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DEAR ALL,

Welcome to the Harper Kids ANZ 2025 Bologna Kid's Modern Classics & Bestsellers Rights Guide. We created this guide because we wanted to share a few of those special books from our list that continue to attract readers both at home and around the world.

Harper Kids ANZ is a boutique and dedicated children's publishing team within one of Australia's largest publishing houses. We aim to inspire and nurture a lifelong love of reading by publishing the best books for children of all ages. Respected worldwide for our tradition of publishing quality, bestselling books for young readers, with compelling stories and iconic illustrations, we are the home of prize-winners, international giants, rising stars and home-grown heroes, chart toppers and cult favourites—including works that have been continuously in print for over a hundred years.

**BEST WISHES,
THE HARPER KIDS ANZ TEAM**



PICTURE BOOKS

THIS IS A BALL

(BOOKS THAT DRIVE KIDS CRAZY!, #1)

Matt Stanton, Beck Stanton

FIRST BOOK IN THIS HILARIOUS,
BESTSELLING AWARD-WINNING SERIES!

For the Grown-Ups:

You know how you're right all the time?
All. The. Time.
Yes, well, it's time to give the kids a turn.

Which is why everything you read in this book is
going to be wrong. But that's ok, because the kids
are going to correct you.

And they're going to love it!

PRaise FOR BOOKS IN THE SERIES

'Witty, silly, and
interactive ... A rollicking
read for children and
adults alike'

KIRKUS REVIEWS

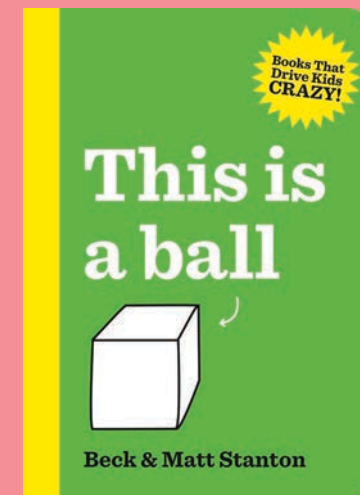
'The kids are having a ball
(whoops, having fun) and a
discussion is born'

★★★★

GOOD READING

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Over 200,000 copies sold across the series in Australia alone
- Adults LOVE these books because kids LOVE these books
- Winner, Best Designed Children's/Young Adult Series, ABDA 2018



Matt Stanton is a bestselling children's author and illustrator who has sold more than one million books in Australia. His middle-grade series *Funny Kid* debuted as the #1 Australian kids' book and has fans all around the world. He has twenty picture books to his name, including the award-winning *Books That Drive Kids Crazy!* and *Fart Monster* series, and is the creator of the immensely popular graphic novel series, *The Odds*, and the *Bored* novels. *Fluff* is his latest series. www.mattstanton.net

Beck Stanton is the acclaimed co-creator of the bestselling picture books *This Is a Ball*, *Did You Take the B from My _ook?*, *The Red Book*, *Wait!* and *The Book That Never Ends*. Before her career in children's books, Beck worked as a primary school teacher. www.beckstanton.com

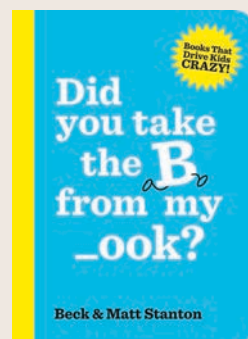
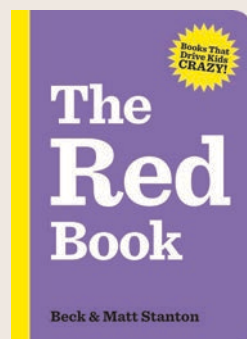
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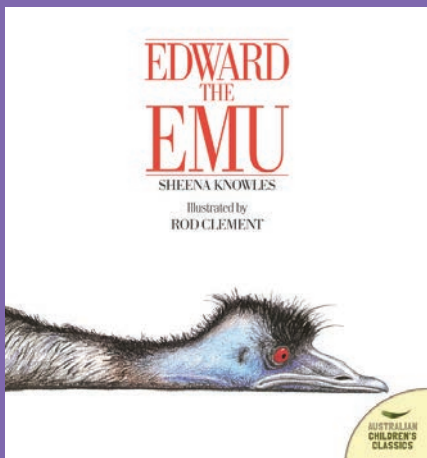
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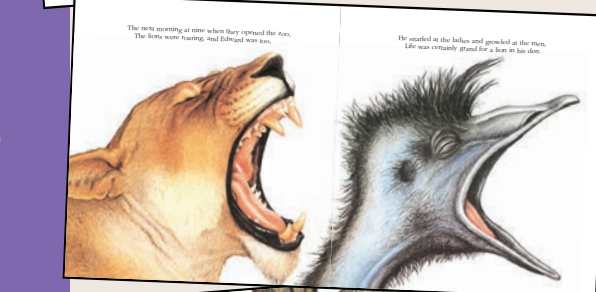
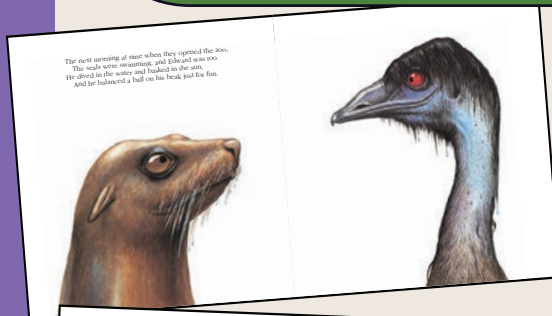
WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- A hilarious classic from an award-winning author and revered author-illustrator
- Parents who grew up with this book are now sharing it with their own children
- So iconic the Royal Australian Mint produced a commemorative coin!
- Monkey Baa's stage adaptation was performed at the Sydney Opera House!

Sheena Knowles is the author of *Edward the Emu* and *Edwina the Emu*, both illustrated by Rod Clement, and *What a Lot of Nonsense*, illustrated by Jonathan Bentley.

Rod Clement is a renowned author, illustrator and cartoonist. He has written and illustrated *Grandad's Teeth*, *Just Another Ordinary Day* and *Feathers for Phoebe*, and illustrated *Edward the Emu* and *Edwina the Emu*, both written by Sheena Knowles. He is also the cartoonist for several Australian newspapers. He lives in Sydney, Australia.

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EDWARD THE EMU

Sheena Knowles, Rod Clement

A timeless Australian classic that continues to delight young children – and their parents!

'Edward the Emu was sick of the zoo,

There was nowhere to go, there was nothing to do, And compared to the seals that lived right next door, Well being an emu was frankly a bore.'

First published in 1988, *Edward The Emu* has become a timeless Australian classic picture book.

PRAISE

'If you buy one book for sheer fun, there's no question it should be this one.'

SAN DIEGO UNION TRIBUNE

'It's a classic because of its ever-relevant message, and its sense of whimsy!'

READINGS

'With the large amusing illustrations and the rollicking verse, prepare for constant requests to "please read it again".'

READING TIME

Over 100 5-star Amazon reviewers agree: 'A wonderful book with a wonderful message: be yourself!'



EDWINA THE EMU

Sheena Knowles, Rod Clement

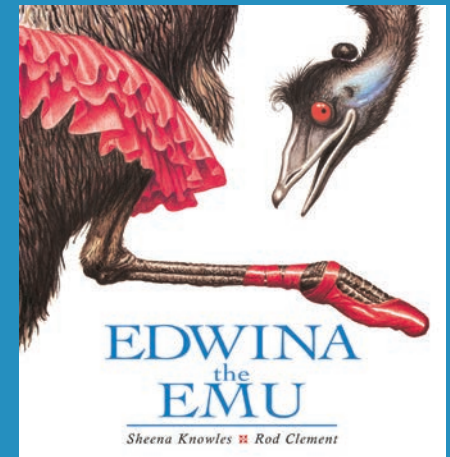
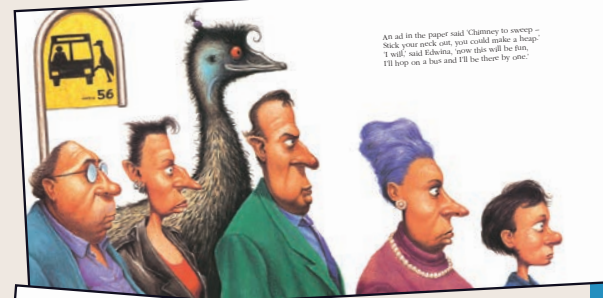
The wonderful sequel to the bestselling and widely acclaimed *Edward the Emu*.

Now, we all know what happened after Edward met his mate Edwina ... little emus of course! But with a completely modern challenge for their mother of again finding her true place in the scheme of things. Hilarity is bound to happen as Edwina goes job searching while Edward stays on the nest!



WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- A hilarious classic from an award-winning author and revered author-illustrator
- Companion title to the fabulous *Edward the Emu*
- Parents who grew up with this book are now sharing it with their own children



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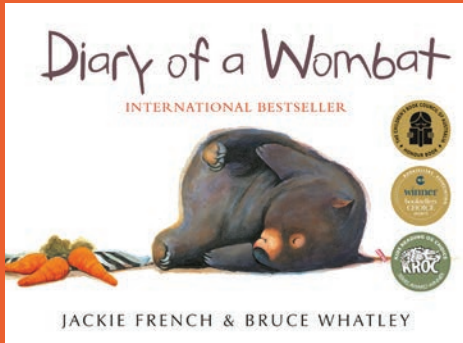
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WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Lots of awards and shortlistings (see list on following page)!
- Over 1.5 million copies of books in the series sold in Australia alone!
- So iconic the Royal Australian Mint produced a commemorative coin

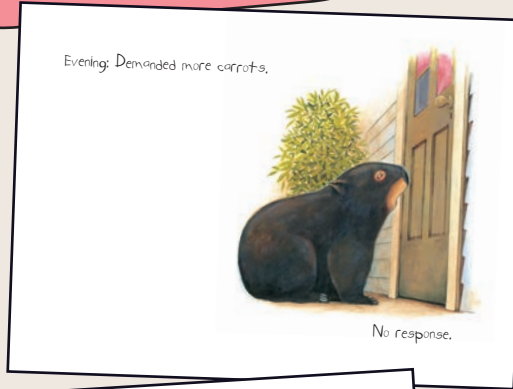
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DIARY OF A WOMBAT

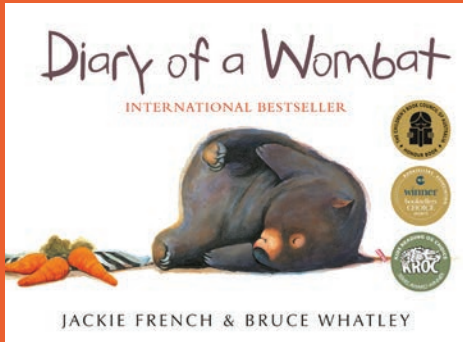
Jackie French, Bruce Whatley

The bestselling, iconic much loved peek into the life of one very busy wombat!

Monday Morning: Slept. Afternoon: Slept. Evening: Ate. Scratched. Night: Ate. A typical day.

Don't be fooled. This wombat leads a very busy and demanding life. She wrestles unknown creatures, runs her own digging business, and most difficult of all - trains her humans. She teaches them when she would like carrots, when she would like oats and when she would like both at the same time. But these humans are slow learners. Find out how one wombat - between scratching, sleeping and eating - manages to fit the difficult job of training humans into her busy schedule.





PRAISE

'hilarious yet realistic...a sublime balance of the adorable charm of the creature, along with its drawbacks as an acquaintance.'

SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL

'Whatley's acrylic vignettes...provide the perfect counterpoint to French's deadpan narration...readers...will laugh out loud at the wombat's antics.'

KIRKUS REVIEWS

'tongue-in-cheek picture book...the often cuddly looking wombat may leave some readers envious of its languid lifestyle.'

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY

'The sweet yet deadpan humor...will tickle youngsters...amusing...look at clever (and awfully cute) garden infiltrators.'

THE BULLETIN OF THE CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S BOOKS,

STARRED

'An affectionate, believable wombat self-portrait...very accessible and funny...'

THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW

'One read and *Diary of a Wombat* was an instant favourite, as it is with children across the country'

KIDS' BOOK REVIEW

AWARDS

WINNER:

2003 Cuffie Awards, USA voted Favourite Picture Book of the Year; 2003 Cuffie Awards, USA voted Funniest Picture Book (Tied with *Diary of a Worm*); 2003 #2 on the 'Best 20 picture books for 2003' in the USA Cool Award, for Best Picture Book, voted by the kids of the ACT; 2003 Winner Young Australian Readers' Award; 2003 Winner KOALA Award for Best Picture Book 2003 ABA/AA Nelson Book of the Year

SHORTLISTED:

2003 Children's Book Council of Australia Award, The Picture Book of the Year, Shortlist; 2003 KOALA, COOL and YABBA awards, Shortlist; 2004 Kind Award, Shortlist; 2004 Australian Publisher's Association Book Design Awards for Best Designed Children's Picture Book, Shortlist and also for a Galley Club Award! 2003, Children's Choice Book Awards, Shortlist; 2004 Bilby Award, Shortlist

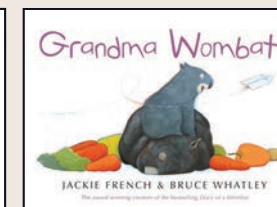
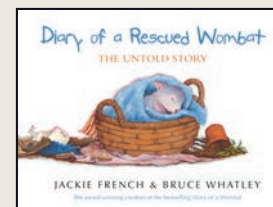
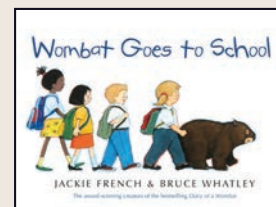
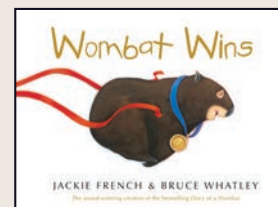
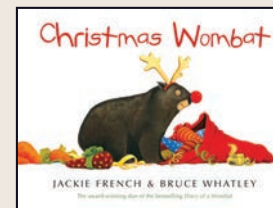
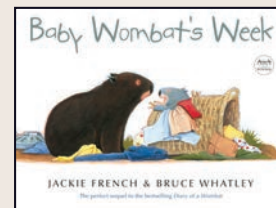
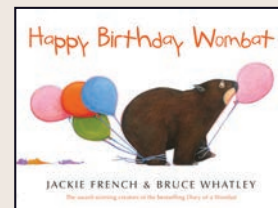


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JOSEPHINE WANTS TO DANCE

Jackie French, Bruce Whatley

From the award-winning, bestselling duo behind *Diary of a Wombat* comes another hilarious tale of an iconic bush animal you'll never forget...

Josephine is a kangaroo - who loves to dance. Her little brother, Joey, tells her that kangaroos don't dance, they hop - but Josephine continues to point her toes and leap through the air.

When a ballet troupe comes to town and both the lead ballerina and understudy are injured, Josephine's talents are called upon to help save the day.

Can she do it and, more importantly, does it matter that she's a kangaroo? A very funny picture book that looks at the importance of believing in yourself and realising your dreams.



WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Over 200,000 copies sold in Australia alone!
- A musical adaption performed at the Sydney Opera House!
- It'll have everyone wanting to dance!

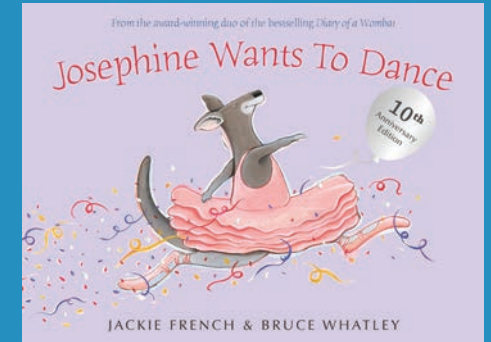
PRAISE

'This book is irresistible; you will want to keep hold of it the moment you pick it off the shelf. Sure to become a classic that every child must own, it will also have parents enjoying reading aloud and bounding around the lounge room like a dancing kangaroo.'

KIDS' BOOK REVIEW

'An entertaining read-aloud that shows off an appealing tutu-clad kangaroo leaping across perfectly pink pages as if she were captured in a series of camera clicks.'

KIRKUS REVIEWS



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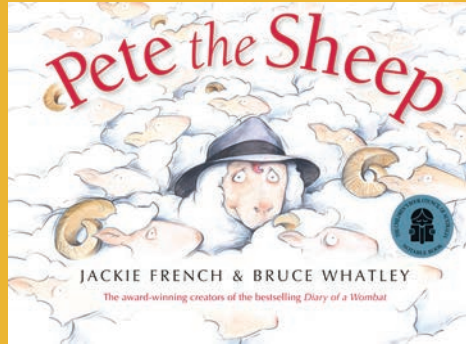
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PRAISE

'This is truly a must-have Aussie book – delightful, funny, iconic, warm and hilariously Ocker, from the lingo to the names to the shearers' blue singlets, Whatley's illustrations take French's superb text to a whole other level. Wait til you see the sheep in baaaarber chairs and the super hip haircuts. Priceless.'

KIDS' BOOK REVIEW

'In a sort of "queer eye for the straight sheep," a mild-mannered shearer and his sheep-sheep show a trio of tough shearers how to get in touch with their stylish sides... It's a sweetly fleecy tale of outsider-makes-good, the genially inevitable ending entirely satisfying.'

KIRKUS REVIEWS



PETE THE SHEEP

Jackie French, Bruce Whatley

From the award-winning, bestselling duo behind *Diary of a Wombat* comes another hilarious tale, this time our hero is Pete, a sheep...

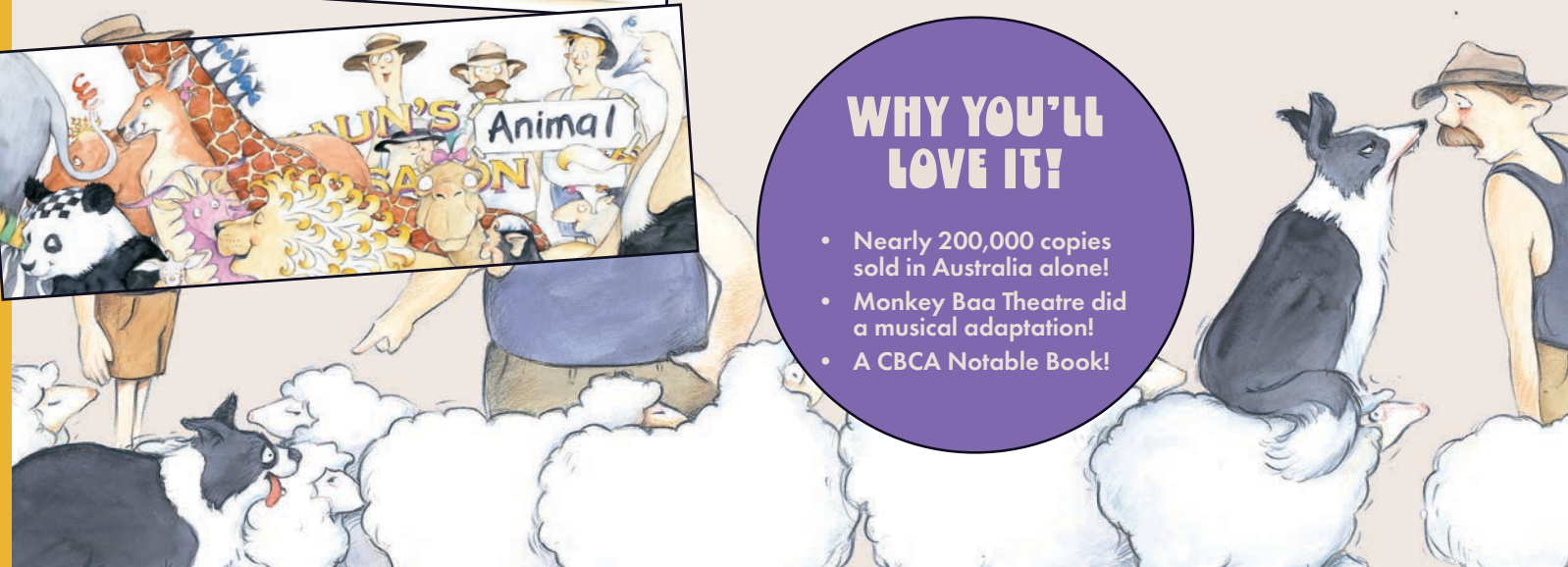
Sean is a shearer and instead of a sheepdog to help him, he's got a sheep sheep – Pete.

After being rejected by the other shearers and their dogs, Sean and Pete set up a sheep salon in town. Sheep from everywhere arrive to have their wool shorn in the latest style and even the shearers' dogs end up arriving for a cut in order to look gorgeous.

Jackie and Bruce have created the perfect combination of words and illustrations in this irreverent look at the world of sheep shearing.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Nearly 200,000 copies sold in Australia alone!
- Monkey Baa Theatre did a musical adaptation!
- A CBCA Notable Book!

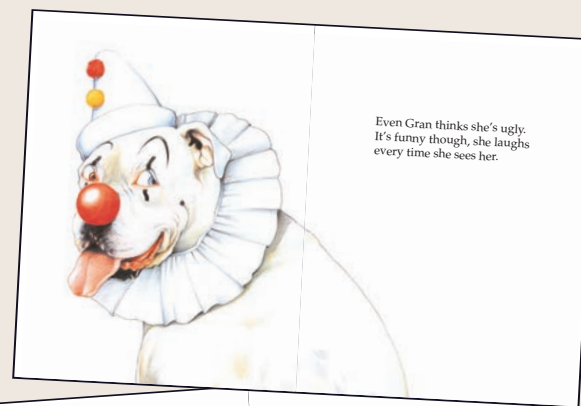


THE UGLIEST DOG IN THE WORLD

Bruce Whatley

Perfect for kids young and old who love a
funny dog story—and a positive message!

Everyone sees my dog differently. Some people
even think she's the ugliest dog in the world.
But I think she's beautiful ... in a sloppy kind
of way!



PRAISE

'A must-have classic from a picture book master.'

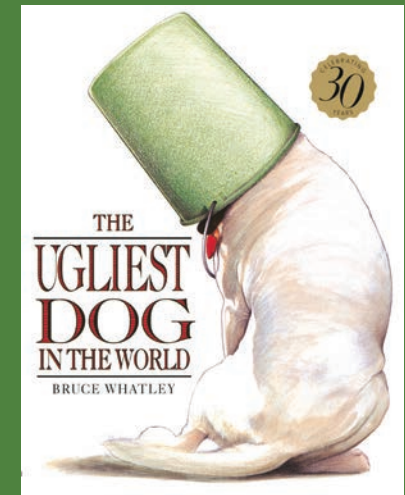
KIDS' BOOK REVIEW

'This is the perfect book for teaching this generation about 'beauty being in the eye of the beholder', that everyone views the same thing differently, and that body image really doesn't matter. And even if the dog doesn't meet the standards for Crufts, it still brings love and joy to its owner and that's all that matters. Only the best books endure, and this is one of those.'

READ PLUS

'Heart-warming and funny, it touches on the relationship young children have with their pets and themes of unconditional love and friendship... For readers who love dogs and funny stories this is one sure to amuse the next generation in the classroom, library, or home.'

READING TIME



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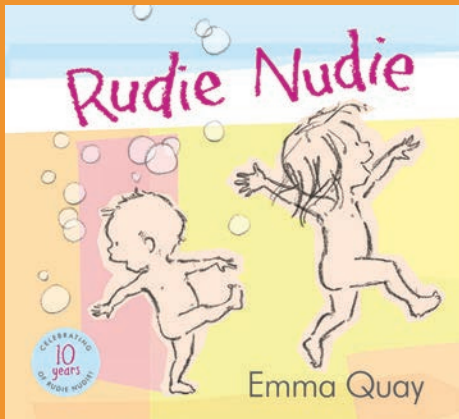
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WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- A modern classic!
- An ABIA Winner and CBCA Shortlisted title!
- Over 300,000 sold across all formats of both books in Australia alone!

PRAISE

'A bracing burst of joie de vivre, ideal for any rude, nude, naked brood.'

KIRKUS REVIEWS

'This is a book that youngsters will giggle at and will want to read over and over – but, be warned, they'll also want to mimic the rudie nudie fun. And why wouldn't they?'

AUSSIE REVIEWS



RUDIE NUDIE

Emma Quay

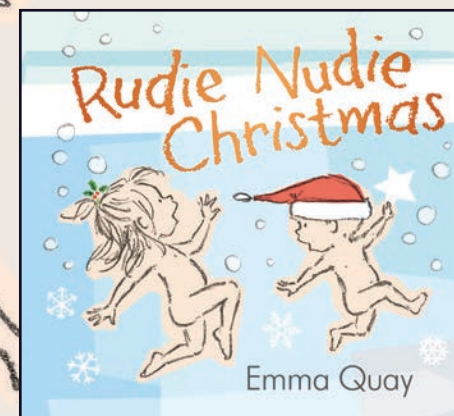
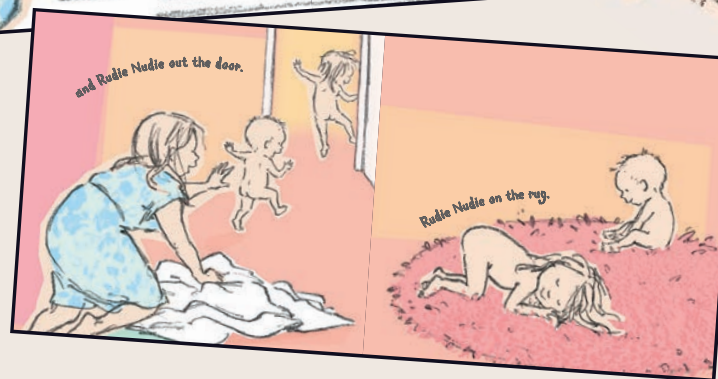
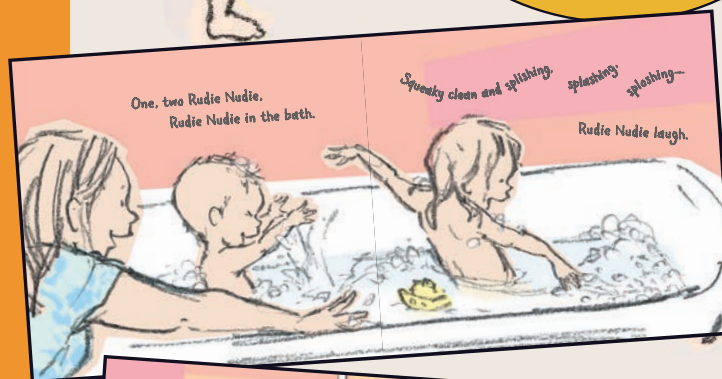
One, two Rudie Nudie, Rudie Nudie in the bath.

Squeaky clean and splishing, splashing, splashing

Rudie Nudie laugh.

A delightful celebration of those nudie moments between bath and bedtime from award-winning author and illustrator Emma Quay. *Rudie Nudie* captures all the joy and energy of childhood in this irresistible rhyming tale. With its charming illustrations and lively text, *Rudie Nudie* became an instant family favourite!

Emma Quay is an illustrator and writer of many award-winning picture books; her memorable characters for *Rudie Nudie*, *My Sunbeam Baby*, *Shrieking Violet*, *Daddy's Cheeky Monkey* and *Rudie Nudie Christmas* are favourites on children's bookshelves all over Australia. Her most recent title for young children, *Happy All Over*, celebrates the small joys to be found in the everyday; North American and Italian rights have been licensed. Emma grew up in the English countryside, and has wanted to illustrate children's books for as long as she can remember. She works from a studio in her home and sometimes feels like she barely leaves it, but her illustrative work is held in collections around the world, including the Victoria and Albert Museum, London.



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PARSLEY RABBIT'S BOOK ABOUT BOOKS

Frances Watts, David Legge

Come and discover the world of books with Parsley and his brother Basil!

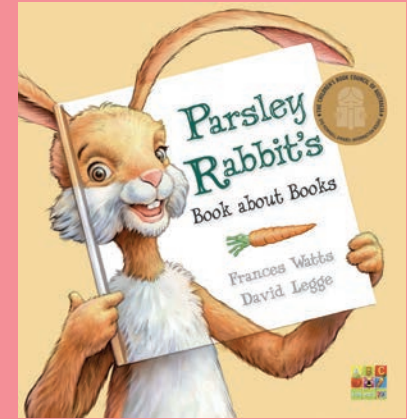
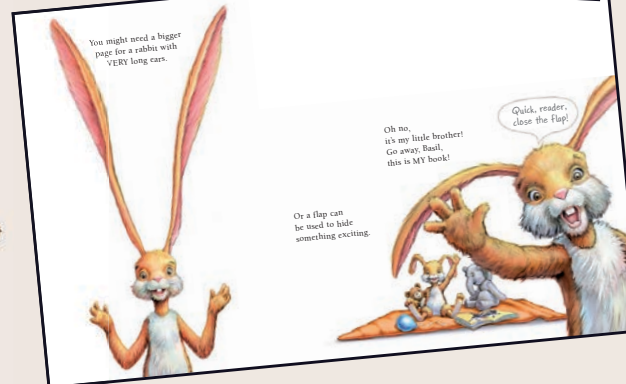
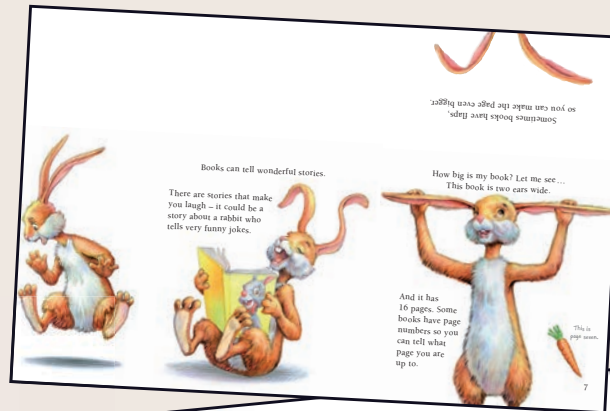
This is the blurb for *Parsley Rabbit's Book about Books*. The blurb tells you all about the book, and why you want to read it! *Parsley Rabbit's Book about Books* is an exciting introduction to the wonderful world of... books, of course! Informative and playful, it features a remarkably handsome and clever rabbit (that's me!), and is full of fun!

Celebrate the joy of reading and begin a lifelong love of books!



WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- An absolute treasure of a book for young children!
- Celebrate the joy of reading and begin a lifelong love of books with the delightful Parsley Rabbit and his pesky little brother Basil
- Winner of the CBCA Eve Pownall Award



Frances Watts was born in Switzerland and grew up in Australia. Her bestselling picture books include *Goodnight, Mice!* (illustrated by Judy Watson), the winner of the 2012 Prime Minister's Award for Children's Fiction; 2006 Children's Book Council of Australia Honour Book *Kisses for Daddy* (illustrated by David Legge); and 2008 Children's Book Council of Australia award-winner *Parsley Rabbit's Book about Books* (illustrated by David Legge).

David Legge is an award-winning and bestselling illustrator of picture books. His books include *Bamboozled*, *Tom Goes to Kindergarten* and *Baby Boomsticks*. David has collaborated with Frances Watts on four picture books.

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Ages 3-7 years

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Katrina Germein is a bestselling picture book author whose books have been published around the world. Popular titles include *Big Rain Coming* and *My Dad Thinks He's Funny*, which was Highly Commended in the Prime Minister's Literary Awards. In 2019 Katrina received a Speech Pathology Book of the Year Award for *Let's Go Strolling*. Many of her other stories are CBCA Notable Books. Katrina is an ambassador for Raising Literacy Australia, a Books in Homes Role Model and a Premier's Reading Challenge Ambassador. She has an energetic dog named Mango and summer is her favourite season.

Danny Snell has been working as an illustrator for over 20 years and in that time has illustrated over a dozen children's picture books. Danny's books have won a number of awards over the years including the 2014 CBCA Eve Pownall Award for *Jeremy*.

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Ages 0+

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PRAISE

'Children acquainted with the traditional rhyme, *Five Little Ducks*, will be delighted with this inventive and surprising picture book about a mother duck who has forgotten how to quack!'

CBCA JUDGES

'This book perfectly balances what children and adults want in a picture book. Humour, rhyme, and bright pictures are beloved by children, while adults will enjoy the wholesome, nostalgic imagery and very subtle messaging around friendship and family. Most suitable for young children, this book would be a great choice for day-care and Early Childhood classrooms. *One Little Duck* has quickly become a firm favourite in our house.'

READING TIME



ONE LITTLE DUCK

Katrina Germein, Danny Snell

Five Little Ducks meets *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* and *I Went Walking* in an irresistibly fresh, cute and clever picture book!

One little duck went out one day, over the hills and far away.

Mother Duck said ... 'Moo Moo Moo Moo,' and Cow said, 'Wait! Now I'm coming too.'

Oh no, Mother Duck has forgotten how to quack! Every day, she tries a new barnyard call, and every night Little Duck returns with a new farm friend.

A delightful story from the award-winning duo Katrina Germein and Danny Snell that's destined to become a new classic.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Shortlisted for the 2024 CBCA awards
- A fresh take on a classic rhyme
- Perfect for sharing with young children who are learning what noises animals make and how to count and add

THE BOY AND THE ELEPHANT

Freya Blackwood

A magical and tender wordless picture book about the world we live in and our ability to change it from Kate Greenaway award-winning creator Freya Blackwood.

The boy lives in a city, where everything is fast and loud. But amidst the bustle and the noise, the boy has a secret...

In the overgrown lot next to his apartment building, deep within the green, he has a friend.

But one day progress arrives, bringing with it plans for something new, and the boy must find a way to save his friend before it's too late...

AWARDS

ALSC Notable Children's Books List 2025
IBBY Italy Silent Books Honour List 2023

Shortlisted
Prime Minister's Literary Awards 2022 (Children's Literature)

PRAISE

'full of innocent, powerful childlike optimism and love'

BOOKS+PUBLISHING

'To offer any more than the publishers' official blurb would destroy the magic and the wonder of this masterpiece from Freya Blackwood who has told the most evocative story entirely in her exquisite illustrations. From the very first page ... there unfolds the most enchanting story of a little lad with a special friend and a critical mission – one that shows that one child can make a difference'

THE BOTTOM SHELF

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Seven time CBCA Book of the Year winner
- Freya is also one of a very small group of Australian illustrators who have won the Kate Greenaway Medal, the UK's most prestigious award for children's illustration



Freya Blackwood is a multi-award-winning illustrator and writer. Since publishing her first picture book in 2003, Freya has worked with writers such as Libby Gleeson, Margaret Wild, Jan Ormerod, Nick Bland and Danny Parker. In 2010, Freya won the UK's most prestigious prize for illustrators, the Kate Greenaway Medal, for her book *Harry and Hopper*. And in 2015 she did what no other creator has ever done, taking out three CBCA Book of the Year awards in a single year.



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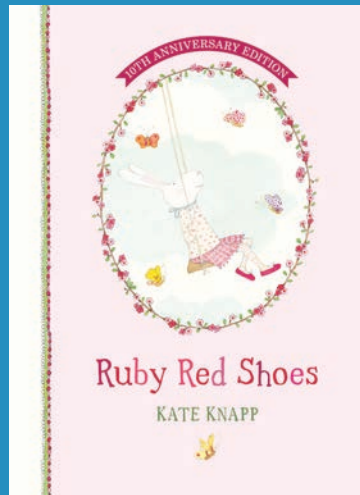
(RUBY RED SHOES, #1)

Kate Knapp

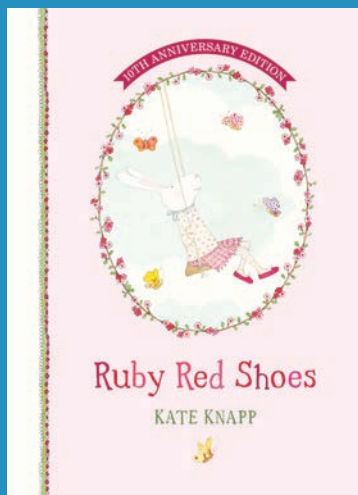
A beautifully illustrated and charming picture book about Ruby, a very aware hare.

Ruby Red Shoes lives in a colourful caravan with her grandmother. Ruby is gentle and kind and cares for all living things, including plants and trees, animals and people. Ruby is also particularly fond of strawberry jam and peppermint tea.

This bestselling and beloved picture book launched this little red-shoed hare into the world!



Illustrator and artist **Kate Knapp** is a graduate of the Queensland College of Art. Her design studio, Twigseeds, produces cards, prints, stationery and books. Kate's first book, *Ruby Red Shoes*, was shortlisted for the 2013 Children's Book Council of Australia Crichton Award for Children's Book Illustration. Her second book, *Ruby Red Shoes Goes to Paris*, was shortlisted for the 2014 Australian Book Industry Award for Book of the Year for Younger Children and for the 2014 Inaugural Readings Children's Book Prize. Kate's third book is *Ruby Red Shoes Goes to London*. Kate is also the creator of a series of early learning books. Titles include *Learn with Ruby Red Shoes: Alphabet Book*, *Learn with Ruby Red Shoes: Counting Book*, *The World of Ruby Red Shoes: A Book About Ruby's Day* and *The World of Ruby Red Shoes: A Book About Ruby's Feelings*. *Ruby Red Shoes: My Wonderful Grandmother* is her most recent publication.
www.rubyredshoes.com.au



PRAISE FOR BOOKS IN THE SERIES

'Gentle and sweetly humoured, this is another addition to the divine Ruby Red Shoes library – and another tale that will delight with its charming narrative and adorable illustrations.'

BOOK REVIEW

'The story of ravishing rabbit Ruby is so full of whimsy and wonder that children and adults will happily abide. The pictures are dreamy and the sense of humour delightful.'

WEEKEND WEST

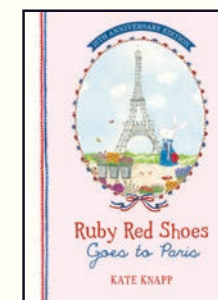
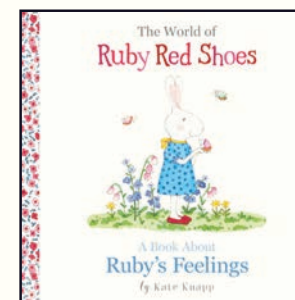
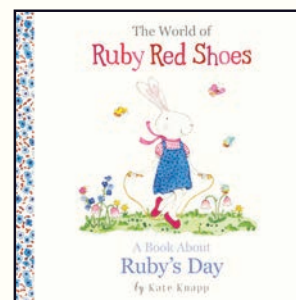
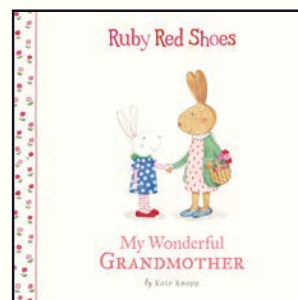
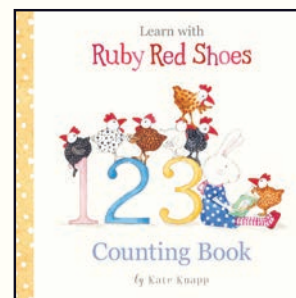
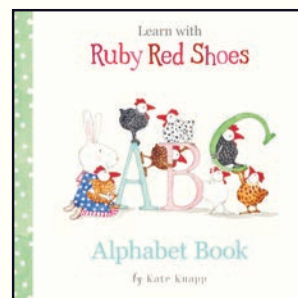
'We love Ruby! We've met Ruby before in her earlier books and we always look forward to immersing ourselves in her warm and inviting world. Ruby Red Shoes books are firm favourites at our house and are on high rotation for read-aloud time.'

BETTER READING



WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Over 400,000 copies of titles in the series sold in Australia alone!
- Shortlisted – 2013 Children's Book Council of Australia Crichton Award for Children's Book Illustrations
- Follow Ruby as she goes to London and Paris in Books 2 & 3



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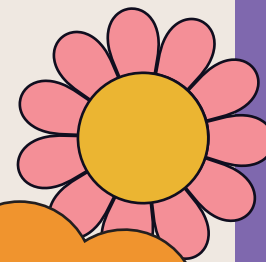
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(FAIRY REALM 1:1)

Emily Rodda

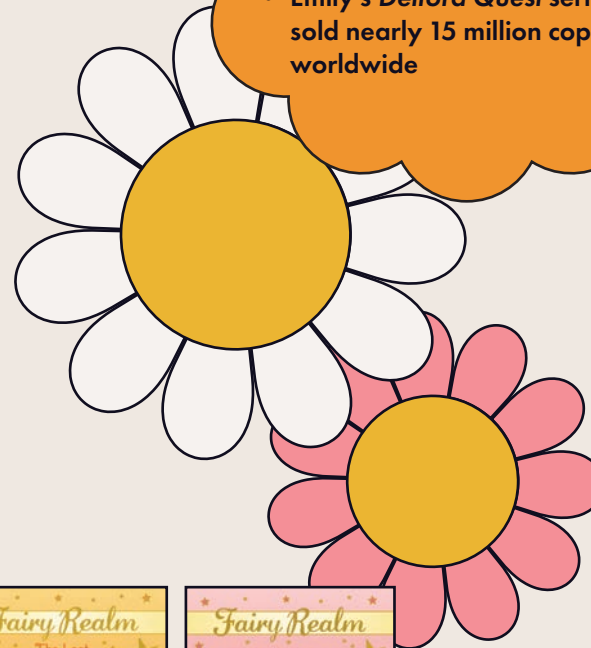
A truly enchanting series for every little girl who loves *Magic Ballerina* and the *Rainbow Fairies*.

When Jessie and her mum move into her grandmother's beautiful house in the mountains, Blue Moon, she discovers an amazing secret and enters the Fairy Realm for the first time. Fairies, elves, tiny horses and all kinds of magical beings live in the Realm. A noble Queen in a great golden palace rules them all. A high hedge keeps out dangerous creatures. But the Realm is in terrible danger. Jessie must outwit an evil enemy and save the land before it is destroyed forever!



WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- First of the fabulous six book series
- Emily Rodda is one of Australia's most treasured children's authors
- Emily's *Deltora Quest* series has sold nearly 15 million copies worldwide



Emily Rodda's first book, *Something Special*, was published with Angus & Robertson in 1984. It marked the beginning of a career that has seen her become one of the most successful, prolific and versatile writers in Australia. Since then, Emily has written or co-authored over ninety books for children. Her children's books range from picture books to YA novels, and include the award-winning Rowan of Rin series as well as the outstandingly successful *Deltora Quest* fantasy series. A full-time writer since 1994, Emily has won the Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year award a record five times and seems to instinctively know what children want to read.

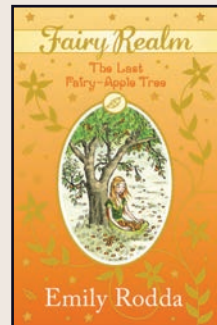
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WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- First of the second Fairy Realm Series
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- Emily's *Deltora Quest* series has sold nearly 15 million copies worldwide

THE STAR CLOAK

(FAIRY REALM 2:1)

Emily Rodda

First book in the second series of bestselling author
Emily Rodd's Fairy Realm series!

Every year the Realm has a great festival, called the Night of Wishes, when Queen Helena puts on the precious Star Cloak and, by its magic, is able to grant wishes. When Giff the Elf accidentally damages the precious Star Cloak, right on the eve of the Night of Wishes, Jessie promises to help him have it mended. The trouble is the cloak can only be mended by the makers – the night-dwelling star fairies of Stardust Mountain. But danger awaits Jessie and Giff on the mountain, and their journey is far from easy.



WITHERING-BY-SEA

(STELLA MONTGOMERY, #1)

Judith Rossell

The first book in this bestselling, award-winning simply irresistible series.

High on a cliff above the gloomy coastal town of Withering-by-Sea stands the Hotel Majestic. Inside the walls of the damp, dull hotel, eleven-year-old orphan Stella Montgomery leads a miserable life with her three dreadful Aunts.

But one night, Stella sees something she shouldn't have ... Something that will set in motion an adventure more terrifying and more wonderful than she could ever have hoped for...

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Trilogy has sold over 100,000 copies in Australia alone!
- Winner, ABIA Book of the Year for Younger Readers!
- Judith Rossell's books have been translated into more than 20 languages!



Judith Rossell is the multi-award-winning author-illustrator of the bestselling Stella Montgomery series (*Withering-by-Sea*, *Wormwood Mire*, *Wakestone Hall* and *A Garden of Lilies: Improving Tales for Young Minds*). Judith has written thirteen books and illustrated more than eighty. Her work has been published in the US and UK, and translated into more than twenty languages. www.judithrossell.com

PRAISE FOR THE SERIES

'Fans of Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events will eat up *Withering-by-Sea*'

SHELF AWARENESS

'you won't be disappointed. *Wormwood Mire* is another page-turner.'

KIDS' BOOK REVIEW

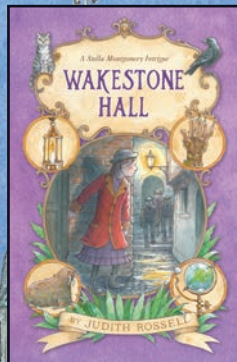
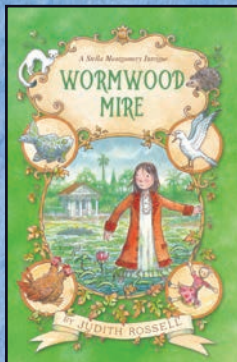
'the perfect conclusion to a wonderfully quirky Victorian fantasy series'

PAGES & PAGES



AWARDS ACROSS THE SERIES

- Australian Book Industry Awards – Winner 2015; Shortlisted 2017
- Indie Awards – Winner 2015; Shortlisted 2017
- CBCA Awards – Honour Book 2015; Notable Book 2017
- Davitt Awards – Winner 2015 and 2017
- Prime Minister's Literary Awards – Shortlisted 2015
- Aurealis Awards – Shortlisted 2014
- ABA Booksellers' Choice Awards – Shortlisted 2017
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Ages 9+

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Matt Stanton is a bestselling children's author and illustrator who has sold more than one million books in Australia alone. His middle-grade series *Funny Kid* debuted as the #1 Australian kids' book and has fans all around the world. He has twenty picture books to his name, including the award-winning *Books That Drive Kids Crazy!* and *Fart Monster* series, and is the creator of the immensely popular graphic novel series, *The Odds*, and the *Bored* novels.

ISBN: 9780733335976

BPB | 240 pages | 198 mm x 128 mm

Ages 7+

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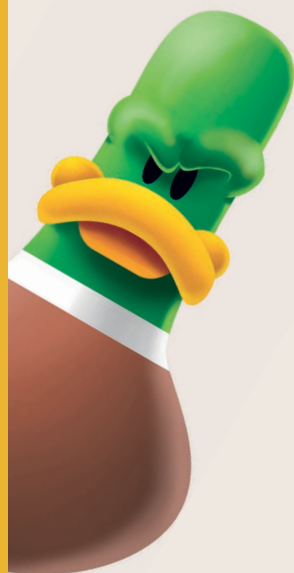
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FUNNY KID FOR PRESIDENT

(FUNNY KID, #1)

Matt Stanton

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Animation rights under option!
- Perfect for fans of *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, *Tom Gates* and *WeirDo*
- Nearly a million copies sold of the series!

PRaise FOR BOOKS IN THE SERIES

'If you're a fan of the *Wimpy Kid* series
this book is right up your street'

MANIA MAGAZINE

'a great read for fans of *Wimpy Kid*,
Tom Gates and *Big Nate*'

READINGS KIDS BOOKSHOP

'I loved it and laughed myself silly
from start to finish'

BOOK BONDING BOOKSHOP

'humour is injected into every page'

READING TIME

'absolutely hilarious'

**TIM HARRIS, AUTHOR OF
THE EXPLODING ENDINGS SERIES**

'my favourite thing in the
book was everything'

ELLIOTT, JUNIOR READER

Laugh your head off with the world-wide bestselling *Funny Kid* series!

Every kid wants to laugh, but Max is the boy who can make it happen.


He's the class clown, the punch line and he's even volunteered his bottom to be the butt of the joke.

Max is the funny kid ... and he's running for class president.

Poop scandals, stalker ducks, surprise debates, psycho sports teachers, tell-all interviews and the great library vomit-a-geddon are just some of the things in store for Max and his friends at Redhill Middle School this election season.





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**OLDER
READERS**

HITLER'S DAUGHTER

Jackie French

The modern classic from iconic Australian storyteller, Jackie French.

The bombs were falling, the smoke was rising from the concentration camps, but Hitler's daughter knew nothing of this. All she knew was the world of lessons with Fraulein Gelber, the hedgehogs she rescued from the cold and the exciting visits from her beloved father Duffi.

Until the day she is taken to her father's bunker in Berlin...

Anna's story about Hitler's daughter haunts Mark. Could it have been true? Did Hitler's daughter really exist? If Mark had a father like Hitler, could he love him?

Do things that happened a long time ago still matter?

PRAISE

'This novel shows her [French] at her best, challenging her young readers without distressing them, and bringing believable characters vividly alive on the page... a joy to read.'

THE CANBERRA TIMES

'An outstanding novel told through the power of a compelling storyteller.'

READING TIME

'A fresh, well-told, and sobering story that needs a wide readership.'

KIRKUS REVIEWS

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Has sold 100,000 copies in Australia alone
- Has won or been shortlisted for 23 awards
- Has been translated into ten languages



Jackie French AM is an award-winning writer, wombat negotiator, the 2014-2015 Australian Children's Laureate and the 2015 Senior Australian of the Year. In 2016, Jackie became a Member of the Order of Australia for her contribution to children's literature and her advocacy for youth literacy. She is regarded as one of Australia's most popular children's authors.

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Katrina Nannestad is a multi-award-winning Australian author. Her books include the CBCA- shortlisted *We Are Wolves*, *The Girl Who Brought Mischief*, *The Travelling Bookshop* series, *The Girl, the Dog and the Writer* series, the *Olive of Groves* series, the *Red Dirt Diaries* series, the *Lottie Perkins* series, and the historical novels *Rabbit, Soldier, Angel, Thief, Waiting for the Storks, Silver Linings* and *All the Beautiful Things*.

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WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT!

- Historical fiction in the award-winning tradition of *Once and Boy in the Striped Pyjamas*
- Winner, 2021 Australian Book Design Awards Shortlisted, 2021 CBCA Book of the Year Awards; Longlisted in the 2021 Australian Book Industry Awards

PRAISE

'A lesser-known story beautifully and sensitively told.'

KIRKUS REVIEWS

'This is a book of hope, and one that could be used to teach children of the horrors of war, and what children faced. It is a book that captures your mind, your heart and your feelings, and disrupts your sense of self and place, displacing you in a sense, as you flee with the Wolf children into the biting snow. Katrina Nannestad has created a sense of place – you feel like you're in the winter, amidst the snow and ice, and amongst the devastation surrounding the characters. It is a powerful novel that will stay with you long after you finish it.'

THE BOOK MUSE

WE ARE WOLVES

Katrina Nannestad

A book to crack open your heart, a book to light you up inside, a book to love from bestselling author Katrina Nannestad.

Sometimes it's good to be wild. Sometimes you have to be wild.

When the Russian Army marches into East Prussia at the end of the war, the Wolf family must flee. Liesl, Otto and their baby sister Mia find themselves lost and alone, in a blizzard, in the middle of a war zone. Liesl has promised Mama that she will keep her brother and sister safe.

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