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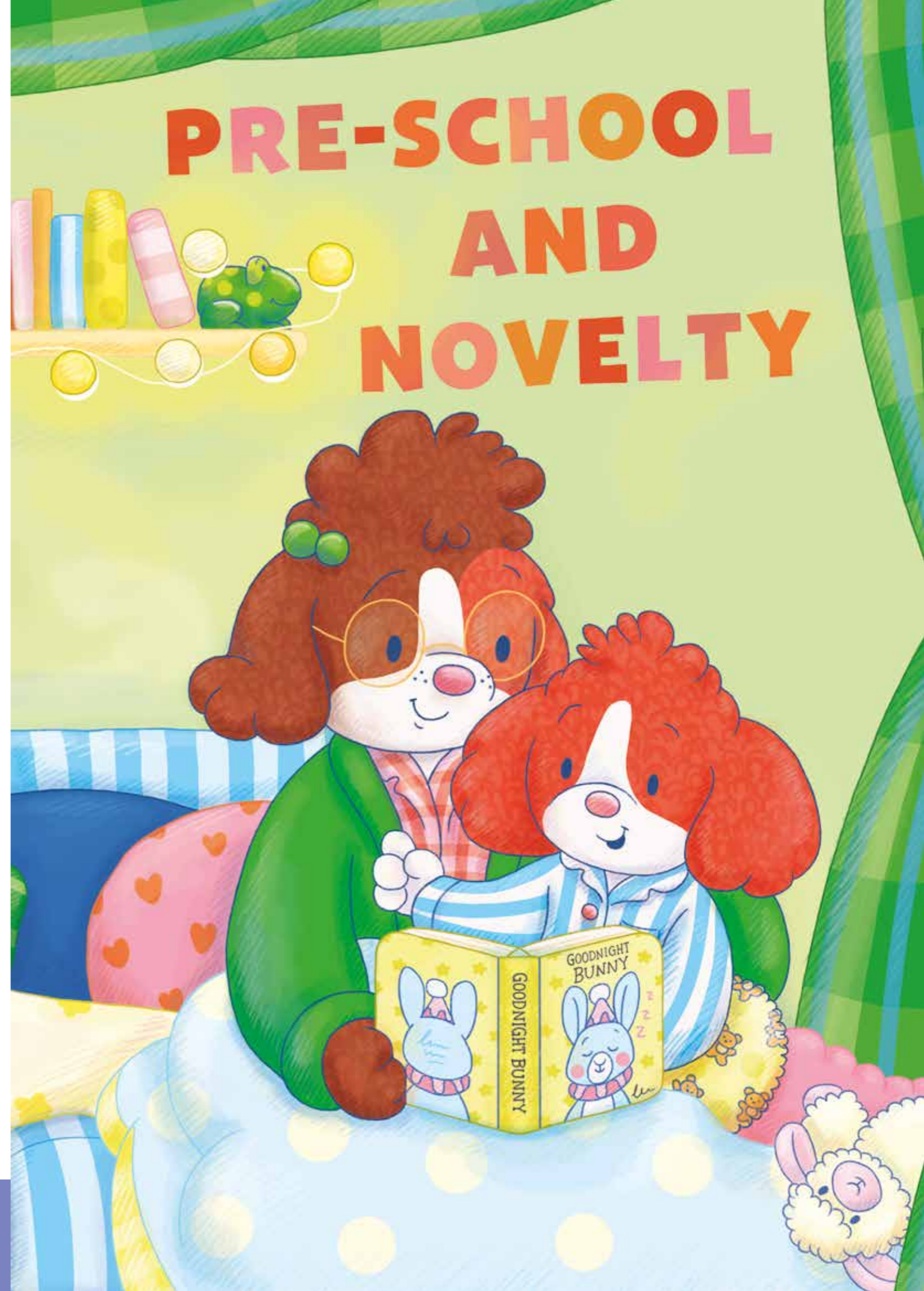
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Noodle Chooses Bedtime and Noodle Chooses Playtime

Magenta Fox

Get ready to meet Noodle Poodle in this adorable new preschool series with novelty sliders on every spread — so YOU can slide and decide how you want the story to go!

Join Noodle in the first two books of an adorable new preschool series. Whether you're helping Noodle pick his pyjamas at bedtime, or choosing between sandcastles and building blocks at playtime, these gorgeously interactive books celebrate the FUN of reading. With irresistible novelty sliders on every spread and a focus on first experiences, the books are perfect for engaging little ones as they get to slide and decide what Noodle does next!

- Combines irresistible characters with highly interactive sliders that are specially designed to engage toddlers on every spread
- Perfect for parents looking for a series that will delight toddlers while also being genuinely stylish — ideal for fans of Ingela P. Arrhenius and the Maisy books
- The start of an exciting new preschool series with two further Noodle books to come in July 2026, all focusing on key toddler moments



JANUARY 2027

Bloomsbury UK / Board book with sliders / £7.99
180 x 180 mm / 8pp / 100 words / Age: 0-3 / Series / Full colour
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Magenta Fox is the illustrator of the critically acclaimed *Weirdo* and *Weirdo Goes Wild*, written by co-authors Zadie Smith and Nick Laird. She is also the author-illustrator of *Storm-Cat*.

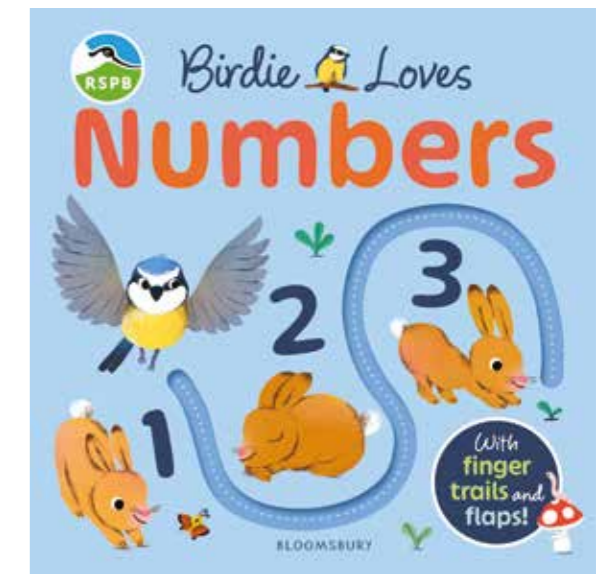
RSPB: Birdie Loves Numbers and Colours

Author RSPB Illustrator Maria Neradova

Fly along with Birdie and learn all about colours, counting, opposites and shapes in this new board book series with die-cut finger trails and flaps!

Birdie Loves is a delightful first concept board book series for babies and toddlers, with bright, bold illustrations from Maria Neradova. With finger trails to trace, flaps to lift, friendly rhyming text and a loveable character for little ones to meet, this charming series is the perfect introduction to early learning subjects.

- Introducing Birdie — an adorable new preschool character for kids to learn early concepts with
- Designed with the planet in mind, these sturdy books are plastic-free and use eco-inks: the perfect buy for eco-conscious parents
- The finger trail and flap novelties are perfect for developing children's fine motor skills and encouraging them to spot and talk about what they see on the pages



MARCH 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Board book with finger trails and flaps / £7.99
180 x 180mm / 12pp / 97 words / Age: 1-3 / Book 1 of 4 / Full colour
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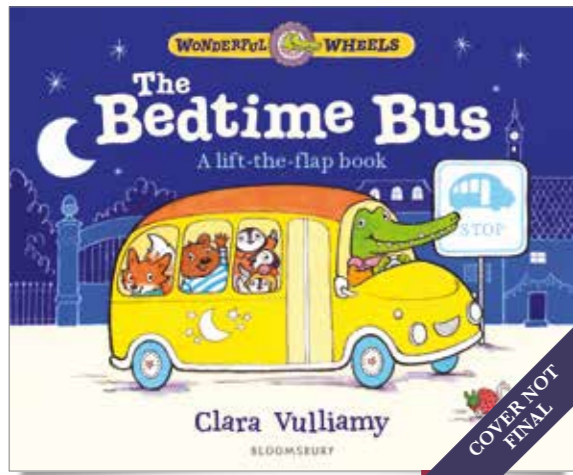
MARCH 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Board book with finger trails and flaps / £7.99
180 x 180mm / 12pp / 124 words / Age: 1-3 / Book 2 of 4 / Full colour
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Maria Neradova is an illustrator, author and graphic designer based in Bratislava, Slovakia. The Birdie Loves series is her first project for Bloomsbury.





Wonderful Wheels: The Bedtime Bus and Wonderful Wheels: The Rocket Race



Clara Vulliamy

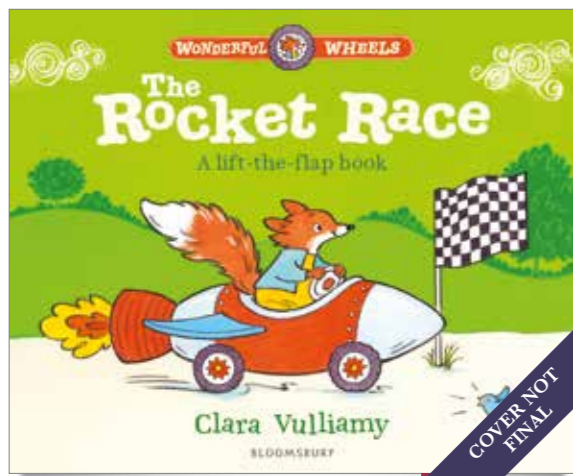
Come on a new adventure today with your friends from Little Town leading the way!

Join Bertie Bear, Flo Fox and Pablo, Pedro and Pip the penguins in this brand-new, interactive lift-the-flap series. Make friends, learn gentle lessons and develop fine motor skills with these sturdy board books, beautifully illustrated by the wonderful Clara Vulliamy.

- Covetable and collectable, this series is perfect for young toddlers and their families
- Comforting and relatable themes invite very young children to learn about their world with new friends by their side
- Encourages interaction and curiosity

APRIL 2027

Bloomsbury UK / Board book with flaps / £7.99
162 x 200mm / 12pp / 150 words / Age: 1-3 / Book 1 of 4 / Full colour
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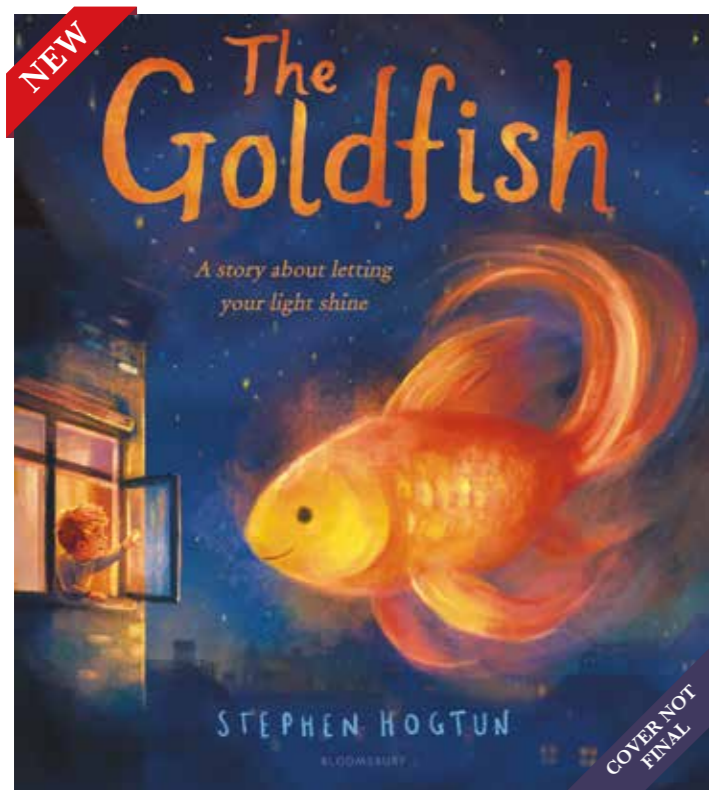


Clara Vulliamy is best known for her Dixie O'Day series (Random House), which she created with her mum, Shirley Hughes. She has teamed up with Polly Faber on several projects including the Mango and Bambang series (Walker), *Picking Pickle* (Pavilion Children's Books) and *The Book Cat* (Faber). She has most recently created *The Dog Squad*, published by HarperCollins.



PICTURE BOOKS





Goldfish

Stephen Hogtun

This is the extraordinary story of an ordinary little boy called George.

George is lonely – but when his mum takes him to a magical pet shop, all he wants is a small and unremarkable goldfish.

But as the goldfish grows . . . and grows . . . and grows, George realises that his pet might not be so ordinary after all.

From the award-winning creator of *LEAVES* and *The Station Cat* comes a magical, transformative story about friendship, courage and what it means to love another creature.

- A heartwarming story about how one special friendship can help us face our fears
- With stunning, luminous artwork from the creator of *LEAVES*, *DEEP* and *HERD*, it's perfect for fans of David Litchfield and Benji Davies
- Stephen Hogtun is known for his resonant and lyrical storytelling, and was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize for *The Station Cat*

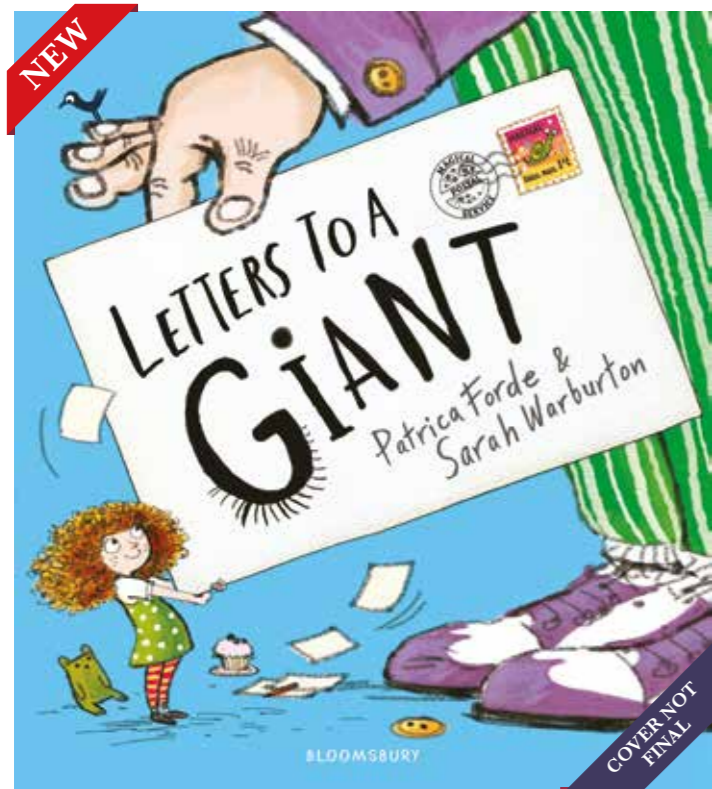


AUGUST 2026

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245 x 274mm / 32pp / 450 words
Age: 0–5 / Full colour / Standalone
Option publishers: Bulgarian, Dutch, French,
German, Greek, Portuguese, Italian, Turkish



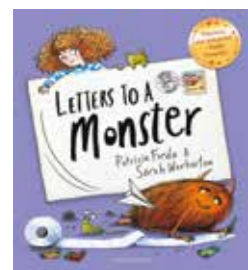
Stephen Hogtun is a writer and artist who lives on the west coast of Norway with his partner, three children and several rescue animals. His books have been longlisted for the Yoto Carnegies Book Award and shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize.



JUNE 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £12.99
 274 x 245mm / 32pp / 560 words / Age: 0–5
 Book 2 of 2 / Full colour
 Rights sold: Greek
 Option publishers: Basque, Catalan, Dutch, French (Canadian), Galician, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Portuguese, Portuguese (Brazil), Spanish

ALSO AVAILABLE



Patricia Forde is the current Irish Laureate na nÓg, and the author of many books for children, including *The Wordsmith* and *The Girl Who Fell to Earth*.



Sarah Warburton is an award-winning illustrator, and has worked on books including *One Camel Called Doug* and *The Don't Panic Gang*.



Letters to a Giant

Author Patricia Forde
 Illustrator Sarah Warburton

A laugh-out-loud picture book from the Irish Children's Laureate, featuring a hilarious exchange of letters between a girl and a very unusual giant!

Sophie can't wait for her birthday. But when a GIANT invites himself to her party, she finds herself in a bit of trouble. What if he eats all the guests?

Unfortunately, Harry the Hairy Giant is determined to come, no matter how many letters Sophie writes to dissuade him. After all, he's had a purple suit made specially, and he's been practising his dancing!

As the letters fly back and forth, Sophie begins to wonder if Harry isn't as bad as she thought. What if he's the perfect party guest after all?

- The riotously funny follow-up to the bestselling *Letters to a Monster*, exploring friendship and overcoming preconceptions
- Packed with hilarious letters, alongside glorious illustrations by award-winning Sarah Warburton
- Patricia Forde is Ireland's seventh Children's Laureate, and is a superb spokesperson for children's books



The Star Maker

Author Catherine Doyle
 Illustrator Paddy Donnelly

A magical and uplifting story from a prize-winning author-illustrator duo, celebrating the importance of intergenerational friendships and the beauty in passing on treasured traditions.

In the little town of Gloam, every child receives their own star when they are born. Stella's star is her best friend. Together they learn to ride a bike, build a fort and make ooey-gooey chocolate cake. And if Stella ever feels sad, her star comforts her.

When Stella's baby brother won't stop crying, it's her star that nudges her to try and solve the mystery. Together, they find someone who not only knows how to help baby Leo, but who also holds the key to Stella's starry destiny ...

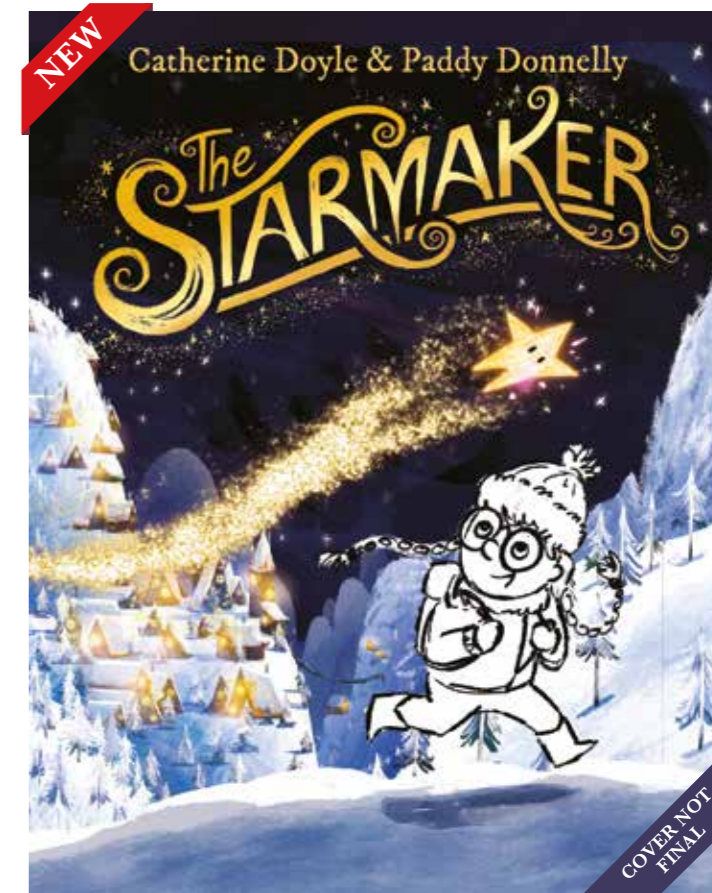
- A timeless story of intergenerational friendship and the passing on of tradition, this mesmerising story is a classic in the making
- Written by *New York Times* and No.1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author Catherine Doyle, and illustrated by Paddy Donnelly, winner of the Sainsbury's Children's Book Award and longlisted for a YOTO Carnegie Medal for illustration



Catherine Doyle's love of reading began with great Irish myths and legends. She is the author of the YA Blood for Blood trilogy and the middle-grade *The Storm Keeper* trilogy.

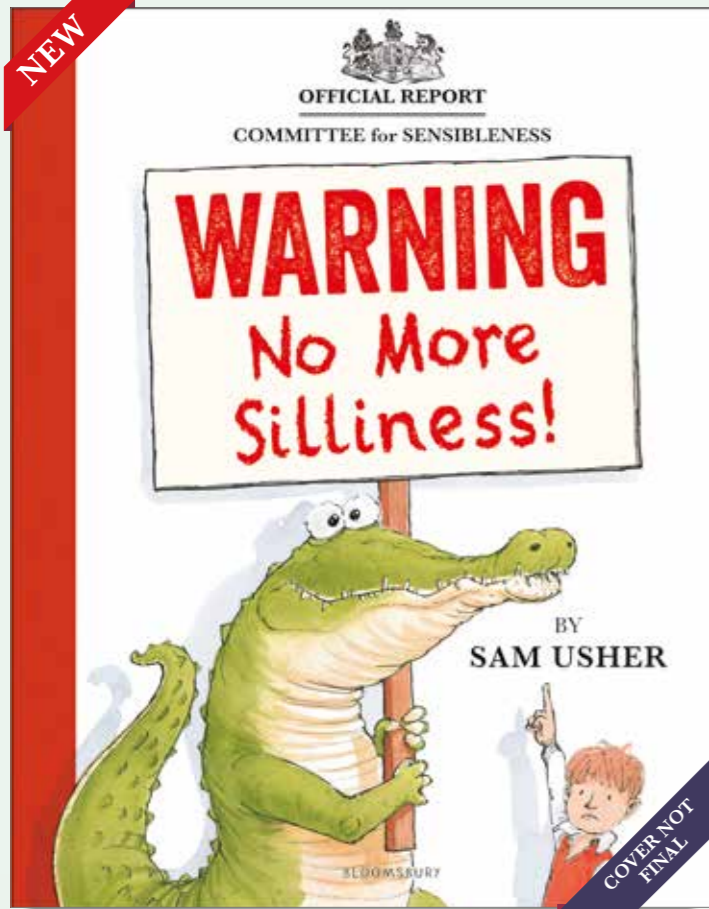


Paddy Donnelly is a picture book author and illustrator from Ireland, now based in Belgium. His childhood in Ireland and its stories of magical creatures inspired his love of storytelling and nature. Paddy's *The Golden Hare* won The An Post Irish Books Awards Children's Book of the Year 2024.



OCTOBER 2026

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 274 x 245mm / 32pp / 950 words / Age: 0–5
 Standalone / Full colour
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Warning: No More Silliness!

Sam Usher

The fabulously funny, deliciously anarchic and decidedly silly new picture book from award-winning author and illustrator Sam Usher.

Life is full of LOTS of rules. For example:

- DO NOT pick your nose.
- DO NOT eat your sister's birthday cake the day before her party.
- DO NOT dive into a paddling pool full of alligators.
- And definitely, and I mean definitely, DO NOT press that BIG RED BUTTON.

****WARNING: This book contains A LOT of silliness****

- Packed with child appeal and interactivity, this book will make you laugh out loud
- Perfect for fans of anarchic and funny books like *You Can't Take an Elephant on the Bus*, this playful, cheeky and mischievous book is an unmissable treat
- Sam Usher has been shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and longlisted for the Greenaway Medal

SEPTEMBER 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £12.99
280 x 215mm / 32pp / 650 words
Age: 0-5 / Standalone / Full colour
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Sam Usher is an acclaimed writer and artist who has illustrated books by Michael Morpurgo and Emma Carroll, as well as his own Adventures with Grandad series. When he's not writing or drawing, you'll find him playing the piano, eating chocolate and trespassing.

The Wolf Song (Title TBC)

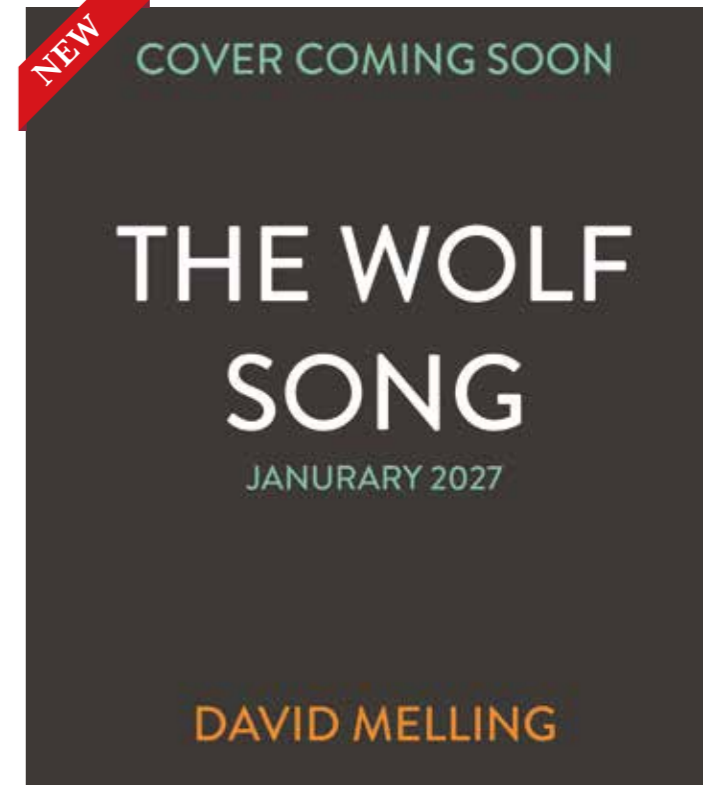
David Melling

A stunning new picture book from an internationally acclaimed picture book creator, featuring two adorable wolf cubs in an ethereal woodland setting.

Raven and Astra are a cheeky but loveable pair of little wolves. Every dawn and dusk their pack sing songs of care and protection for the enchanted forest where they live. But Raven and Astra want to play, not sing! They want to explore and have adventures.

Which is all very well, until they go to a part of the forest they haven't been to before, and come across two very mischievous wood sprites who decide to play a trick on them ...

- An atmospheric and beautifully imagined new picture book from celebrated author-illustrator David Melling, whose Hugless Douglas stories have sold over 1.6 million copies in 30 languages
- With loveable characters and a relatable story of sibling rivalry and the pushing of boundaries set against a gorgeously detailed forest backdrop, this book is a magical delight

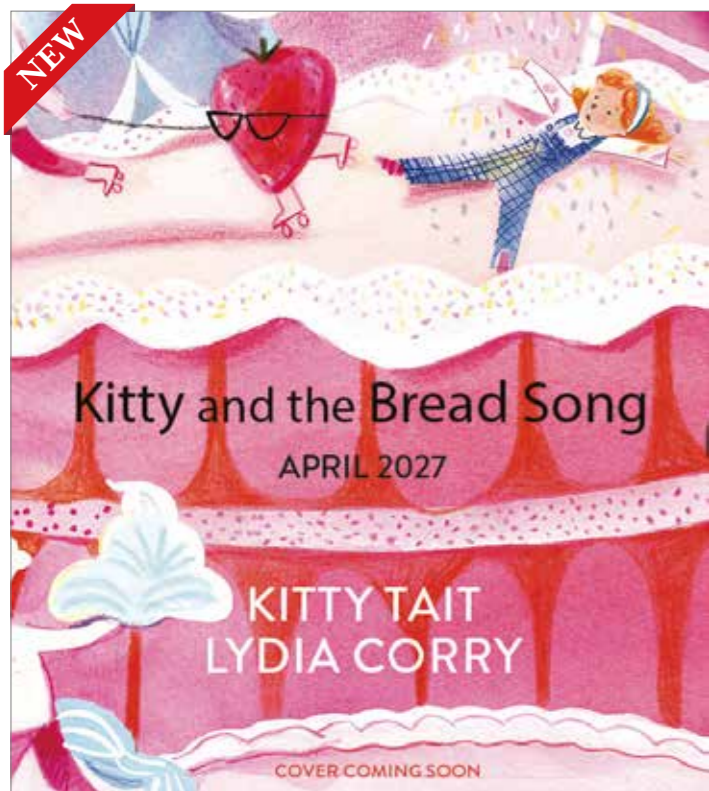


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274 x 245mm / 32pp / 800 words
Age: 0-5 / Full colour / Standalone
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David Melling is the creator of the award-winning *The Kiss That Missed*, and more recently the bestselling Ruffles stories. He has created over 150 books, which have published in over 30 languages, and sold over 5 million copies.



Kitty and the Bread Song

Author Kitty Tait
Illustrator Lydia Corry

An inventive and warm-hearted picture book about the power of imagination and the slow delight to be found in baking.

Little Kitty has a vivid imagination and a head full of dreams. She can conjure up fabulous characters and incredible scenes in her mind – the only trouble is, it's usually when she's supposed to be doing something else! Being easily distracted can make Kitty feel sad. She wants to do things the way everyone else does. But then she learns how to make a delicious loaf of bread and, as her baking dreams take flight, she realises that her amazing imagination is her superpower.

- Kitty's first book, *Breadsong*, was acclaimed for its tender portrayal of her experience with depression
- An authentic yet reassuring story drawn from real-life experience
- Lydia Corry's immersive illustrations glow with luminous colour, glorious detail and flourishes of humour
- Includes the miracle loaf recipe which Kitty teaches to groups around the world via her charity Breaducation

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274 x 245mm / 32pp / 650 words
Age: 0–5 / Standalone / Full colour
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Kitty Tait is co-author of Bloomsbury's bestselling, award-winning book *Breadsong*. With her father, Al Tait, she runs The Orange Bakery in her hometown of Watlington. Kitty also runs the charity Breaducation, which donates free bread kits to schools, prisons and community groups.



Lydia Corry graduated from the Royal College of Art in 2009. Her publishing debut was *Eight Princesses and a Magic Mirror* (Zephyr, 2019). She is the author-illustrator of Bloomsbury's upcoming *A Little Slice of Sky*.

The Last-Minute Letter

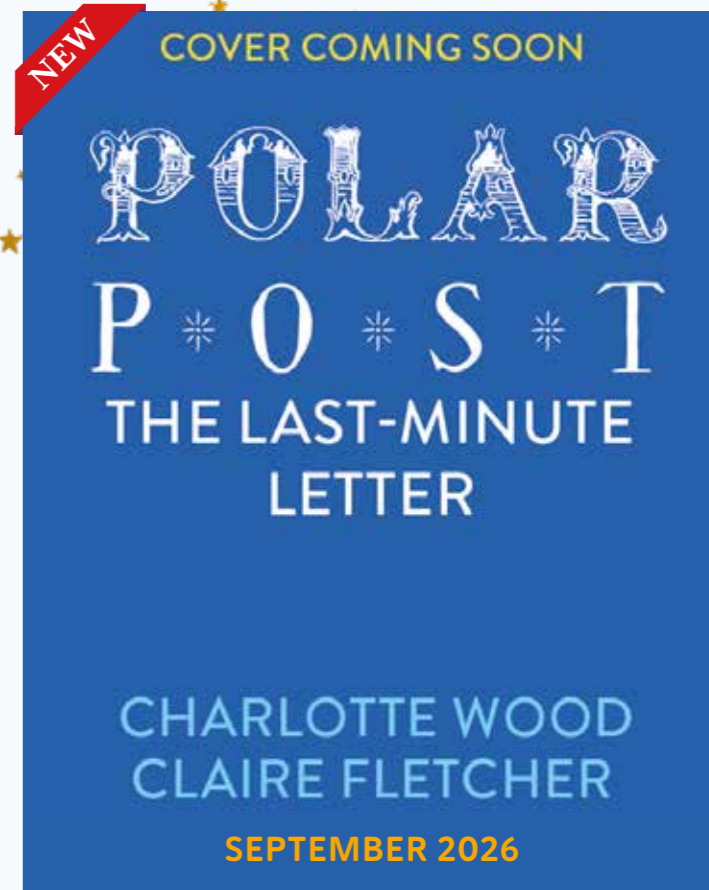
Author Charlotte Wood
Illustrator Claire Fletcher

Step into a Christmassy world full of wonder and magic with Polar Post!

Come on a magical journey to the North Pole to deliver a last-minute letter to Father Christmas. Pad your way through enchanted woods, fly across misty mountains, tiptoe past a polar bear's den and more in this gorgeous picture book.

With flaps to open on every spread, this beautiful book is an immersive read, filled with enticing detail, breathtaking scenes and adorable characters. Written with gentle humour and bags of heart, this is a book to treasure year after year.

- Created in partnership with the much-loved online brand Polar Post, which sends thousands of beautifully hand-crafted letters to children all around the world each Christmas
- The first book in a stunning new series of interactive picture books that are classics in the making
- Filled with loveable characters – you might even meet Father Christmas himself!



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Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £14.99
300 x 237mm / 32 pages, with flaps on every spread / 600 words
Age: 2–6 / Standalone / Full colour
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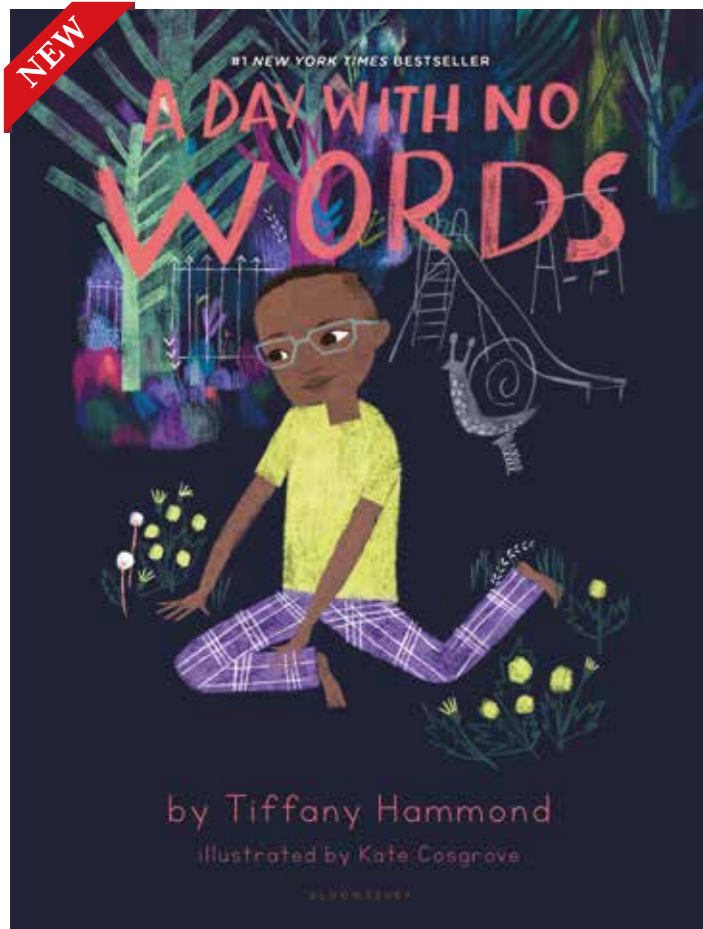


Charlotte Wood created Polar Post after the arrival of her daughter Rose in 2014. Like most babies, Rose regarded the middle of the night as her time to party, so to help pass the long nights, Charlotte began to write her letters from the North Pole. From those first late-night letters, Polar Post has now grown into a much-loved and integral part of Christmas for thousands of families all around the world.



Claire Fletcher studied graphic design and illustration at Central School of Art and Design, Kingston University, and the Royal College of Art. She has been an illustrator since 1990 and is a co-founder and director of 'Made in Hastings' – a shop selling locally sourced gifts and artwork.





A Day with No Words

Author Tiffany Hammond
Illustrator Kate Cosgrove

A #1 New York Times bestselling picture invites readers into the life of an Autistic family who communicate without spoken language.

Aidan doesn't talk with words. He uses a tablet, tapping buttons with pictures to show what he means. Not everyone understands their family's unique way of communicating, though. Some think that because Aidan doesn't say words, he doesn't know words. But verbal speech isn't the only way we can connect with others.

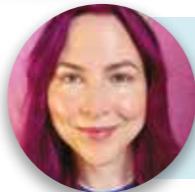
- With tenderness and heart, *A Day with No Words* illuminates the many unique ways people can understand each other, even if they don't speak
- Bloomsbury is republishing this bestselling picture book, which originally published in 2023 by Wheat Penny Press and became a #1 New York Times bestseller

FEBRUARY 2027

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280 x 215mm / 48pp / 1,600 words / Age: 5-7 / Standalone / Full colour
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Tiffany Hammond is the voice behind the popular social media platform, "Fidgets and Fries."



Kate Cosgrove is an award-winning children's book/KidLit illustrator.

Find the Sun

Andy Harkness

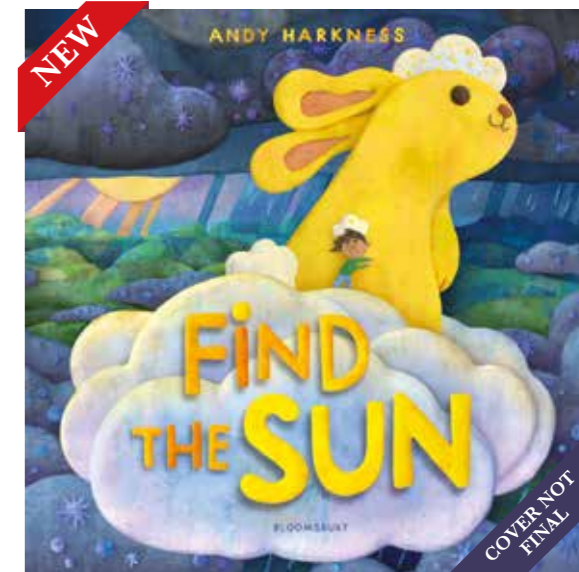
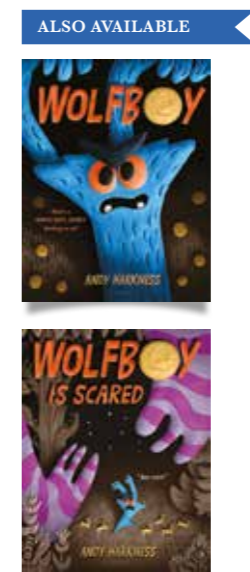
From the creator of *Wolfboy* comes a heartfelt and whimsical story about finding courage inside yourself.

Eddie wishes he could stay at home, safe under the blankets.

One morning, a golden rabbit appears and tells him, "Find the sun." Eddie joins Rabbit on a whimsical adventure, trying so many things that made him nervous before.

After spending time with Rabbit, Eddie understands that if he needs help being brave, he just has to find the sun.

- Charming, heartfelt story about a universal feeling: In Andy's signature art style, this moving story shows how pushing yourself can be so rewarding
- Whimsical storytelling for fans of Peter Brown: This offers an original take worry by representing comfort with the sun and a golden rabbit



MAY 2026

Bloomsbury US / Hardback / \$18.99
255 x 255mm / 40 pp / 410 words / Age: 3-6 / Standalone / Full color
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Andy Harkness is the author and illustrator of *Wolfboy*, *Wolfboy is Scared*, and *Bug Zoo*. He is an award-winning art director who has worked on *Moana*, *Frozen*, and *Wreck-it-Ralph*, among other movies. After twenty-five years at Disney, he moved to Sony Pictures Animation and is currently at Skydance Animation. He lives in California with his family.



What the Saguaro Saw Two Hundred Years of Sonoran Desert History

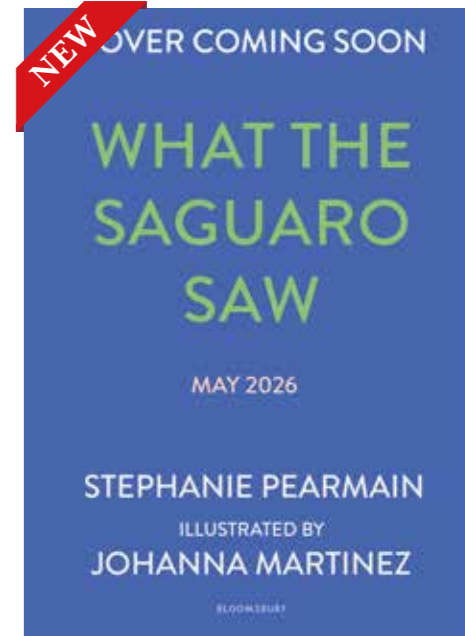
Author Stephanie Pearmain Illustrator Johanna Martinez

Over its 200 year life, a saguaro cactus witnesses vast changes in this sweeping picture book.

The saguaro cactus, native to the Sonoran Desert, is magnificent not only in stature, but in great service to its ecosystem. These giant, slow-growing cacti can live over 200 years, witnessing generations of territorial, technological, political, and environmental change.

In this lush, profound picture book, discover the wonders that one Saguaro saw.

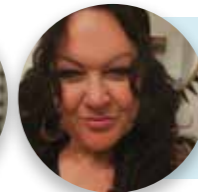
- Packed with ecological, socio-political, humanitarian, and indigenous histories, this book is informative and lyrical, and bolstered by visually arresting illustrations
- Perfect for fans of critically acclaimed informational picture book creators like Jason Chin, Jessica Lanan, Katherine Roy, and Candace Fleming/Eric Rohmann



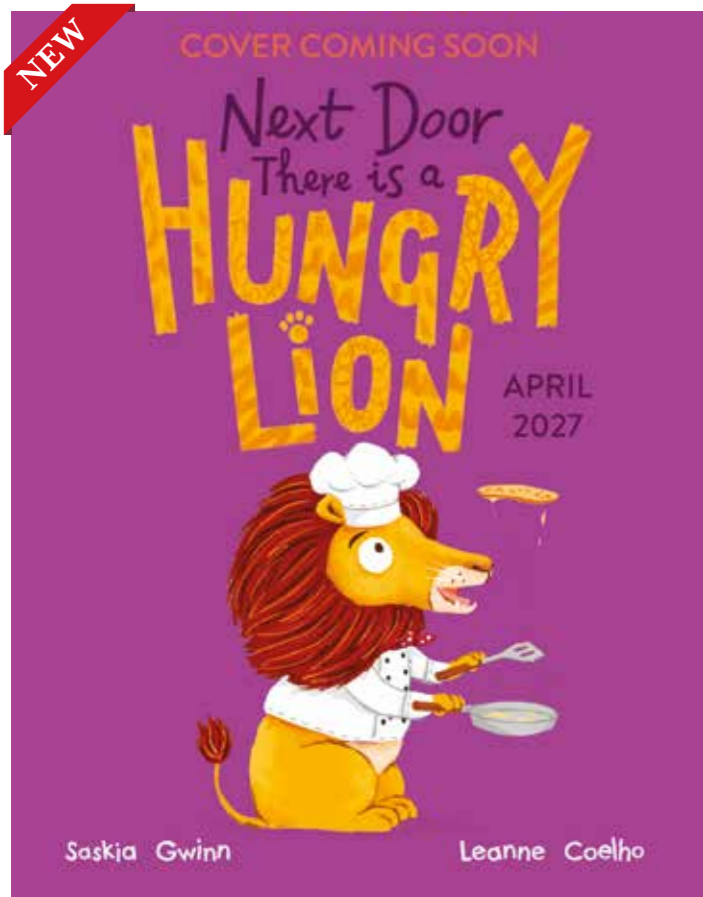
MAY 2026

Bloomsbury US / Hardback / \$19.99
280 x 229 mm / 48pp / 2,400 words / Age: 4-8 / Standalone / Full color
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Stephanie Pearmain is a Mexican American author who holds an MFA from Hollins University and teaches Children's/YA literature at the University of Arizona.



Johanna Martinez is a multimedia artist, designer, and educator. She lives in southern Arizona.



Next Door There is a Hungry Lion

Author Saskia Gwinn
Illustrator Leanne Coelho

A funny, fast-paced story about a little girl's belief that her next-door neighbour is keeping a hungry lion in her garden!

There are clues everywhere in this comical caper about a little girl with big suspicions about exactly what is going on next door. She's marshalling her evidence and is determined to prove that Miss O'Brien is absolutely, definitely, housing a hungry lion!

From a chase through the food market to a notice about a missing lion spotted at the zoo, the signs are EVERYWHERE – so why won't anyone listen?!

- Engaging and engrossing – invites young readers to look for clues and be in on the joke
- The bouncy, rhyming text is huge fun to read aloud
- Vivid illustrations, packed with bold characters and funny details make this a book children will want to read again and again

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300 x 237mm / 32pp / 400 words / Age: 0-5
Book 2 of 2 / Full color
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Saskia Gwinn has written over 20 children's books and worked in children's publishing for nearly 20 years.



Leanne Coelho grew up in South Africa and Portugal and is a self-taught illustrator.

Some Body, Every Body

Roz MacLean

The first in an affirming and celebratory series from acclaimed author/illustrator Roz MacLean celebrates every body!

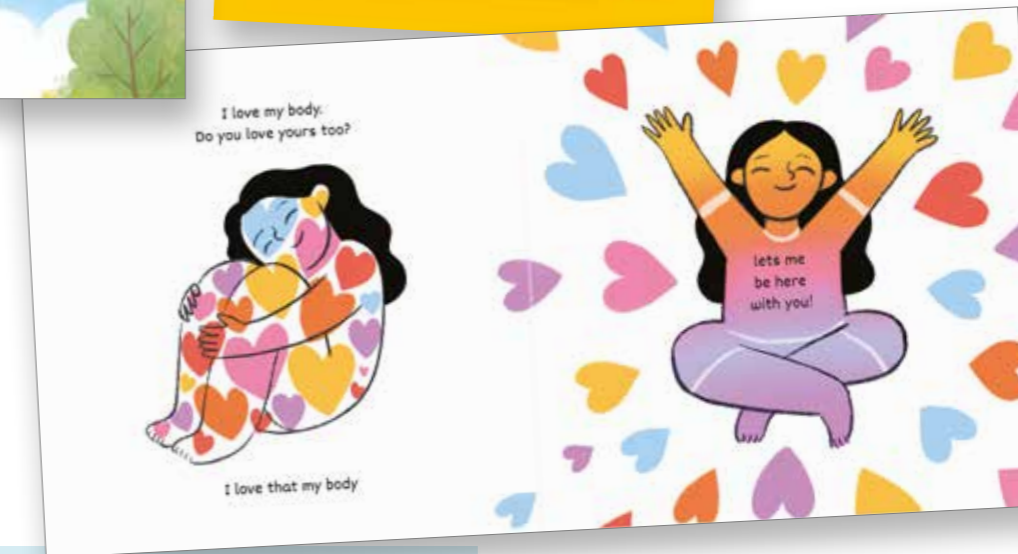
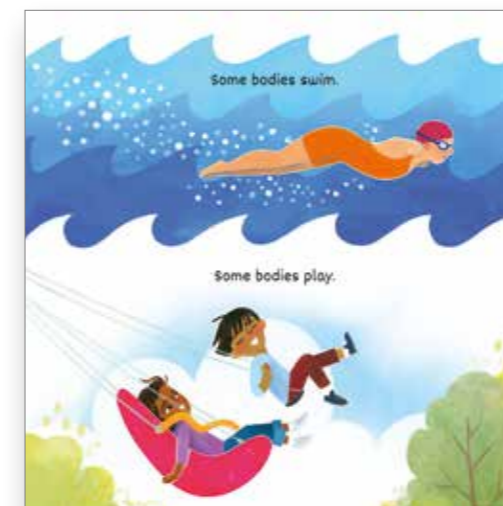
Every body is unique. Bodies come in all sizes and shapes, and even have distinct sensory, mobility and medical needs. But despite their differences, every kind of body helps us move through the world. From award-winning author and illustrator Roz MacLean comes a vibrant celebration of body diversity and positivity, and a kid-friendly entry point for teaching young readers that while everyone's bodies may be different, each one is special!

- This simple and direct picture book communicates body diversity in a kid-accessible way
- Vibrant art and bouncing text encourages engagement and conversation around body acceptance
- An exciting new social-emotional series with up-and-coming author/illustrator



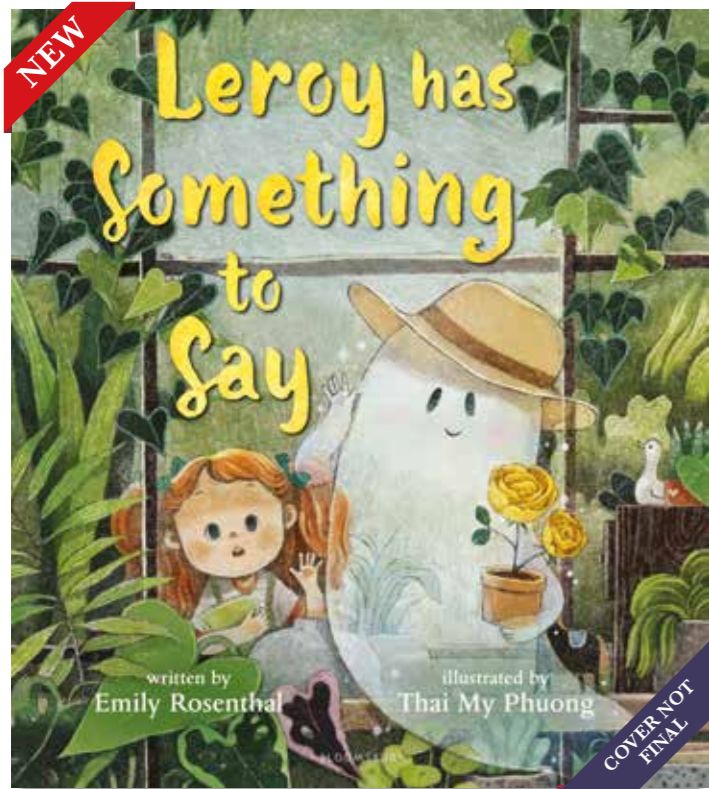
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Book 1 of 3 / Full color
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Roz MacLean is an award-winning Canadian illustrator and children's writer. Her book *More Than Words* is a Bank Street Best Book of the Year selection, and a CBC Kids Read Competition Finalist. She is passionate about education, inclusion, and the arts.





Leroy Has Something to Say

Author Emily Rosenthal

Illustrator Thai Phuong

Gustavo the Shy Ghost meets I Talk Like a River in this sweet and spooky picture book about the many ways we communicate with each other.

Leroy the ghost loves his garden at Rosebud Manor. Each time a new family moves in, he greets them with a beautiful yellow rose, the flower of friendship. But no one understands what he's trying to say, and they get scared off! Until Tara, a girl who uses a device to talk, moves in. It turns out Tara knows just as much about plants as Leroy! Is it possible she speaks the language of flowers, too?

- This charming story centers friendship and disability, making it a strong offering for institutional markets
- Backmatter explaining Augmentative and Alternative Communication is perfect for classroom use
- With a gardening ghost, this is well suited for Halloween story times

JULY 2026

Bloomsbury US / Hardback / \$18.99
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Age: 4–8 / Standalone / Full color
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Emily Rosenthal is a writer and illustrator based in Baltimore, Maryland. She loves ghosts, monsters, and all kinds of creatures, and frequently tells stories about them. This is her debut picture book.



Thai Phuong is a Vietnamese illustrator passionate about visual storytelling. She has worked with international publishers and taught illustration classes.

O Holy Night

A Modern Christmas Carol

Alleanna Harris

Revel in the magic of family, togetherness, and Christmas in this beautiful story inspired by the holiday carol.

Amid the hustle and bustle of the holidays, bask in magical moments: hunting for the perfect tree, hanging lights to brighten winter nights, and attending a Christmas Eve church service as a family.

With lyrics adapted from the song *O Holy Night*, Alleanna Harris's luminous picture book will inspire readers to spread their light through the holiday season and beyond.

- A lyrical, radiant Christmas book for the modern family: The visual narrative seamlessly incorporates both religious and non-religious holiday traditions in a way that feels true-to-life. Readers will recognize themselves and their own family traditions
- This book was inspired by Alleanna's illustration of a family picking out their Christmas tree, which received 11k+ likes on social media



OCTOBER 2026

Bloomsbury US / Hardback / \$18.99
280 x 215mm / 32 pp / 100 words
Age: 3–6 / Standalone / Full color
All rights available

Alleanna Harris is the illustrator of *Prayer Is, Down on the Bayou, Oshun and Me, All the Greatness in You, A Song for August, Recipes for Change*, and several other books. She lives in New Jersey.



Quiet

Isabel Mendoza

An imaginative social-emotional picture book about a quiet girl finding her place in an overwhelming world.

When the world gets to be too much, a little girl looks for moments of quiet—but the noise always finds her. Everyday things like playing at recess, participating in class, even interacting with siblings are overwhelming, and it starts to feel like the world wasn't built for her. But could it be there are others who feel the same way?

- This imaginative picture book captures the experience of every "quiet" kid trying to find their place—and their people—in the world
- An evergreen friendship storyline shows the joy of finding those who understand and accept you exactly as you are

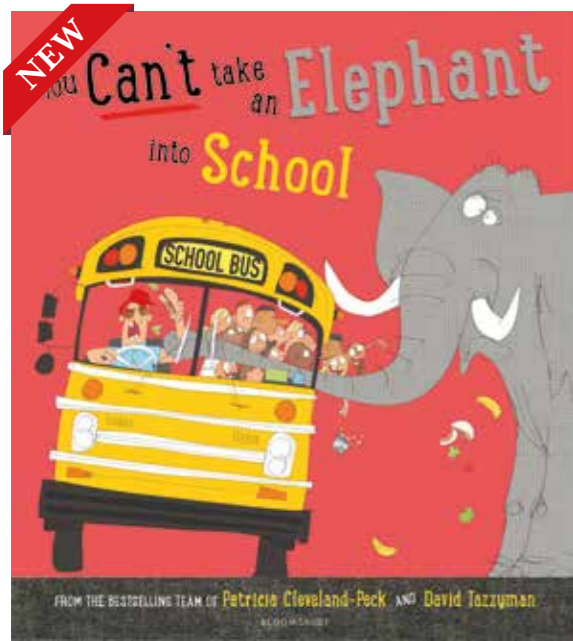


MARCH 2027

Bloomsbury US / Hardback / \$18.99
255 x 255mm / 40 pp / 130 words
Age: 4–8 / Standalone / Full color
All rights available

Isabel Mendoza is a Latinx Bay Area-based illustrator and author who discovered peace and quiet in drawing and painting. *Quiet* is her debut picture book.





You Can't Take an Elephant to School

Author Patricia Cleveland-Peck Illustrator David Tazzyman

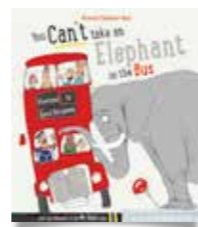
From the duo behind the brilliant, bestselling *You Can't Take an Elephant on the Bus*, comes a riotous new book set in a school.

A giggling hyena looking after the school library? A troupe of "music-making" marmosets in band practice? A mole who can't see to the end of her nose in the nurse's office? What could *possibly* go wrong?!

Packed with irresistible rhymes and laugh-out-loud illustrations, this action-packed book takes you to a classroom where the animals are in charge and chaos reigns!

- Full of anarchic fun and bursting with humour and energy
- Latest in a hugely successful series, with over a quarter of a million copies sold in the UK alone
- Joyfully zany and sure to tickle every reader's funny bone

ALSO AVAILABLE



And 7 other titles!

JULY 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 500 words / Age: 0–5 / Series / Full colour
Option publishers: Chinese (simple), Hungarian, German, Greek, Korean, Polish, Turkish

Patricia Cleveland-Peck has published 14 children's books in addition to both adult books and plays.



David Tazzyman is the bestselling illustrator of the Mr Gum books (Egmont), which have won a multitude of awards, including the Roald Dahl Funny Prize.

Where is Pierre?

Emma Clarke

A wonderfully sweet and funny picture book about a missing penguin. Where IS Pierre? Can you find him?

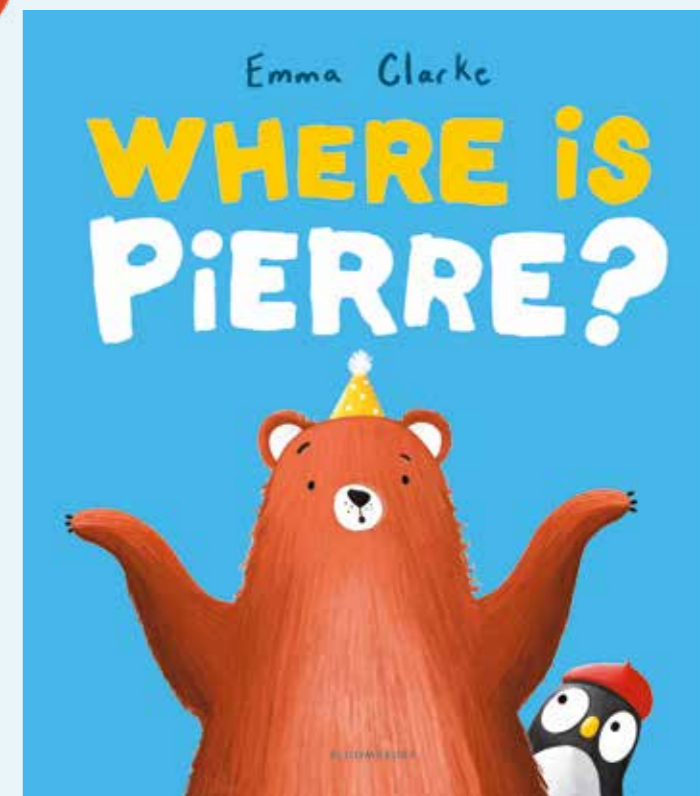
It's Bear's birthday and he can't wait to spend it with his best friend Pierre.

There's just one little problem ...

WHERE IS PIERRE?

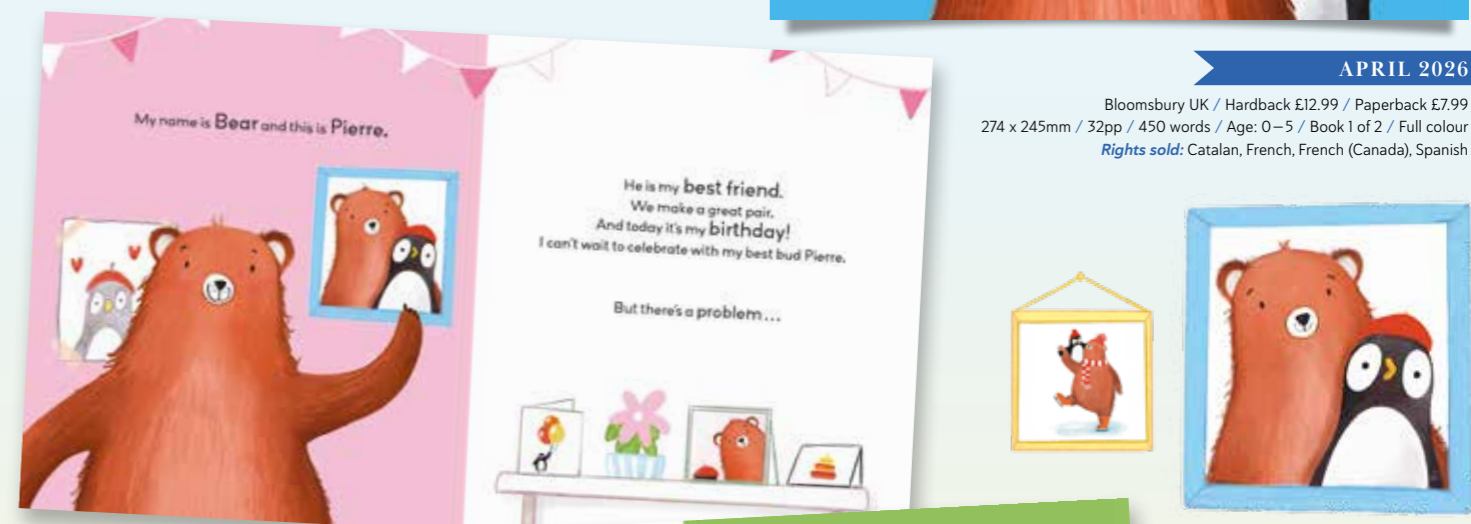
Featuring one missing penguin and a whole lot of silliness, this irresistible rhyming picture book is packed with search-and-find fun!

- A celebration of friendship, written in joyful rhyme that is perfect for reading out loud
- With stylish and sweet illustrations from a major new talent, this is a brilliantly interactive and funny book. Can YOU spot Pierre hiding on every page?



APRIL 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 450 words / Age: 0–5 / Book 1 of 2 / Full colour
Rights sold: Catalan, French, French (Canada), Spanish



The Messenger

Lyndsay Roberts Rayne

The powerful, inspirational story of one small messenger dog who makes a big difference, from debut author-illustrator Lyndsay Roberts Rayne.

For thousands of years, animals have accompanied us in our darkest hours. Over 20,000 dogs served in WWI in crucial roles. With touching sensitivity and powerful, filmic illustrations, this minimally-worded story follows one brave dog from her idyllic puppyhood to a war dog training camp, and from there to the trenches where the dog, and her human, face the ultimate challenge.

- Appeals to animal lovers as it explores the unbreakable bond between humans and their four-legged friends, and features two non-fiction spreads about all of the ways by which dogs and other animals served in the war
- The book has been thoroughly researched by Lyndsay in collaboration with a National Army Museum consultant, and real Somme soil has been used as a medium for some illustrations



SEPTEMBER 2026

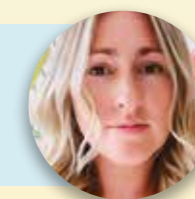
Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £14.99 / Paperback £9.99
245 x 280mm / 64pp / 1,000 words / Age: 7–9 / Standalone / Full colour
Rights sold: Japanese, US



Lyndsay Roberts Rayne graduated with distinction from the MA in Children's Book Illustration, Cambridge School of Art. She loves to make work that explores deep emotional themes, and enjoys playing with paper, textures and light.



Emma Clarke has always loved making up stories, and started writing and illustrating her own picture books during the pandemic. *Where is Pierre?* is her debut picture book.





We're Going to Santa's Workshop

Author Martha Mumford
Illustrator Cherie Zamazing

It's time to celebrate CHRISTMAS with the Bunnies of Hoppity Hill!

*We're going to a Santa's workshop.
Come and join the fun!*

Join the fun with the bunnies as they set off an exciting lift-the-flap Christmas adventure to the North Pole. They need to help Santa find the toys that have gone missing from his workshop – but it's almost midnight and time is running out! Can you find the toys hidden under the flaps and help Santa and his elves get ready for the big day?

The perfect Christmas gift, full of celebration and sparkle, from the bestselling author of *We're Going on an Egg Hunt*.

- An exciting lift-the-flap Christmas adventure in Santa's workshop with lots of festive fun to spot
- Featuring elves, sleighs, snowy landscapes and a very jolly Santa, this gorgeous book is packed with festive fun and is ideal for reading at Christmas
- From Christmas to Easter, summer to Halloween and beyond, there's a Hoppity Hill book for every moment of the year. Collect them all!

SEPTEMBER 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
255 x 255mm / 24pp / 100 words
Age: 0-5 / Series / Full colour
Option publishers: Catalan, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish



We're Going on a Ghost Hunt Activity Book

Author Martha Mumford Illustrator Cherie Zamazing

Get ready for some Halloween fun and ghostly games with the bunnies!

Based on the bestselling picture book, *We're Going on a Ghost Hunt*, this super activity book is bursting with spooky colouring, pumpkin puzzles, swampy mazes, 100 stickers and lots of little ghosts to spot and count.

- Packed with activities, crafts, stickers and surprises to entertain children for hours at Halloween
- An interactive way for little ones to experience Halloween with the bunnies and play games with bats, toads, witches and ghosts!

AUGUST 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Paperback / £6.99
276 x 216mm / 32pp / 600 words / Age: 0-5 / Series / Full colour
Option publishers: Catalan, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish

Martha Mumford has written many picture books for Bloomsbury, including the bestselling Bunnies of Hoppity Hill series. She lives in Berkshire with her husband and young daughters.



Cherie Zamazing is the successful freelance illustrator of many beautiful picture books, including *I'm a Unicorn Hairdresser*.



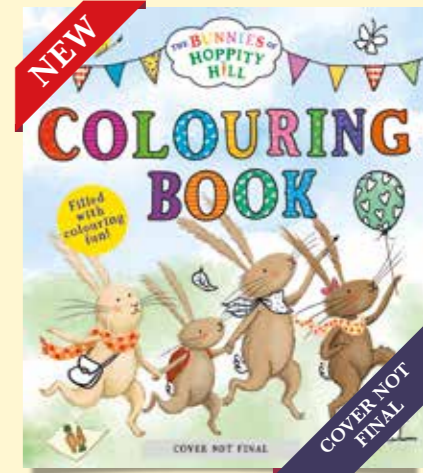
THE BUNNIES OF HOPPITY HILL

The Bunnies of Hoppity Hill: Colouring Book

Join the bunnies in Hoppity Hill on a big colouring adventure!

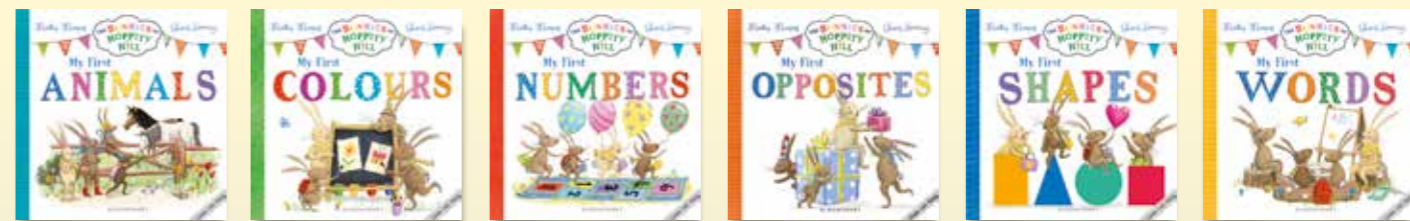
Discover beautiful pictures of splashy seaside days, stargazing nights and secret hideouts as you bring the cosy world of Hoppity Hill to life with colour.

- The perfect book to keep little artists and bunny fans busy on rainy days, lazy days, holidays and more!



FEBRUARY 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Paperback / £6.99
240 x 210mm / 64pp / 340 words / Age: 3-5
Standalone / Full colour
Option publishers: Catalan, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish



The Bunnies of Hoppity Hill: My First Concepts Board Books

Author Martha Mumford Illustrator Cherie Zamazing

Hop along with the bunnies as they learn all about colours, shapes, numbers and more!

This series of six board books takes little bunny fans on an exciting learning adventure with lots of fun along the way. Collect them all or pick and choose!

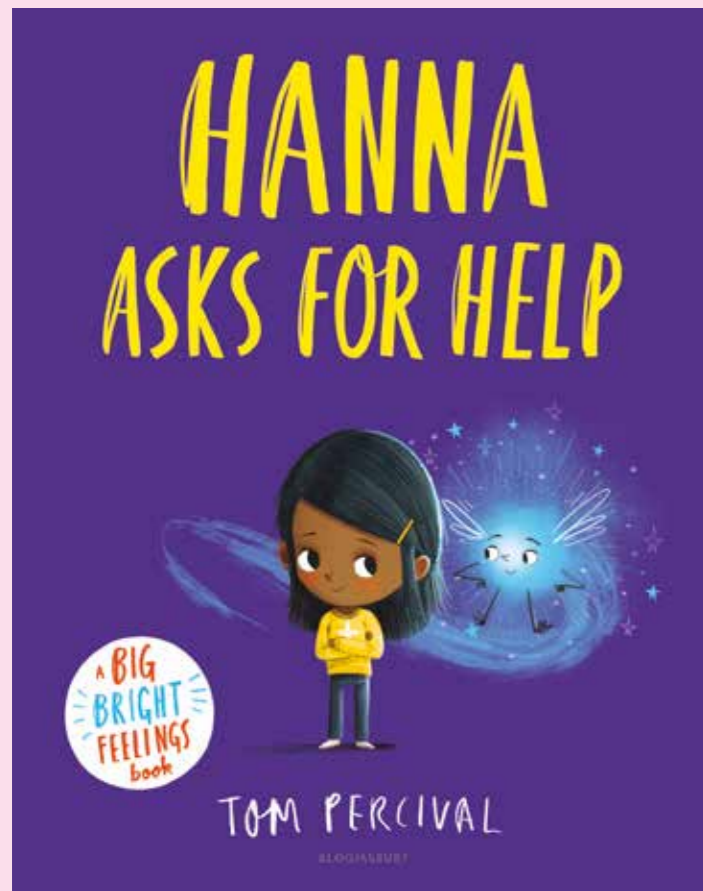
APRIL 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Board books / £4.99
160 x 160mm / 10pp / 65 words / Age: 2-4 / Set of 6 / Full colour
Option publishers: Catalan, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish



DISCOVER THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING SERIES!





Hanna Asks for Help

Tom Percival

An uplifting story about learning to ask for help, part of the bestselling Big Bright Feelings series.

Hanna loves sports. But she finds maths a real puzzle! Can she find the courage to ask for help – before her world falls to pieces?

This reassuring and funny book is the perfect springboard for talking to children about asking for help.

Tom Percival's Big Bright Feelings series is the ideal starting point for conversations about mental and emotional health, building self-confidence and managing feelings.

- A warm and affectionate book that will help children find the courage to ask for help when they need it
- Uplifting, empowering and emotionally resonant, it explores the importance of reaching out when you're struggling and confused
- Relatable and full of humour, this wonderfully accessible book is full of Tom's signature artwork and cinematic style



JULY 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
 300 x 237mm / 32pp / 570 words / Age: 0–5 / Book 10 of 10 / Series / Full colour
 Option Publishers: Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Dutch, Finnish, French, French (Canada), German, Greek, Hebrew, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Spanish, Turkish

Be open, be honest, be you!
 Big Bright Feelings
 for little people.

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Over 1.6 million copies sold in the English language!



Tom Percival is a writer, artist, video producer and musician. He lives in Stroud with his partner and their two children.

TOM PERCIVAL

The Great Mouse Orchestra

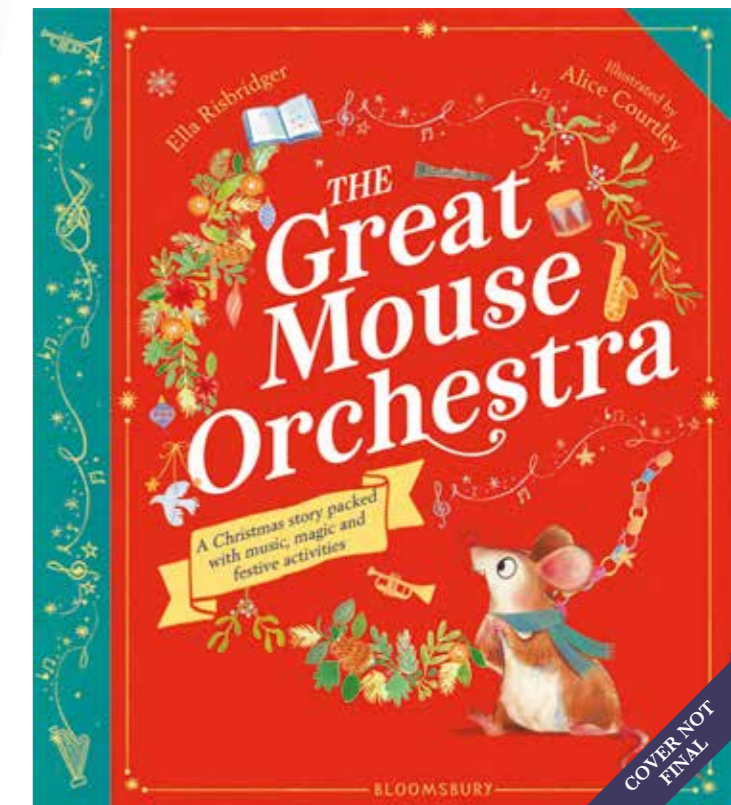
Author Ella Risbridger Illustrator Alice Courtley

An utterly magical, lavishly illustrated Christmas gift book by bestselling writer and cookbook author Ella Risbridger.

This is the story of a little mouse called Jeremy Larkin – and his dream of finding the legendary Great Mouse Orchestra.

Featuring seven gorgeous activities – including recipes for Christmas spice cake and festive hot chocolate – this irresistible winter adventure is packed with frosty magic and wonder.

- The first illustrated children's book from much-loved food writer Ella Risbridger, featuring one little mouse with one big dream!
- Full of magical illustrations by Alice Courtley, this lavish and beautiful gift book unfolds over 96 pages and is the perfect gift for every child at Christmas – perfect for fans of *How Winston Delivered Christmas*



OCTOBER 2026

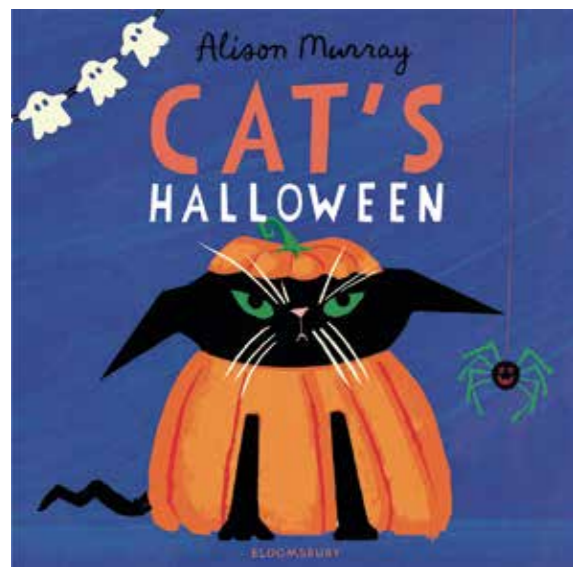
Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £16.99
 255 x 190mm / 96pp / 1,500 words
 Age: 4–8 / Standalone / Full colour
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Ella Risbridger is the bestselling and award-winning author of *Midnight Chicken* and *The Year of Miracles*, as well as *The Secret Detectives*, a middle-grade adventure for children.



Alice Courtley is the much-loved creator of several picture books including *Wait for Froggo* and *Lost in the City*. She has been shortlisted for the Klaus Flugge Prize.



Cat's Halloween

Alison Murray

An utterly irresistible story about a grumpy cat who hates Halloween.

Cat HATES Halloween. He hates the spidery cobwebs and the spooky pumpkin faces... and he especially hates the trick-or-treaters who come knocking on the door!

But somewhere in the moonlit night, magic is stirring. Perhaps Halloween isn't all bad – especially when you can share it with your favourite people.

- This purr-fectly heartwarming follow-up to *Cat's Christmas* celebrates the spooky season in inimitable feline style – the perfect gift at Halloween!
- Filled with wonderfully stylish artwork and featuring the world's most loveable grumpy cat, the book also has a strong message about facing your fears

ALSO AVAILABLE



AUGUST 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
255 x 255mm / 32pp / 221 words / Age: 0–5 / Book 2 of 2 / Full colour
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Alison Murray is an acclaimed picture book author and illustrator, and the award-winning creator of books including *Apple Pie ABC* and *Hare and Tortoise*.



APRIL 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 750 words / Age: 0–5 / Standalone / Full colour
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Robert Tregoning studied at the Glasgow School of Art before leaping into a career in the West End. As an LGBTQ+ writer, Robert hopes to help children and adults to accept and celebrate all that makes us unique.



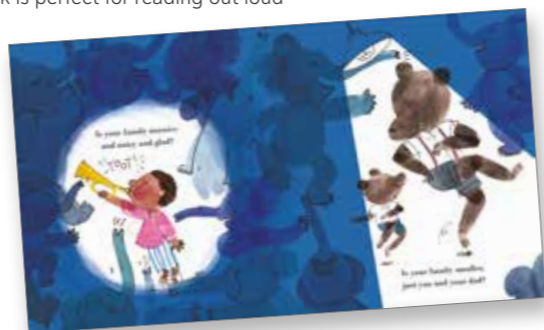
The Family Quiz

Author Robert Tregoning Illustrator Yasmeen Ismail

A glorious celebration of families of every shape and size!

Get ready for a look at families of ALL kinds in this uplifting picture book about the many different families that make up our world.

- A joyfully inclusive book featuring every type of family – whether it's one you're born into or one you've made for yourself
- With bold, original and energetic artwork and an irresistible rhyming text, this book is perfect for reading out loud



Yasmeen Ismail is the award-winning illustrator of many books including *Specs for Rex* and *My Brother Is an Avocado*.

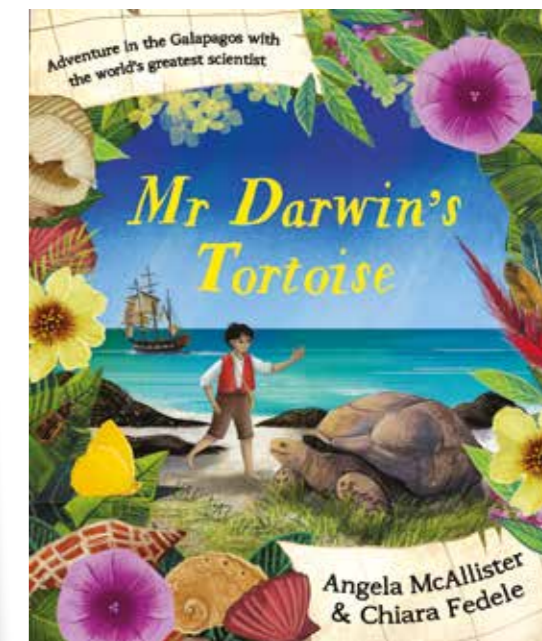
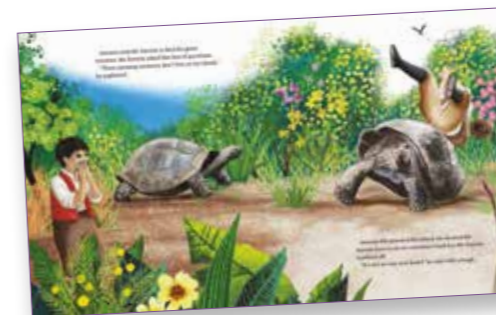
Mr Darwin's Tortoise

Author Angela McAllister Illustrator Chiara Fedele

A perfect introduction to the world's greatest evolutionary biologist for young explorers in a charming, fictional story illustrated in full colour.

Antonio lives in the Galápagos Islands and wants to know everything about everything – he never stops asking questions! One day he meets a stranger called Mr Darwin who also asks lots of questions.

- A winning combination of a charming 32 page fictional story with historical accuracy in illustrations of Mr Darwin and his ship *The Beagle*, and accurately researched Galápagos flora and fauna. Closes with a historical note about Charles Darwin and a labelled double page spread of plants and animals



FEBRUARY 2026

Zephyr / Hardback / £12.99
267 x 226mm / 32pp / 800 words / Age: 4+ / Standalone
All rights available

Angela McAllister has been published consistently since 1987, winning many awards, including the Red House Book Award and The American Folklore Society 'Aesop Award.'



Chiara Fedele has won many awards including the Premio Cento Illustrator Competition, a Sydney Taylor Award Silver Medal and a 3x3 International Illustration Award Merit.

Twenty Bears On Holiday

Author Kathryn Simmonds Illustrator Alison Brown

The bears are back in this hilarious counting book featuring twenty silly bears on holiday!

Get ready for some pure counting fun, as twenty very excited bears set off for a break on the beach. Summer is here and it's time to RELAX – but are these silly bears up to the task?

- The perfect counting book for little ones learning to count up to twenty, cleverly taking us all the way through those tricky teen numbers!
- Featuring beach balls, sandcastles and ice cream, this sun-soaked follow-up to *Twenty Bears* is ideal for summer and beyond

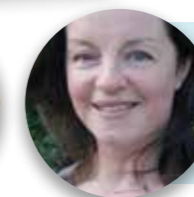
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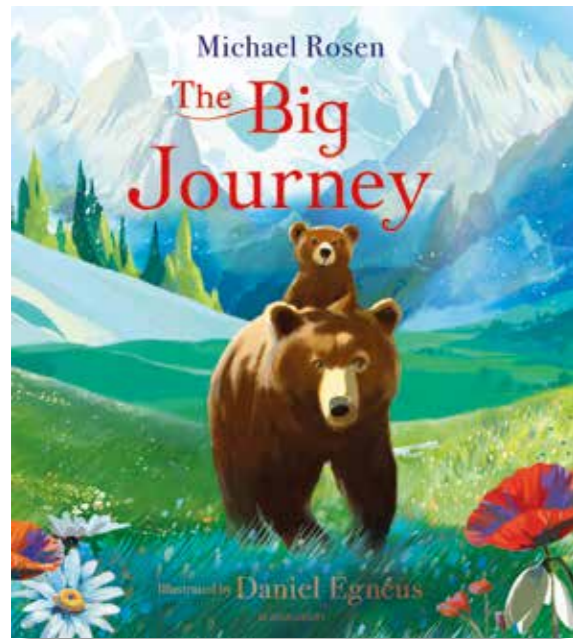
MAY 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 300 words / Age: 0–5 / Book 2 of 2 / Full colour
Rights sold: Finnish
Option publishers: Greek, Romanian, Turkish

Kathryn Simmonds is an award-winning British poet and short-story writer.



Alison Brown studied Fine Art at Liverpool. She lives in Leeds and has illustrated many much-loved books including *You Make Me Happy* and the Little Owl series by Debi Gliori.



The Big Journey

Author Michael Rosen
Illustrator Daniel Egnéus

A glorious sequel to the bestselling picture book *The Big Dreaming*, from beloved author and poet Michael Rosen and award-winning illustrator Daniel Egnéus.

Big Bear and Little Bear have to go on a big, big journey. They have to find a New Place: one with enough food for them to eat. But Little Bear is worried. What will the Big Journey be like? How will they keep going? And what will they find on the other side of the mountains?

- A modern classic about confronting change – perfectly reassuring for little ones facing new experiences
- A story about hope, courage and resilience, filled with stunning nature scenes, this beautiful book is the perfect gift

ALSO AVAILABLE



MARCH 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £12.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 760 words / Age: 0–5 / Book 2 of 2 / Full colour
Rights sold: Catalan, Finnish, French, Italian, Spanish, Turkish
Option publishers: German, Greek, Lithuanian, Portuguese, Romanian

Michael Rosen is a beloved British children's author, poet and activist who has written over 140 books, including the bestselling *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*.



Daniel Egnéus is a prolific artist who has illustrated numerous books. He is also a well-regarded fashion artist, regularly illustrating for the likes of Chanel, H&M, Nike and many more.

The Long Way Home

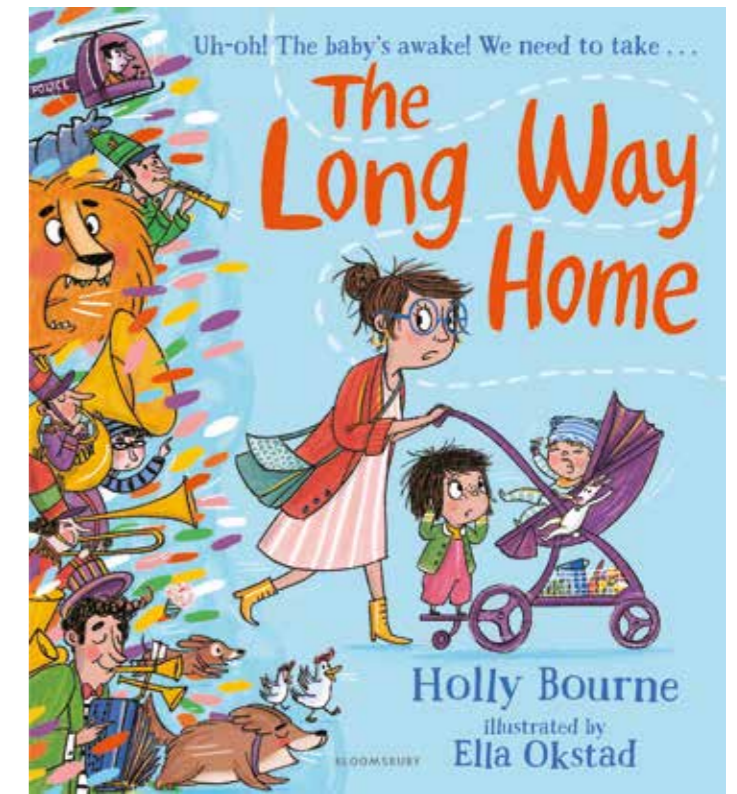
Author Holly Bourne
Illustrator Ella Okstad

The hilarious debut picture book by bestselling author Holly Bourne.

Ivy's baby brother Joel is super cute. But he does NOT like to sleep. He will ONLY nap in his buggy while it's moving... which means that Mummy and Ivy go on lots of loooooong walks!

Ivy always gets to have a strawberry glitter cupcake afterwards – but today their walk is full of LOTS of noisy obstacles. Will Joel stay asleep? Will Ivy get her cupcake? And will Mummy ever get to rest?

- A brilliantly funny picture book by a bestselling author, exploring family life with warmth, humour and insight
- Perfect for fans of Shirley Hughes and *Peace at Last* by Jill Murphy



FEBRUARY 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 650 words / Age: 0-5 / Standalone / Full colour
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The Dangerous Pet Lover's Guide to Sea Monsters

Author Lindsay Hirst
Illustrator Alice McKinley

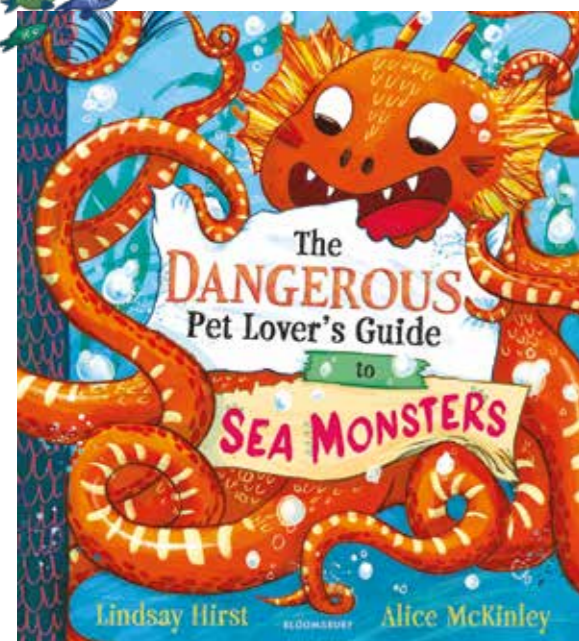
What would it be like to have a sea monster as a pet? Find out in this hilarious guide and pet manual!

Sea monsters are well known for being moody and menacing. However, by following these simple but important guidelines, you may be able to create a loveable and (almost) friendly pet.

Full of useful tips, tricks and advice, this handy guidebook will equip you with everything you need to bond with your new monster!

- Ideal for anyone who has ever wondered what it would be like to own a magical monster – perfect for reading (and laughing!) out loud
- Friendly and entertaining, this book is packed with hilarious illustrations by up-and-coming talent Alice McKinley

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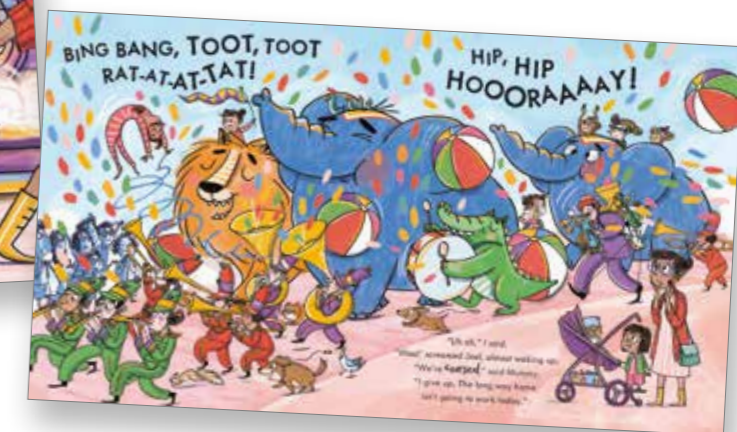
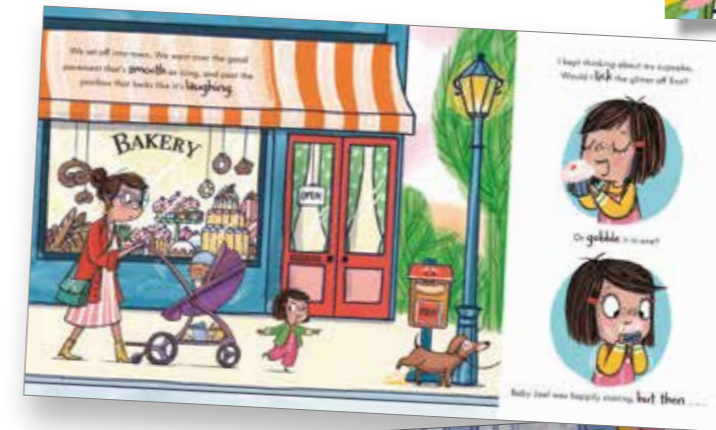
MAY 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 620 words / Age: 0–5 / Book 2 of 2 / Full colour
Option Publishers: Basque, Catalan, Galician, Spanish

Lindsay Hirst is a picture book author and recipient of the Scottish BookTrust New Writers Award. She works as a preschool teacher.



Alice McKinley is a graduate of the prestigious Cambridge MA in Children's Book Illustration, and the successful creator of *Nine Lives Newton* and *The Dodos Did It*.



Holly Bourne is the bestselling and critically acclaimed author of many adult and YA books, including *Am I Normal Yet?* She is a passionate mental health advocate and proud feminist.



Based in Norway, **Ella Okstad** is the bestselling illustrator of many wonderful books for children, including the Squishy McFluff series and *The Drama Llama* by Rachel Morrisroe.

Where Are My Massie Flying Wings?

Author Sarah Tagholm Illustrator Jane McGuinness
The heartfelt and joyful story of one little creature's journey from caterpillar to glorious flight!

Bloomsbury UK / March 2026
Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 455 words
Age: 0-5 / Book 2 of 2

Option publishers: Portuguese



We Grew a Dragon

Emma Chinnery

A heartfelt and uplifting picture book about family, friendship and fiery magic.

Bloomsbury UK / January 2026
Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 850 words
Age: 0-5 / Standalone

All rights available



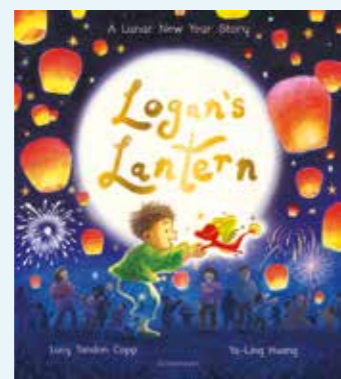
Logan's Lantern

Author Lucy Tandon Copp Illustrator Ya-Ling Huang

A beautiful and uplifting story about courage and friendship, against the background of the Lunar New Year.

Bloomsbury UK / January 2026
Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 590 words
Age: 0-5 / Standalone

All rights available



A Little Slice of Sky

Linda Corry

An uplifting story of kindness, community and the extraordinary power of nature to bring people together.

Bloomsbury UK / February 2026
Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
300 x 237mm / 32pp / 500 words
Age: 5-7 / Standalone

Rights sold: Catalan, Chinese (complex), Dutch, German, Spanish



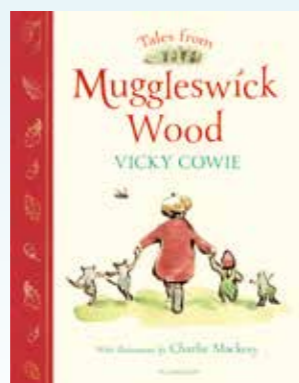
Tales from Muggleswick Wood

Author Vicky Cowie Illustrator Charlie Mackesy

A hardback gift treasury of five classic stories about the magic of Muggleswick Wood, with atmospheric illustrations by Charlie Mackesy.

Bloomsbury UK / November 2024
Hardback / £20.00
220 x 174mm / 192pp / 5,000 words
All ages / Standalone

Rights sold: Chinese (complex), Dutch, German, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese



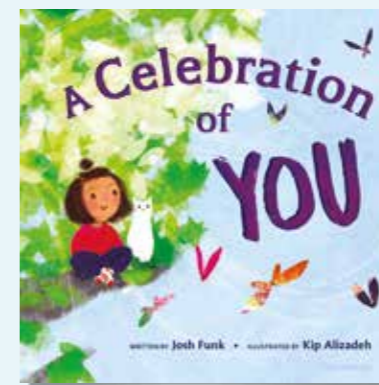
A Celebration of You

Author Josh Funk Illustrator Kip Alizadeh

Turn the most ordinary day into a celebration with this poetic picture book that's perfect for gifting.

Bloomsbury US / March 2026
Hardback / \$18.99
255 x 255mm / 32pp / 500 words
Ages: 0-5 / Standalone

All rights available



See for Yourself

Author Jordan Stephens Illustrator Beth Suzanna

A story of self-discovery, brought vividly to life by a dazzling collage of colour and emotion.

Bloomsbury UK / May 2025
Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
300 x 235mm / 32pp / 600 words
Age: 0-5 / Standalone

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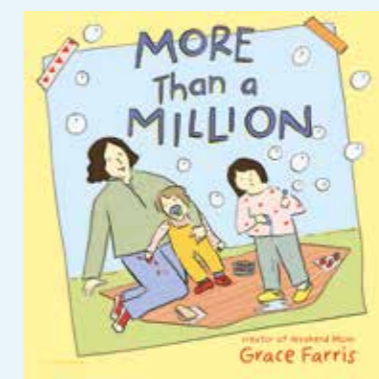
More than a Million

Grace Farris

Cartoonist Grace Farris celebrates parents' unconditional love in her whimsical debut picture book.

Bloomsbury US / March 2026
Hardback / \$18.99
255 x 255mm / 32pp / 500 words
Age: 0-5 / Standalone

All rights available



Troubled Waters: A River's Journey Toward Justice

Author Carole Boston Weatherford Illustrator Bryan Collier

From a mega-award-winning duo, a stirring account of the 1965 Selma to Montgomery marches, as witnessed by the Alabama River.

Bloomsbury US / January 2026
Hardback / \$20.99
305 x 215mm / 40 pp / 2,400 words
Age: 4-8 / Standalone

All rights available



Walk the Walk

Author R.J. Owens Illustrator Reggie Brown

An engaging picture book about everyday activism, set during the Montgomery bus boycott.

Bloomsbury US / March 2026
Hardback / \$18.99
274 x 245mm / 40pp / 1,928 words
Age: 4-8 / Standalone

All rights available



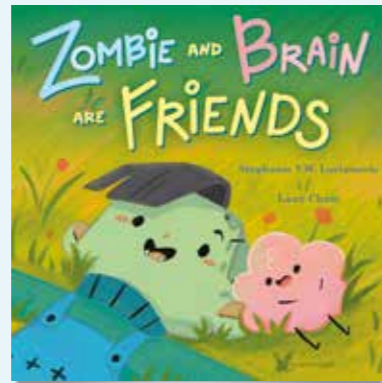
Zombie and Brain Are Friends

Author Stephanie V.W. Lucianovic Illustrator Laan Cham

Zombie in Love meets Gustavo, the Shy Ghost in this story about a young zombie who must decide: Are brains friends...or food?

Bloomsbury US / September 2025
Hardback / \$18.99
255 x 255mm / 32pp / 1,000 words
Age: 0–5 / Standalone

All rights available



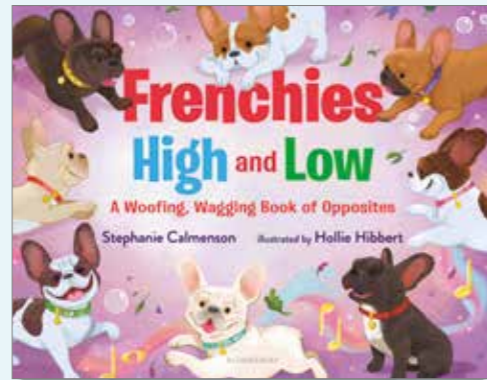
Frenchies High and Low

Author Stephanie Calmenson Illustrator Hollie Hibbert

Learn opposites with the help of playful French bulldogs in this delightful concept picture book.

Bloomsbury US / January 2026
Hardback / \$18.99
280 x 215mm / 32pp / 600 words
Age: 0–5 / Book 3 of 3

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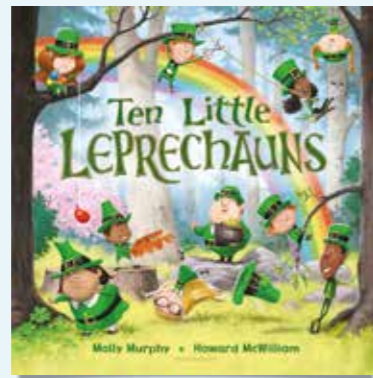
Ten Little Leprechauns

Author Molly Murphy Illustrator Howard McWilliam

Count all ten little leprechauns and join in their mischief with this quirky picture book that's the perfect St. Patrick's Day gift!

Bloomsbury US / December 2025
Hardback / \$14.99
235 x 235mm / 32pp / 375 words
Age: 0–5 / Standalone

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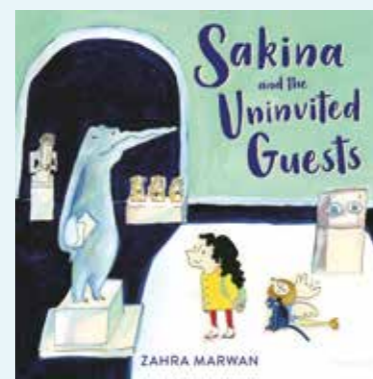
Sakina and the Uninvited Guests

Zahra Marwan

From critically acclaimed author Zahra Marwan, a book about the magic power of art to connect us to the past and to each other.

Bloomsbury US / April 2025
Hardback / \$18.99
255 x 255mm / 40pp / 1,100 words
Age: 0–5 / Standalone

All rights available



Weiwei's Winter Solstice

Michelle Jing Chan

A vibrant picture book about Dōngzhi, the Chinese winter solstice holiday, celebrating hope, renewal, and family.

Bloomsbury US / October 2025
Hardback / \$18.99
274 x 245mm / 40pp / 1,000 words
Age: 0–5 / Standalone

All rights available



Classic Fairy Tales

Authors Hans Christian Andersen and The Brothers Grimm
Illustrators A. Duncan Carse and Charles Folkard

An enchanting collection drawn from Hans Christian Andersen and Grimm's Fairy Tales, illustrated with beautiful vintage artwork by A. Duncan Carse and Charles Folkard.

Bloomsbury UK / October 2025
Hardback / £16.99
275 x 205mm / 124pp / 35,000 words
Age: 5+ / Book 2 of 2

All rights available



The Forever Bear

Author Lu Fraser Illustrator Pippa Curnick

A timeless and heartwarming story about a boy and the bear he'll love forever.

Bloomsbury UK / October 2025
Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 557 words
Age: 0–5 / Standalone

Rights sold: Czech, French, German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Romanian, Turkish



This is Us

Emily Hamilton

A heartwarming and universal story of love, joy and living with disability.

Bloomsbury UK / April 2025
Paperback £8.99
280 x 215mm / 32pp / 272 words
Age: 0–5 / Standalone

All rights available



OOPS!

Author Simon Philip Illustrator Nathan Reed

A hilarious picture book about the importance of saying 'sorry'... and what happens if you don't!

Bloomsbury UK / May 2026
Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 32pp / 500 words
Age: 0–5 / Book 3 of 3

Rights sold: Chinese (complex, simplified)
Option publishers: Hebrew, Italian, Polish, Spanish



This Way Up

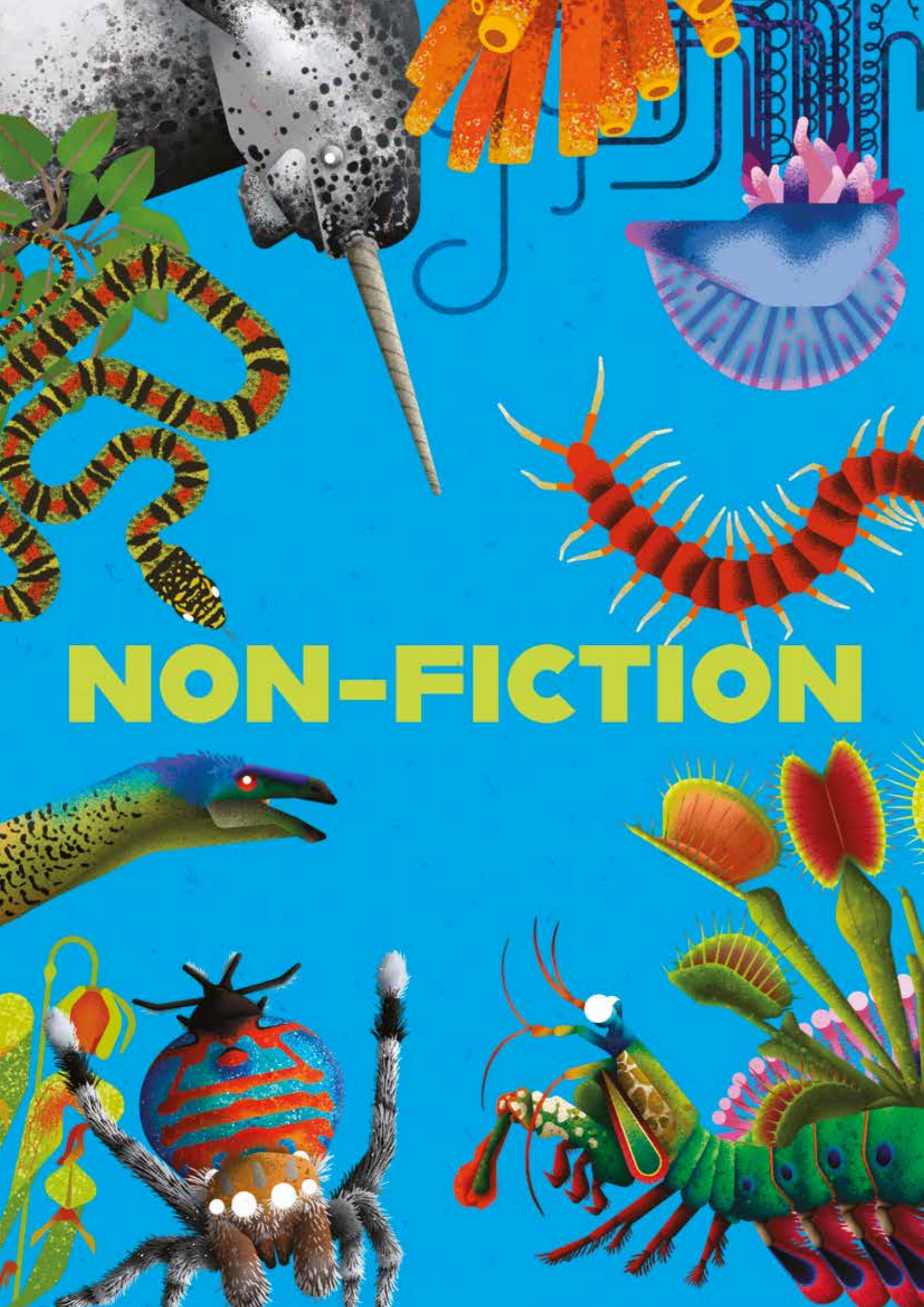
Tom Percival

An intriguing story celebrating the life-changing power of seeing the world from other points of view.

Bloomsbury UK / September 2025
Hardback / £12.99
255 x 255mm / 32pp / 520 words
Age: 0–5 / Standalone

Rights sold: Chinese (complex), French (Canada)





NON-FICTION

The Earth Transformed: Illustrated Edition

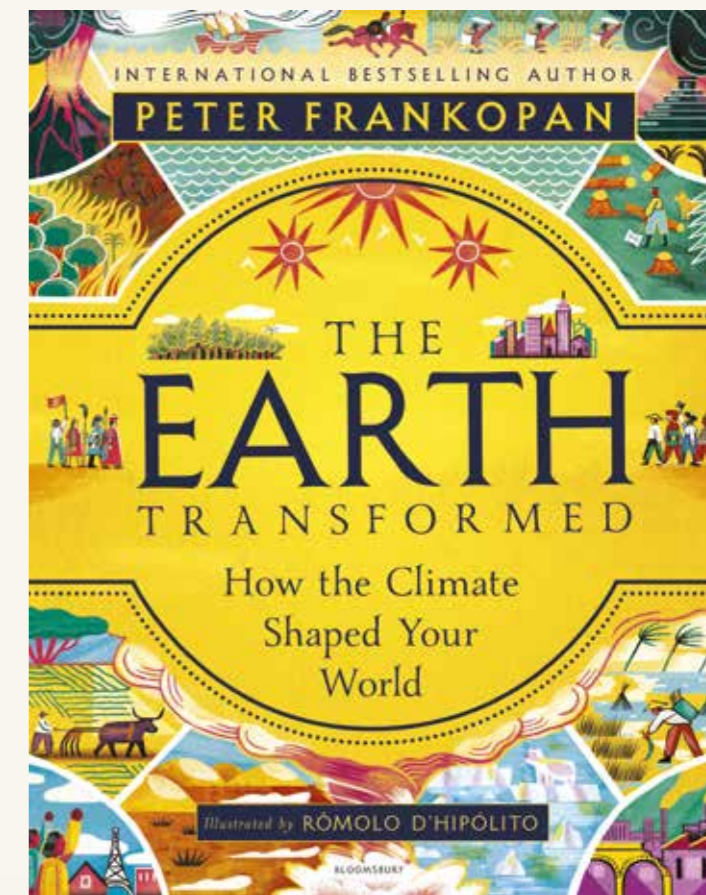
Author Peter Frankopan
 Illustrator Rômolo D'Hipólito

From multi-award-winning author Peter Frankopan comes a dazzling illustrated edition of his bestselling book, *The Earth Transformed: An Untold History*.

The Earth Transformed: Illustrated Edition guides readers on an extraordinary journey through history, illuminating how our world's changing natural environment has shaped our planet's story. Starting at the Big Bang through volcanic eruptions, meteor strikes and freak weather events, this book invites readers to look at the history of the world in a whole new way.

With magnificent illustrations by Rômolo D'Hipólito, this is a must-have book for anyone interested in finding an illuminating new perspective on the history of the peoples and places that make up our world.

- This masterful retelling captures the impressive scale of the original book, but has been reworked and condensed for this illustrated edition
- *The Silk Roads: Illustrated edition* has sold over 25,000 copies in the UK, and into 13 languages internationally



OCTOBER 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £20.00

305x 235mm / 128pp / 30,000 words / Age: 9+ / Standalone / Full colour

Option publishers: Bulgarian, China (Complex & Simplified), Czech, Danish, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Kazakh, Korean, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil & Portugal), Romanian, Serbian, Spanish, Swedish, Turkish, Vietnamese

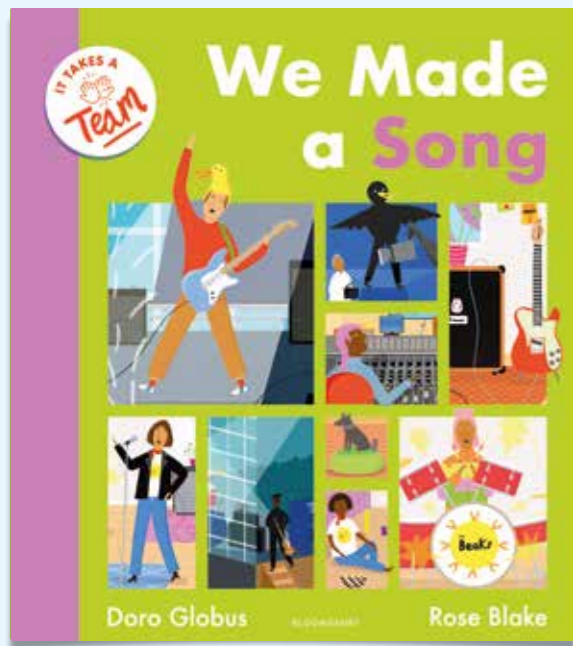


Peter Frankopan is Professor of Global History and Senior Research Fellow at Worcester College, Oxford. He has written numerous books for adults including his award-winning *The Silk Roads*, which has also been reimaged as an illustrated edition, which has sold into 13 languages.



Rômolo D'Hipólito is an artist born in Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil, with a bachelor's degree in Design. His work has been published in over 10 languages and he holds numerous industry awards including a special mention at the Golden Pinwheel Competition in 2019.





It Takes a Team: We Made a Song

Author Doro Globus Illustrator Rose Blake

Ever wondered how a song goes from a simple idea to a tune on the radio? Let's meet the team that made it happen!

- Perfect for curious readers who love music, as well as aspiring musicians and record producers
- Series offers a behind-the-scenes look at how some of children's favourite things are made, and supports key learning skills such as working in a team, imagination and collaboration



APRIL 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £12.99
274 x 245mm / 40pp / 2,000 words / Age: 6-9 / Book 1 of 4 / Full Colour
Rights sold: German

Rose Blake is an award-winning artist and illustrator. She has illustrated several acclaimed children's books, including the Meet the Artist series, alongside *Making a Great Exhibition* and *I Am an Artist*.



NEW The Courage Club

Author Matt Bawler Illustrator Gizem Gozde Ucar

AUGUST 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Paperback / £7.99
255 x 255mm / 32pp / 2,000 words / Age: 3-7 / Four book series
All rights available

Matt Bawler's rhyming stories equip children with the skills needed to deal with uncomfortable emotions and embrace new challenges.

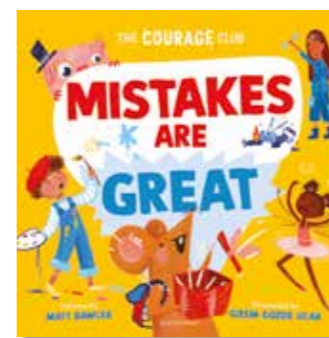
- The Courage Club series develops resilience in children
- Illustrator Gizem Gozde Ucar won the JIA Illustration Award: Bronze Award, Japan in 2024



I Can't Do It... Yet!

Teaches children to persevere through challenging tasks.

- Provides children with powerful tools to use in challenging moments
- Perfect for nurturing confidence and emotional wellbeing



Mistakes Are Great

Helps children to embrace mistakes and recognise them as learning opportunities.

- Features a wise and friendly mouse who narrates the journey
- Provides insightful knowledge and phrases to support discussing emotional resilience



Catch that Pesky Thought

Teaches children how to reframe negative thoughts to boost their self esteem.

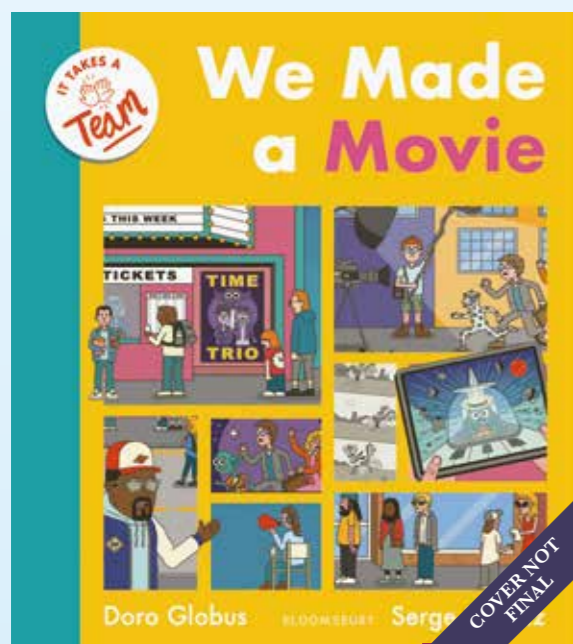
- The Tools for Life series develops resilience in children
- Illustrator Gizem Gozde Ucar won the JIA Illustration Award: Bronze Award, Japan in 2024



We Love a Challenge

Motivates children to find enjoyment in tackling new things.

- Includes helpful notes for parents and teachers at the back of the book
- Introduces a powerful core phrase for children to remember



It Takes a Team: We Made a Movie

Author Doro Globus Illustrator Serge Seidlitz

Ever wondered how a movie goes from an idea to the big screen? Let's meet the team that made it happen!

- Perfect for readers who love movies, as well as aspiring actors and producers
- Series offers a glimpse of potential career opportunities that children may never have known existed!



COMING SOON



AUGUST 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £12.99
274 x 245mm / 40pp / 2,500 words / Age: 6-9 / Book 2 of 4 / Full Colour
Option publishers: German

Doro Globus has worked in arts publishing for over 15 years. She is the author of *Making a Great Exhibition* and *I Am an Artist*, which have sold into six languages, and counting.



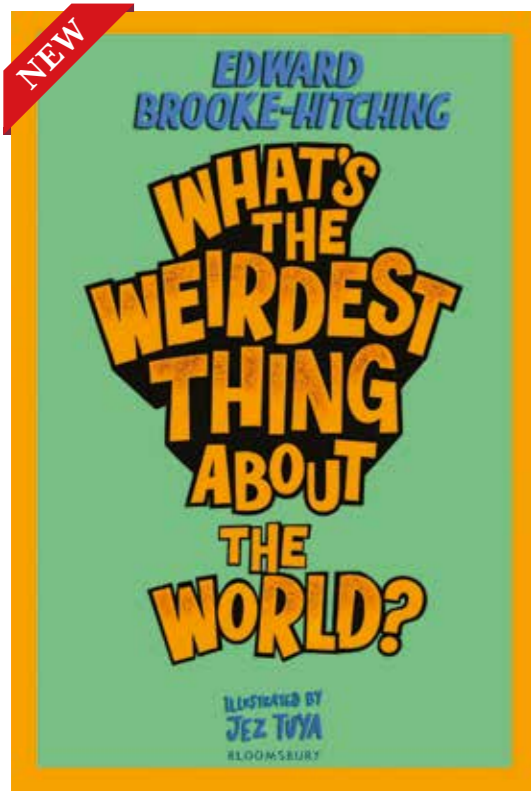
Serge Seidlitz is an illustrator and artist known for his playful, bold and quirky style. He has worked with a huge variety of clients from the *New York Times* to Cartoon Network.



Matt Bawler is an Early Years Development Lead in London. He is passionate about helping children develop strong foundations in positive mental health and wellbeing. He is due to launch the 'yungle.org' platform in 2025, providing mental health support for young people.



Gizem Gozde Ucar is an award-winning London-based illustrator from Istanbul. She regularly runs illustration workshops for children and adults to help them connect to their creative side.



What's the Weirdest Thing About the World?

Author Edward Brooke-Hitching
Illustrator Jez Tuya

From Labrador-sized pearls to salt-and-vinegar-flavoured grass, set off on a fact-packed mission to discover the strangest, silliest, and down-right weirdest things our wonderful world has to offer.

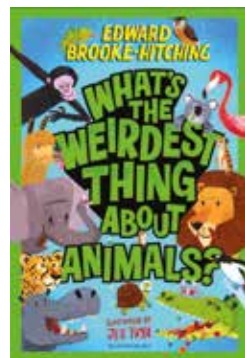
Written by former QI elf and author extraordinaire Edward Brooke-Hitching, the second book in this spectacular new series is extraordinarily enlightening and seriously shareable. A treasure trove of bite-sized facts for children to snack on or gobble up in one go, the books also feature a 'Who's the Smartest?' quiz at the end of each section. It is the perfect companion for children determined to know their skelf from their spitters – and that's a fact!

- A core non-fiction topic presented in 8 geographically-themed chapters, written in Edward's inimitable, humorous style
- Features lively, comic illustrations by acclaimed illustrator Jez Tuya
- What's the Weirdest? is a new must-have series for kids who love collecting amazing facts and stats

AUGUST 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Paperback / £8.99
129 x 198mm / 144pp / 26,000 words / Age: 6+ / Book 2 of 2 / Black and white
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What's the Weirdest Thing About Animals?

Edward Brooke-Hitching was, until recently, a writer for TV's *QI*. His writing has featured in the *Guardian*, *The Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Economist* and the *Washington Post* amongst others, and his adult books have amassed over £1.5 million in the UK alone.



Jez Tuya is an illustrator based in Wellington, New Zealand's windy capital. He's been honing his craft as an illustrator for many years, working with a variety of clients in children's book publishing, including Walker Books, Nosy Crow, Usborne and Dorling Kindersley.

Your Wild and Wonderful Brain

Author Alice Harman Illustrator Buse Kaçar

The fun, inclusive and authentic guide to loving, harnessing and celebrating your wonderfully wild ADHD brain!

Using playful animal metaphors to explore all kind of ADHD traits, from things you might recognise as stereotypical struggles to super strengths, this friendly and accessible guide teaches you how to work with, rather than against, your unique ADHD brain. Focussing on the amazing things your ADHD can help you achieve, this truly positive book is the perfect companion for those learning to love, and live in harmony with, their wonderfully wild brains.

- Written and illustrated by long-time lovers (and some-time wrestlers) of their own ADHD brains, this book is an authentic guide to thriving with ADHD from lived experiences
- Offers helpful, expert-backed, tools, tips and insights into working with your ADHD brain – including, 'Brain Science' pull-outs and an 'Annoying ADHD Questions' feature



MARCH 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Paperback / £9.99
221 x 153mm / 160pp / 20,000 words / Age: 8+ / Standalone / Black and white
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Alice Harman is a children's book author, editor and author coach diagnosed with ADHD. She has written over 50 books for children.



Buse Kaçar is an illustrator working across children's books, toys and puzzles. Buse, who has been diagnosed with ADHD, aspires to celebrate cultural diversity in her work.

Welcome to Bodytopia

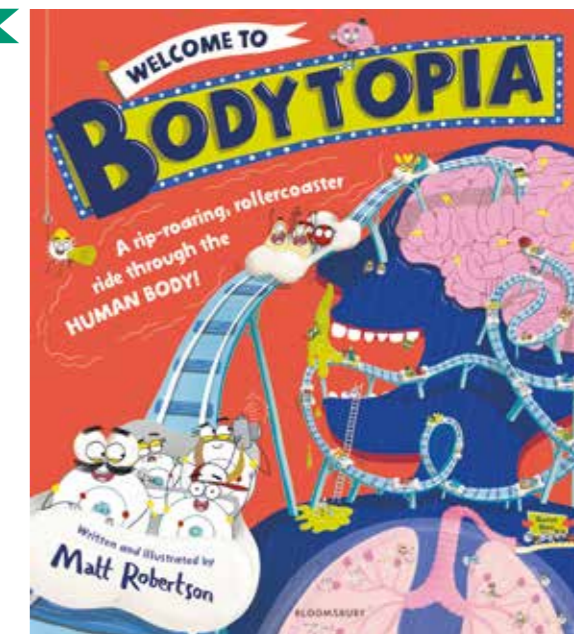
Matt Robertson

Hop on board this unique rollercoaster of a ride INSIDE your body and find out just what you're made of!

Welcome to the world's only body-based theme park, where you'll embark on a ride through every part of your body – from your head to your bum! Take a wild ride on The Circulator, guaranteed to get your blood pumping, or head instead to the Colossal Colon's log flume ... but – WARNING – it's a bit smelly!

- Following a family of oxygen molecules, this unique human body book covers everything you need to know through a recognisable theme park metaphor and an exciting gatefold feature
- Learn from jokes, facts and memorable illustrations, as well as bodily visitors such as germs. This book allows children to engage with a core topic in a brand-new way!

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JULY 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Paperback / £8.99
274 x 245mm / 40pp + 4 fold-out pages (2 spreads) / 10,000 words
Age: 5–7 / Standalone / Full colour
All rights available

Matt Robertson has been writing and illustrating children's books for over ten years. His award-winning *Do You Love ...?* series with Bloomsbury has sold over 50,000 copies. He has also worked with Quarto, Simon & Schuster and Hachette Children's Books.





Zombie Worms and Blue Dragons: Celebrating 100 Iconic Life Forms

Author Ben Garrod Illustrator Emily Higgs

A fascinating celebration of 100 of the most iconic life forms ever to have existed in nature, illustrated in full colour.

Which poisonous tree can kill you when it rains? How do some snakes shapeshift to fly through forest canopies? Why do some parasite fungi turn their victims into real-life zombies? Professor of Evolutionary Biology and TV and radio presenter, Ben Garrod showcases one hundred of the largest, smallest, most venomous, fearsome, intelligent, oldest, newest, and sometimes just the most unexpected life forms on Earth.

- Dynamic design with full colour illustration on every page by debut palaeoartist Emily Higgs
- Added timeline, where-in-the-world location map and colour coding for extinct or extant species



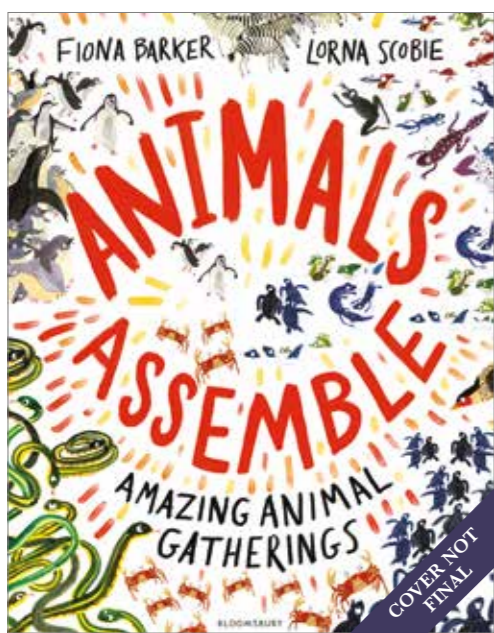
SEPTEMBER 2026

Zephyr / Hardback / £14.99
267 x 226mm / 160pp / 30,000 words / Age: 7+ / Standalone
All rights available

Ben Garrod is Professor of Evolutionary Biology, an award-winning TV and radio presenter and broadcasts with figures like Sir David Attenborough.



Emily Higgs is a full-time graphic designer as well as an illustrator and palaeoartist. Her passion for natural history has led to her developing a striking geometric illustrative style.



Animals Assemble: Amazing Animal Gatherings

Author Fiona Barker Illustrator Lorna Scobie

Meet our planet's hungry hordes, mahoosive mobs, phenomenal flocks, sensational swarms and astounding animal assemblies in this breathtakingly illustrated book.

Animals Assemble introduces children to the most immense and awe-inspiring animal gatherings across the globe.

Meet animals from all seven continents, including the colossal colonies of chinstrap penguins from Antarctica, the massive migrations of wildebeest in Africa, flashing fireflies from Asia, bustling bat caves in America, armies of ants under Europe and remarkable reef-dwellers off the coast of Australia.

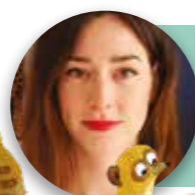
- A visually stunning gift book with a unique hook which also touches upon core educational subjects such as maths, science and geography
- Full of broad international appeal, *Animals Assemble* features birds, fish, insects, reptiles, amphibians and mammals (including humans!) around the world and from every continent



MARCH 2027

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £14.99
305 x 235mm / 48pp / 5,550 words / Age: 5-7 / Standalone / Full colour
All rights available

Fiona Barker writes children's non-fiction and picture books. A scientist with a passion for the natural world, she lives in Berkshire, UK with her husband, daughter and pet rats.



Lorna Scobie is an award-winning children's illustrator and the creator of the bestselling *365 Days of Art* series.



We're Moving to the Moon!

Author Catherine Cawthorne Illustrator Harry Woodgate

What would it be like to ACTUALLY move to the Moon? What would you pack, what would you eat and most importantly... how would you WEE?

Kit's family don't do normal holidays – they're ALL about ADVENTURE. And for their next adventure, they're actually going to LIVE on the moon!

But up on the moon there's not even any air... and what DOES happen when you need the toilet?!

Join Kit, her robocat Helix and her family as they learn what it REALLY takes to live on the moon, wee hoovers and all!

- This book ties into a huge NASA project: humans will be moving to the Moon as part of a space project in 2027. Catherine's husband is actually on NASA's team making the kit for the mission!
- With sprinklings of science and an energetic narrative, Catherine's hilarious child-facing text will entertain and enrapture budding astronauts everywhere



AUGUST 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £12.99 / Paperback £7.99
274 x 245mm / 40pp / 4,000 words / Age: 5-7 / Standalone / Full colour
All rights available

Catherine Cawthorne is an award-winning author who spends her days writing children's books that inspire curiosity and mischief, including *Big Bad Wolf Investigates: Fairy Tales*.



Harry Woodgate is an award-winning illustrator and author. They love stories that celebrate inclusivity and adventure. For Bloomsbury, they illustrated *How To Spaghettify Your Dog*.

RSPB Nature Spotters: Minibeasts and Seashore

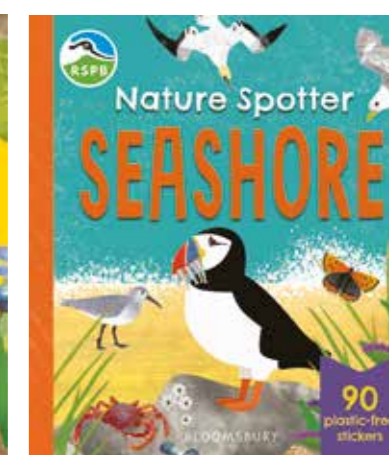
Author Catherine Brereton
Illustrator Kate McLelland



A pocket-sized sticker guide to take outdoors on nature spotting adventures!

From sideways-strutting shore crabs to the beautiful common blue butterfly, discover over 60 amazing animals from the British Isles in these pocket-sized nature guides with facts, tips and 90 plastic-free stickers in every book!

- Great value gift purchase at under £5
- Encourages children to go outdoors and explore nature
- Stickers to reward young nature spotters as they find animals, bugs, plants and more!



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MAY 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Paperback / £4.99
145 x 125mm / 48pp / 3,900 words
Age: 5-7 / Book 3 & 4 of 4 / Full colour
All rights available



Catherine Brereton has written and edited over 100 non-fiction books for children, on a wide range of subjects from nature and famous women to geography and art.



Kate McLelland holds an MFA in Illustration with Distinction at Edinburgh College of Art. For her degree she created two books, one of which was published by Hodder.

FANTASTICALLY GREAT WOMEN

TEEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY PUBLISHING



Letters from Fantastically Great Women: Six Pull-Out Letters From Your Favourite Historical Women

Be inspired by six of your favourite women from history as they share their personal tips, tricks and insights in six special letters to take out, open and treasure.

The Fantastically Great Society has tasked six of its members to share their advice with the newest member of the society – you! Frida Kahlo will show you how to draw a self portrait, Marie Curie will outline how to conduct an experiment and Junko Tabai will motivate you to climb your own mountains. Bringing history to life, this book is full of awesome insights from history's most famous women – perfect for little dreamers and big thinkers!

- Celebrating 10 years since the first book published, this series has sold into 22 territories and sold over one million copies worldwide
- Including Frida Kahlo, Marie Curie, Rosa Parks, Junko Tabai, Emmeline Pankhurst and Ada Lovelace – this book features actual pull-out letters written from the perspective of each extraordinary woman

SEPTEMBER 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback £14.99
 255 x 255 / 32pp (with 6 pull-out letters)
 4,500 words / Age: 5-7 / Standalone / Full colour
 Rights sold: Danish
 Option publishers: Bulgarian, Catalan, Chinese (simple, complex), Croatian, French, Greek, Italian, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Romanian, Spanish, Turkish



The series now includes nearly 100 women across all 14 books!

The Fantastically Great Women series has inspired a generation of readers to dream big, stand proud and speak out. How will YOU change the world?

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Now featuring me, Taylor Swift!



Kate Pankhurst is the bestselling author and illustrator of the trailblazing and internationally successful Fantastically Great Women books, as well as *We Are All Astronauts*, *We are all Inventors* and many more!



And me, Malala Yousafzai!



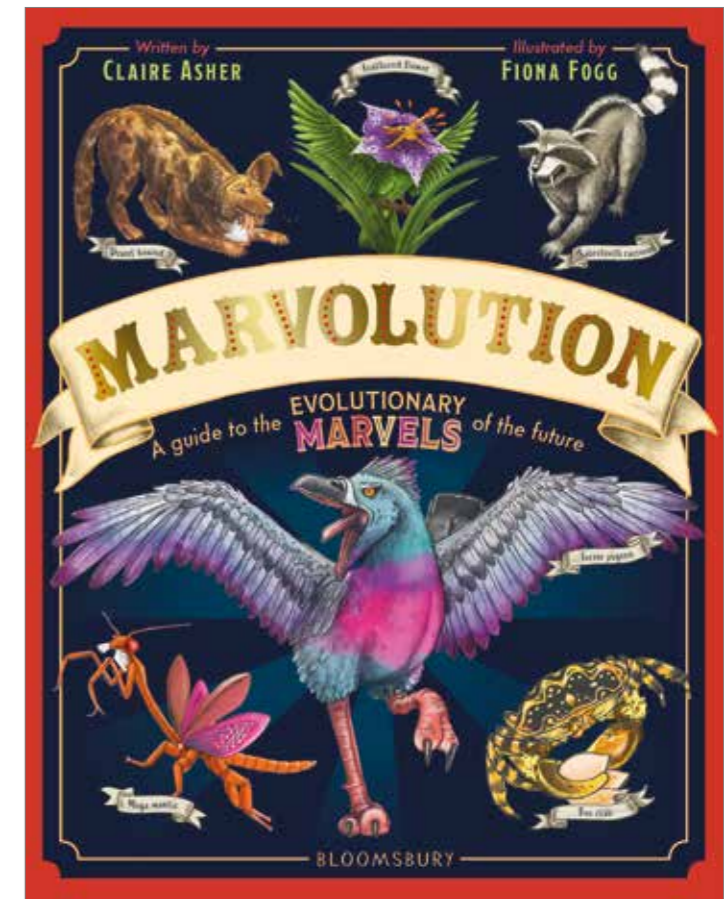
Marvolution: A Guide to the Evolutionary Marvels of the Future

Author Dr Claire Asher Illustrator Fiona Fogg

Marvel at the future evolution of Earth's incredible animals in this stunning compendium of creatures with a futuristic twist!

Find out what our planet might look like in the millennia to come in this unique encyclopaedia where all the animals are from the future! From whales that walk on land to moles that live on plastic, this book is based on real evolutionary science from expert author Claire Asher. Combining research, facts and a dash of imagination, this is a non-fiction book unlike any other.

- Unique take on a classic topic (animal classification) combining science and evolution while inspiring children to apply this knowledge in imaginative ways
- Expert author – Claire is a science communicator and all ideas in the book will be based on real science and probable evolution
- This incredible book has broad appeal while also having 'wow-factor', and is sure to appeal to any curious child who is fascinated by strange animals and plants



JUNE 2026

Bloomsbury UK / Hardback / £14.99
 300 x 235mm / 72pp / 8,500 words / Age: 7-9 / Standalone / Full colour
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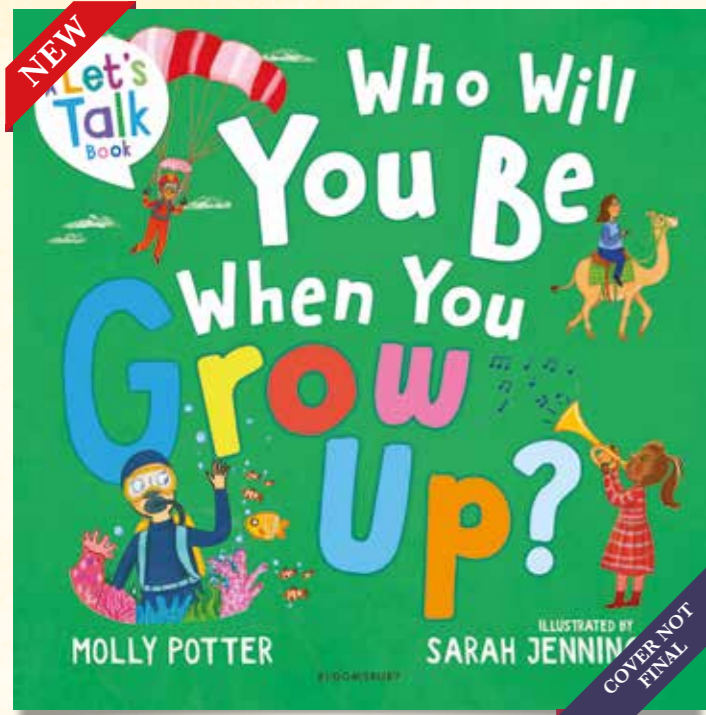


Dr Claire Asher is a freelance science writer, performer and comedian with a PHD in evolution, plus expertise in ecology, genetics and animal behaviour. This is her first book for children.



Fiona Fogg is a freelance illustrator and designer. She's worked with clients such as the National Trust, Natural England, Candlewick press, design agencies and museums.





Who Will You Be When You Grow Up?

Author Molly Potter
Illustrator Sarah Jennings

From the bestselling author of *How Are You Feeling Today?* comes a helpful picture book, perfect for starting conversations with young children about their future life.

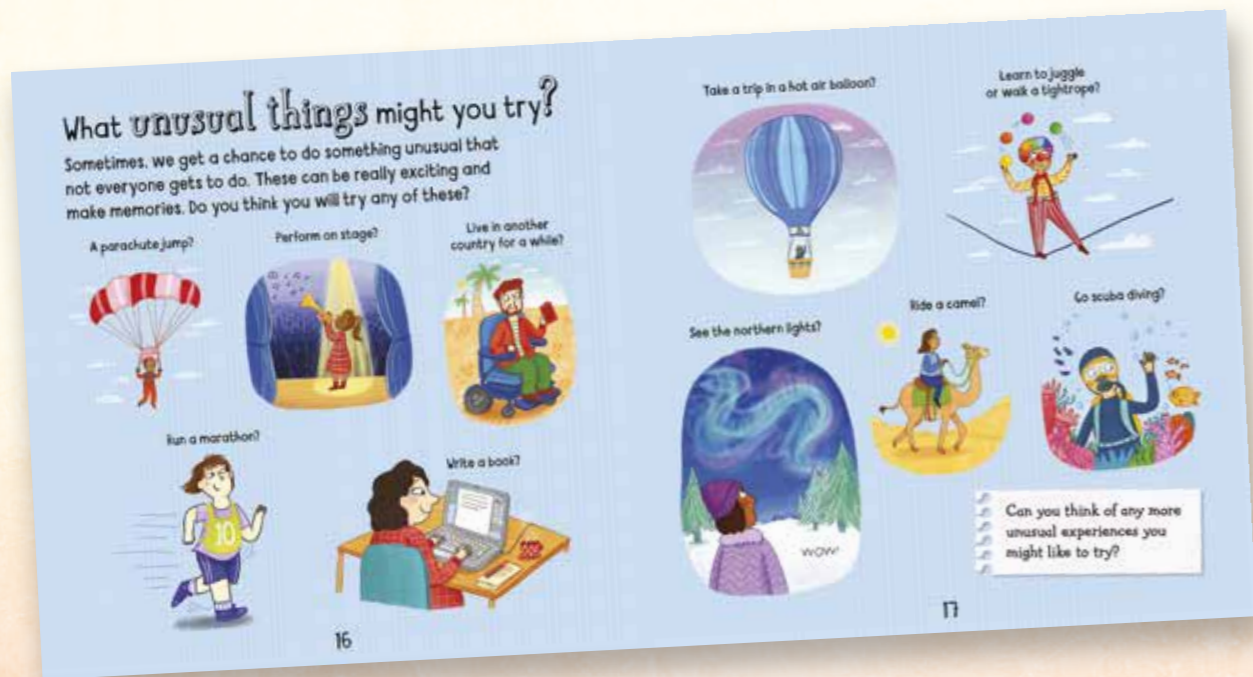
Invite children to think about what their future might look like: what they'll be like, how their friendships will develop and what will make them happy. Using child-friendly explanations and colour illustrations to cover important topics, it's perfect for starting conversations about what it's like when you grow up. The *Let's Talk* books are written by bestselling Personal Social and Health Education (PSHE) expert Molly Potter and cover topics like relationships, diversity and mental health, supporting healthy discussions with children.

- Perfect for talking to children about their aspirations and is illustrated by Sarah Jennings
- Helps children understand topics about with their future, including where they will live and what friends they might have
- Molly Potter is a respected PSHE expert and author of bestselling picture books, including *How Are You Feeling Today?*

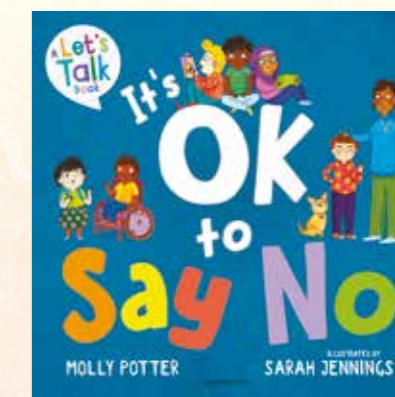
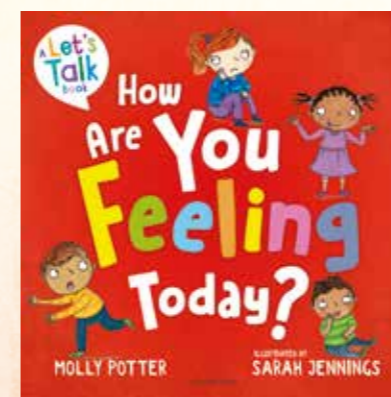
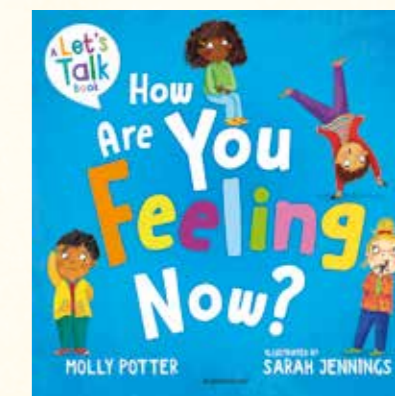
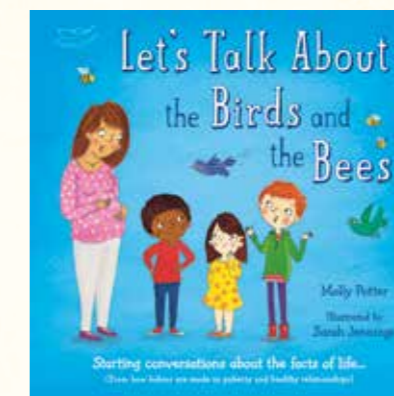
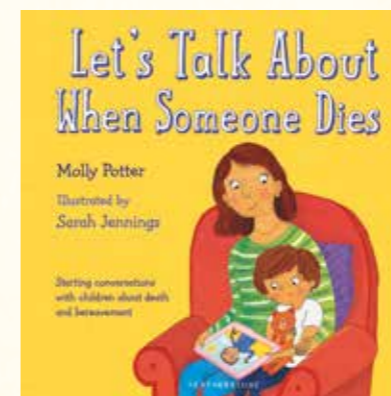
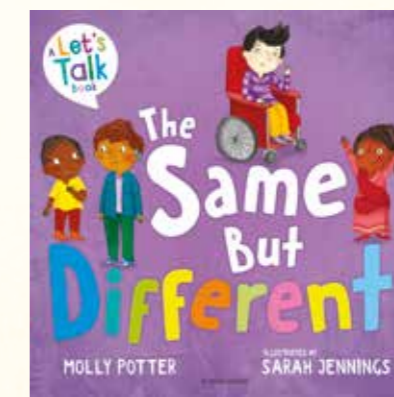
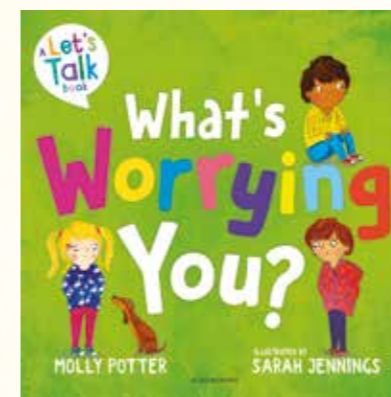
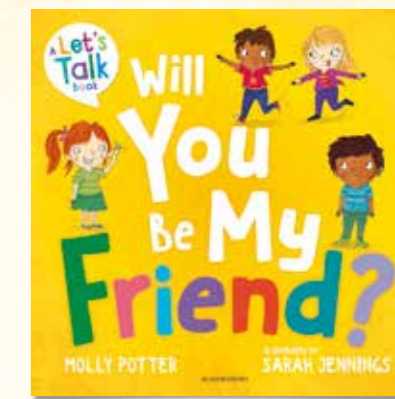
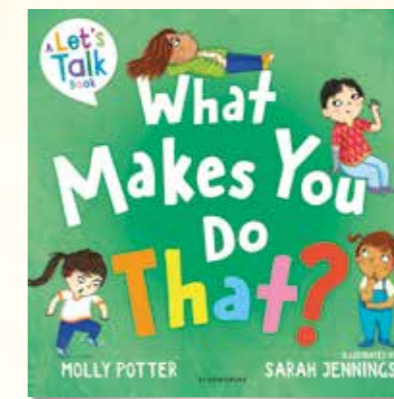
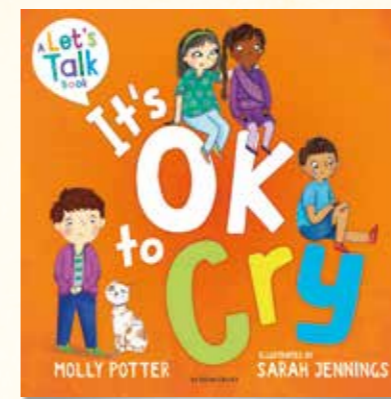


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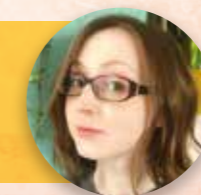
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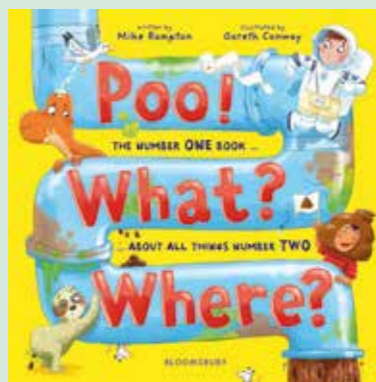
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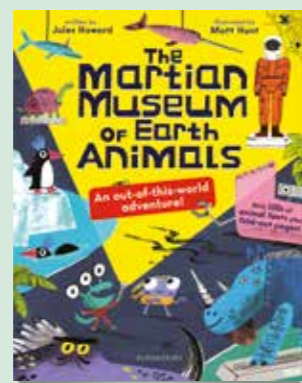
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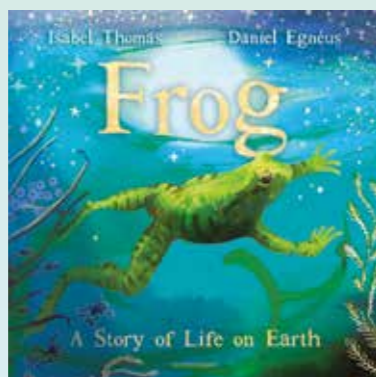
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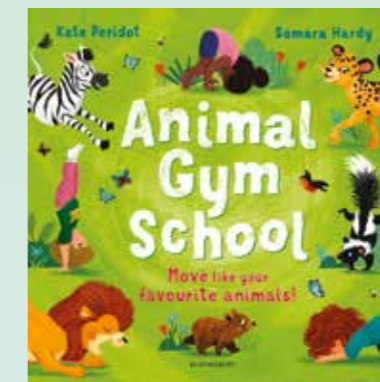
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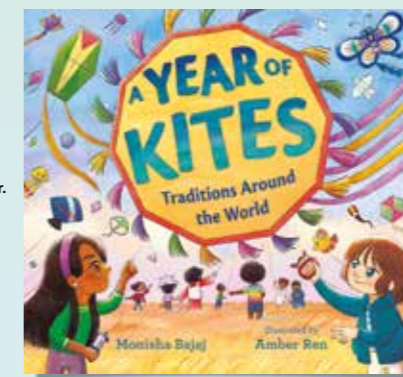
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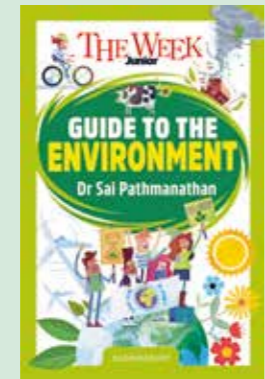


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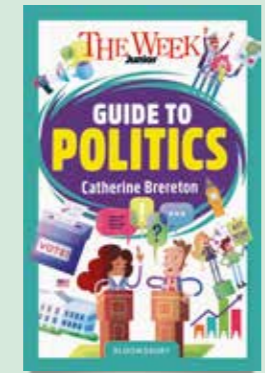


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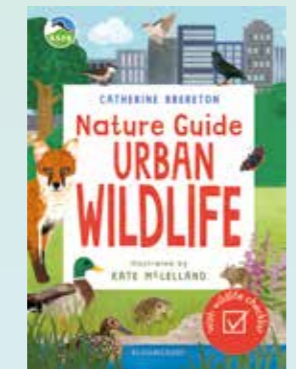


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