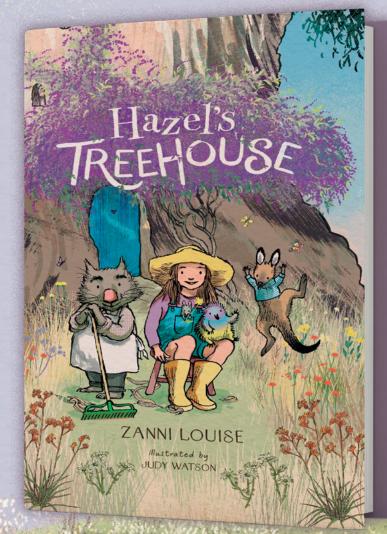


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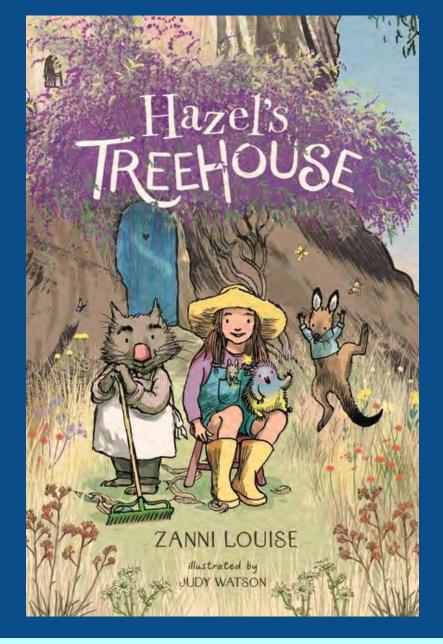
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Acclaimed author Zanni Louise and illustrator Judy Watson have created an Australian Winnie-the-Pooh in this delightful, whimsical celebration of childhood.



- Charming line illustrations from celebrated illustrator Judy Watson, reminiscent of Winnie-the-Pooh
- Acclaimed and prolific author, twice recognised in the CBCA Notables lists
- Marketing and publicity campaigns including giveaways, digital assets and Better Reading feature
- Inclusion in seasonal gifting features and promotions





### Hazel's Treehouse Zanni Louise

A collection of heartwarming sweet and whimsical stories by acclaimed Zanni Louise in a beautiful gifty hardback edition.

- Winnie-the-Pooh meets Snugglepot and Cuddlepie in these charming short stories set in the Australian bush
- Perfect as a read-aloud book with the class or family, the stories can also be read stand alone or all together
- Joyful, sweet tales that celebrate the beauty of the small moments of childhood
- Character led, gentle and comforting reading, perfectly pitched to readers
   6 + years
- Acclaimed author, Zanni Louise has twice been recognised in the CBCA Notables lists

Hazel is nine years old, as long as her bunk bed and as kind as a marshmallow. She and her friends Odette, Walter, Tiny and Poky live together in a treehouse in the bush. Every day brings new adventures, missteps and always imagination and friendship.







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### HAZEL



Meet Hazel, who is nine years old, as long as her bunk bed and as kind as a marshmallow.

POKY

This is Poky, Hazel's feelings echidna, who changes colour depending on Hazel's mood. Right now, he's the colour of raspberry lemonade, which is a very cheerful colour for an echidna.



ODETTE



This is Odette. She is a pademelon, which isn't a kangaroo, but looks a bit like one. She's small and springy, with enthusiastic legs.

WALTER

This is Walter. Yes, he's a wombat.

A very tidy one who might occasionally feel a bit grumpy at the world.



Last but not least is Tiny, a honey possum, who is as small as you can get and likes to travel in Hazel's pocket.

This is the treehouse where the



TREEHOUSE

Gran Pademelon, who was
Odette's grandma. Look —
this is her in the painting.
Before Gran passed away,
she told Odette she was
allowed to invite her friends
to live with her. Odette
invited Hazel, who invited
Poky, who invited Tiny and

they all thought Walter should come too.

So this is where they live. Here, in the bush.

And these are some of their days.



### **Hazel's Treehouse**

### by Zanni Louise illustrated by Judy Watson

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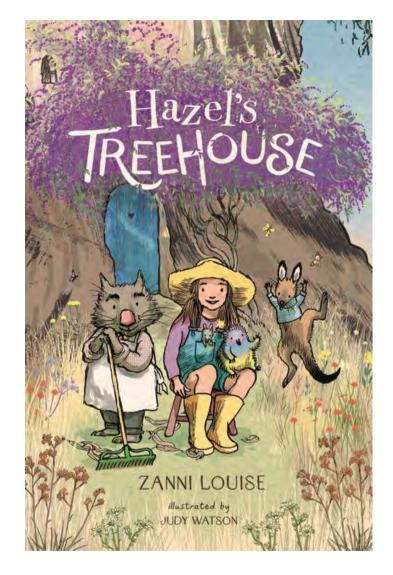
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- Charming line illustrations, reminiscent of EH Shepard's classic drawings for Winnie-the-Pooh, from celebrated illustrator Judy Watson
- Luxury gift edition, in hard cover

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

Zanni has written 30 books for children, including picture books and junior fiction. Her books have been described as quirky, warm and funny, and are sold in many foreign territories. She's been twice listed in the CBCA Notables, and her picture book Archie and the Bear was selected for the highly prestigious international children's catalogue: The White Ravens.

**Judy Watson** grew up in a house behind her father's veterinary clinic, and spent all her holidays on a farm near the beach. When she was not reading or drawing, she could be found lying in the long grass watching bugs and birds. Judy's first picture book won the Prime Minister's Literary Award for Children's Fiction. She has illustrated over 20 books for children. She particularly enjoyed drawing Australian plants for *Searching For Cicadas* (written by Lesley Gibbes).

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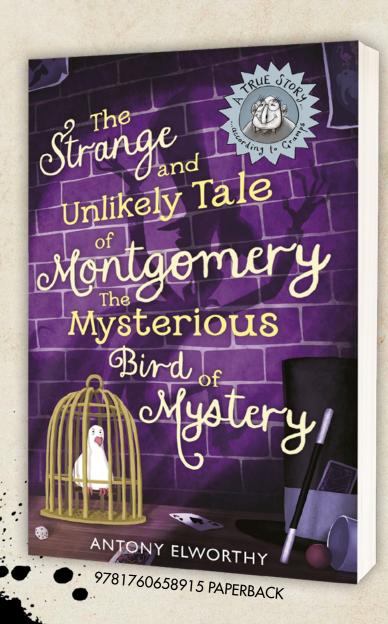
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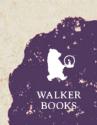
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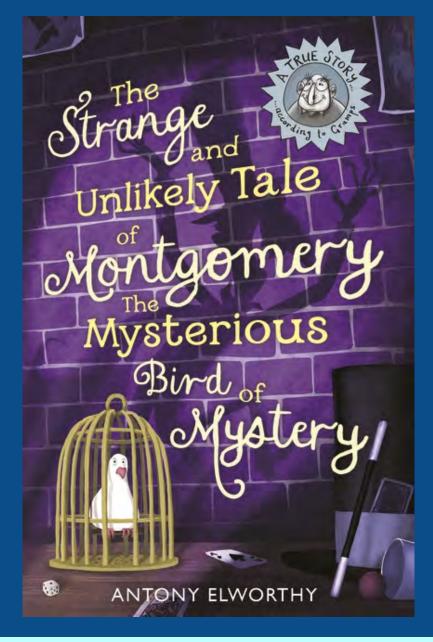
### A hilarious middle-grade novel perfect for fans of The Princess Bride, Tim Burton and Wes Anderson.



'When I was a young man,' says Gramps. 'I was a famous magician.' 'Was this before you became a stunt man, Gramps?' I ask. 'Oh, no,' replies Gramps. 'I had already given that game up ...'

- Expect the unexpected and believe the unbelievable in this hilarious debut novel from acclaimed animator Antony Elworthy.
- Timelessly whimsical illustrations from Antony Elworthy (lead animator of The Corpse Bride, Coraline and Isle of Dogs) bring the story to life
- Told in the style of The Princess Bride, Gramps regales his life as a magician to his grandson
- Marketing and publicity campaign including Better Reading feature, digital and social media assets and promotion to booksellers, schools and libraries
- Book proofs available





The Strange and Unlikely Tale of Montgomery, the Mysterious Bird of Mystery: (A true story ... according to Gramps)
Antony Elworthy

A hilarious illustrated story about Gramp's life as a magician by the wonderful animator of *The Corpse Bride* and *Coraline*.

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Gramps had what they call a 'Chequered Career' which he insists on regaling to his sceptical grandson. He's been a stuntman and a deep-sea diver, but his most exciting, and discombobulating, career was when he was a magician. Known as The Astounding Alfredo, and he became famous throughout the world, especially for the disappearing trick with his dove – Montgomery, The Mysterious Bird of Mystery.

Unfortunately, Montgomery is not just mysterious, but malevolent, envious and ambitious. And Gramps and Montgomery discover that fame has a way of changing people – and places.

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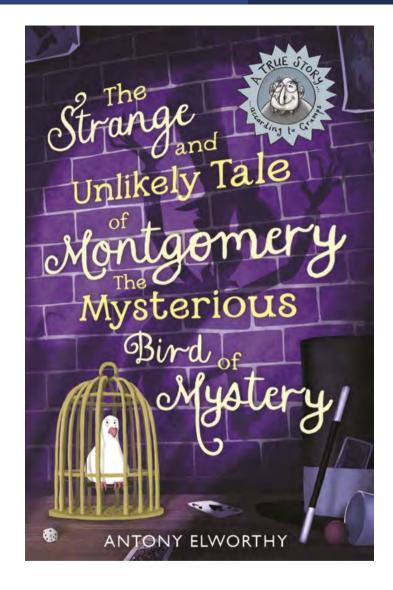
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**Antony Elworthy** is an illustrator, animator and children's book author who has worked on critically acclaimed television and Oscar-winning feature film productions around the world.

His most recent film credit was Lead Stop Motion Animator on *Guillermo del Toro's Pinocchio*. He was also Lead Animator for Wes Anderson's *Isle of Dogs* and Tim Burton's *Frankenweenie* as well as Animator on *Coraline* and *Corpse Bride*.

Antony lives in Christchurch, NZ, where he is Animation Director on the hit preschool TV show *Kiri and Lou* (starring Jemaine Clement). He is currently Director of Animation on *Sauvages*, a new film by Claude Barras.

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### **Crimson Twill: Witch in the Country**

### by Kallie George illustrated by Birgitta Sif

In this second punny adventure, little witch Crimson wants her friends to have fun on their first visit to the country—but everything goes wrong!

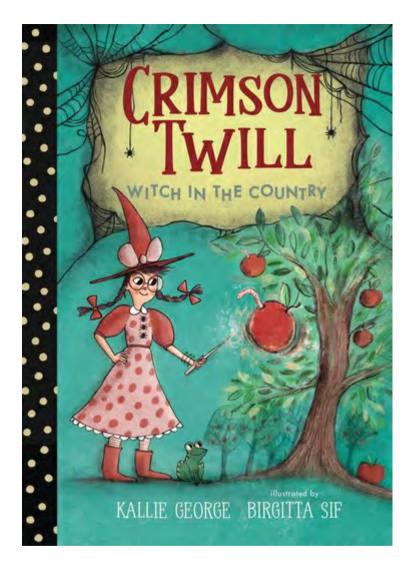
Crimson Twill's new friends from New Wart City, Mauve and Wesley, are coming for a visit! But as soon as they arrive at Crimson's house in Cackle County, things start to go wrong. At the rotten apple orchard, Crimson's ripening spell goes horribly awry (what will they do with all that rotten applesauce?). Then, at the broom-straw field, Wesley cuts too much straw and starts to float away. And when the friends try to collect frogs' breath for their spells (it makes everything wonderfully green and warty), Mauve gets a stinky faceful of it! What on earth is going on? The whole countryside feels like something big is about to happen, and Crimson wonders if it has something to do with Granny Twill and that giant cauldron of stew she made. Can Crimson get to the bottom of this bad-luck mystery? And, more importantly, will her city friends ever want to visit her again?

- This second title in the Crimson Twill series turns the tables as Crimson's friends from the city visit her in the country, where they visit Crimson's Rotten Apple Orchard, the fields of broom straw, and the Croaking Pond
- Crimson Twill is an incredibly friendly and utterly charming new character who lives in a decidedly un-scary yet very cleverly created witch-centered world
- Sweet, funny, and delightfully witchy! Perfect for Halloween displays but entertaining enough to be sold throughout the year

Kallie George is the author of *Crimson Twill: Witch in the City*, as well as several picture books for young children, including *The Doll Hospital*, illustrated by Sara Gillingham, and *Secrets I Know*, illustrated by Paola Zakimi. She is also the author of the Heartwood Hotel chapter book series, illustrated by Stephanie Graegin, among many other books for children. Kallie George lives with her family in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Birgitta Sif is the author-illustrator of the picture books *Oliver* and *Frances Dean Who Loved to Dance and Dance*. She is also the illustrator of *Snowboy and the Last Tree Standing* by Hiawyn Oram, *The Tall Man and the Small Mouse* by Mara Bergman, and *Hugo* by Atinuke, as well as the first Crimson Twill adventure. Originally from Iceland, Birgitta Sif lives with her family in Sweden.

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### Shermy and Shake, the Not-So-New Kid

### by Kirby Larson illustrated by Shinji Fujioka

Shermy is excited to learn the new kid in school is none other than his pal Shake, but what if the other kids like Shake better? The two friends' story, from Newbery Honoree Kirby Larson, continues with heart and humor.

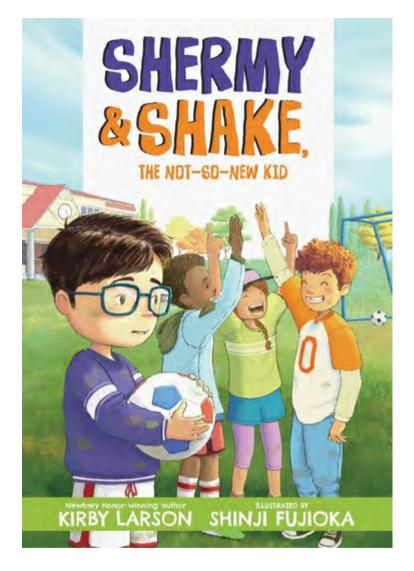
Being a second grader is even cooler than Shermy imagined. He loves reading new stories (and filling out charts about them!), helping his teacher get organized, and being a good classroom leader. So when the teacher asks Shermy to be a school buddy for the new kid, Shermy says, "Sure!" Imagine his surprise when the new kid turns out to be Shake—Shermy's summer friend from out of town. This is amazing news! Or is it? Meticulous Shermy and boisterous Shake couldn't be more different, and soon the other kids are all looking at Shake like he's a super rare Magic Monster card—and not looking at Shermy at all. Can Shermy and Shake stay buddies now that school is in session? A nuanced story about friendship that shines with authentic humor and understanding, from Newbery Honoree Kirby Larson and illustrator Shinji Fujioka.

- This is the second book in a new early chapter book series by Newbery Honorwinner Kirby Larson and illustrator Shinji Fujioka, following Shermy and Shake, The Not-So-Nice Neighbor, and is perfect for fans of Ivy and Bean and other early chapter books about two friends
- An authentic and big-hearted look at an unlikely friendship between two kids who seem to have little in common but as neighbors and now classmates are forced to find ways to get along
- A great choice for readers looking for an early chapter book featuring a friendship between two boys, as well as for teachers and caregivers looking to suggest books about overcoming differences and finding common ground

**Kirby Larson** is the author of numerous books for children, including the Newbery Honor Book *Hattie Big Sky*, and the coauthor of the *New York Times* best-selling nonfiction picture book *Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine & a Miracle.* She lives with her husband in Kenmore, Washington.

**Shinji Fujioka** was born and raised in Hawaii, where he ignored sun, sand, and surf in favor of reading, playing video games, and drawing lots of ninjas, superheroes, and all manner of weaponry. Shermy and Shake, the Not-So-Nice Neighbor (the first book in this series) was his debut book. He lives in Utah with his family.

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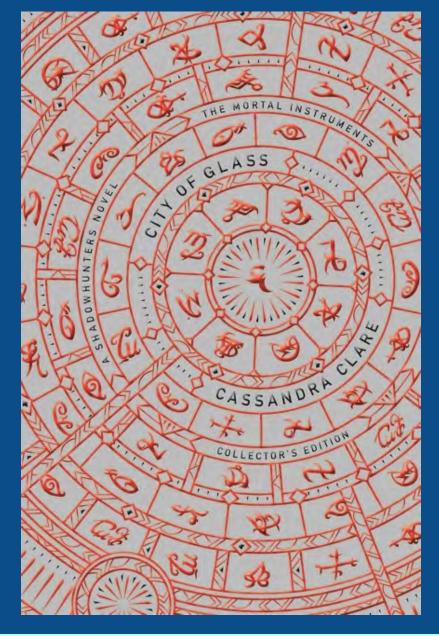
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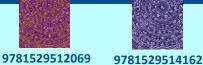
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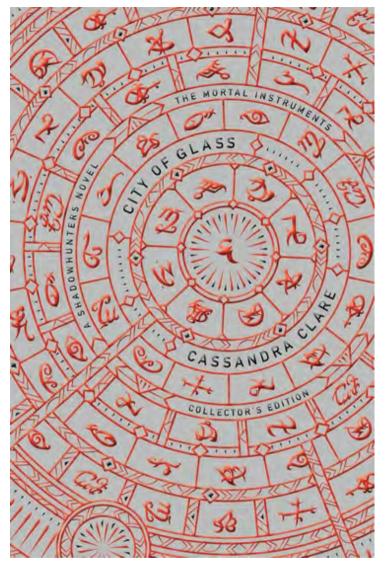
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Cassandra Clare is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the internationally bestselling Mortal Instruments series, the Last Hours series, the Dark Artifices trilogy and the Infernal Devices trilogy. She is the co-author of the Eldest Curses series with Wesley Chu; The Shadowhunters' Codex with Joshua Lewis; The Bane Chronicles with Sarah Rees Brennan and Maureen Johnson; Tales from the Shadowhunter Academy with Sarah Rees Brennan, Maureen Johnson and Robin Wasserman; and Ghosts of the Shadow Market with Sarah Rees Brennan, Maureen Johnson, Kelly Link and Robin Wasserman. Her books have more than 50 million copies in print worldwide and have been translated into more than 35 languages and made into a feature film and a TV show.

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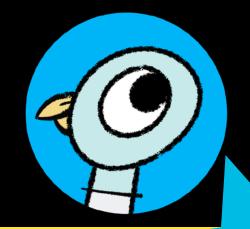
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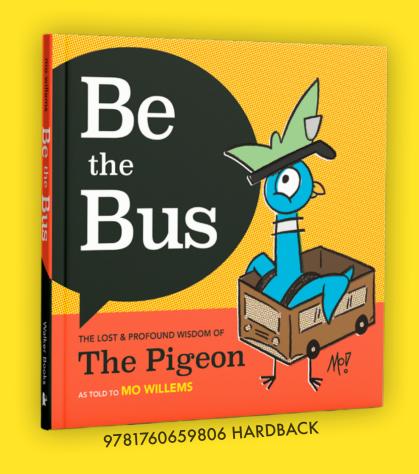




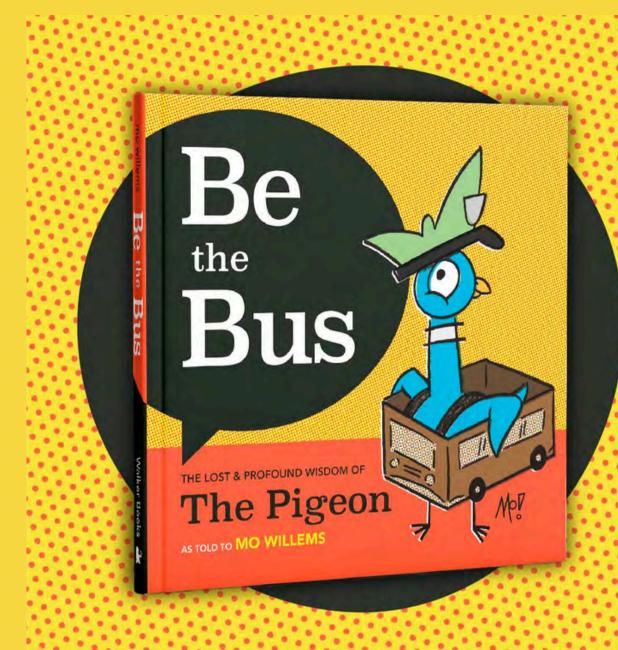
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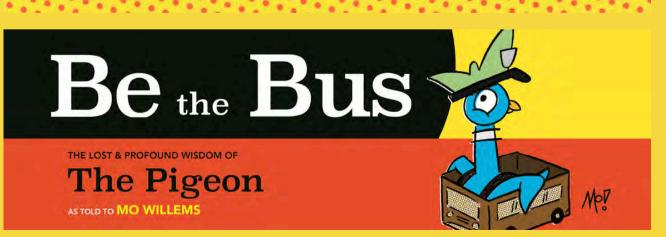
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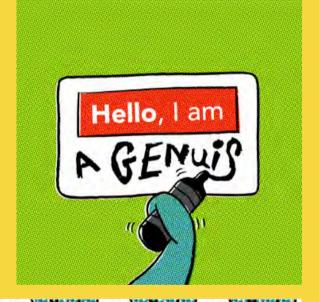






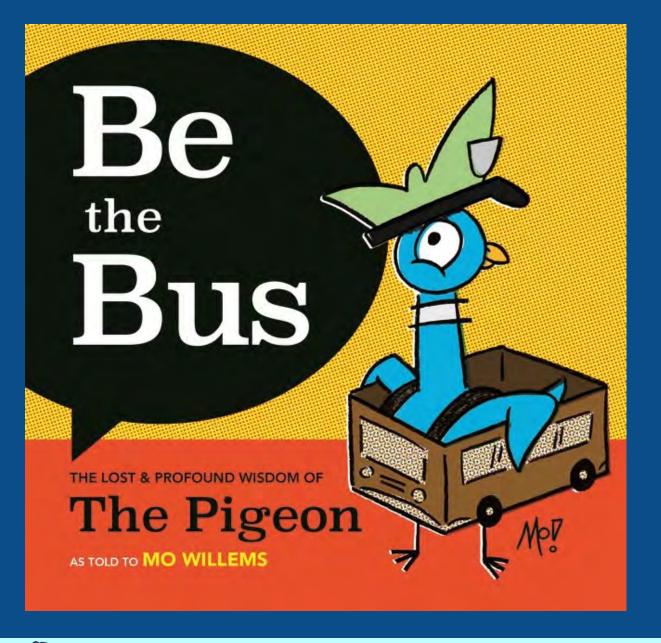








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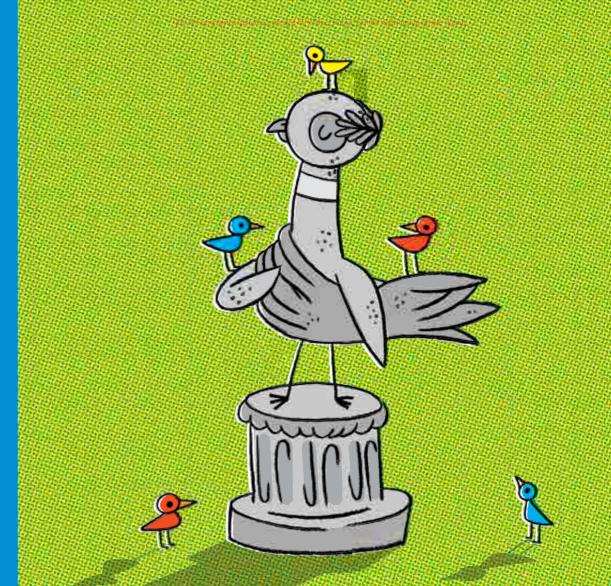


Let me be the first to say that everything has already been said.



like Plato already said,

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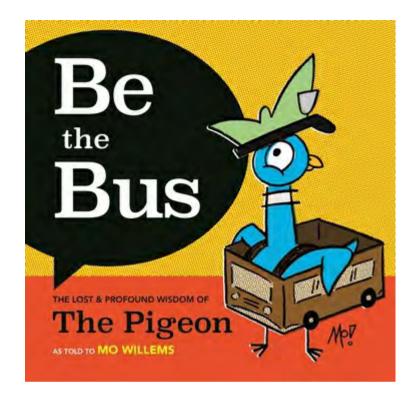
Surprises happen when you least expect them.

If I could change just ONE thing about myself, I'd be perfect.

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Mo Willems is a three-time Caldecott Honor winner for *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!*, *Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale* and *Knuffle Bunny Too: A Case of Mistaken Identity*. His celebrated *Elephant & Piggie* early-reader series has been awarded the Theodor Seuss Geisel Medal on two occasions as well as three Honors. Other favourites include *Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs* and *That Is Not a Good Idea*. Further titles in Mo's much loved *Pigeon* series include *The Pigeon Finds a Hot Dog!*, *The Pigeon Loves Things That Go!*, *The Pigeon Has Feelings, Too!*, *Don't Let the Pigeon Stay Up Late!*, *The Pigeon Wants a Puppy!*, *The Duckling Gets a Cookie!?*, which won the 2013 Irma Black Honor, *The Pigeon Needs a Bath!*, *The Pigeon HAS to Go to School!* and *The Pigeon Will Ride the Rollercoaster!*. Before he turned to children's books, Mo was a writer and animator on Sesame Street, where he won six Emmy Awards. Mo lives with his family in Paris, France. Find him online at mowillems.com and on Twitter as @The Pigeon.

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Join Olive on her adventures in years 5 to 6 as she navigates new friendships, learns to step outside of her comfort zone and discover what's really important to her. Throughout the series, Olive performs in the school variety show, goes on camp, runs for student council, clashes with the coolest new kid at school and spends spring break with her dad in the city.



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**Kayla Miller** is a *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator living and working in New York. They have a BFA in Illustration from the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. When not busy working on graphic novels, Kayla enjoys watching bad movies, trying to cook new recipes, playing games (both board and video) and reading other people's graphic novels.

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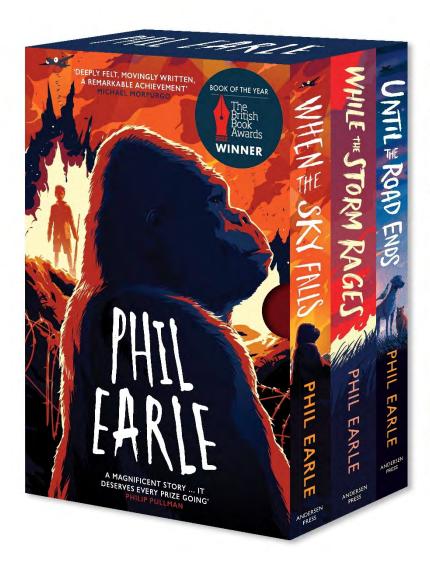
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Born and raised in the north of England, **Phil Earle** is the author of numerous acclaimed, award-winning books for children and teenagers. He has worked as a carer, a dramatherapist, a bookseller and a publisher, and loves talking at schools and festivals around the world. His novel When The Sky Falls won the Books Are My Bag Readers Award and the British Book Award for Children's Fiction. He lives on the side of a very steep hill with his wife, their five children and two dogs.

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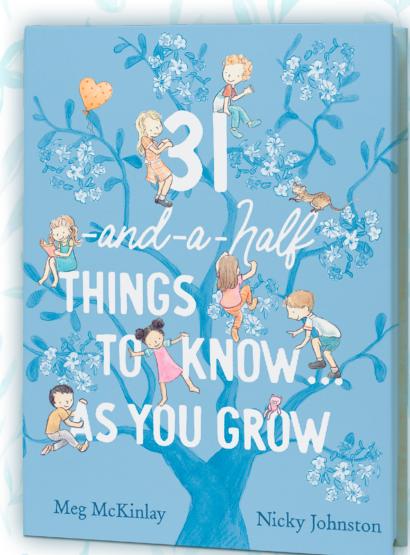
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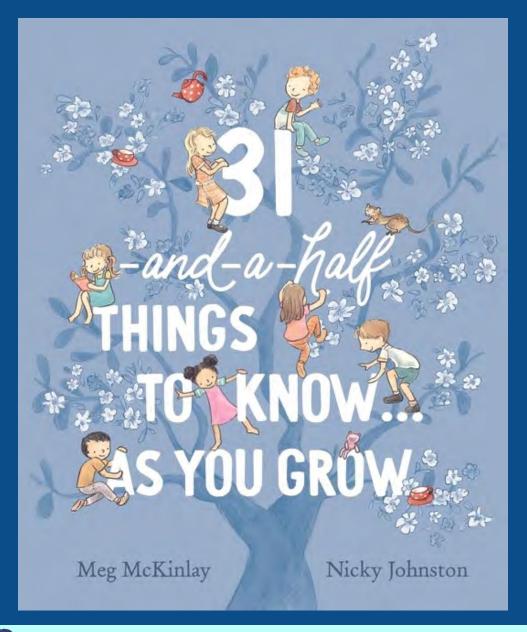
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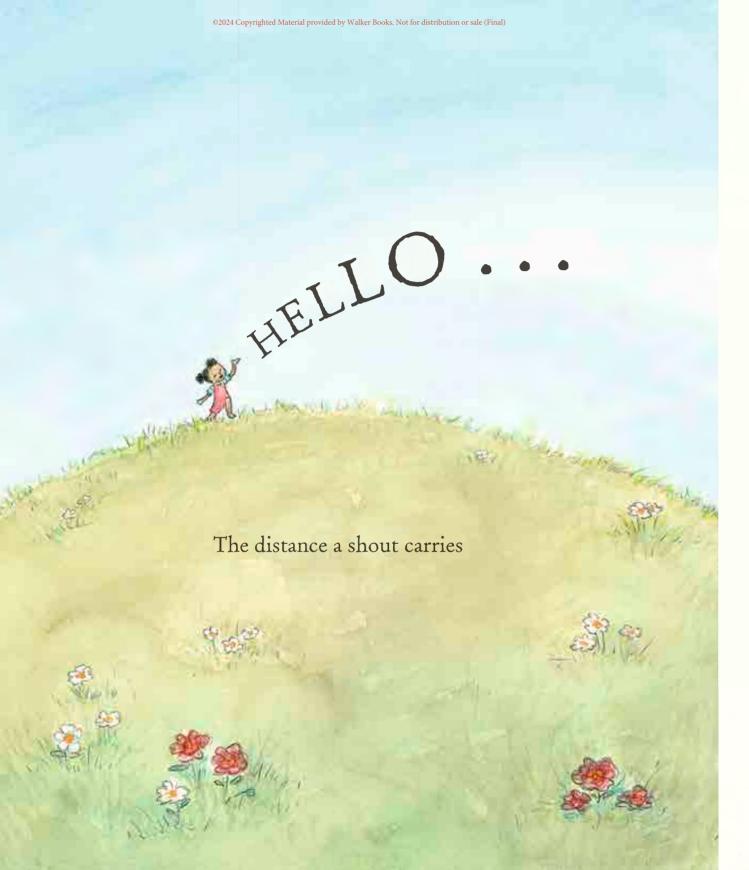


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The strength of a whisper

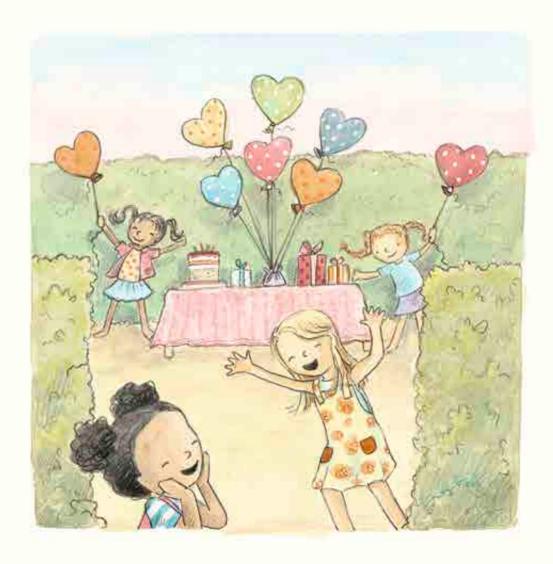


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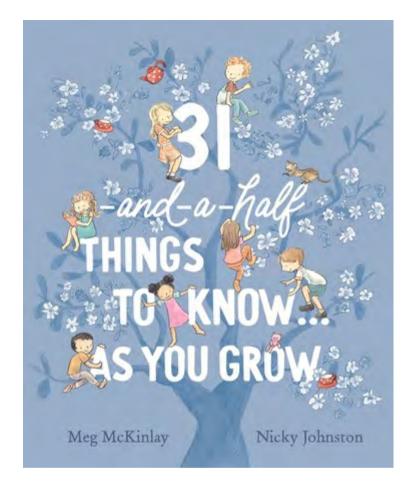
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Meg McKinlay grew up in Bendigo, Victoria, in a book-loving, TV- and car-free household. On the long and winding path to becoming a children's writer, she has worked a variety of jobs including swim instructor, tour guide, translator and teacher. These days, she lives with her family near the ocean in Fremantle and divides her time between teaching and writing, a balance that swings wildly between chaos and calm. She is always busy cooking up more books and you can visit her on the web at <a href="https://www.megmckinlay.com">www.megmckinlay.com</a>

icky Johnston is an award-winning author and illustrator of over thirty books for children including CBCA 2023 Shortlisted book *Jøm's Magnificent Imagination*, 2022 Honour book *Amira's Suitcase* and 2022 Speech Pathology book of the Year *The Incredibly Busy Mind of Bowen Batholomew Crisp*. Nicky's illustration style is often described as whimsical, playful, narrative, emotive and colourful. She loves to work in watercolour, ink, pencils, pastel, and printing techniques. Together with Laura Bunting, she is the co-creator of the "Coco" series.

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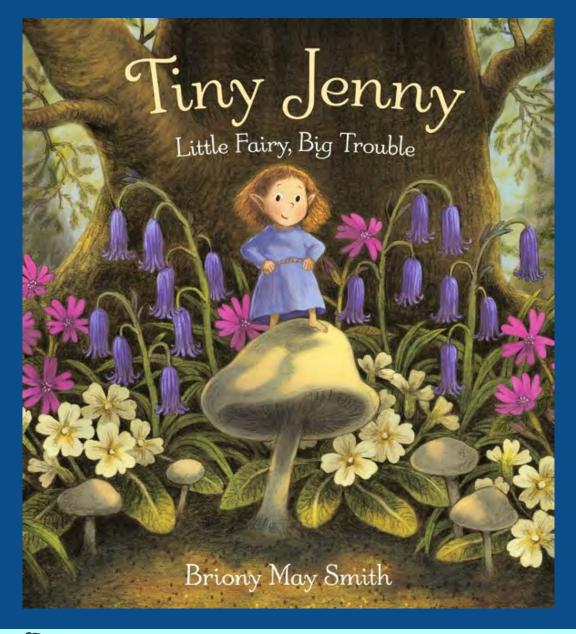
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# Picture Books



# Tiny Jenny: Little Fairy, Big Trouble Briony May Smith

Join Tiny Jenny, a mischievous fairy born to a family of wrens, as she sets out to find a place where she truly belongs.

- Briony May Smith's highly unique fairy story features her signature lush and beautiful illustrations that will easily transport children to a magical forest world
- A story of found family will make Tiny Jenny relatable and impactful to children raised in found families
- Briony May Smith is a UK bestseller, lauded for her enchanting, bucolic artwork and was awarded Scottish Waterstones' Book of the Month for *Margaret's Unicorn*
- This book is the total package for young fans of fantastical magic stories and will stand out from the rest with a brave, mythical fairy at its centre
- Perfect for 3-7+ readers

When Tiny Jenny learns why she's so different from her family, she goes off to find her fairy kind. But the fairies in the forest prove to be mean and destructive. Jenny must discover who in her heart, is her true family.







In no time, the wren chicks turned from fluff to feathers. Tiny Jenny grew, too—though no taller than a toothpick. A spider spun her a dress, and Mr. Wren found some twine for a belt.



When it was time to fledge, Min, the oldest, and Dru, the middlest, jumped from the nest with a flitter and floated to the ground.

Tiny Jenny leapt out with a holler . . .



... and crashed into the undergrowth. "Well done, me!" she declared, brushing herself off.

### **Tiny Jenny: Little Fairy, Big Trouble**

## by Briony May Smith illustrated by Briony May Smith

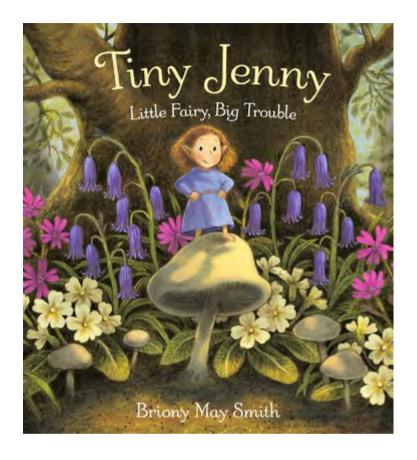
Join Tiny Jenny, a mischievous fairy born to a family of wrens, as she sets out to find where she truly belongs.

When a wingless baby fairy hatches from one of their eggs, Mr and Mrs Wren are shocked – where did she come from? They decide to raise her as their own, and call her Tiny Jenny. While she may not be able to fly like her wren family, she finds other ways to entertain herself – like by blocking mole hills, digging up squirrel nuts and sticking leaves on hedgehog spines. In fact, she's a bit of a menace! When she finally learns why she's so different from the rest – that she is really a fairy – she goes off to find her kind. But the fairies in the forest are mean and destructive. Who, in her heart, is tiny Jenny's true family? Briony May Smith's highly original fairy story is adorned with her signature lush, enchanting illustrations that will transport children to a magical forest world.

- A story of found family; Tiny Jenny, who is adopted by wrens, ultimately learns that the kind wrens who raised her are her true family.
- This beautiful package with a brave, mythical fairy at its centre is for all young fans of fantastical, magic stories, but it will stand out from the rest – the forest fairies are mean!
- Briony May Smith is lauded for her enchanting, bucolic artwork and is a UK bestseller whose picture book, *Margaret's Unicorn*, was Scottish Waterstones' Book of the Month.

**Briony May Smith** graduated from Falmouth University with a First Class degree in Illustration. Since then, she has been shortlisted for the British Comic Awards and has been twice highly commended for the Macmillan Children's Prize. She is the author-illustrator of A Practical Present for Philippa Pheasant, Margaret's Unicom and The Mermaid Moon, and the illustrator of Tooth Fairy in Training and Witch in Training, both written by Michelle Robinson, and The Little Books of the Little Brontës, written by Sara O'Leary. She is inspired by traditional fairy tales and folklore, and by the farm she lives on in Devon. Find her online at brionymaysmith.com and on Twitter and Instagram as @BrionyMaySmith.

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# Molly, Olive and Dexter: The Guessing Game

by Catherine Rayner illustrated by Catherine Rayner

Meet Molly the hare, Olive the owl and Dexter the fox, stars of the delightful series for toddlers from Kate Greenaway Medal-winning artist Catherine Rayner.

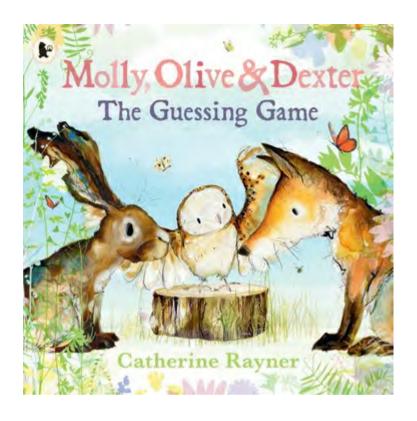
Olive the owl *loves* guessing games, and her best friends Molly the hare and Dexter the fox decide to play one together. But when it's Olive's go, try as they might, Molly and Dexter can't seem to work out the answer... Whatever is Olive thinking about?! One of three books, each starring a different member of this adorable trio, this story explores big emotional themes with gentle humour – delivering all the charm of the 100 Acre Wood in a delightful package for toddlers.

"Catherine Rayner has a marvellous gift for capturing the souls of animals in a few, rich washes of colour." Daily Telegraph

- The second title in the first ever picture-book series from Catherine Rayner, starring three animal friends: Molly, Olive and Dexter.
- Each story explores a big emotional theme in a reassuring, sweetly funny way (in this case, managing frustration!).
- Catherine has won prizes from BookTrust, Scottish BookTrust, the UK Literacy Association and the School Library Association, as well as the prestigious Kate Greenaway Medal.
- Catherine has TCM sales of over £1m in the UK, and is published in over 35 languages; she has +45k followers on Facebook and +200k on Instagram.
- This is a slightly younger space for Catherine, where artists like Emma Dodd have found great success; the format is comparable with *Dragon Post* by Emma Yarlett.

**Catherine Rayner** studied Illustration at Edinburgh College of Art. As well as producing beautiful picture-books, including the Molly, Olive and Dexter series and *My Pet Goldfish* for Walker, Catherine exhibits her art in galleries all over the world and has created her own range of babywear (which inspired the characters in this story!). Follow her on Facebook and on Instagram, **@catherine.rayner**, or visit her website: **www.catherinerayner.co.uk** 

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# Non-Fiction

#### A World of Information

## by Richard Platt illustrated by James Brown

A visually stunning collection of facts and figures for all the family to enjoy.

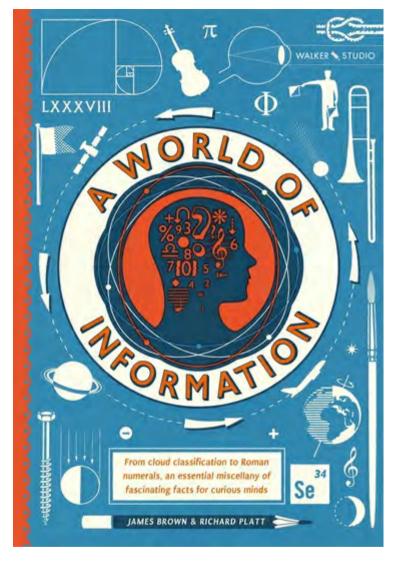
How much do clouds weigh? Who invented the pencil? How many ways can you tie a knot? Discover the answer to these and many other questions in this elegant and absorbing miscellany of general knowledge. From music notation to Roman numerals and from the skeleton to the solar system, essential facts are brought to life by stylish infographics and fascinating commentary. With pictures by effortlessly stylish print-maker James Brown and fact-filled explanations by celebrated author Richard Platt, there is a world of information at your fingertips in this book – sure to amuse and intrigue even the most curious minds.

- There are more than 30 fascinating non-fiction traditional "general knowledge" topics covered in the book. Topics include shapes, tides, solar system and the periodic table.
- James Brown's illustrations are stylish and contemporary, but also recall charming retro school diagrams.

**Richard Platt** is the author of *Pirate Diary*, which won the Kate Greenaway Medal, the Silver Smarties Book Prize and the Blue Peter Award for Best Factual Book, and *Castle Diary*, which was Highly Commended for the Kate Greenaway Medal and shortlisted for the Kurt Maschler Award. He has written over 70 books and has appeared widely on TV and radio, talking about his children's writing. He lives in Kent.

**James Brown** is an illustrator and printmaker living and working in London. Trained as a textile and surface print designer, he worked in textiles for ten years. He then branched out into illustration and has worked with the V&A and *Guardian*.

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# KNOTS

There are countless ways to tie rope, but most give you different versions of a small number of useful knots. The days when each trade had its own knots are past, but knots haven't lost their beauty or charm – and they still have some surprising uses.

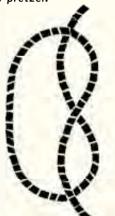


hen sailing ships were worlds of rope, sailors were masters of knots and wrote about them as early as the seventeenth century. Landsmen used knots, too;

many were unique, but the same knot often appeared in different guises. The "clove hitch", which sailors used to make rope-steps for climbing the rigging, was the "builder's knot" on construction sites. To circus roustabouts it was the "dry weather hitch" because rain made it difficult to untie. Decorators, archers, millers, net-makers, hunters and fishermen all had their own names for this knot.

#### **BAKER'S KNOT**

You don't need rope or string to tie a knot: squashy bakery dough will do. Tied in an "overhand" knot, sprinkled with sesame seeds or salt and baked, dough becomes a tasty pretzel.



#### **MODEST SPECIALISTS**

The simplicity of a knot can hide sophistication. Fishing line, for instance, is made of slippery nylon, so anglers can't use many of the knots that work in rope, but the "fisherman's knot" ties it securely.

The "bowline" is a favourite with rockclimbers. Pulling on the loop of the knot always loosens it, which makes it easy to undo in a For the Inca people of Peru, knots on cords called "quipus" were the only way to record numbers.

hurry. But this also means there's a chance it will come loose accidentally, so climbers tend to fix the bowline in place with an "overhand" knot. This knot is so simple that, with a little practice, it can be tied one-handed. Yet it grasps the rope tightly and makes the perfect "stopper", preventing a loose end from running through a pulley.

#### KNOTS AND MATHS

There's more to knots than securing shoelaces, circus tents and condemned men. Mathematicians studied knots in the 1880s, after the eminent Irish scientist Lord Kelvin (1824–1907) suggested that chemical elements (see pages 84–87) might be knots in the "ether", a gas-like substance which he believed filled the universe. The knot theory that he pioneered classified knots by the number of times the rope crossed. The discovery of atomic particles some 30 years later provided a better explanation of the elements, and Kelvin's theory was mostly forgotten. But he had the last laugh: today, knot theory is used in all kinds of things, from the study of DNA to quantum computing.

The "sheepshank" knot had a macabre use at sea: it was essential for swift yard-arm hangings.

#### TYING A PUZZLE

Grasp one end of a piece of rope in your left hand, and the other end in your right. Now tie a knot in the rope without letting go with either hand. Impossible? Not if you know the secret! Turn the page round to find it.

ANSWER: Fold your arms before gripping the rope – then unfold them. A WORLD OF INFORMATION \_\_\_

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# ELASSIFICATION

Fluffy and white or grey and threatening, clouds can be forces of creation or destruction. They irrigate our crops – but they also bring ferocious storms. And though scientists have studied clouds intensively, we still don't fully understand how they work.

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HIPPY HEAVEN them into the phrase "on cloud nine" stratus. He to

suggests blissful euphoria.
Where did it come from?
Nobody really knows, but the
most common explanation
given is that nine was the
highest number in Luke
Howard's scheme. But this
is obviously false – Howard
only had seven categories!

notice that no two clouds are exactly alike. But when British chemist Luke Howard named the clouds 200 years ago, he was doing something extraordinary and new. He sorted them into three basic types: cirrus, cumulus and stratus. He then introduced four categories for clouds that fitted more than one of these types: cirro-cumulus, cirro-stratus, cumulostratus and nimbus.

ou don't have to be a genius to

Howard's paper helped to establish meteorology (the study of weather and climate) on a scientific basis. His Seven Lectures in Meteorology (1837) was the first textbook on the subject.

#### FAME AND CONTROVERSY

His work made him famous, but Howard had several angry critics. They were furious that he gave the clouds Latin names. Today, we take this for granted. But if Howard's rivals

had their way, we would be calling clouds "flocks", "tufts", "piles" and "feathered arcs"; or "stacken", "sonder", "wain" and "twain"!

#### **VAST AND POWERFUL**

Clouds are huge and heavy, and hold extraordinary amounts of energy. A tropical cumulonimbus stores some 600 terajoules: enough to keep the lights on in Greater London for roughly 36 hours. The same cloud may be over 18,000 metres high – twice the height of the world's tallest mountain – and weigh one million tonnes.

#### GOTCHA

Howard's work gained him many fans, among them Germany's greatest writer Johann Goethe. Goethe was so famous that when Howard first received a letter from him, he thought it was a friend playing a prank. Goethe went on to write poems about clouds in Howard's honour.

So how is it that they float, apparently weightless, above our heads? Clouds form when warm air rises from the ground, carrying water vapour upwards. It turns into droplets, releasing heat, which makes the cloud rise faster than before.

Other questions aren't as easy to answer. We aren't sure why clouds rise as fast as they do, or what controls their size; we don't really know what goes on inside them; and for fifty years there were four different theories of how they turn to rain. The killer theory, called "tangling clustering instability", was proposed only in 2013.

Two centuries after a modest chemist named the clouds, we have a lot left to learn about them.

#### **ELEPHANT CLOUDS**

In Hindu and Buddhist mythology,
clouds are the wandering spirits of elephant
gods. The name for the Hindu god Airavata means
"elephant of the clouds" and he is always shown as
perfectly white in colour, like a cumulus cloud.

## Star Sailor: My Life as a NASA Astronaut

by Charles F. Bolden Jr. and Tonya Bolden

Space science and shared humanity shine as the first Black head of NASA offers an up-close and thrilling account of his shuttle missions, including some of the defining moments of NASA's history. With immersive full-color photos.

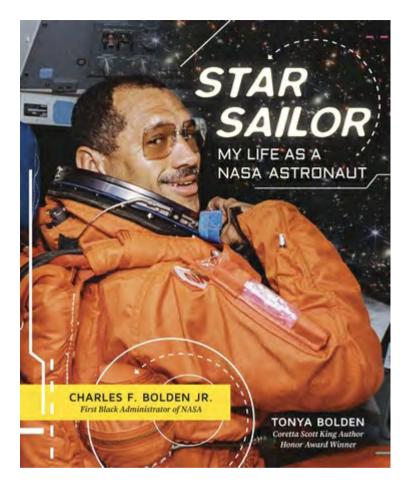
Sail the stars with astronaut Charlie Bolden as he recounts his amazing shuttle missions, including deploying the Hubble Space Telescope, training with Sally Ride, and leading the first US space mission that included a Russian cosmonaut as a crew member. Charlie even got to congratulate Star Wars creator George Lucas at the Academy Awards—from space! Follow Charlie's incredible story, from watching movies as a kid about Flash Gordon flying to Mars—from the balcony where Black people had to sit—all the way to becoming the first Black NASA Administrator. From the thrill of watching lightning storms from the mesosphere to the heartbreak of the Challenger disaster, Charles's life as a star sailor is full of adventure and discovery, told in his own words along with award-winning author Tonya Bolden. In-depth looks at how astronauts train, work, and live are complemented by diagrams, highlighted vocabulary, scientific sidebars, and incredible personal photographs. Back matter includes an author's note and timeline.

- Author Charles Bolden was appointed by President Obama to become the first Black head of NASA, and he's contributed family photos, childhood memories, and personal stories to give readers both a thrilling and an intimate look at his life as an astronaut
- In addition to scientific sidebars and plenty of fun facts for middle-grade space lovers, this story has a beautiful message of shared humanity, unity, and overcoming racial and cultural differences
- Charles Bolden's story gives kids a front seat to history. He helped deploy the Hubble Space Telescope, led the first U.S. space mission that included a Russian cosmonaut as a crew member, and even got to congratulate Star Wars creator George Lucas at the Academy Awards—from space!

**Charles F. Bolden Jr.** became the first Black NASA Administrator in 2009. He logged more than six hundred hours in space over the course of four shuttle missions. During Bolden's eight-year tenure as NASA Administrator, the agency developed a spacecraft to carry astronauts to asteroids and Mars, landed the *Curiosity* rover on Mars, and launched spacecraft to Jupiter. Charles F. Bolden Jr. lives outside Washington, DC.

**Tonya Bolden** has authored, coauthored, or edited more than forty books, including *Dark Sky Rising: Reconstruction and the Dawn of Jim Crow* with Henry Louis Gates Jr., *No Small Potatoes: Junius G. Groves and His Kingdom in Kansas*, illustrated by Don Tate; and *Facing Frederick: The Life of Frederick Douglass*, *a Monumental American Man*. She is the recipient of a Coretta Scott King Author Honor, an Orbis Pictus Award for Outstanding Nonfiction for Children, and the Virginia Library Association Jefferson Cup Award, and several of her books have been named *School Library Journal* Best Books of the Year. She lives in New York City.

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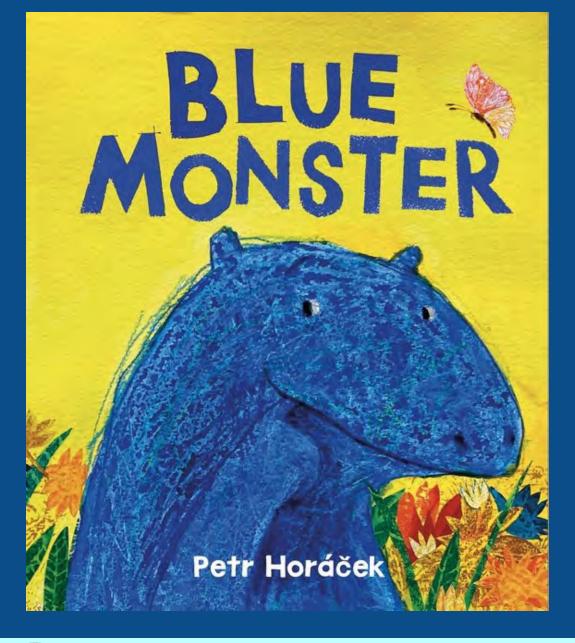
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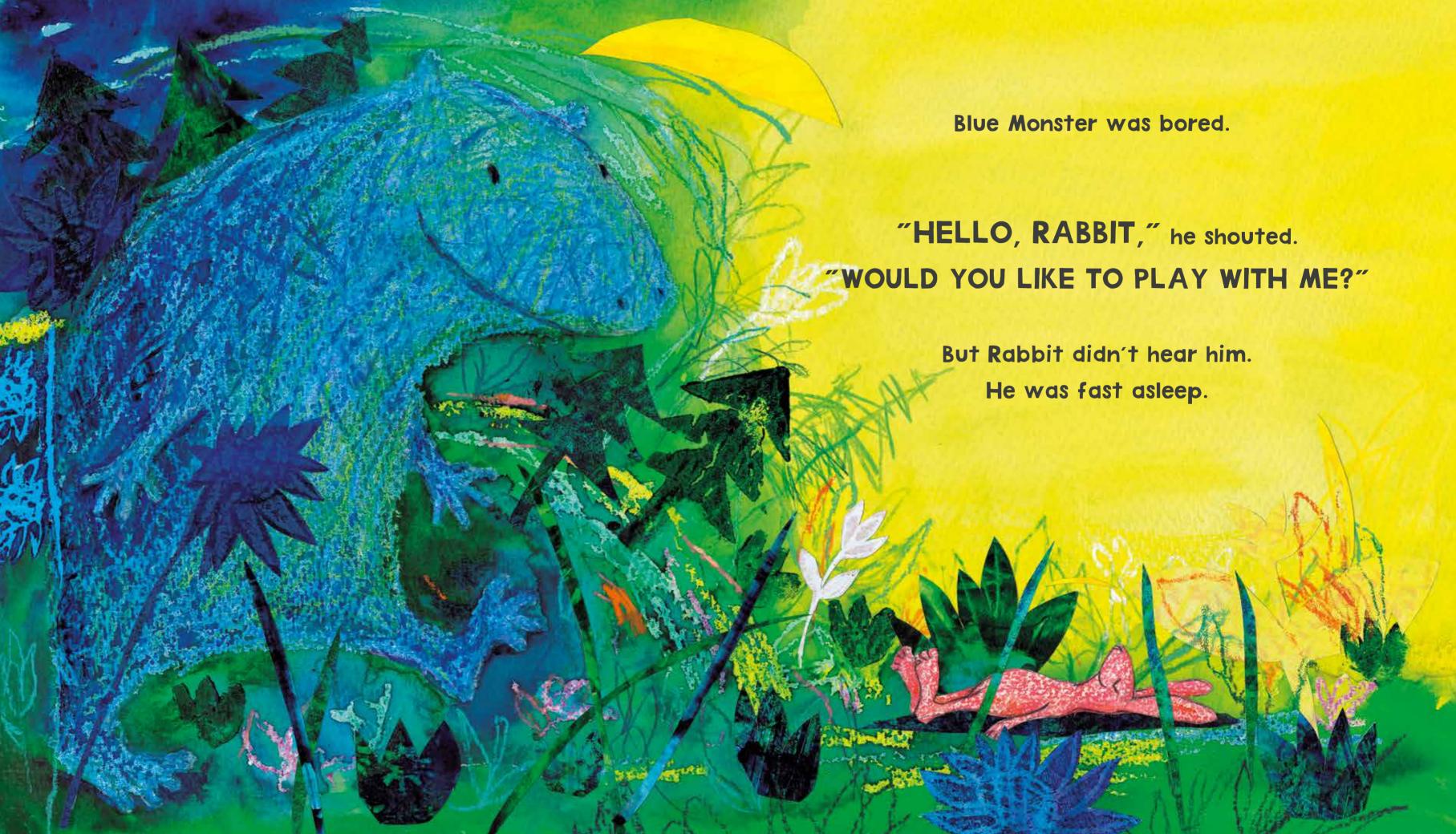
#### Blue Monster Petr Horácek

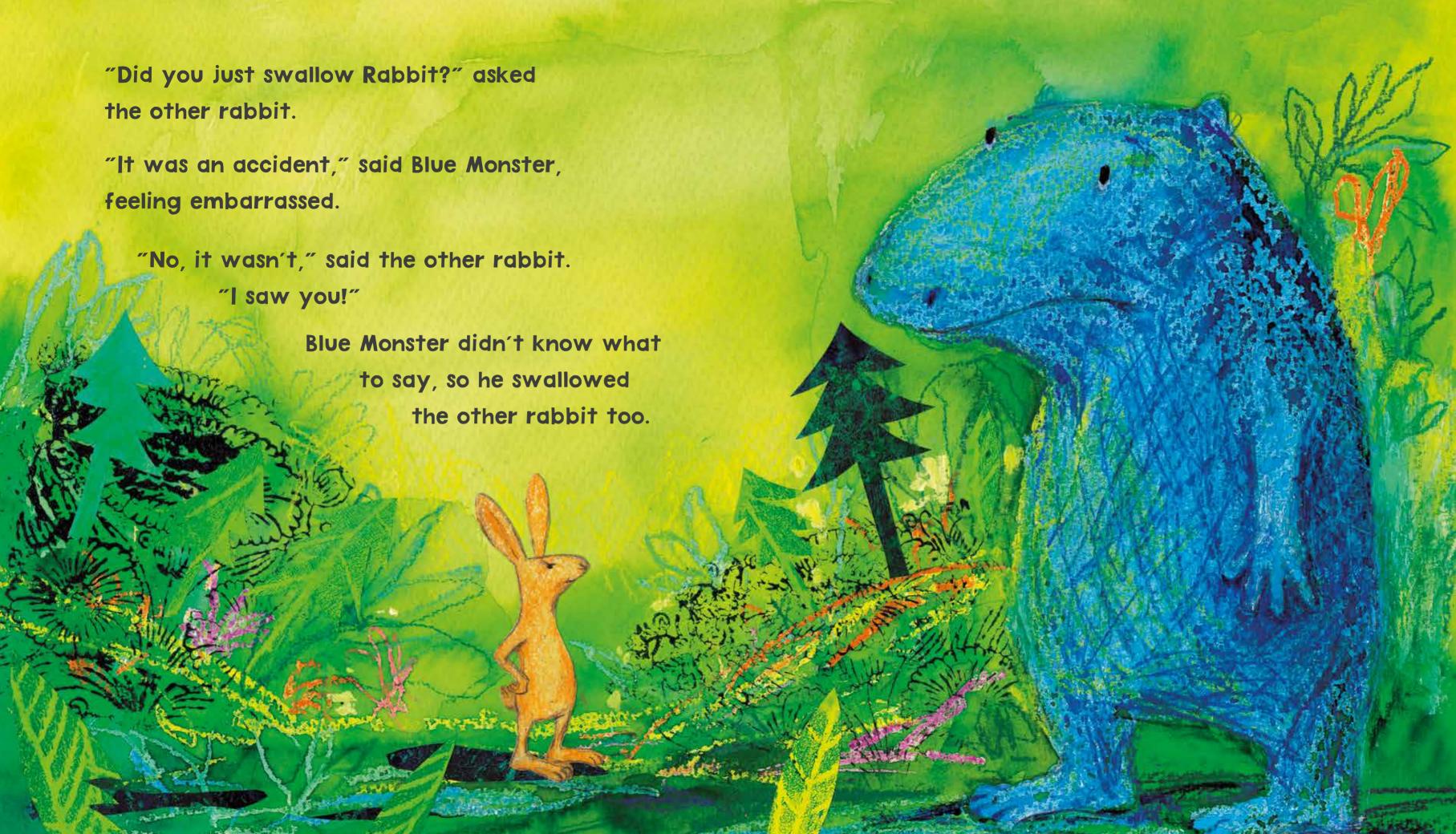
Have you ever done something naughty, and then only made things worse by pretending you hadn't? Blue Monster has!

- An original, simply told story that expresses a profound understanding of child behaviour. Teaches children that everyone has a touch of the 'Blue Monster' and makes mistakes and everyone also has the ability to forgive
- Told in a classic storytelling style with a surprise and suspense beginning and satisfactory relief and reconciliation ending
- Petr Horácek's one of a kind artistry elevates the story from words into a colourful world, so that every spread vividly conveys the emotion of the moment
- Ideal for 4-6+ readers

One day, Blue Monster felt lonely and bored, and wanted to play with Rabbit, but Rabbit just wanted to sleep. So Blue Monster swallowed him. Blue Monster panics and quickly feels very remorseful so he gives an enormous yawn, when out they all pop from his hollow inside!







#### **Blue Monster**

#### by Petr Horácek

Have you ever done something naughty - and made things worse by pretending you hadn't?

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One day, Blue Monster felt lonely and bored. He wanted to play with Rabbit, but Rabbit just wanted to sleep. So Blue Monster swallowed him. Another rabbit saw him do it.

"It was an accident," said Blue Monster.

"No it wasn't," said the other rabbit, "I saw you."

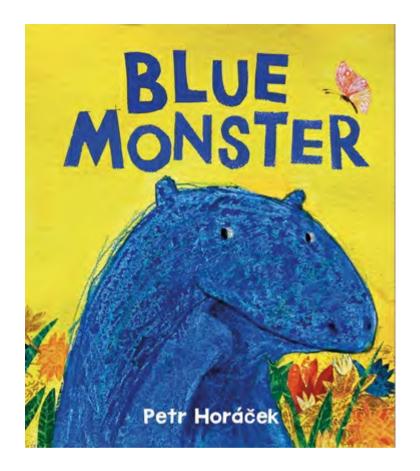
Blue Monster didn't know what to say, so he swallowed the other rabbit too. But Raccoon, Fox and Wolf saw. Blue Monster swallowed them as well. How awful!

But Blue Monster, sad and lonely and wishing he hadn't done it, gives an enormous yawn, and out they all pop from his hollow inside! They are very cross, but because Blue Monster is so sad and sorry, in the end they forgive him. All friends again, they dance and play happily together.

- An original, simply told story that expresses a profound understanding of child behaviour – everyone has a touch of the 'Blue Monster', and everyone has the ability to forgive
- \* In classic storytelling style, surprise and suspense end in relief and reconciliation
- Petr Horácek's artistry enhances the story from words into colour, so that every spread vividly conveys the emotion of the moment

**Petr Horácek** was born in Prague and studied at the Academy of Fine Art. After graduating in 1994, he moved to England. His first two picture books were published in 2001, winning the 'Books for Children' Newcomer award. Since then he has gained a string of international distinctions. His most recent book for Otter-Barry is *The Perfect Present*, published in 2022.

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#### Oh Look a Boat!

by Andrew J. Ross illustrated by Andrew J. Ross

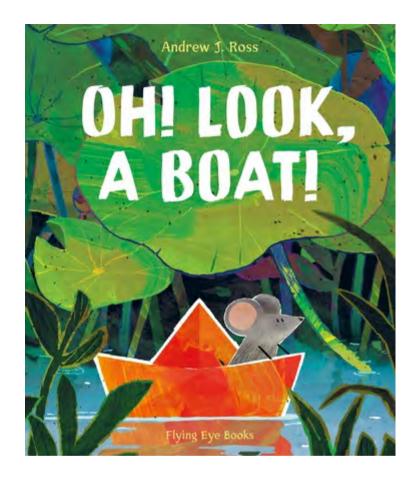
An uplifting and humorous story about adventure, expanding horizons and a celebration of new experiences.

When a curious little mouse discovers a boat by his front door, he climbs aboard and accidentally sets out to sea. But it's not easy being a little mouse in a big world. Drifting farther and farther away, Mouse passes volcanic lands, sails through icy waters, and battles a ferocious storm . . . But will he ever find his way back home?

- A charming story about adventure, encouraging children to enjoy new experiences.
- A perfect accompaniment to support children during transitional stages, such as starting school.

**Andrew J. Ross** grew up in Toronto, Canada and studied animation at Sheridan College, graduating in 2007. He has worked in the animation industry for more than 10 years, serving as a senior storyboard artist on more than 10 feature films for some of the world's leading studios including Disney, DreamWorks Animation and Sony Animation. He has also illustrated two books for Penguin Random House including *Birthday on Mars!* and *Heart on Pluto*, both of which received positive reviews.

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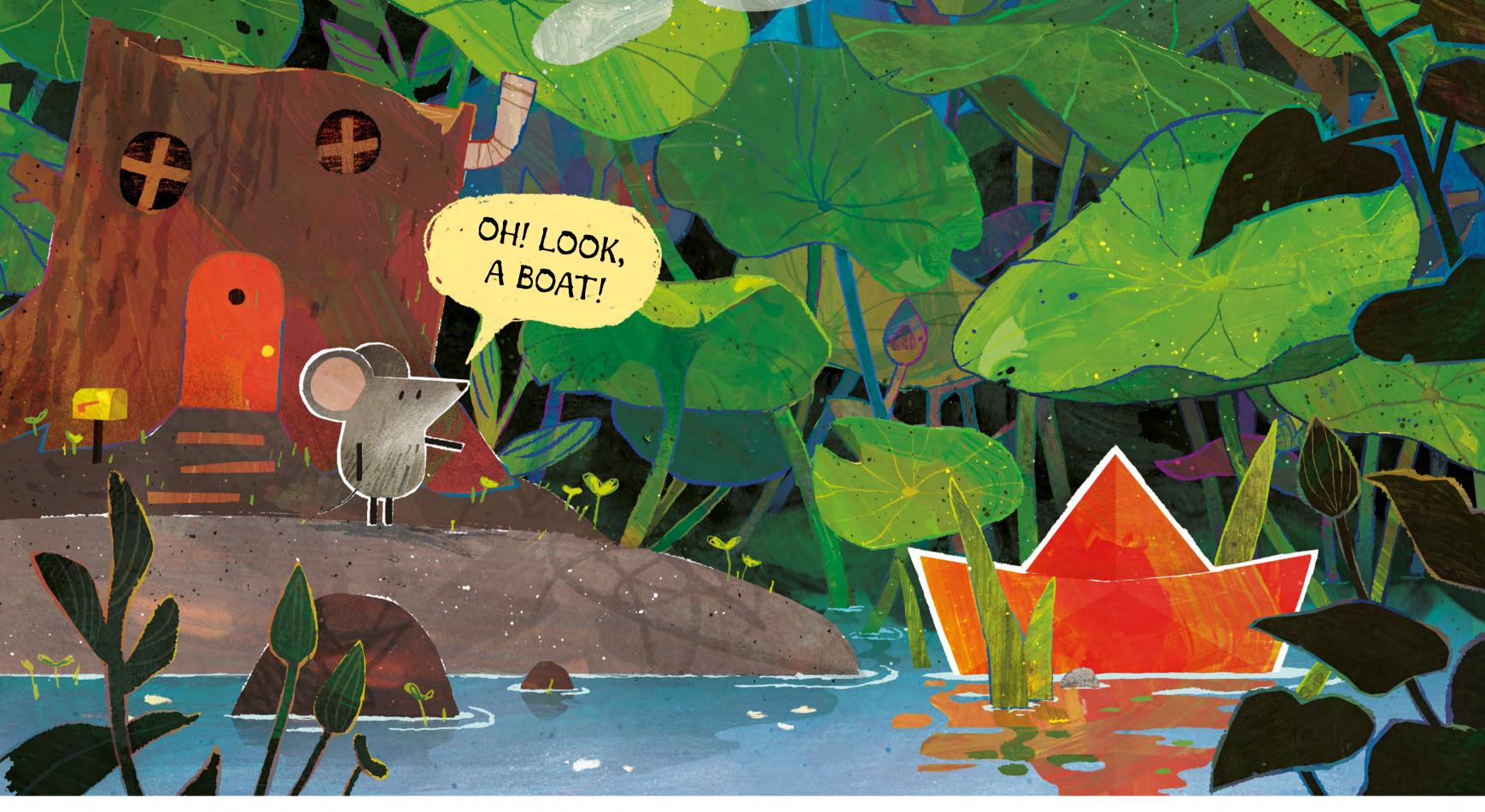
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One day, a mouse found a boat.

Curious, the mouse climbed aboard. «Where did the boat come from?» He wondered. «Where has it been?»



Was it a pirate ship? Sailing thee open seas in search of treasure and adventure.





Or maybe, it was an explorer's boat, navigating the globe to far-off lands.



And while the mouse wondered, the boat slowly began to float away.

#### **The Good Night Garage**

by Tori Kosara illustrated by Meg Hunt

A bedtime picture book celebration of everyday heroes and non-traditional working patterns for little vehicle lovers.

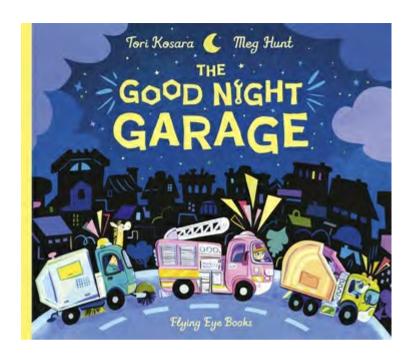
As night falls on Motor Isle, the residents finish up their day and settle down for sleep. But why are Fire Truck, Ambulance and the rest of the Good Night Garage just waking up? Follow these busy vehicles from dusk to dawn as they drive about town carrying out important night jobs that keep Motor Isle running smoothly. As the morning light appears, tuck them in and say sweet dreams.

- Lisa Wheeler's Someone Builds the Dream meets Sherri Duskey Rinker's Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site
- Takes children on a journey of wonder as little vehicle-lovers learn about their communities and non-traditional working patterns
- Hugely popular topic matter for young children
- Meg Hunt is the illustrator of the bestselling picture book, Interstellar Cinderella.

**Tori Kosara** is a children's book author and editor from New York. She has written more than 40 books for a variety of age ranges, covering a range of topics across fiction and non-fiction. Tori earned a master's degree in Children's Literature from Roehampton University, and she now lives in East London, England with her husband, two vehicle-obsessed sons, and a story-time-loving Labrador named Biscuit. Visit her at torikosara.com

**Meg Hunt** is an illustrator who loves creating larger-than-life stories that celebrate curiosity and wonder. While she's lived by the ocean, in the desert, and among the trees, Meg now resides in Providence, RI with her husband and their dog Laszlo.

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#### I am Cat by Jackie Morris

A new large-format gift edition of a book about cats big and small around the world from a bestselling author illustrator

"I am Cat. At night I prowl, but in the day I sleep, curled in warm places. And when I sleep, I dream ..."

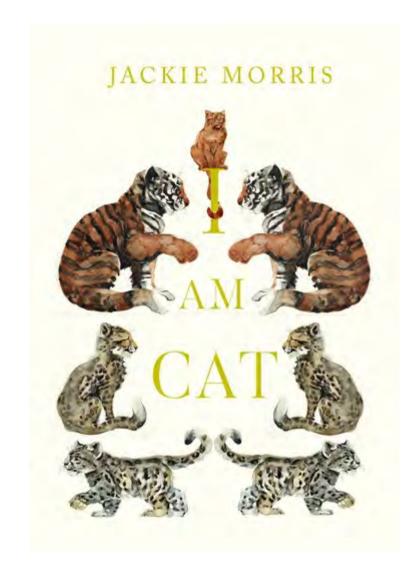
Cat's dreams lead into the lives of other cats in far-off and wild places, a tiger in the jungle, a cheetah on the African plains, a jaguar swimming in the forest river, a wild cat in the Scottish Highlands, a snow leopard in the Himalayas ... Ten species are depicted, each in its own environment, in superb full-spread illustrations. The final one shows Cat curled up on a cushion, dream-ing of feline adventures in exotic places.

First published in 2012, this beautiful book is now reis-sued in a large gift format, newly designed and with a brand new cover.

- Perfect Christmas and year-round gift book
- Reissued with new cover and gift design
- \* By the illustrator of the international bestseller, The Lost Words
- An irresistible book for cat-lovers of all age
- Companion to the hugely successful Something About a Bear
- Includes endnote with information about all the species of cat in the world

For **Jackie Morris** cats, big and small, are a passion in her life. She is the bestselling author and illustrator, photographer and painter who created, with Robert McFarlane, the international bestseller, *The Lost Words*, winner of the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal in 2019. Her books for Otter-Barry Books include *The Panda's Child* (with Cathy Fisher), *One Cheetah, One Cherry, The Seal Children, The Jackie Morris Book of Classic Nursery Rhymes, Something About a Bear* and, with James Mayhew, *Can You See a Little Bear?*, *Mrs Noah's Pockets, Mrs Noah's Garden* and *Mrs Noah's Song*. Jackie Morris lives in Pembrokeshire.

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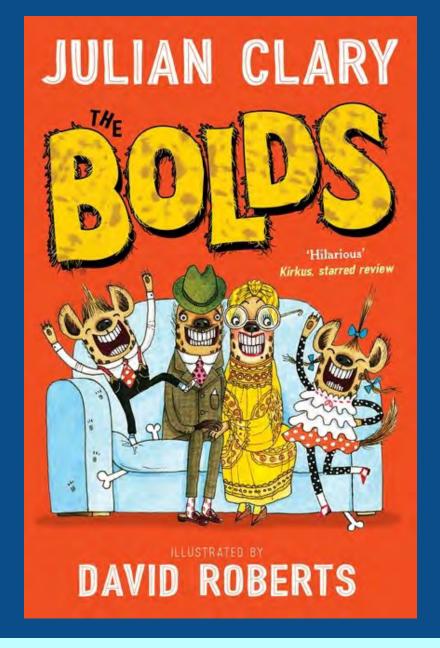
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#### The Bolds Julian Clary

A flashy new series from Julian Clary and David Roberts! The Bolds are a family of hyenas who pretend to be people, but can they keep the noise down to keep their best kept secret safe?

- Longlisted for the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal 2016
- Attract fans of David Walliams, Roald Dahl and Oliver and the Seawigs
- Ideal for 7-9+ readers!
- Exciting new cover for 2024!
- Roberts' manically expressive black and white illustrations capitalize on the unapologetically silly premise... Clary mixes animal fact with imaginative, entertaining fiction. Publishers Weekly
- Underscoring the slapstick appeal is a message about understanding others' differences... Fans of Roald Dahl will find much to appreciate here. School Library Journal

Mr and Mrs Bold are just like us. They live in a nice house, they have jobs, and they love to have a giggle. One slight difference is that they're hyenas. So far, the Bolds have managed to keep things under wraps, but the nosy man next door smells a rat, could it be the end of the town's secret?



#### The Bolds

## by Julian Clary illustrated by David Roberts

A fabulous new series from dream team Julian Clary and David Roberts! The Bolds are a family of hyenas who pretend to be people - but can they keep the noise down?

Nominated for the CILIP Greenaway Medal 2016

Mr and Mrs Bold are just like you and me: they live in a nice house (in Teddington), they have jobs (like writing Christmas cracker jokes) and they love to have a bit of a giggle. One slight difference: they're hyenas. Yes, that's right - they're covered in fur, have tails tucked into their trousers, and they really, really like to laugh.

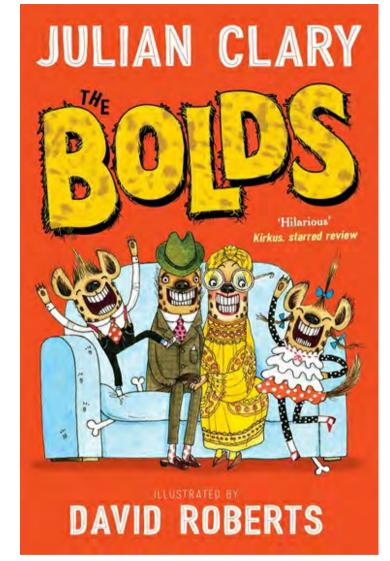
So far, the Bolds have managed to keep things under wraps, even when their children Bobby and Betty were born. But the nosy man next door smells a rat (or a hyena), and a trip to the local wildlife park, and the brilliantly wacky heist that results, could be the end of Teddington's best-kept secret. Whatever will the neighbours think?

- Longlisted for the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal 2016
- \* Will appeal to fans of David Walliams, Roald Dahl and Oliver and the Seawigs
- Included in New York Public Library's 'Best Books for Kids' 2016 list

**Julian Clary** is a comedian, entertainer and novelist, who has toured across the world with his one-man shows. He became a household name in the late 1980s, and remains one of the country's most popular (and least predictable) entertainers. Julian has appeared on numerous popular TV shows including *Celebrity Big Brother* (which he won), *Strictly Come Dancing, This Morning, QI, Have I Got News For You* and is a regular panellist on BBC Radio 4's *Just a Minute*. He has starred in West End productions of *Taboo* and *Cabaret*, and appears in panto most years – he loves wearing silly clothes and lots of make up! Julian also narrates the *Little Princess* children's television series. He lives in Kent with his husband, dogs and several chickens.

David Roberts is an award-winning Illustrator Biography who has earned great acclaim for his distinctive style. He was born in Liverpool and studied fashion design at university in Manchester. After graduating, he worked as a milliner and a fashion Illustrator Biography, but always felt his true calling was in children's books. David finally realised his dream when his first book was published in 1998, and since then he has collaborated with some of Britain's finest children's Author Biographys, including Julia Donaldson, Sally Gardner, Philip Ardagh and Jacqueline Wilson. He is also the creator of the popular *Dirty Bertie* books. He lives in London with his husband. His book *Little Red* was shortlisted for the 2005 **Kate Greenaway Medal**. In 2006 he won the **Nestlé Children's Book Prize Gold Award** for his line drawings in *Mouse Noses on Toast*.

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