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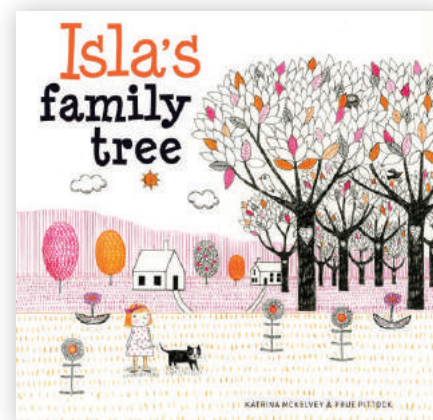
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**NEW RELEASE**



**Isla's Family Tree**

**KATRINA MCKELVEY & PRUE PITTOCK**

Isla isn't happy that her family is changing, so her mother creates a clever family tree to teach her how families grow. When her mother hands her two new leaves, Isla doesn't think they belong. She tries to make them fit somewhere, but not on her branch. However, once she meets her new brothers, she has a change of heart and finds room for them after all. A fun book for any family trying to introduce new family members, or show children how they belong.

**Will inspire young readers to create their own family trees, no matter how diverse their family.**

**THEMES: FAMILY STRUCTURE AND SIBLINGS**

9781925820379 | Hardcover | 245 x 255 mm | 9½ x 10 inches | 32 pages | Colour | Apr 2020 | USD \$18.99

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**Tabitha and the Raincloud**

**DEVON SILLETT & MELISSA JOHNS**

When Tabitha wakes up on the wrong side of the bed, she finds a big raincloud next to her. She tells it to go away, but it won't budge. Things get worse. At breakfast, the cloud rains all over her scrambled eggs. By lunchtime Tabitha is so stormy none of her friends want to sit next to her. Tabitha realizes she needs to change her attitude. An empowering story of resilience.

**Gives children a fun and effective visualisation tool for how to handle their next 'raincloudy' day.**

**THEMES: ANGER, EMOTIONAL REGULATION, OPTIMISM**

9781925820133 | Hardcover | 245 x 255 mm | 9½ x 10 inches | 24 pages | Colour | Mar 2020 | USD \$18.99

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## NEW RELEASE



### Bedtime, Daddy!

SHARON GILTROW & KATRIN DREILING

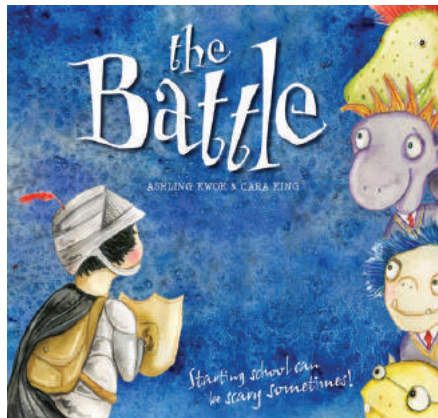
Putting Daddy to bed can be hard work. Especially when he starts crying! This story will show you how to wrestle your daddy into his pyjamas, read just one more bedtime story, battle bedtime excuses and use go-away monster spray until Daddy finally goes to sleep. With gorgeous illustrations of a little bear and his dad, this is the perfect story to help put any child to bed in a fun, positive way.

**A fun role-reversal story for anyone who wants to try to put a grown-up to bed!**

**THEMES:** BEDTIME ROUTINE AND THE FATHER-CHILD BOND

9781925820386 | Hardcover | 245 x 255 mm | 9½ x 10 inches | 32 pages | Colour | May 2020 | USD \$18.99

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### The Battle

ASHLING KWOK & CARA KING

Edward is anxious to start knight-school. He puts on his armour, prepared for battle. It's sure to be terrifying with all those ogres and dragons about. But at school, Edward is befriended by an ogre who offers him some of her lunch. Edward soon realizes that maybe things aren't as bad as they first seemed. In fact, his armour was holding him back. As he learns to let his guard down, magic and fun await and Edward realizes the dragons and ogres he feared are actually just like him.

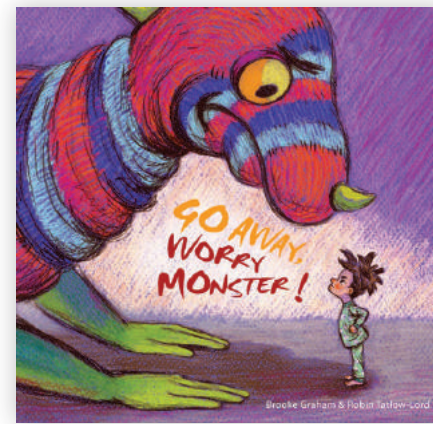
**New environments can be scary, but sometimes letting down your guard can have surprising results!**

**THEMES:** STARTING SCHOOL AND FRIENDSHIP

9781925820409 | Hardcover | 245 x 255 mm | 9½ x 10 inches | 32 pages | Colour | June 2020 | USD \$18.99

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## NEW RELEASE



### Go Away, Worry Monster!

BROOKE GRAHAM & ROBIN TATLOW-LORD

Worry Monster loves 'helping' Archie worry, especially the night before he starts his new school. Archie feels so anxious that his head hurts, his tummy flutters and his heart pounds. He soon realizes that the only way to feel better is to make Worry Monster go away. He does his belly breaths and challenges his inner fears by facing facts. This book gives children useful strategies to cope with their anxieties and stress.

**Effective tools for managing anxiety and worry.**



**THEMES:** ANXIETY, RESILIENCE AND EMOTIONAL REGULATION

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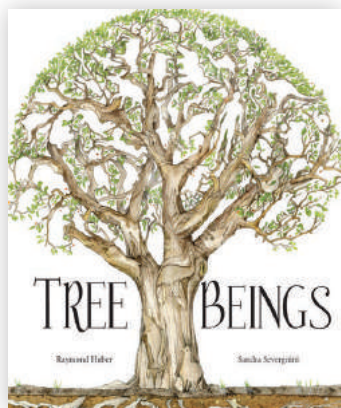
#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

**Brooke Graham** is a children's author, primary school teacher and mother. She is passionate about reducing the stigma around mental illness and frequently works with Beyondblue.

**Robin Tatlow-Lord** is a writer, animator and cartoonist who loves bringing character and emotions to all her pictures.



## NEW RELEASES



### Tree Beings

RAYMOND HUBER & SANDRA SEVERGNINI

*Tree Beings* takes you inside the incredible world of the trees. You'll learn how they talk to each other and how forests enrich the whole planet. You'll also read about some of the amazing people who have made friends with trees: a young woman who lived up a giant tree for two years; a scientist who discovered trees have their own internet; a woman who faced a dangerous dictator to protect trees; young people who fought to save their last native forests; a nine-year-old boy who found a way to plant a trillion trees ... and more!

*'I hope that many children all over the world will read Tree Beings and understand the importance of trees.'* — Dr Jane Goodall



**THEMES:** NATURAL WORLD, PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

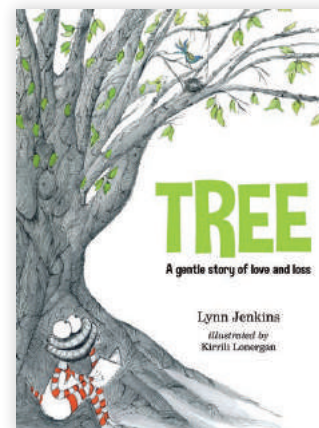
9781925820539 | Hardcover | 280 x 245 mm | 11 x 9½ inches | 80 pages | Colour | Oct 2020 | USD \$24.99

**RIGHTS AND DISTRIBUTION:** USA, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

**Raymond Huber** is a children's author, teacher, and editor, who writes picture books as well as titles for young adults and educational books.

**Sandra Severgnini's** fascination with the magical natural world around her inspires her words and brings sensitivity and humour to her illustrations.



### Tree

*A Gentle Story of Love and Loss*

LYNN JENKINS & KIRRILI LONERGAN

The fifth book in the popular 'Lessons of a LAC' series, *Tree* is a gentle story of loss that helps children to learn how to say goodbye and process grief. Tree is the much-loved centrepiece of the community. But one day Curly and Loppy notice that Tree's leaves are starting to fall — at the wrong time of year — and Tree's bark is flaking. It's Tree's time to leave. Fortunately Curly is able to teach Loppy how to accept that Tree is leaving, say goodbye, and commemorate Tree's life.

**A valuable resource to help children to cope with loss and move through grief. Written by an experienced clinical psychologist.**



**THEMES:** MOODS, FEELINGS AND EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE

9781925820126 | Paperback | 305 x 230 mm | 12 x 9 inches | 32 pages | Colour | USD \$18.99 | AU & NZ - Jan 2020 | USA, CAN & UK - Sep 2020

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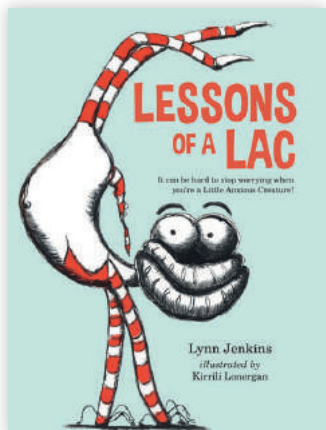
**Puppets, cards and other teaching resources available.**



#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

**Lynn Jenkins** is a clinical psychologist whose books have a strong focus on early intervention in the social and emotional development of children.

**Kirrili Loneragan** is a children's book illustrator and former paediatric nurse, passionate about illustrating picture books that have a healing message.



## Lessons of a LAC

*It Can Be Hard To Stop Worrying When You're A Little Anxious Creature!*

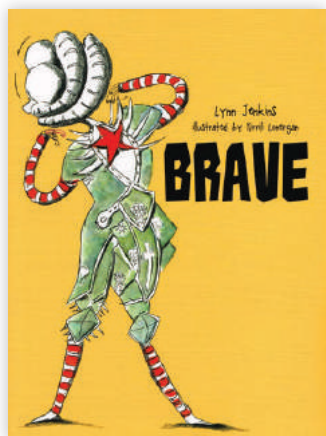
**LYNN JENKINS & KIRRILI LONERGAN**

*Lessons of a LAC* is an essential resource tool to help children manage their worries and anxieties. Through the characters of Lopy the LAC ('Little Anxious Creature') and Curly Calmster, kids discover a useful way to think about their anxieties — the first crucial step in managing them.

**THEMES: ANXIETY, WORRY AND RESILIENCE**

9781925335828 | Paperback | 305 x 230 mm | 12 x 9 inches | 32 pages | Colour | USD \$17.99

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## Brave

**LYNN JENKINS & KIRRILI LONERGAN**

While kids are blessed with imagination, that can be a source of terror or anxiety. However, it can also be tapped to help them to feel calm, confident and BRAVE! In *Brave*, Curly teaches Lopy how to manage his worries. The technique of helping children to 'find their brave' when faced with a challenging situation can be applied to whatever the difficulty might be, so empower your child with the tool of finding their brave!

### AN 11 YEAR OLD WRITES

*'Sometimes you have to be brave and take a chance and go outside your comfort zone ... Especially great for kids nervous about going to school.'*

**THEMES: ANXIETY, WORRY, RESILIENCE AND COURAGE**

9781925117844 | Paperback | 310 x 230 mm | 12 x 9 inches | 36 pages | Colour | AUD \$19.99

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## Perfect Petunias

*The 'Perfect' Book for Little Perfectionists Everywhere!*

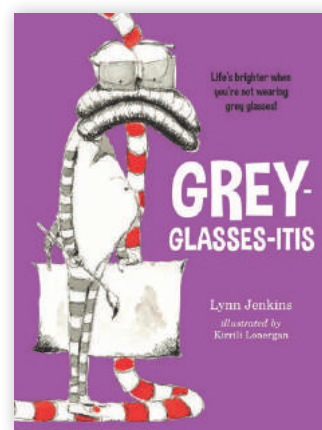
**LYNN JENKINS & KIRRILI LONERGAN**

The 'perfect' book for little people who find it hard to make mistakes! Lopy the LAC is very worried about not doing his homework well enough. He is always focusing on what he hasn't done rather than what he has. So, his friend Curly teaches him about how petunias grow — in lots of different, imperfect directions that we can't control!

**THEMES: PERFECTIONISM, SELF-ACCEPTANCE AND RESILIENCE**

9781925335583 | Paperback | 305 x 230 mm | 12 x 9 inches | 32 pages | Colour | USD \$17.99

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## Grey-glasses-itis

*Life's Brighter When You're Not Wearing Grey Glasses!*

**LYNN JENKINS & KIRRILI LONERGAN**

*Grey-glasses-itis* helps children to understand the link between how they see things and how they feel. Lopy notices that he feels differently when he looks at the world around him through different-coloured glasses. When he takes off his grey glasses, Lopy feels happy again. A simple strategy for helping children build emotional resilience.

### AN 11 YEAR OLD WRITES

*'This book shows that if you have a problem you can always try looking at it from a different perspective and then you might find it's not as bad as you think.'*

**THEMES: MOODS, FEELINGS AND EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE**

9781925335958 | Paperback | 305 x 230 mm | 12 x 9 inches | 32 pages | Colour | USD \$17.99

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## Together Things

*When Her Father Feels Sad, A Little Girl Finds Ways to Keep the Bonds of Love Alive*

**MICHELLE VASILIU & GWYNNETH JONES**

Her mother says you can't see her daddy's hurt because it's inside his head ... One in five adults experiences depression in their lifetime, but young children are often left in the dark when their parent suddenly can't play like they used to. *Together Things* helps young kids to understand that sometimes they must do different things together while their parent focuses on their mental health.

**An age-appropriate introduction to the importance of understanding mental health and illness.**



**THEMES:** UNDERSTANDING DEPRESSION, MENTAL HEALTH AND PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIPS

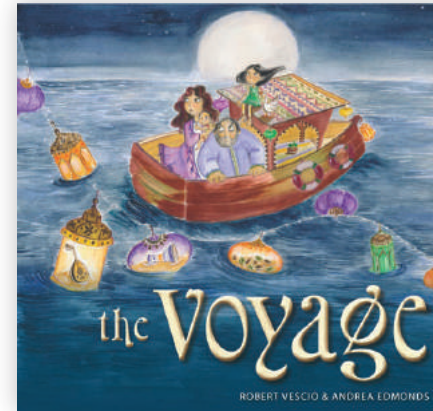
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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

**Michelle Vasiliu** has been a teacher among many roles working with children, and is an award-winning children's/YA author who likes to help her readers make sense of their world.

**Gwynneth Jones** drew all through her maths book at school, so left to study art and hasn't stopped drawing since!



## The Voyage

**ROBERT VESCIO & ANDREA EDMONDS**

Displaced by war and conflict, a refugee family sets out on a voyage into the unknown. Told in only a few words, this is the powerful story of a family fleeing their war-torn country and making a dangerous trip across the ocean to a new life in a new land. 'Chaos' begins the story, as the family escapes. 'Wild' is the midway point, as their boat battles through a storm. 'Beauty' is the sight of a green, beautiful land ahead of them. 'Safe' is the beginning of their new life in their new home.

**An age-appropriate introduction to the important global issues of war, the refugee crisis and human rights.**



**THEMES:** EMPATHY, RESILIENCE AND REFUGEES

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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

**Robert Vescio** is a full-time children's author whose aim is to enthuse and inspire children to read and write and leave them bursting with imaginative ideas.

**Andrea Edmonds** is an artist and illustrator who has worked on kids' books, greeting cards, stationery, commissioned artworks and animation.





## Grandma Forgets

PAUL RUSSELL & NICKY JOHNSTON

A warm, uplifting picture book about a family bound by love as they cope with their grandmother's dementia. Fortunately, her family makes sure that, no matter what else she forgets, she will always know she is loved.

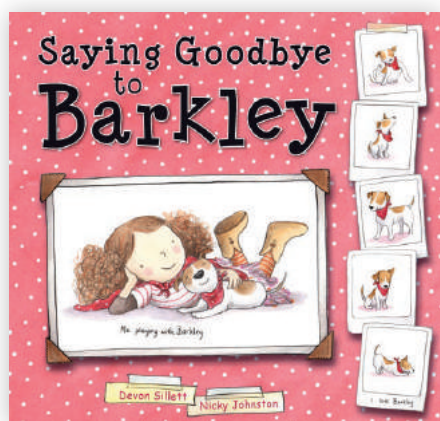
*'... families in similar situations should find this a useful resource for framing challenging moments in positive ways' – Publishers Weekly*

**THEMES:** DEMENTIA, ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, AGEING AND FAMILY

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## Saying Goodbye to Barkley

DEVON SILLETT & NICKY JOHNSTON

Olivia and her dog Barkley are inseparable. But then he dies, leaving her heartbroken. Will she get her happiness back?

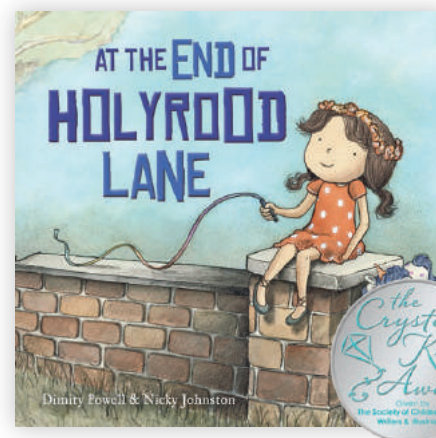
*'A book that can be used as an approach to the emotional subject of loss and overcoming grief. It also calls attention to the importance of considering animal shelters when choosing a pet for a child or family.' – Kids' Book Review*

**THEMES:** PETS, LOSS AND ANIMAL WELFARE

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## At the End of Holyrood Lane

DIMITY POWELL & NICKY JOHNSTON

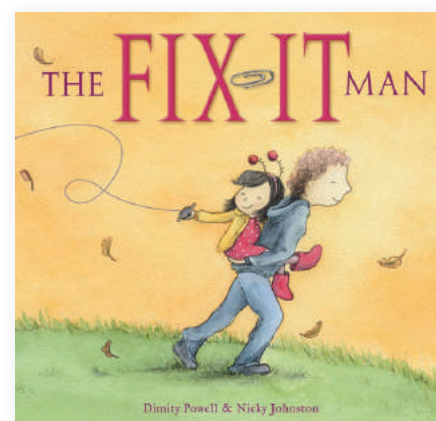
Flick is just like any other youngster except that her life is often violent and unpredictable due to the constant storms that plague her home. Visually arresting, emotionally incisive, and ultimately uplifting, this beautifully crafted picture book provides a sensitive glimpse into one aspect of domestic violence and how it can affect young lives.

**THEMES:** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ABUSE, RESILIENCE, TRUST AND HOPE

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## The Fix-It Man

DIMITY POWELL & NICKY JOHNSTON

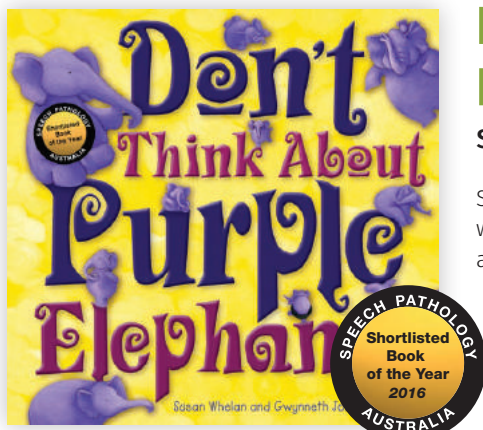
A young girl believes her father can fix anything, but following the death of her mother, she discovers that broken hearts are not as easy to repair as torn toys or cracked teapots. Together, she and her father find a way to glue back the pieces of their lives. A poignant picture book that explores how a child can cope with the loss of a parent.

**THEMES:** GRIEF, DEATH, HOPE AND HEALING FROM LOSS

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## Don't Think About Purple Elephants

SUSAN WHELAN & GWYNNETH JONES

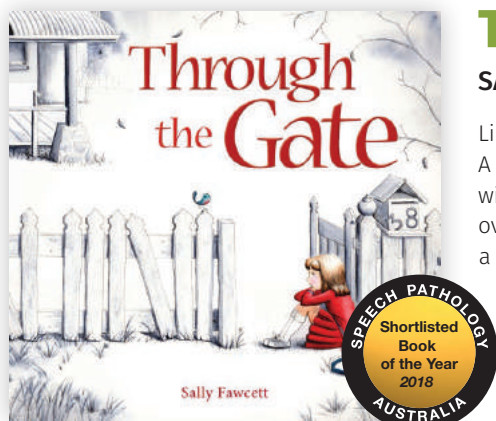
Sometimes Sophie worries — not during the day when she is busy with family and friends, but at night when everything is calm and quiet. Her family all try to help, but somehow they just make her worries worse. Until her mother thinks of a new approach ... that just might involve elephants!

**THEMES:** COPING WITH ANXIETY AND WORRY

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## Through the Gate

SALLY FAWCETT

Like all changes, moving house can be difficult. A little girl struggles to cope when confronted with a dilapidated house and a new life. But, over time, the renovations to the house parallel a shift in her perspective, as she realizes that change can include good things too.

**THEMES:** MOVING HOUSE AND COPING WITH CHANGE

AN 11 YEAR OLD WRITES

*'Sometimes when things change it can be really hard ... This book shows that you just need to give things a chance.'*

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## Smile Cry

Happy or Sad, Wailing or Glad—How Do You Feel Today?

TANIA MCCARTNEY & JESS RACKLYEFT

An award-winning flip-format picture book for young kids that explores their emotions. Follow three cute characters as they react to a variety of events from everyday life. Young kids will respond to the whimsical illustrations, while older readers will learn more about their emotional range.

**THEMES:** RECOGNIZING AND ACCEPTING DIFFERENT EMOTIONS

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*'A fun way for kids to learn about the senses.'*



## See Hear

There's Magic All Around You. What Can You See? What Can You Hear?

TANIA MCCARTNEY & JESS RACKLYEFT

Smile Cry's Piglet, Bunny and Cat return in a sensory adventure. From watching 'squiggly rain' on a window to pointing out 'heavenly horses' in the clouds, to hearing the 'buzzing blossoms' of bees at work, *See Hear* invites us to open our eyes and ears to the everyday magic that surrounds us.

**THEMES:** SENSES, SENSORY DEVELOPMENT, SIGHT AND HEARING



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# A KID'S YEAR series

TANIA MCCARTNEY & TINA SNERLING

These are picture books bursting with national pride! Each double-page spread features a month of the year and covers modern-day culture, lifestyle and traditions, as seen through the eyes of five typical children. Charming, whimsical and inclusive, these books celebrate all that makes each country or state great.

**THEMES:** MULTICULTURALISM, CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS

*'Learn all about what a day in the life of kids all over the world is like in this amazing series.'* - LITTLE ANGEL



## An Aussie Year

Twelve Months in the Life of Australian Kids

TANIA MCCARTNEY & TINA SNERLING

Winner of the ACT Writing & Publishing Award for Best Children's Book and now in paperback.

Meet Zoe, Kirra, Matilda, Lily and Ned – five little Aussies ready to take you on a journey through twelve months in the life of Australian kids.

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## A Kiwi Year

Twelve Months in the Life of Kiwi Kids

TANIA MCCARTNEY & TINA SNERLING

Now in paperback, meet Charlie, Ruby, Oliver, Mason and Kaia — Kiwi kids representing the multicultural blend of culture and race that typifies this amazing country.

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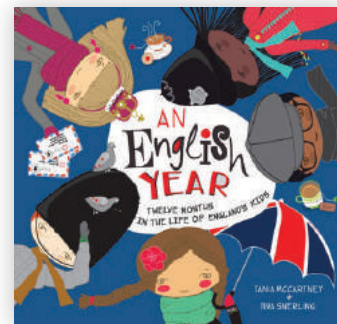
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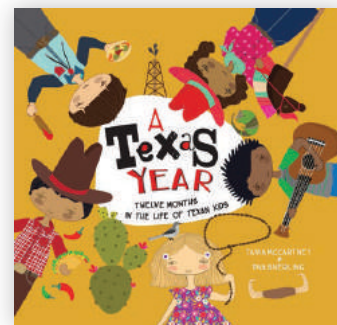
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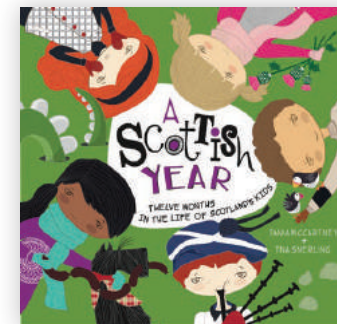
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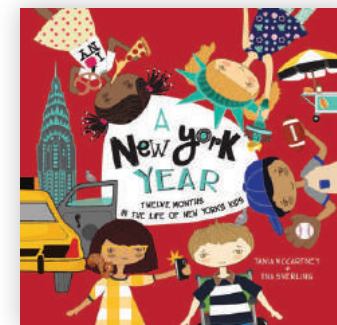
*'I really like these books because you get to learn about people from all around the world.'*



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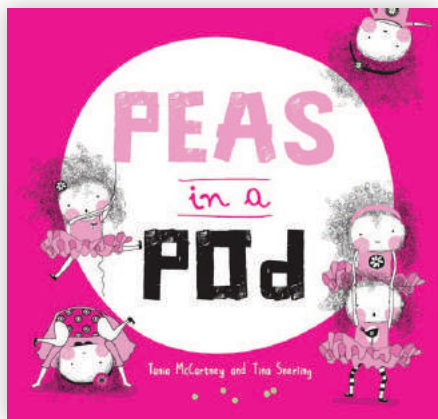
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## Peas in a Pod

TANIA MCCARTNEY & TINA SNERLING

Pippa, Pia, Poppy, Polly and Peg are quintuplets. Since birth, they've done everything the same, but as they get a little older they want to do things differently. Can Mum and Dad keep their little girls as matching peas in a pod, or will those very individual personalities win out?



**THEMES:** DEVELOPING AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTITY AS A MULTIPLE

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## Tottie and Dot

TANIA MCCARTNEY & TINA SNERLING

Tottie and Dot live side by side. All is peaceful until, one day, things begin to change. Who can create the prettiest house? And at what cost? From the talented team that created the bestselling 'A Kids' Year' series.

**THEMES:** COMPETITION, RIVALRY AND FRIENDSHIP



**AN 11 YEAR OLD WRITES**

*'This book helped me to realize that friendship is more important than being the best.'*

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## Arabella and the Magic Pencil

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Arabella is a beloved only child until her brother arrives. While she loves him, it's hard to like him. One day, she decides drastic action is required and she erases him from her life with her magic pencil. Oops! Can she get him back? This book will appeal to any child with a new sibling or changing family dynamics.



**THEMES:** CREATIVITY AND SIBLING RIVALRY

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## Grace and Katie

SUSANNE MERRITT & LIZ ANELLI

Grace and Katie are twins. Grace loves everything to be organized and neat, while Katie loves everything to be bold and messy. Not surprisingly, when they want to draw a map of their home and street, the girls can't agree on how it should be done. An imaginative story of individuality, sisterhood, creativity and appreciating each other's strengths.

**THEMES:** SIBLING RIVALRY, CREATIVITY AND INDIVIDUALITY BETWEEN TWINS



**AN 11 YEAR OLD WRITES**

*'Everyone has their own style but sometimes if you combine two people's styles and they work together the final result is even better.'*

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## The Boy in the Big Blue Glasses

SUSANNE GERVAY &  
MARJORIE CROSBY-FAIRALL

Sam doesn't like his new glasses. They make his ears hurt. His parents say he looks handsome in them. But Sam just wants to look like himself. His teacher doesn't recognize him — she says he

must be a new superhero. But Sam doesn't want to be a superhero. He just wants to be himself. Eventually, with a bit of confidence and a lot of humour, Sam finds out that wearing glasses isn't so bad — and people still like him just the way he is after all.

**Written by the recipient of the Lifetime Social Justice Literature Award for Children's Literature from the International Literacy Association.**



**THEMES: SELF-ESTEEM, DEALING WITH DIFFERENCE**

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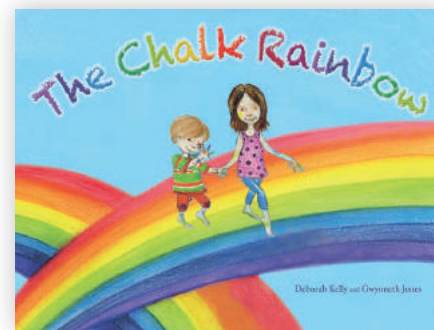
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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

**Susanne Gervay** is an award winning Australian author, educational consultant and children's book advisor who had published 15 previous children's book titles as well as anthologies. Among other awards, Susanne is the recipient of the Lifetime Social Justice Literature Award for Children's Literature from the International Literacy Association and the Order of Australia.

**Marjorie Crosby-Fairall** is a designer and freelance illustrator of 7 previous children's books. A dual citizen of Australia and the USA, Marjorie was raised on a farm in California with a menagerie of rescued animals. Her books have appeared on the Premier's Reading Challenge lists, and she won the CBCA Eve Pownall Award for her first picture book.



## The Chalk Rainbow

DEBORAH KELLY & GWYNNETH JONES

Zane is different to other kids. He lines things up, and he's frightened of things that don't seem to bother others — like the colour black. *The Chalk Rainbow* explores difference and diversity through a family living with autism. It's a story of unconditional love, of trust and of learning to look at the world through the eyes of others.

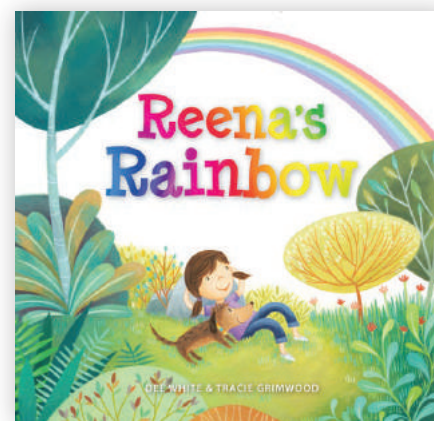
*'Clever and perceptive'* - Kirkus Reviews

*'Does not need to be pigeon holed as an "autism book" but can rather be viewed as a book about inclusion.'* - Spectrum Women

**THEMES: UNDERSTANDING AUTISM AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS**

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## Reena's Rainbow

DEE WHITE & TRACIE GRIMWOOD

Reena is deaf and Dog is homeless, but they are also so much more than that. When they form a unique bond with each other, and become friends with the hearing children in the park, they discover that everyone is different and special in their own way. *Reena's Rainbow* is about friendship, diversity and acceptance.

*'Reena's Rainbow, with its clear and simple message, reminds us that people's differences can certainly be something to celebrate.'*

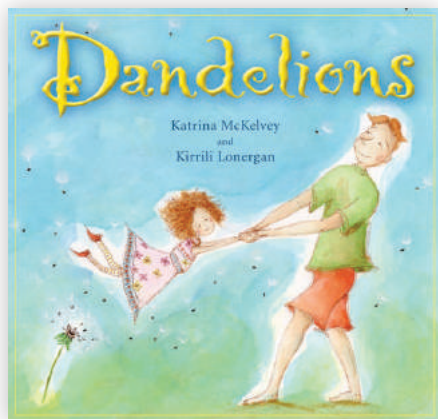
- Buzz Words

**THEMES: HEARING IMPAIRMENT, DIVERSITY, FRIENDSHIP AND ACCEPTANCE**

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## Dandelions

KATRINA MCKELVEY & KIRRILI LONERGAN

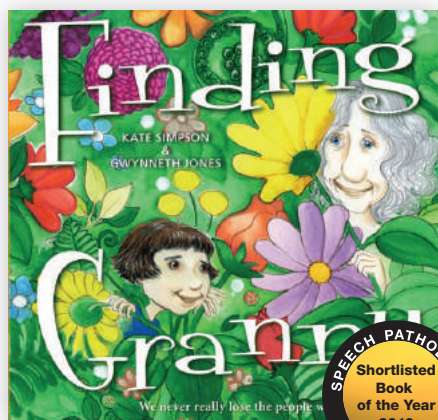
This heart-warming picture book explores the bond between a father and his daughter. One day, a little girl notices her father mowing the lawn — in the process destroying her favourite flowers: the dandelions. There's nothing for it: she's just going to have to sit outside and wait until they grow back! But fortunately, Dad has another idea.



**THEMES:** HOPE, RESILIENCE, NATURE AND THE FATHER-DAUGHTER BOND

9781925335569 | Paperback | 245 x 255 mm | 9½ x 10 inches | 32 pages | Colour | USD \$12.99

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## Finding Granny

*We Never Really Lose the People We Love*  
KATE SIMPSON & GWYNNETH JONES

When Edie's beloved Granny suffers a stroke, Edie feels as if she's lost her — but the Granny she loves is still there.

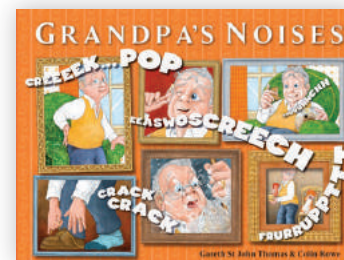
*'A heart-warming story of changing relationships ... It's also a sensitive exploration of coping with illness and disability that will offer children ages 5 to 6 much-needed comfort. Finding Granny is unique and unreservedly recommended.'*  
- Children's Book Watch



**THEMES:** GRANDPARENTS, ILLNESS, STROKE AWARENESS, AND ART THERAPY

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## Grandpa's Noises

GARETH ST JOHN THOMAS & COLIN ROWE

A humorous insight into grandparents and the weird and wonderful noises they make from the knees up.

*'With so many kids growing up away from their grandparents it is even more important they understand the older generation'* - New Idea.

**THEMES:** FAMILY AND HUMOUR

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## Up to Something

KATRINA MCKELVEY & KIRRILI LONERGAN

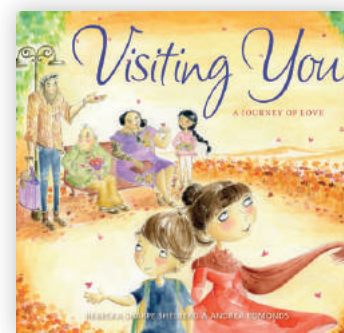
A beautiful exploration of the father-son relationship and the satisfaction to be gained from making things ourselves.

*'Too often, grown ups forget what children are capable of ... This is a fantastic book that reminds parents to listen to their children and work with them on projects rather than taking over.'* - Read for Fun

**THEMES:** RECYCLING, IMAGINATIVE PLAY AND THE FATHER-SON RELATIONSHIP

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## Visiting You

*A Journey of Love*

REBECCA SHARPE SHELBERG & ANDREA EDMONDS

A heart-warming celebration of the power of love, and how it's our similarities, not our differences, that matter most.

*'I'm calling it. This picture book is flawless. Visiting You is one of those magical picture books that clings to your heart and soul.'* - Kids' Book Review

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# The Sugar And Spice Collection

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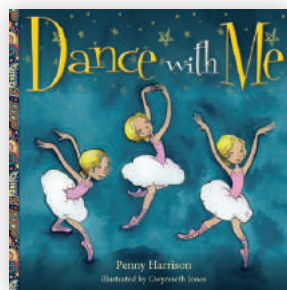
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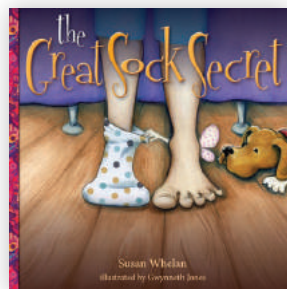
PENNY HARRISON & GWYNNETH JONES

A ballerina in a music box loves to dance. A gorgeous story about treasured possessions and the memories they hold.

**THEMES:** CHILDHOOD MEMORIES AND TREASURED OBJECTS

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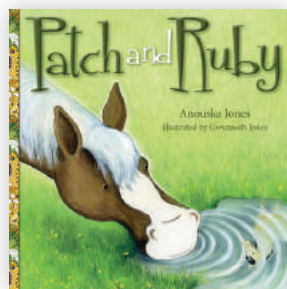
SUSAN WHELAN & GWYNNETH JONES

Sarah's mother can only find odd socks. Where do all the missing socks go? A fun adventure into a fairy-filled world.

**THEMES:** FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS AND THE POWER OF IMAGINATION

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### Patch and Ruby

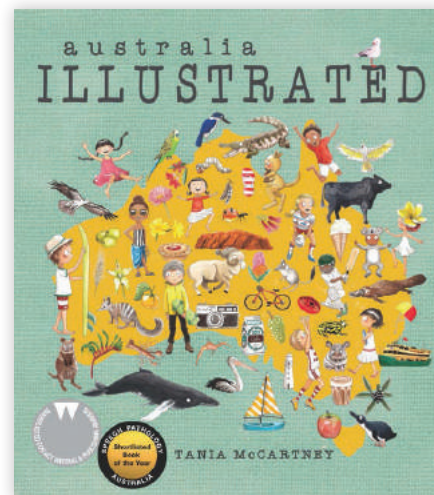
ANOUSKA JONES & GWYNNETH JONES

Will Patch the lonely pony ever feel at home? A wonderful tale about friendship and finding out where you belong.

**THEMES:** FRIENDSHIP AND BELONGING

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Australia. Big. Beautiful. Diverse. From the First People to washing lines and crocodiles, football and sunshine, koalas and akubras, skyscrapers and beaches, this is a glorious tribute to this wide brown land and its rich and varied multicultural communities. Vibrantly illustrated with watercolour, ink and mono-printing, it not only celebrates the more 'typical' Australian flora, fauna and landmarks, but also showcases the everyday quirks and idiosyncrasies that make Australia unique.

*'Rarely have I been so blown away by a book's design that I have actually stroked the pages.'* - New Idea



**THEMES:** AUSTRALIANA, DIVERSITY AND MULTICULTURALISM

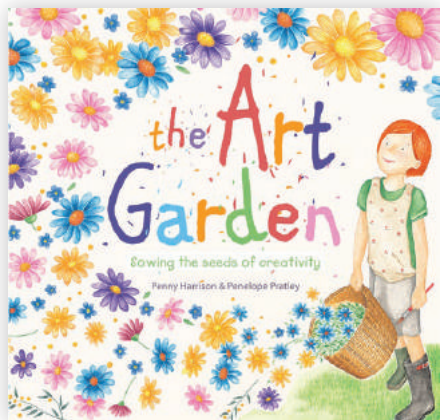
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## ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

**Tania McCartney** is an award-winning Australian author of both children's and adult titles. The founder of Kids' Book Review and the 52-Week Illustration Challenge, she is a self-confessed book nut, as well as an experienced editor, illustrator and speaker. Tania lives in Canberra with her family.





## The Art Garden

*Sowing the Seeds of Creativity*

**PENNY HARRISON & PENELOPE PRATLEY**

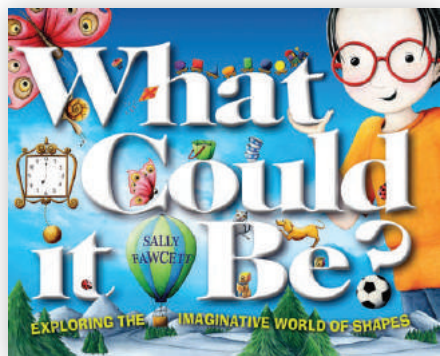
Sadie wants to be a painter, just like her best friend, Tom. But whenever Sadie picks up a paintbrush she makes a big mess. So instead, she spends her time working in the garden or playing with Tom. But, one day, Sadie gets a look at things from a different perspective.



**THEMES:** CREATIVITY, SELF-BELIEF AND FRIENDSHIP

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## What Could It Be?

*Exploring the Imaginative World of Shapes*

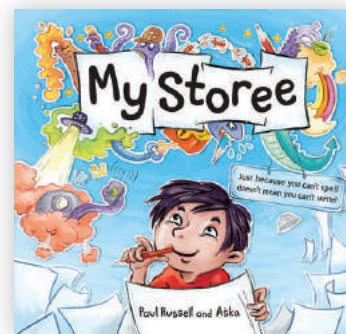
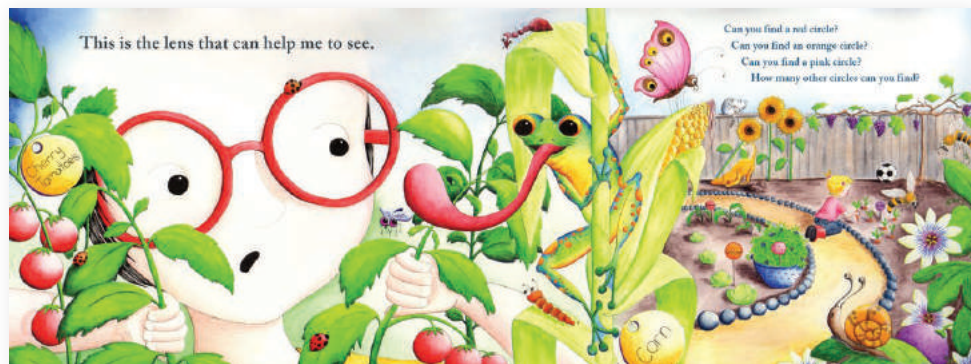
**SALLY FAWCETT**

Unleash your creativity and think outside the square. This book explores how simple shapes can be transformed into a range of objects.

**THEMES:** GEOMETRY AND CREATIVITY

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## My Storee

*Just Because You Can't Spell, Doesn't Mean You Can't Write!*

**PAUL RUSSELL AND AŚKA**

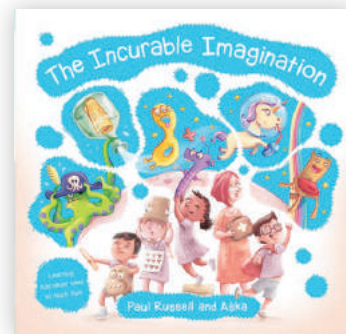
An engaging and creatively designed picture book that provides inspiration and support for reluctant writers and dyslexics, and shows the importance of good teachers.

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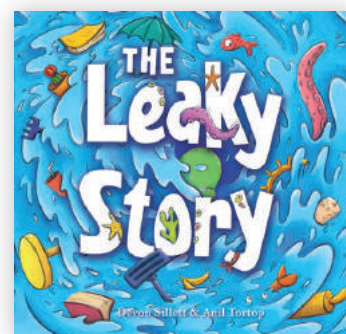
**PAUL RUSSELL AND AŚKA**

An entertaining story that celebrates the power of the imagination. Audrey has a severe case of 'imaginitis'! And it's contagious — her teachers are horrified! Perhaps they need to realize that imagination makes learning more fun.

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## The Leaky Story

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**DEVON SILLETT & ANIL TORTOP**

A fun-filled adventure about the magic of books and the importance of family.

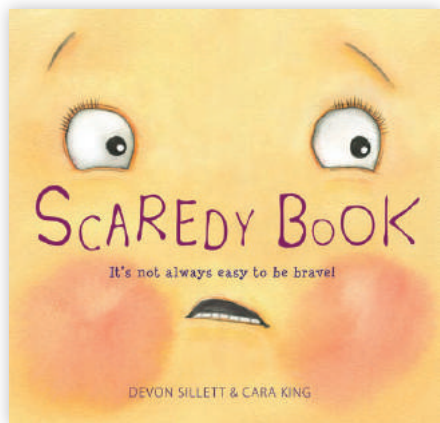
*'Joyfully illustrates the benefits of getting lost in a book. When you can bring a couple of family members with you, that's even better.'* - NC Teacher Stuff

**THEMES:** IMAGINATION, FAMILY BONDING AND THE JOY OF READING

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## Scaredy Book

*It's Not Always Easy to Be Brave!*

**DEVON SILLETT & CARA KING**

Book longs for adventure but is too scared to leave the library. Emma loves visiting the library and delights in the many adventures she finds there. They're just what each other needs. Children and parents alike will enjoy this story about being brave and living to tell the tale!



**THEMES:** COURAGE, FRIENDSHIP, BOOKS AND LIBRARIES

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## Invisible Jerry

**ADAM WALLACE & GIUSEPPE POLI**

People don't notice Jerry. If someone bumps into him, they don't say sorry. If he makes a joke, no one laughs. He never gets picked last for sports teams — but that's because he never gets picked at all. It's as if he's invisible. Until Molly comes along. This is a picture book with humour and heart for anyone who has ever felt like they're on the outside looking in.

**THEMES:** FRIENDSHIP, LONELINESS, BELONGING AND SELF-CONFIDENCE

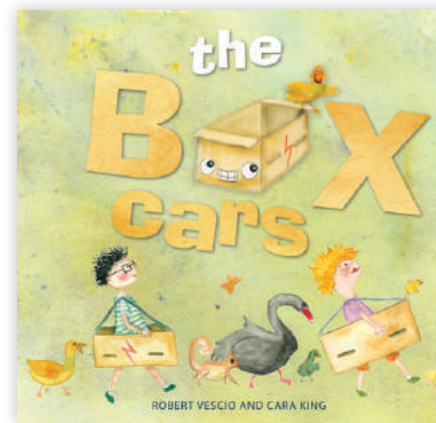
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**AN 11 YEAR OLD WRITES**

*'It's important to notice the people who don't get noticed ... and make them feel included.'*



## The Box Cars

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Liam and Kai are the best of friends. Each day in the park they race around in their box cars. One day they notice a little girl watching them — she's keen to join in, but there's only room for two. A fun-filled story of friendship, sharing and creative problem-solving!



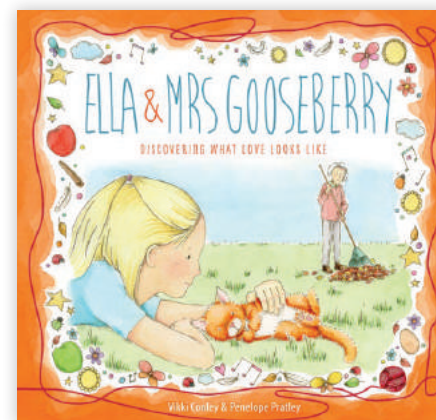
**THEMES:** FRIENDSHIP, CREATIVITY AND PROBLEM-SOLVING

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**AN 11 YEAR OLD WRITES**

*'A great book about inclusion and making room for one more.'*



## Ella & Mrs Gooseberry

*Discovering What Love Looks Like*

**VIKKI CONLEY & PENELOPE PRATLEY**

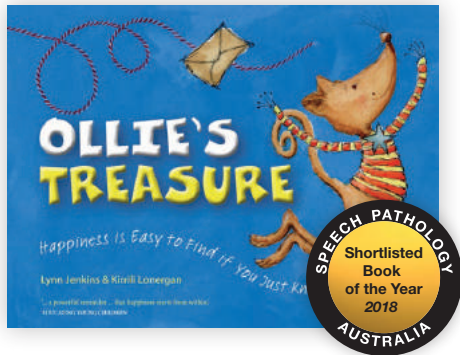
Grumpy old Mrs Gooseberry from next door has lost her love. Ella begins her quest to find out what love looks like to help Mrs Gooseberry rediscover it. Is it like home-cooked pie? Lanterns in the night? Perhaps love might look like a little kitten. This book explores a child's understanding of love and selfless giving.



**THEMES:** LOVE AND KINDNESS

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## Ollie's Treasure

*Happiness is Easy to Find if You Just Know Where to Look!*

**LYNN JENKINS & KIRRILI LONERGAN**

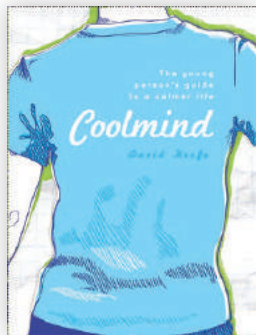
Psychologist Lynn Jenkins melds mindfulness with playfulness in a joyous exploration of the senses and emotions to help children's healthy development.

**THEMES: FINDING HAPPINESS THROUGH MINDFULNESS**

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*The Young Person's Guide to a Calmer Life*

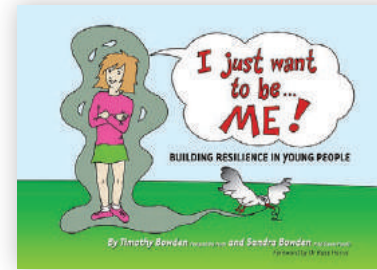
**DAVID KEEFE**

From as little as three minutes a day, author David Keefe will show tweens and teens how to gain mental calm and clarity in any situation. Learn the art of relaxing, and becoming consciously cool now to rise above stress.

**THEMES: SELF-CONTROL AND MINDFULNESS**

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## I Just Want to Be ... Me!

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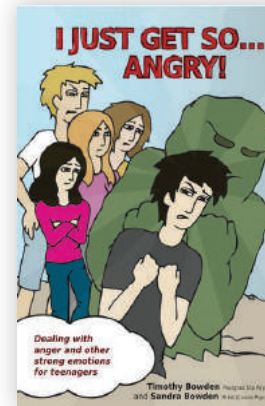
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