scientific research. Join beloved author G. Neri on his long-dreamed-of voyage to the ice, where he taps into his inner child and encounters sea angels, mummified seals, space robots, inquisitive penguins, and so much more. Abundant full-color photographs (many by the author) and annotated comics and illustrations from Corban Wilkin depict an unforgettable stay in a land of baffling mysteries to uncover, epic questions to ponder, and bigger-than-life stories to tell. Robust back matter includes more facts and history, recommended source material, and answers to questions about everything from logistics (how do you sleep?) to cool science (why is Blood Falls red?). This eye-opening, information-packed memoir—shaped by the author's visits with school groups upon his return—sparkles with his heartfelt journey of discovery.

- **An engaging look at an endlessly fascinating continent by an author who knows how to connect with kids and who workshopped the project through dozens of school visits, ensuring that the book answers all their pressing questions**
- **An appealing format that combines photos and illustrations to convey the wonder and surreal/overwhelming nature of what Antarctica is really like, with humor and inspiration**
- **G. Neri is one of the few artists each year to have had the opportunity to travel to Antarctica, and he offers a first-hand perspective that is fresh and engaging**

G. Neri is the award-winning author of many books for young readers, including *Hello, I'm Johnny Cash*; *When Paul Met Artie: The Story of Simon & Garfunkel*; *Ghetto Cowboy*; *Polo Cowboy*; and *Christo and Jeanne-Claude Wrap the World: The Story of Two Groundbreaking Environmental Artists*. His books have been translated into multiple languages in more than twenty-five countries. He is a multiple National Science Foundation grantee and a founding co-chair of the Antarctic Artists and Writers Collective. He received an honorary doctorate from the State University of New York (SUNY) for his writing and his contributions to polar science outreach. He lives with his family on the Gulf Coast of Florida. He can be found online at gneri.com.

Corban Wilkin is an award-winning illustrator of several graphic novels and comics, including *Grand Theft Horse* and *The Time Traveling Dino Detectives of Antarctica*, both written by G. Neri. His illustration work also appears in magazines, video games, and animations. He lives outside London.



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Endangered Animals

by Martin Jenkins
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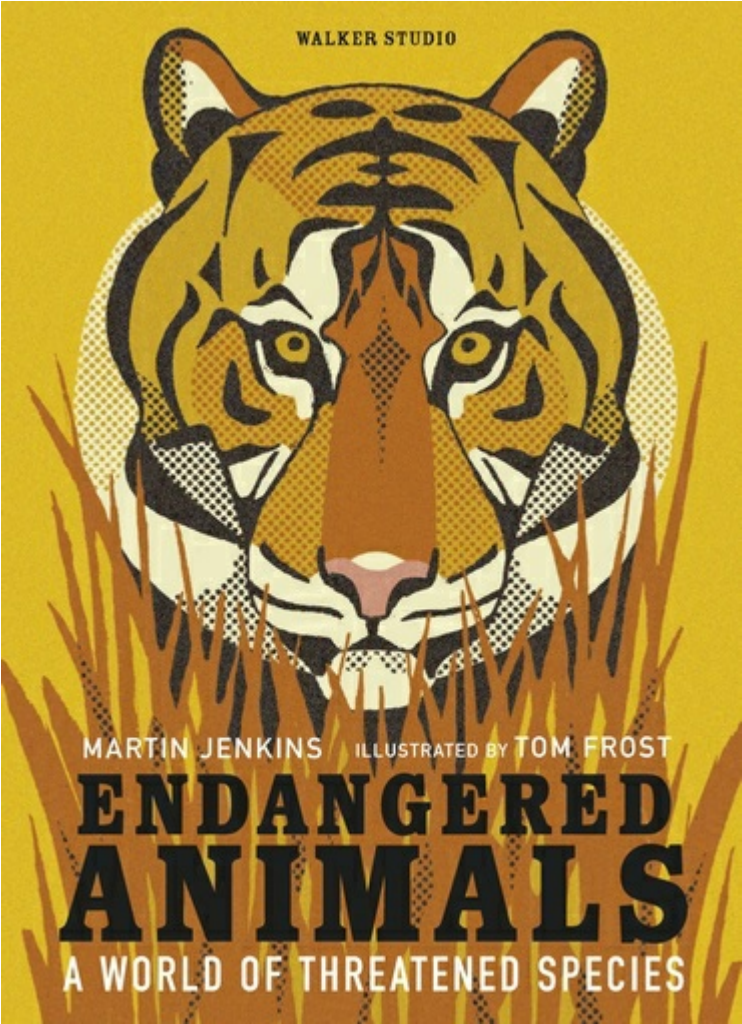
Travel the world and discover animals under threat in this beautiful gift book from conservation biologist and award-winning author Martin Jenkins.

From the mighty Asian elephant to the tiny rosalia longicom beetle, creatures all over the world are under threat like never before in human history. Travelling around the world in a series of striking graphic stamps from printmaker Tom Frost, this timely book introduces some of the threatened species and explores why they are in danger. Written by conservation biologist and award-winning author Martin Jenkins, this is a beautiful and illuminating journey through the world of endangered animals.

- A stunning Walker Studio gift book with 30 beautiful and striking graphic prints from Tom Frost.
- Wildlife writer, Martin Jenkins, has worked for WWF, the UN and more on global conservation issues.
- Now in paperback, this follows Martin Jenkins' previous award-winning book on endangered animals, *Can We Save the Tiger?*

Martin Jenkins is a conservation biologist by trade. He worked for ten years for World Conservation Monitoring Centre, writing about a range of conservation issues, and since 1990 he has worked freelance for organizations such as WWF and a number of UN bodies concerned with conservation and the environment. Martin's jobs have varied greatly: "I've been an orchid-sleuth in Germany, a timber detective in Kenya and an investigator of the chameleon trade in Madagascar." Martin has written many children's books, including *Emperor's Egg*, winner of the Times Junior Information Book of the Year Award and *Fly Traps! Plants that Bite Back*, which was shortlisted for the same award. Martin lives in Cambridge.

Print maker and illustrator **Tom Frost** graduated from Falmouth College of Arts in 2001 returning to his home town of Bristol to work as an illustrator for a number of years. He now divides his time between print making, restoring his crumbling Georgian house in rural Wales and raising a young family. In recent years he has worked with clients including the V&A, Perry's Cider, Art Angels, Freight Household Goods, Selvedge Magazine, Nomnom Chocolate, Barti Ddu Rum, Quadrille Books and Yorkshire Sculpture Park. His work highlights a fascination for old matchboxes, stamps, folk art, tin toys, children's books and the natural world.



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You Are History: From the Alarm Clock to the Toilet, the Amazing History of the Things You Use Every Day

by Greg Jenner

illustrated by Jenny Taylor

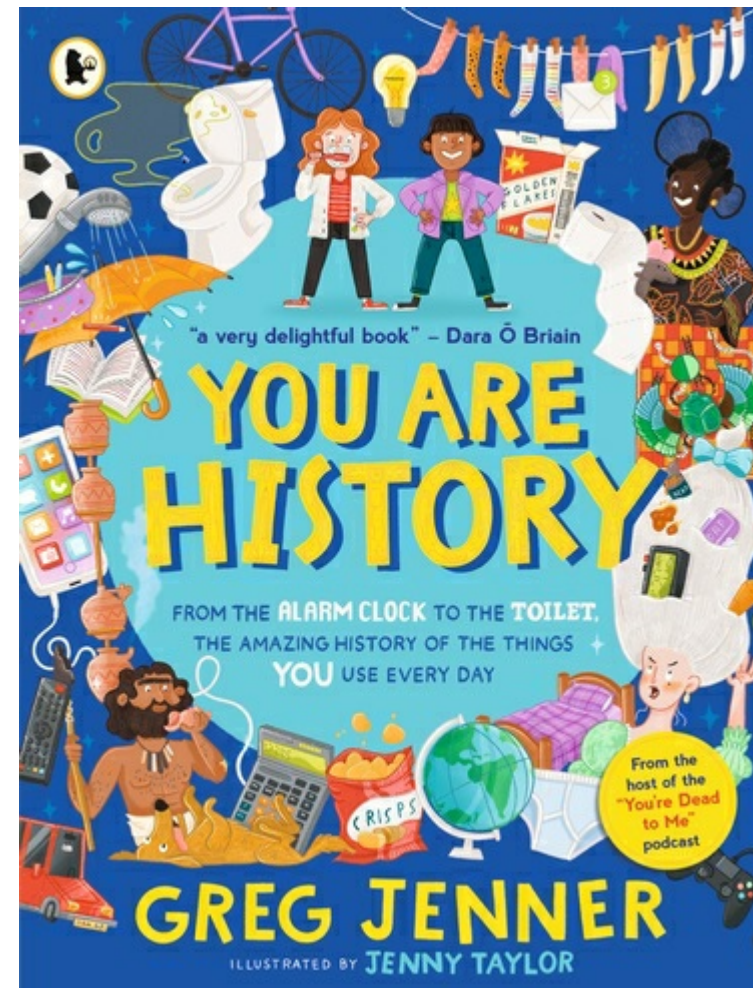
From the alarm clock to the toilet, discover the incredible history all around you in this hilarious and fascinating book from popular historian and podcaster Greg Jenner.

Thought history was only in museums? Think again! Join Greg Jenner as he takes you on a trip through the amazing history hidden in the things you use every day. Did you know that the first TV was made out of biscuit tins and knitting needles? Or that the humble paperclip helped lead an anti-war movement? Or that a few hundred years ago it was fashionable to style your hair with cat poo?! Find out the delightful, daft and downright deadly history of your everyday life that your teachers won't tell you about. Bursting with humorous illustrations and entertaining true stories, this is history – but not as you know it!

- Greg Jenner is a popular historian with a rapidly increasing public profile. His podcasts – including the chart-topping *You're Dead to Me*, with almost 23 million plays on BBC Sounds and a further 59 million downloads globally – are heavily promoted across the BBC. He has over 138k followers on twitter.
- Structured around a child's day, we look at 50 objects and the most interesting and hilarious stories about them from history. A fun way of introducing children to global history, with the humour balanced by a keen awareness of historical context. Learning by stealth at its finest!
- Illustrated in full colour throughout with character and humour by Jenny Taylor.

Greg Jenner is a historian, author and podcast host, specializing in communicating history through popular culture. He is best-known for his educational comedy podcast for the BBC, *You're Dead to Me*, which has had over 65 million downloads. His *Homeschool History* radio series won him an army of new fans when it launched on BBC Radio 4 during the Covid pandemic. As historical consultant to the BAFTA award-winning CBBC comedy series *Horrible Histories*, Greg ensured the factual accuracy of hundreds of side-splitting sketches. He's published several books for adults, but *You Are History* is his first for children. You can find more about Greg at www.gregjenner.com or on twitter @greg_jenner

Jenny Taylor is an illustrator and graphic designer originally from Scotland, but now living in Preston, England. She has been drawing stories since 1997, when she first discovered what pencils and paints could really do. When not drawing, Jenny enjoys long walks in the shade with her ginger companion, "attempting" new and complicated recipes or watching her favourite animated movies. Her debut book with Walker was *The Alien in the Jam Factory*. You can find more of Jenny's work at www.jennytaylordesign.com and on Instagram @jennytaylordraws



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Wild Girl: How to Have Incredible Outdoor Adventures

by Helen Skelton
illustrated by Liz Kay

Calling wild girls everywhere! Helen Skelton – adventurer, world-record breaker and TV presenter – brings you her inspirational guide to getting outdoors and having incredible adventures.

From kayaking the length of the Amazon to cycling to the South Pole and running an ultra-marathon across the Namib desert, the *Blue Peter* and *Countryfile* presenter Helen Skelton has taken on record-breaking feats of endurance and shown that adventures definitely are for girls.

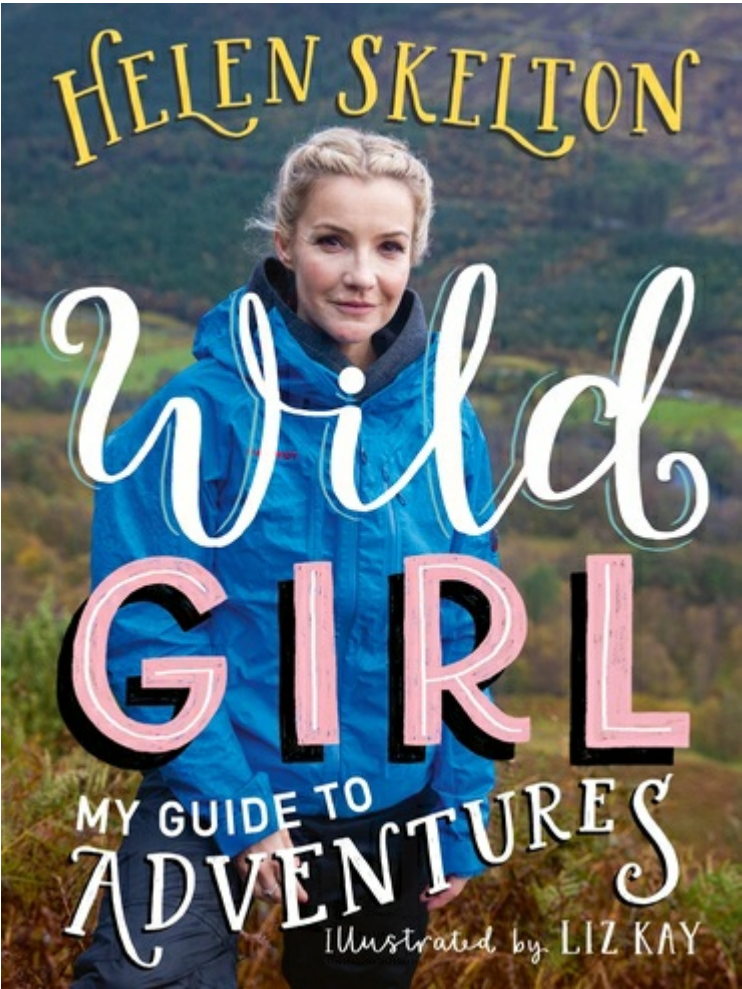
Helen shares six stories of her most daring adventures across some of the world's most extreme wildernesses, explaining how she embraced her fears and found the positives in the toughest situations. Alongside her inspirational tales are ideas for where readers can find their own wild adventures closer to home and accounts of the real-life wild girls who inspire her.

- Stylish and contemporary, this inspiring non-fiction book about a real-life female adventurer is the ideal gift for wild girls everywhere.
- Six chapters cover six adventures: the Namib ultra-marathon, cycling to the South Pole, kayaking the Amazon, climbing Ben Nevis, Marines commando training and walking a high-wire between Battersea Power Station.
- Brings together the aspirational with the practical: an engaging combination of Helen's experiences and fun outdoor ideas for children to try themselves.

Helen Skelton is best-known for presenting *Blue Peter* and *Countryfile*. She has taken on incredible challenges such as completing the Namibia Ultra Marathon (becoming the second woman to ever do so), kayaking over 2010 miles down the Amazon river for Sport Relief (breaking two Guinness World Records en-route), and completing a 66 metre high wire walk between the towers of Battersea Power Station. Helen has become a beloved face of the BBC, having worked on two Olympics in London 2012 and Rio 2016 as well as presenting the World, Commonwealth and European swimming competitions for the channel.

Liz Kay works from her home in Yorkshire. She loves her job and when she's not busy doodling she enjoys outdoor adventures of her own. She is often found hiking and biking around the Yorkshire countryside and playing tennis for her local club.

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Discovering Life's Story: The Evolution of an Idea

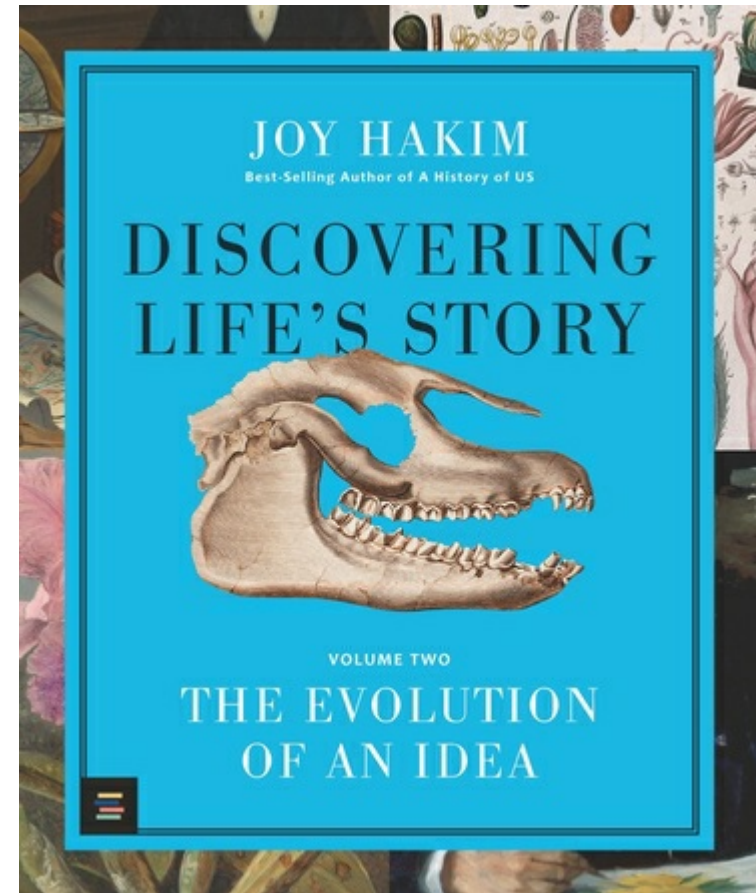
by Joy Hakim

In the second volume of the Discovering Life's Story series by bestselling author Joy Hakim, the theory of evolution takes hold – transforming ideas about survival, extinction and life itself.

Can species change? Or become extinct? In the eighteenth century, most people didn't think so. But in the century that followed, our understanding of life was revolutionised. *The Evolution of an Idea*, the second volume of Discovering Life's Story, opens with the Swedish naturalist Carl Linnaeus, who attempts to create an organizing system for the myriad forms of life on earth. It continues into the late 1800s, when two Englishmen – Charles Darwin and Alfred Russel Wallace – each develop their own version of a startling new theory of how life-forms change over time, altering the understanding of our place in the great web of life on earth. In this remarkable volume, author Joy Hakim continues charting the path of human discovery and shows how groundbreaking thinkers began to unlock the biological secrets of our own existence.

- **This is the second in our comprehensive four-book MITEen series about the history of life sciences. Joy Hakim's well-researched and vetted, engaging writing brings both history and biology to life.**
- **With primary sources, quotes, fine art and archival images, this rich biological history text will compliment the KS4 Biology Curriculum and be attractive to scientific thinkers and art history lovers alike.**
- **Joy Hakim is the author of A History of US, a series that has sold over three million copies.**

Joy Hakim is the best-selling author of A History of US, a ten-volume history of the United States that has sold more than three million copies, as well as the much-lauded Story of Science series that includes *Einstein Adds a New Dimension*. Joy Hakim is also the author of the first book in the Discovering Life's Story series, *Biology's Beginnings*. She has worked as a teacher, newspaper writer and editor.



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The Girl Who Became A Fish

by Polly Ho-Yen

illustrated by Sojung Kim-McCarthy

Ita is afraid of lots of things. She’s afraid of talking to her classmates at her new school. She’s afraid of walking through her new town. But most of all she is afraid of water.

When one day she realises the river in her new town turns her into a fish, she is forced to face up to her fears. In doing so, can she bring her family together again?

With themes of change, and deftly tackling the topic of fear for younger readers, this is another heart-warming and beautifully-written early reader by Polly Ho-Yen, filled with charming artwork by Sojung Kim-McCarthy.

- Aimed at readers aged 5+
- Polly is a winner of the Blue Peter Book Award, Waterstones Children’s Book Prize and the Federation of Children’s Book Groups Book Award. All three of her middle- grade novels have been nominated for the Carnegie Medal.
- Filled with charming and mesmerising black & white illustrations to accompany the story, and tackling topics like moving school, caring for a grandparent and facing your fears.
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Polly Ho-Yen used to be a primary school teacher in London and while she was teaching there, she would get up very early in the morning to write stories. She lives in Bristol with her husband and daughter.

Sojung Kim-McCarthy is an award-winning illustrator who loves drawing children in all shapes, sizes and colours. She worked as a designer for a children's magazine as well as an art and design educator in Korea. After moving to Boumemouth to study illustration, she stayed in the seaside town and has been drawing and writing stories of children who feel a little bit different from other people. Sojung loves growing plants from seeds she found in her fruits, and her favourite plant in her windowsill garden at the moment is an avocado tree.

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The Boy Who Grew A Tree

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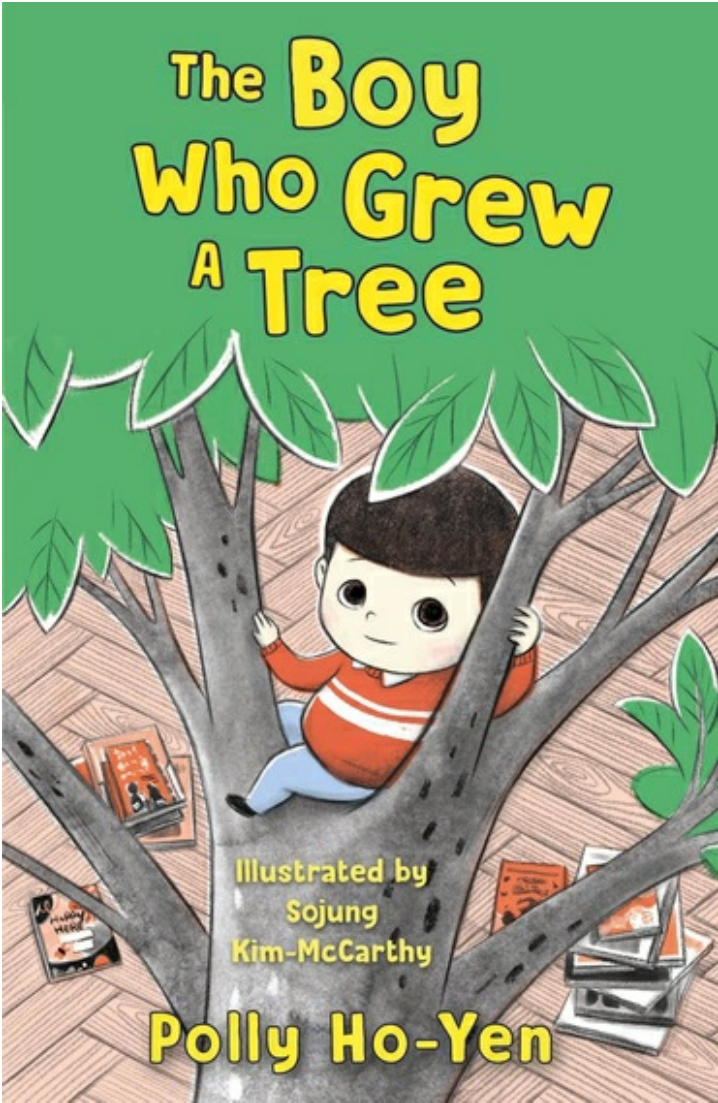
A charming black-and-white illustrated early reader novel by the much-loved author of *The Boy In The Tower*.

Nature-loving Timi is unsettled by the arrival of a new sibling and turns to tending a tree growing in his local library. But there is something magical about the tree and it is growing fast... and the library is going to close. Can Timi save the library and his tree, and maybe bring his community closer together along the way?

- *The Boy Who Grew a Tree* is aimed at readers aged 5+.
- Polly is a winner of the Blue Peter Book Award, Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Federation of Children's Book Groups Book Award. All three of her middle-grade novels have been nominated for the Carnegie Medal.
- Filled with charming and mesmerising black & white illustrations to accompany the story, *The Boy Who Grew a Tree* will shine light on the need for nature, even in cities, whilst highlighting the sacred space of community libraries.
- Tackling topics like the importance of libraries, becoming an older sibling and living in urban housing, *The Boy Who Grew a Tree* is a stunning book for young readers.

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The Prisoner of Bhopal

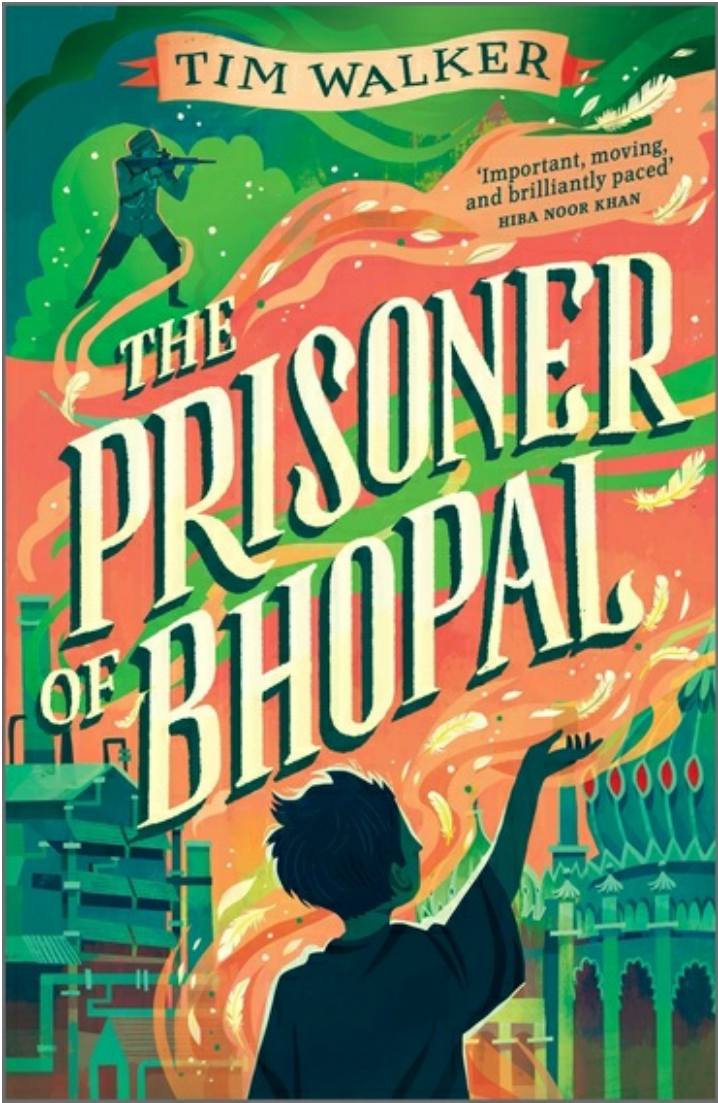
by Tim Walker

In Bhopal in 1984, Amil learns that he can predict the movement of the wind. Can this gift free him from working for the hateful Mr Kumar and protect him from an impending poisonous gas leak at the Bhopal Pesticide Plant?

Amil has always dreamed of working at the modern, space-age pesticide plant in Bhopal, India, where he lives. Instead, on his tenth birthday, he is torn from his family and taken to work for Mr Kumar and his cruel son, Jalesh, in their dilapidated printing factory. There, hidden in a trunk, he finds a secret First World War journal. As its pages come to life, they reveal not only why Amil is there, but that he and the journal's author – his great-grandfather, Sanjiv – share a magical gift: they can read the wind. Its purpose remains a mystery until, one terrible night, the pesticide plant leaks poison gas into the air above Bhopal . . .

- Tim Walker has committed to donating a percentage of his royalties to the Bhopal Disaster Relief Fund.
- A debut historical fiction book filled with adventure and magical realism
- Set in two time periods: Bhopal in 1984, and France and Brighton between 1914-15
- Raises important awareness about the Bhopal Disaster of 1984 and the instrumental role of Indian soldiers in World War One

Tim Walker was born in Nottingham and lives with his wife and their black and white cat in rural Kent. He turned to writing following a career as a graphic designer and is the author of three previous children's novels – *Shipley Manor*, *The Flying Fizzler* and *Rise of the Rattler*. When not in his garden shed either writing or staring at the horses in the field beyond, he can be found teaching academic skills at the University of Kent – where he is a former Royal Literary Fund Fellow – visiting one of his three grown-up children or huffing and puffing around his local tennis court.



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A Hugh Durnit Mystery: Taking Shelter

by Guy Bass
illustrated by Lee Cosgrove

A hilarious detective mystery following a schoolboy sniffing out clues to prove his canine pal's innocence, packed with comic-book art spreads throughout.

Hugh Durnit may be a schoolboy, but that doesn't stop him from cracking the toughest cases. Like the case of the shredded maths homework. Sure, lesser minds might collar Hugh's new dog, Shelter. But Hugh knows there's more to sniff out. Working through the suspects, Hugh digs up a bigger mystery: just where does Shelter come from?

A brilliantly funny detective story with comic-book art throughout.

- A brilliantly funny comic detective mystery following a slightly deluded schoolboy
- Packed with illustrations and comic-book-style interludes throughout
- 'Bass is one of the finest comedy writers for young people' *Lancashire Post*
- 'Guy Bass's coinage ... is delightfully reminiscent of literary greats, as is his turn of phrase' *Just Imagine*

Guy Bass is an award-winning author who has written more than 30 books, including the series *Stitch Head*, *Spynosaurs*, and *Skeleton Keys*. He lives in London with his wife.

Lee Cosgrove is from near the River Mersey, UK. A lifelong doodler, he is inspired by a childhood of Saturday morning cartoons, den-building adventures, and an endless supply of crayons.

Working as a full-time illustrator for many years, Lee has enjoyed working on a wide range of projects, from illustrating picture books, to board games and billboards. He loves to bring humour and lots of character to his illustrations. When he hasn't got a pencil in hand he can be found fossil hunting, feeding hedgehogs or doing flying kicks.



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Rune: The Tale of a Thousand Faces

by Carlos Sánchez
illustrated by Carlos Sánchez

Venture deep into the forests of Little Valley, a land lost in time and darkness. Filled with dark magic, druids, and dragons *Rune: The Tale of a Thousand Faces* is the first instalment of this spellbinding new comic series.

Best friends Chiri and Dai stumble into a forgotten realm, tormented by the evil Shadow King who yearns to spread terror to Little Valley and beyond. But will these best friends, with the help of the druids, warriors, and magical goats they encounter be able to find their way home? And more importantly, can they evade the darkness that was awoken on their arrival and seal the pathway between worlds before it is too late?

- The first instalment in a new epic fantasy series and expansion of Flying Eye Books’ middle-grade comics collection.
- Chiri is a deaf protagonist who uses sign language to enhance her spell-casting ability, Rune's storyline and characters have been created in discussion with two consultants.
- Features a male protagonist who has fears and is celebrated for not being brave all of the time. Relatable representation for young male readers.
- Accessible high fantasy adventure perfect for fans of Dungeons & Dragons, Lord of the Rings, Studio Ghibli, and Trollhunters.

Carlos Sánchez grew up, with a pencil in his hand, in Barcelona. When he was very young a comic fell into his hand and that changed his life forever. He studied Design in EINA, and a master in Creative Illustration in Bau. He loves to draw, read comics, eat cereal and play videogames. Nowadays, he works as a designer, illustrator and comic artist in Barcelona.



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Three Keys

by Kelly Yang

The story of Mia and her family and friends at the Calivista Motel continues in this powerful, hilarious, and resonant sequel to the award-winning novel *Front Desk*.

Mia Tang thinks she's going to have the best year ever.

She and her parents are the proud owners of the Calivista Motel, Mia gets to run the front desk with her best friend, Lupe, and she's finally getting somewhere with her writing!

But as it turns out, being twelve is no picnic...

- 1. Mia's new teacher doesn't think her writing is all that great. And her entire class finds out she lives and works in a motel.
- 2. The motel is struggling, and Mia has to answer to the Calivista's many, many investors.
- 3. A new immigration law is looming and if it passes, it will threaten everything -and everyone- in Mia's life.

It's a roller coaster of challenges, and Mia needs all of her determination to hang on tight. But if anyone can find the key to getting through turbulent times, it's Mia Tang!

- Launching Kelly Yang in the UK by simultaneously publishing the first two titles in the *Front Desk* series.
- The author draws from her own childhood experience to create a rich and immersive story, with themes of friendship, acceptance and community.
- Sits alongside *The Boy at the Back of the Class*, *A Kind of Spark*, and *Look Both Ways*.

Kelly Yang is the New York Times bestselling, award-winning author of *Front Desk*, and winner of the 2019 Asia Pacific American Award for Children's Literature.



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Hear Me

by Kerry O'Malley Cerra

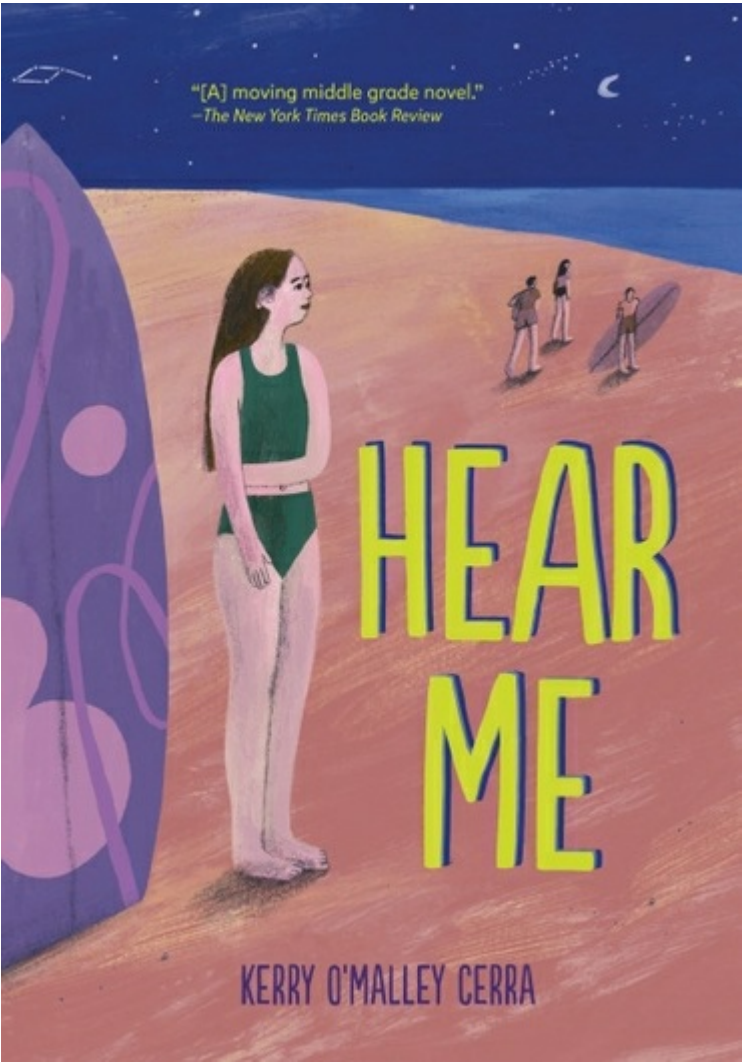
A sensitive and authentic portrayal of a girl experiencing progressive hearing loss, written by an author with progressive hearing loss.

A year after being diagnosed with hearing loss, twelve-year-old Rayne is doing her best to live a “normal” life. But even with hearing aids, she has trouble following conversations, understanding song lyrics, and even surfing. Rayne’s parents want her to get cochlear implants, which could restore her hearing, but Rayne isn't convinced the surgery for CIs is worth the risks and challenges. She begs her parents to consider other options, but they’re not budging.

With the surgery looming, Rayne sets off on a search for alternatives. Along the way, she discovers that “normal” can have many meanings—and that even though her ears may be broken, she is not.

- Compellingly depicts the experience of hearing loss, including through the use of asterisks to represent unheard words in character dialogue
- Author was diagnosed with progressive hearing loss as a teen
- Sensitively explores a situation without easy or obvious answers
- Ultimately reinforces the importance of listening and open communication

Kerry O'Malley Cerra is the author of the award-winning middle-grade novel *Just a Drop of Water*. She holds a degree in social science education and currently works as a high school media specialist. She lives in Florida with her family and two poorly behaved rescue dogs.



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Nikhil and Jay: Flying High

by Chitra Soundar
illustrated by Soofiya

In this fourth book for early readers about the irrepressible British Asian brothers, Nikhil and Jay, the boys have four fun adventures at home.

Nikhil and Jay feel sorry for Appa when he falls and hurts his ankle, but they make him feel better by playing Dayan, the Indian Board Game; litter-picking at the Clean and Green Club is great fun when the boys do it in the park with all their friends; one windy day Nikhil, Jay, Amma and Appa make kites and decorate them – and have a fantastic time flying them; Jay doesn’t like tidying up but he discovers that putting away his toys can be a fun game when he does it together with Nikhil!

The Nikhil and Jay series is perfect for children moving on from picture books to longer storybooks.

- "The Nikhil and Jay books are perfect everyday stories and early readers" Charlotte Hacking, CLPE
- Nikhil and Jay - The Star Birthday is included in the Reading for Empathy 2023 list
- Stories with inclusivity and diversity at their core
- Includes a Make Your Own Kite activity with clear instructions

Chitra Soundar is celebrated as a writer and storyteller for children. Born in Chennai, she has written over 40 books, including *Pattan’s Pumpkin* (illustrated by Frané Lessac) for Otter-Barry Books, and the Nikhil and Jay series: *Nikhil and Jay Save the Day*, *Nikhil and Jay -The Star Birthday* and *Nikhil and Jay - Off to India*. The series is inspired by Chitra’s two nephews and their real experiences within their blended family. Chitra divides her time between south London and Chennai, India.

Soofiya is a visual artist and illustrator of the Nikhil and Jay books. Soofiya’s work explores ideas around race, gender and bodies. Clients include Tate Britain, Mayor of London, Hachette, BBC, Nike and many more. They live close to the sea and like to spend weekends painting and taking care of their plants. You can see more of their work here: soofiya.com.



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The Shape of Rainbows

by Neal Zetter

illustrated by Will Hughes

Comic, happy, thought-provoking and varied new collection of poems from an immensely popular poet-performer.

Do you like peanut butter and popcorn? Would you like to find a friend, or give yourself a fright? Or maybe go on holiday with a rhino? See what happens when you live next door to a Viking – and read about the boy who ate his school!

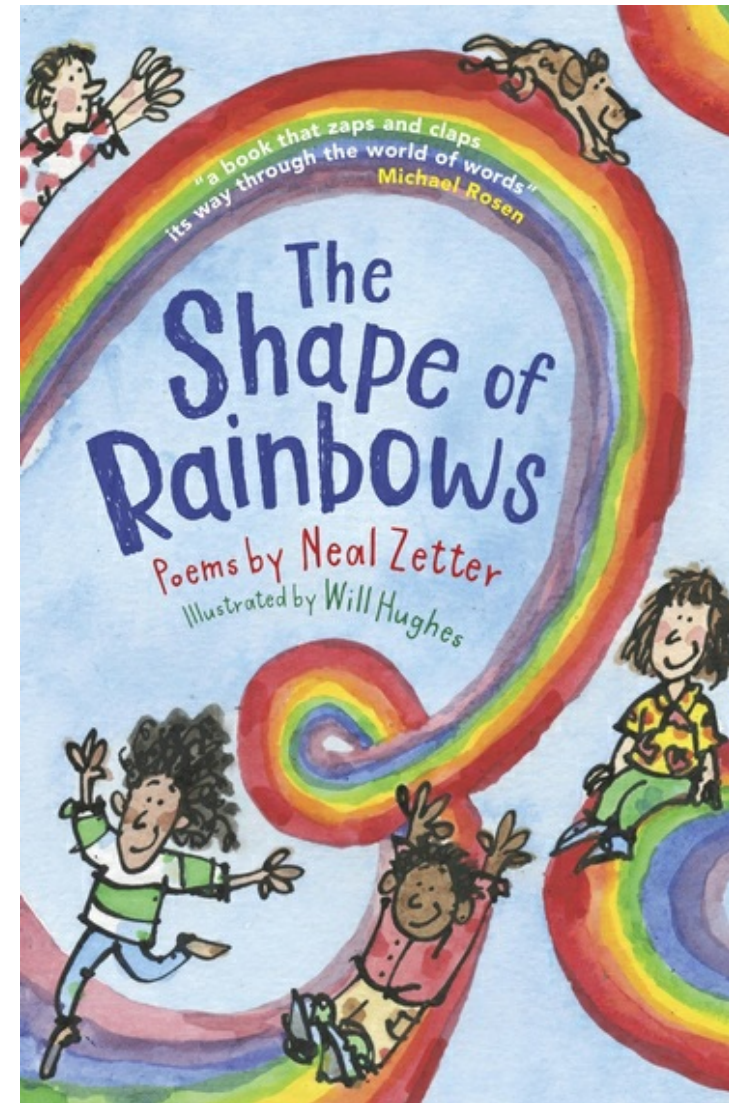
This is an inventive and funny new collection from a very popular school performance poet. Entertaining, laugh-out-loud but also thought-provoking, the poems are perfectly matched by Will Hughes's wild and witty illustrations.

- **Original, comic poems with strong child-appeal**
- **Neal Zetter has a huge fanbase among teachers for his school visits**
- **Poems ideal for performance and reading out loud**
- **Praise for The Universal Zoo:**
 “hugely imaginative” – Bookseller;
 “Bursting with alliteration and rhyme, this book is anarchic, unique and lots of fun” – Armadillo magazine
- **"Here's a book you can tap out a rhythm to, sing to, dance to. It zaps and claps its way through the world of words, getting us to look closely at how words can make music. On the way it helps us ask questions about what writing is for and what's going on in the world. Zetter Zetter, now I feel better." Michael Rosen**

Neal Zetter is a comedy performance poet, children's author (of nine poetry books), and entertainer with vast experience in communication management and mentoring. He uses his interactive, rhythmic, rhyming poetry to develop literacy, confidence, creativity and communication in everyone from age 3 to 103. His first poetry collection for Otter-Barry Books was *The Universal Zoo*: *The Conservation Place at the Far End of Space*. He lives in London.

Will Hughes is an illustrator and author of children's books, including Neal Zetter's *The Universal Zoo*. He studied at Hereford College of Art followed by a first-class degree in Illustration at the University of Edinburgh. He was chosen for the 2018-19 Picture Hooks mentoring scheme. He lives in Malvern, Worcestershire.

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A Better Best Friend

by Olivier Tallec
illustrated by Olivier Tallec
translated by Antony Shugaar

A feel-good picture book about best friendship told with dry comedy and an open ending—squirrel and mushroom are best friends until another best friend (a fly) comes to play.

“This morning when I was out walking, I found a best friend. At least I think so. It certainly looks a lot like it! He really has a best friend kind of face.”

In this comedic picture book exploring a forever childhood question about friendship, squirrel and a mushroom explore the forest through the seasons, show each other special trees, build snow mushrooms, share the good times and bad—which become good bad times alongside a friend.

Then spring arrives, and so does a new friend. And then another. This raises a profound question for an overthinking squirrel: should we have just one best friend?

After much drama, Squirrel doesn't find an answer—the friends keep coming—and he ends the book with at least three better best friends.

- **Playfully explores the best friend question encountered by every child**
- **Funny, original characters: an expressive silent mushroom and a squirrel who embraces high drama**
- **An open ending but the message is clear—the more the merrier**
- **Olivier Tallec is world-renowned**

Olivier Tallec was born in Brittany, France. After graduating from the École Supérieure d’Arts Appliqués Duperré in Paris, he travelled extensively and now lives and works in Paris. He has illustrated over 60 books for children.



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Luna Loves Gardening

by Joseph Coelho

illustrated by Fiona Lumbers

Luna discovers the stories, creativity and patience of being a gardener in her fifth adventure.

By award-winning Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho, the fifth book in the Luna Loves... series brings alive the art of gardening.

Luna is wowed by her local community garden, there are squashes and runner beans, potatoes and tomatoes and even an apple tree. But each plant hides a story. Grandpa and Nana show her the Callaloo their family grew in Jamaica. It's time for Luna to grab a trowel and sow seeds that will tell a new story for the whole community as they all discover their connection to the entire world.

Other books in the Luna Loves... series:

Luna Loves Library Day

Luna Loves Art

Luna Loves Dance

Luna Loves Christmas

Luna Loves Books board book

- The fourth book in the popular *Luna Loves ...* series
- Celebrate a wealth of different cultures with Luna, and treasure the power of gardening to bring people together.
- Joseph Coelho is the award-winning UK's Children's Poet Laureate for 2022-24.
- Fiona Lumbers has an MA in Painting at the Royal College of Art, London, and her books have been published worldwide.

Joseph Coelho, the UK's Children's Laureate for 2022-2024 is a performance poet, children's author, playwright and winner of the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education Poetry Award 2015 for his debut poetry collection *Werewolf Club Rules* (Frances Lincoln, 2014). Joe has written plays for the Polka Theatre, Soho Theatre and the Unicorn Theatre and creates dynamic poetry theatre pieces for young people that he tours nationally. He also performs with the UK's top performance poetry organisation, Apples and Snakes, visiting venues across the UK. Joseph has also been a guest poet on Cbeebies' Rhyme Rocket.

Fiona Lumbers has drawn on anything and everything from an early age and always insisted she would be an artist when she grew up. Fiona moved to London in 2000 to study for an MA in Painting at the Royal College of Art. A combination of her obsession with picture books and the arrival of her first son led her down the path of illustration and she hasn't looked back since. Nothing makes her happier than splashing watercolours and inks and conjuring up new characters - often influenced by the exploits of her two sons.

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WALKER BOOKS

Love is All We Need

by Krina Patel-Sage

illustrated by Krina Patel-Sage

A beautiful picture book about all the different ways we can show love and care for each other.

Love leads the way, showing us what to do.

You're loved as you are, just for being YOU.

Giving a home-made card to Dad, or finding a special note in your lunchbox... comforting a friend in trouble or sharing food with your family for a special occasion... making time for a chat with Grandpa, then having a lovely hug and a cuddle at the end of the day. There are so many ways to show love.

Follow six children and their families as they give and receive love at home and at school – showing how, truly, love is all we need. This joyful, hopeful book, celebrating empathy and kindness, is perfect for sharing.

- **A joyful book, bursting with empathy**
- **Shows how love underlies the diversity and inclusivity of a united community**
- **The families featured are from diverse backgrounds and cultures, including families with two mums and a single dad**
- **Up and coming author illustrator who is a popular visitor to schools**

Krina Patel-Sage is an illustrator, author and designer. In 2018 she was shortlisted for Penguin's WriteNow illustration prize. She wrote and illustrated *My Mindful Book of Zen*, and illustrated *Caterpillar Cake* by Matt Goodfellow for Otter-Barry Books. Krina lives in west London.



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My Mate Mark is a Hammerhead Shark!

by Jeanne Willis

illustrated by Adrian Reynolds

A hilarious and wholesome book that teaches us to not judge others by appearances, from multi-award winning author Jeanne Willis and illustrator Adrian Reynolds.

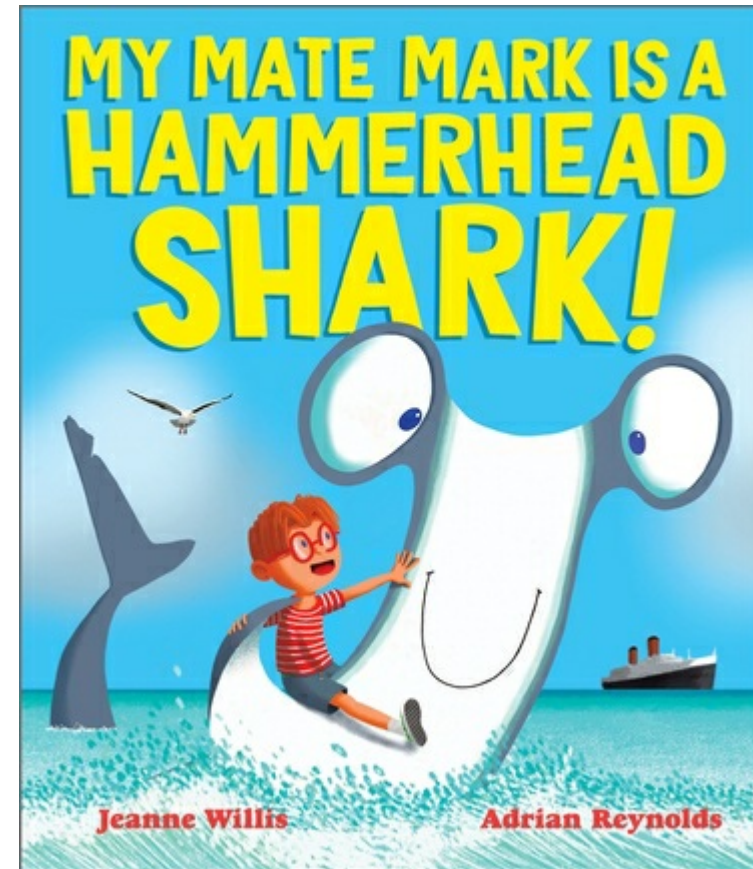
Mark the hammerhead shark doesn't have it easy – unless he wears a disguise, waiters won't serve him, and he can't go anywhere without people screaming and running away or teasing him. But when a little boy befriends him on a cruise ship holiday, he can see something in Mark that everyone else can't... could Mark be a harmless hero?

- A hilarious and heartwarming new picture book by the inimitable Jeanne Willis
- Learn not to judge others by appearances and believe the best in them – when their boat starts to sink, the little boy's faith in Mark leads him to save the day.
- Jeanne Willis and Adrian Reynolds are the much-loved team that brought us the Red House Award-winning picture book *Who's in the Loo?* among other favourite picture books
- Jeanne Willis is a multi-award-winning author who has written over 80 books for children.

Jeanne Willis is an award-winning children's author and scriptwriter. She had her first picture book published by Andersen at the age of 21, and has won the Silver Medal Smarties Prize (Tadpole's Promise), the Nasen Special Needs Award (Susan Laughs), the Sheffield Children's Book Award (Who's in The Loo) and the Red House Children's Book Award (Bottoms Up). Jeanne has also worked on scripts for TV, including Polly Pocket and The Slow Norris, and a pilot TV series for Dr Xargle.

Adrian Reynolds was born in South Wales, and after studying at Swansea College of Art and later at Cambridgeshire College of Art and Technology, Adrian worked at Heffers Children's Book Shop before beginning to write and illustrate his own picture books.

Adrian's very first books were published in 1997 and since then he has published more than forty titles, including the hugely popular *Harry And The Bucketful Of Dinosaurs* series, written by Ian Whybrow. He has won the Red House Picture Book Award and the Sheffield Children's Book Award.



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Cub

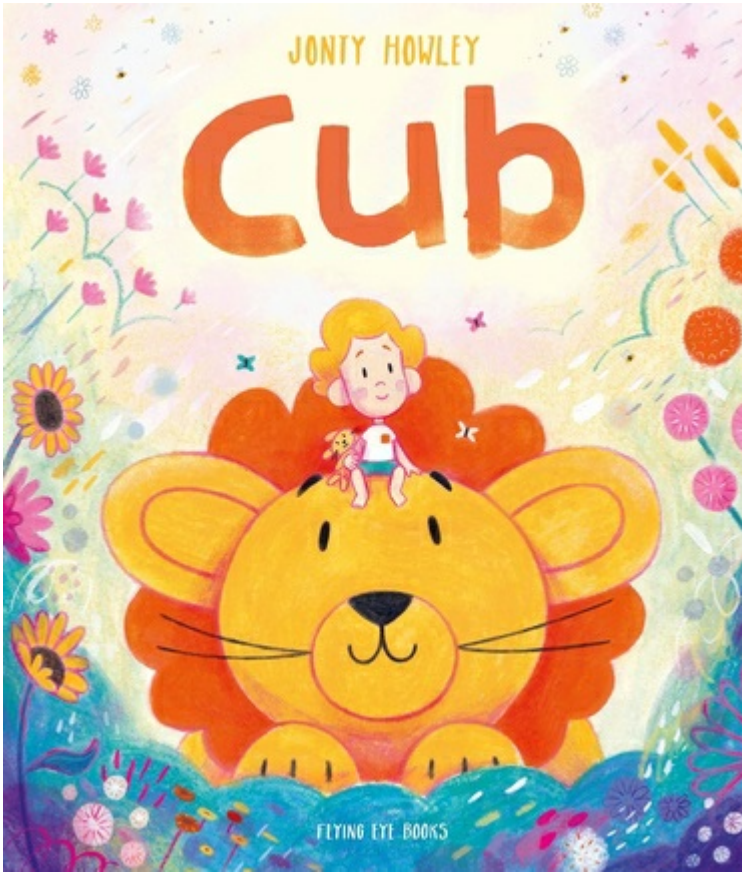
by Jonty Howley
illustrated by Jonty Howley

This heart-warming picture book, celebrates the transformative power of friendship and finding your voice.

When Magnus goes to live with his grandparents, Grandma surprises him with a special gift — a cuddly toy named Cub. As Cub magically comes alive they explore the wonders of Magnus’s new home. And as Magnus’s courage grows, he finds his hidden voice and comfort in the love of his family.

- *Cub* explores themes of acceptance, courage, the meaning of home, and alternative family structures
- A perfect picture book to help children explore their emotions.
- Can be enjoyed at home for story time or for educators to use as a tool to discuss feelings.
- Warm and distinctive art will appeal to fans of author-illustrators Benji Davies and Jarvis.

Jonty Howley spent his childhood in a tiny rural village in the south of England, where he spent his time exploring the woods and fields and practicing drawing. He studied illustration at UAL (University of the Arts, London) and graduated with a BA. Since then, Howley has worked with publishers such as Random House Children’s Books, Random House Studio, Flying Eye and Happy Yak. His debut book, *Big Boys Cry*, received excellent reviews and has been translated into eight languages.



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Home is Where My Heart Is

by Smriti Halls

illustrated by Alice Courtley

A profound and poignant story that celebrates the true meaning of home, from award-winning and bestselling Smriti Halls and rising star Alice Courtley.

Award-winning Smriti Halls presents this heartwarming tale that teaches us that home is always in your heart.

What does home mean to you? Home is where you're known, understood and where you can truly be yourself. But is home a place, or is it a feeling? Following Bear's journey far from home and back again, you will see that home is not one place, it's the people who love you. And most importantly, you can hold it with you wherever you go.

- In a world where lockdowns and seeking asylum are becoming the new world-norm, celebrating the importance of home has never been more relevant.
- Born in South India and raised in England, Smriti Halls is an award-winning, internationally bestselling author whose books have been published in more than 30 languages.
- Alice Courtley graduated from the prestigious Cambridge MA in Children's Book Illustration in 2019. Her work has been recognised for prizes such as the Batsford Prize and featured in exhibitions such as the AOI's 'Inspired to Innovate' in London.

Smriti Halls is an internationally bestselling, award-winning children's author, published in more than 40 languages worldwide. Her best-loved stories include *Rain Before Rainbows*, the *I'm Sticking With You* series, *The Little Island* and *I Love You Night and Day* (Publisher's Weekly #1 bestseller, Wall Street Journal bestseller). Whether humorous or lyrical, her books are full of hope and heart and are loved by children and adults alike. Smriti is a former Writer in Residence for Booktrust and is a patron for the School Library Association. South Indian by birth, British by nationality and London-loving at heart, she lives and works near Richmond Park with her husband and their three sons.

Alice Courtley is an award-winning illustrator who studied on the prestigious Cambridge MA in Children's Book Illustration, where she developed a passion for character and print-made texture. Alice is based in Cambridge.



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First Little Rhymes: Out and About

by Joseph Coelho
illustrated by Nicola Killen

Award-winning poet and Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho presents a delightful collection of short poems on going out and about in the world to share with young babies and toddlers, in a chunky board book format.

A beautifully illustrated board book with selected poems by award-winning Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho.

With poems and illustrations selected from Coelho and Killen's collection, Blow a Kiss, Catch a Kiss, this board book includes 10 charming poems all about a little one's outside world, and the things they might see and experience going out and about in it.

Praise for *Blow a Kiss, Catch a Kiss: Poems to share with little ones:*
'A delightful selection of interactive poems for toddlers... illustrated with a multitude of gorgeous children by Killen' *The Bookseller*, Editor's Choice

- Includes 10 selected poems from Coelho's poetry collection, *Blow a Kiss, Catch a Kiss*, all about a little one's outside the world, and the things they might see and experience.
- Joseph Coelho is the Children's Laureate and an award-winning poet and picture book author of the bestselling series *Luna Loves ...*
- With diverse characters throughout, every family will recognise themselves in this beautiful and colourful collection.
- In a chunky board book format, this makes for a perfect baby shower, birthday, or Christmas gift.

Joseph Coelho, Children's Laureate for 2022-2024, is a performance poet, children's author, playwright and winner of the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education Poetry Award 2015 for his debut poetry collection *Werewolf Club Rules*. Joe has written plays for the Polka Theatre, Soho Theatre and the Unicorn Theatre and creates dynamic poetry theatre pieces for young people that he tours nationally. He also performs with the UK's top performance poetry organisation, Apples and Snakes, visiting venues across the UK. Joseph has also been a guest poet on Cbeebies' Rhyme Rocket.

Nicola Killen graduated from the MA in Children's Book Illustration at Cambridge School of Art in 2009, and won the Egmont Best New Talent Award for her final show. She's been working on picture books ever since. She also has a degree in Graphic Design and almost became an accountant! She lives and works in Cambridge.



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My First Elmer Birthday: Shaped board book

by David McKee

illustrated by David McKee

Celebrate your birthday with this classic Elmer tale abridged for the youngest readers in a chunky shaped board book!

Celebrate Elmer's birthday with this chunky shaped board book perfect for gifting. In this classic story, the elephants want to trick Elmer into thinking they've forgotten his birthday. There's only one problem with the joke they're playing . . . Elmer's friends keep trying to warn them but they won't listen!

A perfect introduction to the classic Elmer's Birthday story for the very youngest readers, with an abridged version of the much-loved tale.

- Publishing to align with Elmer 35th anniversary celebrations!
- The classic story of Elmer's Birthday in an abridged, chunky shaped board book format perfect for gifting to little ones.
- The fourth in the Elmer shaped board book series, following *My First Elmer*, *My First Elmer Christmas* and *My First Elmer Bedtime*.
- Over 10 million copies of Elmer books have been sold worldwide - including over 4 million in the UK alone - and have been translated into over 50 languages.

David McKee (1935 - 2022) was the creator of well-known characters including King Rollo, Mr Benn and Elmer the Patchwork Elephant, which is now published in more than 60 languages and has its own successful global merchandise programme. David was born in Devon and went to Plymouth Art College, where he had a traditional training. On leaving college he drew regularly for *Punch*, *Reader's Digest*, and *The Times Educational Supplement*. His drawings were influenced especially by Saul Steinberg and Andre Francois. In 2020, David won the British Book Awards Illustrator of the Year Award and BookTrust's Lifetime Achievement Award.



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WALKER BOOKS

One Day on our Prehistoric Planet...with a Diplodocus

by Ella Bailey

illustrated by Ella Bailey

From breakfast to dinner, dusk to dawn, children will love spending the day on the Prehistoric plains with this curious baby Diplodocus!

Join this little dinosaur as she ventures out from the safety of the forest to the plains in search of a herd to join. As we follow her she'll sample tasty plants, meet other dinosaurs, both friendly and fierce who share this little corner of our Prehistoric planet, and hopefully stay out of trouble!

- Follows the format of Ella Bailey's bestselling *One Day on our Blue Planet* series, teaching little ones about the natural world, with a focus on the evergreen topic of dinosaurs.
- Can be enjoyed as an accompaniment to learning about dinosaurs, and as a storybooks for all dinosaur crazy kids.
- Gender-neutral colour palette of the book will entice all kids to learn about dinosaurs through this gentle story.
- Introduces readers to a variety of dinosaurs through pronunciation guide of difficult-to-say dinosaur names on endpapers.

Ella Bailey is a freelance illustrator currently living in Devon, in the UK. She studied illustration at Falmouth university, and has since gone on to work for clients such as Hachette Children's Books, Simon and Schuster, and has illustrated multiple children's books of Great British Bake Off Winner, Nadiya Hussain. Some of Ella's favourite things to draw are dinosaurs, animals, and ghosts.



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How to Teach Grown-Ups About Climate Change: The cutting-edge science of our changing planet

by Patricia Daniels

illustrated by Aaron Blecha

A witty guide to the science behind climate change, which puts kids in charge

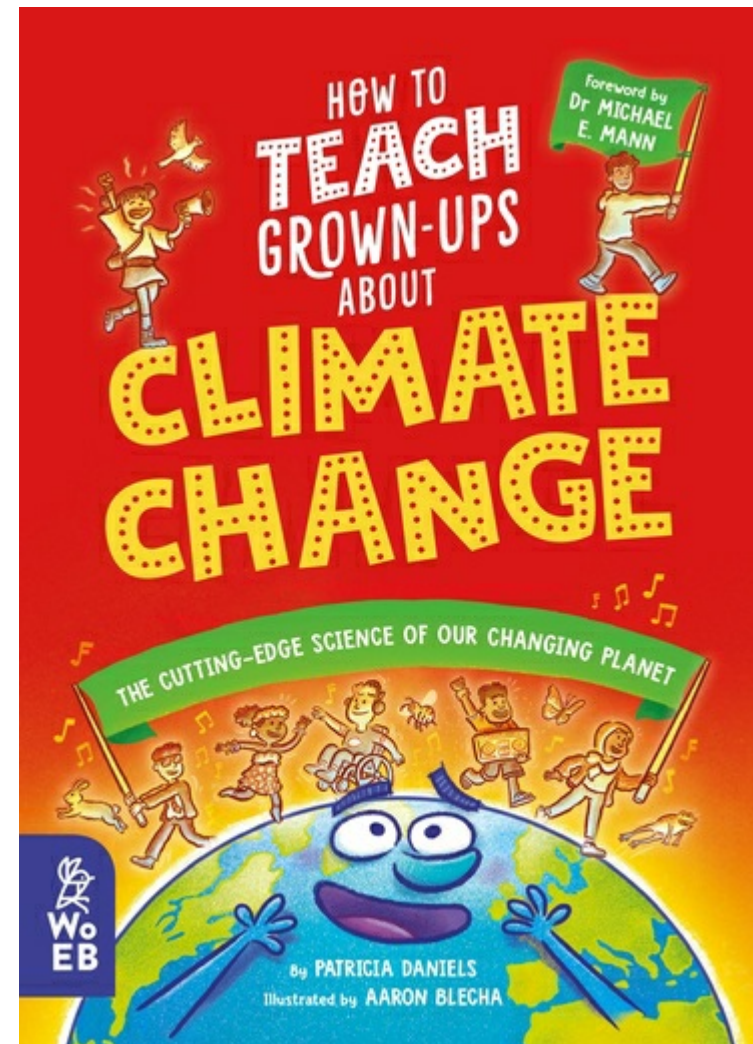
Never has there been a more perfect time to empower children to take the lead and educate their grown-ups about climate change. Featuring a foreword by internationally renowned climate scientist Dr Michael E. Mann and bursting with fabulous original illustrations, this delightfully witty book deals with the pressing topic of our changing planet in an uplifting, positive manner. Interwoven amongst the more serious questions – why is Earth so special in the first place? How do we know about climate change? What causes it? How can we recognise false information? – are fun-filled facts about cow burps, woolly mammoths, panda-shaped solar panels, and much more. Crucially, this book also equips children and adults alike with the practical tools they need to tackle climate change in their everyday lives. And there's a handy quiz at the end so that you can check your grown-up has been paying attention!

- **Features a foreword by internationally renowned climate scientist Dr Michael E. Mann, who is also an expert consultant on the book**
- **Deals with the serious topic in an uplifting, positive manner, with a witty sense of humour and 100 fabulous original illustrations by Aaron Blecha**
- **Empowers children to educate themselves – and their grown-ups – about the timely issue of climate change, including a quiz to test their knowledge at the end!**
- **Perfect for young fans of Greta Thunberg's *No One Is Too Small to Make a Difference* and *The Climate Book***

Patricia Daniels has written more than a dozen books for adults and children, most of them about science, history, or a combination of the two. A frequent contributor to National Geographic's publications, she has covered everything from astrophysics to *Zuniceratops*. Pat lives in Pennsylvania, USA, with her husband, a college professor, and has two grown sons and two grown cats.

Dr Michael Mann is Presidential Distinguished Professor in the Department of Earth and Environmental Science at the University of Pennsylvania. His research focuses on climate science and climate change, and with his colleagues Michael Mann created what became known as the 'hockey stick', the graph which shows the rapid rise in global temperatures since around 1900. He has received numerous awards, including the Friend of the Planet Award from the National Center for Science Education, U.S.A., the Stephen H. Schneider Award for Outstanding Climate Science Communication from Climate, the Climate Communication Prize from the American Geophysical Union and the Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement 2019. He is co-founder of RealClimate.org, has written books including *The Hockey Stick and the Climate Wars*, *The Tantrum that Saved the World*, and *The New Climate War*, and is the author of more than 200 peer-reviewed publications, op-eds and commentaries.

Aaron Blecha is a Brighton-based artist and author who designs funny characters and illustrates humorous books. Aaron has illustrated over 40 books, including the popular *George Brown*, *Class Clown* and *Shark School* series. He is also the author and illustrator of *Goodnight, Grizzle Grump!* and *Good Morning, Grizzle Grump!* published by HarperCollins. In addition to illustrating children's books, Aaron works as a character designer in TV development for studios such as Disney, Curious Pictures and eOne Family.



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Solstice: Around the World on the Longest, Shortest Day

by Jen Breach

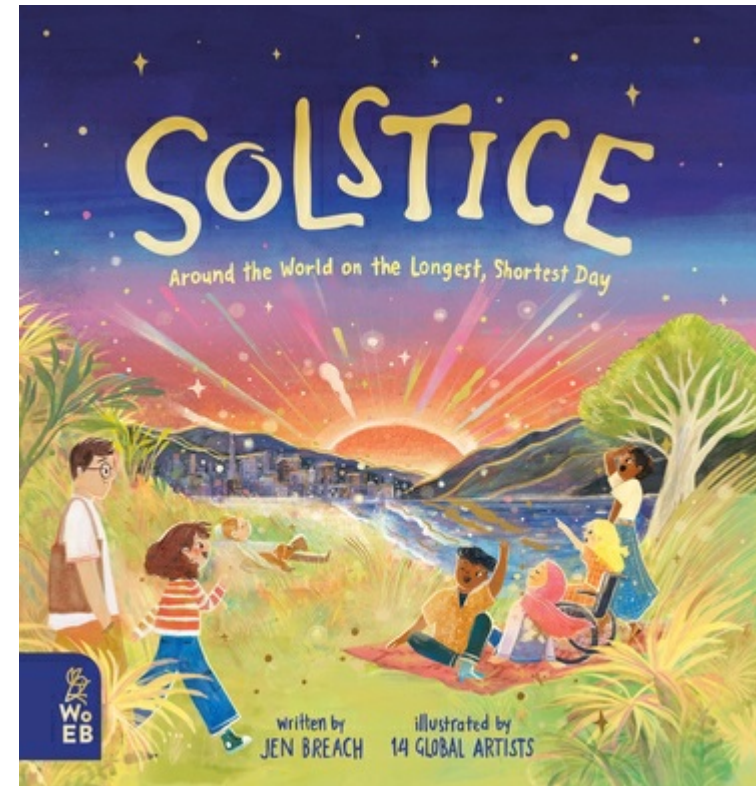
illustrated by Various

Explore the daily lives of children around the world through the lens of a single, special day – June 21st, the longest day of the year in the northern hemisphere and the shortest in the southern hemisphere.

Just two times each year - an event called the solstice - Earth leans closest to our home star, the Sun. Since ancient times, people have used the Sun as a timekeeper. They knew that the length of daylight changes in a regular way and celebrated the solstice as a signal of changing seasons. *Solstice* imparts scientific and cultural information using the global experience of a solstice as its scientific core, and the descriptions of children's lives at each latitude as the cultural narrative. It is a browsable nonfiction appealing to informationally minded thinkers aged 7-11. Enhancing the text and illustrations are fascinating infographics about geography, hours of sunlight, sunrise and sunset times, and how the Earth's tilt creates solstices and seasons. A global event needs a global perspective: non-traditional families, interesting facts that crop up in each account (e.g. in the Chinese entry we learn that pandas need to play or else they get sad). Plus, illustrators for each location represent their home countries with authority and beauty.

- Explains the science, history, and cultural significance of the longest day of the year.
- Helps young readers to think about children's lives all over the world.
- Prompts a conversation about the way children live across the globe.
- Features colourful artwork from illustrators who represent their home countries with authority and beauty.

Jen Breach is a children's author of fiction and non-fiction. Their writing credits include a graphic literature adventure about a young archeologist and their robot brother (*Clem Hetherington and the Ironwood Race*, Scholastic 2018) and a picture book about two clueless zookeepers (*Something's Amiss At The Zoo*, Hachette 2016). They hold an MFA in Writing for Children and Adults from Vermont College of Fine Arts. They are a mentor for Girls Write Now and The Association of Writers and Writing Programs (AWP). Jen identifies as queer and non-binary.



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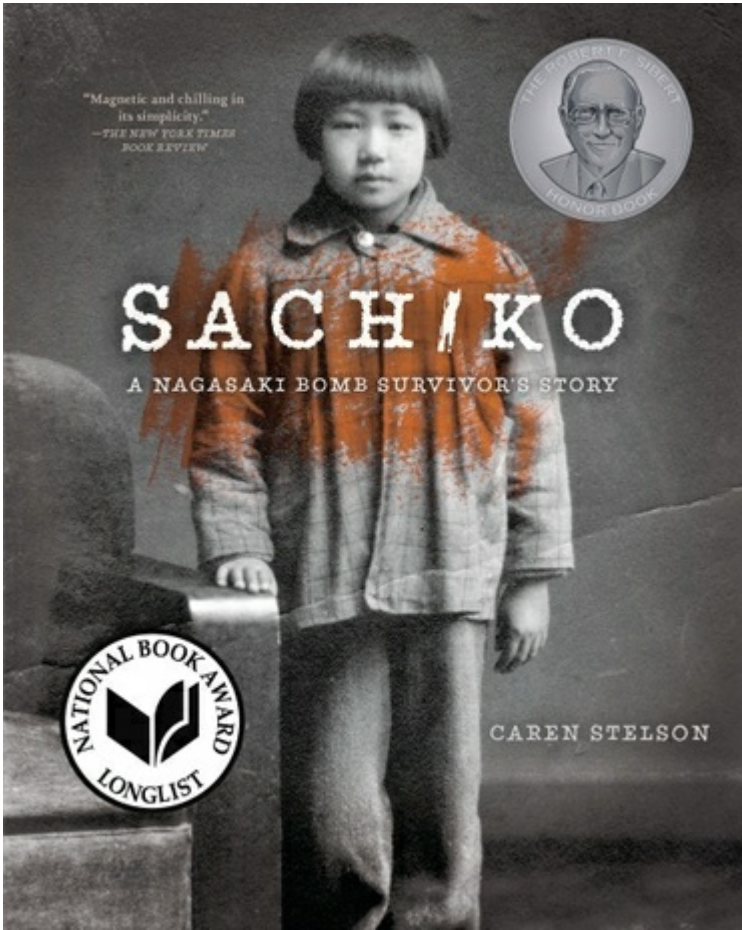
Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story

by Caren Stelson

This striking work of narrative nonfiction tells the true story of six-year-old Sachiko Yasui's survival of the Nagasaki atomic bomb on August 9, 1945, and the heartbreaking and lifelong aftermath. Having conducted extensive interviews with Sachiko Yasui, Caren Stelson chronicles Sachiko's trauma and loss as well as her long journey to find peace. This book offers readers a remarkable new perspective on the final moments of World War II and their aftermath.

- National Book Award Longlist and Sibert Honor Book
- New afterword with updates on Sachiko's legacy

Caren Stelson is the author of *A Bowl Full of Peace: A True Story* and *Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story*, which was longlisted for the National Book Award and received numerous other recognitions. Caren and her husband, Kim, live in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They have two adult children, Aaron and Beth, and two grandchildren, Reid and Lucy.



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Climate Activists: A Graphic Guide

by Stephanie Loureiro
illustrated by David López

Books in The Climate Crisis series cover urgent issues with an accessible, impactful graphic approach.

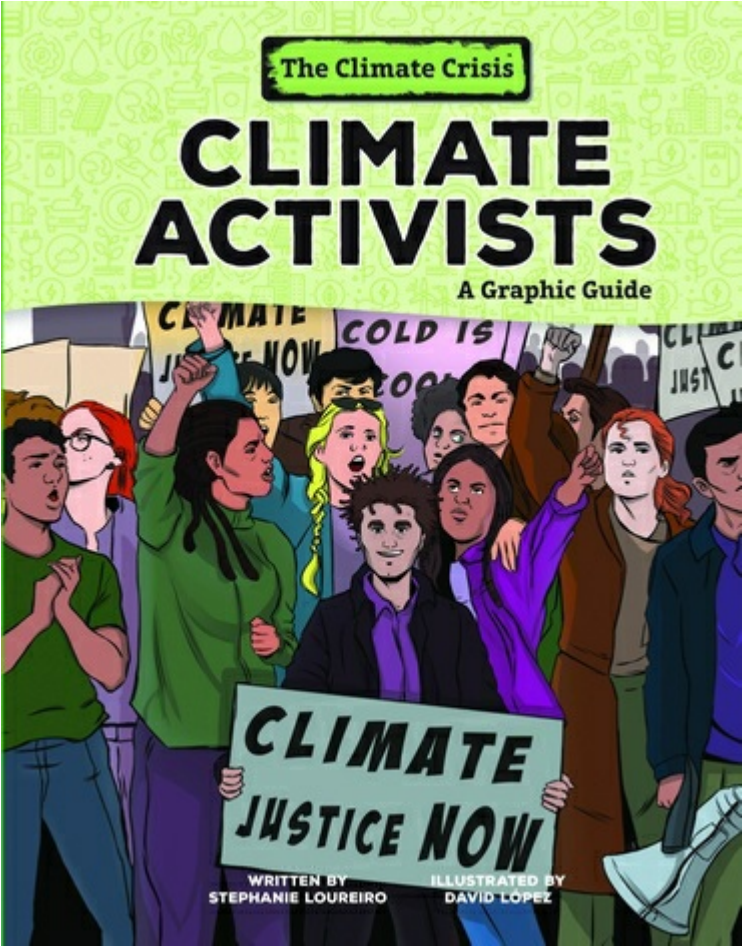
Climate change is hurting the planet. It creates problems for people, plants, and animals. Protecting the environment is important for our future. Climate activists work to get laws passed. They share information about how to help. And they speak up to encourage others to do their part.

There are ways to slow damage to Earth. The more people who call for change, the brighter the future will be. Explore what can be done and how climate activists are taking action.

- Gives readers big-picture explanations of developments that continue to impact their world
- Combines scientific and historical information about each issue
- Features an inviting format suited to reluctant readers
- Pairs colorful artwork with informative text

Stephanie Loureiro is a writer and editor living in Idaho. She loves reading, fitness, and spending time with her husband, daughter, and their two dogs.

David López is a Venezuelan graphic artist. He studied Design and Conceptual Art at the Armando Reverón School of Plastic Arts in Barcelona, Venezuela. He is interested in using various illustration styles, spending time with his family, and playing video games.



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Forests and Deforestation: A Graphic Guide

by Christina Hill
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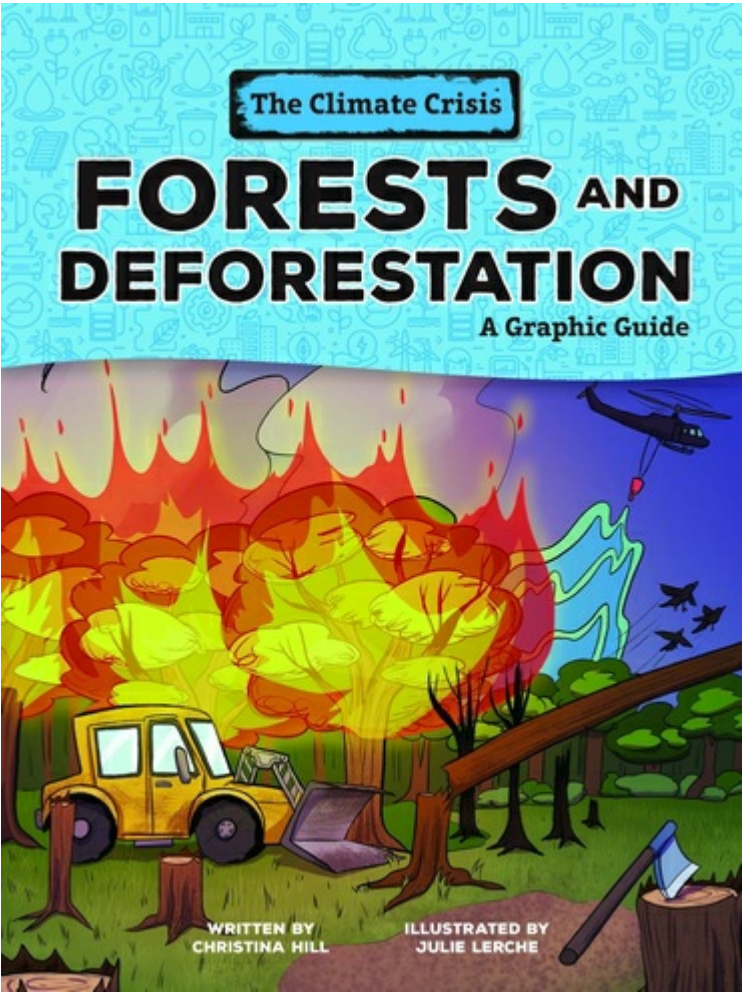
Forests create the air we need to breathe. They provide shade and homes for people and animals. They give us wood for fuel and for building materials. And they are beautiful spaces! But deforestation means humans are destroying more forests every day.

As towns and cities grow, people take more land from forests. Trees are cleared for space faster than we can replant them. Check out what happens when forests disappear—and if we can reverse what has already been lost.

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Christina Hill is a nonfiction children's book author who writes on a variety of subjects. She lives in southern California with her husband and two sons.

Julie Lerche is a graphic novelist and art instructor from Nashville, Tennessee. She graduated from the Manhattan School of Visual Arts in 2020 and received a BFA in Cartooning. She has worked on projects for HarperCollins, Scholastic Graphix, and High Noon Books.



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Fossil Fuels: A Graphic Guide

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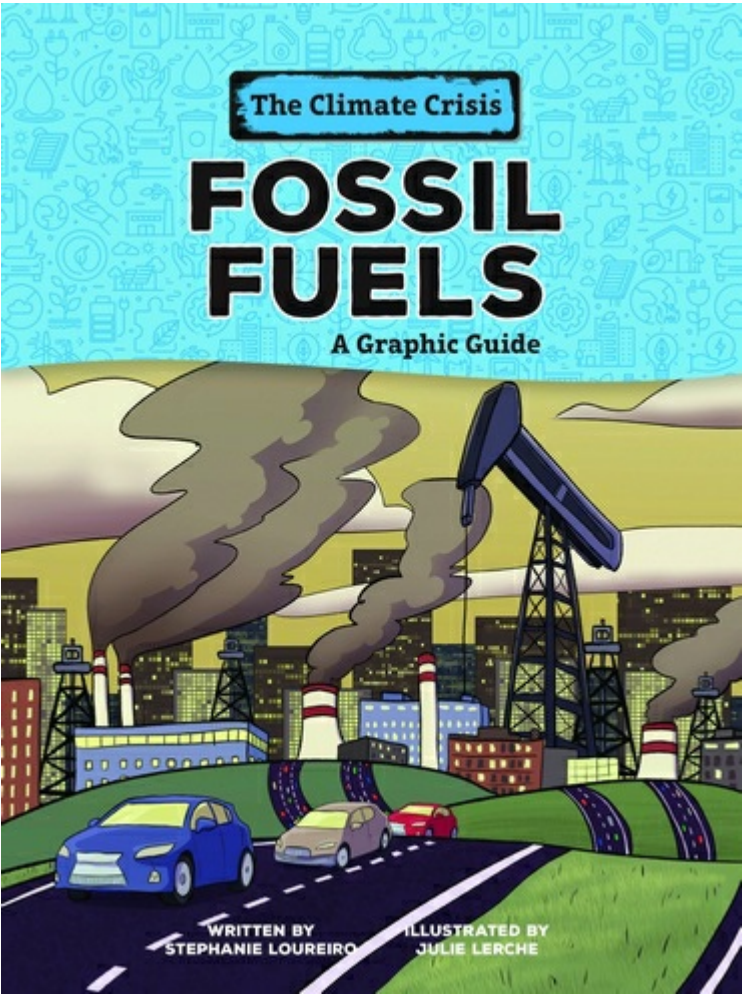
Fossil fuels heat our homes. They power cars, trucks, and planes. But every use of these fuels adds to rising temperatures on Earth. And they are nonrenewable. Someday, they will run out.

Since the 1800s, people have studied the effects of burning fossil fuels. This process puts gases in the air that contribute to climate change. Examine how fossil fuels have been used and the effect they have on our planet's climate.

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Oceans, Glaciers, and Rising Sea Levels: A Graphic Guide

by Christina Hill
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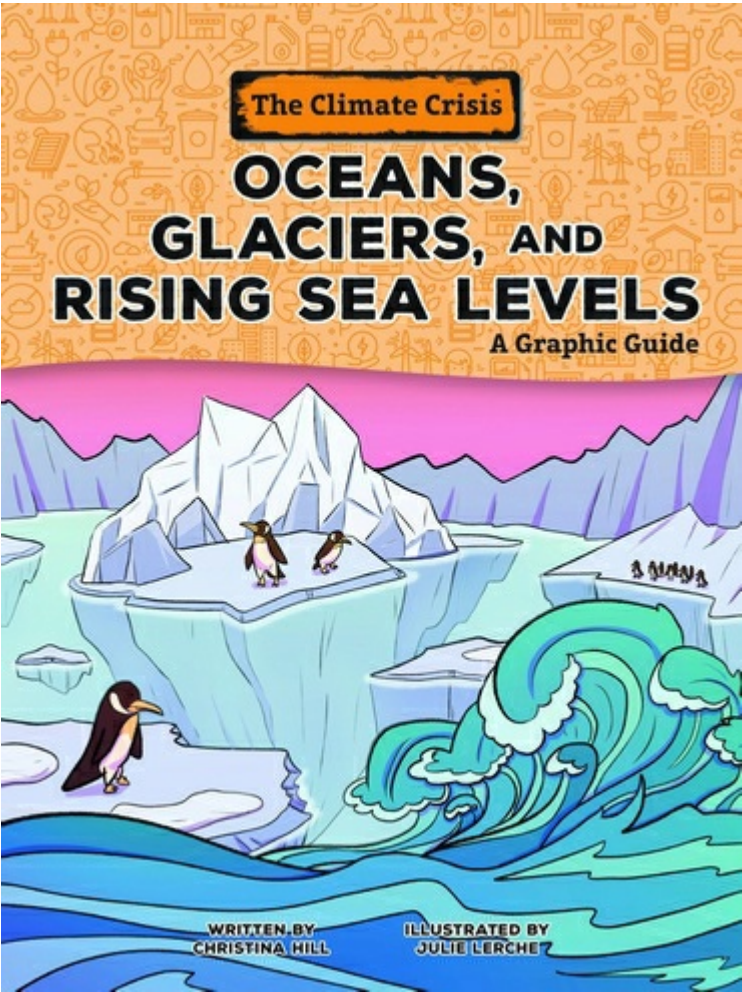
Earth is nearly 70 percent water. Most of this water is frozen in the form of glaciers. As our planet warms, glaciers are melting faster than usual. Sea levels rise, and water washes over coastal areas. Homes are destroyed. Habitats are lost.

Scientists have been following the changes in glacier ice and ocean levels. Discover what they've learned and what changes humans need to make to keep our heads above water.

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