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JEAN-CLAUDE MOURLEVAT

Winter Song Jean-Claude Mourlevat, Translated by <u>Anthea Bell</u>

One voice is the weapon against tyranny in this powerful hymn to courage and freedom.

Four teenagers escape from their prison-like boarding schools to take up the fight against the tyrannical government that murdered their parents fifteen years earlier. Fleeing across icy mountains from a pack of terrifying dog-men sent to hunt them down, only three of the friends make it safely to Jahn's Restaurant, the headquarters of a secret resistance movement. It is here they learn about courage, freedom and love, and discover the astonishing power of one voice as the battle begins - to free a depressed and terrified nation from a generation of cruelty, and to save their captured friend, forced to fight to the death in a barbaric ancient game.

- A powerful story of courage and freedom against a tyrannical government strong appeal to fans of dystopian fiction.
- Winner of the highly prestigious Prix Saint Exupery in France; translated into 10 other languages.
- Reissued with a powerful new cover.

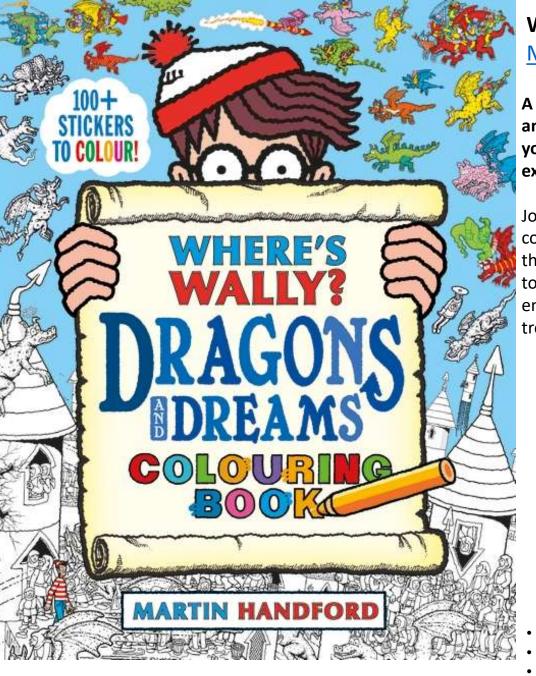
Jean-Claude Mourlevat was born in Ambert, France. He taught German for five years before deciding to study drama. He wrote and directed burlesque shows for adults and children which were performed for more than ten years in France and abroad. He started writing in 1996 and his stories were published the same year. He first wrote short texts which were illustrated and became children's books. He lives in a house overhanging the River Loire, near Saint-Etienne, with his wife and two children.

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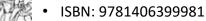
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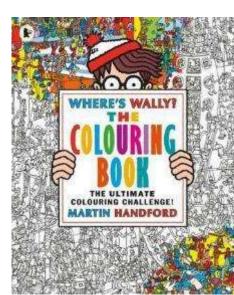
Where's Wally? Dragons and Dreams Colouring Book Martin Handford

A new title in the fantastic *Where's Wally?* activity book range. Wally is on an incredible adventure through the pages of a magical story book. Grab your pencils, get creative and bring every scene alive with colour. Includes extra things to find and over 100 incredible stickers. Wow!

Join Wally as he steps into the pages of a magical story book. Grab your colouring pencils, get creative and bring the adventure to life! Navigate through a land of dragons, a paradise filled with flowers and fruit, a world of toys and games, a murky mysterious swamp and (if you're feeling brave enough) be drawn into a land of fearsome monsters to find some valuable treasure. It's a colourful caper!



- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Character Book
- Extent: 24





HI, WALLY-WATCHERS!

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COLOUR EACH SCENE HOWEVER YOU WISH. THE TREES CAN BE FINK WITH YELLOW SPOTS IF YOU LIKE, OR THE SKY CAN BE FILLED WITH RAINBOWSI WHATEVER YOU IMAGINE, WHATEVER YOU DREAM, ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!

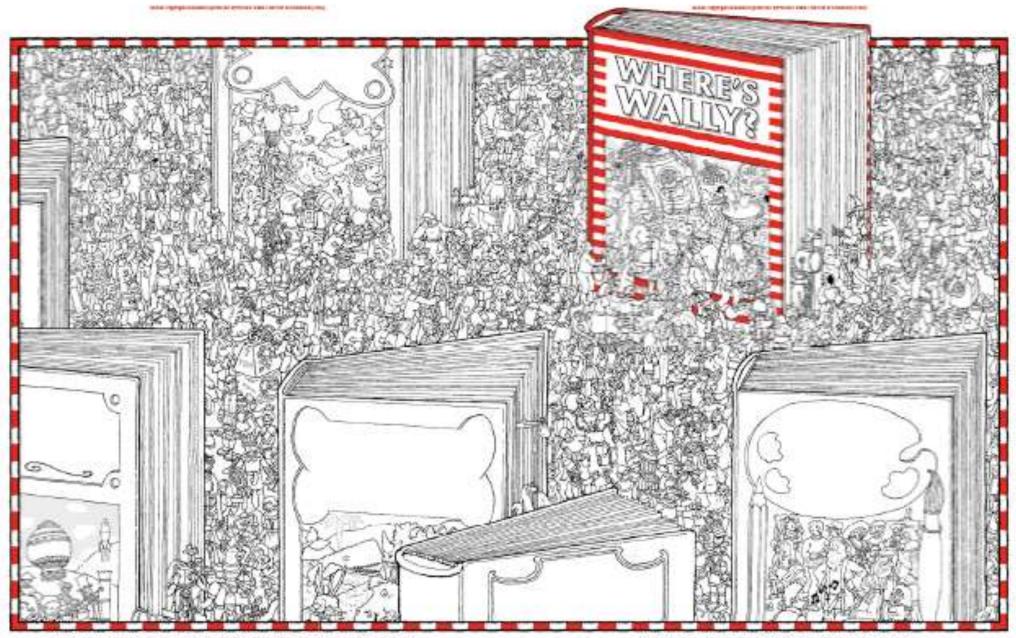
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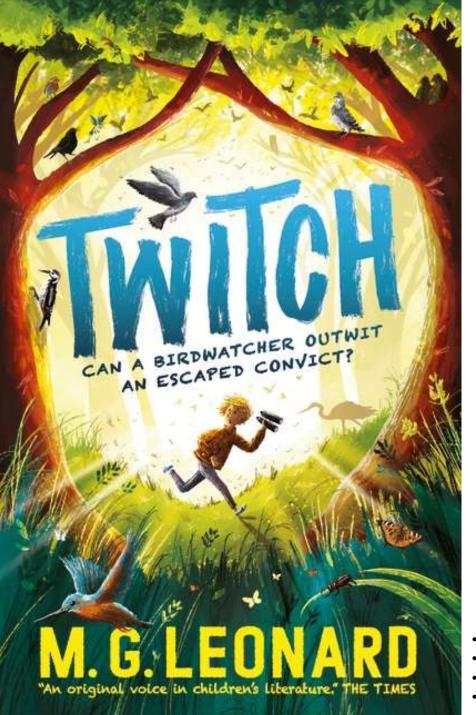
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HOW AMAZING. THESE CHARACTERS ARE STEPPING OUT OF THEIR STORIES!

WRITE YOUR OWN TITLES ON THESE BRILLIANT BOOKS.



Twitch M. G. Leonard

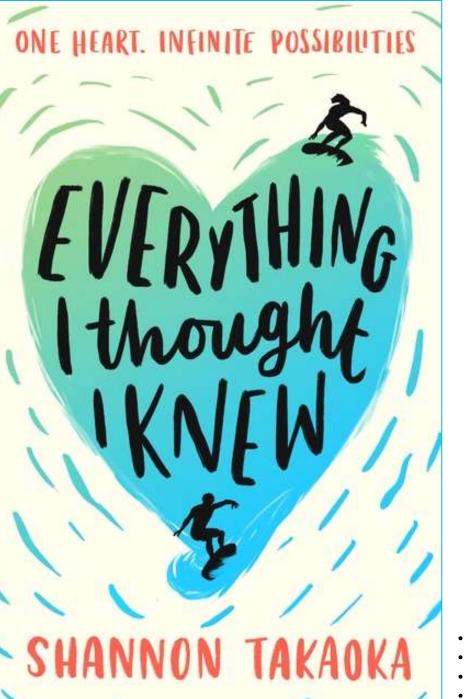
The internationally bestselling author of *Beetle Boy* writes a thrilling, mystery adventure about friendship, bravery and the wonderful world of birds, starring a birdwatching detective called Twitch.

Can a birdwatcher outwit an escaped convict?

Twitch has three pet chickens, four pigeons, swallows nesting in his bedroom and a passion for bird-spotting. On the first day of the summer holidays, he arrives at his secret bird-watching hide to find police everywhere. A convicted robber has broken out of prison and is hiding in Aves Wood. Can Twitch use his talents for bird-spotting in the hunt for the dangerous prisoner, and find the missing loot?

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Everything I Thought I Knew Shannon Takaoka

A teenage girl wonders if she's inherited more than just a heart from her donor in this compulsively readable debut.

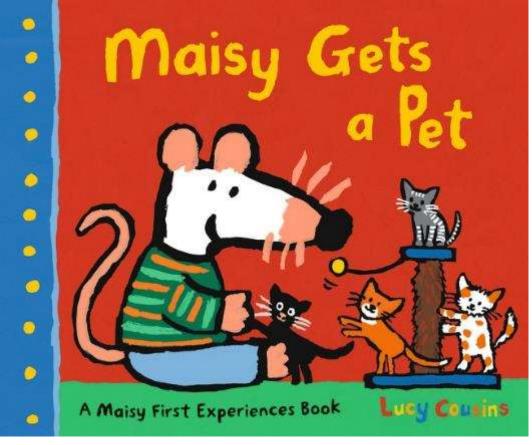
Seventeen-year-old Chloe had a plan: work hard, get good grades, and attend a toptier college. But after she collapses during cross country practice and is told that she needs a new heart, all her careful preparations are laid to waste. Eight months after her transplant, everything is different. Stuck in summer school with the underachievers, all she wants to do now is grab her surfboard and hit the waves – which is strange, because she wasn't interested in surfing before her transplant. (It doesn't hurt that her instructor, Kai, is seriously good looking.) And that's not all that's strange. There's also the vivid recurring nightmare about crashing a motorcycle in a tunnel and memories of people and places she doesn't recognize. Is there something wrong with her head now, too, or is there another explanation for what she's experiencing?

As she searches for answers, and as her attraction to Kai intensifies, what she learns will lead her to question everything she thought she knew – about life, death, love, identity, and the true nature of reality.

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- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 320



PICTURE BOOKS



Maisy Gets a Pet Lucy Cousins

Maisy is getting a pet! Join her as she chooses the perfect kitten and takes it home to look after. This bright and humorous story is ideal for teaching little ones about responsible pet ownership.

Penguin's cat has had kittens, and Maisy is taking one home! First she chooses a name for her new friend: Little Black Cat. Next, she learns how to look after a pet responsibly by feeding it, handling it gently, cleaning up after it and taking it to the vet! There's plenty of time for playing, too!

This adorable and humorous story is full of fun and gives clear instructions on how to look after a furry friend. An ideal book for teaching little ones about responsible pet ownership.

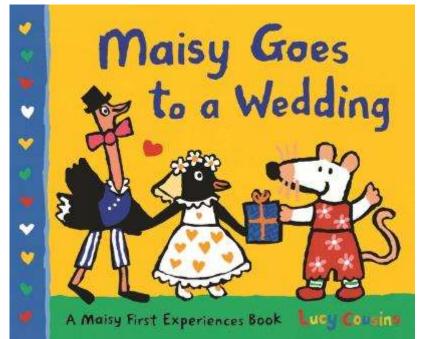
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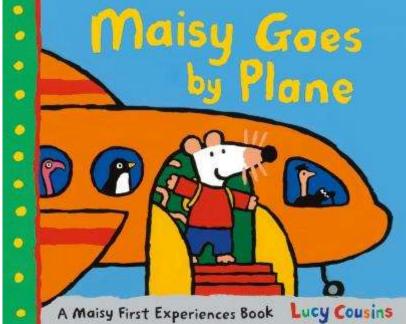


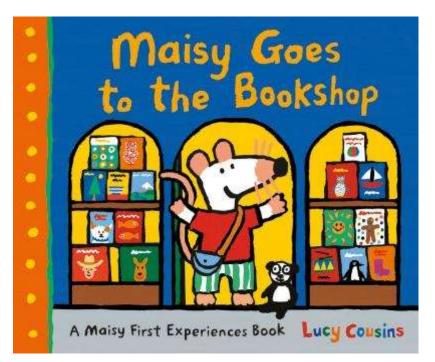


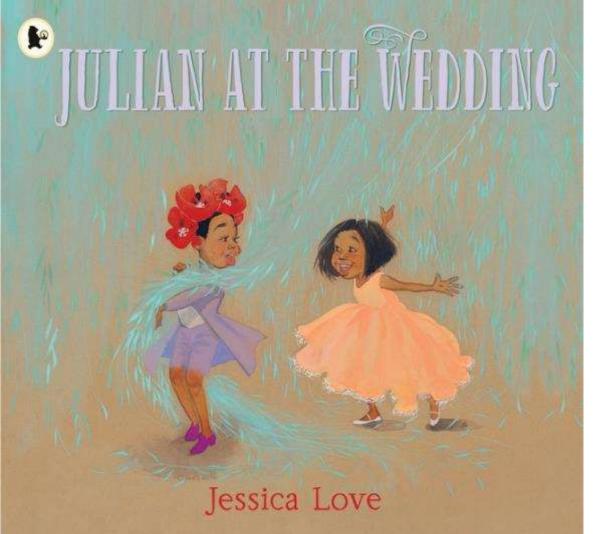
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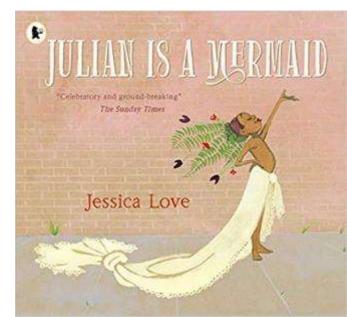




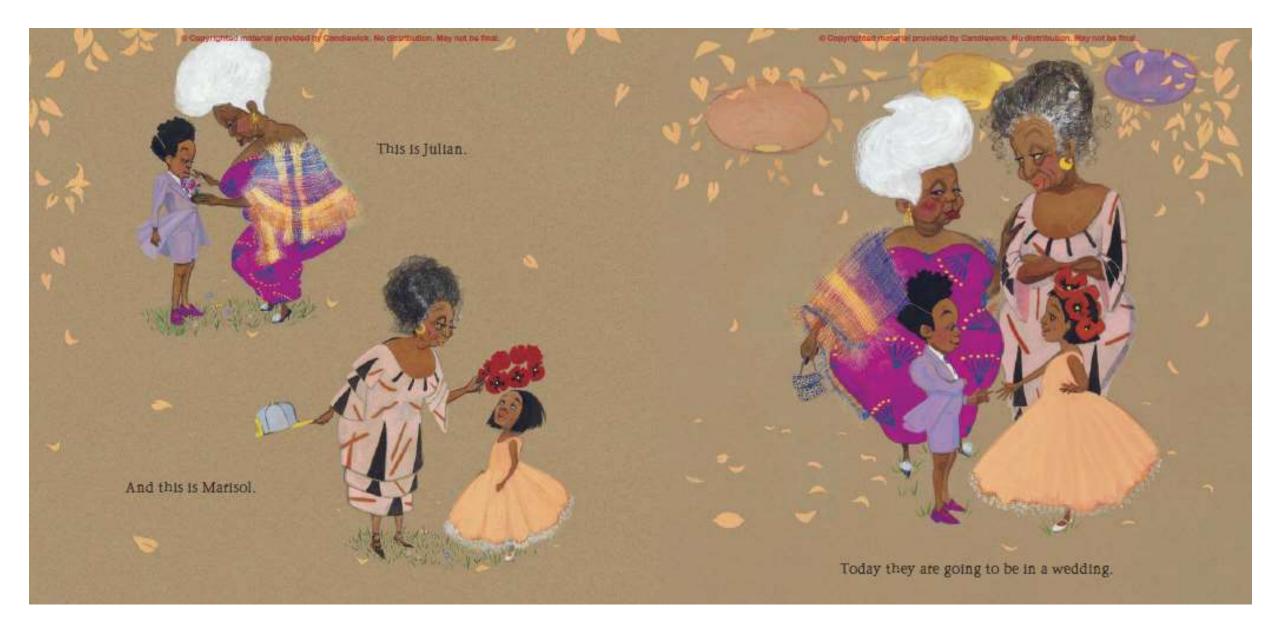
Julian at the Wedding Jessica Love

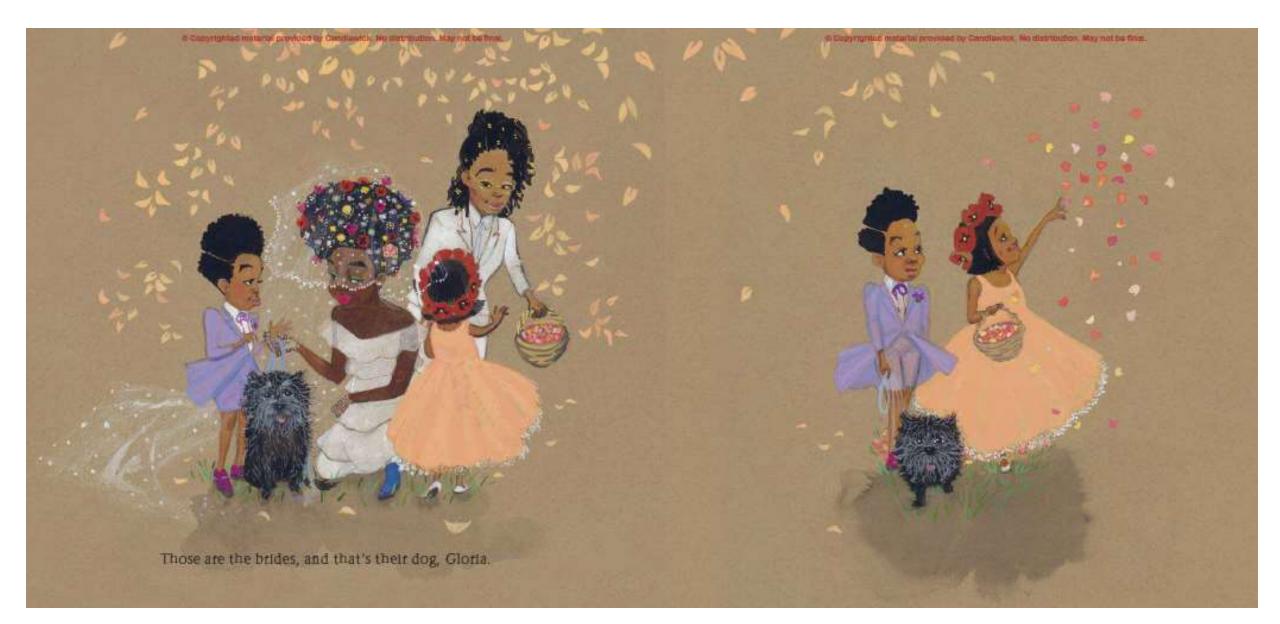
The star of *Julian Is a Mermaid* makes a joyful return – and finds a new friend – at a wedding to be remembered.

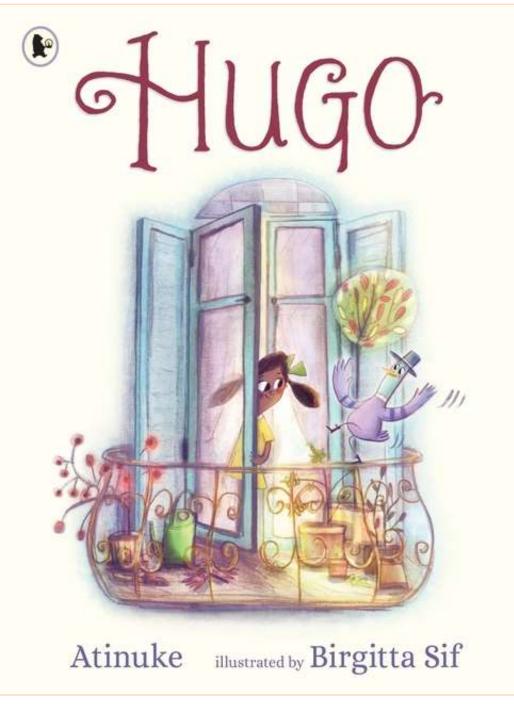
Julian and his nana are attending a wedding. Better yet, Julian is *in* the wedding along with his cousin Marisol. When wedding duties are fulfilled and with a new dog friend in tow, the pair takes off to roam the venue, exploring everywhere from underneath tables to enchanting willow trees to ... muddy puddles? After all, it wouldn't be a wedding without fun, laughter and a little magical mischief. With ingenuity and heart, author-illustrator Jessica Love tells a charming story of friendship, acceptance and celebration.



- ISBN: 9781406397987
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 40







Hugo <u>Atinuke</u> Illustrated by <u>Birgitta Sif</u>

A Parisian pigeon passionate about people makes a new friend – with gentle themes of community and inclusivity.

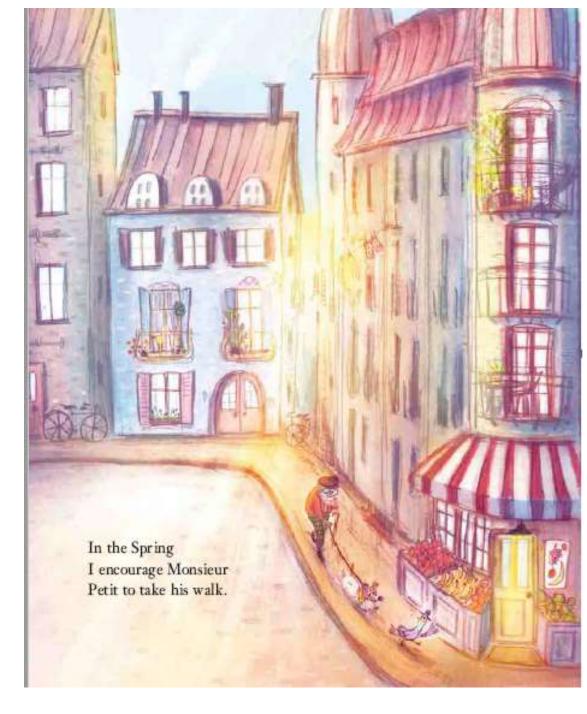
Hugo the pigeon has an important job. He looks after the park and everyone who lives there. Everyone except for the Somebody whose curtains are never open. But one day, Hugo is so busy doing his showing-off dance that he doesn't see the dog approaching ... and Somebody has to fly to the rescue!

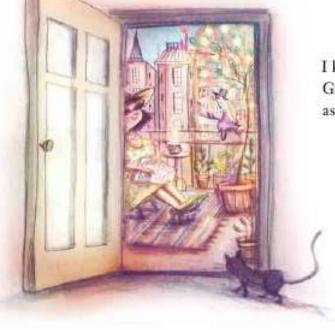
A charming story about community and the value of friendship, beautifully brought to life by Birgitta Sif's energetic illustrations.

- ISBN: 9781406394306
- Format: Paperback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 40

My name is Hugo. I am a park warden. I look after the park and I look after the people who live around it. It is my job.

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I keep Madame Grande company as she takes the sun.

I discuss the news with Monsieur Occupé.



My Day with the Panye <u>Tami Charles</u> Illustrated by <u>Sara Palacios</u>

The panye means we are graceful when the load is heavy. We are strong, even when the earth is not. We are family, fed from love.

Fallon is going to the market with Maman. She ties her hair in a sun-yellow mouchwa, and places the panye carefully on her head. Fallon's toes tingle, she takes few few steps towards the door, and, BOOM!, the panye falls on the floor. "Little by little the bird builds its nest," Maman says, "not everything is learned fast." As they walk past colourful walls under swirls of blue, cloudless sky, Maman carries the panye still on her head, graceful and strong. At the market, they buy their dinner, filling the panye with all kinds of fruits and vegetables.

Then, as the sun dances across the sky, it's time to go home, and time for Fallon to try once again to carry the panye. Will she be able to hold her head, graceful and strong, like Maman?

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

Tami Charles Illustrated by Sara Palacios

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In the hills of Port-au-Prince, Manman's voice, sweet like mango, sings to the sky.

"Fallon," she calls. "Would you like to go to market with me?"

"Yest" I say.

My little sister, Naima, cries, "Me tool"

"Another time, pitit. Your day will come, but today it's Fallon's turn."

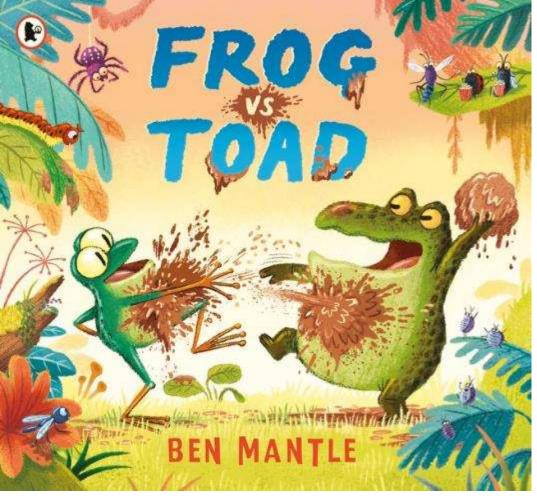


Manman wraps her hair in a silk mouchwa, brighter than the Caribbean sea.

I twist my sun-yellow scarf into my braids, but it doesn't look as good as hers.

Manman tightens my mouchwa. Then she places the panye on her head.





Frog vs Toad Ben Mantle

A hilarious, light-hearted fable about seeing past our differences.

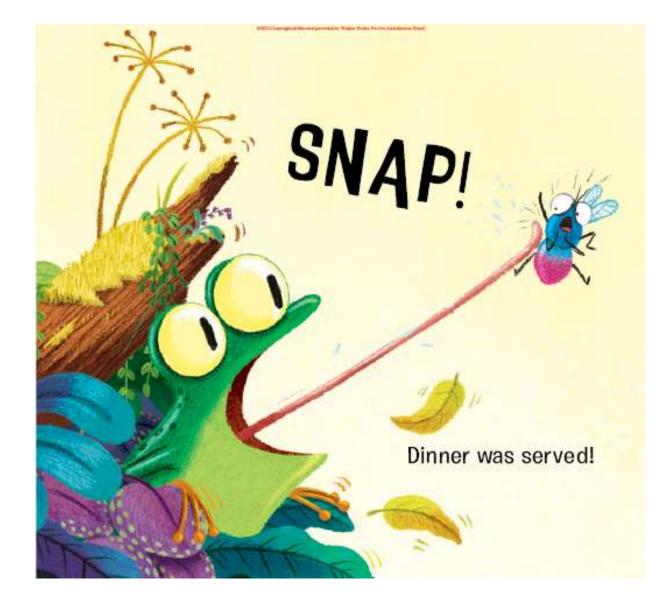
Frog is a frog. And Toad is a toad. They are totally different from each other. So when a fly mistakes Frog and Toad for two FROGS, it's not long before things get a bit fruity... Luckily, a too-close call with a snappy alligator makes Frog and Toad join forces to see that they're not THAT different after all...

At heart, a laugh-out-loud journey about togetherness, putting differences aside and realizing that friends don't need to be just like you, but they come in all shapes and sizes!

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The juicy fly was almost close enough to taste.





SNAP!

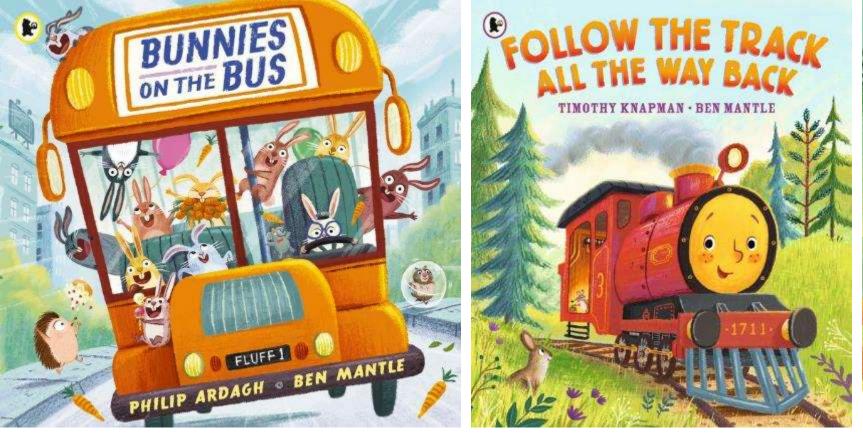
Suddenly, another tongue flew out of nowhere!

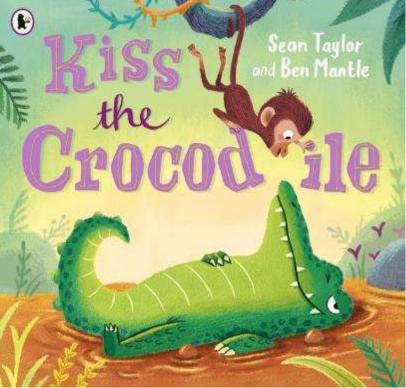
"No, EW LE' GO!" came the reply.

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"Hey! Le' GO. I SAW THE FLY FIRST,"

mumbled Frog.







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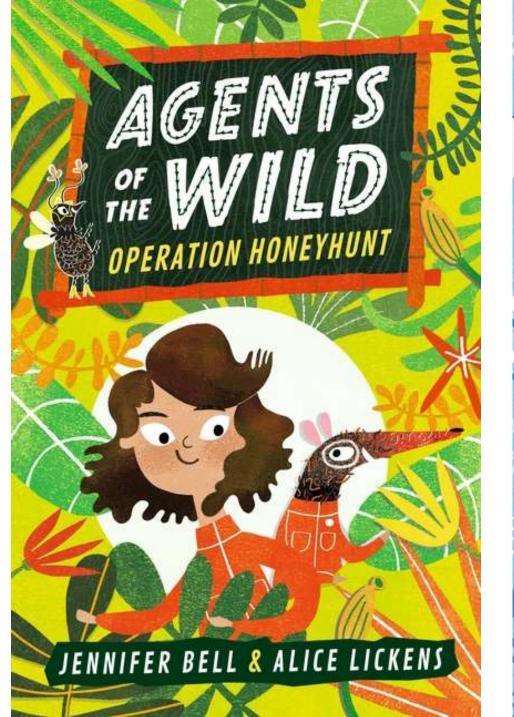
Agents of the Wild 3: Operation Sandwhiskers Jennifer Bell Illustrated by <u>Alice Lickens</u>

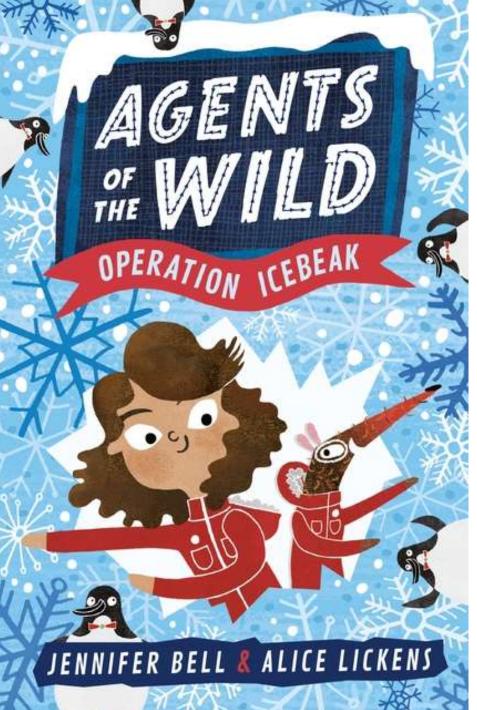
Third in the AGENTS OF THE WILD series: fun-packed young fiction with wildlife conservation themes.

Agnes and Attie – AGENTS OF THE WILD – are off to the Sahara Desert on a mission to rescue rare baby animals from illegal wildlife traders. When a lesser flamingo crashes into Agnes's window-box with an urgent message for SPEARS, Agnes is ready for the call. Three rock hyrax pups have been kidnapped from their burrow in Egypt, and other baby animals are missing across Africa. Soon Agnes and Attie find themselves trapped in an ancient Egyptian tomb at the mercy of animal poachers – can they save the animals *and* themselves? *SPECIES IN DANGER? GIRL AND SHREW TO THE RESCUE!*

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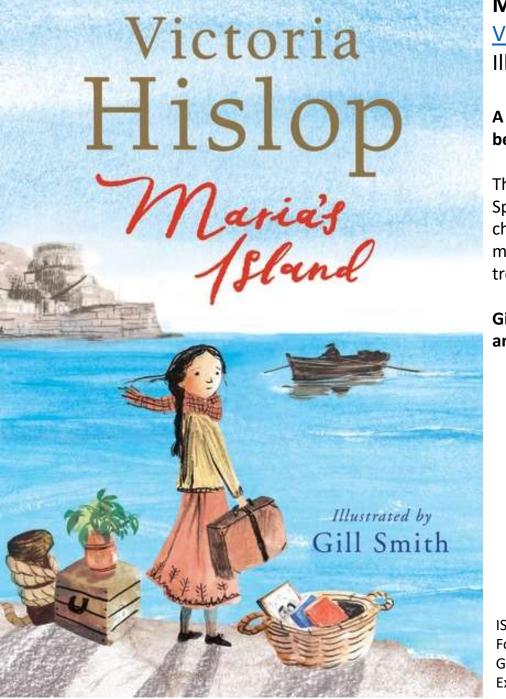
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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 184







ILLUSTRATED FICTION



Maria's Island Victoria Hislop Illustrated by <u>Gill Smith</u>

A dramatic and moving story set in the same world as the international bestseller *The Island* from the celebrated novelist Victoria Hislop.

The absorbing story of the Cretan village of Plaka and the tiny, deserted island of Spinalonga – Greece's former leper colony – is told to us by Maria Petrakis, one of the children in the original version of *The Island*. She tells us of the ancient and misunderstood disease of leprosy, exploring the themes of stigma, shame and the treatment of those who are different, which are as relevant for children as adults.

Gill Smith's rich, full-colour illustrations will transport the reader to the timeless and beautiful Greek landscape and Mediterranean seascape.

ISBN: 9781406399073 Format: Hardback Genre: Fiction Extent: 128



My name is Rita. I live in London but I am half-Greek. Every summer I go with my parents on a long journey by plane and boat to the island of Crete to visit my viayia (that's Greek for grandma). We stay in Agios Nikolaos in her apartment overlooking the sea and every afternoon we go to the beach to swim then come back in the evening to eat a lovely meal that Yiayia has cooked for us. She spends all day preparing it. Some evenings, we move the furniture and Yiayia puts on a record and teaches me steps from a Cretan dance. She has also taught me the Greek alphabet and I know lots of words now. She always calls me "agapi mou", which means "darling".

I sleep in Yiayia's room, and my parents are on a sofa that opens out to make a bed.

This morning, I overhear my mum asking her if she will come and live with us in England.

"It's too cold for me there," Yiayia replies. "And I have too much to look after here."

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I know what she means about it being too cold, but I don't understand what she has to "look after" as she doesn't have any pets, just a few plants on her roof terrace.

It's almost the end of the holiday now and my parents have left for a trip to explore the other end of Crete and will be gone for two nights. I am very happy because it is the first time ever that I am staying on my own with Yiayia. I love her a lot and she is very fond of me too.

She is kind and gentle, with twinkly brown eyes and silver hair tied up in a bun. She is always in a flowery dress and never without an apron, because there's always something going in or coming out of the oven.

First thing in the morning, we start mixing sugar and flour to make my favourite biscuits. While they are baking, Yiayia gives me her old set of paints and I do a picture of the view from the balcony. Yiayia smiles and puts it on the wall next to a faded landscape of Crete. She begins to do some polishing and I ask her if I can help. She hands me a spare duster and we do it together. I dust a stone paperweight which has a picture of some houses on it and some words in Greek that I can't read. One by one, she picks up various framed photographs that sit on her dresser. One of them is me (it is a school photo that I don't like at all), two of them are wedding photos (one of my parents and another of Yiayia and my grandfather, who died when I was small), and there's a very faded one of a family. This last one was at the back and I have never noticed it before. Yiayia sees me staring at it and points out who is who.

"That's me and my sister and our parents," she says. "In Plaka."

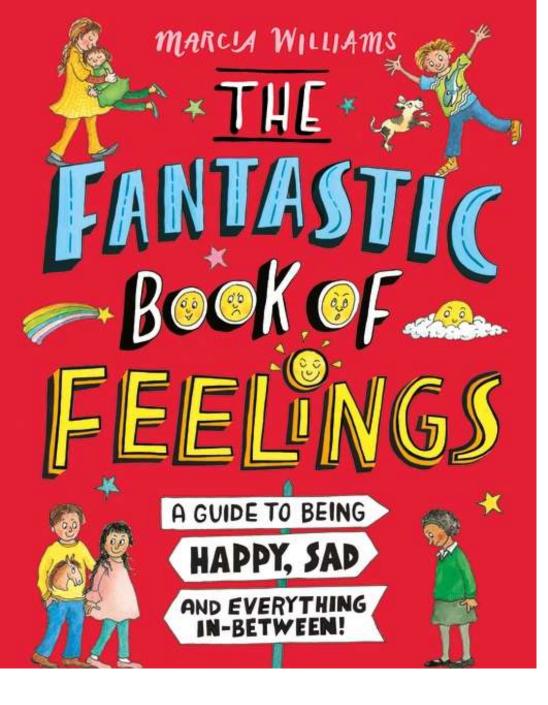
I didn't even know she had a sister. My curiosity is aroused. Who is this sister? Does it mean there is a part of the family I have never even met?

"Plaka? Where is that?"





NON-FICTION



The Fantastic Book of Feelings: A Guide to Being Happy, Sad and Everything In-Between!

Marcia Williams

Get to know all your feelings and how to look after them in this positive and practical guide from beloved author-illustrator Marcia Williams.

How do you feel today? Whether you're happy, sad or anything in-between, this book is the perfect guide to understanding and celebrating all your feelings! In colourful comic-strip stories, explore a whole range of emotions and discover ways to cope when any feeling becomes overwhelming. Packed with top tips for mental wellbeing and a first aid box for feelings, this is a helpful and engaging guide celebrating the importance of good mental health.

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- Format: Hardback
- Genre: Non-Fiction
- Extent: 32

NOUR DIFFERENT - ALL COOPS, *

Y OUR FEELINGS ARE FANTASTIC. They are unique to you and part of what makes you so special. Even feelings that you may find uncomfortable, like worry, sadness or anger, play a role in our lives. For instance, feeling anxious about being in the school play may help you focus on learning your lines!

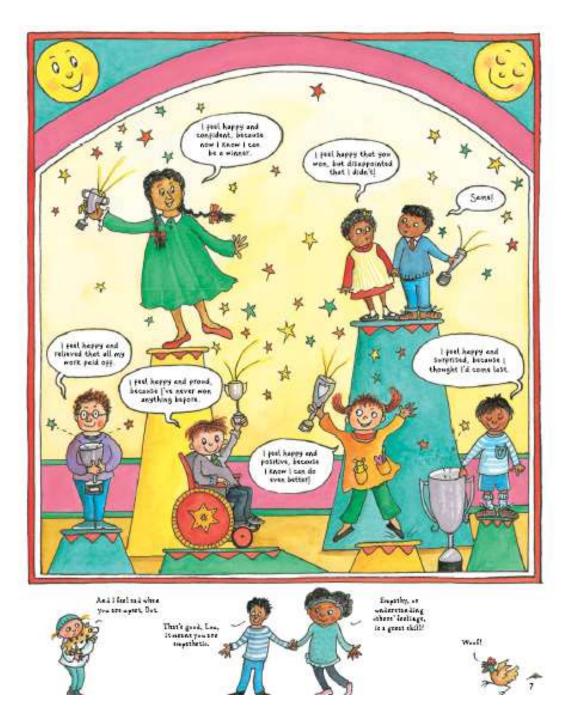
There is no right or wrong way to feel, so we should never judge our feelings, or those of others. If we learn to understand our feelings, the happy ones, the angry ones and the sadder ones, then we can express them in positive ways that help us, and other people, enjoy life.

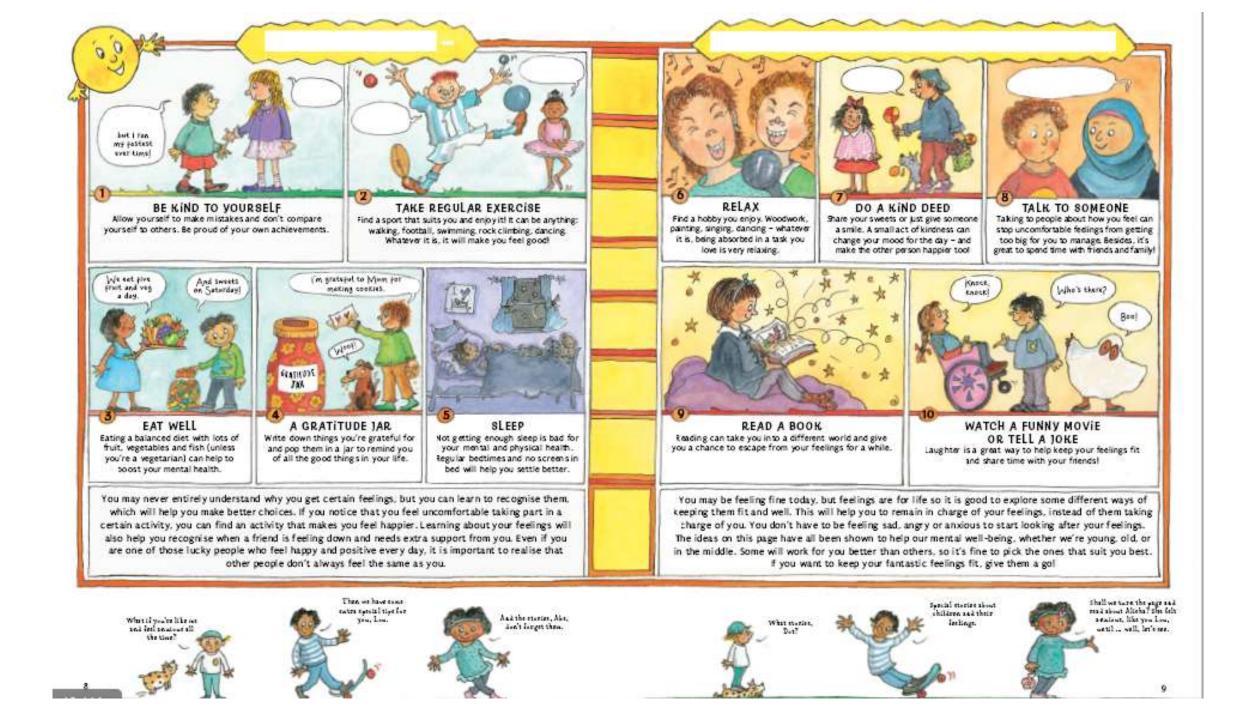
t is normal to experience different feelings throughout the day. Some will last a few seconds and others will be stronger and last longer. If a feeling grows so big you struggle to manage it on your own, talk to an adult you trust so they can help you. Because your feelings are special to you, even when you feel the same way about something as your friends, you may all react in a different way. Imagine six people all winning a prize - they will probably all feel happy, but that happiness may feel different for every winner. By learning to recognise and understand your feelings, you can find out ways to look after yourself, however you feel.

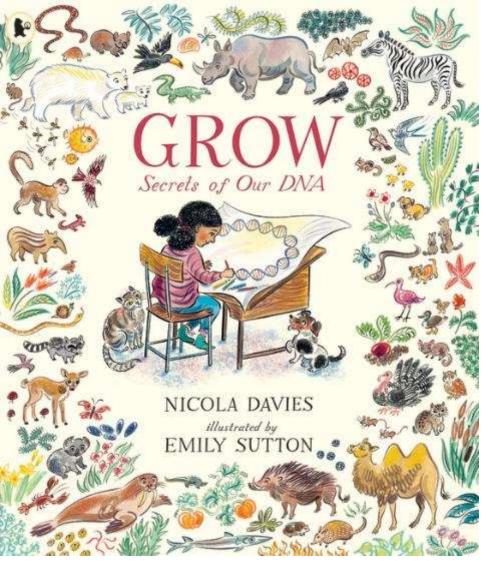
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Grow: Secrets of Our DNA Nicola Davies Illustrated by Emily Sutton

From the award-winning team behind *Tiny* and *Lots* comes a new book exploring another fascinating area of biology: growth.

"Vibrantly illustrated, this is a fascinating and accessible introduction to the concept of DNA for five- to eight-year-olds" *Guardian*

A beautifully illustrated introduction to the concept of DNA for younger readers. All living things grow – every plant and every animal, including human beings. Some things grow fast and others grow slowly; some things grow by tiny degrees, while others grow to be enormous. Yet there's something about the way we grow that links us all together. Ever since you were the size of a dot, your body has been following a set of instructions: a *code*, which connects you with every creature on the planet... With words from Nicola Davies and exquisite artwork by Emily Sutton, this groundbreaking book is certain to enchant and inspire children.

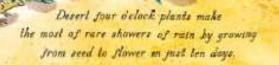
"Explaining the concept of DNA to young children sounds an impossible task but this book succeeds beautifully." *Sunday Express*

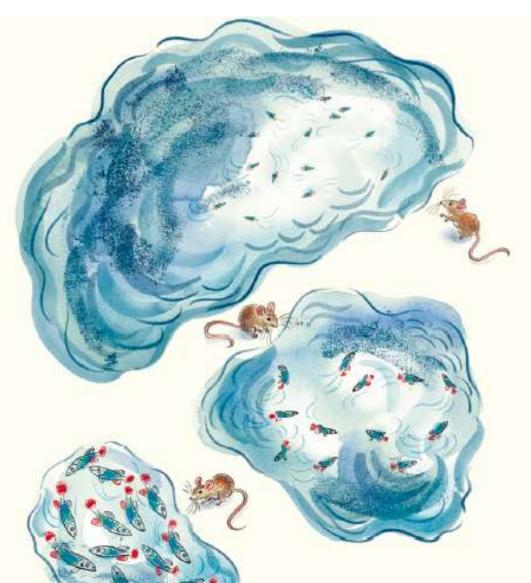
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The way they grow helps them to survive in different places. Some grow fast, to make the most of good times ...

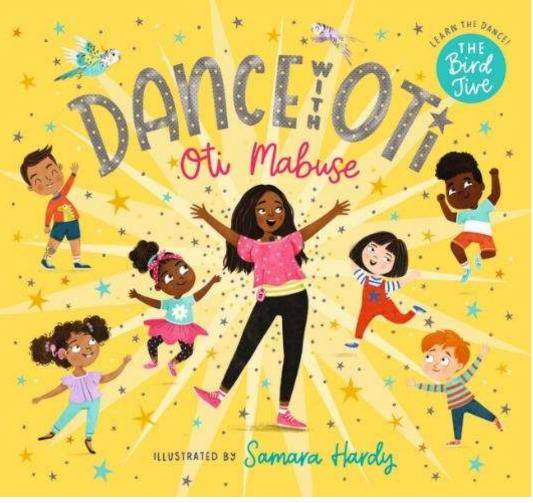




Turquoise killifish hatch, grow to the size of your little finger and lay eggs in fiftees days – just in time before the puddles they live in dry up.



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Dance with Oti: The Bird Jive Oti Mabuse Illustrated by Samara Hardy

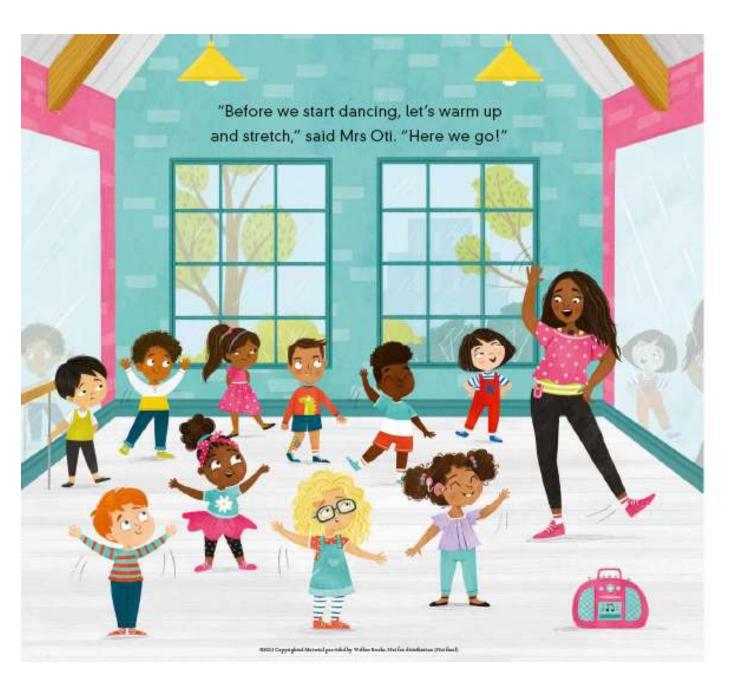
Strictly Come Dancing star Oti Mabuse launches debut picture book!

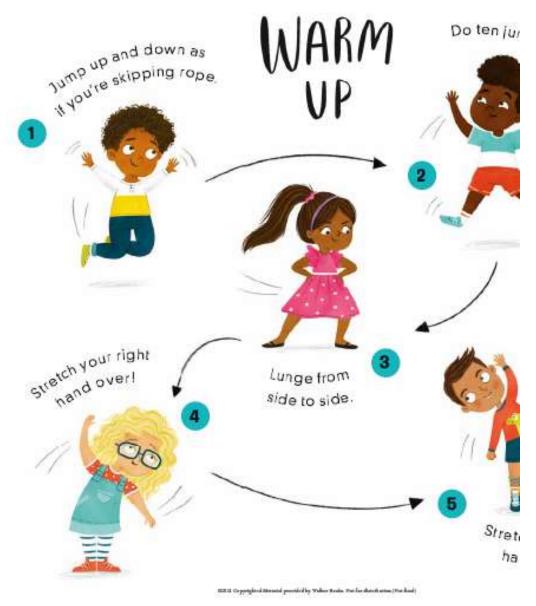
It's time for Oti's dance class! Join Oti in her dance studio and learn "The Bird Jive" in ten easy steps. There are lots of children in Oti's dance class – and lots of feelings, too. Meet Fikile in her sparkly new shoes and Naira who is SUPER excited to get started! Gan is feeling a little worried about joining in whilst Martin can't wait to show his parents what he can do! But in the middle of their dance routine, an unexpected visitor disrupts the class. Not to fear, Oti is here! Soon they are back on track, getting ready for the performance of their lives.

Written by *Strictly Come Dancing* superstar Oti Mabuse, this debut picture book will dance into the hands of families who have loved watching Oti on-screen.

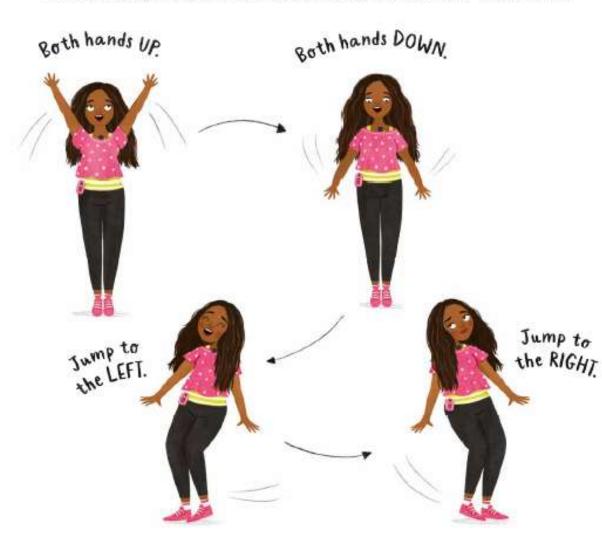
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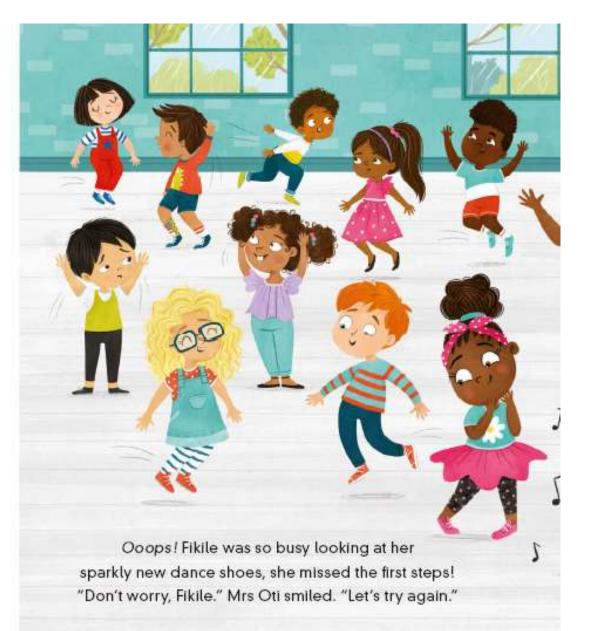




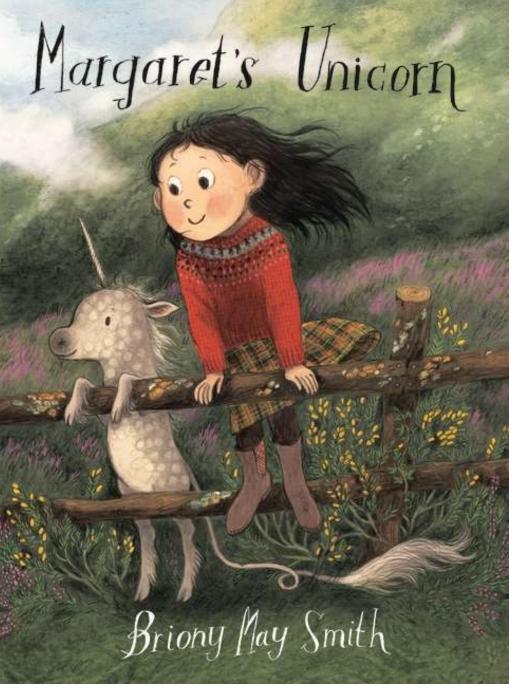
"OK! Now it's time to learn our first dance. It's called the jive," said Mrs Oti.



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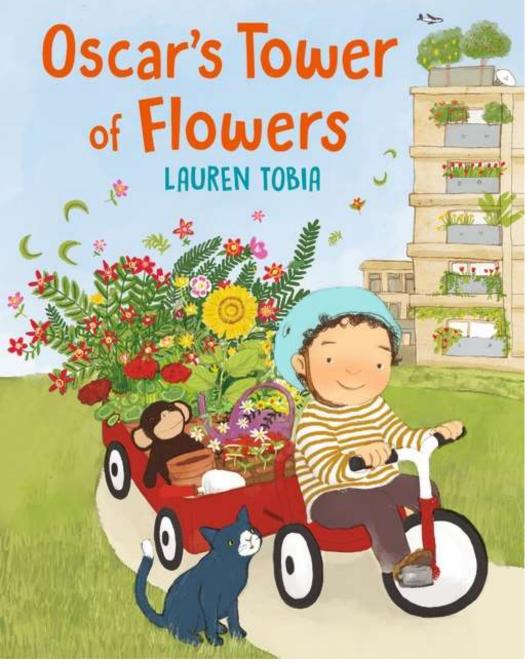


Margaret's Unicorn Briony May Smith

A little girl finds and takes care of a lost baby unicorn in this beautiful and utterly transporting picture book.

Margaret's whole world changes when her family moves to a cottage by the sea to be near her grandma. One evening, Margaret spots a mist over the water. No, that's not mist ... clouds, maybe? No, they're *unicorns* descending onto the shore! They vanish as quickly as they'd appeared, but accidentally leave behind a baby, tangled in the weeds. Margaret, lonely and in need of a friend, brings him home... A heart-warming story of friendship and kindness brought to magical life by Briony May Smith's enchanting characters and breathtaking coastal landscapes.

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- Format: Hardback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 40



Oscar's Tower of Flowers Lauren Tobia

A wordless picture book for the very young – bursting with green! – which celebrates community, gardening and the power of plants to bring people together.

Oscar's mum has to go away, just for a little while. So Oscar has come to stay with his nana. Oscar likes being with Nana in her tower block, but he really misses his mum, too. So, one day, Nana has an idea. Together, they carefully sow seeds – lots and lots of seeds! And then they water them, and wait... And the seeds start to grow! And the flowers begin to burst! There are plants *everywhere.* But, what to do with them all?

In a timely silent narrative for the youngest readers – gorgeously illustrated with graphic panels and sweeping spreads that evoke the urban bustle of a busy highrise – Lauren Tobia shows how each individual, each child, can bring lushness and vitality to a community.

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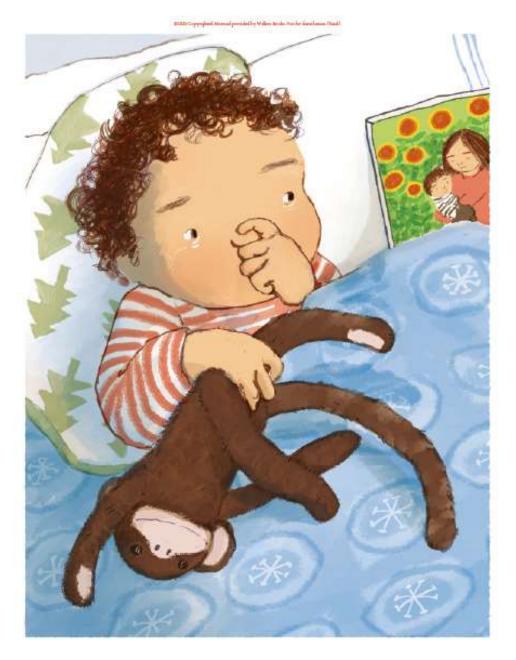




























JOYCE DUNBAR ILLUSTRATED BY PETR HORÁČEK

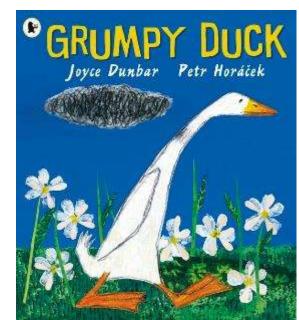
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Mister Boo! Joyce Dunbar Illustrated by Petr Horacek

A lively tale about a fun-loving cat learning to accept change, imaginatively illustrated by the award-winning Petr Horácek.

Mischievous Mister Boo loves to give everyone he meets a surprise. He shocks the baby birds, the baby rabbits and the baby owls. BOO! But one day he wakes up without his usual energy and no one seems to take any notice of him. Will Mister Boo learn to accept change and find joy again?

A buoyant second collaboration between the acclaimed writer Joyce Dunbar and world-renowned illustrator Petr Horácek.

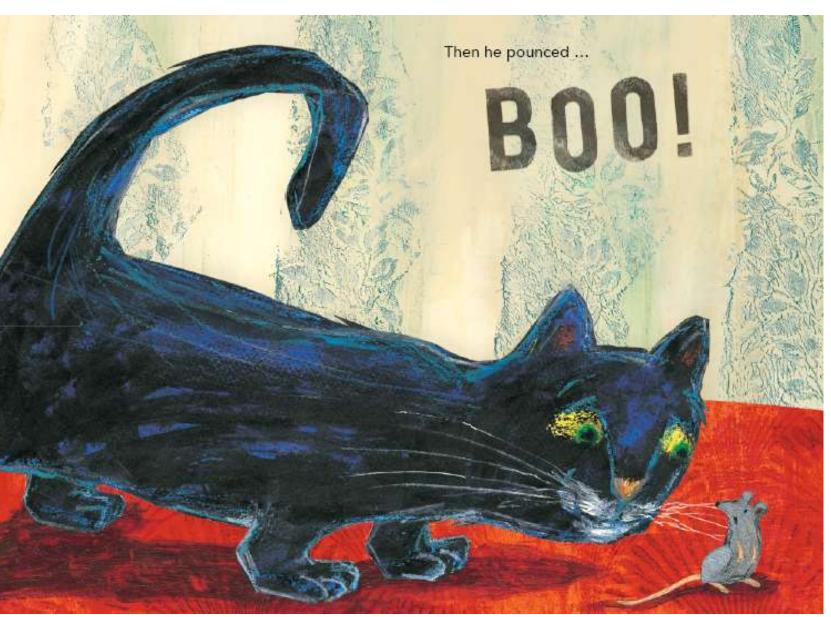


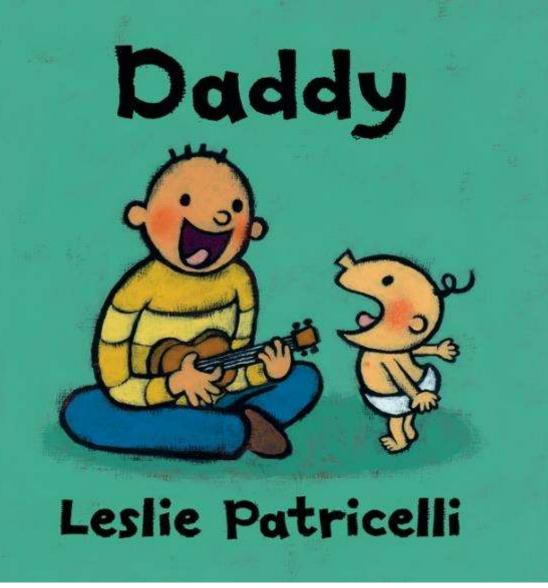
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- Format: Hardback
- Genre: Picture Book
- Extent: 32

There was once a cat called Mister Boo. Why was he called Mister Boo? Because when he first arrived at his new home with Rosie, he poked his head out of the box so suddenly that he made her jump. "How do you do, Mister Boo!" she laughed. It was a lot of fun. Mister Boo liked fun. Again ... and again ... and again.

He crept up very silently on anything that moved...

He pricked up his bat-cat ears and swished his tail. He crouched and stretched his neck until his face loomed very close. His green eyes glittered, his nose twitched, his whiskers bristled.





Daddy Leslie Patricelli

From everyone's favourite baby comes a fond and funny ode to a special daddy, for Father's Day or any day.

Uppy, Daddy! Up so high. On the shoulders. Touch the sky. Baby's daddy is big and strong, and his legs are so, so long. He plays horsey, he sings, he cooks, he cleans – this daddy can do anything! In a sweet, simple board book threaded with signature humour, Leslie Patricelli pays tribute to the bond between a little one and a doting daddy.

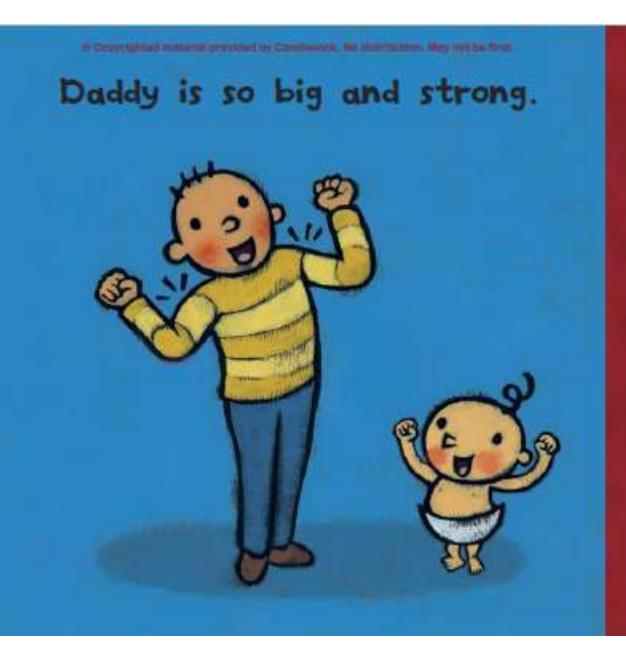
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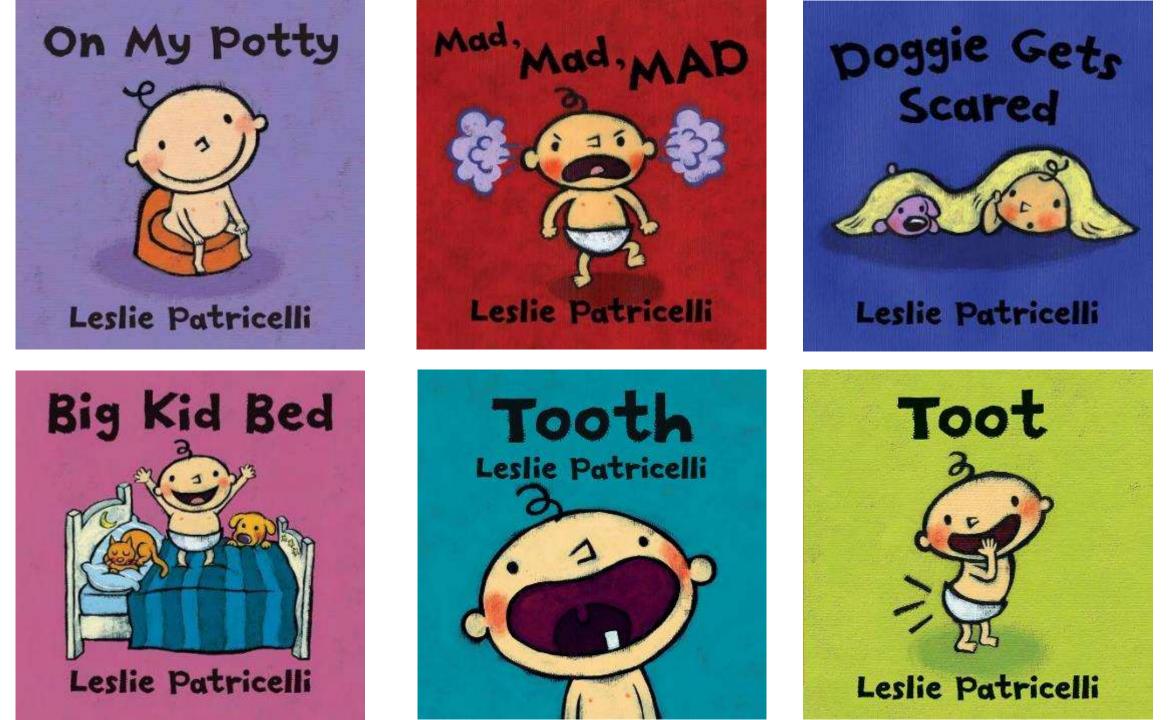
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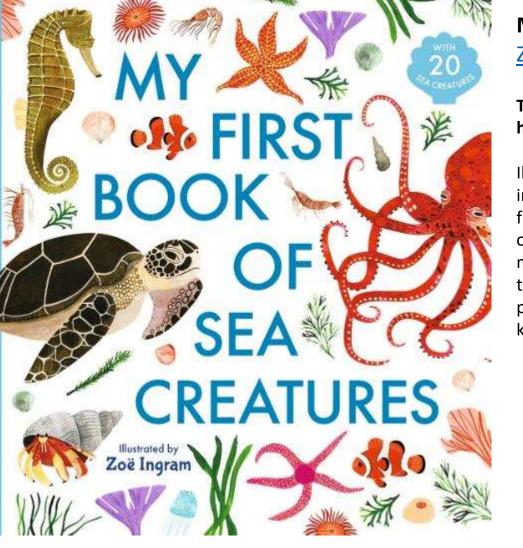
This is my daddy!





Daddy's legs are so, so long.





My First Book of Sea Creatures Zoë Ingram

The perfect gift for any young animal-lover, this beautifully illustrated natural history book is an ideal introduction to creatures of the seas.

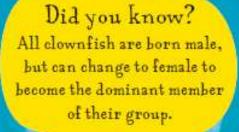
Illustrated in a bright, contemporary style, this modern guide to twenty of the most interesting marine animals from all around the world is packed with information and fun facts – everything you need to know to help you learn about and identify our ocean-living friends. From the little shrimp to the big blue whale, taking in the magnificent narwhal, the beautiful moon jellyfish and the fascinating anglerfish along the way, there is so much to find out. With key facts about size, habitat, diet and population, there are detailed descriptions of each animal and fascinating did-you-know facts!

- ISBN: 9781406394924
- Format: Hardback
- Genre: Non-Fiction
- Extent: 48

Clownfish

There are nearly 30 known species of clownfish. Most are the recognizable orange and white, but some are black and white. They make their homes among the stinging tentacles of anemones, to protect themselves from prey.

Size



Creature facts

Bony fis	h - Amphiprioninae
Habitat	warm waters, coral reefs
Weight	250 g
Diet	plankton and algae
Lifespan	6-10 years

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Giant manta ray

These graceful creatures are one of the largest types of fish in the world. They are intelligent animals with acute senses of sight and smell and have very large brains. They give birth to a single pup every two or three years.

Size

Did you know? Manta rays can jump completely out of the water. No one knows exactly why they do this!

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Creature facts

Habitat	tropical and subtropical waters
Weight	over 1 t
Diet	plankton and fish
Lifespan	50 years



Out of the Blue Elizabeth Shreeve Illustrated by Frann Preston-Gannon

Where did life on Earth come from? Out of the blue!

Discover the story of life on Earth, and how it evolved from tiny cells in vast oceans into the huge variety of creatures that covered our prehistoric planet. Find out why creatures first emerged from the sea and brought life onto land, in a lively and engaging journey through millions of years of fishes, giant reptiles and mammals. With illustrations from the award-winning Frann Preston-Gannon, this is a gorgeous introduction to the amazing story of prehistoric life.

How Animals Evolved from Prehistoric Seas

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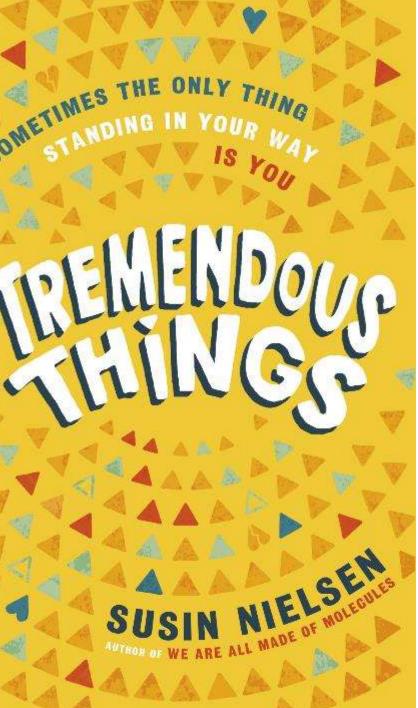
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HIGHLIGHTS



TREMENDOUS THINGS

Susin Nielsen

Wilbur hopes to reinvent himself and win the heart of the girl of his dreams - but is he trying too hard?

Wilbur has spent his teens being bullied and now he's sure he's nothing but a loser: his best friend is 85 years old, and his only

talent is playing the triangle in the school band. Things start to look up when a mix-up with the French exchange programme results

in Wilbur being assigned a *girl* to look after – an amazing, sophisticated, *beautiful* French girl called Charlie. Wilbur is sure he's in

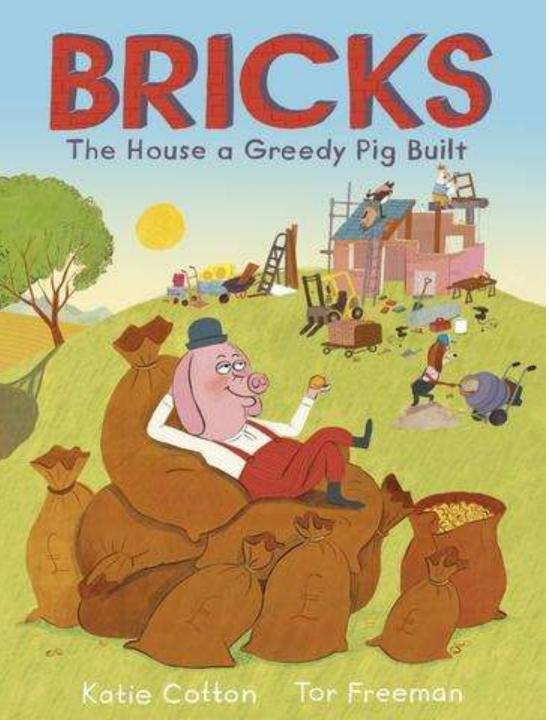
love, and his sometime friend Alex has a plan to give Wilbur the makeover that will get Charlie to love him back. But the course of true *l'amour* power did run smooth

true *l'amour* never did run smooth . . .

- A new fabulously funny and heartwarming novel from Canada's Queen of Teen, featuring a trip to Paris, a love triangle and a triangle-playing would-be Romeo Susin has won the UKLA Award, the prestigious Governor General's Literary Award, the Canadian Library Association's Children's Book of the Year and been longlisted for the Carnegie Medal
- Susin's books garner starred reviews and her many fans include Sarah Crossan, Hilary McKay, Lisa Williamson and Phil Earle
- 'Relatable, moving and funny. Susin Nielsen is simply wonderful' Sarah Crossan
- 'Susin Nielsen is an amazing writer' Hilary McKay
 - ISBN: 9781839130885
 - Format: Trade Paperback
 - Genre: Fiction
 - Extent: 288



PICTURE BOOKS



Bricks Katie Cotton Illustrated by Tor Freeman

What happens when a greedy pig wants the finest house built for the lowest price? A hilarious cautionary tale.

Pig wants the biggest and finest new house for the lowest price, even if that involves telling a little porky... He's about to find out exactly what happens to greedy pigs who fleece their workers! When the bricks fall, who will save this greedy pig's bacon? A hilarious cautionary tale that teaches kindness and integrity from dream team Katie Cotton and Tor Freeman.

This tale of greed and consequences features a hilariously satisfying ending. Pig pays six coins but the workers expect twelve, so for every two bricks in the house, the workers take one back! An early introduction to simple maths. Katie Cotton is an author and editor whose children's books have been published all over the world.

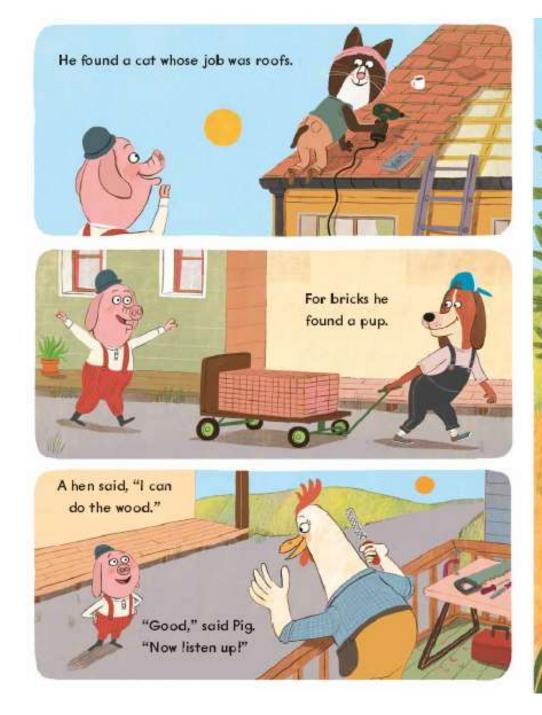
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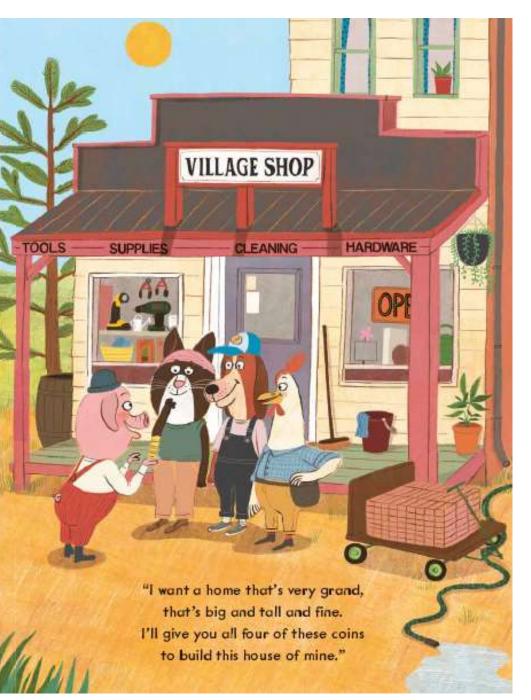
In a town there was a pig who'd come into some gold. He had a truck and lots of clothes, and owned some land (marked sold).

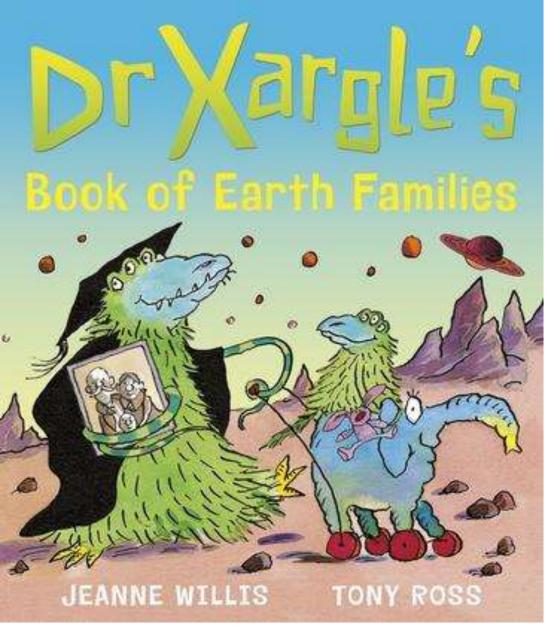
Gul

Pig thought the view was rather nice and had a plan in mind. So, one day, he drove to town, to see who he could find.

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Dr Xargle's Book of Earth Families Jeanne Willis Illustrated by Tony Ross

This Dr Xargle story provides a hilarious alternative view of human families, from the classic picture book partnership of Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross.

'A dream team of writer and illustrator.' THE TIMES 'Hilarious lessons on human behaviour.' BOOKSELLER *Good morning, class. Today we are going to learn about Earth Family.* Learn all about Earth Families with Dr Xargle, our friendly alien teacher: brothers are Bothers, sisters are Sulkers, and the number of family members is always larger than the number of chairs at Christmas dinner...

Dr Xargle's Book of Earth Tiggers, the third title in this series, was highly commended for the Kate Greenaway Medal, and won the Sheffield Children's Book Award (7-12)

Life sales for Jeanne and Tony's picture book collaborations are now over two million copies.

Tony Ross is the UK's best selling children's book illustrator.

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- Extent: 32



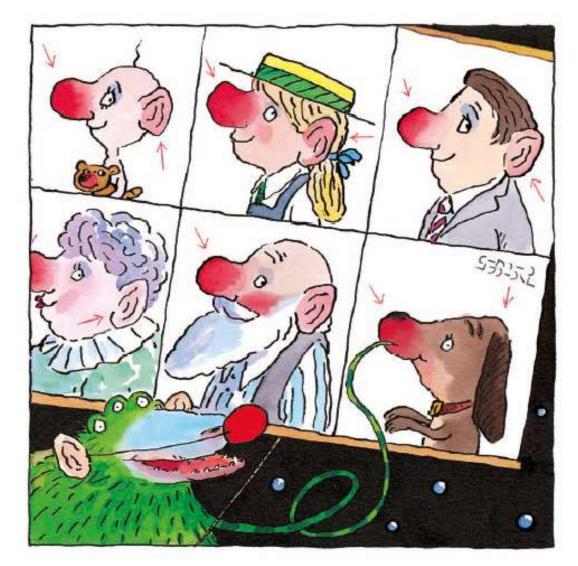
Good morning, class. Today we are going to learn about Earth Family.



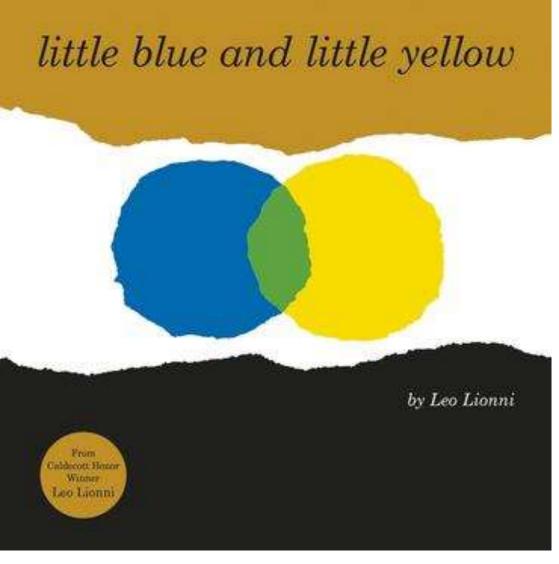
An Earth Family is a collection of Earthlings who belong to each other whether they like it or not.



They are many different ages from brand new to antique.



They have identical earflaps and hooter shapes.



Little Blue and Little Yellow Leo Lionni Illustrated by Leo Lionni

Master storyteller Leo Lionni's very first picture book tells a story of friendship and acceptance, with scraps of colourful paper and very few words.

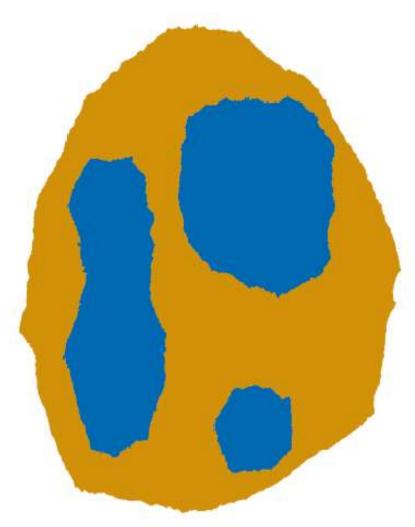
Little Blue and Little Yellow are best friends, but one day they can't find each other. When they finally do, they give each other such a big hug that they turn green! With very few words and the power of a few scraps of coloured paper, this is a story of acceptance and friendship - and a fantastic first introduction to colour-blending abstract art. A true classic from four-time Caldecott Honor winner Leo Lionni first published in 1959 with a message that will resonate with children today as strongly as it did then.

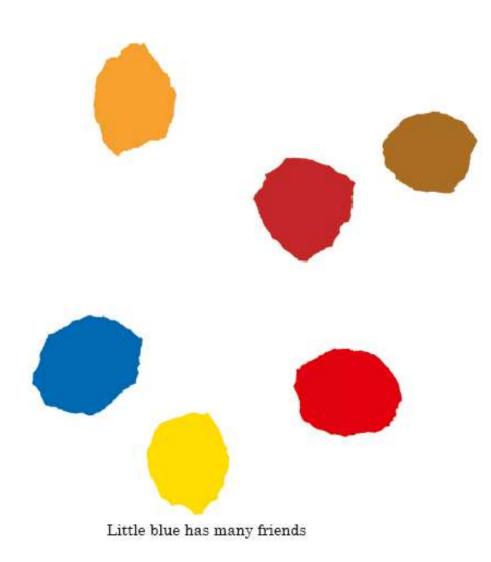
A deceptively simple book about friendship and acceptance, and a first introduction to colour-blending and abstract art.

First published in 1959, this is Leo Lionni's very first picture book: a true classic, and a *New York Times* Best Illustrated Book of the Year.

Leo Lionni is a four-time Caldecott Honor-winner , and was the recipient of the 1984 American Institute of Graphic Arts Gold Medal and was honored posthumously in 2007 with the Society of Illustrators ' Lifetime Achievement Award.

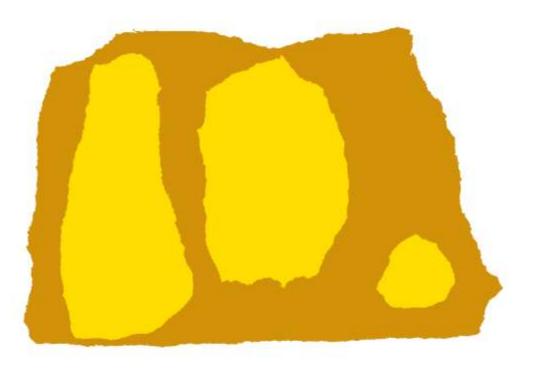
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- Genre: Fiction
- Extent: 48





Here he is at home with papa and mama blue.





but his best friend is little yellow

who lives across the street.

DAVID WIESNER

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Robobaby David Wiesner Illustrated by David Wiesner

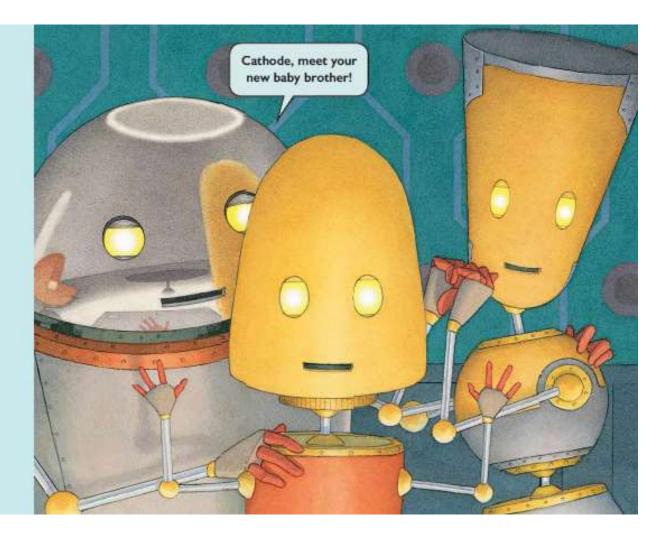
A funny futuristic tale, from legendary picture book creator and three-time Caldecott Medallist David Wiesner.

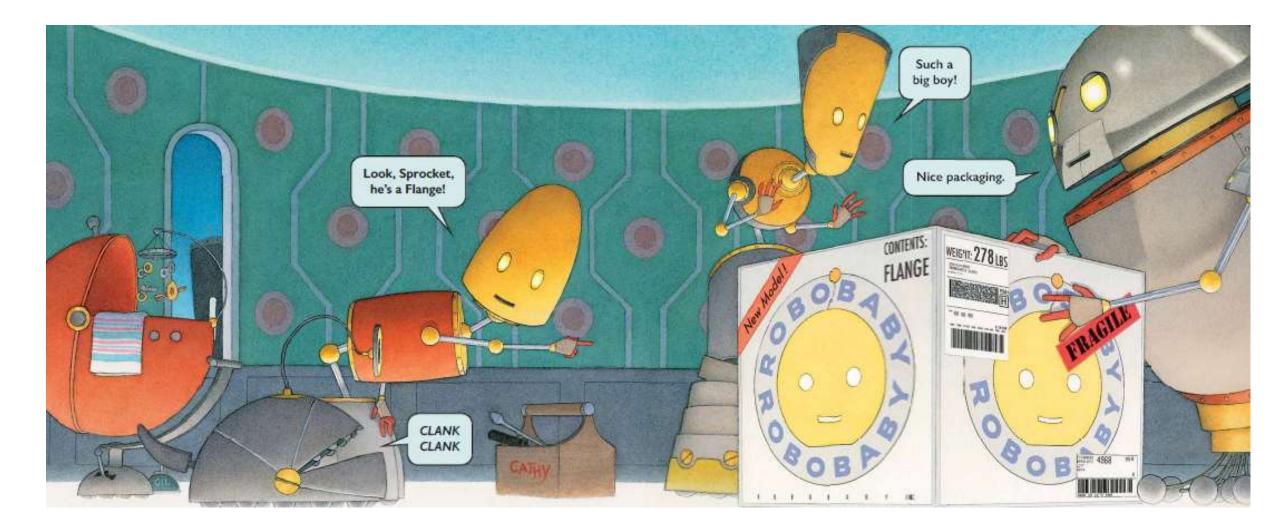
When a new baby is delivered to a family of robots, the adults are flummoxed by technical difficulties. Big sister to the rescue! A hilarious gem from David Wiesner, three-time winner of the Caldecott Medal. A new baby book with a twist - the latest addition to the family arrives flatpacked! Families will recognise that moment when the instruction manual comes out and everybody loses the plot...

David Wiesner has illustrated more than twenty award-winning books for young readers, including the three Caldecott Medal winners: Tuesday, The Three Pigs and Flotsam.

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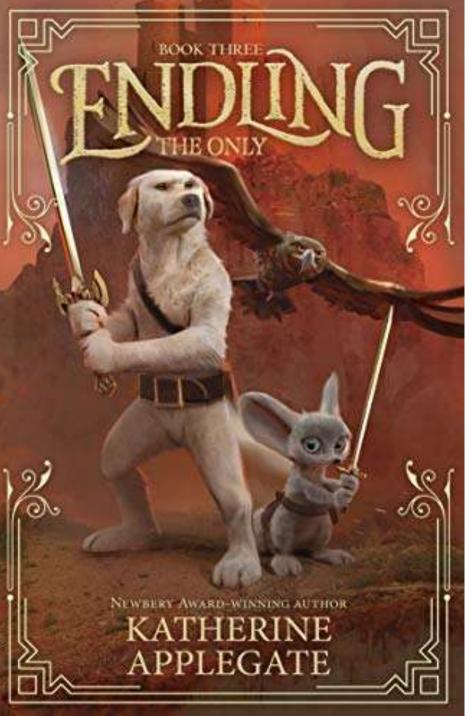
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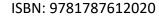


Endling 03: The Only Katherine Applegate

Endling #3: The Only is the third book in an epic middle grade animal fantasy series by Katherine Applegate, Newbery Medal-winning and #1 *New York Times* bestselling author.

Two mighty armies are preparing for war, one led by a murderous great cat and the other by a cruel, power-hungry tyrant. But a third army is quietly growing, an army led by a young girl, an army of peace. Not so long ago Byx, a dairne, was the timid youngest pup in her family. But since her family were all slaughtered by the cruel Murdano, Byx has had to leave her own kind and finds herself at the forefront of a peaceful army, serving her friend and leader, the young Lady of Nedarra.

Can the courage and heart of these young friends really stand in the way of two great armies? Can peace prevail over war?



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DEEPLY FELT, MOVINGLY WRITTEN, A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT' MICHAEL MORPURGO

When the Sky Falls Phil Earle

Inspired by a true story from World War II. Joseph must make a terrible choice when he is left alone to guard a silverback gorilla's cage in a deserted zoo.

It's 1940, and Joseph has been packed off to stay with Mrs F, a gruff woman with no great fondness for children. To Joseph's amazement, she owns the rundown city zoo where Joseph meets Adonis, a huge silverback gorilla. Adonis is ferociously strong and dangerous, but Joseph finds he has an affinity with the lonely beast. But when the bombs begin to fall, it is up to Joseph to guard Adonis's cage should it be damaged by a blast. Will Joseph be ready to pull the trigger if it comes to it?

Ideal for lovers of classic wartime stories such as *Goodnight Mister Tom, Carrie's War* and *War Horse*

Phil Earle's children's and YA fiction has been widely acclaimed. He is the winner of the We Read Book Award and was longlisted for the Carnegie Medal 'Complex, dark, intense and mysterious, *When the Sky Falls* is an astounding work of fiction' Antony McGowan

PHIL EARLE

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- Extent: 320

SHE CAN FIX ANYONE'S LIFE.

CLARA SMYT

Not My Problem Ciara Smyth

When Aideen agrees to help ambitious class swot Maebh Kowalska deal with her crazy workload, she doesn't expect to end up reluctantly pushing Maebh down the stairs.

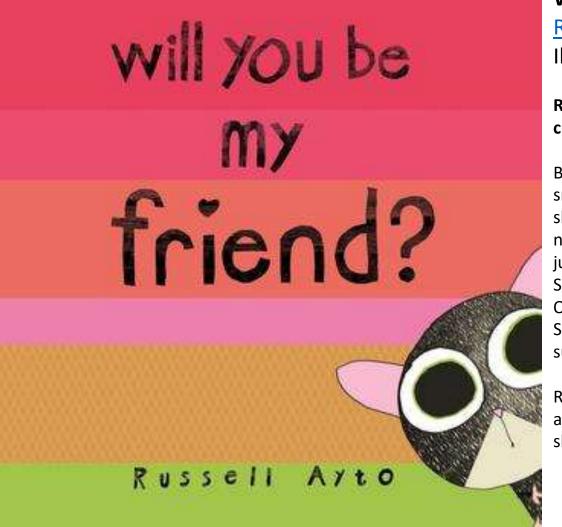
With this, Aideen becomes the school 'fixer': any problem a student has, Aideen will sort it out, from stealing confiscated mobiles to breaking into parties. All she asks for is a favour in return. But Aideen's own life is a mess her mam's drinking again, her BFF Holly is avoiding her and she's skipping school.

Spending more time with the uptight (but annoyingly cute) Maebh and chatterbox Kavi, Aideen starts to wonder: can every problem be solved?

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INDENT



Will You Be My Friend? <u>Russell Ayto</u> Illustrated by <u>Russell Ayto</u>

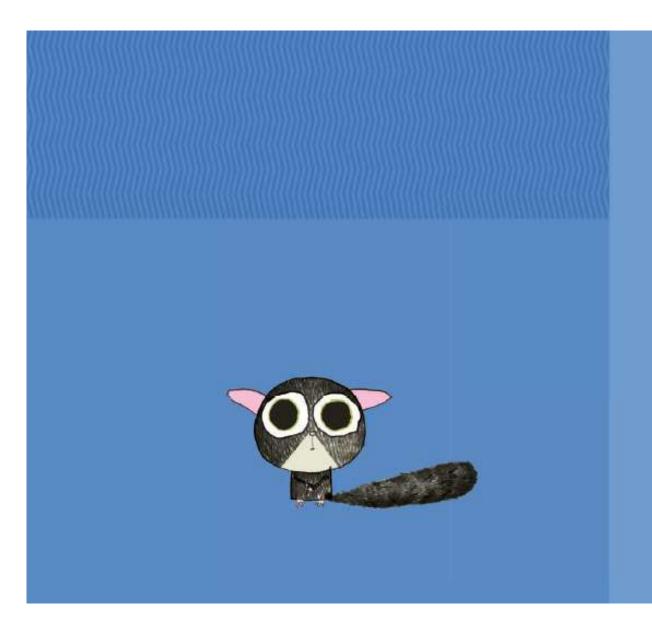
Russell Ayto's trademark humour delivers a twist in this tale with maximum cute-factor, as a lonely bush baby tries to find somebody to be her friend.

Bush Baby is so lonely – nobody wants to be her friend. Giraffe thinks she's too small. She's not pink enough for Flamingo. They just can't they see past how she looks. Lion, however, thinks she is just right to be his friend. And he'd never be so rude as to eat a friend. Is Bush Baby very brave, very foolish, or just very, very lonely?

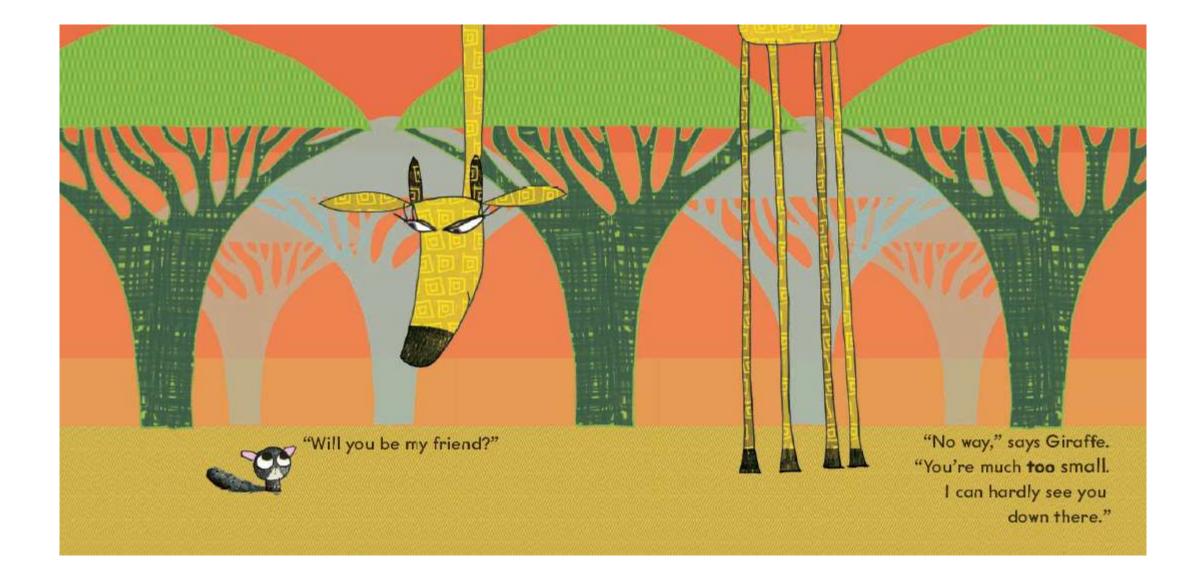
Sometimes it's hard to make friends, even if you're a really cute bush baby... Open your heart and your mind, and get ready to laugh out loud! Sparkling with humour, Russell Ayto's comic genius shines right through to the surprise ending.

Russell has won the Roald Dahl Funny Prize, the Booktrust Early Years Award and the Nestle Children's Book Prize Gold Award, and has twice been shortlisted for the Kate Greenaway Medal.

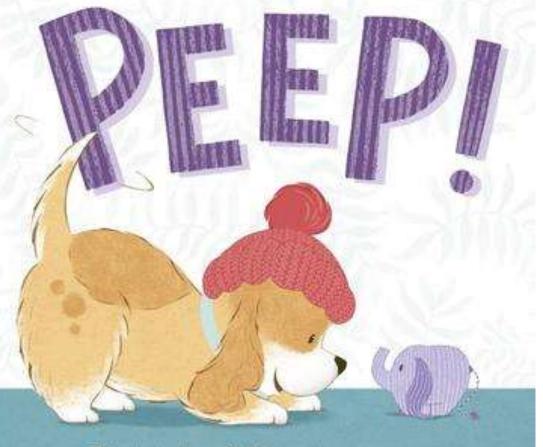
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- Extent: 32



"I'm lonely. I have **no** friends," says Bush Baby.



MEG MCLAREN



This dog's days of hiding at home are over.

Peep! <u>Meg McLaren</u> Illustrated by <u>Meg McLaren</u>

Dot doesn't like venturing outside of her comfort zone, but there's nothing she won't do for Peep.

Dot isn't like the other dogs: she doesn't like going out for walks, and she doesn't like going to the park. Her favourite thing is staying at home with her favourite toy and best friend, Peep. But when Peep goes missing under the garden fence, Dot might have to venture out into the world... A heartwarming story about accepting help and conquering fears, for children who might find big crowds - or even just leaving the house - a bit overwhelming.

The story of the search for a beloved toy will resonate with both children and parents.

Meg McLaren has been shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, longlisted for the Klaus Flugge Prize and nominated for the Kate Greenaway Medal.

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Home was the safest, cosiest place Dot knew.

CRUMCIA



It was almost perfect. Only Postie and Bath got in the way.

Peep helped Dot to take care of Postie...



but no one could escape Bath.

Peep encouraged Dot to do the things other dogs liked to do. FETCH, DOT!

But if Dot didn't feel like it, Peep stuck with her.



They were best friends.