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CRASH COURSE: WOLF GIRL 7

Anh Do, illustrated by
Lachlan Creagh

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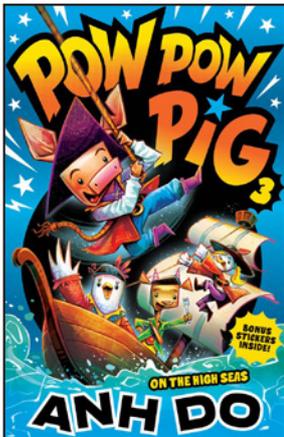
Wolf Girl and her pack are in a truckload of trouble this time!

As the train Wolf Girl is driving hurtles towards the locked gates of an enemy city, the last thing she expects to spy out the window is her own long-lost sister!

Soon Gwen and her dogs are on an epic chase across country, encountering deadly enemies and plenty of prehistoric surprises. But just when things seem most dire, help arrives in unexpected form!

Thrilling, page-turning and exciting adventure from the bestselling author, comedian and artist Anh Do. For ages 8-14.

Anh Do is one of Australia's best-loved storytellers. His series, including Wolf Girl, Skydragon and WeirDo are adored by millions of kids around the country. Lachlan Creagh is a Brisbane-based Illustrator, concept artist and animator.



ON THE HIGH SEAS: POW POW PIG 3

Anh Do, illustrated by
Peter Cheong

Allen & Unwin

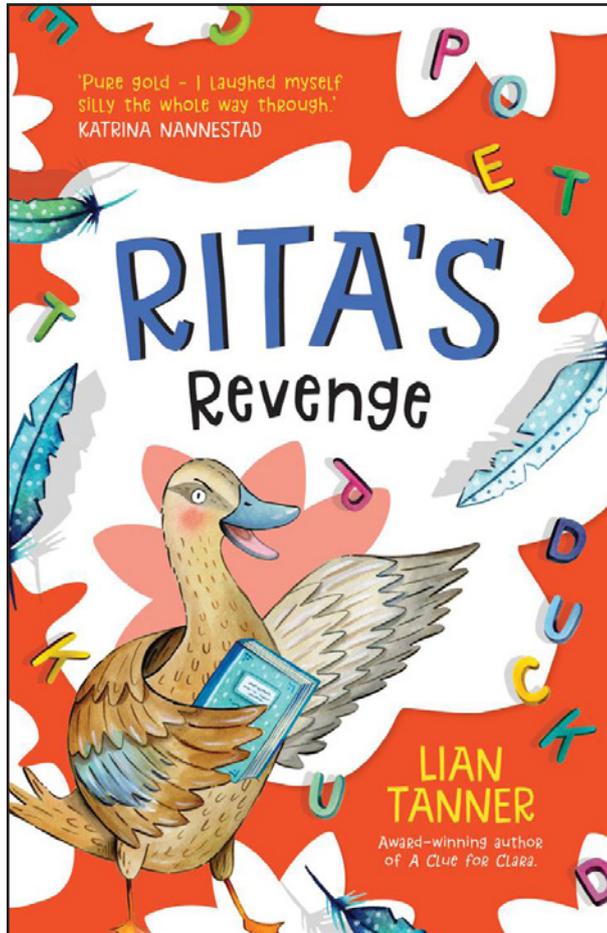
9781761065675 | \$15.99 | © | PB | Junior Fiction

Pow Pow and the crew are back, and this time there arrrrrrrr pirates . . .

Ahoy, me hearties! It's Pow Pow Pig. Me and the Z team are on a mission. We're trying to save the world! But somehow we've ended up on the high seas instead . . . It's going take a swashbuckling effort to get out of this mess!

A fast-and-funny junior fiction series. For ages 6-10.

Anh Do is a bestselling author, comedian and artist. Peter Cheong is a Perth-based illustrator.



RITA'S REVENGE

Lian Tanner

Allen & Unwin
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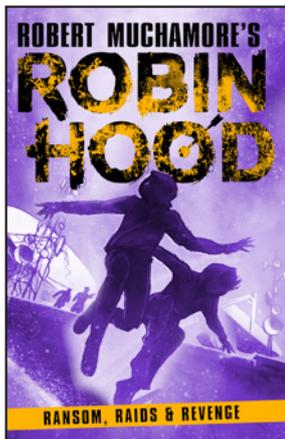
*A quacking mystery story from the award-winning author of
A Clue for Clara*

'Chasing cows and pigs. Mockery. Rude songs. Piracy, bullying, revenge, warfare and general thuggery.' This is the list of approved duck activities, and it does NOT include poetry.

The ducks of Little Dismal are angry. A scruffy chicken called Clara has been telling lies about them. They need revenge. Enter Rita—a duck with the soul of a poet. After an embarrassing talent night, Rita sees revenge on Clara as a chance to restore her reputation.

But Rita finds more than revenge on her mission. She uncovers a dastardly plan to chook-nap Clara that will take them both a long way from home. Luckily, it's Rita's unlikely friendship with a small human and the help of some street-smart birds that just might save the day and inspire an epic poem! For ages 8-12.

Lian Tanner is the award-winning author of *A Clue for Clara* and *The Keepers* trilogy. She lives in Tasmania. Cheryl Orsini is the illustrator of *The Girl, the Dog and the Writer* series. She lives in Sydney.



ROBIN HOOD 5: RANSOM, RAIDS AND REVENGE

Robert Muchamore

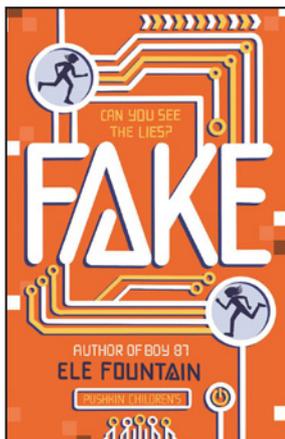
Hotkey

9781471412318 | \$15.99 | © | PB | Middle Fiction

Robin and the rebels resume their fight against corrupt and brutal rule with more high-energy action in the latest brilliant series from the bestselling author of the CHERUB series

Robin and Will Scarlock's band of rebels are enduring a bitterly cold winter in the derelict Sherwood Castle Resort. But when the boss of a major delivery company—the world's second richest man—asks for help to track down the kidnappers of his beloved dogs and offers to pay, Robin finds himself at the centre of the biggest hacking operation of his life. For ages 11-14.

Robert Muchamore's books have sold over 15 million copies worldwide, have been translated into 24 languages, and have been number one bestsellers in eight countries.



FAKE Ele Fountain

Pushkin

9781782692904 | \$14.99 | © | PB | Middle Fiction

Jess has a secret. And she's not the only one.

Imagine a world where the only other children you meet are on screen. Where infection is deadly, and everyone must stay at home until they're immune. This is Jess's world. Now that she's turned fourteen, she's allowed to go to school for the first time, away from home, away from her beloved sister Chloe. Away from online lessons to real life.

But Jess is heading into danger. Because she is a secret computer hacker. And, using her cyber skills, she is about to discover something explosive. Something that will turn everything she knows upside down. How can she tell what is real from what is fake? For ages 9-12.

Ele Fountain is the award-winning author of *Boy 87* and *Lost*. She lives in the UK.

FLOOF

Heidi McKinnon

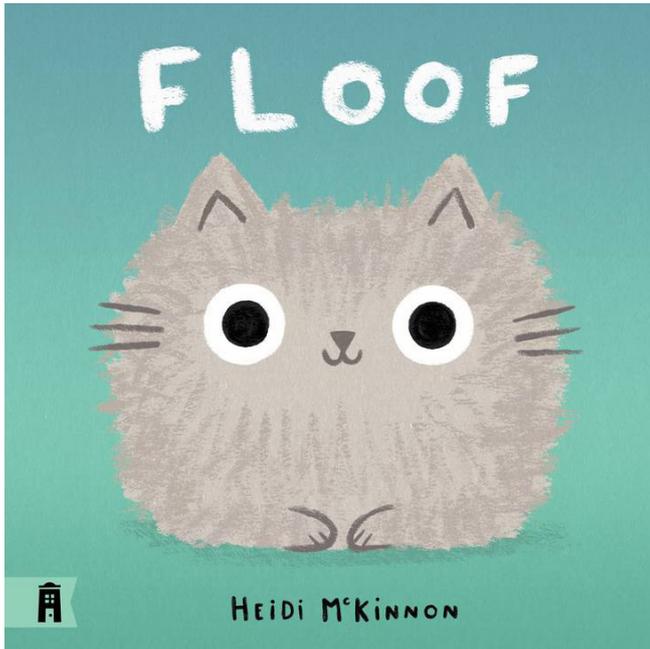
Albert Street Books
9781761180088 | \$19.99 | © | HB | Picture Book

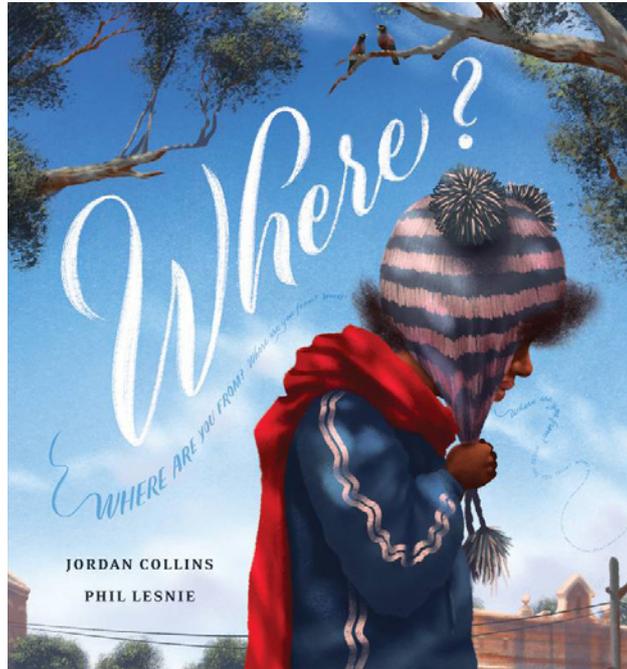
*An irresistible new picture book from the bestselling and internationally acclaimed creator of *I Just Ate My Friend* and *There's No Such Thing**

This is Floof.
Floof is floofy.
Floof is VERY floofy.
Floof is the FLOOFIEST!
Floof is going to have a very busy day . . .

A book to delight anyone who has ever loved a ridiculous furball.
For ages 3-6.

Heidi McKinnon is the acclaimed creator of *I Just Ate My Friend*, *Baz & Benz*, *There's No Such Thing*, *It's a Long Way to the Shop* and *We Found a Cat*. She lives in Melbourne.





WHERE?

Jordan Collins,
illustrated by Phil Lesnie

Allen & Unwin

9781760526382 | \$24.99 | 🌐 | HB | Picture Book

A passionate, personal and political picture book that calls out racism from an important new voice, illustrated by the acclaimed artist of Feathers

*'Where are you from?' they say.
What they mean is,
'Why is your skin that colour?'
'Why does your hair look like that?'*

*I am from the mountains,
The seas and the sky.
I am from children of millions of years,
A timeline of humanity.
I am from this planet
And all others.*

A heartfelt picture book that challenges racism from an exciting new voice that is both a cry of pain and a demonstration of inner strength, which takes us on an intergalactic journey past collapsing stars and glowing nebulae to remind us not of our differences but of our shared humanity. For ages 8-12.

Jordan Collins is an African-American-Greek-Australian. Phil Lesnie is a highly acclaimed Sydney-based illustrator of children's books.

TANGKI TJUTA-DONKEYS

Tjanpi Desert Weavers

Allen & Unwin

9781761180149 | \$24.99 | © | HB | Picture Book

Fresh, funny and highly original, the endearing dual language story about how donkeys came to be a rich part of life for one Aboriginal community—told in Pitjantjatjara and English

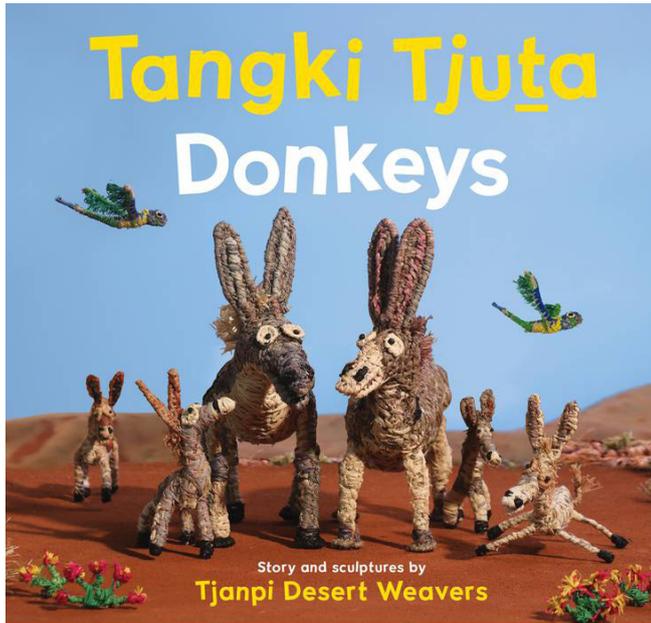
Long, long ago, we didn't have donkeys. We didn't have a lot of the things we have today. We didn't know donkeys existed.

Our people used to walk with their camels and donkeys from Areyonga to Ernabella. They brought their donkeys here, and left them.

Donkeys are malpa wiru, valuable friends and helpers in the families and desert community of Pukatja (Ernabella) in the APY Lands of northern South Australia. People set off on their donkeys for picnics and longer journeys, always returning home safely.

Told in Pitjantjatjara and English and featuring the whimsical, distinctive sculptures that have made Tjanpi Desert Weavers famous, this dual language Australian story offers warm and humorous insights from an Anangu perspective. For ages 4-8.

Tjanpi Desert Weavers is a social enterprise of Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Women's Council supporting 400+ women to create fibre art across the central and western desert regions of Australia.



Richard Scarry's
Dr Doctor



**Meet Mr and Mrs
Dr Doctor!**

DR DOCTOR
Richard Scarry

Faber
9780571375011 | \$14.99 | © | PH | Picture Book

Classic Richard Scarry: gifted humourist and international treasure

Mr Dr Doctor and Mrs Dr Doctor, who are a married team of medical pigs, experience a change in their office routine when it is time for Mrs Dr Doctor to have her new babies.

These two enchanting stories outline just how vital doctors are to our lives—Mr and Mrs Doctor care for their community, and in the second story, celebrate the birth of their own children!

Another classic from one of the founding fathers of children's illustration. For ages 3-7.

Richard Scarry (1919-1994) was one of the world's best-loved children's authors EVER! In his extraordinary career, he illustrated over 150 books which sold over 100 million copies around the world.

WHAT DO YOU SEE WHEN YOU LOOK AT A TREE?

Emma Carlisle

Big Picture

9781800781276 | \$24.99 | © | HB | Picture Book

Immerse yourself in this gentle picture book that encourages us to explore our connection with nature

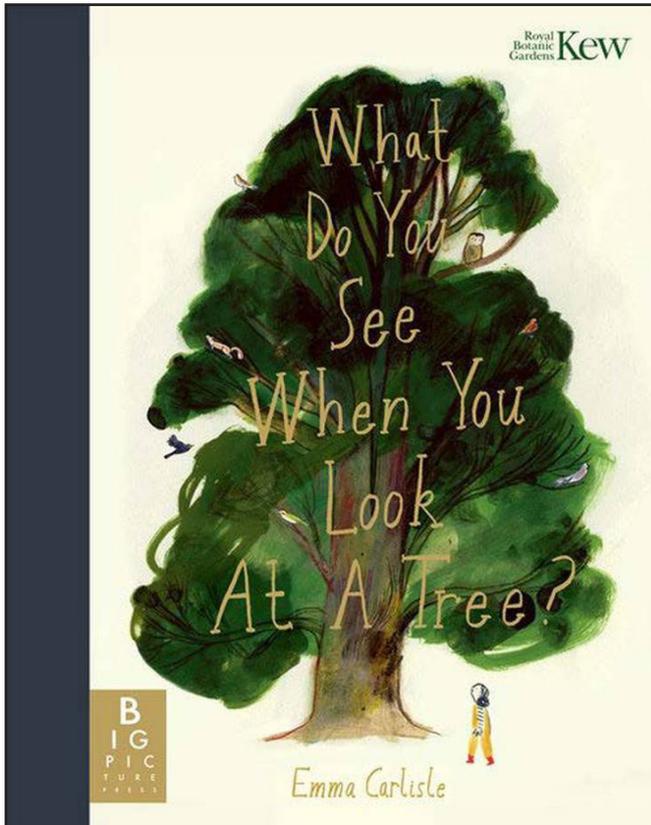
*What do you see when you look at a tree?
Leaves and twigs and branches?
Or do you see a real, living thing,
That moves, and breathes and dances?*

This wonderful picture book explores themes of empathy, mindfulness and personal growth through the eyes of a child. Beautifully written and illustrated by the award-winning artist Emma Carlisle, *What Do You See When You Look At A Tree?* urges readers to reconnect with nature by asking questions that encourage critical thinking and reflection on their own development, as well as helping to establish a deeper appreciation for the environment and their place within it.

Stunning watercolour and hand-finished artwork draws parallels to the bestselling *The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse*, and evokes the classic nostalgia of E. H. Shephard's much-loved *Winnie-the-Pooh*.

Mindfulness tips and information about trees are included at the back of the book for both adult and child to read together.

Emma Carlisle is a highly acclaimed illustrator and artist. She lives in the UK.



WHERE'S MR LION? WHERE'S MRS LADYBIRD?

Felt Flaps Buggy

illustrated by Ingela P Arrhenius

Nosy Crow

9781839944673 | 9781839945304 | \$12.99 | © | BD BK | Baby Book

New buggy book additions to the must-have novelty series to take with you everywhere!

Adorable new buggy editions of the bestselling baby books—with felt flaps and a mirror! Each title in this stylish series has five spreads with friendly characters to find behind colourful felt flaps.

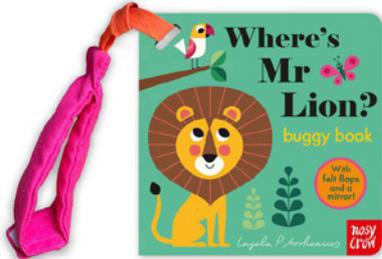
In *Where's Mr Lion?* you're on the lookout for Mrs Giraffe, Mr Crocodile, Mrs Elephant and Mr Lion himself!

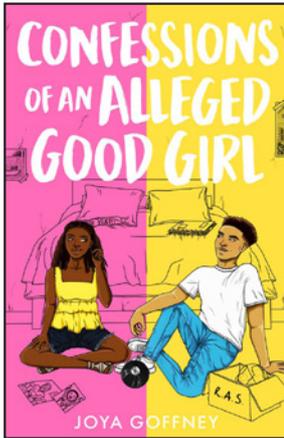
In *Where's Mrs Ladybird?* you're on the lookout for Mr Caterpillar, Mrs Bee, Mr Snail and Mrs Ladybird herself!

Lift the final flaps and there's a surprise mirror—always a hit with little ones.

With their handy straps and mini format, these cute little buggy books are just perfect for babies and toddlers on the go. For ages 1-3.

Ingela P Arrhenius is a Swedish illustrator and designer.





CONFESSIONS OF AN ALLEGED GOOD GIRL

Joya Goffney

Hotkey
9781471411113 | \$17.99 | © | PB | YA

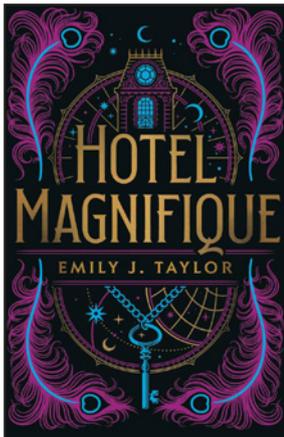
The must-read YA romcom and hotly anticipated second book from the author of Excuse Me While I Ugly Cry

Monique is a preacher's daughter who detests the impossible rules of her religion. Everyone expects her to wait until marriage, so she has no one to turn to when she discovers that she physically can't have sex. When her boyfriend breaks up with her, Monique teams up with straight-laced church girl Sasha as well as Reggie, the misunderstood bad boy, and together they embark upon a top-secret search for the cure.

While on their quest, Monique discovers the value of a true friend and the wonders of a love that accepts her for who she is. Despite everyone's opinions about her virtue, she learns to live for herself, inspiring us all to reclaim our bodies and unapologetically love ourselves.

This is a powerful journey towards loving yourself, about body and sex positivity, with heart, humour, family intrigue and a dynamic and delicious love triangle. For ages 14+.

Joya Goffney is the author of *Excuse Me While I Ugly Cry*. She lives in Texas.



HOTEL MAGNIFIQUE

Emily J. Taylor

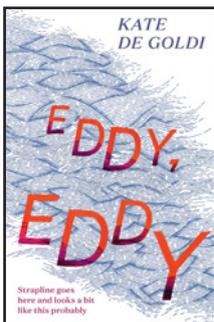
Pushkin
9781782693772 | \$19.99 | © | PB | YA

Richly imagined, escapist YA fantasy with an irresistible setting in a magical hotel

The legendary Hotel Magnifique is like no other: a magical world of golden ceilings, enchanting soirees and fountains flowing with champagne. It changes location every night, stopping in each place only once a decade. When the Magnifique comes to her hometown, seventeen-year-old Jani hatches a plan to secure jobs there for herself and her younger sister, longing to escape their dreary life.

Luck is on their side, and with a stroke of luminous ink on paper the sisters are swept into a life of adventure and opulence. But Jani soon begins to notice sinister spots in the hotel's decadent facade. Who is the shadowy maître d' who runs the hotel? And can the girls discover the true price paid by those who reside there before it's too late? For ages 12+.

Emily J. Taylor is a writer of YA fantasy. She lives in the USA.



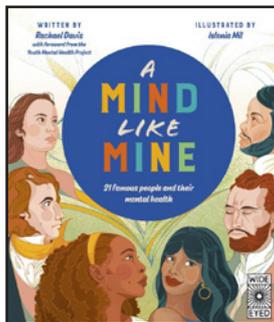
EDDY, EDDY

Kate De Goldi

A&U New Zealand
9781988547152 | \$24.99 | © | PB | YA

Eddy, Eddy is a richly layered novel, deftly written with humour and pathos. It's a coming-of-age story. It's a love story. It's an earthquake story, set in Christchurch not long after the earthquakes shattered people's homes, lives and minds. And it's also a story of grief, the way its punch can leave you floundering and how others can help you find your way back. Kate De Goldi's love of words, word play and literary allusions form a beautiful overlay to the story that loosely mirrors *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens. For ages 14+.

Kate De Goldi is the acclaimed author of *The 10pm Question*. She lives in New Zealand.



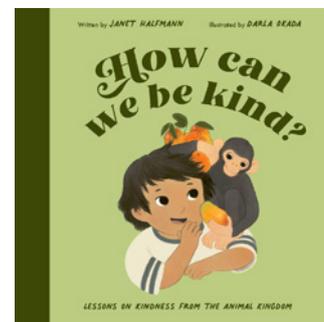
A MIND LIKE MINE

Rachael Davis,
illustrated by Islenia Mil

Wide Eyed Editions
9780711273993 | \$27.99 | © | HB | People & Places

A beautifully illustrated anthology that tells the hidden mental health stories of 21 famous figures from science, sport, music and politics, from past and present. From Michelangelo to Ada Lovelace, a great many successful people with brilliant minds and talents have lived or are living with mental health disorders. *A Mind Like Mine* helps remove some of the stigma around mental health, discusses different conditions, and ultimately shows that mental health disorders do not have to hold anyone back from achieving their dreams. For ages 8-12.

Rachael Davis suffered from anxiety and is now a full-time writer. Islenia Mil is an Afro-Latina based illustrator. They live in the USA.



HOW CAN WE BE KIND?

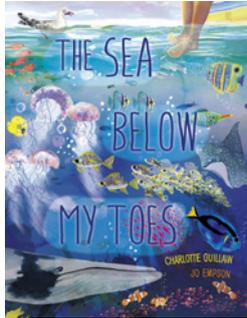
Lessons on kindness from the animal kingdom

Janet Halfmann,
illustrated by Darla Okada

Frances Lincoln Children's
9780711268777 | \$19.99 | © | HB | Picture Book

Animals demonstrate kindness and empathy towards each other, and care and compassion can be seen all throughout the natural world. This book shows children the ways they can be kind just like animals are to each other, while at the same time teaching them about the magic and the beauty of the natural world. For ages 3-5.

Janet Halfmann is an award-winning children's author. Darla Okada is an illustrator and comic artist. They both live in the USA.



THE SEA BELOW MY TOES

Charlotte Guillain,
illustrated by Jo
Empson

OED

9780711271944 | \$29.99 | © | HB | Geography

From the Look Closer series, this richly illustrated concertina book takes you on a journey of discovery through the deep dark waters, all the way down to the seabed, before floating back up to the surface. Through the waves and into the deep, you'll spot all kinds of weird and wonderful marine creatures, explore the seabed, and discover the impact humans have had on the underwater world. For ages 5-7.

Charlotte Guillain is the acclaimed creator of *The Street Beneath My Feet*. She lives in the UK.



NEON'S SECRET UNIVERSE

Sibéal Pounder

Bloomsbury

9781408894149 | \$14.99 | © | PB | Junior Fiction

Neon thinks she's just an ordinary girl—until she receives a lipstick on her eleventh birthday. She's amazed when drawing a line with it creates a sparkling portal to the Universe. Here, the Unicorn Council badly need Neon's help to defeat the arch villain Scarlet Ditto, who is hell-bent on destroying the unicorns and their world for good. Get ready to discover the real story behind unicorns in the first in a brilliant new series. For ages 7+.

Sibéal Pounder is the bestselling author of the children's fiction series, *Witch Wars* and *Bad Mermaids*. She lives in the UK.



THE GOLDEN SWIFT

Lev Grossman

Bloomsbury

9781526647641 | \$14.99 | © | PB | Middle Fiction

It's been a year since Kate and Tom became conductors on the Great Intercontinental Railway, and life has changed completely! Delivering animal passengers to their rightful habitats using their very own secret steam train, the Silver Arrow, is exciting and magical and fulfilling. Until one day a new and mysterious train almost rams them off the track . . . The spectacular sequel to *New York Times* bestseller, *The Silver Arrow*. For ages 9+.

Lev Grossman is the bestselling author of the *Magicians* trilogy, which has also become a successful TV series.



THE EXTRAORDINARY ADVENTURES OF ALICE TONKS

Emily Kenny

Oneworld

9780861542055 | \$16.99 | 📱 | PB | Middle Fiction

Alice Tonks is eager to make friends at boarding school, but, being autistic, she's found it hard to fit in. Then she discovers she is a switcher and can talk to animals. As she starts to explore her newfound abilities, she learns that creatures are going missing. Only Alice holds the key to solving the mystery, but she'll need to harness her full powers first. And to do that she'll need a bit of help from her new friends—animal and human alike. A story about finding your voice, friendship and unlikely heroes. For ages 8-12.

Emily Kenny is a teacher and Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator.



THIS WICKED FATE

Kalynn Bayron

Bloomsbury

9781526650726 | \$16.99 | 📱 | PB | YA

The breathtaking sequel to *This Poison Heart* continues the story of Briseis and her ties to a world of powerful goddesses and deadly curses. Briseis's mother is dead, but there is one chance to bring her back. Find the last piece of the deadly Absyrtus Heart. If she is to find the missing piece, she must turn to the blood relatives she's never known, learn of their secret powers and take her place in their ancient lineage. But Briseis is not the only one who wants the Heart . . . For ages 12+.

Kalynn Bayron is the acclaimed author of *Cinderella Is Dead* and *This Poison Heart*. She lives in Texas.



FRIENDS LIKE THESE

Meg Rosoff

Bloomsbury

9781526646132 | \$16.99 | 📱 | PB | YA

New York City. June, 1982. When eighteen-year-old Beth arrives in Manhattan for a prestigious journalism internship, she soon finds herself caught up with her fellow interns: preppy Oliver, ruthless Dan and ridiculously cool, beautiful, wild Edie. Soon, Beth and Edie are best friends with the sort of heady, all-consuming best-friendship that's impossible to resist. But with the mercury rising and deceit mounting up, betrayal lies just around the corner. Who needs enemies when you have friends like these? For ages 16+.

Meg Rosoff is the multi-award-winning author of *How I Live Now* and *The Great Godden*.

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