

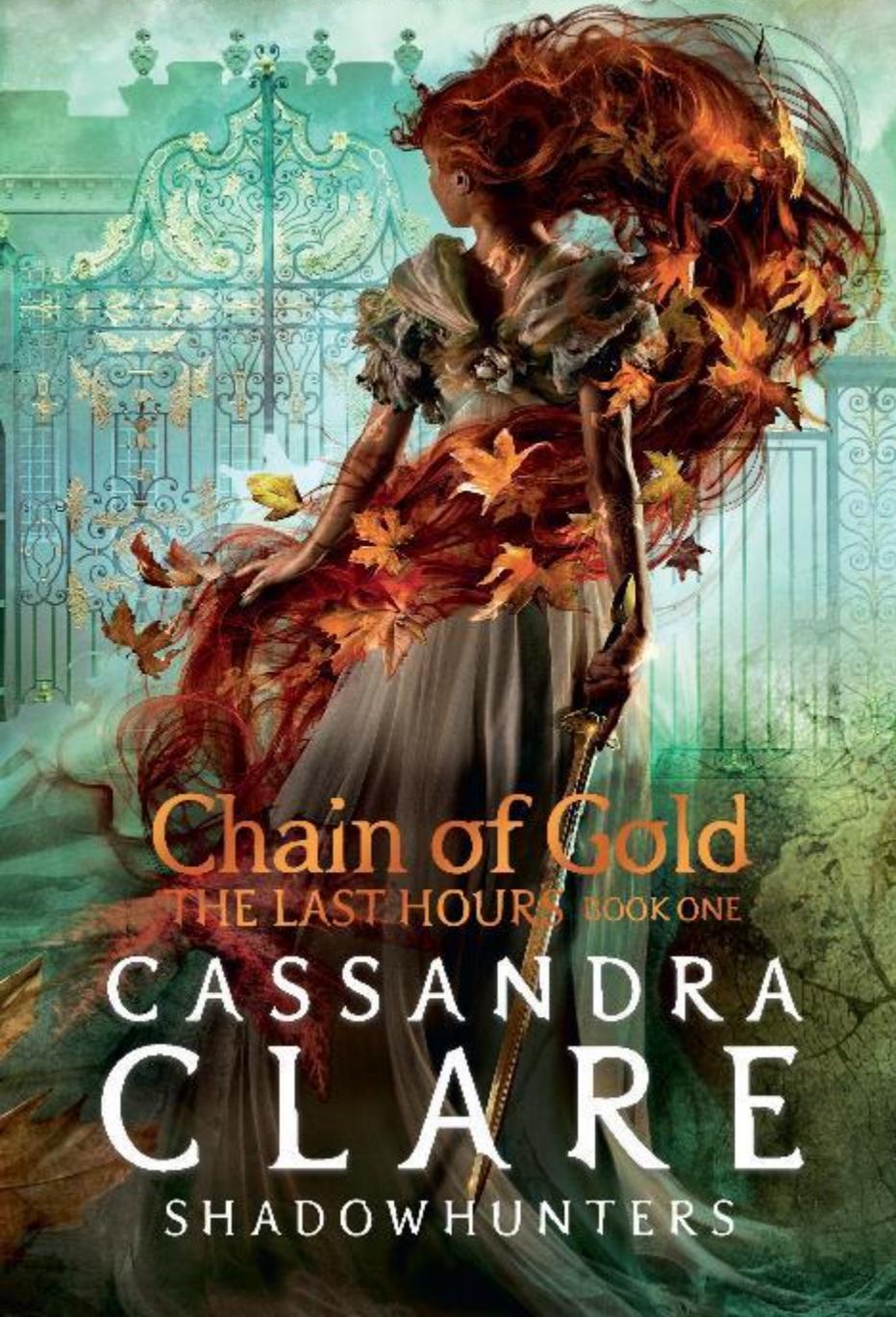


**WALKER  
BOOKS**

**April 2021**

# Highlights

No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author



## The Last Hours: Chain of Gold

[Cassandra Clare](#)

**From internationally bestselling author Cassandra Clare comes the first novel in a brand new Shadowhunters trilogy. Evil is hiding in plain sight and the only thing more dangerous than fighting demons is falling in love.**

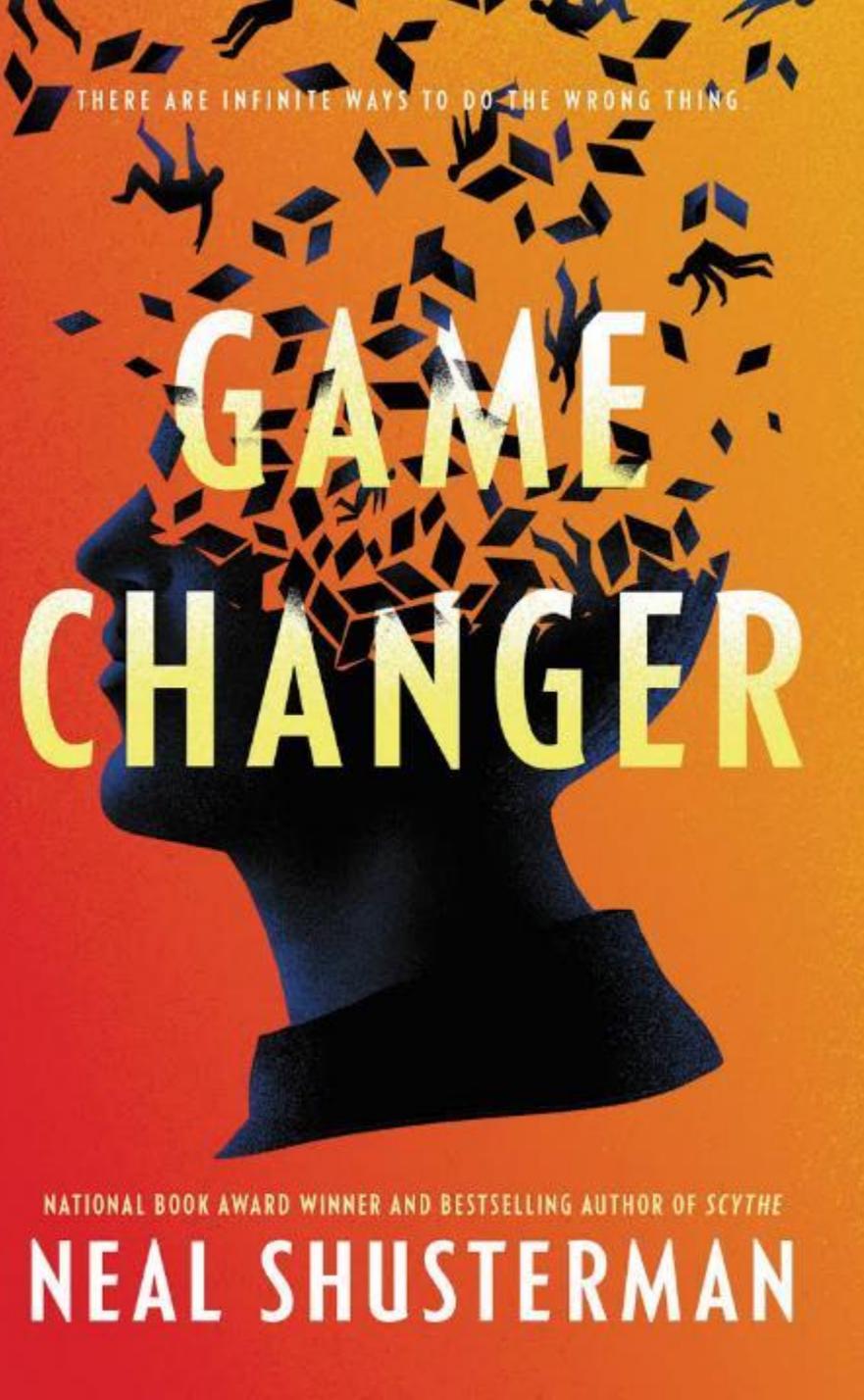
Cordelia Carstairs is a Shadowhunter, a warrior trained since childhood to battle demons. When her father is accused of a terrible crime, she and her brother travel to Edwardian London in hopes of preventing the family's ruin. Cordelia's mother wants to marry her off, but Cordelia is determined to be a hero rather than a bride. Soon Cordelia encounters childhood friends James and Lucie

Herondale and is drawn into their world of glittering ballrooms, secret assignments, and supernatural salons, where vampires and warlocks mingle with mermaids and magicians. All the while, she must hide her secret love for James, who is sworn to marry someone else.

But Cordelia's new life is blown apart when a shocking series of demon attacks devastate London. These monsters are nothing like those Shadowhunters have fought before – these demons walk in daylight, strike down the unwary with incurable poison, and seem impossible to kill. London is immediately quarantined. Trapped in the city, Cordelia and her friends discover that their own connection to an dark legacy has gifted them with incredible powers – and force a brutal choice that will reveal the true cruel price of being a hero.

**The start of a brand-new and highly anticipated Shadowhunters series. The protagonists are the children of characters from the Infernal Devices series. The fourth series in The Shadowhunter Chronicles, following on from The Mortal Instruments, The Infernal Devices and The Dark Artifices. The Shadowhunter world has captivated 40 million readers worldwide. Rights have been sold in over 30 countries, and the books have made bestseller lists all over the world.**

- ISBN: 9781406390988
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 624



## Game Changer

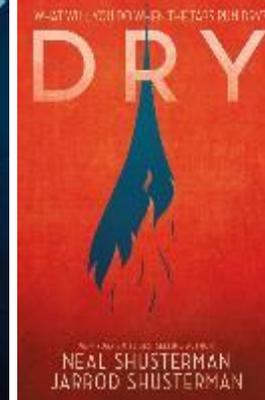
[Neal Shusterman](#)

An ambitious and magnetic novel from the *New York Times* bestselling Neal Shusterman, about a teenage American football player forced into a series of a parallel lives.

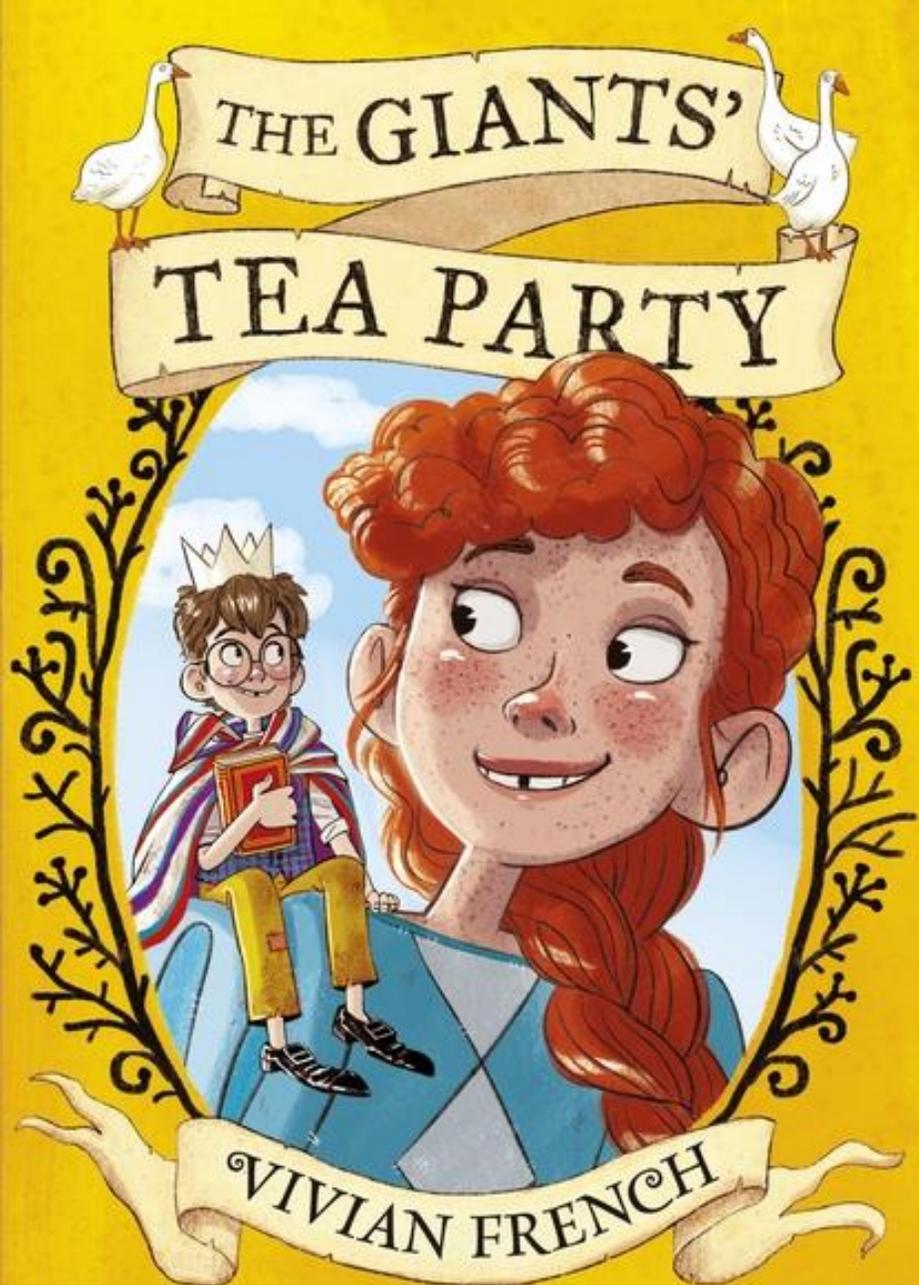
As a star player on his high school American football team, Ash is used to taking some hard hits. But that one run in his last game must have knocked him a little loose, because suddenly his life doesn't look quite the way he remembers it.

As Ash bounces into worlds that are almost-but-not-really his own, he starts to question everything, including his own perceptions and place in his own reality. But can he even work out how to get back there?

- ISBN: 9781406398632
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 432



# Fiction



illustrated by Marta Kissi

## The Giants' Tea Party

[Vivian French](#)

Illustrated by [Marta Kissi](#)

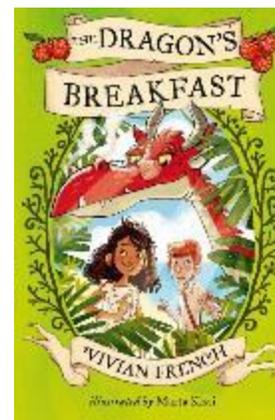
A rollicking fairy-tale adventure from the makers of *The Adventures of Alfie Onion*, *Tom & Tallulah and the Witches' Feast* and *The Dragon's Breakfast*.

"French is a skilled storyteller ... she reminds us how fresh a fairy tale can feel in the right hands." – *The New York Times*

Prince Max is on a mission. The royal family are down to their very last penny, so the king and queen have sent him away to the valley of the giants – with only a grumpy old donkey for company. According to legend, the giants are rich beyond all imagining: they live in gold palaces, drink from gold goblets and brush their teeth with gold toothpaste. But are the legends true and, even if they are, will the giants be willing to share their treasure? With the help of his donkey companion and Caromel, the talking cat, Max is about to find out. And he must keep his wits about him ... there are worse dangers than giants, lurking in the shadows!

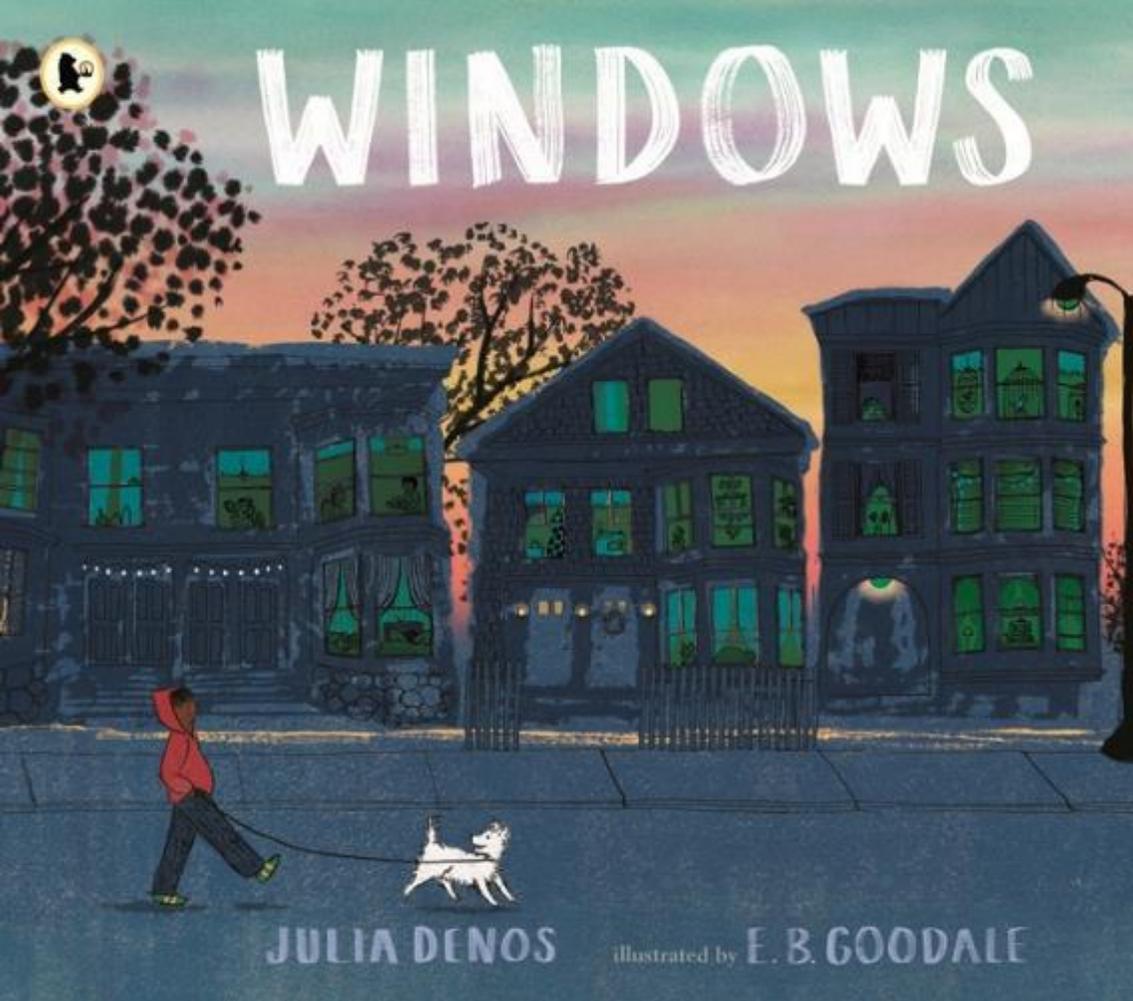
"French is a writer of tremendous charm, her world at once comedic and believable." – *Literary Review*

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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 176



# Indent

# Picture Books



## Windows

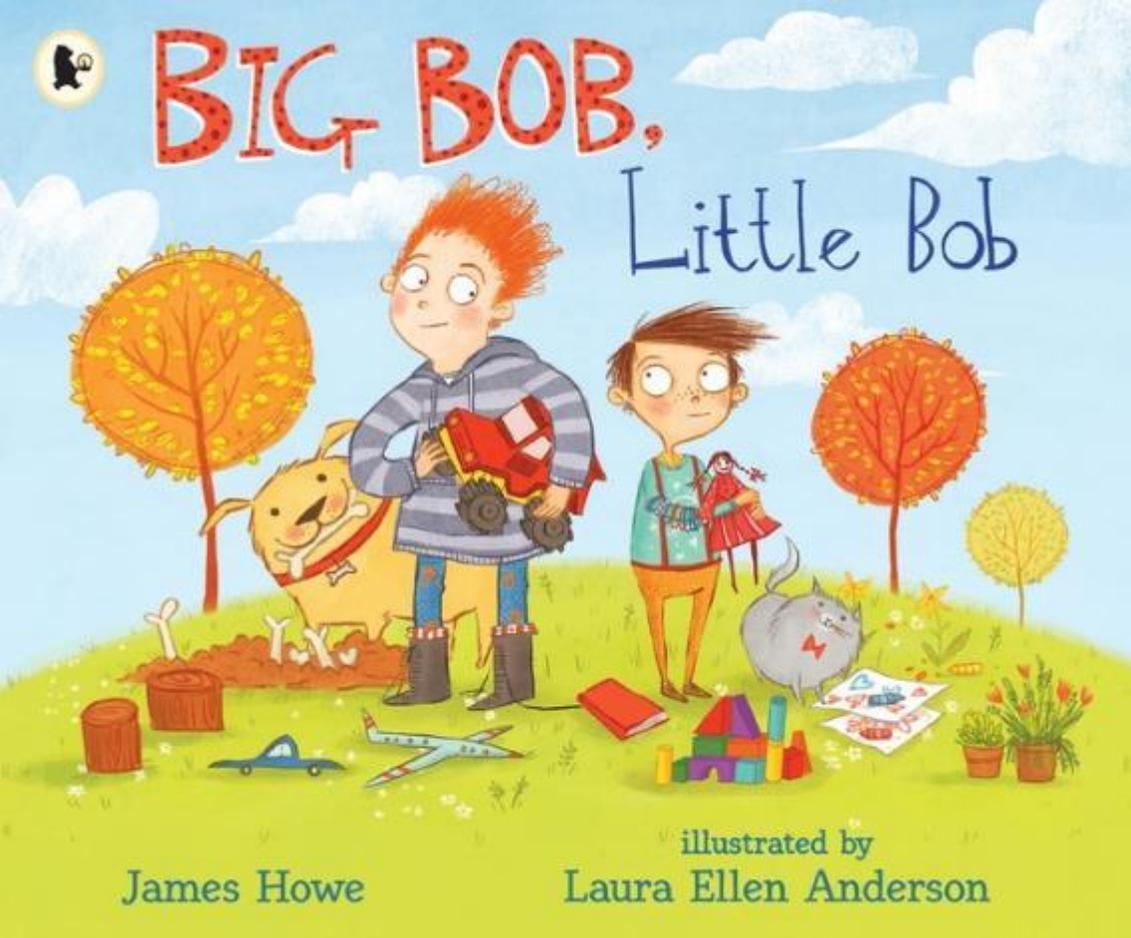
[Julia Denos](#)

Illustrated by [E. B. Goodale](#)

**Walking his dog at dusk, one boy catches glimpses of the lives around him in this lovely ode to autumn evenings, exploring your neighbourhood, and coming home.**

Before your city goes to sleep, you might head out for a walk, your dog at your side as you go out the door and into the almost-night. Anything can happen on such a walk: you might pass a cat, or a friend, or even an early raccoon. And as you go down your street and around the corner, the windows around you light up one by one until you are walking through a maze of paper lanterns, each one granting you a brief, glowing snapshot of your neighbours as families come together and folks settle in for the night. With a setting that feels both specific and universal and a story full of homages to *The Snowy Day*, Julia Denos and E. B. Goodale have created a unique book – at once about the idea of home and the magic of curiosity, but also about how a sense of safety and belonging is something to which every child is entitled.

- ISBN: 9781406390858
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 32



## Big Bob, Little Bob

[James Howe](#)

Illustrated by [Laura Ellen Anderson](#)

**It's not easy to become friends with someone who is nothing like you – but surprising things can happen when you give it a try.**

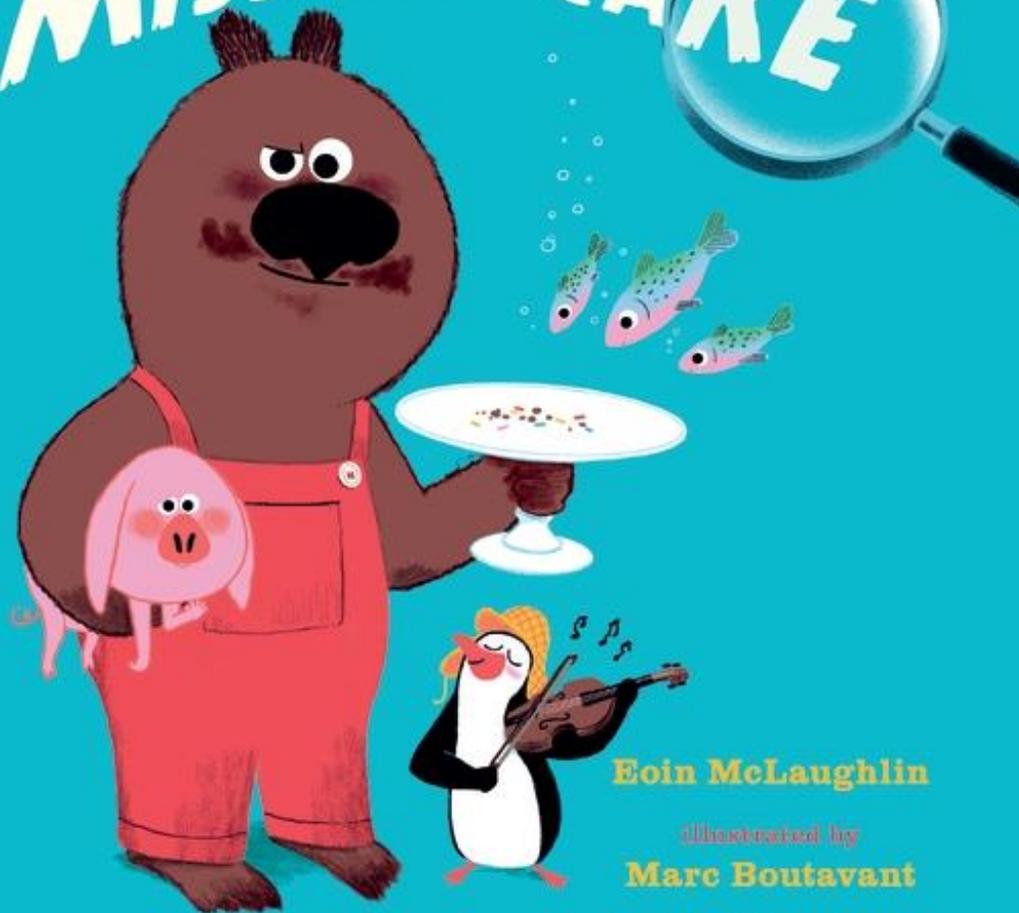
A comforting story of friendship for any child who does not conform to traditional gender stereotypes, this is the story of two boys, as different as different can be. Big Bob likes trucks and throwing balls and being loud. Little Bob likes dolls and jingling bracelets and being quiet. No matter what they do, they do not do it the same. But when they become new neighbours, they might just find a way to be friends... With humour and tenderness, James Howe and Laura Ellen Anderson beautifully depict the struggles and joys that come when friendships are forged between different kinds of people.

- ISBN: 9781406395853
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 32



*not* AN ALPHABET BOOK

# THE CASE OF THE MISSING CAKE



Eoin McLaughlin

illustrated by

Marc Boutavant

## Not an Alphabet Book: The Case of the Missing Cake

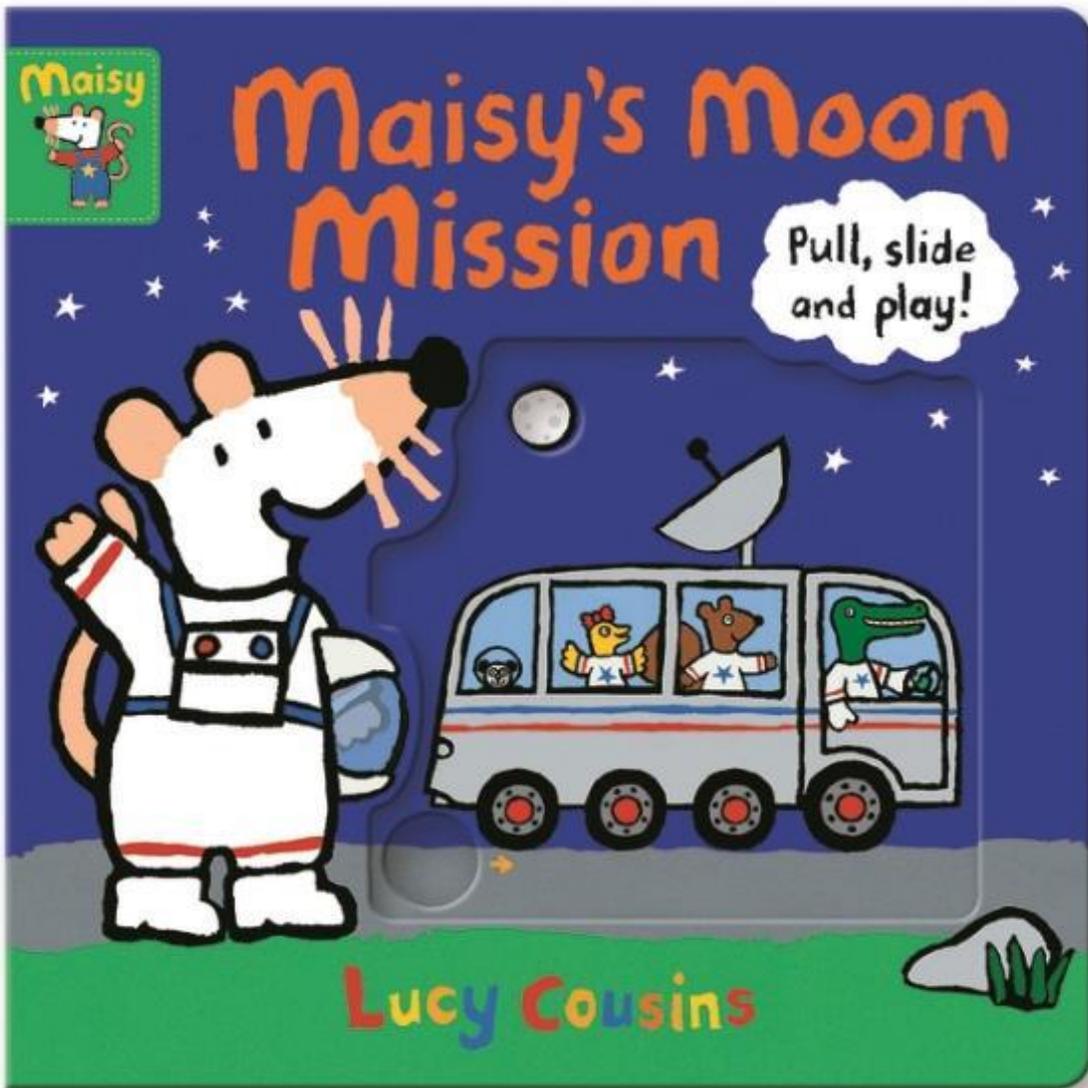
[Eoin McLaughlin](#)

Illustrated by [Marc Boutavant](#)

A graphic, bright, imaginative alphabet book, with a smart and laugh-out-loud whodunit twist.

This was meant to be a simple alphabet book but something has happened. Something horrible. The most *terrible* crime! The world's most completely delicious, tongue-jingly, chocolaty cake has been ... STOLEN! As Bear travels from A to Z, visiting all sorts of characters, objects and extraordinary places along the way, can YOU help him search for the culprit? But, wait! Are those crumbs on *Bear's* page? And are those *Bear*-shaped pawprints next to the empty cake stand? It seems our narrator might not be as reliable as we first thought...

- ISBN: 9781406390759
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 40

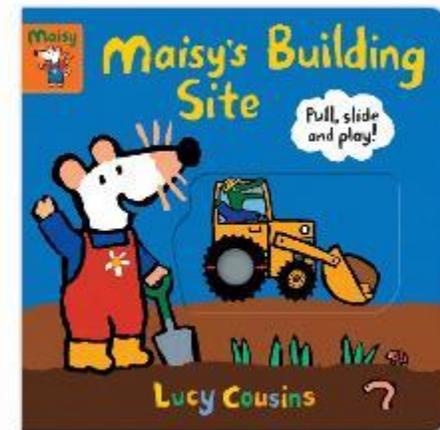


## Maisy's Moon Mission

[Lucy Cousins](#)

Maisy's going to the moon, and you can come too! With easy-to-use play, pull and slide tabs on every spread, little ones will love this interactive space adventure.

3, 2, 1... Blast off! Join Maisy as she embarks on an amazing moon mission! Pull, slide and play to help Maisy pilot her rocket. Launch into space, gaze at the stars and ride a moon buggy! An exciting, interactive space adventure, ideal for imaginative play and introducing little ones to the wonders of outer space.



- ISBN: 9781406391947
- Format: Board Book
- Genre: Character & Series
- Extent: 8

# Non-Fiction

# DRAWN ACROSS BORDERS

TRUE STORIES  
OF MIGRATION

George Butler.



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## Drawn Across Borders: Stories of Migration

[George Butler](#)

**A collection of vivid and powerful stories drawn on the front lines of migration by award-winning artist George Butler.**

For thousands of years humans have moved around the world, to seek a better life, to flee disaster or to escape war. Migration is a fact of life – and one of the most pressing issues of our time. In striking and intimate illustrations, award-winning artist George Butler introduces us to the people behind the headlines. Drawings made on front lines, in refugee camps and on the move vividly capture stories of leaving home, travelling into the unknown and trying to make a new life. These powerful portraits of migration are a timely reminder of the humanity we all share and our universal need to seek safety and a better life. A stunning, illuminating and sensitive look at stories that deserve to be told.

- ISBN: 9781406392166
- Format: Hardback
- Genre: Non-Fiction
- Extent: 56



**Andersen Press**

## ELMER BACKLIST

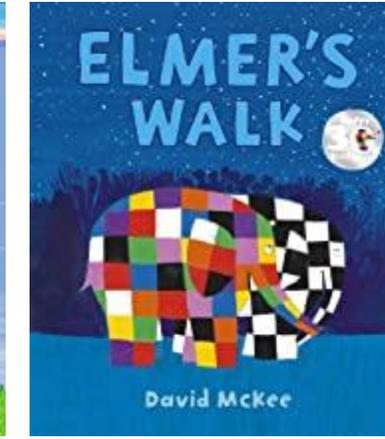
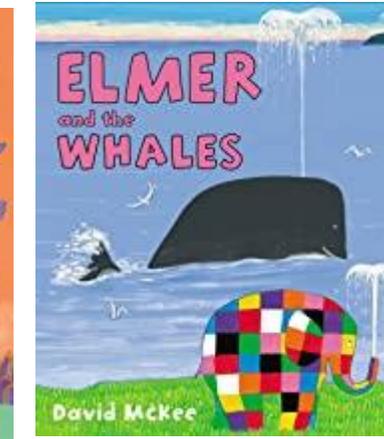
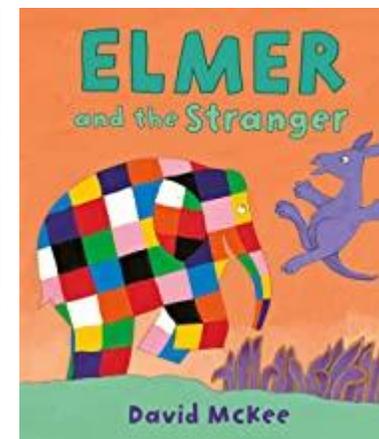
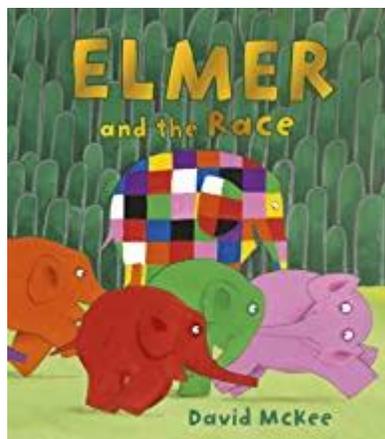
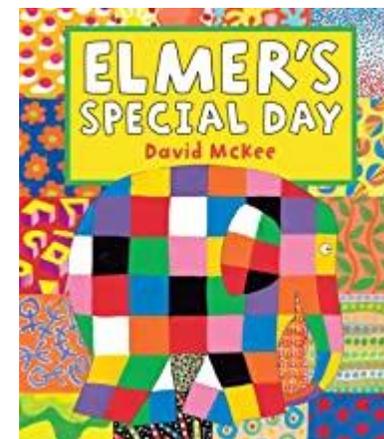
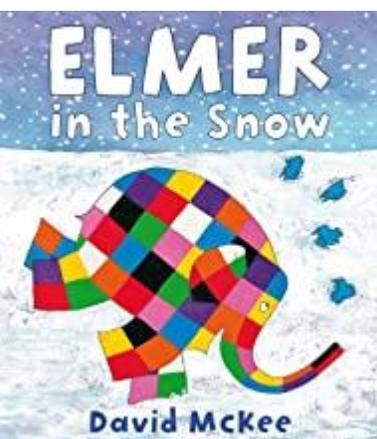
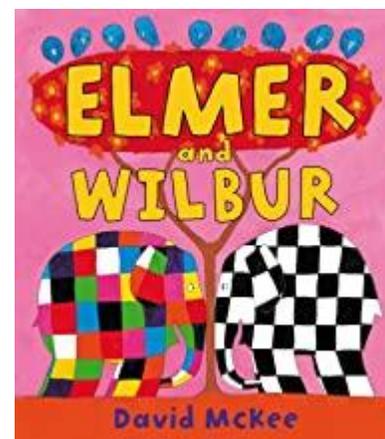
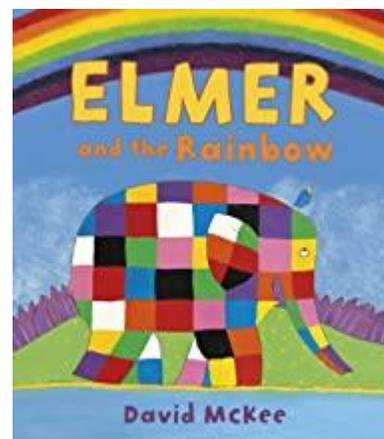
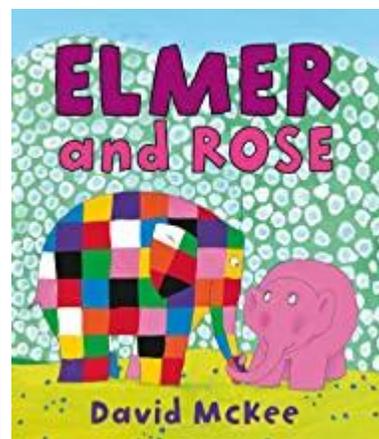
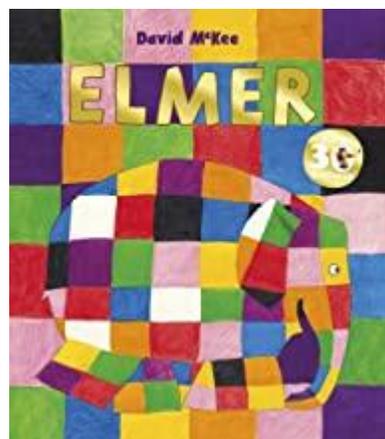
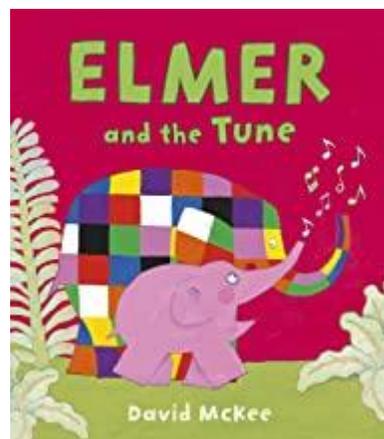
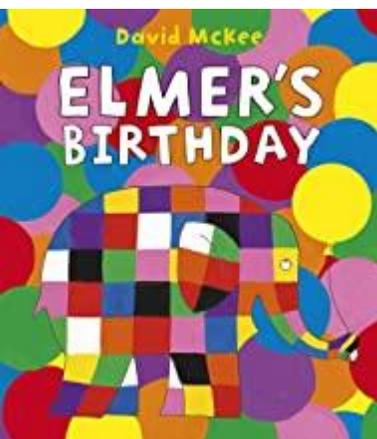
**Elmer is different. Elmer is patchwork.**

**The grey elephants all love him, but he soon starts to wonder what it would be like to be just the same as them...**

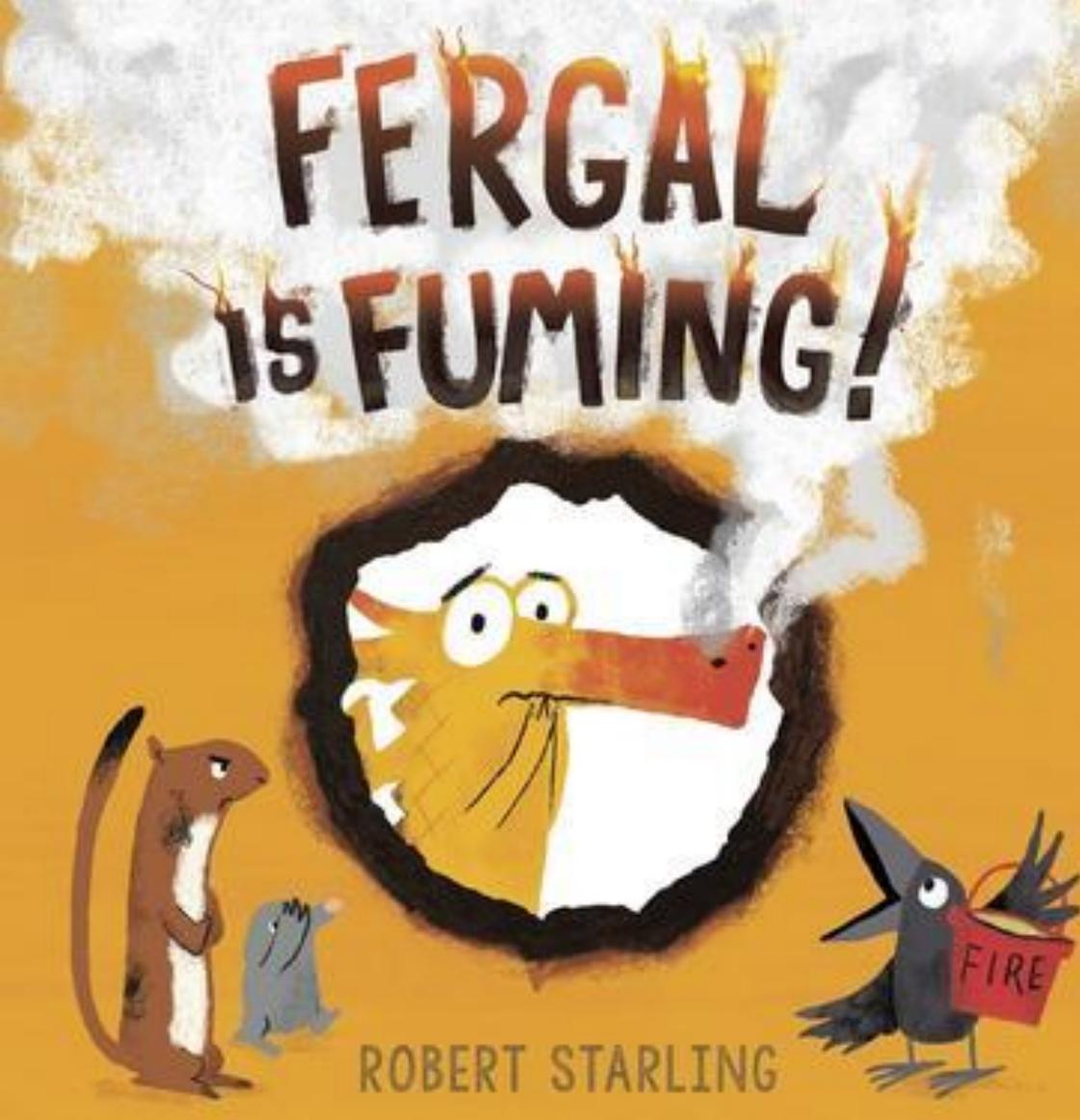
**Full of colour, wisdom and pathos, little readers will love this classic tale at bedtime.**

**Deservedly a modern classic, with over ten million copies of his books sold worldwide, Elmer's subtle message, that it is OK to be different, resonates with children across the world. Elmer the colourful patchwork elephant has been a nursery favourite since 1989.**

***'A deserved favourite with the 2-5s' SUNDAY TIMES***



# Picture Books



## Fergal is Fuming!

[Robert Starling](#)

A new board book edition of this Waterstones Prize-shortlisted tale, about a dragon learning to manage his temper.

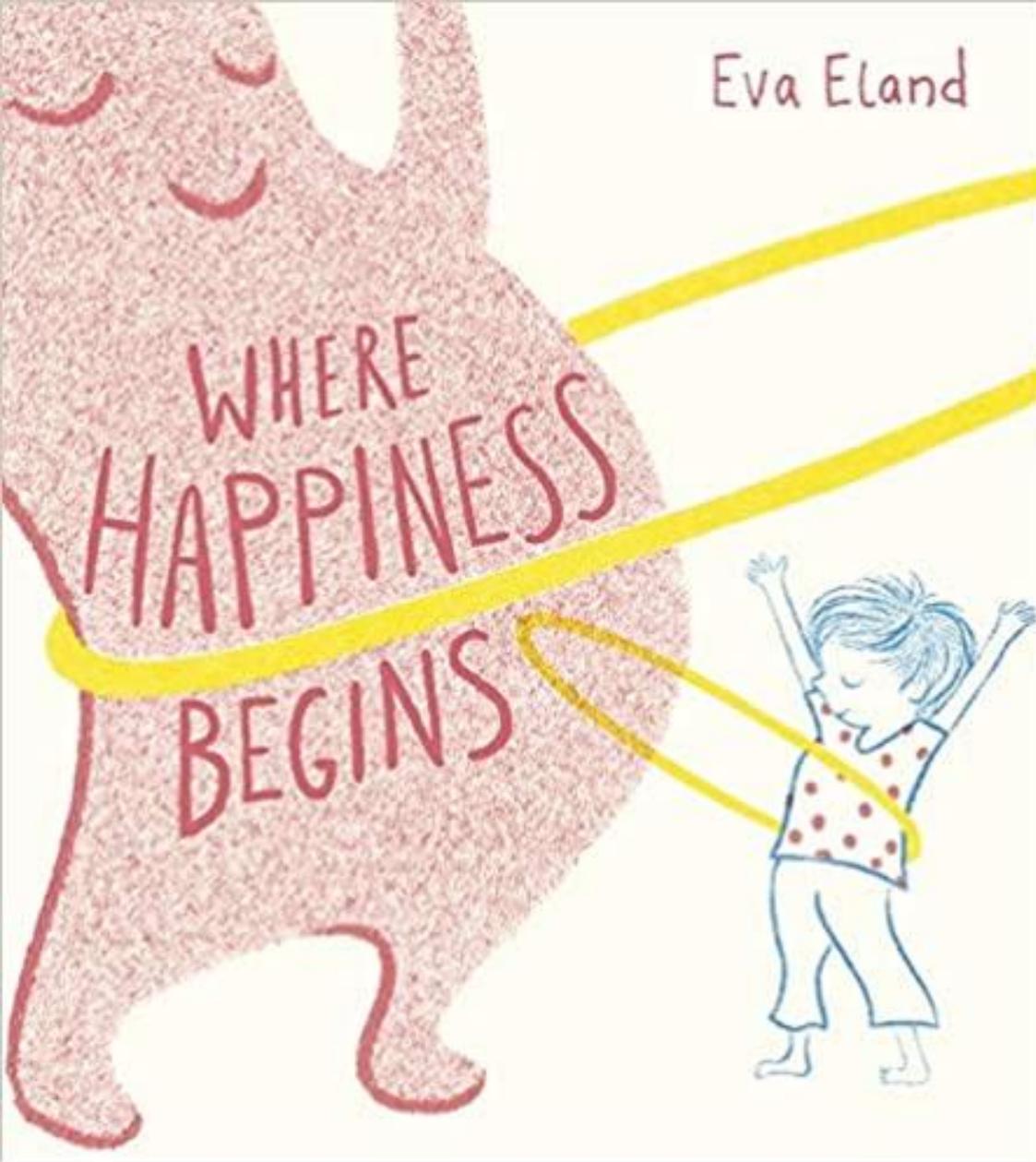
A dragon with a short temper is not a good combination, as Fergal's family and friends soon find out. He burns the dinner (literally), reduces the football goal to ashes and absolutely cannot play a nice, quiet board game. It is only when he starts to notice other animals have clever tricks to calm down that Fergal begins to win back his friends, especially when he discovers dragons can cool off in a very handy way.

Cased board book with rounded corners - perfect for little hands.

Shortlisted for the 2018 Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Read it Again! Picture Book Prize 2018.

Fergal's tips and tricks for calming down will prove invaluable to children and parents learning to navigate big emotions.

- ISBN: 9781839130137
- Format: Board Book
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 30



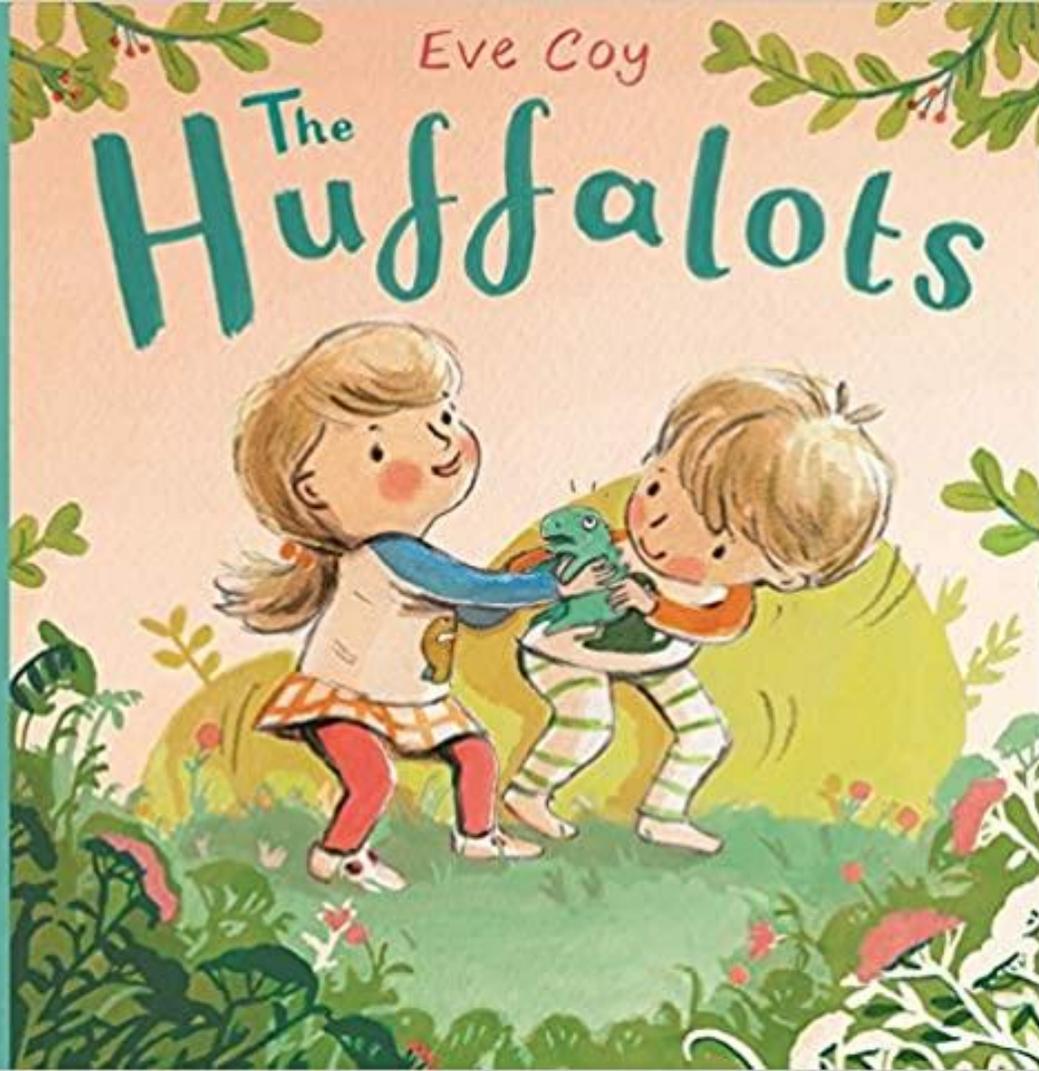
## Where Happiness Begins (Big Emotions)

[Eva Eland](#)

Are you looking for happiness? Sometimes it can feel really far away, and sometimes you might have so much you can't help but share. You can try to chase it, control it or capture it, but even if it seems like it's gone for a while, you'll know it's never far away...

This is the second of Eva Eland's picture books that helps little ones deal with big emotions. Start on your journey with happiness... who knows where it could take you?

- ISBN: 9781783448562
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 32



## The Huffalots

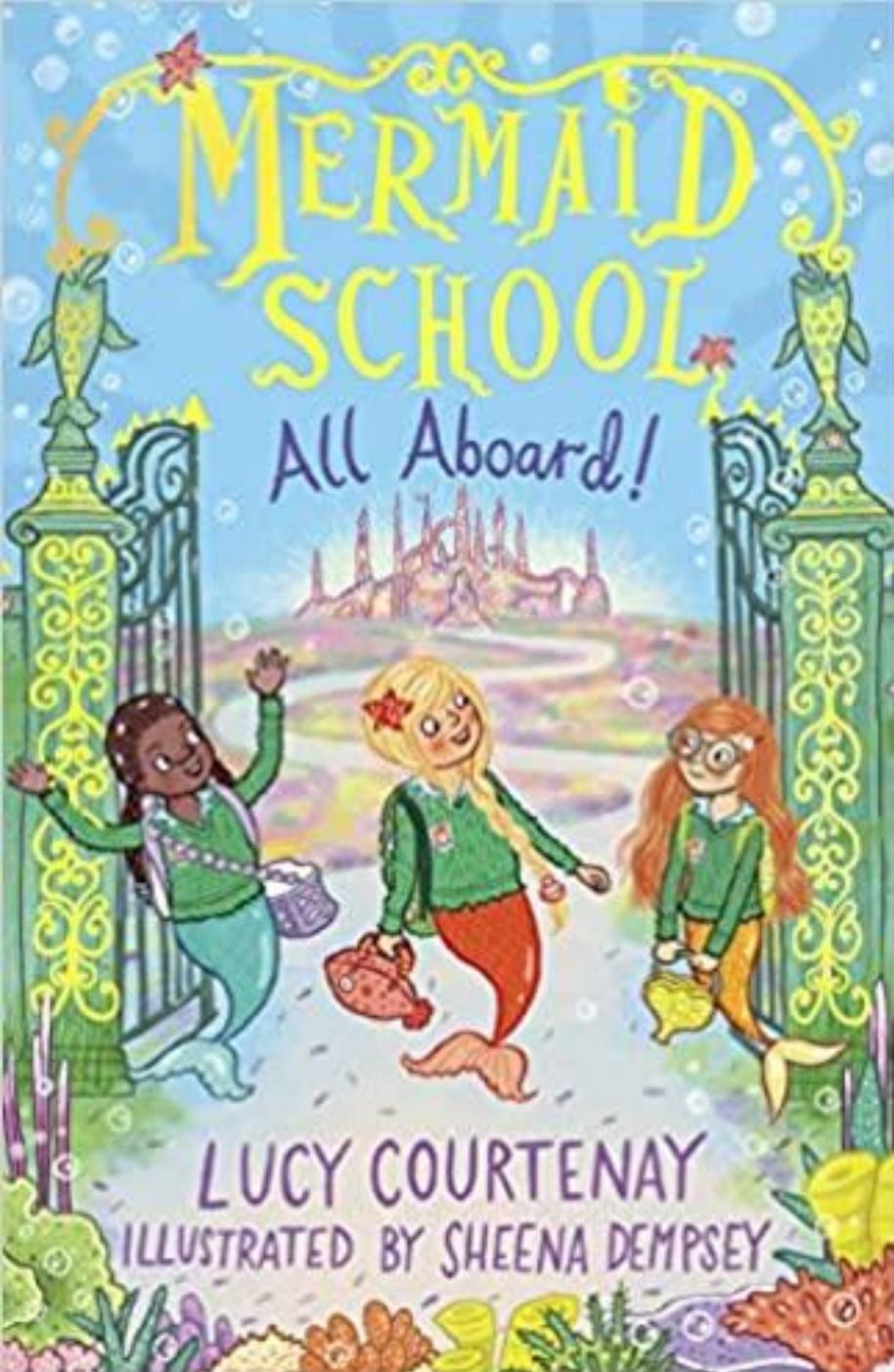
[Eve Coy](#)

When Mum wakes up her Huffalots, nothing is right – they don't like their clothes, their breakfast is yucky and they just don't like each other. When one of them trips over, the other offers a hug and they magically transform into *Huffalittles*, then *Lovealittles*, and finally, with a big cuddle they become *Lovealots*. But it's been a long day and Mum is now grumpy and tired. Good thing the Lovealots know exactly what to do...

A gorgeous picture book that explores how moods change through the day, and what we can do to help others feel better.

- ISBN: 9781783449804
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 32

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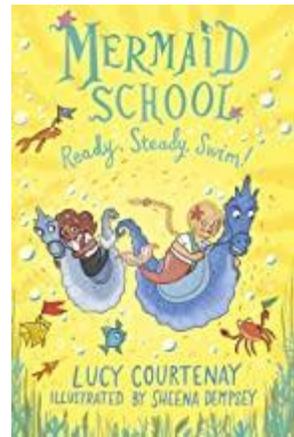
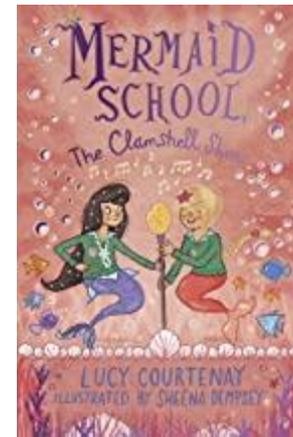
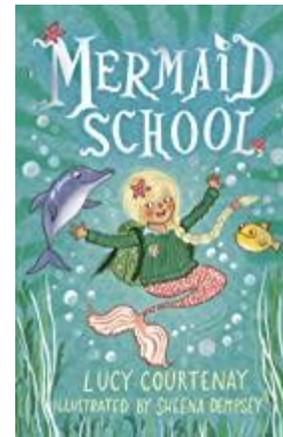
## Mermaid School: All Aboard!

[Lucy Courtenay](#) , [Sheena Dempsey](#)

Marnie Blue is so excited! She is going on a school trip to see the legendary palace of Queen Marettia with all her friends. But when Mum is too unwell to join the trip, Aunt Christabel agrees to come in her place, and she was offhcially the naughtiest mermaid the school has ever known. Marnie expects mayhem. Will they board the whale-shark on time?

Will everyone eat their packed lunches on the way there? And just who is sneaking around the palace causing all sorts of mischief?

- ISBN: 9781783449897
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 128





## We Played With Fire

[Catherine Barter](#)

Maggie has witnessed impossible things. But no one believes her, and now her family has taken her away to spend the winter upstate in a remote, freezing farmhouse.

Bored and angry, Maggie and her younger sister Kate start to play tricks: rapping on the floorboards above their parents' bedroom, cracking their toes under the table, and telling tales about noises in the night. Then the house starts to make sounds of its own. Neither Maggie nor Kate can explain it, but it seems as though someone – or something – is trying to speak to them . . .

Inspired by the incredible true tale of the Fox Sisters, the girls who made their fortune in nineteenth-century America by speaking to ghosts.

- ISBN: 9781839130069
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 336