



K-2 Booklist by Title - Full

When using this booklist, please be aware of the need for guidance to ensure students select texts considered appropriate for their age, interest and maturity levels.

| PRC ID | Title/Author | Publisher | Year | ISBN | Annotations |
|--------|--|-----------------------------------|------|---------------|--|
| 979944 | Friendly bee and friends Avery, Sean E | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781760654351 | Meet Friendly Bee: he's a bee who puts himself out there, a bee who sees the best in other beings. Sometimes, Friendly Bees cheerful attitude gets him into trouble -- like almost being squashed by an excessively large shoe; or becoming a delicious meal for the mildly homicidal Enormous Hairy Spider. Luckily, Friendly Bees reluctant best friend Angry Wasp is there to save this buzzing buffoon from certain doom -- if he really has to. |
| 3986 | 1,2, pirate stew Howarth, Kylie | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760403201 | 1, 2 round up the crew! 3, 4 now grab an oar! Take one large cardboard box, two imaginative kids and a splash of pirate pets and you have a recipe for adventure. |
| 28524 | 10 little hermit crabs Fox, Lee & McGowan, Shane (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2009 | 9781742379524 | A playful, counting book about ten little hermit crabs that have a knack for getting into trouble. |
| 15023 | 10 little rubber ducks Carle, Eric | HarperCollins Australia | 2005 | 9780007202423 | Ten little rubber ducks are swept out to sea and one is left helpless. Mother duck comes along to save him. |
| 1477 | 1001 bugs to spot Doherty, G | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2005 | 9780794510008 | Teeming with bugs to find, count and talk about. |
| 91599 | 1001 pirate things to spot Lloyd Jones, Rob & Gower, Teri (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2007 | 9780746076941 | Teeming with pirates, ships, sunken treasure to find, count and talk about. |

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| 6114 | 101 collective nouns Cossins, Jennifer | Lothian Books | 2018 | 9780734417978 | A tribe of kiwis? A smack of jellyfish? A wisdom of wombats? Come along an illustrated journey through the animal kingdom with Tasmanian artist Jennifer Cossins. Featuring 101 full-colour animal illustrations, each with its very own collective noun, as well as a brief history of collective nouns, this book will delight children and adults alike. |
| 941976 | 11 words for Love Abdel-Fattah, Randa | Lothian Books | 2022 | 9780734421203 | There are eleven words for love, and my family knows them all. A family flees their homeland to find safety in another country, carrying little more than a suitcase full of love. As their journey unfolds, they experience eleven of the different forms of love that are found in the Arabic language. The family shows, and are shown, kindness in their new home, and also remember the love they have for their homeland. |
| 1433882 | 12 birds of Christmas, The McLeod, Jodie & Short, Eloise (ill) | Wollemi Press | 2025 | 9780646717944 | The 12 Birds of Christmas is a uniquely Australian Christmas carol. Introducing some of our wonderful birds, this book showcases our most Christmassy birds and flowers in this joyful celebration of Christmas in Australia. |
| 650 | 19 girls and me Pattison, Darcy & Salerno, Steven (ill) | Philomel Books | 2006 | 9780399243363 | John Hercules Po arrives for his first day in Kindergarten and discovers, to his surprise, that the whole class is made up of 19 girls and John. His brother thinks the girls will turn John into a sissy but there is yet another surprise in store for John. |
| 39425 | 3 wishes for Pugman Meschenmoser, Sebastian | Wilkins Farago Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9780980607093 | The day hasn't started well for Pugman. He's overslept, there's nothing for breakfast and the rain has made his newspaper soggy/ Can the day get any worse? The, out of nowhere, a magical and very cheerful fairy appears. She offers the grumpy Pugman three wishes. What will he wish for? |
| 1209818 | 31-and-a-half things to know as you grow McKinlay, Meg & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760658052 | There are so many wonderful things to know as you grow. |
| 30985 | 365 penguins Fromental, Jean-Luc & Jolivet, Joelle (ill) | Abrams Books | 2006 | 9780810944602 | A family receives an anonymous package containing one penguin. Every day, another one is delivered until there are 365 penguins in the house. Feeding, cleaning and housing the penguins become a monumental task. They're noisy, smelly and always hog the bathroom. The family wonders just who on earth is sending these squawking birds. |
| 13137 | 999 tadpoles find a new home Kimura, Ken & Murakami, Yasunari (ill) | Gecko Press | 2010 | 9781877467271 | Mother and Father Frog find that their pond is getting too small for 999 growing tadpoles and the family decides to brave the dangerous world to find a bigger home. |

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| 871583 | A in the rainforest, The Barker, Judith & Frith, Janie (ill) | Woodslane Press | 2021 | 9781925868821 | This is the story of the A. The A in the Rainforest is a fun Australian-themed phoneme story that teaches young readers about the vowel sound A and where they can find it in different words. Beautifully illustrated by Janie Frith, the rich colours and vibrant use of multi-media enhance the magical experience. The book is about the journey of a young Rainbow Bird from the rainforests of Tasmania to their counterparts in New South Wales. The first book from Judith and Janie, The Oo in Uluru, won a 2019 Book of the Year award from Speech Pathology Australia; this is their fourth book, the others being The EE in the Deep Blue Sea and The O in the Snow. |
| 540 | A is for Aunty Russell, Elaine | ABC Books | 2000 | 9780733307294 | Memories of growing up on an Aboriginal mission are brought to life in this alphabet picture book with a difference. It features accounts of possums as pets and Aunty Goldie who used zinc ointment for just about every ailment. Test |
| 26545 | ABC animal rhymes for you and me Andreae, Giles & Wojtowycz, David (ill) | Orchard Books | 2010 | 9781408306802 | Explore the animal alphabet from Angel Fish to Zebra. |
| 5260 | ABC book of feelings, The Martin, Helen & Simpson, Judith & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | ABC Books | 2017 | 9780733338298 | Everyone has feelings and lots of them you've had... |
| 6130 | ABC book of food, The Martin, Helen & Simpson, Judith & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | ABC Books | 2016 | 9780733334269 | Food helps us run and jump and play. Take a journey from the paddock, the orchard, the garden to your kitchen, and find out where food comes from and how it reaches us. |
| 12056 | ABC book of nursery rhymes Various | ABC Books | 2002 | 9780733308932 | Thirteen award-winning Australian illustrators each chose a well-known rhyme to interpret, resulting in a beautifully illustrated selection of nursery rhyme favourites. Features profiles on each artist. |
| 660585 | ABC book of places to go, The Martin, Helen & Simpson, Judith & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | ABC Books | 2018 | 9780733334290 | This charming picture book celebrates the fun and excitement of places we can visit, both close to home and far away. The simple, engaging text explores fascinating places such as the library, the zoo, the lighthouse and many more. |
| 2397 | ABC book of Seasons, The Martin, Helen & Simpson, Judith & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | ABC Books | 2014 | 9780733331954 | Seasons come and seasons go. Sun shines, wind blows, rain falls and plants grow. |
| 1110374 | ABC Disability Rose, Sarah & Pascoe, Alley & Feiner, Rebecca (ill) | Lothian Books | 2024 | 9780734423023 | ABC Disability is a must-read gentle introduction to disability that is accessible to readers of all ages. Colourful illustrations and clear explanations help readers to understand the diversity of the human race and approach those in their community with empathy and kindness. |

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| 825520 | ABC of cuddles, The Williams, Sophy & Scott, Gavin (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9781760526115 | A is for airport cuddle, when it's time to go away. B is for bear hug, when teddy goes astray. C is for crying cuddle, a scary ghost went boo! D is for daddy cuddle, when only dad will do. Work your way through the alphabet to see all the reasons you might give someone a cuddle. |
| 10027 | Abigail Rayner, Catherine | Tiger Tales | 2015 | 9781848956469 | Abigail loves to count. She begins to count the spots on the ladybird but it climbs under a leaf. She begins to count the stripes on the zebra but it moves away. And the cheetah is just too fast. So, Abigail begins to count the flowers in the vast plains of Africa but has to stop when the darkness comes. But, there are other things that can be counted in the night time. |
| 5398 | Achoo we're not well Whybrow, Ian & Reynolds, Adrian | Puffin Australia | 2008 | 9780141501826 | When Harry catches a cold, Mum tucks him up in bed. But Harry is contagious and all his dinosaurs end up having to be treated in his dinosaur hospital. |
| 2803 | Ada Twist scientist Beaty, Andrea & Roberts, David (ill) | Abrams Books | 2016 | 9781419721373 | Ada has a boundless imagination and is very, very curious. When her house fills with an horrific, toe-curling smell, Ada sets out to find the source. Not afraid of failure, she embarks on a fact-finding mission and conducts scientific experiments, all in the name of discovery. But, this time, Ada's experiments lead to even more stink and trouble. |
| 2175 | Addis Berner Bear forgets Stewart, Joel | Random House Children's Books | 2008 | 9780552554343 | When Addis Berner Bear arrives in the big, confusing, loud and fast city, he forgets why he has come. Something amazing helps him remember. |
| 4104 | Adventures of Beekle the unimaginary friend, The Santat, Dan | Little, Brown & Co | 2014 | 9780316199988 | On an island far away, an imaginary friend is born. He waits patiently for his turn to be chosen by a real child but, when he is overlooked time and again, he sets off on an incredible journey to the bustling city. There, he finally meets his perfect match and is given his special name, Beekle. |
| 9617 | Adventures of Bert, The Ahlberg, Allan & Briggs, Raymond (ill) | Puffin UK | 2002 | 9780140567540 | Bert has all sorts of ridiculous adventures. He rescues a barking cardboard box from the river and is chased down the street by a giant sausage. Turn the page quietly so as not to wake Bert's baby. |
| 112883 | Adventures of Edgar Remington the third, The Moreton, John & Denton, Terry (ill) | Working Title Press | 2005 | 9781876288631 | Edgar Remington the Third has always wanted to sail to the other side of the world. He is now hopelessly lost because, in his eagerness to leave, he forgot his map and his compass. |
| 31567 | Adventures of Egg Box Dragon, The Adams, Richard & Smith, Alex T. (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2017 | 9781444938401 | Emma is delighted when her home-made dragon magically comes to life! He is great at roaring. He is great at breathing fire. And best of all, he excellent at finding lost treasures. So when the Queen loses a diamond from her crown, there's only one dragon to call! |

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| 1370107 | Adventures of Henny, The: Looking for waterholes Chapman, Ryan & Whitelaw, Emma (ill) | Teaching Solutions | 2024 | 9781779621825 | Imagine setting out to explore the Outback's most remote and isolated terrain, where every day holds the promise of new discoveries. Join Henny, the spirited Border Collie x Cattle Dog, and his determined dad as they embark on an adventure like no other! Their quest? To uncover hidden waterholes amidst the arid landscapes, following the winding path of a freshly filled riverbeds graced by the wet season. Each twist and turn of their journey unveil new wonders, from secluded waterfalls cascading into crystal-clear pools to lush oases teeming with life. Against the backdrop of the Outback's rugged beauty, Henny and his dad forge ahead, their spirits undeterred by the challenges that lie ahead. Looking for Waterholes captures the essence of adventure, as Henny's infectious enthusiasm propels the narrative forward. Vivid descriptions and vibrant visualisations transport readers into a world of wonder, where every moment is filled with excitement and discovery. |
| 5822 | Adventures of Swashbuckle Lil: A pirate's life Woollard, Elli & Anderson, Laura Ellen (ill) | Pan MacMillan | 2018 | 9781509881529 | Swashbuckle Lil is no ordinary girl. She is in fact a pirate. Join Lil and her trusty parrot Carrot as they look for adventure in four different stories. |
| 11738 | Adventures with grandpa Mastnak, Rosemary | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2010 | 9781921690761 | On opening the door of his grandpa's shed, a young boy is transported into another world. And even better, his grandpa has the time to build and play with all the interesting stuff inside. |
| 40567 | Again Gravett, Emily | MacMillan | 2011 | 9780230745360 | It's nearly Cedric the dragon's bedtime. There's just time for his mum to read him his favourite book. Unfortunately for her, Cedric likes the story so much that he wants to hear it again and again and again, with incendiary consequences. |
| 13779 | Agatha and the dark Pignataro, Anna | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760402075 | Agatha is scared of the dark and George is just making things worse. When Agatha is accidentally locked in a dark room at kindergarten, her body trembles like jelly. |
| 18319 | Albert Yamamoto, Lani | Frances Lincoln | 2005 | 9781845071110 | One rainy day, Albert contemplates life, the universe and everything. The author's creative use of language and simple line drawings capture the nature of change. |
| 4584 | Albert and little Henry Alborough, Jez | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406357509 | Albert is not a little puppy any more, he's now a big dog. But, when his baby brother, Henry, comes along, something very strange happens. Albert begins to feel small. |
| 5417 | Alex and the watermelon boat McKimmie, Chris | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781743310076 | It's been raining and raining. The river has burst its banks and the dam is overflowing. Mum told Alex not to go outside. But, just then, Rabbit hopped out the open window. |
| 9621 | Alexander's outing Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 1998 | 9780140554786 | 'Stay close, take care', quacked Alexander's mother. But, Alexander is a wayward duckling. He straggles behind and disappears down a deep, dark hole. |

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| 22389 | Alfie and the birthday surprise Hughes, Shirley | Red Fox | 2009 | 9781862307872 | Alfie's neighbour, Mr McNally, needs cheering up because his beloved cat has died. Birthday parties always make people happy so Alfie thinks a party just might help. And, there's an extra-special surprise for Mr McNally. |
| 855837 | Alfie the brave Harris, Richard & Howe, Simon (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2022 | 9781761041358 | Alfie was a fine-looking dog. His coat was sleek and shiny like an otter. His muscles stood out under his skin. He was the son of champions. But Alfie didn't feel like a champion. Alfie was scared of ... everything! Could Alfie ever be bold and brave like other dogs? |
| 7510 | Alice & Anatole Childs, Sam | Simon & Schuster | 2007 | 9781416904847 | Shy, lonely Alice meets a real friend, an anteater named Anatole. After some trials and tribulations, the friendship grows and endures. |
| 587129 | Alice's magic garden Herz, Henry & Hoopes, Natalie (ill) | Familius | 2018 | 9781641700320 | From the relentless clocks to the beastly students, Alice's world is void of colour and cheer--until she finds a secret garden and begins tending its wilting inhabitants. When Alice's love touches an ordinary caterpillar, a lorry bird, and a white rabbit, magical things will happen--and that, as you know, is just the beginning of the story. Filled with literary allusions and clever nods to its classic roots, Alice's Magic Garden is a delightful prequel that begs an escape to the whimsy of Wonderland. |
| | All about Australia series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 1209767 | All about the brain Dabscheck, Dr. Gabriel & Siew, Kim (ill) | Berbay Publishing | 2024 | 9781922610768 | All About the Brain answers curious kids' questions about the brain. Want to know why the brain is the boss of your body? Read this book. Want to know which creatures have the biggest or smallest brains? Read this book. |
| 24809 | All I want for Christmas is rain Brooke, Cori & Forward, Megan (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2016 | 9781925059717 | Christmas celebrations are threatened as drought takes hold. A little girl has only one Christmas wish. |
| 903349 | All in a day Takeuchi, Chihiro | Berbay Publishing | 2022 | 9781922610539 | Learning to read time has never been so much fun! Follow the comings and goings of everyone who lives and works in the same building and enjoy the interactive search-and-find as we see what they are up to throughout different times of the day. |
| 660591 | All of the factors of why I love tractors Bell, Davina & Lovlie, Jenny (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2019 | 9781760501457 | Frankie McGee is visiting the library and that means more books about tractors. Mum does not think she can read any more books about tractors. She tries her best to convince Frankie that there are plenty of other things to read about, however Frankie has a much longer list covering all the ways he loves tractors. |

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| 590943 | All the ways to be smart Bell, Davina & Colpoys, Allison (ill) | Scribe Publications | 2018 | 9781925713435 | Smart is not just ticks and crosses, smart is building boats from boxes, painting patterns, wheeling wagons, being mermaids, riding dragons. And nobody will ever do the very same smart things as you. |
| 877883 | All the words I need to know Godwin, Jane & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Penguin | 2022 | 9781760897277 | This book promises all the words you need to know, but it shows you that that language building is a life long and fun challenge. Explore the exciting and playful illustrations and enjoy reading some of the first words you already know or learn along the way. |
| 54640 | All through the year Godwin, Jane & Walker, Anna (ill) | Viking Children's | 2010 | 9780670073993 | Month by month, we are taken on a journey through the Australian seasons as well as this girl's loves and family traditions. It's everything that's fun about being a child, all year round. |
| 125602 | Allegro: a magical journey through 11 musical masterpieces Miles, David & Barghigiani, Anita (ill) | Familius | 2018 | 9781641700382 | Classical music comes to life like never before in this magical journey through 11 timeless compositions. Meet Allegro, an ordinary boy who can't stand practicing the piano. Those black dots on the page drive him crazy - until the music itself whisks him away on a breathtaking journey. |
| 1209898 | Allen the alien Ward, Stephanie & Morton, Aleck (ill) | Riveted Press | 2024 | 9780648492511 | Allen and his pet Byte are Earth's newest visitors. The Earthlings seem very friendly to Allen - in fact, they run and scream whenever they see him! Thankfully, Allen has brought some of his favourite alien toys along, so that he can play with the Earthlings. They're sure to love his supersonic horn and his x-ray laser. Although Allen is having a lot of fun playing, he doesn't seem to understand that the Earthlings aren't quite ready to host a guest like him. This story is a hilarious and thought-provoking tale about how we treat those who are different. |
| 660324 | Allergic alpaca Thomas, Kiah & Brecon, Connah (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2019 | 9781760503437 | The start of the alphabet is a wonderful place to live... unless you're allergic to apples. After an accidental tumble through the alphabet, Alpaca must find her way back home to her friends, Ape, Alligator, Albatross, Anteater and Aardvark. But the longer Alpaca is away from home, the better she feels her spots disappear, her nose stops running and she has a clear head for the first time ever. Perhaps the start of the alphabet, with all its apples, isn't the best place for an alpaca after all. |

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| 5699 | Alma and how she got her name Martinez-Neal, Juana | Candlewick Press | 2018 | 9780763693558 | What is in a name? For one little girl, her very long name tells the vibrant story of where she came from and who she may one day be. If you ask her, Alma Sofia Esperanza Jose Pura Candela has way too many names. How did such a small person wind up with such a large name? Alma turns to Daddy for an answer and learns of Sofia, the grandmother who loved books and flowers. Esperanza, the great grandmother who longed to travel. Jose, the grandfather who was an artist and other namesakes, too. As she hears the story of her name, Alma starts to think it might be a perfect fit after all and realises that she will one day have her own story to tell. |
| 1213468 | Almost a fish Negri, Julianne & Barrow, Evie (ill) | Little Book Press | 2024 | 9781923141018 | Audrey may look a little different from the other creatures in the river, but that doesn't stop this curious and lovable amphibian from embarking on a quest to find out just who she is. |
| 903256 | Along came Henry Larson, Bev & Gundrum, MaryBeth & Lodge, Annette (ill) | InHouse Publishing | 2013 | 9780992333607 | The story of how Bev regained the song in her heart when she met her guide dog Henry. |
| 1334217 | Alpacas in space Cosgrove, Matt | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761648373 | Join the countdown as intrepid astronauts, Macca the Alpaca and his best pal, Al, blast off into outer space. It's an epic, cosmic adventure where anything is possible because ... they're using their imaginations! |
| 43540 | Alpha monsters Kennett, Chris | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781741697612 | Journey through an amazing world of alphabet monsters to help A find his lost teddy. |
| 15293 | Alpha quest Parish, Steve | Steve Parish Publishing Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9781740214216 | An alphabet book about animals, to be shared. Beautifully illustrated with photographic collages. |
| 7447 | Alphabet Town Evans, Bryan & Moon, Kimberly | New Frontier Publishing | 2012 | 9781921928277 | Poor Zero. Nobody took any notice of her because she didn't amount to anything. Then she met Spot the Dot. Together they discover Alphabet Town and learned that curiosity and imagination could change everything for the better. |
| 18331 | Alphabet wings Kresner, Ilana M | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780734407603 | A trip around the world finds an interesting landmark representing every letter of the alphabet. |
| 13118 | Alphabetical Sydney Bell, Hilary & Presenti, Antonia (ill) | NewSouth Publishing | 2013 | 9781742233703 | This is Sydney, the brightest and best of it, from the north to the south to the east and the west of it. Bats and cicadas, lawn bowls and the zoo. Let us share it with you. |
| 114106 | Always Pignataro, Anna | Scholastic Australia | 2006 | 9781865044200 | Oli's mamma explains how much she loves him in a way that he will understand. Her love is as magic as a starry night and more. |

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| 995888 | Amazing Dad Brown, Alison | Farshore | 2023 | 9780008555474 | A cute and fun story about dads. Told from the child's perspective about their dad, this book uses each page to show a different type of dad. The book culminates in: no matter what kind of dad you have, there's always a perfect dad - which one is it? Can you guess who it is? |
| 4796 | Amazing monster detectoscope, The Base, Graeme | Penguin Random House Australia | 2017 | 9780670079308 | When our young canine hero buys his very own Amazing Monster Detectoscope he discovers his house is infested with more monsters than he bargained for - until he finds the courage to confront them. |
| 923440 | Amazing mum Brown, Alison | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9780008555467 | Amazing mums are all around. Some mums juggle, some mums snuggle. Some mums fuss and some drive a bus! But there's just one mum who gives the best hugs. Can you guess who it is? |
| 4481 | Ambulance, ambulance Sutton, Sally & Lovelock, Brian (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781925126303 | Bleep, bleep. Emergency! News just through: crash, crash, there's been a crash. Let's go, crew! |
| 1439368 | Amelia Cheeseheart investigates: Mummy mayhem! Weldon, Cat & Lonergan, Nene (ill) | Oxford University Press | 2025 | 9781916558359 | Every evening after the museum closes, Amelia Cheeseheart and her best friend Webster go exploring. But what's this? Special objects are being stolen from the museum's Ancient Egyptian Room! Cleo the Cat Mummy is up to something... It's time for Amelia Cheeseheart to investigate! |
| 12040 | Amelia Ellicott's garden Stafford, Liliana & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Margaret Hamilton | 2000 | 9781876289331 | Amelia Ellicott lives with her cat, Mustafah, in a fine, old house next to a block of flats. She is proud of her garden and her chickens. She has no one to share them with until one day a storm destroys it all and she finds the meaning of friendship. |
| 1209962 | Amigo the Capybara Freund, Amy & Chooky, Kooky (ill) | Five Mile Press | 2024 | 9781923091771 | Amigo the capybara loves to party! But his neighbour, Mila the chinchilla, definitely does not. Will his biggest performance yet be enough to win her over? |
| 774439 | Amira's Suitcase Conley, Vikki & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2021 | 9781922326133 | Amira finds a friend, a sapling -- something to care for and watch grow. She looks after it by providing it water and sunlight. In caring for her new friend, she finds other friends along the way. Others that will help and share in her kindness, hope and friendship. |
| 514 | Amy and Louis Gleeson, Libby & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2006 | 9781865049359 | Amy and Louis are best friends who call Cooee across the play area to each other. When Amy's family moves across the world, Louis wonders whether she will still hear his call. |
| 923446 | Anchored Tidball, Debra & Li, Arielle (ill) | EK Books | 2023 | 9781922539496 | Ship heads out to sea leaving Tug behind in port. Despite being oceans apart, they remain connected by love. This warm hug of a story will offer comfort to anyone who's ever felt a little lonely or uncertain. |

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| 14592 | And then Alborozo | Child's Play International Ltd | 2016 | 9781846436956 | It's hard being an older sister when everybody is admiring your newly born, younger brother. It's particularly hard when it's happening on your birthday, especially when that younger brother is noisy, smelly and slimy, just like a tiny squid. |
| 15295 | Angelina at the fair Holabird, Katharine & Craig, Helen (ill) | Puffin UK | 2001 | 9780140568639 | Angelina wants to go to the fair but she has to take her little cousin, Henry. The day is filled with adventures and surprises. |
| 15296 | Angelina ballerina Holabird, Katharine & Craig, Helen (ill) | ABC Books | 2003 | 9780733312618 | Angelina wants to be a dancer. Her parents buy her a tutu and a pair of ballet slippers and she works very hard to become the best dancer she can be. |
| 12266 | Angelina ballerina's invitation to the ballet Holabird, Katharine | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2003 | 9780670913329 | Imagine Angelina's delight when she wins two tickets to the gala performance of Cindermouse. Her excitement turns to disappointment as friend after friend has received an invitation to something else that day. Envelopes open to reveal letters. |
| 15297 | Angelina's ballet class Holabird, Katharine & Kanner, Catherine (ill) | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2001 | 9780140569117 | Angelina loves to dance. Every week, she goes to Miss Lily's ballet class to learn some new steps. |
| 507 | Angelina's halloween Holabird, Katharine & Craig, Helen (ill) | Puffin UK | 2002 | 9780140568707 | Angelina and Alice are into Halloween and make firefly costumes. They have an adventurous time. |
| 15298 | Angelina, star of the show Holabird, Katharine & Craig, Helen (ill) | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2004 | 9780140569759 | Angelina is thrilled to be travelling to the Mouseland Dance Festival on her grandparent's canal boat. She wants to practise her new dance all the way there so that she can be the star of the show but her grandparents need all hands on deck. |
| 12220 | Angry Arthur Oram, Hiawyn & Kitamura, Satoshi | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1993 | 9780099196617 | A boy called Arthur wanted to stay up and watch television but his mother wouldn't let him. Arthur decided to get angry, very, very angry. All the stages of a tantrum are captured in this picture book as Arthur wreaks havoc, causing lightning to strike and wind to blow. |
| 580945 | Angry cookie Dockrill, Laura & Karipidou, Maria (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406383089 | Cookie has woken up on the wrong side of the bed and is very angry. You want to know why? Well, you'd have to keep reading to find out, but now Cookie's calling you annoying and telling you to mind your own business. If by chance you do stick around, you might hear about a certain roommate's terrible musical skills, why you should never let your barber try out a "new look," how it's impossible to find a hat that fits a cookie, and why an ice-cream parlor that's out of your favorite treat can be a source of desolation. Then there's the matter of a hungry bird who tries to snack on you... Propelled by quirky humor and woes that every young child can relate to, Angry Cookie suggests that sometimes the best way to cheer up a grumpy lump is simply by being there -- and lending your ears. |

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| | Animal babies series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 588194 | Animalphabet Donaldson, Julia & King-Chai, Sharon (ill) | Pan MacMillan | 2018 | 9781509801633 | With eye-catching artwork and an exotic array of animals to marvel over, this is a gorgeous book to treasure - can you guess who has more legs than a butterfly? And who is wrinklier than a hedgehog? |
| 15193 | Animals of Farmer Jones, The Scarry, Richard | Golden Books Publishing | 2004 | 9780375827181 | It's suppertime on the farm and all the animals are hungry. But, Farmer Jones is nowhere to be found. |
| 37720 | Annabel's dance Jackson Hill, Diane & Bury, Lois (ill) | Wombat Books | 2016 | 9781925139358 | Annabel is no ordinary sheep. She's wiggly and jiggly, loud noises hurt her ears and, no matter how hard she tries, she just can't fit in with the mob. And, she definitely does not want to be shorn. Until one day, her super sensitive style brings her unexpected attention. |
| 14992 | Annie Rose is my little sister Hughes, Shirley | Red Fox | 2003 | 9780099408567 | Annie Rose is a typical baby sister. Her big brother, Alfie, tells us all about Annie Rose. His love shines through even when Annie Rose is very annoying. |
| 5641 | Annie to the rescue Niland, Deborah | Penguin | 2007 | 9780670070817 | Annie is very brave so when Callisto becomes stuck in a tree Annie attempts to rescue her but ends up needing to be rescued herself. |
| 18320 | Annie's chair Niland, Deborah | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2005 | 9780670042494 | Annie doesn't allow anyone else to sit in her chair. When Benny curls up on the chair and refuses to move, Annie faces a dilemma. |
| 7293 | Anno's counting book Anno, Mitsumasa | HarperTrophy | 1977 | 9780064431231 | Counting through the seasons with beautiful, double-page illustrations. A perfect book to share. |
| 7119 | Anno's magic seeds Anno, Mitsumasa | PaperStar books (Penguin Putnam) | 1999 | 9780698116184 | A gift from a wizard makes Jack's fortune grow and grow by ones, twos, threes and more. An enchanting counting book with a moral. |
| 623309 | Another book about bears Bunting, Laura & Philip, Bunting (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742991931 | Bears are tired. Sick and tired. And just when they are in the middle of something really good like sleeping, snoozing or napping, too many storybooks mean they have to stop what they are doing, that is, sleeping, and get up and be part of a story. Every story. Well, the bears have had enough. They are going on strike. This hilarious book looks at some alternatives for all the parts bears play in stories. But what sort of animal could be... just right? |
| 6439 | Another important book Wise Brown, Margaret & Raschka, Chris | HarperCollins Australia | 1999 | 9780064437851 | All the things that children can do, as they grow and learn between the ages of one to six, are celebrated in poetry. |

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| 1936 | Ant and the big bad bully goat, The Fusek Peters, Andrew & Wadham, Anna (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2007 | 9781846430794 | When Bully Goat takes over Badger's house, Badger needs help to move him out. He asks his biggest and bravest friends for help but they all make excuses. Finally, help arrives from an unexpected quarter and Badger realises that size isn't everything. |
| 601786 | Anzac billy, The Saxby, Claire & Jackson, Mark & Potter, Heather (ill) | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781925126815 | I'm filling our Anzac billy. It's full of Dad's favourite things. A billy cannot be posted, delivered on a bike or sent in a car, truck or train. It has to be loaded on a ship with all those Anzac billies for all the soldiers. |
| 59878 | Anzac biscuits Cummings, Phil & Swan, Owen (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781742833460 | A young father is away at war, his wife and daughter waiting at home, sometimes making Anzac biscuits. Life at war is grey and cold, but opening the tin of biscuits from home brings comfort. |
| 1089022 | Apart, together Booth Sweeny, Linda & Rutland, Ariel (ill) | HarperCollins US | 2024 | 9780063264618 | Apart, blue is blue and yellow is yellow but together they make green! Bold, playful art and a simple, poetic text bring to life the magic of everyday transformations. |
| 22012 | Apollo Winch, Gordon & Pym, Stephen (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2012 | 9781921928284 | Apollo the Powerful Owl decides to change his diet, but when he does his tummy growls and grumbles and rumbles and tumbles, and he feels sick and weak. Wilfred the Wise Old Owl gives him some sensible advice. |
| 1209689 | Apples Not Orples Stephens, R. A. & Dougherty, Carmen (ill) | Wombat Books | 2024 | 9781761111693 | Two apples plus three oranges. Does that make five orples? NO! It's still two apples and three oranges. Join the band of animals for a counting and adding challenge. But don't get too mixed up! Ever wondered why you can't add things up that aren't the same? Because apples and oranges can't make orples! In this quirky counting book, readers will engage with all the different ways you can go WRONG in adding like terms |
| 5114 | Applesauce and the Christmas miracle Millard, Glenda & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | ABC Books | 2008 | 9780733322495 | Applesauce, the pig, learns the true meaning of Christmas coming from the heart. The Shepherd family from up the road and all the aunts bearing gifts arrive at the shed dwelling of Joe and Marigold, who have lost their home in a bushfire. This story parallels the biblical story of the first Christmas. |

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| 653190 | Arabella and the magic pencil Ward, Stephanie & Hyde, Shaney (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925820010 | Arabella is a beloved only child who has everything a little girl could want. That is, until her brother, Avery, the master of mayhem, comes along. While she certainly loves him, she finds that it's sometimes very hard to like him. So she spends her days creating marvellous, magnificent things with her magic pencil, and trying to ignore him. But when he spoils her perfectly proper tea party, she decides drastic action is required and she erases him from her life. Oops! But things aren't the same without him... can she get him back? |
| 846257 | Arabella's alphabet adventure Zail, Suzy & Nielsen, Christopher (ill) | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760652425 | Not so long ago, in a town not far away, on a shelf marked ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN, sat a book waiting to be read. Arabella's Alphabet Adventure was the most borrowed book in the library but Arabella dreamt of a more exciting life... A timeless story about an alphabet, a daring adventure and a book who learns she is perfect, just the way she is. |
| 12840 | Aranea Wagner, Jenny & Brooks, Ron (ill) | Puffin UK | 1979 | 9780140502749 | Aranea is a patient little spider who leads a determined struggle to reach safety and survive. She continually searches for a haven where she can rebuild her web. |
| 29828 | Archie and the Bear Louise, Zanni & Mackintosh, David (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9781760127510 | Archie has something to say, but no one is listening. So Archie leaves home... and discovers someone else with something to say. And because they both know how that feels, they both listen. This is a quirky story about being who you are (even when you're not). |
| 660631 | Are these Hen's eggs? Booth, Christina | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2020 | 9781760523497 | A charming story of friendship and hope. When a careful hen is counting the days until her eggs hatch. A wild storm comes and Hen must look for her eggs. Her friends help but are these Hen's eggs? |
| 3794 | Are these your glasses? McCormack, Gavin & Cooper, Jennifer (ill) | Padmelon Press | 2016 | 9781876138462 | Sergio is a penguin who lives with his father in a small house by the ocean. At school, he doesn't have many friends, because he is different to the other children. With his father as a guide, he learns some valuable lessons as he grows up. These lessons help him to show great determination and strength as he tries to find true friendship. |
| 20582 | Are we there yet Santat, Dan | Lothian Books | 2016 | 9780316199995 | Let's face it, everyone knows that car rides can be boring. And, when things get boring, time slows down. On a trip to his grandma's house, a young boy feels time slowing down so much that it starts going backwards, into the time of pirates, princesses and dinosaurs. |

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| 568095 | Are you my bottom? Temple, Kate & Temple, Jol & Ghosh, Ronojoy (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760631642 | Something is missing. I'm not sure what. Oh dear; I know it. I've lost my BOT! When I went to sleep, it was definitely here. But today, I wake up and I have NO REAR! Small Panda has lost his bottom. It was there when he went to sleep but now it has disappeared. He searches high and low, and finds stripy bums, pink butts, feathery derrieres. 'Are you my bottom?' he asks, but none of these bottoms are his. Finally, he spots a furry bum which just has to be his - but the answer is surprising! |
| 12193 | Are you my mother Eastman, P D | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1982 | 9780001713222 | A very simple story about a baby bird's search for his mother. He asks everyone and everything he meets the same question. |
| 1209927 | Are you small? Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760659899 | Are you small? A hamster is small. A baby tooth is small. A cookie crumb is small. Are you small? Zoom in on the smallest things in the universe to explore one of life's most elemental questions. |
| 1473422 | Are you the Easter bunny? Janeen, Brian & Gifford, Lucinda (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2026 | 9781460765494 | Out in the scrub full of Australian flowers seeds and grub is a little creature who says he helps the land by burrows that he dug. Is it the Easter Bunny? |
| 644943 | Argh! There's a skeleton inside you Ben-Barak, Idan & Frost, Julian (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760631635 | Quog and Oort are on their way to Kevin's birthday party. Unfortunately, their spaceship has crashed. Pick up this book to lend them a hand! |
| 75901 | Argus Knudsen, Michelle & Wesson, Andrea (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406331370 | Sally's class is doing a science project. When Mrs Henshaw hands out the eggs for hatching, Sally knows that hers looks different. When the egg cracks, something green and scaly with big yellow eyes emerges. Argus isn't like the other chicks. |
| 1423337 | Ariana Treasure: The lost frog Rose-Ahern, Jacqueline de & Erasmus, Karen (ill) | Wombat Books | 2025 | 9781761111860 | When a mischevious frog appears in the Treasure Chest, it begins causing havoc. Ariana enlists the advice of her classmate, Hugo, until they find its owner. Can Ariana, her friends and the treasures from the thrift shop help them get the lost frog home? |
| 1423336 | Ariana Treasure: The lucky shoes Rose-Ahern, Jacqueline de & Erasmus, Karen (ill) | Wombat Books | 2025 | 9781761111846 | Ariana is excited about the talent show at school. She can't wait to see her friends perform, especially Maya. But Maya doesn't believe she has special talent. Can Ariana and the treasures from the thrift shop help her friend discover her unique talent before show day? |
| 1333139 | Ariana Treasure: The missing book Rose-Ahern, Jacqueline de & Erasmus, Karen (ill) | Wombat Books | 2025 | 9781761111808 | Ariana is excited to hear there is a new kid in town. She can't wait to show him around the Treasure Chest. Can Ariana use the treasures from the thrift shop to help make a new friend and find her missing book? |
| 1423334 | Ariana Treasure: The secret ingredient Rose-Ahern, Jacqueline de & Erasmus, Karen (ill) | Wombat Books | 2025 | 9781761111822 | Ariana is excited about the food truck competition. Her friends Hunter and Jake are confident their family will win the big prize. All they need is a standout dish. Can they find some inspiration at the Treasure Chest? |

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| 2613 | Around the house the fox chased the mouse Walton, Rick & Bradshaw, Jim (ill) | Gibbs Smith, Publisher | 2006 | 9781423600060 | The fox is after the mouse. The mouse is running for its life - around and through and under and all over the place. Suspenseful story with a happy ending. |
| 5533 | Art Garden, The Harrison, Penny & Pratley, Penelope | EK Books | 2017 | 9781925335590 | Sadie wants to be a painter, just like her best friend Tom. She loves playing with colour and finding patterns in unusual places. But whenever Sadie picks up a paint brush she makes a big mess. It is not until Sadie takes a look at the things from a different perspective that she makes a big discovery about herself and her own creativity. |
| 815335 | Art of words, The Vescio, Robert & Bartel, Joanna (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2021 | 9781925820843 | Words are everywhere! Come on this lively adventure to learn more about how they can be shortened, extended, and even switched around. Meet ugly words, colourful words, and words that just need a friend. |
| 4283 | Arthur and the curiosity Gifford, Lucinda | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760068387 | Arthur and his friends are on a class visit to the local museum. While his friends dash about, Arthur takes time to inspect all the interesting things around him. One of those interesting things is a glass case housing a strange looking creature known as The Curiosity. As Arthur walks around the Museum, he is being followed. |
| 15733 | Arthur and the true Francine Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1996 | 9780316109499 | Francine and Muffy are good friends until Muffy lets Francine take the blame for cheating on a test. |
| 12257 | Arthur babysits Brown, Marc | Scholastic Australia | 1998 | 9781863888783 | Arthur is tricked by his sister into babysitting for the notorious Tibble twins. After a shaky beginning, Arthur uses one of his sister's check-up calls to turn the tables and take charge. Cartoon illustrations full of amusing details. |
| 15734 | Arthur goes to camp Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1984 | 9780316110587 | With a cabin full of frogs, Arthur can't wait to leave summer camp. He runs away during the big scavenger hunt. But his friend's need Arthur's help to win against a rival camp. Where did Arthur go? |
| 12256 | Arthur lost and found Brown, Marc | Scholastic Australia | 2001 | 9780316108249 | Arthur and Buster take the bus for the first time to go to Arthur's swimming lesson. During the ride, they are so busy talking, reading and sleeping that they miss their stop and find themselves on the other side of town. |
| 116209 | Arthur meets the president Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1991 | 9780439227643 | Arthur's essay wins a contest and he has to read it to the President in a special ceremony at the White House. |
| 587736 | Arthur tells a story Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 2005 | 9780316733960 | D.W. is bored and wants Arthur to entertain her, but Arthur would rather do something else. He gives her excuses that lead to the top of a volcano, through the jungle, across the ocean, and to the White House, making it Arthur's best story ever! |

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| 587737 | Arthur turns green Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 2011 | 9780316129244 | Arthur comes home from school and begins sneaking around the house, taking notes and talking about a Big Green Machine. D.W. is suspicious of her brother's weird behavior, but when Arthur shows up late for dinner with green hands, she really gets the creeps! But it turns house Arthur is making a poster listing all the ways to save energy at home--and go green! |
| 12009 | Arthur writes a story Brown, Marc | Scholastic Australia | 2000 | 9781863888837 | Arthur wonders what he will write when Mr Ratburn gives a creative writing assignment to the class. He decides he needs to have some new angles. With each new angle, Arthur's story takes one more hilarious step away from his original idea. |
| 47013 | Arthur's April Fool Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1982 | 9780316111812 | This is a read along and fun filled package. Millions of fans agree: Arthur's hilarious adventures speak right to the heart of children everywhere. |
| 11331 | Arthur's baby Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1990 | 9780316110075 | He's been on the scene in your stores and selling in big numbers for almost twenty-five years: Arthur, the bestselling aardvark. Now his Emmy award-winning, number-one rated children's TV show, Arthur, has catapulted his book sales to new heights. Arthur has sold in the past, continues to sell in record numbers in the present, and Now Little, Brown offers a fantastic promotion to make sure Arthur and D.W. will be star performers this fall and always. The promotion features an eye-catching display, extensive print and television advertising, and lots of prizes for booksellers and customers, too. |
| 116220 | Arthur's birthday Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1991 | 9780316110747 | Arthur can't wait to hand out his birthday party invitations. But it turns out Muffy is having her party on the exact same day! All of his friends are split between the two parties, so Arthur and Francine hatch a clever scheme to make sure Arthur and Muffy have the best birthdays yet! |
| 587733 | Arthur's Chicken Pox: an Arthur adventure Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1996 | 9780316110501 | Just when Arthur is looking forward to going to the circus, he comes down with the chicken pox. D.W. teases him about his spots, but she is actually jealous of all the extra attention Arthur is getting. Finally, on the day of the circus, Arthur is well enough to go, but D.W. wakes up with the spots she so badly wanted. |
| 119962 | Arthur's Christmas Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1984 | 9780316111805 | Christmas is only days away and Arthur can't find the perfect gift to give Santa! Finally, he has an idea and with a little help from his sister, Christmas will be a success! |

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| 75831 | Arthur's computer disaster Brown, Marc | Little, Brown & Co | 1997 | 9780316110167 | Arthur is determined to win on his computer game, Deep, Dark Sea. When Mum asks Arthur not to touch the computer because she needs it for work, the temptation of the game proves too much for him. When the keyboard crashes to the ground and the screen goes dark, Arthur knows he is in deep and dark trouble. |
| 10085 | Arthur's eyes Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1979 | 9780316110693 | None of Arthur's friends wear glasses and his classmates tease him! But when he stops wearing them, he gets in all kinds of trouble. Maybe four eyes really are better than two. |
| 116229 | Arthur's family vacation Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1993 | 9780316113120 | Arthur is unhappy about going on vacation with his family, but he shows them how to make the best of a bad situation when they end up stuck in a motel because of rain. |
| 8628 | Arthur's first sleepover Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1994 | 9780316059565 | D.W. provides excitement to Arthur's campout with his friends by appearing as an alien |
| 116232 | Arthur's new puppy Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1993 | 9780316109215 | Arthur is overjoyed when he brings home his new puppy, Pal. But when Arthur forgets to close Pal's gate, the puppy goes wild! It's a good thing Arthur has some training tricks up his sleeve! |
| 116234 | Arthur's nose Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1986 | 9780316110709 | Unhappy with his nose, Arthur visits the rhinologist to get a new one. |
| 11879 | Arthur's pet business Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1990 | 9780316112628 | Arthur's determination to prove he is responsible enough to have a puppy brings him a menagerie of animals to care for. |
| 9670 | Arthur's teacher trouble Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1989 | 9780316111867 | On the first day of school Arthur discovers he's got the toughest teacher in the third grade! The pressure is on to study hard for the all-school Spellathon. Can Arthur beat last year's champion speller? Or will he let Mr. Ratburn d-o-w-n? |
| 587735 | Arthur's Thanksgiving Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1984 | 9780316112321 | Arthur has been picked to direct his school's Thanksgiving play -- and cast the roles. But all his friends want to be star, and no one wants to play the Turkey! What will Arthur do? |
| 15751 | Arthur's tooth Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1985 | 9780316112468 | Arthur's whole class has started losing their teeth-but not Arthur. His loose tooth wiggles but won't come out. Everyone seems to think they have the best solution. But none of their ideas work! Will he be stuck with his tooth forever? |

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| 100666 | Arthur's TV trouble Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 2009 | 9780316110471 | When Arthur sees the advertisement for the amazing doggy Treat Timer, he knows it's the perfect gift for Pal. He sets out to earn the money to buy it, daydreaming of riches and of Pal's reaction when he sees the Treat Timer for the first time. Everything seems to be working out, too -- until a big gust of wind nearly blows Arthur's dreams of luxury away! |
| 13584 | Arthur's underwear Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1999 | 9780316106191 | Arthur is having nightmares about showing up to school in his underwear! So he tries all sorts of tricks to stay awake. If he stops sleeping, the bad dreams will stop too... right? |
| 587734 | Arthur's valentine Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 1980 | 9780316111874 | It's almost Valentine's Day, and Arthur can't crack the case on who his secret admirer is. Could it be Fern, or maybe even Sue Ellen? Or is it just Buster playing pranks? Will Arthur solve the mystery, or will he be left holding a broken heart? |
| 587738 | Arthur, it's only rock'n'roll Brown, Marc | Little, Brown Books for Young Readers | 2002 | 9780316118545 | Based on the primetime PBS television special coming this fall, this tie-in book finds Arthur yearning to join a rock band started by Francine. But Arthur doesn't make it through the auditions and Francine chooses Molly, Binky, Fern, and Mrs. MacGrady instead. Then the Backstreet Boys come to Elwood City and change "everything!." Full color. |
| 750944 | Artist, The Binks, Alison | Berbay Publishing | 2020 | 9780648397380 | "The Artist likes to paint one picture before breakfast. When the world is quiet." This story is a celebration of childhood freedom, creativity, and nature. It encourages readers to embrace their inner artist and see the details of their environment. This is such a respectful way to honour children's interest in their artwork and to validate the time they devote to developing their skills. |
| 4177 | As big as you Acton, Sara | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743629697 | Claude is a large elephant. Finlay is a small one. Claude can trumpet so loudly, the earth shakes. Finlay can only squeak and spurt tiny fountains with his trunk. He wants to be as big as Claude. |
| 1019888 | As bright as a rainbow Ash, Romy & Jaryn, Blue | Working Title Press | 2024 | 9781922033062 | There are so many ways to be yourself, and this book explores all of them. |
| 5375 | Ash dresses her friends Wenzheng, Fu | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594027 | Ash is feeling lonely. She wishes she had someone to play with. Then a sad elephant comes along and Ash has an idea that will cheer him up. Soon she is sharing her idea with lots of animals in the forest. A warm-hearted story about sharing with others. |
| 20732 | Astonishing animal ABC Fuge, Charles | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2011 | 9781862338111 | Meet all sorts of animals through the alphabet. There's arty aardvark, putraged owl, snoozy sloth and many, many more. |

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| 4518 | At my family table dos Santos, Mandy & Ho, Kancy (ill) | Little People Nutrition | 2017 | 9780648100003 | We come to the family table, to eat, to talk, to share. We come to the family table, to enjoy delicious fare. Who is at your table? |
| 1209847 | At the Bach Cowley, Joy & Tapper, Hilary Jean | Gecko Press | 2024 | 9798765670248 | A beautifully poetic portrait that captures the sights, smells, and movements of a day at the Bach. |
| 12178 | At the seaside Church, Diane | Watts | 2000 | 9780749636951 | Christopher, a child with Down syndrome, tackles everyday life. Christopher and his friend, Lauren, are spending the day at the seaside, enjoying the sun and getting into mischief. |
| 15194 | At the vet Lamb, Ann | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9780734407313 | An eventful trip to the vet turns out to be lots of fun, especially if you like baby kittens. |
| 40643 | Aunties three, The Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781741697919 | Pack up your games, dismantle your toys, practise your manners and muffle your noise. Watch the mayhem unfold as three, bold aunts enter the house of three, unruly children who try their very best to welcome the guests for tea. |
| 750992 | Aunty's wedding Tapsell, Miranda & Tyler, Joshua & Fry, Samantha (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2020 | 9781760524838 | Everyone on the island is getting ready for Aunty's wedding. Maningawu puts on her best hat and I can wear a wurrijinga in my hair. Lucky! We all dress up, but I still don't understand. Why do people have a wedding? |
| 1409645 | Aussie Christmas mix up, The Hosking, Jackie & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781761600333 | Santa has checked his list not once but twice and put the gifts in his bag. If only he was as careful when he was attaching all the tags! It's an Aussie Christmas mix-up... with presents and confusion galore. Luckily the always helpful crew of Aussie animals are about to save the day... |
| 784967 | Aussie Easter hat parade Buchanan, Colin & Williams, Simon | Scholastic Australia | 2023 | 9781761293054 | Hey! Ho! What a show! Look at what we've made! As we go marching round and round. In the Easter Hat Parade! Join the Aussie animals as they create amazing hats for their very first Easter parade. |
| 917817 | Australia from dawn to dusk Brentos | Affirm Press | 2022 | 9781922806321 | Wake up with kookaburras on Arakwal Country (Byron Bay), bask with wombats on wulinantikala (Cradle Mountain), watch black and red cockatoos flying over Anangu Country, scratch the Daintree Rainforest floor with cassowaries on Kuku Yalanji Country, and go to sleep as quokkas wake up on Whadjuk Noongar Country (Rottnest Island). |
| 4437 | Ava's spectacular spectacles Rex, Alice & Perrini, Angela (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2017 | 9781925059984 | Ava hates wearing her new glasses. But what if Little Red Riding Hood had just put on a pair of glasses? Or Little Bo-Peep? Or poor old Humpty Dumpty? Maybe Ava will see how spectacular her spectacles are after all. |
| 12161 | Avocado baby Burningham, John | Red Fox | 2000 | 9780099200611 | The Hargraves baby is born into a very weak family but grows super strong, once its mother begins feeding it mashed avocado. |
| 12195 | Axminster the carpet snake Edwards, Hazel & Wilson, Rosemary (ill) | Penguin | 1994 | 9780140541243 | A loveable pet snake at Axminster School goes missing in this sequel to the story of Stickybeak, the school pet duck with attitude. |

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| 47411 | Ayu and the perfect moon Cox, David | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781921720222 | In Bali, an old woman, Ayu, tells a story to three little girls. When she was a young girl, Ayu moved her feet as she performed the traditional Balinese dance, the Legong, as the full moon rose over the palms. |
| 638755 | Baa baa blue sheep Wilson, Tony & Wood, Laura (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760666446 | Baa baa blue sheep, have you any wool? Yes, sir, yes sir, nine bags full! The master and dame want ALL the wool! Blue! Orange! Green! Red! But can the little boy who lives down the lane convince them to share? |
| 1098751 | Baboon in a balloon Guest, Patrick & Abey, Katie (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781761204975 | Baboon in a balloon, its a wonderful day. Up through the clouds, up, up and away. |
| 12307 | Babs the baby and Fog the dog Wild, Margaret | Working Title Press | 2003 | 9781876288372 | Every day, mum, Babs the baby and Fog the dog go for a walk. One day, Fog the dog sits on his bottom and won't move. The others don't know what to do. |
| 12398 | Baby Cox, Tania & James, Ann (ill) | Working Title Press | 2001 | 9781876288112 | One day, baby elephant will be big and strong but for now she has much to learn from her loving family. |
| 21746 | Baby animal book, The Cossins, Jennifer | Hachette Children's Books | 2017 | 9780734418159 | What do you call a baby penguin? Or a baby owl? Or a baby platypus? Come along on an illustrated journey through the animal kingdom with Tasmanian artist Jennifer Cossins and find out! A CBCA Notable book. |
| 3995 | Baby band Jackson Hill, Diane & Poli, Giuseppe (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2017 | 9781925059779 | On a normal day, a baby creates mayhem in an apartment block. Look how he transforms an apartment block into a vibrant community. |
| 18141 | Baby bear goes camping Broekstra, Lorette | Lothian Books | 2001 | 9780734401793 | Baby Bear goes on his first camping trip with his parents. He enjoys himself during the day and makes some new animal friends, but he is scared when night falls. Some discoveries lead him to have his best sleep ever. |
| 17097 | Baby bear goes to the park Broekstra, Lorette | Lothian Books | 2003 | 9780734404626 | Papa Bear takes Baby Bear to the park where he feeds the ducks, flies a kite and meets a helpful caterpillar when his kite gets caught in a tree. When Baby Bear next returns to the park to play, it is a very windy day. So windy that Baby Bear flies way up in the air over the whole town hanging onto his kite. |
| 75722 | Baby bear goes to the zoo Broekstra, Lorette | Lothian Books | 1999 | 9780734400260 | Mother and Baby Bear go to the zoo where Baby Bear follows a pretty butterfly and loses his mother. He keeps hearing someone calling 'Baby Bear, Baby Bear' and follows the sound, thinking it is his mother who is calling him. |
| 725 | Baby bilby, where do you sleep Oliver, Narelle | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2001 | 9780734402301 | Take a peek through the peepholes in this rhyming book and discover the secret hiding places of baby bilby and other Australian desert creatures. |
| 52270 | Baby bird's blankie Wild, Margaret & Perkins, Gwyn (ill) | Working Title Press | 2008 | 9781876288877 | Baby bird loves his blankie. He finds it is not only a comfort but also fun to play with, particularly when it's time to go to sleep. |

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| 12308 | Baby Boomsticks Wild, Margaret & Legge David (ill) | ABC Books | 2003 | 9780733307409 | In a teeny-tiny village, a teeny-tiny mum and a teeny-tiny dad have an enormous baby. They call him Baby Boomsticks. Everyone is scared of him so Baby Boomsticks has to play all by himself. |
| 45738 | Baby brains and robomum James, Simon | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406313383 | A very smart baby is born who prefers working on the computer and playing with his chemistry set instead of toys. When Baby Brains invents the ultimate home help, RoboMum, the household is transformed. But, this is a robot to reckon with and the family is in for a big surprise. |
| 86932 | Baby brains: the smartest baby in the whole world James, Simon | Walker Books | 2005 | 9781844285228 | This new baby is very smart. He reads the newspaper, mends the car and works as a doctor at the hospital. Everyone wants to meet the extraordinary Baby Brains. |
| 575720 | Baby goes to market Atinuke & Brooksbank, Angela (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406365160 | Market is very crowded. Mama is busy shopping. Baby is busy, too! Can you count all the tasty treats Baby collects and eats along the way? |
| 5571 | Baby in the hat, The: An early romance Ahlberg, Allan & Amstutz, Andre (ill) | Walker Books | 2008 | 9780744581362 | The hero catches a baby, who has fallen from an upstairs window, in his hat. The young hero goes to sea and becomes a famous captain. Many years later, when he walks up the street where he had caught the baby, he looks up and sees a beautiful woman in the same upstairs window. |
| 7919 | Baby tawnies Paulson, Judy | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742755762 | As darkness falls, two tawny frogmouths fly into the forest to find food. Far above the ground, Reggie and Lyla are left alone. But, the little tawnies don't plan to stay in the nest. |
| 8974 | Baby that roared, The Puttock, Simon & Shireen, Nadia (ill) | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2012 | 9780857630186 | Mr and Mrs Deer would love to have a baby. One day, their wish comes true when they find a little bundle on their doorstep. But, the baby keeps on roaring. So, they ask for advice from family and friends, who send them off to fetch what they think the baby needs. But, it's very peculiar because each time Mr and Mrs Deer come back from their errands, someone has gone missing. |
| 12186 | Baby who wouldn't go to bed, The Cooper, Helen | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1997 | 9780552528382 | A little boy won't go to bed. At first, it's fun staying up but gradually the drowsy world nods off all around him. He thinks he is awake alone but someone else is still awake too. |
| 23029 | Baby wombat's week French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2009 | 9780732286958 | Baby wombats sleep. They eat. They get bored. On Wednesday, baby wombat's mother, Mothball, decides they need a bigger hole and the search begins. |

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| 903348 | Back on Country Goodes, Adam & Liang, Ellie & Hardy, David (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2022 | 9781761065088 | Where are we going again? asks Lucy. 'Back on country,' says Mum. 'Where we're going is where your nanna comes from, where we come from. Our Country is special to us. You'll see.' It's Lucy and David's first time back on Country. They meet their cousins and Elders, and see special places, learn local language words and hear stories as old as time. Join them to feel the strength that comes from being back on Country. |
| 567897 | Backyard Braxton-Smith, Ananda & Newcomb, Lizzy (ill) | Black Dog Books | 2018 | 9781925381177 | White gum rustle, tawny frog mouths still as wood, dragonflies swoop. Banjo frog calls the secret - watch the world carefully, your backyard is home to animals other than you! A child stands on her back step at dusk and surveys her backyard. The backyard is teeming with life - birds, possum, native rat, bats, insects and bugs. |
| 660637 | Backyard birds Milroy, Helen | Fremantle Press | 2020 | 9781925816563 | What colourful birds are in our backyards? From laughing kookaburras and prancing mudlarks to dancing willy wagtails and hungry galahs, this picture book is a vibrant adventure discovering the native birds around us. |
| 751185 | Backyard bugs Milroy, Helen | Fremantle Press | 2021 | 9781760990282 | There are lots of bugs in our backyards and sometimes we might forget to have a closer look to see and hear what they are doing. Take a closer look at these backyard bugs. |
| 965924 | Backyard footy Merrison, Carl & Campbell, Samantha (ill) | Lothian Books | 2023 | 9780734421517 | Backyard footy is fun on your own but even more fun with others. As the children kick and hand pass their way between backyards, they pick up more and more players and have more and more fun. |
| 1209789 | Backyard games, The Nicholson, Alister & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781761180927 | The Backyard Games are on today, bring your gear, come over and play. We've recreated the Olympics here in the yard, some events are easy but others are hard. Run like Cathy, cycle like Meares, and don't forget to celebrate with cheers! |
| 1141358 | Backyard tennis Merrison, Carl & Campbell, Samantha (ill) | Lothian Books | 2024 | 9780734421548 | A mum wants to share her love of tennis with her daughter, but they do not have a court. An improvised solution of a washing line strung between two chairs proves a worthy substitute. The picture book explores what happens when friends spy their game and ask to join in. |
| 12301 | Bad buster Laguna, Sofie | Puffin Australia | 2003 | 9780143300335 | Being bad is what Buster does best until his dad thinks of a way to sort him out. |
| 87399 | Bad-tempered ladybird, The Carle, Eric | Puffin Australia | 1976 | 9780140503982 | A bad-tempered ladybird is not prepared to share her meal of aphids with anyone. |
| 587698 | Bailey beats the blah Tyrrell, Karen & Pocock, Aaron (ill) | Digital Future Press | 2018 | 9780987274045 | Bailey hates his new school. His tummy aches. He has no friends. His dog Fuzzy slobbers all over him. BLAH! How can Bailey change his BLAH to HA-HA-HA? |

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| 28672 | Baking with Dad Cacciapuoti, Aurora | Child's Play International Ltd | 2016 | 9781846437540 | Today we are baking a cake with Dad. We have everything we need, including the most important ingredient of all- Dad himself. |
| 3136 | Ball for Daisy, A Raschka, Chris | Random House Children's Books | 2011 | 9780375858611 | If you've ever had one of your favourite toys broken, then you will be able to relate to Daisy's anguish when her favourite ball is destroyed by a bigger dog. Wordless picture book. |
| 751048 | Bandits D'anthes, Sha'an | Lothian Books | 2020 | 9780734419675 | Fern lives in a colourless city and has only ever seen pictures of trees in books. When a pair of bandits arrive and steals from the rubbish Fern decides to follow them back to their home. She discovers friendship and a world full of colours and a future she can believe in. |
| 1888 | Bang Timmers, Leo | Gecko Press | 2013 | 9781877579172 | Crocodiles and giraffes, driving lots of cars, go bang. |
| 1184 | Banjo and Ruby Red Gleeson, Libby & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2013 | 9781921541087 | Banjo is a hard-working farm dog and Ruby Red is a haughty chicken, and they never see eye to eye. Can they ever be friends. |
| 6060 | Banjo bounces back Hume, Lachie | Omnibus Books | 2012 | 9781862918467 | Banjo is a hoofball star. He and his friend, Bella, just love the game. But, when Banjo gets injured, he finds it's easier to stay in bed and play Haystation and suck on molasses. Bella is desperate for Banjo to play hoofball again. |
| 4499 | Barefoot book of children, The Strickland, Tessa & DePalma, Kate & Dean, David (ill) | Barefoot books | 2016 | 9781782852964 | You are a part of the world, and you are a world all your own. |
| 825450 | Bark book, The Mackinlay, Victoria & Harvey, Beth (ill) | ABC Books | 2021 | 9780733341397 | Dog bark. Tree bark. Let's go see bark! Go on a 'barkly' adventure with a mischievous pup. |
| 569131 | Barney Jinks, Catherine & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742996226 | Barney loves cat food. Barney loves greens. Barney loves bacon and biscuits and beans. |
| 18394 | Bartholomew and the bug Layton, Neal | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2004 | 9780340873298 | Bartholomew is a bear up in the mountains who admires the city lights far below. He meets a bug who desperately needs the lights so Bartholomew sets out to take his friend there. |
| 787 | Bath monster Danalis, John | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2001 | 9780733612848 | Bath time is fun until the plug is pulled and the monster comes out. But, monsters can become your friend. |
| 4893 | Bats at the library Lies, Brian | Koala Books | 2009 | 9780864618160 | A window has been left open at the library and this is an irresistible invitation for a colony of bats. Once inside, older bats look for favourite books, while younger ones explore and play. Storytime settles everyone down and transports them into the tales, filled with bat characters playing new roles. |

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| 696521 | Battle, The Kwok, Ashling & King, Cara (ill) | EK Books | 2020 | 9781925820409 | Edward is anxious about starting knight school. It's sure to be terrifying with all those ogres and dragons about. So he puts on his armour and prepares for battle. But ... what if he has more in common with those ogres and dragons than he thought? Will Edward remove his armour to find out? |
| 8880 | Batty Dyer, Sarah | Frances Lincoln | 2011 | 9781847801593 | Batty is trying to find something he is really good at, in his home at the zoo. But hanging upside down means he can't always see the other animals' points of view. |
| 587896 | Baz & Benz McKinnon, Heidi | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760523688 | What do you do when your best friend is...kind of annoying? |
| 35313 | Be a friend Yoon, Salina | Bloomsbury | 2016 | 9781408869093 | Dennis is an ordinary boy who expresses himself in extraordinary ways. When the class does show-and-tell, Dennis does show-and-mime. Some children climb trees. Dennis is happy to be a tree, But, being a mime can be lonely. It isn't until Dennis meets a girl named Joy that he discovers the power of friendship and how special he truly is. |
| 2890 | Be brave, Pink Piglet Cummings, Phil & Davis, Sarah (ill) | Lothian Books | 2015 | 9780734415929 | Early one morning, Pink Piglet leaves his mother's side for the very first time. This timid little pig wants to become a brave explorer. |
| 61854 | Be gentle Miller, Virginia | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406311877 | Bartholomew finds out that his new kitten doesn't enjoy his rough and tumble games quite as much as he does. |
| 6155 | Bea Sharp, Christine | University of Queensland Press | 2013 | 9780702249617 | Bea is a bird of unusual tastes as she likes to bake buns and dance to a disco beat while other birds are content to watch worms wriggle. |
| 1424102 | Beach party Fowler, Mary & McGaughey, Jasmin & James, Cate (ill) | Penguin | 2026 | 9781761356230 | Today, Mary and her friends are going to a birthday party at the beach. She has made a special card and can't wait to share her present. When a cute dog appears and causes mayhem, Mary and her friends need to be creative to save the party and enjoy some cake. |
| 36400 | Bear and a tree, A King, Stephen Michael | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2012 | 9780670075829 | Ren knows that it's almost time for Bear's big sleep, but she needs just one more day with him. One day to explore the winter together, the last of the coloured leaves, the snow as it floats and swirls to the ground, the sun and the moon and the stars. One more day to play and dance and wonder. |
| 12034 | Bear and Chook Shanahan, Lisa & Quay, Emma (ill) | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2002 | 9780733611414 | Adventurous Bear and practical Chook are very different yet they are good friends. They spend a day together, dreaming and acting out what jobs they think they'd like to have when they grow up. |
| 1698 | Bear and Chook by the sea Shanahan, Lisa & Quay, Emma (ill) | Lothian Books | 2009 | 9780734411112 | Bear and Chook are unexpected friends. Bear likes adventure but Chook would much rather have the quiet life. One day, they decide to visit the sea. Chook is worried they will get lost but Bear is confident they will find it just around the pond, under the bridge, through the forest and over the mountain. |

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| 1080153 | Bear and duck are friends deGennaro, Sue | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2023 | 9781761210327 | Bear and Duck are best friends, but they are very different. Duck likes to try new things, and Bear ... well, Bear likes not to. When Duck needs a friend for her dance class, Bear reluctantly agrees. Bear's big size causes problems at first, but he soon discovers that he might just be a very good dancer. |
| 886023 | Bear and the little green thing, The Diandian | Simon & Schuster | 2022 | 9780645069648 | Bear is resting when a seed lands on its back. As the sun rises and the seed grows to a sapling, the bear wakes and listens to the story of the sapling. As he learns more a bond grows between the bear and the little green thing. |
| 12011 | Bear hunt Browne, Anthony | Penguin | 1994 | 9780140553567 | A white bear has a magic pencil which he uses cleverly to draw ways to help him escape from hunters. |
| 751031 | Bear in space Abela, Deborah & Crosby-Fairall, Marjorie (ill) | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781760651510 | Bear is different from the other bears. Bear is fascinated with space and dreams of going into space. None of the other bears share his interest, which makes him feel a little lonely. Until something extraordinary happens. This is a story about finding friendship in the most unusual places. |
| 669531 | Bear was there Garland, Sally Anne | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781925594935 | Love is the first thing Mouse feels snug in his mother's fur. Then along comes Bear! Mouse is frightened, but what if bear is not as scary as he seems..... |
| 15404 | Bear went over the mountain, The Prater, John | Red Fox | 2002 | 9780099439172 | A version of an old song which is ideal for the beginning reader. |
| 5650 | Bear who went boo, The Walliams, David & Ross, Tony (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2015 | 9780008149536 | At the top of the world, surrounded by snow and ice, lives a very cheeky polar bear cub who loves to scare the animals. But, this little bear doesn't always know when to stop. |
| 1209784 | Bear's lost glasses Timmers, Leo | Gecko Press | 2024 | 9781776575947 | While searching for his glasses, Bear spies a number of creatures whom he has never seen before; there is even a spotty snake with a long neck resting on Giraffe's chair! |
| 9629 | Bear's lunch, The Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 1998 | 9780140562415 | When Wendy and Oliver decide to have a picnic in the woods, they are surprised by a great, big, growly bear. See what happens when Oliver and Wendy growl back. |
| 7692 | Bears don't read Chichester Clark, Emma | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2015 | 9780007425198 | George isn't happy doing the usual bear things like chatting and fishing. But, he doesn't know what else there is until, one day, he finds a book beneath a tree. More than anything, he wants to learn to read. But, arriving in town, George soon discovers that it's not easy to be a bear at school. If only he could find someone to teach him the alphabet and change his life forever. |
| 751158 | Bears don't wear shoes Davey, Sharon | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781922326096 | Suzy's family has moved house and everyone is just too busy to play with her. Eager for someone to play with, Suzy decides to advertise. When Bear shows up he seems perfect for the job, until he refuses to wear shoes. Suzy loves shoes. So can Suzy and Bear still be best of friends if Bear absolutely refuses to wear them? |

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| 71789 | Bears' holiday, The Berenstain, Stan & Jan | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1982 | 9780001713307 | The Bear family's vacation at the seashore is frequently punctuated by Papa Bear's urgent warnings to his son about the need for safety and commonsense while at the beach. Luckily, Small Bear is on hand to rescue his father from disaster with each new incident. |
| 846215 | Beatrice was a tree Hesselberth, Joyce | HarperCollins Australia | 2021 | 9780062741264 | Beatrice imagines what it would be like to be a tree. Her branches, leaves, trunk and roots are home and food for so many creatures. She is tall and strong, and with branches perfect for climbing. |
| 23596 | Beautiful colours Raveneau, Tina & Neilson-Kelly, Julie | Black Ink Press | 2010 | 9781863340885 | This book is best the first time you read it. Enjoy the insight of a child in a colourful family. Beautiful, funny and inspiring, with vibrant illustrations. |
| 751143 | Beauty Kendell,, Sandra | Windy Hollow Books | 2019 | 9781922081810 | Mrs Lee lives next door, all alone. She hates our Beauty Leaf Tree. Mrs Lee does not realise how we are connected to each other. The trees, the animals and the whole animal world. We are all connected. 'Beauty' celebrates one girl's discovery of the many relationships in nature that bind and nurture us all. |
| 46267 | Because you are with me Dunstan, Kylie | Lothian Books | 2010 | 9780734411013 | Spend the day with a little girl and her daddy as they discover all the things they can achieve together. Especially if there's help from someone you love. |
| 1209803 | Becoming Bach Leonard, Tom | Roaring Book Press | 2017 | 9781626722866 | For Johann Sebastian there was always music. His family had been musicians, or bachs as they were called in Germany, for two hundred years. As he grew, he saw patterns in everything. Patterns he would turn into melodies and song, eventually growing into one of the most important and celebrated musical composers of all time. |
| 2571 | Bed tails Costain, Meredith & Vane, Mitch (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2009 | 9780670073368 | There are two in the bed. Mum and Dad are slumbering, snoring, rumbling, tucked up cosily and peacefully in bed. Then, a scary storm outside brings everyone, one by one, into Mum and Dad's bed. I wonder if anyone will ever get a good night's sleep. |
| 832999 | Bedtime sorted! Rees, Jimmy & Stewart, Briony (ill) | Affirm Press | 2021 | 9781922419064 | Mum has dinner plans so Dad has to put the kids to bed. No problem! |
| 693088 | Bedtime, daddy! Giltrow, Sharon & Dreiling, Katrin (ill) | EK Books | 2020 | 9781925820386 | Have you ever tried to get your daddy to go to bed? You will learn to wrestle your daddy into his pyjamas, read just one more bedtime story, listen to endless excuses and frighten away monsters with monster spray until finally ... you manage to get your daddy into bed! |
| 21038 | Bee & me Jay, Alison | Old Barn Books | 2016 | 9781910646052 | A little girl befriends a bee, which takes her on a journey of discovery. A wordless picture book. |

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| 1209804 | Bee makes tea Sims, Lesley & Blunt, Fred (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2013 | 9781409550501 | A rhyming story about a bee's preparations for a tea party and the clever solutions deployed when things, inevitably, go slightly awry. |
| 15300 | Beetles and bugs Harley, Diana & Yates, Sue-Ellen (ill) | Sapphire Coast Press | 2003 | 9780975145029 | An entertaining and educational book about Australian beetles and bugs, with coloured pictures depicting the simple text. Useful text for increasing students' understanding of vocabulary. |
| 1424069 | Before you close your eyes Stuart, Scott & Racklyeft, Jess (ill) | Bright Light Books | 2025 | 9781761212161 | With its gentle lullaby-like text and warm, comforting art, Before You Close Your Eyes encourages children to reflect on their day, be proud of what they've achieved and let go of the things they can't control as they head off to sleep. |
| 803703 | Before you were born Germein, Katrina & Magisson, Helene (ill) | Working Title Press | 2021 | 9781876288150 | Before you were born, and while you grew, there was a party just for you. Created by talented duo Katrina Germein and Helene Magisson, this heartwarming picture book captures the anticipation and excitement of the arrival of a baby. Filled with love, hope and happiness, Before You Were Born celebrates the universal joy of new babies for all kinds of families. |
| 1209760 | Beginner's guide to choosing the perfect pet, A Rutstein, Ali & Doyle, Tommy (ill) | Albert Street Books | 2024 | 9781761180903 | Need advice about getting a pet? Consult this guide at your peril! |
| 995980 | Beginnings and endings Stradling, Jan & Robaard, Jedda | ABC Books | 2023 | 9780733342400 | Little Ted is sad when his goldfish Swish dies. Now his friends are on the way to help him remember the good times and that life is full of beginning and endings. |
| 996000 | Being a cat: A tail of curiosity Gianferrari, Maria & Oswald, Pete (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2023 | 9780063067929 | Join a child and their cat as they embrace their curiosity: wandering, exploring, and discovering all day long. Also includes fascinating facts about cat behavior at the back of the book. |
| 20959 | Being Agatha Pignataro, Anna | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760067267 | Agatha has her dad's nose and her mum's ears. When her relatives get together, it's clear that Agatha doesn't quite fit in. And, when she starts kindergarten, Agatha realises just how different she is from everyone else. One day, her teacher tells the class that, like a snowflake, everyone is special in their own way. She asks each child to tell how they might be special but Agatha cannot think of a single reason, and she sneaks away to hide. |
| 9622 | Belinda Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 1998 | 9780140544930 | Every day, Old Tom tends his vegetables while Mrs Farmer milks Belinda, the cow, so there is always plenty of milk, cream and butter. But, when Mrs Farmer goes away, Old Tom must catch Belinda and milk her himself. |
| 5043 | Belinda the ninja ballerina Baker, Candida & Vane, Mitch (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2015 | 9781925272048 | Belinda doesn't want to be a ballerina, she wants to be a ninja. Perhaps, she can be both at the same time. |

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| 4988 | Bella's bad hair day King, Stephen Michael | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781743313619 | When Bella wakes up to find her hair in a huge, tangled mess, it is a problem of momentous proportions exacerbated when mum is totally preoccupied completing a painting surrounded by numerous pets. Dad is equally oblivious, engrossed in his rendition of Beethoven on their baby grand piano. So Bella needs to sort this calamity herself with various forms of hilarious camouflage. |
| 1424107 | Bendable Brodie-Brown, Kelly & Doyle, Tommy | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781761641954 | Mules are known for hauling heavy burdens all day long. Mules are trusty and robust, solid and dependable ... Mules, however, aren't exactly known for being bendable! Can Julie the mule soar into the spotlight? Find out in this adorably inspiring story about reaching your goals, one tumble at a time! |
| 4400 | Benjamin Pillow in the Land of Nod Cooper, R P | Windy Hollow Books | 2006 | 9781921136016 | In Benjamin Pillow's dream, he rides through Nod's amazing dreamland. Follow him as he tries to rescue one of Nod's shining lights. |
| 29840 | Benny Bungarra's big bush clean-up Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ambelin (ill) | Magabala Books | 2018 | 9781925360882 | Benny Bungarra comes to the rescue when his friends are in danger from rubbish left by humans. |
| 4789 | Bertha and Bear Sharp, Christine | University of Queensland Press | 2017 | 9780702254062 | There's a storm brewing and the hive must find a new a home. With clouds filling the sky and thunder growling, Bertha bravely rises to the occasion...until she meets Bear that is! |
| 1072 | Bertie Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2013 | 9780670076956 | When Bertie is grumpy, everyone is grumpy - the queen, the baby, the maid, the king and the little dog. What would happen if Bertie was happy. |
| 8325 | Bertie and the bear Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 1989 | 9780140509724 | A beautifully simple story of Bertie and the bear and a wonderful excuse for children to join in the noise-making. |
| 5719 | Best bear Dodd, Emma | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2008 | 9781862336667 | A worn-out bear is the most special thing in this little boy's life. With best bear in his arms, he can face the whole world and even the dark. |
| 22963 | Best friend is a goldfish, My Lee, Mark & Jevons, Chris (ill) | Lerner Publishing Group | 2018 | 9781512426014 | After arguing with his best friend about which game to play, a boy decides its time to find a new best friend. So he tries to become friends with his dog, his cat, and his goldfish. He learns to eat on the floor with his dog, take naps with his cat, and watch the world from underwater with his goldfish. |
| 973893 | Best hiding place, The Godwin, Jane & Morris, Sylvia (ill) | Affirm Press | 2023 | 9781922848086 | Archie has found the best hiding place. But after a while, it feels too quiet. Is the game still on? Has Archie been forgotten? |
| 774435 | Best mum, The Harrison, Penny & Davey, Sharon (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2021 | 9781922326225 | Katie's mums are great at sewing, Jai's mum disco-dances and Huy's mum is an athlete. Mums around the world can do all kinds of things. And my mum? My mum tries her best. But there is one special thing that make all mums the best mums! Why is your mum the best? |

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| 27801 | Best singer in the world, The Nilsson, Ulf & Eriksson, Eva (ill) | Gecko Press | 2012 | 9781877579134 | Having to perform at school to celebrate spring can be a nerve-racking experience. It will be on a real stage, with proper spotlights. A gentle, funny picture book about being brave. |
| 1423923 | Between Walker, Anna | Scribble Press | 2025 | 9781761381591 | A cabbage moth and a cricket meet for the first time in the quiet space between twilight and dawn. As the unlikely pair discover each other's worlds, friendship blooms in unexpected places. |
| 1071 | Between the pages van Loon, Joan & Stewart, Chantal (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2013 | 9781921928444 | Two boys become so engrossed in the animal book they are reading that they become part of the story, encountering adventures and challenges which can only be escaped by the turning the page. Escaping from a python's nest only to meet even more fearsome crocodiles, angry emus and hordes of redback spiders. |
| 892367 | Bev and Kev Germein, Katrina & Foot, Mandy | Little Book Press | 2023 | 9780645027051 | Bev is the tallest animal on the plains and Kev is one of the smallest. They're an unlikely pair, but could this be the beginning of a beautiful friendship? A heart-warming tale about learning to love yourself and the value of a true friend. Shortlisted for the 2023 CBCA Picture Book of the Year Award. |
| 6069 | Beware the deep dark forest Whiting, Sue & White, Annie (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781742032344 | Beware the deep, dark forest! You should never, ever go in there... Rosie has always followed this rule until the day her pup Tinky goes missing in the woods. So Rosie decides to trek into this dangerous, muddy place. But there are many obstacles along the way -- including a huge grey wolf, a scary ravine and a ferocious troll! |
| 647178 | Beyond the fence Gulemetova, Maria | Child's Play International Ltd | 2017 | 9781846439308 | Piggy lives in a large house with Thomas. Thomas knows exactly what Piggy needs. But a chance meeting with a wild pig changes everything, and Piggy finds out what lies outside the four walls, beyond the fence. |
| 1334206 | Beyond the shore Saunders, Kirli & Chester Harding, Mark | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761524646 | It is safer on the edge where we can walk with our feet on the floor... But beyond the shore is a world that inspires awe. Will you dive in? |
| 3900 | Biddy's fishing-line Priman, Bridget & Paul, Robbie (ill) | Black Ink Press | 2006 | 9781863340120 | The river is running and a girl's long journey to school through the bush is full of possibilities. |
| 38586 | Big and little Rawlins, Donna | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2006 | 9781741661170 | Shipleigh and Gwendoline are friends. They are given beautiful presents for their birthdays but one is too big and one is too small. In the end, they are able to work it all out in a not surprising way as they exchange gifts. |

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| 780 | Big and me Miller, David | Ford Street Publishing | 2008 | 9781876462697 | Big and Small are two machines working together on building projects. But, Big starts to malfunction by driving into the water, thinking he is a boat, and picking Small up because he thinks the other machines want to hurt Small. Small turns to the boss and mechanic, who find that Big's computer is getting mixed up. They help Big to get better and offer support to Small. |
| 848 | Big bad Bruce Bates, Dianne & Johns, Cheryl (ill) | Koala Books | 2007 | 9780864617712 | Bruce roars around on his Harley and appears to be a fearsome and lawless bikie. Maybe, Bruce isn't quite what his image appears to be. |
| 46511 | Big bad bun Willis, Jeanne & Ross, Tony (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842709252 | There never was a rabbit as bad as Big Bad Bun. Or so you'd think if you read the letter which he left on his bed after school one day. But, it turns out that Big Bad Bun might not be as bad as he makes out. |
| 8551 | Big ball of string, The Mueller, Ross & Smith, Craig (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9781741146158 | A small boy wants to play soccer. He doesn't have a ball so he uses a big ball of string. He has a wonderful time kicking it around the park and along the street but by the time he gets home, his ball has disappeared. |
| 1052163 | Big book of Australian nursery rhymes, The Lessac, Frane | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781760655099 | Chant and clap, play and sing along to this fun-filled collection of classic nursery rhymes with an Australian twist. |
| 15061 | Big brother, little brother Dale, Penny | Walker Books | 1999 | 9780744569537 | When little brother cries and shouts, big brother knows why. But sibling rivalry often gets in the way. When big brother is upset, he finds out what little brother will do. |
| 857 | Big dog Gleeson, Libby & Greder, Armin (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 1997 | 9781863888479 | Jen is scared of the big dog down the street. She and her big brother decide to confront the dog in a lion's costume. But they don't know what the dog will do. |
| 18036 | Big earth, little me Wiley, Thom | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9780545092258 | A book to help the very young find out what they can do for the Earth. The simple flap book shows how to make the whole world a better place by doing little things in local places. Printed with organic soy-based ink. |
| 7616 | Big eyes, scary voice Wignell, Edel & Pearce, Carl (ill) | Tamarind Books | 2008 | 9781870516884 | At sunset, shadows lengthen and a walk through the dappled light in the park can trigger a sense of fear. Mum is with Tania and Josh as they search for the source of the scary sounds and large glittering eyes. |
| 1209790 | Big gorilla: Book of opposites, A Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781529509588 | A beautifully illustrated picture book about opposites. Some opposites are easy to identify, others are trickier. Are you ready to have a go? |
| 855855 | Big love Jacobson, Megan & Feiner, Beck (ill) | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781760652890 | This is the house. It's very big! But it's not as big as my love for you. No matter how different our families may be, the one thing we all have in common is love. |

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| 12303 | Big Nuisance Morimoto, Junko | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9781740518765 | Life in Sleepy Village is very slow and nothing's changed for a long, long time, until the meddlesome giant Big Nuisance comes to stay and starts a whole lot of trouble. |
| 720958 | Big old rambutan tree, The Creamer, Kathy | Little Pink Dog Books | 2020 | 9780648256373 | From the flames of the burning rainforest, an extraordinary bond of friendship ignites between a savage tiger and a gentle orang-utan, as they both struggle to survive in their fast diminishing habitat. |
| 1639 | Big pet day Shanahan, Lisa & Gordon, Gus (ill) | Lothian Books | 2014 | 9780733620997 | Today is pet day in Lily's class. All the kids bring in their pets - hermit crabs, parrots, mice, puppies, ferrets and ducks - but Lily brings her dragon. Class smarty-pants Courtney says to Lily that dragons are only in fairy tales so how could she have a dragon. However, when all the pets misbehave in the middle of the important pet parade, guess who saves the day. |
| 15871 | Big red bath Jarman, Julia & Reynolds, Adrian (ill) | Orchard Books | 2005 | 9781843626053 | Ben and Bella have a wonderful time splashing around in the bath with all their friends. Their bath-time adventure might be real or imagined but it certainly makes a big mess. |
| 72766 | Big Red Hen and the little lost egg Wild, Margaret & Denton, Terry (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2008 | 9780670871919 | Big Red Hen is very good at looking after everyone's babies. But, what she wants most of all is someone of her own to love. One morning, Big Red Hen finds an egg in the hay. |
| 647152 | Big red rock, The Stockham, Jess | Child's Play International Ltd | 2017 | 9781786280022 | When Bif finds a big red rock blocking his way, he decides it has to go. But how? Nothing he ties will move it. Bif's friend Bop knows some monsters who might be able to help. When none of their ingenious methods work, they all have to decide what to do next - with surprising results! |
| 10521 | Big surprise for Little Card, A Harper, Charise Mericle & Raff, Anna (ill) | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406367263 | In the world of cards, each one has a special job to do. Big Card keeps important papers in order. Tiny Card can be exchanged for a prize in an arcade and Round Card hangs out in a glamorous boutique. But, Little Card thinks he's really lucky. He's going to school to become a birthday card, with lots of singing, playing and eating cake. But, wait, there's been a mix-up. Little Card is going to be a library card instead, in a quiet place of books and rules and hushing. |
| 15291 | Big ugly monster and the little stone rabbit, The Wormell, Chris | Random House Children's Books | 2004 | 9780099455950 | An endearing story about a big, ugly monster who was so ugly that all the animals and birds ran away, the trees lost their leaves, the blue sky turned to grey. No-one would talk to him and he felt lonely until one day, he had an idea. |
| 24709 | Big yawn, The Spang, Monica & Bougaeva, Sonja (ill) | Gecko Press | 2009 | 9781877467196 | It's night time at the zoo and all the animals are getting sleepy. First to yawn is the tiger, then the swans, the crocodiles and the giraffes until all the animals are very sleepy. |
| 982 | Bilby moon Spurling, Margaret | Working Title Press | 2001 | 9781876288297 | A delightful book about Australian fauna and flora, the phases of the moon and the life of nocturnal animals. |

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| 15301 | Bill in a china shop Weaver, Katie McAllaster | Bloomsbury | 2003 | 9780747564911 | Bill, the bull, has a passion for fine china and spies a lovely teacup in a china shop. The shopkeeper makes Bill nervous and when Bill is nervous in a china shop anything might happen. |
| 15196 | Billy's beetle Inkpen, Mick | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2001 | 9780340586358 | Billy's beetle is missing and the sniffy dog can help. He finds a hedgehog, two beetles that don't belong to Billy, a hairy caterpillar and some sausages. Someone will have to find Billy's beetle. |
| 15302 | Billywise Nicholls, Judith & Cockcroft, Jason (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2004 | 9780747569084 | Billywise, a baby owl, wonders if he'll ever be brave enough to fly. |
| 12084 | Bim bam boom Wild, Margaret & Harris, Wayne (ill) | ABC Books | 1998 | 9780733305627 | A counting book, with fabulous illustrations, featuring zoo animals, thunder and lightning. A book to be read aloud and a fun way for children to learn. |
| 27043 | Bippolo seed and other lost stories, The Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2011 | 9780007438457 | A treasure trove of seven newly-discovered stories by Dr. Seuss. They include a scheming cat who leads an innocent duck to make a bad decision; a rabbit who is saved from a bear via a single eyelash; a fish that grew and grew; a tale about twins; fantastic creatures who follow a boy home in anticipation of a steak dinner; a spot of dirt that gets everywhere; and a boy with far-flung career fantasies. |
| 15415 | Bird Lodge, Annette | ABC Books | 2004 | 9780733314315 | Written in verse, this is a beautiful story of a boy who meets a strange bird on a beach. They share a common fear of life and are challenged by a colourful, charismatic fish who invites them to dive headlong into the unknown. |
| 4045 | Bird and Bear James, Ann | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781743465547 | Bird and Bear are the best of friends. When Bird and Bear go on a birthday picnic, they discover something surprising that will change how they see the world forever... |
| 5445 | Bird builds a nest: A science storybook Jenkins, Martin & Jones, Richard (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406355130 | Bird is up early - she's building her nest. She pushes and pulls twigs into place until it's ready and waiting...can you guess what for? |
| 751140 | Bird in the herd, The Apel, Kathryn & Trembl, Renee (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2021 | 9780702262944 | There's a bird in the herd that stalks as it walks, eating slugs and the bugs that the herd stirred. What else can you see as you follow the cheeky bird? |
| 965818 | Birdie lights up the world McLennan, Alison & Mullinder, Lauren (ill) | EK Books | 2023 | 9781922539489 | Birdie the penguin has a very important job. Every night, her beautiful singing makes the moon rise and the stars shine. But one evening she is too sick to sing. What will happen to the night sky now? |
| 4825 | Birthday cake mystery, The Tjong-Khing, The | Gecko Press | 2012 | 9781877579103 | This is a detective story, full of humorous details and red herrings. Follow the many different leads, presented in the illustrations, |

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| 12179 | Birthday party Church, Diane | Watts | 2000 | 9780749636722 | Alexandra and her friends have to consider their food allergies when planning and preparing for Alexandra's fun birthday party. |
| 751014 | Biscuit maker, The Lawson, Sue & Anelli, Liz (ill) | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781760650438 | On Mavin Road, families hustle, joggers puff and workers hurry to the train station. There's no time for hellos or neighbourly chats until a biscuit maker's magic brings them all together. |
| 801682 | Bit lost, A Haughton, Chris | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406333831 | Little Owl must be more careful when he is sleeping ... Uh-oh! He has fallen from his nest, and with a bump he lands on the ground. Where is his mummy? With the earnest assistance of his new friend Squirrel, Little Owl sets off in search of her, and meets a sequence of other animals. Yet while one might have his mummy's BIG EYES, and another her POINTY EARS, they are simply not her. Chris Haughton's striking colour illustrations follow Little Owl on his quest. Which of his new friends will lead him back to his mummy? |
| 55591 | Bit of company, A Wild, Margaret & Harris, Wayne (ill) | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781921529054 | Christopher is lonely. His mother is busy with the baby triplets and Christopher is left to his own devices. Sometimes, he peeps through the fence at his neighbour, Molly MacNamara, and wants to say hello. Little does he know that Molly is also so lonely she could scream. One day, when she does just that, her scream brings Christopher running. |
| 652804 | Bitsy Greenberg, Nicki | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925870381 | Meet Bitsy, a cheeky little bat with daring dreams. Nocturnal Bitsy wants to discover what life is like when the sun comes up. But is the daytime ready for Bitsy? |
| 1061449 | Black cockatoo with one feather blue, The McLeod, Jodie & Short, Eloise (ill) | Wollemi Press | 2023 | 9780646874708 | The Black Cockatoo With One Feather Blue tells the story of one very clever black cockatoo, known across the land for her striking feathery feature. When her feather goes missing, she embarks on a quest through the Australian bush to find it, meeting a collection of characters along the way. But what begins as a search for a feather turns into the discovery of something unexpected. |
| 12108 | Blue bike, The Hilton, Nette & Stanley, David (ill) | Koala Books | 2000 | 9780864612809 | A great grandmother reminisces about where children used to play before the roads and buildings were constructed. Her great-granddaughter finds it hard to imagine the changes that have taken place. |
| 46858 | Blue chameleon Gravett, Emily | MacMillan | 2010 | 9780230704244 | He can turn himself into anything and appear to fit in anywhere. But, it seems that neither the swirly snail, the green grasshopper nor the stripy sock want to be friends. |
| 720996 | Blue giant, The Cottle, Katie | Pavilion | 2020 | 9781843654513 | Out of the sea rises a great big giant. It has something very important to say. A timely tale that encourages us to take care of our blue planet. |

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| 855816 | Blue kind of day, A Tomlinson, Rachel & Mordey, Tori-Jay (ill) | Penguin | 2022 | 9781761046384 | Coen is having a blue kind of day and Mum, Dad and little sister Junie think they know how to make the blue go away. But sometimes it takes time for blue to go because feelings can't be rushed, and it's okay to feel blue. |
| 5008 | Blue sky yellow kite Holmes, Janet A. & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2016 | 9781760124229 | Sometimes we want a thing so much we can't prevent ourselves from taking it. But when a girl steals her friend's beautiful yellow kite, she is swamped with turmoil. A story about desire, guilt and forgiveness. |
| 5696 | Blue whale blues Carnavas, Peter | New Frontier Publishing | 2015 | 9781925059410 | When Penguin hears Whale singing the blues, he tries to help. But, it is difficult to stop a blue whale feeling blue. |
| 4532 | Blue, the builder's dog Storer, Jen & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2016 | 9780670077809 | Meet Blue, the builder's dog. On the construction site, he's part of the team. He guards the tools, signs the concrete slabs and keeps sticky beaks away. But, Blue doesn't have a house of his own. The builder has one. The chippie has one. The architect and the big bosses have one. So, Blue decides to quit and build himself a home. |
| 1426108 | Blue: Dragon of the sea Darlison, Aleesah & Teow, Tamlyn (ill) | Wombat Books | 2026 | 9781761112706 | Meet Blue, a Dragon of the Sea! He's also known as a nudibranch or sea slug. Blue's fleet roam the ocean, gliding on the currents, and dancing their way through dangerous adventures. Join Blue and his fellow dragons as they explore the sea! |
| 984059 | Blueberry farm King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2023 | 9781761205644 | Welcome to Blueberry Farm. The sun is shining, and the trees are filled with song. It's going to be another beautiful day. |
| | Bluey series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 1270902 | Bluey: Fairytale Bluey | Penguin Random House Australia | 2024 | 9781761344787 | Bandit tells Bluey and Bingo a real-life fairytale about a mean brother, a curse and a princess. It's set a long, long time ago in a place called the 80s . . . |
| 1019916 | Bluey: Trains Bluey & Amor, Rafferty (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2024 | 9781761041105 | Join Bluey on an adventure in her first fiction novel! As the Heelers play a game of Trains, what could possibly go wrong? Everything! |
| 919 | Bob the builder & the elves Rodda, Emily & Smith, Craig (ill) | ABC Books | 2006 | 9780733314841 | Bob, the burly builder, has a problem. He is embarrassed when all his mates know that a horde of elves have come to invade his house and clean it up. Miss Lily helps him solve his problem. |

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| 21150 | Bobby the littlest war hero Harper, Glyn & Cooper, Jenny (ill) | Penguin NZ | 2018 | 9780143771876 | This is the story of Bobby - the littlest hero in a very big war. Bobby is a tiny canary. His best friend is Jack, a soldier in one of the tunnelling companies of the Royal Engineers. Together they go deep into the tunnels under no-man's-land. Jack's job is to dig, while Bobby's job is to warn the men to get out quickly when there's dangerous gas. Bobby's warnings save the tunnellers' lives again and again. But Jack worries that it's a hard life for a little bird. Will Bobby ever be free to fly again? |
| 3443 | Bogtrotter Wild, Margaret & Rossell, Judith (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781921977558 | Every morning, Bogtrotter runs across the bog, up the bog, down the bog and around the bog until it's time to go home. Sometimes, he wishes things would change but he doesn't know how or what or why. Until one afternoon, when he picks a flower for the first time in his life. |
| 15461 | Boing Boing races, The Whatley, Bruce | Koala Books | 1999 | 9780864612373 | All the kangaroos are lined up ready to start the big race. But what's this? Emu has joined the line, ready to race. Emu really wants to join the boing boing race but it is really a race for kangaroos. |
| 5713 | Bom went the bear Greenwood, Nicki | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742376714 | Bear loves to play his big bass drum on his own, making as much noise as he can and marching around like he's king of all the land. He's joined by all manner of enthusiastic musicians and, soon, it become difficult for Bear to play to the beat of his own drum. |
| 41702 | Bones you own, The Baines, Becky | National Geographic Society | 2009 | 9781426304101 | Bones are in your head and ears, and your skull is like a helmet for your brain. You have hundreds of joints to help you bend. Find out why a baby has more bones than its mother, why bones are hidden and why your mum says milk is good for your bones. |
| 707933 | Boo loves books Baillie, Kaye & Grimwood, Tracie (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781922326027 | Everyone else in class loves reading, but Phoebe doesn't. It makes her feel anxious and she worries about getting words wrong. She is even more anxious when she finds out that she and her classmates will be taking a trip to an animal shelter to read to - the dogs! But when Phoebe meets Big Boo, a nervous but gentle dog, maybe they can face their fears together? |
| 11361 | Boo to a goose Fox, Mem & Miller, David (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 1998 | 9780733610172 | A list of all the things a child might do before saying 'boo' to a goose. An enjoyable book that combines rhyming text and colourful pictures based on paper cutting techniques. |
| 587892 | Book chook, The McInerney, Amelia & Brecon, Connah (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2019 | 9781742994987 | Have you ever noticed that in many books animals talk and have human-ish looks? When Ray realises he is a drawing of a chicken he panics! Can he hatch a plan to get out of the book and be a real chook? Luckily, his plucky, clucky friend Janine is there to help. |

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| 5680 | Book for Benny, A Koppens, Judith & Meijer, Marja (ill) | Clavis Books | 2017 | 9781605373935 | It's raining outside. But that's okay, because Sam is warm and cozy inside, reading a book. Her little dog Benny doesn't like to read. He wants to play. Sam tries to convince Benny that reading is fun. Maybe he'd like a different book? Sam and Benny go to the library to find the perfect book for Benny! |
| 1089004 | Book of hours McFadden, Clare | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760651770 | Every life is made of hours, moments and feelings... This story captures the memories of one lady, told through postcard images, illustrated with paint in a dreamy and flowing way. As you follow along her life of memories from baby to adult, you can't help but reflect and ponder the moments in your own life and realise how fast time can pass us by. A beautiful story with every read-through delivering a new discovery and moment to notice. |
| 1209795 | Book week bear Mather, Ruth H. & Smith, Ruth-Mary (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2023 | 9781761293047 | Claire's costume was amazing she had fur and teeth and claws. Plus, there was the smell of fish coming from her jaws! Claire's bear costume has a lot of flair almost enough to give everyone a scare. But is it enough to win first prize in the Book Week parade? |
| 21314 | Book with no pictures, The Novak, B J | Penguin | 2014 | 9780141361796 | You might think a book with no pictures seems boring and serious. Except . . . here's how books work. Everything written on the page has to be said by the person reading it aloud. Even if the words say . . . Bork. Or Bluurf. And even if the words include things like Blaggity Blaggity and My Head is Made of Blueberry Pizza! That's the rule. That's the deal. |
| | Books that drive kids crazy series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 1424059 | Bored Sala, Felicita | Little Hare Books | 2025 | 9781761217661 | Rita is bored. So, so, so bored. Flopped in her bedroom, limp and tragic, Rita tries everything to cure her malaise. But time drags on, and there she remains: catatonic with boredom. If only there were a special place, a non-boring place just for bored people. |
| 901478 | Boris goes berserk Favretto, Robert & Bowles, Janice (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2021 | 9781925804867 | Boris the huntsman wants his dinner! But Dad has other plans. Join in the family fun as Boris and Dad battle it out throughout the house. |

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| 51211 | Born to be a butterfly Wallace, Karen | Dorling Kindersley | 2010 | 9781405353441 | Large colour photos show the wonder of the life cycle of a butterfly which is clearly and easily explained. |
| 846227 | Boss of your own body Stephen, Byll & Beth & Howe, Simon (ill) | ABC Books | 2021 | 9780733341724 | You're not the boss of many things, because you're little and still learning. You're not the boss of anyone else, you've got o let them be themselves. But you ARE the boss of one thing ... |
| 1209838 | Boss of your own mind Stephen, Byll & Beth & Howe, Simon (ill) | ABC Books | 2024 | 9780733342769 | You're not the boss of what other people think, what they say and how they exist. You're not the boss of how someone else behaves, the positions they take and the decisions they make. But you are the boss of one thing. |
| 29691 | Bouncing ball, The Kelly, Deborah & Perry, Georgia (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9780857980045 | Try to keep up with the bouncing ball as it travels down the street, between two cars, into a gutter and down a storm drain. |
| 47247 | Bouncing bouncing little joeys Gibbes, Lesley & Chang, Doris (ill) | Lothian Books | 2017 | 9780734417565 | It's Christmas time in the Australian bush and all the animals are out to celebrate. They are super busy getting ready for Santa to come by baking, making sweets and putting up the tree. |
| 1177334 | Bowerbird blues Parker, Aura | Scholastic Australia | 2023 | 9781761205637 | I am a collector. Always looking, finding ... and keeping! Bowerbird loves blue. Magnificent colbalt. Brilliant, vibrant blue! But something is missing. What could it be? |
| 1209874 | Bowerbird brood Parker, Aura | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781761521621 | I am a protector. Always watching, guarding... and shielding. Bowerbird's nest is full. These fine eggs, whole and smooth...the perfect three! But will they hatch? |
| 6643 | Box cars, The Vescio, Robert & King, Cara (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925335835 | Liam and Kai are the best of friends. They do everything together. Each day in the park they race around in their box cars, pretending to be everything from policemen chasing down bad guys to chauffeurs driving around movie stars! One day they notice a little girl watching them- she's keen to join in and they're happy to be her friends too, but with only two box cars to play with it seems someone's going to be left out. |
| 7268 | Box of tricks Cleminson, Katie | Jonathan Cape | 2009 | 9780224083447 | For her birthday, Eva is given a box. But, this is no ordinary box and Eva soon discovers that she's a magician who can conjure up all sorts of delights, some rather larger than others. |
| 4650 | Boy Cummings, Phil & Devries, Shane (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781760277055 | The king's battles with the dragon were always mighty and loud. Boy lives in silence and couldn't hear the fighting. But he could see the fear around him...and how everyone would be much happier without it. |
| 4480 | Boy and the airplane, The Pett, Mark | Simon & Schuster | 2013 | 9781442451230 | When a little boy's prized toy airplane lands on a rooftop, he makes several rescue attempts before devising an unexpected solution. Wordless picture book. |

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| 636632 | Boy in the big blue glasses, The Gervay, Susanne & Crosby-Fairall, Marjorie (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925335996 | 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. At least his best friend George recognizes him and thinks he looks okay. Sam does everything he can to lose his glasses but they keep being found. And then things get even worse, and Sam has to cope with googly-eyed turtles and giant penguins! 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. |
| 39322 | Boy on the bus, The: a sing along storybook Dale, Penny | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781406301472 | A young boy goes driving on a bus one day and stops to pick up a number of animal passengers who make lots of noise. A unique take on a much loved nursery rhyme. |
| 1941 | Boy on the page, The Carnavas, Peter | New Frontier Publishing | 2013 | 9781921928468 | A small boy lands on the page and, quite by accident, discovers the joy and wonder of life. |
| 88086 | Boy who built the boat, The Mueller, Ross & Smith, Craig (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2006 | 9781741755886 | Henry, his sister and teddy set out to build a boat from scratch. Rhythmic text celebrates the simple joy of making things. |
| 903288 | Boy who ran up a volcano, The Styan, Jared & Rayma, Albina (ill) | self-published | 2022 | 9780646856827 | The boy always wanted to run but because he was short and small, he was told he would never be a runner. When he sees the volcano, he knows he must run to the top. Does he make it and what does he learn along the way? |
| 833162 | Boy, his bear and a bully, A Flannigan, Katie & Reece, P J (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820898 | Scott takes his bear, Buttons, to school every day because Buttons helps him to be brave. When Buttons goes missing, Scott finally finds the courage to stand up to Duncan, with surprising consequences. |
| 970697 | Brain is (not) always right Stuart, Scott | Scholastic Australia | 2023 | 9781761204685 | Heart loves puppies, and chocolate, and rollercoasters, and dancing along to music. Brain likes lists, and broccoli, and safety rails, and wearing sensible clothing. But, most of all, Brain likes always being right. |
| 52700 | Brand new baby Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406316407 | A new baby brother has arrived and Wendy and Edward are not quite sure what to make of the small bundle. It seems that everything has changed at home. |
| 587621 | Brave knight, The Gould, Sally & Hulme, Celeste (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594119 | Determined to protect his castle, a little boy stands guard against enemy knights. |
| 916661 | Breathe in and out Stradling, Jan & Robaard | ABC Books | 2023 | 9780733342387 | Big Ted is having one of those days ... His feelings are dark and stormy. Luckily, his friends are around to help him remember to breathe in and out. Soon he'll feel like his happy self again." |

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| 38505 | Brian Banana Duck Sunshine Yellow McKimmie, Chris | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2007 | 9781741147414 | Brian Banana Duck sees colours brighter than others, and even sees things which others can not see. When he gets lost one day his Nana finds him, but when he gets lost the second time, he makes his way home, but this time with a surprise. |
| 2951 | Bridget Fidget hold on tight Berger, Joe | Puffin USA | 2010 | 9780141501819 | Bridget Fidget is in a fix. She forgot to hold on tight to her beloved toy, Captain Cat, and lost him in a shop. It's disaster. Luckily, her friend, Billy, is there to save the day. |
| 2601 | Bridie's boots Cummings, Phil & Acton, Sara | Working Title Press | 2014 | 9781921504723 | Bridie loves her gumboots. They are just right for splashing and twirling. But Bridie gets too big for her beautiful boots, so sets them free on a big adventure across the seas. |
| 1166493 | Brightest Christmas star, The Motherway, Laura & Hudson, Deb (ill) | Hachette Australia | 2024 | 9780734423085 | A heartwarming look at the different ways in which families celebrate Christmas. Some families choose to decorate, others perform acts of kindness, while others enjoy spending time together at the beach. All these approaches are valid, and all register the joy, magic, and love that characterise this holiday. |
| 18719 | Broken bird, a tale of true love Broad, Michael | Puffin Australia | 2006 | 9780141381589 | Broken Bird is born with only one wing but he refuses to believe he will never fly. His brothers tease him but he puts his best foot forward and sets off to explore the world, from the ground. |
| 660691 | Brother moon McCarthy Yoelu, Maree & Fry, Samantha (ill) | Magabala Books | 2020 | 9781925936827 | Great Grandpa Liman lives in a house by the sea. There are no lights, just the stars. He lives in a shack and hunts for his food. One night sitting by the fire, he looks up to the sky and tells Hippy-boy a story about his brother. |
| 3814 | Brothers from a different mother Gwynne, Phillip & Crosby-Fairall, Marjorie (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2017 | 9780670078486 | Tapir lives in the jungle. Pig lives in the village. But when they meet at the waterhole, they discover they are the same in so many ways. They might even be brothers from a different mother! |
| 20242 | Brothers Quibble, The Blabey, Aaron | Penguin Books Australia | 2014 | 9780670076000 | Spalding Quibble ruled the roost. He did not have to share anything. But, then, his parents introduced a brand new baby brother. |
| 12147 | Brown bear, brown bear, what do you see Martin, Bill Jnr & Carle, Eric (ill) | Penguin | 1995 | 9780140502961 | Questions and answers take the reader through a range of animals and colours - a big green frog, a plump purple cat or a cheeky brown monkey. Colourful pictures and rhyming words. |
| 1089000 | Brown bears Crumpton, Dr Nick & Larmour, Colleen (ill) | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781529508727 | Spring has arrived in Alaska, and a brown bear is waking up. She was alone when she fell asleep at the start of winter; now she is climbing out of her den with two cubs. Follow them as they discover how to survive in the wilderness, from climbing trees to catching salmon, as their mother teaches the cubs how to be bears. From zoologist Dr Nick Crumpton and with stunning art from Colleen Larmour, this is a gentle and fascinating introduction to brown bears. |

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| 9624 | Brown bread and honey Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2002 | 9780140568257 | The King loves to run, jump and ride his horse. He also loves to eat and eat and eat until he becomes too fat to have fun any more. When the King sacks all his cooks, he will have a problem with what to eat. |
| 660689 | Bubbay's desert adventure Wowolla Boyle, Josie & Martins, Fern (ill) | Magabala Books | 2020 | 9781925936797 | Bubbay was lonely. He lived alone with his goat herd in the Australian desert. He slept under the stars, who were his friends and knew they kept him company through the night. He wished for a family to love. One night a talking star and his magical grandma came to help him on an adventure to make his wish come true. |
| 643201 | Bubbles and Buddy Kidd, Denver | Denver Kidd | 2019 | 9780646800257 | Two kitten brothers, who are also good buddies - but do they always get along? |
| 17489 | Buck and his truck French, Vivian & Lacome, Julie (ill) | Walker Books | 2005 | 9781844289387 | Buck and his truck and Harry and his lorry are rival removalists. One day, they turn up for the same job and trouble starts. |
| 10347 | Budinge and the Min Min lights Kirk, Uncle Joe & Casey, Greer & Harrold, Sandi (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743628577 | Budinge lives with his grandmother, deep in the Australian bush. One night, he notices a bright light twinkling through the trees. Budinge's grandmother had often warned him that if he didn't behave, the Min-Min lights would come and lead him away. Budinge is frightened and begins to run. |
| 15059 | Buffy, an adventure story Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744577853 | Buffy is a wonderful performing dog, rejected by his magician owner. He journeys the world until he realises that he can only be who he is and then he finds a family. |
| 617011 | Bug collector, The Griffiths, Alex. G. | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594539 | George loves bugs. Small ones, leggy ones, ones that glow. So he decides to become the world's best bug collector. But fabulous creatures aren't meant for life in a bottle. |
| 12035 | Bugliest bug, The Shields, Carol Diggory & Nash, Scott (ill) | Walker Books | 2002 | 9780744556858 | Damselfly Dilly uncovers a plot by a group of sinister spiders who are holding a bugliest bug contest and secretly planning to eat the contestants, including Tumblebug, the Dung Beetle, who prefers to be called the Original Pooper Scooper. |
| 4898 | Bugs Bone, Emily & Battistel, Cinzia (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2016 | 9781474907163 | Ever wanted to learn all about the different bugs out there? Readers can learn all about lots of different bugs, from honey bees to wolf spiders. Did you know that some spiders can breathe underwater or that ants carry their babies when they move nests? Learn so much more about bugs in this enthralling book. |
| 3476 | Building boy, The Montgomery, Ross & Litchfield, David (ill) | Faber & Faber | 2016 | 9780571314096 | The boy's work was done. He looked into the eyes he'd built and said, "Grandma, wake up." All at once the stars leapt closer. Grandma grabbed the boy, raising him high above the roof tiles on her head. She was alive. |

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| 47248 | Building site zoo Masson, Sophie & Wood, Laura (ill) | Lothian Books | 2017 | 9780734417527 | Every morning on our walk we see an amazing zoo, full of astonishing animals. Come and see them too! With a little imagination, a building site can come to life, bringing all kinds of animals into the busy town. |
| | BumbleBunnies series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 18400 | Bumpus jumpus dinosaurumpus Mitton, Tony & Parker-Rees, Guy (ill) | Orchard Books | 2003 | 9781841212944 | Story builds to a thumping, stomping crescendo as the many different dinosaurs dance and play together. |
| 12272 | Bunny cakes Wells, Rosemary | Puffin UK | 2000 | 9780140566673 | Ruby is making a cake for grandma's birthday. Max, her little brother, has to make repeated trips to the grocer to make up for disrupting Ruby's project and to get the perfect ingredients for the special cake he is making for grandma. |
| 12271 | Bunny money Wells, Rosemary | Puffin UK | 2000 | 9780140567502 | Max and his sister, Ruby, are shopping for Grandma's birthday present. Ruby has saved up a walletful of money, and, as usual, she's in charge or thinks she is. She has plans for an elaborate gift but Max is sure that Grandma would prefer his choice. |
| 750941 | Bunnygirl: The first adventure Jayne, Holly | Berbay Publishing | 2020 | 9780648785118 | Bea likes helping her friends and has the perfect superhero sidekick. Bea is close to being the superhero she wants to be. All she needs is the right suit. |
| 24726 | Bus called Heaven, A Graham, Bob | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781406334197 | One morning, a broken old bus appears, from nowhere, right outside Stella's house. Everyone wonders how it got there. When Stella climbs on board, she sees everything that it could become. So the lonely old bus becomes the place to hold meetings, play games and share stories. But one day, a tow truck arrives, threatening to take away not just the bus, but everything the community has worked hard to create. |
| 88674 | Bus to the zoo, The Murphy, Mary & Lee, Josh (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2009 | 9781862917286 | There's a funny, blue bus going to the zoo today. The passengers are all special animals and the bus is filling up very quickly. |
| 12400 | Bush babies Dale, Kim | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780734408754 | A beautifully illustrated, lift-the-flap book which describes fourteen animal babies found in the Australian bush. |
| 903390 | Bush birds Milroy, Helen | Fremantle Press | 2023 | 9781760992422 | Little birds, big birds, all different kinds. How many bush birds can you find? |
| 1244439 | Bush bubs Milroy, Helen | Fremantle Press | 2025 | 9781760994471 | So many joeys, puggles and pups. Let's discover our precious bush bubs. |

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| 15996 | Bush jumper, The Chapman, Jean & Beck, Ali (ill) | ABC Books | 2005 | 9780733307492 | Koala knits Mitti a jumper the colour of wattle blossom. The only problem is that she runs out of wool and has to knit a multi-coloured sleeve. Mitti is not keen on the result but the other animals help to change her mind. |
| 871580 | Bush magic Howarth, Kylie | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760650827 | Jarrah and her grandfather love to spend time together in the bush, but one day the sun forgets to come out. Fortunately, grandpa does not forget to visit and Jarrah takes them both on an adventure starting with some leaves and flowers taken from the backyard and ending in a most unexpected way. |
| 5936 | Bush Santa, The Foot, Mandy | Hachette Children's Books | 2016 | 9780734416858 | As the sun sets on Christmas Eve, the Bush Santa's big night begins. He travels around Australia, delivering special presents to all the Australian animals, from the cockies in Cairns and the crocs of the Top End, to the wallabies in Canberra and the quokkas of Rottnest Island. |
| 23803 | Bush tracks Moriarty, Ros, & Balarinji (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760297824 | What can you see? Follow the clues that landscape, seasons, weather, the stars, the moon and the sun give to navigate bush tracks and find the Australian animal. A colourful exploration of country along a bush track, featuring illustrations by Balarinji, Australia's leading Indigenous design studio. |
| 1399471 | Bush turkey: Christmas chaos Temple, Kate & Temple, Jol & Ghosh, Ronojoy (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761521690 | Ho-Ho... Uh Oh! Christmas is coming really, really soon and Turkey needs decorations by this afternoon! He heads off to the store; Bin Chicken's there too. Watch out, Santa Claus! It's a Christmas Hullabaloo! |
| 1424057 | Bush turkey: Easter hunt Temple, Kate & Temple, Jol & Ghosh, Ronojoy (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781761640124 | Bush Turkey is building, flinging mess far and wide, when suddenly he spies shiny eggs there outside! Turkey gathers them up and takes off with a run... and crashes into a pile of hot cross buns! 'Stop!' yells the baker. But Bush Turkey's long gone. |
| 995959 | Buster follows his nose Stevenson, Paula & Hale, Jenny | Exisle Publishing | 2023 | 9780648964070 | Tilly and Buster are the best of friends. They do everything together. When Tilly gets lost, Buster will keep her safe. |
| 4593 | Busting Blabey, Aaron | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781743812389 | Lou was busting for the loo. But the loo had quite a queue. What on earth was Lou to do. |
| 778311 | Busy beaks Allen, Sarah | Affirm Press | 2020 | 9781925972948 | Spend a day with Australia's most vibrant and unique feathered friends. Full of splashing shorebirds, clattering cockatoos, parading penguins and greedy galahs, Busy Beaks is the perfect introduction to birds of all shapes and sizes. |
| 32266 | Busy little creatures Bowden, Fiona | Little Book Press | 2017 | 9780648115601 | A fun way to explore movement, colour, patterns, sizes and numbers whilst supporting your child's learning and encouraging outdoor play and adventure. |

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| 779553 | But excuse me that is my book Child, Lauren | Penguin | 2006 | 9780141500539 | Beetles, Bugs and Butterflies is Lola's absolute favourite book ever in the whole wide world. But someone else has borrowed Lola's book! Can Charlie help Lola find her next absolute favourite book? |
| 8230 | Butcher paper, texta, blackboard and chalk Hunter, Ruby & Roach, Archie | One Day Hill Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9780980794847 | Warning: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander's are warned that this book and CD/DVD contains images and voices of deceased persons. A book of children's songs, captured beautifully with paintings by Ruby Hunter. You can listen to the CD while reading the book. Great resource for teachers. |
| 15304 | Butterflies Harley, Diana & Yates, Sue-Ellen (ill) | Sapphire Coast Press | 2003 | 9780975145005 | Allow your imagination to move with the butterflies in this engaging and beautifully illustrated book. Useful text for increasing students' understanding of vocabulary. |
| 641421 | Butterfly garden, The Torres, Michael & Martins, Fern (ill) | Magabala Books | 2019 | 9781925936995 | An entertaining introduction to the life cycle of a butterfly - played out by a fat caterpillar, a hungry kookaburra and a supporting cast of beautiful butterflies. |
| 1019763 | Butterfly girl Kwok, Ashling & Li, Arielle (ill) | EK Books | 2023 | 9781922539564 | Olivia and her butterfly friends are inseparable, until she moves to a grey, gloomy city with her mother. Heartbroken to leave her butterflies behind, Olivia struggles to make new friends as the city's residents stay indoors. Missing her butterflies, she calls for them from her empty balcony, but they don't come. Realising butterflies need plants, water, and resting spots, Olivia builds a butterfly garden using what she can find. Despite her efforts, no butterflies arrive, until a gust of wind scatters her flowers to neighbouring balconies. People of all ages and backgrounds come out to collect them, and Olivia suddenly understands how to attract new friends, both butterflies and people with a little colour, kindness, and creativity. |
| 76454 | Button boy Young, Rebecca & deGennaro, Sue | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781741697971 | Banjo is so fixated with button collecting, he doesn't join in the activities of the other neighbourhood children. When he returns home, his grandmother sews each button on his favourite jumper. But, the buttons once belonged to someone and, each morning, Banjo finds the owner of the buttons and detaches the relevant one from his jumper. |
| 4634 | By the light of the moon Percival, Tom | Bloomsbury | 2016 | 9781408852118 | Ivan's old house had always been so warm and friendly. But, his new house is strange and Ivan can't sleep. From his window, he sees a shimmering light land in the garden. It's a creature called Moji who takes Ivan on a fabulous night-time adventure, up high into space, bounding through starlit forests and down deep into the oceans. The magical Moji shows Ivan that, soon, the new house will feel like home. |

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| 693086 | Calm down, zebra Kuenzler, Lou & Woolf, Julia (ill) | Faber & Faber | 2020 | 9780571351718 | Annie is helping baby Joe learn about colours. Frog fetch the green paint. That's perfect. Well done! And Lion, you're yellow, as bright as the sun. But Zebra is rather keen on patterns, and he is getting a little over excited. |
| 1301 | Calpepper's place Trewin, Trudie & Gynell, Donna (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2014 | 9781922081322 | Calpepper has had enough of plodding through the hot desert sand and sets out for excitement and far away places, searching for the perfect home. |
| 846261 | Can bears ski? Antrobus, Raymond & Dunbar, Polly (ill) | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781406394627 | Dad Bear stops and looks directly at me. "Your friend was saying hello. Why did you ignore him?" I didn't, I didn't. Then Dad Bear asks again "CAN BEARS SKI?" Is he really asking me that? This multilayered, skillfully woven book provides an insight into how children cope when the world doesn't seem to make sense. |
| 31588 | Can I cuddle the moon? Brown, Kerry & Stewart, Lisa (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741695540 | A little owl who is searching for someone to cuddle discovers that the cuddle may not be very far away at all. |
| 23535 | Can we lick the spoon now? Goess, Carol & Ainslie, Tamsin (ill) | Working Title Press | 2010 | 9781921504167 | Share in the fun as Dad and the children get busy in the kitchen. They're making a chocolate cake and lots of things go wrong in the process. |
| 923439 | Can we really help the dolphins? Daynes, Katie & Hahessy, Roisin (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2023 | 9781474997881 | A message in a bottle turns a seaside holiday into a worldwide campaign to save the ocean. Join six friends as they meet the dolphins... and discover what's really going on under the sea. |
| 4000 | Can you cuddle like a koala? Butler, John | Orchard Books | 2003 | 9781843623625 | I wonder if you can cuddle like a koala, hug like a bear or do all the other things the animals in these beautiful pictures can do on their way to bed. |
| 774120 | Can you do this? Wagner, Michael & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | ABC Books | 2021 | 9780733335723 | It's not easy being good at all the things our big brothers and sisters can do. Big kids are good at everything, right? Aren't they? Step into this gorgeous book to see if this big brother can do all the daring things his little brother gets up to. |
| 638716 | Can you find 12 busy bees? Winch, Gordon & Shirvington, Patrick (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594560 | Can you find 12 busy bees? Take a closer look into Australian nature and appreciate the beauty of the natural world. |
| 41520 | Can you find me? Winch, Gordon & Shirvington, Patrick (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2017 | 9781925059793 | Can you find all the creatures hiding in this book? |
| 43046 | Can you growl like a bear Butler, John | Orchard Books | 2008 | 9781846163241 | Try trumpeting like an elephant, growling like a bear and chattering like a chimp as you look at lots of different animals and the noises they make. |
| 9625 | Can you keep a secret Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2000 | 9780670844050 | The King has lost his crown. He can't find it anywhere. Follow him through this picture book and see how silly he's been. |

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| 6079 | Can you keep a secret Carthew, Mark & Murphy, Jobi | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2008 | 9781741662481 | For anyone who loves nursery rhymes, and for anyone yet to discover their wonders, this book includes a collection of action verse, playtime and counting rhymes, all brought to life with bright illustrations. |
| 1080152 | Can you teach a fish to climb a tree? Godwin, Jane & Denton, Terry (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2023 | 9781760508661 | So... can a fish climb a tree? Can a horse drive a car? Can a baby bake a cake? And if they can't, what wonderful things can they do? |
| 12065 | Can't you sleep, Little Bear Waddell, Martin & Firth, Barbara (ill) | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744581669 | Little Bear can't sleep. Even with the biggest lantern at his bedside, he is frightened of the dark. But Big Bear finds a way to reassure him by taking him out to see the moon and the stars. |
| 1047 | Caps for sale Slobodkina, Esphyr | HarperTrophy | 1987 | 9780064431439 | A peddler walks around selling caps from a tall, tottering pile on his head. One morning, when he has not been able to sell a single cap, he sits down under a tree and falls asleep. When he wakes up, the caps are gone and the tree is full of cap-wearing monkeys. |
| 5879 | Captain Crabclaw's crew Watts, Frances & Legge, David (ill) | ABC Books | 2008 | 9780733321801 | When Captain Crabclaw advertises for a fearsome crew for his new ship, the Speedy Squid, he doesn't get quite the crew he expects. But, it's hoist the mainsail and anchors aweigh with a most unusual pirate crew. |
| 95547 | Captain Flinn and the pirate dinosaurs: Smugglers Bay Andreae, Giles & Ayto, Russell (ill) | Puffin UK | 2010 | 9780141501321 | While exploring a cave on a school excursion to Smuggler's Bay, Flinn and the other children stumble upon the nefarious Pirate Dinosaurs. Captain T Rex and his crew are smuggling sausages out of a secret cove and their favourites are children chipolatas. Captain Flinn must thwart the horrible plan, rescue their friend and get back to the beach before Miss Pie notices they are missing. |
| 27590 | Captain Jack and the pirates Bently, Peter & Oxenbury, Helen | Puffin UK | 2016 | 9780723269281 | Jack, Zak and Casper, brave mariners three, are building a galleon down by the sea. A family day out at the beach turns into a swashbuckling pirate adventure. |
| 1986 | Captain Sneer the buccaneer Morrison, Penny & Evans, Gabriel (ill) | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781922179609 | Ahoy there, me hearties, meet Captain Sneer, he's a most boastful buccaneer. Captain Sneer and his hardy crew of buccaneers are in for adventure and a big surprise in this rollicking, rhyming treasure hunt. |

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| 630458 | Carl and the meaning of life Freedman, Deborah | Penguin USA | 2019 | 9780451474988 | Carl is an earthworm. He spends his days happily tunneling in the soil until a field mouse asks him a simple question that stops him short: "Why?" Carl's quest takes him on an adventure to meet all the animals of the forest, each of whom seems to know exactly what they were put on this earth to do, unlike the curious Carl. But it's not until the world around him has changed that Carl begins to realise everyone, no matter how small, makes a big difference just by being themselves. |
| 39615 | Carla's sandwich Herman, Debbie & Bailey, Sheila (ill) | Flashlight Press | 2004 | 9780972922524 | Carla's lunch box is filled with odd combinations such as olive, pickle and green bean sandwich, and chopped liver, potato chips and cucumber combo. To Carla, they are delicious and creative but her classmates are unconvinced and leave her to eat her bizarre sandwiches alone. One day, the tables turn when Buster forgets his lunch on the day of the picnic. |
| 2961 | Carousel, The Dubosarsky, Ursula & Di Qual, Walter (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2011 | 9780670074624 | A small girl and her dad go down to see the carousel and ride on the wooden horses. So begins the magical journey, a journey of music and mirrors, of green hills and sunlit skies, of wishes and freedom. |
| 12494 | Carp for Kimiko, A Kroll, Virginia & Roundtree, Katherine (ill) | Charlesbridge Publishing | 1993 | 9780881064117 | Kimiko very much wants a calico carp kite to fly on Children's Day. She can't have one because she's a girl and Japanese tradition dictates that only boys get colourful kites. Luckily, Kimiko has understanding parents. |
| 6185 | Carrum sailing club, The Saxby, Claire & Booth, Christina (Ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2011 | 9781921136849 | Join the family on their walk, exploring the beach, on their way to visit the Carrum Sailing Club. |
| 12808 | Caruso's song to the moon Jaunn, Adele | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9780734406248 | Caruso, a music-loving cat, fancies himself as a crooner. He sings a scale to the moon and admires each lovely note. Unfortunately, the neighbourhood doesn't appreciate his nocturnal noise. |
| 31826 | Caspar and the night sea Binks, Alison | Windy Hollow Books | 2016 | 9781922081629 | While everyone is sleeping, a little boy and his dog embark on a sailing journey. |
| 1424065 | Castle crashing Rowe, Andrea & Sommerville, Hannah | Little Hare Books | 2025 | 9781761214073 | Bonnie knows how to build sandcastles best, but her friends insist on building their own castles, every way but Bonnie's way. When Bonnie's frustration boils over, her emotions come crashing down and she storms off into the whisper-quiet dunes. Her friends are patient and understanding as they wait for her to navigate her feelings. But can Bonnie show herself the same kindness? A story celebrating friendship and self-discovery. |
| 18613 | Castles Baillie, Allan & Magerl, Caroline (ill) | Penguin | 2005 | 9780670041848 | An imaginative story of princesses and pirates and a magical world. |

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| 12311 | Cat and fish Grant, Joan & Curtis, Neil (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780734404817 | Cat and Fish discover each other one night and spark a most unlikely friendship. As they teach each other about the worlds of the land and the sea, they find they share a common sense of adventure. They learn new things from each other. |
| 17142 | Cat and Fish go to see Grant, Joan & Curtis, Neil (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780734407719 | Cat and Fish go on a voyage and get sea sick. They find a lighthouse and compare what each other needs to overcome the seas. They both realise that being themselves is best. |
| 10142 | Cat and the dog, The Dahan, Andre | Brolly Books | 2008 | 9781921346521 | When a playful cat squirts a dog with a hose, he gets chased for his efforts, over fences, rooftops, through a lake and a playground. |
| 47175 | Cat Balloon Morgan, Palo | Fremantle Press | 2009 | 9781921361654 | Everyone tells Cat Balloon he'll never fly to the moon. But where there's a will there's a way. This enchanting picture book is about a cat who dared to dream. |
| 846094 | Cat dog Fox, Mem & Teague, Mark (ill) | Penguin | 2021 | 9781761045868 | There was a cat, right? And a dog, right? What about a mouse? And what were they all doing? An interesting tale of three animals doing some crazy stuff! |
| 1091 | Cat in the hat comes back, The Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1982 | 9780001713048 | The mischievous cat returns on a snowy day to wreak more havoc. Lots of predictable rhyme, rhythm and fun. |
| 12031 | Cat in the hat, The Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1983 | 9780001713031 | The scariest part of this story isn't the terrible cat and all the zany things he does in the house, but what mum will say when she comes home. |
| 846140 | Cat problems John, Jory & Smith, Lane (ill) | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781529506136 | Are you here to give me treats? Or scratch my neck? Or dish up some wet food and neck scratches and dry food and more treats and back scratches? Did I mention that I'm a cat? If I'm honest I'm a bit stressed out. Like, I have to take a nap right now, and then I'll need a cat bath, and this is all building up to another nap. This being a cat thing is exhausting. Seriously. You think you've got it bad? Try walking a mile in my paws someday. Sigh. |
| 46416 | Cat tale Hall, Michael | Greenwillow | 2012 | 9780061915161 | Follow the adventures of three cats as they rumble and tumble in a confusing journey of words. |
| 23583 | Cat wants cuddles, The Crumble, P & Gifford, Lucinda (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781743811412 | Kevin doesnt want a pat. He doesnt want a tickle. And he definitely does NOT want a cuddle. There's absolutely no way this hilarious cat is going to change his mind about that. Or will he? |
| 623326 | Cat wants custard, The Crumble, P. & Gifford, Lucinda (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2016 | 9781760155780 | Meet Kevin, the opinionated feline who is full of cat-titude. Kevin has a craving. He wants custard, and he wants it NOW! |

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| 570812 | Cat wants kittens, The Crumble, P. & Gifford, Lucinda (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742769097 | Kevin has some new playmates. They are cute and cuddly and they're here to stay; but not if Kevin has anything to do with it! See what happens when two adorable kittens barge into Kevin's life and make themselves at home. How will this fussy feline cope? |
| 4590 | Catawampus cat, The Carter Eaton, Jason & Gordon, Gus (ill) | Penguin | 2017 | 9780143785583 | The catawampus cat walked into town one day and that's when everything began to change. |
| 126166 | Catch that goat Alakija, Polly | Barefoot books | 2005 | 9781846860577 | Ayoka, a little girl living in Nigeria, loses her goat. Of course, the goat wanders off through the market where it can cause the most mischief. Interesting mix of realism and fun. |
| 14151 | Caterpillar and butterfly Kwaymullina, Ambelin | Fremantle Press | 2009 | 9781921361579 | Caterpillar lives alone and, in fear of her surroundings, forms a chrysalis where she can hide away. After a while, she misses the other animals and starts to wonder what it might be like to explore the outside world. When she emerges, she discovers that not only is she different but she is not alone. |
| 943152 | Cats in chaos Bently, Peter & Bond, John (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9780008469184 | Cats adore eating and snoozing and snuggling. They also like acrobats, tightropes and juggling. Roll up, Roll up! Catsby's Great Circus is in town! See the mighty Purrcules Claw, conjuring Kitty Kadabra and fearless Evel Katnevel in this brilliant story from a stellar author and illustrator duo that will have you laughing out loud! |
| 930288 | Cave baby Donaldson, Julia & Gravett, Emily | Pan MacMillan | 2011 | 9780230743083 | A hairy mammoth takes a cheeky little baby on a thrilling ride through a moonlit landscape populated by a sabre-toothed tiger, a leaping hare, a laughing hyena and eve, just maybe, a big brown bear... But where are they going? And what has it to do with the baby's scribblings on the cave wall? |
| 659292 | Caveman next door, The Tinn-Disbury, Tom | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594850 | Trying to fit into the modern world when you are a caveman isn't easy. Ogg always seems to get things wrong...with hilarious results. Poor Ogg, he just wants to fit in. Luckily he has his best friend Penny to help him. |
| 1426197 | Celebration festival Kelly, Alysia & Smith, Ruth-Mary (ill) | Larrikin House | 2026 | 9781923345232 | Evie loves celebrating! This year, she's judging the grand Celebration Festival, with her cheeky pup, Biscuit (who does not like fireworks!). With so many wonderful cultures to learn about and celebrations to discover, how will Evie choose a winner? Join Evie on her Celebrations adventure as she learns Mandarin, plunges into freezing water and squelches tomatoes! |

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| 14391 | Celeste sails to Spain Lester, Alison | Hachette Children's Books | 2006 | 9780733621062 | Celeste and her family members have different experiences while going to the museum, to the park, to the show, celebrating and dreaming. |
| 12242 | Centipede's 100 shoes Ross, Tony | Andersen Press Ltd | 2002 | 9781842701072 | When a centipede trips over and hurts his foot, the only thing to do is to get a set of shoes for all of his forty-two feet. That's a lot of shoes. Follow centipede and have fun with numbers as he shares his shoes with various beetles, spiders, earwigs and other creatures. |
| 17778 | Chalk rainbow, The Kelly, Deborah & Jones, Gwynneth (ill) | EK Books | 2017 | 9781925335453 | Zane is different to other kids. He has his own made-up language. He likes to line things up. And he is frightened of things that don't seem to bother other people - like the colour black. Things are looking pretty bleak for him and his family, until his sister starts to draw a chalk rainbow on the front steps of their house... |
| 578088 | Charlie Ghosh, Ronojoy | Penguin Random House Australia | 2018 | 9780143785026 | Charlie's a very clever lion. He loves art, fancy restaurants and travelling. Or at least, he thinks he would. It's hard to tell, since he's stuck in a zoo. If Charlie is ever going to explore the world, he'll need a cunning disguise. |
| 12645 | Charlotte and me Gould, Sally | Windy Hollow Books | 2007 | 9781921136054 | At kindergarten, a little boy meets Charlotte, a little girl from Paris, and they become great friends. When Charlotte has to return to Paris, the boy must deal with his loss. |
| 3811 | Charlotte and the rock Martin, Stephen.W. & Cotterill, Samantha (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9780143785309 | When Charlotte asked her parents for a pet, a rock wasn't exactly what she had in mind. But she loves her new pet anyway. If only he could love Charlotte back... |
| 18705 | Chatterbox Wild, Margaret & Niland, Deborah (ill) | Penguin | 2006 | 9780670029327 | Max's baby sister, Daisy, is gorgeous. But when is she going to talk? Mum wants her to say moo, Dad wants her to say neigh, Nana wants her to baa and Max wants her to quack. But Daisy says nothing, until one day she surprises everyone. |
| 1972 | Check on me Daddo, Andrew & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | ABC Books | 2009 | 9780733324192 | A favourite bedtime story to read to a very young child. All the best bedtimes include stories that are read and stories that are told plus a few other things that make them special. |
| 5933 | Cheeky monkey Daddo, Andrew & Quay, Emma (ill) | ABC Books | 2008 | 9780733321009 | Dad wakes his small boy and it's time for a bath, dressing, hair combing and breakfast. |
| 1209684 | Cheeky toddler alphabet, The Bell, Davina & Falkner, Jennifer (ill) | Lothian Books | 2024 | 9780734422101 | The ABC of the joy, mayhem, and mindlessness of the toddler years. |
| 28581 | Cheer up your teddy bear, Emily Brown Cowell, Cressida & Layton, Neal (ill) | Orchard Books | 2011 | 9781408308486 | Emily Brown and her side-kick rabbit, Stanley, are on a mission to cheer up one very unhappy teddy bear. But, no matter what they try, the teddy bear is still miserable. Emily Brown has had enough. |

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| 1125083 | Cheer up, blobfish! Murphy, Julie & Tribout, Rachel (ill) | Affirm Press | 2024 | 9781922863966 | The Festival of Fish celebrations have begun. Everyone is enjoying themselves... except for Blobfish who appears a tad unimpressed. Will clownfish and friends be able to cheer up him? |
| 39360 | Cheese belongs to you Deacon, Alexis & Schwarz, Viviane (ill) | Walker Books | 2013 | 9781406339666 | A small white rat learns about 'rat law' as bigger, quicker and stronger rats lay claim to a wonderful piece of cheese. |
| 7475 | Cheese trap, The Cowley, Joy & McClelland, Linda (ill) | Scholastic New Zealand | 1995 | 9781869433185 | Two little mice go cheesing and the old, grey meow is watching. This wise cat knows a thing or two and she plans to catch those mice. |
| 937 | Cheetah can't lose Shea, Bob | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2013 | 9780061730832 | Cheetah doesn't realise how skillful his little friends are when they set him up to lose the big race. |
| 628975 | Cherries Gallasch, Carrie & Acton, Sara (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2018 | 9781760128593 | Summertime. Long, lazy days. Fishing. Stargazing. And waiting for cherries. |
| 8184 | Chester and Gil Faulkner, Carol & James, Ann (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2009 | 9781862915848 | Chester and Gil live in the same goldfish bowl. While Gil just floats around the same old place, Chester knows he can save the world. A funny story of a fishy odd couple and the power of thinking big. |
| 12403 | Chick called Saturday, A Dunbar, Joyce & Granstrom, Brita (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780552547437 | Saturday is fed up with being a little chick as he wants to do more than just cluck, scratch and peck. So, Saturday sets off on a farm adventure and discovers something that really interests him. |
| 1078778 | Chicken called hope, A Parker, Danny & Teou, Tamlyn (ill) | Dirt Lane Press | 2023 | 9780648899686 | Hope is a chicken who relies on hope to survive. The trouble is, she's the captain of the ship Courage, and she needs more than hope to survive on the high seas. Written by award-winning Danny Parker and illustrated by Tamlyn Teow, A Chicken Called Hope is a delightful fable about care and resilience. |
| 65987 | Chicken thief, The Rodriguez, Beatrice | Gecko Press | 2009 | 9781877467318 | The fox steals the chicken and is pursued by the bear and the rabbit. Eventually, when the pursuers find the fox and the chicken, it's not quite what they expected. |
| 15819 | Chief Rhino to the rescue Lloyd, Sam | Orchard Books | 2008 | 9781846169410 | Firechief Rhino and his men answer a fire call and, by mistake, put out Great Granny Wrinkles' one hundred birthday candles. However, because Granny's teeth are not so good anymore, she is quite happy with the soggy cake. It turns out to be the most super-sizzling party ever. |
| 29168 | Child of books, A Jeffers, Oliver | Walker Books | 2016 | 9780763690779 | A little girl sails her raft across a sea of words, arriving at a small boy's house. She calls him away on an adventure and, through forests of fairy tales and across mountains of make-believe, they travel together on a fantastical journey, which unlocks the boy's imagination. |

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| 5367 | Children who loved books, The Carnavas, Peter | New Frontier Publishing | 2012 | 9781921928161 | Angus and Lucy love books. They have hundreds of them. Then, one day, all the books are taken away and the family discovers they need books more than they could ever have imagined. |
| 76676 | Children: a first art book Micklethwait, Lucy | Frances Lincoln | 2008 | 9781845074999 | A perfect introduction to great art. Each of the 18 paintings depicts childhood activities such as dancing, reading, singing, eating, washing and sleeping. |
| 4040 | Chip Howarth, Kylie | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760400736 | Chip, like most other gulls, would do anything for fish and chips. When he's banned from his favourite food, he is desperate to get it back on the menu. So Chip hatches a brilliant idea to solve his problem, but has he gone too far this time? |
| 593298 | Chip the lifeguard Howarth, Kylie | Little Hare Books | 2019 | 9781760682316 | Chip is back! His mission: to become a lifeguard! But his dreams soon go soggy when he's chased off the beach. So Chip and his friends fashion a plan to sneak him in to the surf club. Will their stunt earn Chip a place between the red-and-yellow flags? |
| 837 | Chloe McCarty, Peter | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2012 | 9780061142918 | Chloe has twenty siblings and she is happy in the middle. They all enjoy family time, until Dad brings home a television, which looks like it will spoil their time together. |
| 1019886 | Chloe's Lunar New Year LaMotte, Lily & Lee, Michelle (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9780063076518 | It's almost Lunar New Year, and Chloe cant wait to celebrate! But first, Chloe and her family must prepare for the new year. They buy new shoes, lay out good-luck oranges in a bowl, decorate the red envelope, and make a crispy turnip cake. But, most importantly Chloe gets to spend time with her family. |
| 6243 | Chooks in dinner suits Jackson, Diane & Smith, Craig, (ill) | Museum Victoria | 2016 | 9781921833380 | A waddle of Little Penguins live on a tiny island. But, their numbers are dwindling. Swampy Marsh knows what to do but no one will listen to him. Soon, he can count the last few penguins on the fingers of one hand. The desperate townsfolk give Swampy and his friends, Max and Mimi, one chance to solve the problem. Based on a true story. |
| 846105 | Christmas always comes French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2021 | 9781460757895 | Joy comes in the morning' It's Christmas Eve in 1932, and Joey, Ellie and their parents are droving cattle in the drought. How will Santa find them on the long and dusty road? And will there be pudding and presents and a tree in the morning? But Joey knows that Christmas always comes. |
| 4632 | Christmas at home Saxby, Claire & Dawson, Janine (ill) | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760402952 | The tree is decorated, the presents are wrapped and the neighbourhood Christmas lights blaze against a warm December sky in Australia. It's Christmas time at home, the very best time of the year. |

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| 12457 | Christmas day kitten, The Herriot, James & Brown, Ruth (ill) | Pan Macmillan London | 1988 | 9780330304634 | Debbie is a very independent, stray cat. She visits a certain house, a few times a week, to get some food and to spend a little time in front of the warm fire. One Christmas morning, Debbie comes to the house again but this time she is not alone. |
| 1019640 | Christmas days in the sunshine Stephen, Byll & Stephen, Beth & Howe, Simon (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9780733342745 | Every year in December Christmas lights go up in this neighborhood. The children wait up until it is darker to see the moonlight. They also say goodbye to their school friends until the next year and enjoy their holidays. This book is a celebration of summer and the joys of an Australian Christmas. |
| 1395165 | Christmas tree catastrophe, The Bowd, Emma & Shanks, Matt (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2025 | 9781460765883 | This is an occasion story with a difference! Watch naughty Kitty McCatty create complete Christmas Eve chaos! 'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house...Kitty McCatty was chasing a mouse. It's Christmas Eve and the baubles are bickering over the best spots on the Christmas tree when an unexpected visitor appears. A tree-toppling catastrophe seems certain...unless the decorations can set aside their differences and work together? |
| 20747 | Christmas wombat French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2011 | 9780732291716 | Christmas comes but once a year, and it's just as well for Santa's reindeer, who have to fight with Mothball for the carrots left out for them by the local children. And, when Mothball takes an unexpected sleigh ride, it's not just Santa who faces the prospect of getting stuck in the chimney. Christmas from a wombat's eye view is always going to be interesting. |
| 7313 | Circle: Shapes trilogy Barnett, Mac & Klassen, Jon (ill) | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781406384222 | This book is about Circle. This book is also about Circle's friends Triangle and Square. When they all play hide-and-seek, Circle makes a rule. But, when Triangle breaks that rule, Circle has to rescue him. |
| 9663 | Clancy & Millie and the very fine house Gleeson, Libby & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2009 | 9781921541193 | When there is a very big house, two small children and a huge stack of cardboard boxes that become a game, friendship can help turn a house into a home. |
| 18438 | Clancy the courageous cow Hume, Lachie | Scholastic Australia | 2006 | 9781862915633 | Clancy, the cow, is born with different markings from all the other 'Belted Galloways' in her herd. Being different, it turns out, has certain advantages and she may be able to save the herd. |
| 660045 | Clancy the quokka Wilkinson, Lili & Mutton, Alison (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760634711 | Clancy the Quokka is super cute, but also has a super cheeky habit of raiding picnic food, so when he spots a magnificent birthday cake, how can he resist? After the mayhem he creates, will Clancy learn his lesson? |

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| 18681 | Clara caterpillar Edwards, Pamela Duncan & Cole, Henry (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2004 | 9780064436915 | A carefree caterpillar named Clara becomes a common cream-coloured butterfly and competes with a conceited caterpillar, Catisha, who becomes a captivating, crimson-coloured butterfly. |
| 3951 | Clare's Goodbye Gleeson, Libby & Pignataro, Anna (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9781760127527 | We all have our own way of saying goodbye. Libby Gleeson tells a poignant story about letting go, with brooding evocative illustrations by acclaimed illustrator Anna Pignataro. |
| 2690 | Clarrie's pig day out Storer, Jen & de Gennaro, Sue (ill) | ABC Books | 2016 | 9780733334443 | Clarrie the farmer plans a day out and tries to coax his dog, Bert, into coming with him. But, the day doesn't go quite the way that Clarrie plans. There are adventures, mishaps, chickens and a fox, but no Bert to come to the rescue. This mayhem is nothing compared to the lack of unity between Clarrie's mind and his mouth. |
| 8415 | Class Three all at sea Jarman, Julia & Chapman, Lynne (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2008 | 9780340944653 | On the day Class Three went to sea, they saw donkeys dancing on the quay, some sea lions skimming stones but they didn't see the skull and crossbones. Watch the pesky pirates plotting to take over Class Three's school trip to the sea. But don't worry, rescue is at hand. |
| 8552 | Class Two at the zoo Jarman, Julia & Chapman, Lynne | Hachette Children's Books | 2007 | 9780340911617 | Join Class Two as they wander round the zoo. They see all sorts of animal antics but are unaware of the very large snake that's determined to make a meal out of them. |
| | Classic books with holes series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 17984 | Claude all at sea Smith, Alex T | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2016 | 9781444903676 | When Claude leaves the taps running, a quiet bath time turns into a seafaring adventure. |
| 12842 | Claydon was a clingy child Cowell, Cressida | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2001 | 9780340757239 | Claydon is a clingy child who won't let go of his mother's leg. This is a bad idea because his mother is into dangerous sports. Claydon's bear thinks it is a bad idea too. |
| 8081 | Clementine Loth, Sebastian | North South Books | 2011 | 9780735840096 | Once there was a little snail who loved everything round, hoops and wheels and balls and balloons and, most of all, the moon. She longed to glide gently over the moon's surface, around and around and around. And, so, she made a daring decision, she'd find a way to fly to the moon. |
| 1890 | Clementine's walk White, Annie | New Frontier Publishing | 2013 | 9781921928475 | Everyone is too busy to take Clementine for a walk. When they finally find the time, Clementine is nowhere to be found. |

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| 660046 | Cleo & Rob Brown, Helen & Morris, Phoebe (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781988547190 | Sometimes hope has four paws, golden eyes and soft black fur. A kitten called Cleo steps into six-year-old Rob's life after his big brother, Sam, dies. |
| | Clifford series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 1225 | Clive eats alligators Lester, Alison | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 1994 | 9780340608562 | When it comes to playing, eating, shopping, dressing and even going to bed, Clive, Tessa, Frank, Rosie and the rest of the kids all have their favourite way of doing things. |
| 64051 | Cloud, The Cumming, Hannah | Child's Play International Ltd | 2010 | 9781846433436 | One little girl never draws anything and never smiles, she seems to have a little black cloud above her. One classmate decides she is going to try and help her smile, draw together and make a friend or two. |
| 5687 | Cloudland Burningham, John | Jonathan Cape | 1996 | 9780224045810 | Albert is high in the mountains when he falls over a cliff. Just in time, Albert is saved by the Cloud Children who, with some magic words, make him light and airy. Albert has a wonderful time until something reminds him of his own little bed. |
| 612687 | Clover's big ideas Donaghey, Georgie and Middleton, Emma (ill) | Little Pink Dog Books | 2017 | 9780994626967 | Being the smallest in the paddock isn't easy. Clover is always being teased. When three naughty lambs go too far, Clover and her big ideas step in. Discover how Clover shows being little makes her more determined and clever than they could ever imagine. |
| 11306 | Clown Blake, Quentin | Henry Holt & Co | 1996 | 9780805043990 | Clown is one of several toys tossed out with the rubbish. He dusts himself off and gets on with life. The story of clown is told wordlessly in true mime tradition. |
| 18340 | Clumsy crab Galloway, Ruth | Koala Books | 2005 | 9780864615152 | Nipper, the crab, hates his clumsy claws until he uses them to rescue his friend from being tangled in seaweed. |
| 128586 | Cock-a-doodle-doo, farmyard hullabaloo Andreae, Giles & Wojtowycz, David (ill) | Orchard Books | 2000 | 9781841215631 | Charming farmyard animals introduce themselves in simple, flowing verse. Meet the loyal and loved sheepdog, the powerful bull, the gossipy geese and the nocturnal fox. |
| 12394 | Cocky, the crow and the hawk, The Nicholls, Christine (ed.) & Mudgedell, Matingali Napanangka (teller) | Working Title Press | 2002 | 9781876288259 | A Dreaming narrative belonging to Matingali Napanangka Mudgedell, in which all the birds were brightly coloured. The birds lived together and shared their food. But, one day, the cocky and the crow argued and everything changed. |

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| 587861 | Cocoon Parker, Aura | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781742765129 | Dawn and her best friends have a plan! They are going to eat as many leaves as they can, weave cocoons and turn into moths so they can fly. Easy peasy, right? But what happens when days go by and Dawn still doesn't have her wings? What if she doesn't grow them at all? Will Dawn ever get to chase the lights with her friends? |
| 578090 | Collecting sunshine Flynn, Rachel & Ainslie, Tamsin (ill) | Penguin Random House Australia | 2018 | 9780143785187 | Mabel and Robert love to collect things on their walks, leaves and stones and seeds and berries. But when they are caught in the rain and can't take their collection home they have an even better idea. |
| 12381 | Colossal creatures Hughes, Nick & Goss, Mini (ill) | Koala Books | 2002 | 9780864613998 | Who is the biggest creature of them all? Lift the flaps to find out. The simple rhyming text contrasts the ancient dinosaurs with the animals, people and buildings of today. |
| 6204 | Colour for curlews Trembl, Renee | Wombat Books | 2018 | 9781925563320 | Who could resist a little dab of colour here and there? Two curious curlews discover a stash of paints and brushes. An adorable case of Australian birds introduce readers to the joy of colours and colour mixing. |
| 2796 | Colour me Kwaymullina, Ezekiel & Court, Moira (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2017 | 9781925164657 | We are all different, but together we colour our world amazing! |
| 696548 | Colouring competition, The McKenzie, Heath | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781760158859 | It was the perfect day for a colouring-in competition until Oscar noticed he had competition. Now, both Oscar and Henry can't stop colouring and they have gone way outside the lines! |
| 613984 | Colouroos McGregor, Anna | Lothian Books | 2019 | 9780734418838 | When three different mobs of kangaroos come to the waterhole, they aren't sure what to make of each other. But they soon discover that they're more alike than they thought. |
| 15364 | Colours (lift the flap) Taylor, Geraldine (consultant) | Dorling Kindersley | 2002 | 9780751331080 | Lift-the-flap and reveal brightly coloured photographs of familiar objects. |
| 11000 | Colours of Australia Bancroft, Bronwyn | Little Hare Books | 2016 | 9781742976914 | Celebrate the beauty of our natural environment. Each line speaks a different voice, each image stirs a different mood, and all combine to evoke the miracle of colour that surrounds us. |
| 42881 | Columbia sneezes Brian, Janeen & Cunnett, Gabe (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2008 | 9781862916968 | Columbia absolutely loves where he lives but he just can't stop sneezing. A solution is provided when he meets a stranger in the desert. A rhyming picture book with a humorous plot and rhythmical text made for reading out loud, complemented by humorous illustrations. |
| 751089 | Combat wombat to the rescue Newton, Gina & Daley, Tiffanee (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2020 | 9781925804577 | Womba-rumbaaaa! I'm Combat Wombat, Wildlife Warrior of the Bush! With courage, determination and sheer wombat power, Combat Wombat leads his bush buddies to safety in a race to escape a raging bushfire. Is he strong enough and clever enough to overcome all obstacles? |

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| 12163 | Come away from the water, Shirley Burningham, John | Red Fox | 1992 | 9780099899402 | While Shirley's parents sit on the beach with their knitting and newspapers, Shirley embarks on a fantasy adventure. |
| 1310 | Come count with me Wilson, Marika | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781743313435 | Little chicky can count to five, but now it's time for Nana to try. |
| 94504 | Come down, cat Hartnett, Sonya & Masciullo, Lucia (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2011 | 9780670074754 | The day is ending, night is falling and Nicholas's cat won't come down from the roof. High on the roof, she licks her paws while Nicholas worries about her being all alone, especially during the night. But, his cat doesn't want to come down, at least, not yet. |
| 128773 | Come on, Daisy Simmons, Jane | Orchard Books | 2004 | 9781843622727 | Daisy is more interested in exploring the exciting things around her than listening to Mother Duck. But, when she comes to some dark and scary waters, she is very happy to have her mum near. |
| 18387 | Commotion in the ocean Andreae, Giles & Wojtowycz, David (ill) | Tiger Tales | 2001 | 9781589250000 | The sequel to the best-selling 'Rumble in the Jungle' is a delightful new collection of poems about creatures who live in and around the ocean. |
| 2940 | Complete guide to a dog's best friend, The Gardner, Felicity & West, David | Lothian Books | 2015 | 9780734415417 | This is a story for dog lovers and those who have ever wondered what their dog is really thinking. |
| 1019715 | Concrete garden, The Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2023 | 9781529512649 | The children spilled out like sweets from a box into the sunshine. Amanda brought a box of chalks. Someone drew a butterflies, a balloon, a caterpillar, and someone else drew a bumble bee passing by. Soon a beautiful exotic garden spread out across the concrete... |
| 24020 | Conga dance Tarlau, Amanda & Chapman, Jane (ill) | Koala Books | 2015 | 9781742761107 | Join the line, the conga line. One by one, Australian animals and birds join the conga line, dancing together until they fall in a tangle at the end. |
| 1426090 | Connected Stephen, R.A. & Teow, Tamlyn (ill) | Wombat Books | 2026 | 9781761113178 | Connected introduces children to the mathematical concept of networks, while emphasising that no one is alone. Everyone is connected. |
| 30939 | Cooking with grandma Mastnak, Rosemary | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2009 | 9781921564192 | Anya loves visiting Grandma and Grandpa. They like to cook together and then go on adventures around the house. |
| 48801 | Copy cat Birchall, Mark | Child's Play International Ltd | 2010 | 9781846433672 | Cat is small and Dog is big. Whatever Dog does, Cat does too. Dog gets really fed up with Cat copying everything she does. But one day, when Cat can't be found, Dog discovers she doesn't have anyone to play with. |

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| 602734 | Coral sea dreaming Toft, Kim Michelle | Silkim Books | 2017 | 9780994238849 | Coral Sea Dreaming will take you on a colourful underwater adventure through a magical coral reef. Swim with manta rays, pat a parrotfish, float with the fish and beware of the creatures that lurk beneath - looking for their next meal. Enjoy the poetic text, learn more about the creatures that live in this underwater environment and discover how you can help preserve this multi-coloured marine environment for future generations to enjoy. |
| 1209836 | Costa's garden Georgiadis, Costa & Quinlan, Brenna (ill) | ABC Books | 2024 | 9780733343360 | Put on your nature goggles and join Costa to discover the joy of nature. |
| 10874 | Cottonwool Colin Willis, Jeanne & Ross, Tony (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2007 | 9781842707197 | Colin is the smallest of ten mice siblings and his mother is so fearful for his safety that she decides to wrap him up in cottonwool to protect him. This isn't as effective as she hoped. |
| 3549 | Count with Bowerbird Bill Raymond, Melanie & Pritchard, Jo (ill) | Museum Victoria | 2016 | 9781921833410 | Bowerbird Bill loves to build. He also loves to find treasures for his power. Count with Bill and share his journey as he looks for treasure. Bill's friend Belle is sure to be impressed by his bower. |
| 1388309 | Countdown to Christmas Gardland, Evie & Gyan, Rachel (ill) | Albert Street Books | 2025 | 9781761181993 | It's nearly Christmas! Can you feel the excitement? From ten shiny baubles to one golden star, let's count down to the most magical time of year. |
| 3974 | Counting on you Fenton, Corinne & Cowcher, Robin (ill) | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760403898 | On race-with-the-wind days or sometimes-I-forget days....I'm counting on you. |
| 1119409 | Country Muir, Aunty Fay & Lawson, Sue & Davison, Cheryl (ill) | Wild Dog Books | 2024 | 9781742036779 | Country is all around us and includes us. It is all the living things which we can see, feel, smell, hear and taste. Country also shows us how to be and guides us in taking care of it and ourselves. |
| 774392 | Courageous Lucy: The girl who liked to worry Russell, Paul & King, Cara (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820775 | Lucy worries about everything and she worries a lot. She's so skilled at worrying that she worries about new and interesting things no one else even thinks about! But when Mrs Hunt tells the class there is going to be a school musical, Lucy decides she wants to be a part of it. She's too worried to try out for any of the parts but Mrs Hunt finds the perfect role for her. Being a piece of the landscape may not suit everyone but Lucy puts everything into being the best tree she can, and with a sprinkle of courage she stands proud and tall as her knees knock and her tummy ties in knots. She becomes the best tree anyone can ever remember! |
| 4038 | Cow tripped over the moon, The Wilson, Tony & Wood, Laura (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743623534 | Hey diddle diddle, you all know the riddle, a cow jumps over the moon. But, the moon is very high in the sky and cow has to make many high-flying leaps. |
| 50741 | Cows in the kitchen Crebbin, June & McEwen, Katharine (ill) | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781406326321 | See what chaos the animals cause in the farm house when Tom Farmer falls asleep in the haystack. |

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| 1325 | Crabbing with Dad Seden, Paul | Magabala Books | 2016 | 9781925360158 | With sunscreen and life jackets on, Dad and two children zoom off into the creek, passing other boats and people fishing along the way. It's a good time to be on the water and they even come across Cousin Dan, throwing his net as far as he can. With the crab pots set, they wait patiently and play games as they try to guess what fish could be swimming under their boat. It's finally time to check the crab pots. |
| 1096866 | Craft roach Burke, Rachel & Gray-Barnett, Daniel (ill) | Bright Light Books | 2023 | 9781761211959 | Craft Roach is an exuberant story about an artsy little bug who lives life a little differently. |
| 3663 | Cranky ballerina, The Gravel, Elise | HarperCollins US | 2016 | 9780062351241 | Saturdays make Ada cranky. That's because Saturday is the day Ada has her ballet class. Stretch- she kicks. Twirl- she swats. Jump- she flops. "I hate ballet" Ada says. And it doesn't seem like that is going to change anytime soon. |
| 22958 | Crash! Boom!: A maths tale Harris, Robie H. & Chatterton, Chris (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2018 | 9780763678272 | Elephant has a bucket of blocks and wants to build something tall. Something as tall as Elephant. But will it stay up? CRASH! BOOM! Not this time. Build it again? One block. Two blocks? Four blocks? It's still not as tall as Elephant. More blocks! Now will it stay up? Now will it be as tall as Elephant? Build, balance, count - question, estimate, measure - predict, crash, and build again! |
| 1019813 | Crayons go back to school, The Daywalt, Drew & Jeffers, Oliver (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2023 | 9780008560843 | The crayons are getting ready to go back to school and each crayon has a subject they're looking forward to the most. They're also ready to meet new friends and let loose during their very favourite time of day . . . art class. A hilarious back-to-school story featuring everyone's favourite school supplies! |
| 995872 | Crayons trick or treat, The Daywalt, Drew & Jeffers, Oliver (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2022 | 9780008560775 | The Crayons are ready to celebrate Halloween. They want to go trick-or-treating, but they're not sure what to say. Purple Crayon teaches the rest of the box the magic words to say when they ring their neighbours' doorbells, but it doesn't always go according to plan. |
| 825539 | Crayons' book of feelings, The Daywalt, Drew & Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Australia | 2021 | 9780008495329 | Whether you're happy, sad, invisible or brave, the crayons feel that way too. A great book for reflecting on feelings. |
| 4143 | Creaturepedia Barman, Adrienne | Wide Eyed Editions | 2015 | 9781847806345 | See the animal kingdom's stars as you've never seen them before. The best-loved animals from all over the world are chosen for their special talents and characteristics. Meet 'the architects', the 'noisy neighbours', the 'homebodies', the 'forever faithfuls', the 'champions of forgetfulness' and more. |

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| 6899 | Creatures of Dryden Gully, The Hegarty, Aunty Ruth & Harrold, Sandi (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781760151997 | Mopoke welcomes the visitors, who have come from far away, to the valley. Young Joey is just learning to hop and is envious of these new, special creatures. He wishes he could stride across the valley too. |
| 12304 | Croc bait Norrington, Leonie | Omnibus Books | 2003 | 9781862915138 | Sean's uncles say he is too small to go fishing with them. "'You might get eaten by a crocodile'", they say. But, Sean reckons he is old enough to go fishing so, early one morning, he goes to the river all by himself. |
| 1209917 | Croc candy Thompson, Claire & Brown, Deborah (ill) | Woodslane Press | 2025 | 9781922800817 | Croc-loving Angus struggles with reading and writing, but when he is struck by a whizz-bang croc-snapper of an idea, he learns to overcome his fears, and help others along the way! This is the true story of a rising star, Angus Copelin-Waters. |
| 751038 | Crocodile in the family, A Black, Kitty & Parton, Daron (ill) | Lothian Books | 2020 | 9780734419507 | The birds are thrilled with their new family member, but the other animals are confused. Why would the birds keep a crocodile? Croccy is helpful, and he is graceful, and he does make a great coat rack. But that's not why they keep him. A heart-warming story about family in all its shapes and sizes. |
| 3383 | Crocodile river Lawrenson, Diana & Snell, Danny (ill) | Working Title Press | 2009 | 9781876288921 | This is the story of a saltwater crocodile, named Cranky, and her struggle to survive. Follow her from the time she hatches until she finds a safe haven where she can lay her own eggs. |
| 880480 | Crumbs Cummings, Phil & Devries, Shane (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2022 | 9781760970086 | Ella has been saving her coins to buy something nice for herself on her outing to the city. In the cold afternoon she spots a little bird pecking about for a crumb to eat and she learns how a simple act of kindness can create something special and valuable for others. |
| 19384 | Crunch Rabei, Carolina | Child's Play International Ltd | 2015 | 9781846437328 | Crunch the guinea pig loves his food, so it is just as well there's plenty of it, especially when a hungry little mouse wants a share. After Crunch refuses to share and hug the mouse, the mouse disappears. Crunch feels bad and starts to worry about the mouse. He sets off to find him but the mouse cannot be found. |
| 13542 | Crusher is coming Graham, Bob | Lothian Books | 2008 | 9780734410702 | Crusher, the school football hero, is coming over to Peter's place. In anticipation, Peter clears his room of childish toys, gives instructions to his mother and young sister about how to behave, and prepares lots of exciting games. But, Crusher isn't quite what Peter expects. |
| 1289 | Crusts Parker, Danny & Ottley, Matt (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2016 | 9781742979830 | Jacob is just one of millions who won't eat their crusts. But, he is one in a million when it comes to bright ideas. When tiny creatures from a distant, crumbling planet seek Jacob's help, he sets out to do what he can with his big box of uneaten crusts. |
| 14989 | Cuddle time Gleeson, Libby & Vivas, Julie (ill) | Walker Books | 2004 | 9780744596632 | The morning adventure from the children's room into their parents' bed, told with delightful humour. |

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| 18058 | Cuddly Dudley Alborough, Jez | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406310740 | Dudley is so lovely and cuddly that his brothers and sisters can't leave him alone, even when he wants some time to himself. So Dudley sets off alone across the tundra, until he discovers that being with friends and being incredibly cuddly isn't such a bad thing after all. |
| 5560 | Cupcake Mericle Harper, Charise | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781423118978 | Vanilla Cupcake is feeling a bit plain next to his fancy brothers and sisters, until candle comes along and they come up with some ideas. |
| 28962 | Curious George's first day of school Reys, Margret & Reys, H A | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406313918 | It's George's first day at school and he's been invited to be a special helper. |
| 9036 | Curry for Murray, A Hunter, Kate & Masciullo, Lucia (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2015 | 9780702253546 | After making a curry for her neighbour, Murray, Molly's delicious dishes are in demand. Now everyone wants a taste of her cooking. Before long, Molly's making meals for the people in her street, the suburb and then for people in other cities and even other countries. Molly cooks up a storm for everyone until she injures herself. |
| 12291 | Cuthbert's babies Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2003 | 9780670040735 | When Cuthbert's mother brings home not one baby brother, but four baby sisters, no one seems to have any time for Cuthbert. He wishes for someone to play with, someone big and bad. Three pirates aren't exactly what he had in mind. |
| 1388331 | Cynthia is a wild dog Riddle, Tohby | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing | 2025 | 9781761214837 | Cynthia is a wild dog. She hunts anything that moves. She scavenges for food. Because that's what wild dogs do. |
| 587732 | D.W.'s guide to preschool Brown, Marc | Scholastic US | 2003 | 9780439404693 | D.W., Arthur's little sister, tells all about what it is like to be in preschool, including essential information about such topics as bathroom breaks, storing things in a cubbie, and sharing at play time. |
| 12405 | Dad I can't sleep Foreman, Michael | Red Fox | 1996 | 9780099610717 | Little Panda can't sleep so his Dad suggests that he count sheep, then cows, then pigs and tigers, then elephants and polar bears. Little Panda is still having trouble going to sleep so Dad suggests he count all the different kinds of dinosaurs. |
| 570813 | Dad is a robot, My Cosgrove, Matt | Koala Books | 2018 | 9781742993256 | Psssst! Wanna hear something cool? Dont tell everyone, But my Dad is a ROBOT! Admittedly, this dad is an older model, he doesn't have laser eyes or jet-powered feet and his batteries regularly run flat. But there's one little boy who wouldn't change a thing... |
| 22136 | Dad who measures up, A Cali, Davide & Cantone, Anna Laura (ill) | Wilkins Farago Pty Ltd | 2008 | 9780958557191 | In this funny, moving story, a little girl is about to find out what makes an ideal dad as she searches for one who can measure up to the mummy she loves. |
| 7245 | Daddies Hoy, Catriona & Webster, Mal (ill) | Lothian Books | 2009 | 9780734410849 | Daddies like doing lots of wild things but they're also great for cuddles. |

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| 15746 | Daddy lost his head Bouchard, Andre & Blake, Quentin (ill) | Random House Children's Books | 2011 | 9781862309968 | If your daddy lost his head, I wonder what you'd do. Make him a new one, of course. All you'd need are some old newspapers, some paint and a potato for his nose. It turns out there are lots of advantages to having a dad with no head. He doesn't shout or snore, he always agrees with you, and he loves doing housework. |
| 6217 | Daddy shop, The Darlison, Aleesah & O'Gara, Kelly (ill) | Wombat Books | 2018 | 9781925563511 | Hey, kids. Are you looking for a new daddy? Well, look no further. At the Daddy Shop, we have daddies to suit every occasion. Check out our daddies today! The Father and Son Picnic is coming up, but Daddy can't go with Tai because he's working. When Tai hears about the The Daddy Shop, he takes matters into his own paws and tries out some new daddies. Around-The-House Daddy does all the chores and Out-And-About Daddy plays all day long. But which daddy will be the best one for Tai? A big-hearted tale that celebrates daddies everywhere. |
| 15002 | Daddy's having a horse Shanahan, Lisa & Quay, Emma (ill) | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780733616631 | Caitlin is excited because her mum is having a baby. Her brother, Lachlan, is even more excited - he's sure Dad's having a horse. |
| 5926 | Daddy's sandwich Jones, Pip & Hughes, Laura (ill) | Faber & Faber | 2015 | 9780571311828 | Join a little girl on her quest to make her father the perfect sandwich, whether he likes it or not. |
| 54467 | Daisy and the puppy Shanahan, Lisa & Acton, Sara (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781742830513 | Daisy wants a puppy so much. She knows all of the dogs in her neighbourhood and bathes them for free every Saturday. Daisy thinks she will never get a dog of her own, until she and her mum spot Ollie. |
| 24574 | Dance is for everyone Zuill, Andrea | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781454921141 | An alligator dancing ballet? When the reptile takes her place at the barre, Mrs Iraina and her dancers are very surprised. But since they can't communicate with the alligator, and she is able to follow along, they just decide to name her Tanya and let her stay. (Would YOU say no to a 450-pound alligator?) Mrs Iraina even creates a special ballet to showcase Tanya's larger-than-life talents . . . and super-swishy tail. Then, without warning, Tanya disappears. |
| 5708 | Dance of the sugar plum fairy Whiting, Sue & Davis, Sarah (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2009 | 9781921042621 | Marcus and Mary make the finest, sweetest-smelling candy. When the King has a taste, he decides to order more than they can possibly make. But, help is at hand to meet the ever-increasing orders from the King. While you read, listen to the music of the Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy on the accompanying CD. |
| 29826 | Dance with me Harrison, Penny & Jones, Gwynneth (ill) | EK Books | 2016 | 9781925335231 | A ballerina in a music box loves nothing more than to dance. But when the little girl who owns the box grows up, who will dance with the ballerina now? A gorgeous story about treasured possessions and the memories they hold. |

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| 1730 | Dance, Bilby, Dance Oktober, Tricia | Ford Street Publishing | 2016 | 9781925272130 | Moths, leaves, Min-min lights and, even, shadows dance around him. Bilby has to practise hard before he can dance and prance. It's great fun until a much larger shadow appears. |
| 3055 | Dancing Charli Wood, Ant & Robertson, Lorraine (ill) | Envirobook | 2016 | 9780858812505 | Early one morning, bright as a spark a little bird performed her favourite trick. Join Charli and her new friend Gordon as they dance around Australia in a celebration of diversity. |
| 916617 | Dancing with dragons Dunjey, Amy & Lopez, Jesus (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503305 | Rose is exploring deep in the forest when she stumbles upon... DRAGONS! But these are no ordinary dragons and they need Rose to make a very important decision... |
| 751155 | Dandy & Dazza Dumbleton, Mike & Curzon, Brett (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2021 | 9781921928826 | Dandy and Dazza were different in so many ways. Dandy was a 'best in show' sort of hound. Dazza was a 'rough and tumble' sort of mongrel. Could these two very different dogs ever be good friends? |
| 7026 | Dandylion Finlay, Lizzie | Red Fox | 2009 | 9781862305960 | Dandylion is new to class and he brings a splash of colour into everyone's lives. But, sometimes, Dandylion is a little bit unusual, a little bit too crazy, a little bit too messy and a little bit too much trouble. |
| 1019693 | Daring tale of Gloria the great, The Harvey, Jacqueline & Scott, Kate Isobel | Puffin Australia | 2023 | 9781761043284 | Gloria the Great is not like the rest of her brood. She gets in your face, and she runs her own race. But then one day POOF! She disappears without a trace. The other chooks in the brood then decide she was not so bad because they miss her and her antics. They feel guilty for being mean sometimes. Will Gloria be found? Gloria is a one-of-a-kind chicken. Laugh along at Gloria's antics in this quirky tale that celebrates individuality. |
| 12010 | Dark dark tale, A Brown, Ruth | Penguin Putnam | 1992 | 9780590701631 | Follow the black cat through the dark wood and into the mysterious castle, up the spooky stairs and along the spooky corridors to discover something, unexpected, in a dark, dark cupboard. |
| 1423917 | Dasher and the polar bear Tavares, Matt | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781529528824 | The only thing better than making Christmas magic is making a new friend to share it with. |
| 27373 | Dashing dog Mahy, Margaret & Bixley, Donovan (ill) | HarperCollins NZ | 2013 | 9781775540229 | Follow this chaotic dog and his family as they take a walk along the beach. |
| 90865 | Dave & Violet Adams, Sarah | Frances Lincoln | 2011 | 9781847801579 | Violet's best friend is Dave, the dragon. Dave is very friendly and helpful, but he is also very shy. And, whenever he meets other people, he simply goes red and spouts flames, scaring them away. Despite Violet's help, Dave wonders if he will ever fit in. But, one day, his special abilities come to the rescue in a damp situation. |

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| 751123 | Day at the beach, A Roberts, Cassie & Richards, John (ill) | Adelaide Books | 2020 | 9781952570872 | Join William and Rose as they enjoy a fun-filled day at the beach helping their new friends to work together as a team. With cheerful and entertaining rhymes, A Day at the Beach is a wonderful read for all ages. |
| 660670 | Day at the zoo, A Roberts, Cassie & Richards, Judy (ill) | Adelaide Books | 2020 | 9781950437993 | A Day at the Zoo is a vivid whimsical story about William and Rose and their visit to the zoo. The children visit many different animals are invited to join in the fun. This story is written in playful rhymes and has the strong message of never giving up and always being brave. |
| 12146 | Day in the life of me, A Marsden, John & Smith, Craig (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2002 | 9780734401960 | A little boy has a perfect day. He is greeted enthusiastically by everyone he meets, takes his dog to school where he gets everything right and eats fairy bread and grapes for play lunch. Children line up to play with him and his parents take him out. |
| 20457 | Day of the elephant, The Wilson, Barbara Ker | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2005 | 9780207200595 | Mae Jabu, the great elephant, plodded down the track as she did everyday. This day would be different from any other day for her and the children. A huge wave is approaching that will change everything. |
| 36832 | Day the chooks blew away, The Bowater, Alan & Pascoe, Pete (ill) | JoJo Publishing | 2008 | 9780980321654 | Every night, the chickens and Rodney, the rooster, on Misery Farm go to roost and dream. They dream about being somewhere else and doing something different. One morning, a big storm comes and blows all the chooks away, including Rodney the rooster and the rest of Misery Farm. |
| 4772 | Day the crayons came home, The Daywalt, Drew & Jeffers, Oliver (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2015 | 9780008124434 | Watch out. The crayons are back and they're more cross than ever. One day, Duncan receives a set of postcards from his crayons who have been lost, forgotten or broken. One crayon has even melted in a clothes dryer and is stuck to a sock. |
| 4271 | Day the crayons quit, The Daywalt, Drew & Jeffers, Oliver (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2014 | 9780007513765 | Poor Duncan just wants to colour. But, when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters, all saying the same thing, 'We quit'. Beige is tired of playing second fiddle to Brown. Blue needs a break from colouring all that water, while Pink just wants to be used. None of the crayons is happy. Duncan has a real problem in his hands. |
| 782309 | Day we built the bridge, The Tidy, Samantha & Burrows, Fiona (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2019 | 9781925227437 | The day we built the bridge' celebrates our connection with one another, and declares that despite the greatest of challenges, together we can make history. This is the story of how the Sydney Harbour Bridge went from a dream to reality. |
| 4215 | Dear Fairy Godmother Rosen, Michael & Sharratt, Nick (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406325577 | All the best-loved fairytale characters are here and they all have a different problem. There's the pesky girl who keeps eating little bear's porridge and the wolf who just won't leave Little Red Riding Hood alone. They write letters to the Fairy Godmother, asking for advice. Read her responses and lift the flap to see Fairy Godmother's ingenious solutions to their predicaments. |

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| 644952 | Dear Grandpa Simpson, Kate & Ghosh, Ronojo (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760523435 | Henry lives 2003 kilometres from his grandpa - that's longer than all the world's blue whales placed end to end and as uncatchable as a goodnight kiss on a shooting star. But Grandpa knows that even from a long distance, love can be closer than you think. |
| 89694 | Dear little fish Dahan, Andre | Brolly Books | 2008 | 9781921346514 | Here is a tale about the relationship between two unlikely characters, a cat and a goldfish. The cat sets the goldfish free but, the friendship is so strong, they find each other again and are reunited. |
| 1019822 | Dear Santa: I don't need socks Ortiz, Consuelo Fernandez | Five Mile Press | 2023 | 9781922943477 | In Australia it is summer time, and Aussie the koala celebrates Christmas in bathers. His cousin Olavi lives in Lapland and Christmas time is freezing there. |
| 12175 | Dear zoo Campbell, Rod | Penguin | 1988 | 9780140504460 | In this introduction to zoo animals, children lift the flaps to discover what is underneath. |
| 12095 | Deep, The Winton, Tim & Louise, Karen (ill) | Sandcastle | 1999 | 9781863682107 | Alice and her family live by the sea and, although she can swim well, Alice is terrified of deep water. She yearns to join her parents, brothers and pet dog playing in the sea. It takes some friendly dolphins to begin chipping away at Alice's fear. |
| 795202 | Definitely do not open this book Lee, Andy & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9780655206439 | Wizz is back, and he's up to his old tricks again. He DEFINITELY does not want you to read this book, and he'll use every trick he can think of to stop you reaching the end! What disaster awaits at the end of the book this time? |
| 12320 | Delightful Delilah Gray, Nigel | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2002 | 9780734403773 | How important is a name? Ewan decides to change his, and his family plays along. Each day, Ewan has a new name until, one day, he chooses one that he doesn't know is a girl's name and then the girl who owns it, doesn't want to share it. |
| 8332 | Delilah's dream Trevaskis, Ian & Dawson, Janine (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2009 | 9781921042232 | Delilah isn't like other hens. Her head is full of all sorts of dreams about life beyond the farmyard gate. Most of all, she dreams of soaring higher than the eagles and touching the clouds. One day, when a fox enters the chook yard, Delilah must act quickly. |
| 1243196 | Demolition dinosaurs Gibbes, Lesley & Crosby-Fairall, Marjorie (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781760268251 | There's a dangerous building in the centre of town and the Demolition Dinos are smashing it down. |
| 31030 | Den is a bed for a bear, A Baines, Becky | National Geographic Society | 2008 | 9781426303098 | Bears sleep during the winter for lots of good reasons. Find out why and where they sleep, and what they do when they wake up. |
| 36717 | Denver McKee, David | Andersen Press Ltd | 2010 | 9781842709634 | Denver is rich, very, very rich. Everyone in the village loves him for his kindness and generosity. But, one day a stranger arrives who breeds discontent by telling the villagers that it isn't fair for Denver to have so much more than they do. |
| 1388333 | Derek Donaldson, Anne & Shanks, Matt (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2025 | 9781761215537 | This is a story about a curious fish who is determined to find answers to his questions. |

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| 8379 | Derek the dinosaur Blackwood, Mary & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2008 | 9781862911413 | Derek wishes he could be as fearsome and frightening as his brothers. He soon finds out that his skills will save the day. |
| 21619 | Detective dog, The Donaldson, Julia & Ogilvie, Sara (ill) | MacMillan | 2016 | 9781509801596 | Peter's dog, Nell, has an amazing sense of smell. Whether it's finding a lost shoe or discovering who did a poo on the new gravel path, her ever-sniffing nose is always hard at work. But, Nell has other talents too. Every Monday, she goes to school with Peter and listens to children read. But, one morning, when they arrive at school, Peter and Nell discover that all the books have disappeared. |
| | Dewdrop series MacCarthy, Patricia | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 3922 | Dewey: there's a cat in the library Myron, Vicki & Witter, Bret & James, S (ill) | Simon & Schuster | 2010 | 9781847389138 | One cold night in Iowa, a small kitten is dropped into a book-return chute at the public library. He is named Dewey Readmore Books and becomes the library mascot, attracting many visitors to the library. As Dewey realises his privileged position, he makes an effort to be the best library cat ever. |
| 731099 | Dharma the llama Cosgrove, Matt | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781760669201 | Dharma the Llama doesn't run with the herd. She likes to do things her own way. The other llamas don't understand why she's always reading. But when the herd gets into trouble, will Dharma's books save the day? |
| 4606 | Diary of a baby wombat French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2010 | 9780007351756 | Baby wombats sleep. They eat. They get bored. On Wednesday, baby wombat's mother, Mothball, decides they need a bigger hole and the search begins. |
| 1097 | Diary of a fly Cronin, Doreen & Bliss, Harry (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2012 | 9780007455911 | Fly's first day at school marks the beginning of his diary in which he charts his adventures such as learning how to fly, eating regurgitated food and his part in the food chain. When Fly adds up all his special attributes, he aspires to be a superhero who can walk on walls and see in all directions at once. |
| 16063 | Did I ever tell you how lucky you are? Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9780008592240 | A madcap misadventure that roams from the Kavern of Krock to a forest in France, Did I Ever Tell You How Lucky You Are? is the perfect tale for readers today and a helpful reminder that there is always someone worse off than ourselves! |
| 22118 | Dig dig digging Mayo, Margaret & Ayliffe, Alex (ill) | Orchard Books | 2001 | 9781841210803 | It's a busy day for construction and transport vehicles as the workers and their machines labour all day. With repetitive, predictable text, this book is ideal for young listeners and emerging readers. |

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| 5474 | Dig, dump, roll Sutton, Sally & Lovelock, Brian (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781760650056 | Crash-a-rumble, smash-a-grumble! If you love big machines you will love guessing which one makes that noise. |
| 3820 | Digby and the yodelayhee...who? Price, Renee & Tortop, Anil (ill) | Create it kids | 2017 | 9780992345754 | Yodelayhee! What could it be? Digby Fixit is perplexed, what or who is making that super-duper sound? Join Digby and his very-bestest friends, as they help solve the mystery of the noisy noise, with some toe-tapping fun along the way. |
| 5902 | Digger Dumbleton, Mike & Cowcher, Robin (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760296735 | Digger is the story of one toy kangaroo, one Australian soldier and two girls, in two countries on opposite sides of a world at war. It is a quiet reminder of the casualties of war, and a tribute to the French schoolchildren who once tended the graves of Australian soldiers who died on the Western Front in the heroic battle for Villers Bretonneux in April 1918. |
| 1174755 | Digger digs down Bell, Johanna & Bolliger, Huni Melissa (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2024 | 9780702268656 | Digger digs - down, deep and round and round. Along the way underground treasures are there to find, but Digger just keeps on digging. What will Digger discover? Will he be able to find his way back? A book full of energy, excitement and fun. |
| 4464 | Digging-est dog, The Perkins, Al & Gurney, Eric (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2006 | 9780007224807 | A dog, who has spent too much of his life on hard surfaces in a pet shop, is claimed by a new young owner. The dog's new canine colleagues attempt to teach him to dig, and his determination to succeed leads to disaster and some unexpected results. |
| 905 | Ding-dong bag, The Peters, Polly & Stockham, Jess (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2006 | 9781846430152 | Two boys go out with a large bag to catch all the noises they can find. From the noises at breakfast to the distant roar of thunder, from the clank of a stick on railings to the thud of a baseball bat, they're in for an ear-splitting time. |
| 1663 | Dingo dog and the billabong storm Fusek Peters, Andrew (retell) & Wadham, Anna | Child's Play International Ltd | 2009 | 9781846432477 | The animals of the bush are fed up with Dingo's bullying so they set out to teach him a lesson. A traditional Australian tale with a twist. |
| 9236 | Dingo in the dark Morgan, Sally & Erzinger, Tania (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2016 | 9781742990972 | Dingo is afraid of the dark. He can't sleep if Sun is not there to watch over him. So, he's too tired to play with his friends during the day and is feeling lonely. Dingo must find a way to feel safe when night falls. |
| 12074 | Dinnertime Weld, Ann & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Working Title Press | 2001 | 9781876288198 | A hungry fox searches the countryside for his evening meal. Six, fat rabbits play various childhood games as, one by one, they cleverly escape the mischievous fox. |
| 738 | Dinosaur called Tiny, A Durant, Alan & Simpson, Jo (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2008 | 9780007233908 | Tiny is such a small dinosaur that the other dinosaurs say he can't play their games. But, Tiny finds a way to show he's bigger than he looks. |
| 580946 | Dinosaur day out Acton, Sara | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781760650049 | Sally and Max love dinosaurs. They can't wait to see them at the museum, but today the dinosaur exhibition is closed. Where will the dinosaurs go on their day off? |

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| 1019823 | Dinosaur did it, The McGurk, R.M. & Szmidt, Aleksandra (ill) | Five Mile Press | 2023 | 9781922943743 | Imogen is messy. She simply can't help it so it's clearly not her fault! In fact, when Dad discovers all her mess Imogen tells him The dinosaur did it! Will Imogen's imaginary friend take the blame for her mischief and mess? Or will they both discover that it's much better to be honest? |
| 1052175 | Dinosaur in my pocket Barton, Ashleigh & Fielden, Blithe (ill) | Lothian Books | 2024 | 9780734422668 | James loves two things more than anything in the world: dinosaurs and miniatures. So when his class goes on an excursion to a museum and James finds a miniature dinosaur at the gift shop, he can't help himself: he takes the dinosaur. But as the day continues, James' guilt grows. And so does the dinosaur. |
| 6347 | Dinosaur Juniors: Give peas a chance Biddulph, Rob | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2018 | 9780008207441 | It's dinner-time for Nancy, but oh no... PEAS! Not-so-keen-on-peas Nancy needs to come up with a way to ditch those little green balls. Luckily, she's got a peas-plot up her sleeve. But is she quite as clever as she thinks? |
| 567887 | Dinosaur juniors: Happy hatchday Biddulph, Rob | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2018 | 9780008286385 | Meet Otto, Winnie, Greg(osaurus) and all the other dinosaur juniors as they traverse life's first ups and downs! |
| 22291 | Dinosaur roar Stickland, Paul & Henrietta | Koala Books | 2005 | 9780864615206 | Lots and lots of delightful dinosaurs do all sorts of things but, most of all, they love their lunch. |
| 15000 | Dinosaur, The Milbourne, Anna & Field, Mandy | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2004 | 9780746062371 | A stegosaurus hatches and wonders through a prehistoric world. A young boy looks at fossils in a museum. |
| | Dinosauritis series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 4900 | Dinosaurs Bone, Emily & Cosgrove, Lee (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2016 | 9781474907156 | An exciting book about dinosaurs for young children to read aloud. Each page has colourful illustrations of a Tyrannosaurus rex, a Stegosaurus, a Diplodocus and lots more. The simple text describes what dinosaurs ate, where they lived, how they looked after their babies and which were the biggest and smallest dinosaurs. |
| 5129 | Dinosaurs and other prehistoric creatures Sewell, Matt | Pavilion | 2017 | 9781843653509 | This large Book of Dinosaurs and other prehistoric creatures contains giant and colourful illustrations, each accompanied with interesting information, and the latest findings on appearance, colour and habits. On top of this is a quirky humour and appeal, making it a fun and insightful to younger readers. |

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| 18476 | Dinosaurs galore Andrae, Giles & Wojtowycz, David (ill) | Orchard Books | 2005 | 9781843626091 | What shapes do you see, what noises do you hear? Perhaps you'll see a swishing tail, huge footprints, or a beak. A humorous and fact-filled poetry book about the lives of the great dinosaurs. |
| 751200 | Dinosaurs in love Rosenthal, Fenn & Jacobs, Hannah (ill) | Hachette Australia | 2021 | 9781408365069 | From singer-songwriter Tom Rosenthal and his three-year-old Fenn, comes a sweet and deceptively simple story about love, longing, and loss, based on the viral, heart-melting song 'Dinosaurs in Love'. Dinosaurs eating people Dinosaurs in love Dinosaurs having a party They eat fruit and cucumber When singer-songwriter Tom Rosenthal and his daughter Fenn posted their original song, 'Dinosaurs in Love', it became an instant classic. Just as Fenn's dinosaurs fell in love, so did the world. Now readers of all ages can enjoy Fenn's heartfelt, poignant lyrics again and again in this irresistible, sing-aloud picture book, featuring charming illustrations from Hannah Jacobs (animator of the viral music video) |
| 46350 | Dinosaurs love cheese French, Jackie & Rycroft, Nina (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2013 | 9780732292645 | A few small toy animals can transform any situation into an imaginative larger-than-life world. So it is with this young child when a simple trip to the supermarket involves giraffes, zebras, lions and even a dinosaur. |
| 7462 | Dinosnore! Bendall-Brunello, John | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842707883 | Three little dinosaurs are trying to wake their sleepy Mum but nothing seems to work. She just snores and snores, and the dinosaurs need your help. |
| 6942 | Dippy's big day out French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2019 | 9781460754061 | Dippy is a diprotodon, the BIGGEST, friendliest wombat who lived 100,000 years ago. All Dippy wants is happy friends, a place to sleep and lots to eat. Who knew that could be such an adventure? |
| 1038934 | Diprotodon: A Megafauna Journey Saunders, Bronwyn; Plant, Andrew | CSIRO | 2023 | 9781486316762 | On the same land we live on today, millions of years ago, the Diprotodon roamed, seeking comfort in his mother's pouch and looking for friends and food. Follow him on an adventure as he tries to survive. |
| 587884 | Dirt bikes Caswell, Deanna | World Book | 2018 | 9780716693031 | Rev up your engines, we're going to take you for a ride. Get to know what's under the hood of your favourite vehicles. You're in the drivers seat! |
| 659255 | Disgusting McGrossface McManus, Rove | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760665357 | Who brings in mud then licks his feet dry? Disgusting McGrossface, he's your guy. When Mum and Dad come home to find muddy footprints all over the floor, there's only one creature to blame... |

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| 22706 | Do like a duck does Hindley, Judy | Candlewick Press | 2002 | 9780763632847 | A hairy-scary stranger wants to join the duck family. Mama Duck might be really fooled or she might just have a way of making the hairy-scary stranger very sorry he ever pretended to be a duck. |
| 15977 | Do not open this book Lee, Andy & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760451486 | This guy will do anything to stop you opening this book. Threats, bribes, reverse psychology, you name it, he'll offer it. |
| 8270 | Do not open this book again Lee, Andy & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760455163 | He's back! And only one thing's for certain - HE DOESN'T WANT YOU TO OPEN THE BOOK! |
| 902963 | Do not open this book ever Lee, Andy & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9780655232582 | Do not open this book ever. Wizz is back, and he's up to his old tricks again. He does not want you to ever read this book, and he'll use every trick he can think of to stop you reaching the end! What disaster awaits at the end of the book this time? Keep turning the pages and find out what happens when you reach the end all over again, if you dare! |
| 865003 | Do not open this book or else! Lee, Andy & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9780655222125 | Wizz is back again and what disaster is he trying to avoid this time? He's as cheeky as ever, and he'll do whatever he can to stop you reading this book! Another hilarious story that will entertain children and adults alike. Ignore Wizz and keep reading the book till you reach the end, if you dare! |
| 1346596 | Do not open this book: It stinks Lee, Andy & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9780655235712 | Poor Wizz finds himself in some extremely smelly situations, which worsen at every turn of the page. If you like sniffing farts (which you don't), this book is for you. |
| 25863 | Do you know Millie Winch, Gordon & Robinson, Alan (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2008 | 9781921042089 | Sarah is moving to the big city and must say goodbye to her friends. Sarah knows that Millie lives in the big city and she sets out to find her. |
| 22010 | Dog biscuit Cooper, Helen | Doubleday | 2008 | 9780385609302 | When hungry Bridget steals and eats a dog biscuit, it doesn't taste too bad. But, when Mrs Blair tells her that she'll turn into a dog, Bridget starts to worry because dog biscuits are meant for dogs, not people. |
| 751186 | Dog gone: the day I lost my human Biddulph, Rob | HarperCollins Australia | 2020 | 9780008317928 | I am Edward Pugglesworth, but you can call me Teddy. I have lost my human, his name is Dave. Now, you can't let your human run around without a lead - who knows what trouble they might get into. Especially with a troll around. Luckily for Dave, I am on the case and I am sure everything will be fine. |
| 6260 | Dog in, cat out Rubinstein, Gillian & James, Ann (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2007 | 9781862911277 | Follow the busy activities of a family and their cat and dog. In and out, out and in happens from early morning, when the dog leaps out to explore the new smells of the day and have breakfast, until late at night, when the cat slips unnoticed through the window to settle down in the warmth of the sleeping house. Visual with minimal text. |

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| 7213 | Dog on a train: The special delivery Prendergast, Kate | Old Barn Books | 2015 | 9781910646083 | Boy is late for his train. Rushing out of the house, he drops his favourite hat. Luckily, Dog is there to pick it up but he will have to be quick to catch Boy in time. Follow the plucky Dog on this wordless adventure through the streets and rush-hour crowds. |
| 1337780 | Dog people, ough! Katz, Danny & Vane, Mitch (ill) | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760658748 | Dog people, ough. They want to pat dogs play with dogs, cuddle dogs, talk to their dogs, jog with their dogs, kiss their dogs. How they're happy to carry around dog poop in little plastic bags like they've just gone shopping at a poop-supermarket. Yuck. I dont get it. A tail, umm, tale, of someone who doesnt get dogs, or get people who get dogs. Until they do. |
| 5289 | Dog, The Mixer, Helen & Sada, Margarita (ill) | Greystone Books, Canada | 2018 | 9781771642712 | My dog is my best friend, when she saw me for the first time, she wagged her tail... |
| 21171 | Dogasaurus Gifford, Lucinda | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781743810712 | Imagine if you found a strange egg in a mysterious forest, and then you brought it home, and when it hatched, out popped a baby DINOSAUR! Maybe you'd adopt it as your pet? You could play and do chores together and have lots of fun. But what would you do when it grows, and grows, and GROWS? |
| 9521 | Dogger Hughes, Shirley | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1994 | 9780099927907 | Dave and Dogger, Dave's soft, brown stuffed toy, go everywhere together. But, one evening, Dave discovers that Dogger is missing. This is the story of how Dogger was lost and finally found again, with a little help from big sister, Bella. |
| 17435 | Dogs Gravett, Emily | MacMillan | 2009 | 9780230704220 | Big dogs, small dogs, stropo dogs and soppo dogs. Gorgeous canines of every shape, size and colour are bounding through this irresistible book. |
| 5910 | Dogs don't do ballet Kemp, Anna & Ogilvie, Sara (ill) | Simon & Schuster | 2010 | 9781847384744 | Biff isn't like other dogs. He doesn't do dog stuff like scratching his fleas or looking for the nearest lamp-post. Biff likes music, walking on tiptoes and dressing in a tutu. In fact, Biff thinks he's a ballerina. |
| 1423961 | Dogs with jobs Hamilton, Max | Albert Street Books | 2025 | 9781761181016 | Dog may be our best friends, but sometimes they are much more than that. Meet the loyal and dedicated career canines from around the world who prove that dogs have more jobs than you can throw a stick at! |
| 23163 | Doing the garden Garland, Sarah | Frances Lincoln | 2008 | 9781845077211 | Follow a family as they go to the garden centre, choose their flowers and seeds and even a tree. They come home, work together in the garden and are finished in time for tea. |
| 1125028 | Doll box, The Kelly, Deborah & Bartel, Joanna (ill) | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539700 | Isla is afraid of trying to scale the climbing frame in the park. She doesn't want to try it again because her legs are too shaky and her arms are too achy. However, when she takes out the small blue tin from the shelf in her bedroom, she finds three dolls inside it. Her mother explains the story behind the dolls which showcases 'girl power' built on generations of women in Isla's ancestry. |

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| 660589 | Don't butt in McKenzie, Heath | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760665593 | Baboon's wearing new pants and he wants to tell everyone all about it! But doesn't he realise . . . its rude to BUTT IN?! |
| 660807 | Don't call me bear! Blabey, Aaron | Scholastic Australia | 2016 | 9781760159849 | Warren, the koala, has something to share ... he's actually not a bear! Why is he the only animal in the Australian bush called by the wrong name? |
| 3034 | Don't cross the line Carvalho, Bernardo P & Martins, Isabel Minhos (ill) & Hahn, Daniel (trans) | Gecko Press | 2016 | 9781776570744 | Without question, the guard always follows the general's orders. This time, the order is that no one must cross the line. The right-hand page of this book must be kept blank for the general. As the crowd builds up on the border, the guard is under more and more pressure. |
| 12114 | Don't forget the bacon Hutchins, Pat | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2002 | 9780099413981 | A boy goes shopping but struggles to remember the shopping list. |
| 16876 | Don't leap, Larry Briggs, John | Pavilion | 2017 | 9781843653387 | Larry Lemming is unlike all the others, but can he teach the others to be more like him? Lemmings look alike, sound alike and act alike, right? So if one jumps off a cliff, the others follow... all except Larry. Larry's a lemming with a mind of his own. Unlike the rest of the crew, he goes sledging with the puffins, eats pepperoni pizza, and likes to wear a top hat. But can Larry teach his fellow lemmings to finally think for themselves? A wonderfully funny, quirky tale about staying true to yourself. |
| 1189 | Don't let a spoonbill in the kitchen Oliver, Narelle | Omnibus Books | 2013 | 9781862919310 | With their spoon-shaped bills, it would make sense that a Spoonbill bird would be right at home in the kitchen, or would it. |
| 15096 | Don't let the pigeon drive the bus Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2003 | 9781844285136 | While he's away, the bus driver asks the reader to keep an eye on his bus and ensure that the pigeon does not drive the bus. The pigeon really, really wants to drive the bus but it is not a good idea to give the pigeon his own way. |
| 23442 | Don't let the pigeon stay up late Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781406308129 | Pigeon gives a stack of excuses to be allowed up late. Find out if he will eventually go to bed or not. |
| 1339779 | Don't need a little brother, I Amoore, Nat & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2025 | 9781761341946 | No one understands. I DON'T NEED A LITTLE BROTHER! After trying all the usual ways to dispose of a sibling, one bewildered big brother discovers his little brother might actually be the one person he can't live without. |
| 10261 | Don't think about purple elephants Whelan, Susan & Jones, Gwynneth | Exisle Publishing | 2015 | 9781921966699 | Sometimes, Sophie lies in bed at night, unable to get to sleep, worrying about things such as forgetting to take her lunch to school or having to eat Brussels sprouts. Mum thinks she might have a way to help Sophie fall asleep at night, and it might just involve an elephant or two. |
| 1209783 | Don't think of tigers Latimer, Alex | Andersen Press Ltd | 2024 | 9781839133268 | You are in control. Imagine anything you like and it will appear on the next page. Oh... just one tiny request: DO NOT THINK OF TIGERS! |

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| 4636 | Don't wake the dingo Morgan, Sally & Boese, Sarah (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2017 | 9781742991412 | Dingo's cave is warm and cosy and dry. Can Mudlark, Numbat, Possum and Wombat escape the storm without waking the dingo? |
| 67321 | Donald loves drumming Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2008 | 9781741690989 | Donald loves drumming, all day and all night. But, his family all say he is TOO LOUD. So Donald tries other activities but nothing seems right. |
| 88063 | Doodleday Collins, Ross | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2011 | 9781862338166 | It's Doodleday and, although Mum warned Harvey not to do any drawings, she didn't tell him why. But, Harvey thinks that, surely, one little fly won't hurt. That is, until Harvey's fly comes to life and starts to wreck the kitchen. Only one thing is capable of stopping Harvey's rampaging doodles. |
| 18403 | Doodledum dancing Costain, Meredith & Allen, Pamela (ill) | Penguin | 2010 | 9780143501336 | Eighteen fun-filled and humorous poems about pets, pirates, friends and family. Colourful use of language with beautiful illustrations. |
| 12209 | Dorling Kindersley book of nursery rhymes, The Glori, Debi | Dorling Kindersley | 2000 | 9780751366952 | A well-edited collection of over fifty traditional songs and nursery rhymes for young children. |
| 903388 | Dorrie McCartney, Tania | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9781460760109 | In the land of long, white clouds and snowy peaks, a little girl is born. Her name is Dorothy, but her family calls her Dorrie. When Dorrie moves to a land of flat red deserts and squeaky beaches, a koala appears in a gumtree outside her window. This lovable larrikin brings a bundle of mischief ... and changes Dorrie's life forever. From the award-winning creator of Mamie, Dorrie celebrates the beloved and talented Dorothy Wall, and her treasured Australian icon, Blinky Bill." |
| 64725 | Dose of Dr Dog, A Cole, Babette | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2008 | 9780099487685 | Dr Dog is looking for natural remedies for all kinds of ailments. He has many tropical adventures and escapes them all. |
| 4483 | Double take: A new look at opposites Hood, Susan & Fleck, Jay (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781406377293 | Think opposites are a piece of cake? Time for a double take! Who knows what's big unless there's small? Does short mean a thing except next to tall? What is above and what is below? The answer depends on who wants to know! Take a topsy-turvy journey into the world of opposites, where everything is not always as it seems. |
| 8602 | Double trouble for Anna Hibiscus Atinuke & Tobia, Lauren (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406347012 | When twin boys arrive, Anna Hibiscus finds it hard to share her extended family. She feels neglected and upset, as the boys disrupt her familiar, daily routines. To make matters worse, she is no longer the focus of attention of her aunts, uncles, grandparents, cousins and, most especially, her parents. |

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| 13005 | Doug-Dennis and the flyaway fib Farrell, Darren | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781741697568 | Doug-Dennis, a charming sheep, and Ben-Bobby, an elephant, are best friends. Bored one day, they go to the circus, and that's where the trouble begins. Doug-Dennis tells a little lie, which gets bigger and bigger, until he finds himself surrounded by fibs and fibbers. |
| 56401 | Dougal and Bumble and the long walk home Dray, Matt | Penguin | 2011 | 9780143504665 | Lucky Dougal the Bear and his best friend, Bumble the Bee, are invited to the Teddy Bear's Picnic in the countryside. They join in a cricket match but, when the ball goes over a fence, Dougal and Bumble, and their new friend Trevor the Pig, are waylaid trying to retrieve it. When they finally return to the picnic, they find that the bus has left without them. |
| 15138 | Dougal the garbage dump bear Dray, Matt | Penguin | 2004 | 9780670041107 | Dougal never got to play when the other toys in the house did because he was not new, clean and perfect. One rainy day, he is left outside and ends up in the garbage bin. This is his story of finding a new home. |
| 15307 | Down by the cool of the pool Mitton, Tony & Parker-Rees, Guy (ill) | Orchard Books | 2001 | 9781841210988 | Join sprightly frog and his energetic friends as they frolic down by the cool of the pool. |
| 1222 | Down the back of the chair Mahy, Margaret & Dunbar, Polly (ill) | Frances Lincoln | 2006 | 9781845076023 | Dad can't find his car keys. Little Mary suggests they might be down the back of the chair. They may not find the car keys but what they do find down the back of the chair changes their lives. |
| 61200 | Dr Seuss' animal antics Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Australia | 2006 | 9780007241941 | Three separate animal stories compiled into one book by Dr Seuss. Stories include If I ran the circus, If I ran the zoo and On beyond zebra. The same wacky style stories with fun use of language. |
| 5496 | Dr Seuss' sleep book Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2017 | 9780008236069 | Full of wonderful, yawning creatures who spread sleep thoughts at bedtime. Great fun for practising reading aloud and ideal for independent readers. |
| 1209690 | Dragon guest handbook Stampone, Jeanette & Heroanto, Novia (ill) | Wombat Books | 2024 | 9781761111686 | Uh Oh. A dragon has landed in your backyard and you don't speak a word of Dragon language. Don't panic. Simply read this handbook and you'll be ready to welcome your dragon visitor. Good luck. |
| 17258 | Dragon mode Odgers, Sally | New Frontier Publishing | 2007 | 9781921042577 | A mischievous but loveable boy changes his behaviour according to whether he is in boy or dragon mode. |
| 74031 | Dragon's lie, The Lardner, Kym & Lardner, Oliver (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2010 | 9780733325229 | A small boy is surprised to find a dragon in a cage at the zoo. He wonders why this once powerful, fire breathing creature is lying miserably in a cage. He discovers that it's not just bars that limit freedom. Manga style. |
| 12496 | Dragons of Galapagos Whatley, Bruce | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780734404619 | The little land dragon of the Galapagos islands risks great danger to lay her eggs inside a volcano. Follow her adventure through lava plains, forests of steam and down steep, rocky slopes and wonder if she will ever find a safe place. |

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| 17497 | Drawing together Thebo, Mimi & Meserve, Jessica (ill) | Walker Books | 2005 | 9781844281176 | Lucy, Jack and Ibrahim start school together but everyone else has a best friend. It is not easy for three people to all be best friends. |
| 4625 | Dreadful fluff, The Blabey, Aaron | Puffin Australia | 2012 | 9780670075997 | Serenity's life was perfect. Bu then she discovered something perfectly awful... the DREADFUL FLUFF! |
| 6192 | Dream bird, The Darlison, Aleesah & Middleton, Emma (ill) | Wombat Books | 2018 | 9781925563337 | George is a day child. He rollicks and romps in the light. But at night, George just can't seem to get to sleep. That is, until Gran tells him a bedtime story about a magical bird who sings children to sleep. Will the Dream bird's magic work on George? |
| 3937 | Dreamers Kwaymullina, Ezekiel & Morgan, Sally (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2015 | 9781922089700 | We are the dream and the dreamers; the song spinners and the rainbow dancers. Use your imagination. |
| 1423962 | Dreaming Goodes, Adam & Laing, Ellie & Hardy, David (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781761065095 | Way way back in the beginning, Akurra slithered, carving rivers, in a Creation story from my Dreaming, my Muda. In my Muda, the Ancestors are never far, and I can see how I fit in and who I am. |
| 751146 | Dreaming of Australia A to Z Racklyeft, Jess | Windy Hollow Books | 2019 | 9781922081780 | Starting with A and going all the way to Z read about some of the amazing things to find in Australia. |
| 593322 | Dress-up box, The Guest, Patrick & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2018 | 9781760124922 | The Frolleys have to move from their beloved house at 32 Sunshine Avenue to a place with dripping taps, stinky carpets and ants. But they have brought something with them that can turn any house into a home. |
| 1423915 | Dropbear Bunting, Philip | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781760657796 | The say Dropbear is mean. Dropbear is savage. But They are the gossips. Meet Dropbear, if you dare, and decide for yourself! |
| 12072 | Duck Watts, Barrie | Franklin Watts | 2002 | 9780749644307 | With photographs and simple text, this book traces the life cycle of the duck, showing its growth and development from when it is an egg until it is old enough to mate and produce offspring. |
| 12429 | Duck catcher, The Aaron. Moses (reteller) & Mackintosh, David (ill) | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780733412882 | Gombeï catches only one duck a day because that's all the food he needs. When the days turn cold, Gombeï decides that if he can catch a hundred ducks, he won't have to work all winter. But, Gombeï walks into a trap. |
| 628140 | Duck duck moose Gifford, Lucinda | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760634704 | Duck duck...moose? A hilarious and heart-warming story about finding friends in unexpected places. |
| 31131 | Duck! McKinlay, Meg & Eckstrom, Nathaniel | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781925381535 | It was a quiet afternoon on the farm until...DUCK! |
| 669518 | Duck, apple, egg Millard, Glenda & Heiduczek, Martina (ill) | ABC Books | 2020 | 9780733340185 | Explore the world around you. Duck on the green, sun in the sky, egg in the nest, apple on the tree, and me. |

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| | Duck, Duck, Porcupine series Yoon, Salina | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 7876 | Duckling gets a cookie, The Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2012 | 9781423151289 | An adorable little duckling gets a cookie just by asking politely. Politely reminds the duckling, but the Pigeon is already off on an hilarious rant about all the things he asks for, ending with the all-too-familiar refrain, 'it's not fair'. |
| 916664 | Duckling runs away Wild, Margaret & To, Vivienne | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781761065804 | Duckling is running away and she's never, ever coming back! Or is she? Luckily, no matter how far Duckling roams, a mother's love is always near. |
| 5334 | Ducks don't wear socks Nedwitek, John & White, Lee (ill) | Viking UK | 2008 | 9780670061365 | Emily is a serious, little girl. She thinks that a duck wearing socks is no laughing matter. When Emily tries to explain this to Duck, he just won't listen as he continues to wear more and more outlandish outfits. Perhaps, Emily is smiling just a little bit. |
| 571297 | Duke of hinklewinkle, The Phillips, John | Big Sky Publishing | 2018 | 9781925675153 | Bridget lives in the sleepy, seaside town of Hinklewinkle. She spends a lot of time with her Grandpa. Her mother often has to work late and her father lives in another town. Luckily, her caring Grandpa is always close at hand to help out. Grandpa breeds show chickens and Bridget loves to help out. One day when Bridget is feeling a little lonely, Grandpa decides to let Bridget pick a chicken of her own. Far from picking the most beautiful chicken, she picks a strange looking rooster she names the 'Duke of Hinklewinkle'. The two become inseparable. When Grandpa's cranky old neighbour, Mr Borewater's chickens are under threat, The Duke of Hinklewinkle surprises everyone. |
| 9613 | Each peach pear plum Ahlberg, Allan & Janet | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 1989 | 9780140509199 | Many well-known nursery characters are hiding in the pictures and a poem on each page gives a clue as to who or what is in the picture on the opposite page. |
| 5202 | Eagle inside, The Manning Bancroft, Jack & Bancroft, Bronwyn (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2015 | 9781742974699 | Jimmy, the honeyeater, is the smallest bird at flying school. Surrounded by big, tough birds, Jimmy feels different in every way and is certain he will never fit in. Cockatoo bullies him and tells him he can't succeed. But, with Eagle's help, Jimmy discovers that being different can also be a strength. |

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| 5793 | Early learning guide to Charlotte Bronte's Jane Eyre Medina, Melissa & Colting, Fredrik & Andronic (ill) | Moppet Books | 2017 | 9780998820507 | Orphans, attic ghosts and afternoon tea all come together in our illustrated learning guide to Jane Eyre. As we follow our heroine, Jane, from childhood to womanhood, we see her brilliance shine as she learns how to love and be loved. Fantastically illustrated, we also explore the life of author, Charlotte Bronte, and the Victorian era in which this classic love story is set. More than picture books, our educational learning guides offer an interactive story time for adult literature fans and their children, or as we like to call them future lit fans. |
| 5772 | Early learning guide to Homer's The Odyssey Colting, Fredrik & Medina, Melissa & Yun, Yeji (ill) | Moppet Books | 2018 | 9780998820514 | Come with us on an epic journey through ancient Greek mythology, where one-eyed giants and 6-headed sea monsters are only some of the obstacles our hero, Odysseus, has to overcome. With our beautifully illustrated story summary and analysis, you and your child can experience the greatest adventure story ever written, and even learn a bit about the legendary storyteller, Homer. More than picture books, our educational learning guides offer an interactive story time for adult literature fans and their children, or as we like to call them future lit fans. |
| 5791 | Early learning guide to Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice Medina, Melissa & Colting, Fredrik & Yice, Lett (ill) | Moppet Books | 2017 | 9780997714555 | There's a ball at Netherfield and you are invited! Join Elizabeth Bennet and Mr. Darcy as they dance through, not only the great ball room, but this illustrated learning guide to Jane Austen's most famous novel. With our simplified, kid-friendly summary and analysis this fanciful piece of classic literature will delight both children and parents. More than picture books, our educational learning guides offer an interactive story time for adult literature fans and their children, or as we like to call them future lit fans. |
| 1329971 | Earthspeak: Boodjar Wangkiny McCann, Sean & Goodwin, Jade (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781761181238 | Will the earth's heart beat just like ours? A bush walk in a stunning landscape becomes a heartfelt invitation to engage with our senses, care for the environment, and learn some Noongar language words along the way. |
| 660630 | Easter Bunnyroo, The Chambers, Susannah & Wood, Laura (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2020 | 9781760635015 | Last week my Dad found something special, Ruby. She has long ears and big feet and an built-in basket for carrying Easter eggs. Surely Ruby must be the Easter Bunny. A delightful Australian Easter story from Susannah Chambers and Laura Woods. |

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| 903355 | Easy peasy Garvey, Ky & Calautti, Amy (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2023 | 9781922539441 | Ruby loves her shiny new red roller skates. She's never roller skated before, but she's sure it will be easy peasy! So when her dad offers to help her learn to skate, Ruby says no. But things don't go as planned... |
| 24953 | Eat your dinner Miller, Virginia | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406311860 | Bartholomew is less than pleased with his dinner. When he is told to eat up, he says the one word he knows, with emphatic insistence. But, when big George proceeds to polish off his own dinner which is then followed by something delicious, Ba has second thoughts. |
| 12250 | Echidna and the shade tree, The Lofts, Pamela (comp) & Green, Mona (teller) | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9781865046228 | based on a story of the jaru people. In the dreaming, there was a shade tree in the middle of the desert. The animals went hunting for themselves and their babies but they only gave the echidna the scraps. When he gets angry and attacks the shade tree, the other animals must do something. |
| 4106 | Eddie Frogbert deGennaro, Sue | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781760276782 | Eddie Frogbert is not the biggest or the bravest frog in the pond. Eddie leaves the hippity hop to the other frogs. Until the diving competition arrives.... |
| 12134 | Edward and Edwina emu Knowles, Sheena & Clement, Rod (ill) | Cornstalk Publications | 2002 | 9780732277208 | Edward and Edwina emu are the proud parents of ten chicks in this story told in rhyming text. |
| 12133 | Edward the emu Knowles, Sheena & Clement, Rod (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 1993 | 9780207183287 | Edward is bored being an emu and wants to be noticed by the visitors to the zoo. In his quest for attention, Edward imitates the other animals. |
| 2439 | Edwardo: the horriplest boy in the whole wide world Burningham, John | Red Fox | 2007 | 9780099480136 | Edwardo just gets worse and worse until he lives up to everyone's expectations and becomes the horriplest boy in the whole world. When someone starts believing in Edwardo, unexpected things begin to happen. |
| 12135 | Edwina the emu Knowles, Sheena & Clement, Rod (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 1996 | 9780207189142 | Edwina, the emu, tries to find a job while Edward sits on the eggs. |
| 871581 | EE in the deep blue sea, The Barker, Judith & Frith, Janie (ill) | Woodslane Press | 2020 | 9781925868401 | This is the story of the ee. A curious sound as you can see. The Ee in the Deep Blue Sea is a fun Australian-themed phoneme story that teaches young readers about the vowel sound ee and where they can find it in different words. Beautifully illustrated by Janie Frith, the rich colours and vibrant use of multi-media enhance the magical experience. The book explores many undersea and reef environments and introduces children to twenty of the creatures that live there. The first book from Judith and Janie, the Oo in Uluru, won a 2019 Book of the Year award from Speech Pathology Australia. |

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| 4284 | Egg Henkes, Kevin | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2017 | 9780062408723 | Four eggs. One big surprise! |
| 16131 | Egg, The Robertson, M P | Frances Lincoln | 2007 | 9781845077990 | A friendly dragon appears from a very large egg hatched by George's mother's favourite chicken. The dragon thinks George is its mother and George takes on the role of teaching the infant suitable 'dragonly' ways. Eventually the dragon is lonely and needs to be with its own kind. |
| 27257 | Eid al-Adha adventure, The: Peg + Cat Oxley, Jennifer & Aronson, Billy | Candlewick Press | 2018 | 9780763699321 | It's Eid al-Adha, a very special holiday for Yasmina and Amir, who invite their friends Peg and Cat to check it out. After they all rock out with some singing, it's time to head to the celebration, where there's so much food waiting! Amir explains that an important part of celebrating Eid al-Adha is dividing the meat into three equal parts, one third to be shared with someone who has less. But with all three bowls of meatballs holding different amounts, they've got a big problem! Thanks to a balancing scale, a trip to a soup kitchen, and an unexpected visit to a housebound neighbour, Peg and Cat learn all about the concept of taking from where there's more and giving to where there's less. Even Cat discovers how awesome giving can be. Eid Mubarak! |
| 25232 | Eight Lee, Lyn & Gamble, Kim (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2006 | 9781862914568 | Timmy's favourite toy is Eight, the octopus. They go everywhere together until, one day, Eight is left in the park. Timmy wonders if he will ever see his friend again. |
| 1096839 | Eighteen summers Harrison, Penny & Rudge, Leila (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2023 | 9781761212505 | Let me tell you a tale of the stars and the sea, of adventures we'll have as you grow, wild and free. For the days may drift past, but the years will sail by, and we've just eighteen summers to share, you and I... |
| | Elephant & Piggie series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 871682 | Elephant Island Timmers, Leo | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781776574346 | When Elephant is shipwrecked on a tiny island, who will rescue him? Does he need rescuing? When mouse and dog and a host of other animals arrive, they find that Elephant is happy on his tiny island and welcomes them to share it too. |

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| 12838 | Elephants' big day out, The Hurst, Elise | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780734405500 | Late one night, under the eye of the moon, three little elephants who crave adventure escape from their cage in the zoo. They have so much fun, it is doubtful they will ever return to the zoo. |
| 1573 | Eleventh sheep, The Mewburn, Kyle & Richards, Claire (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2008 | 9781741691337 | Sian counts sheep to fall asleep. A quaint story that looks simply but whimsically at selflessness and belonging. |
| 3502 | Elfrida Fall, Klara & Stollinger, Heide (ill) | Gecko Press | 2006 | 9780958259835 | Elfrida the sheep is bored with her style, so the shearer gives her a new clip and colour, which soon catches on. |
| 642801 | Ella & Mrs Gooseberry: Discovering what love looks like Conley, Vikki & Pratley, Penelope | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925335255 | Grumpy old Mrs Gooseberry from next door has lost her love. 'I didn't know you could lose love,' says Ella, her young neighbour. So she begins her quest to find out what love looks like and how she can help Mrs Gooseberry to rediscover it. |
| | Ella and Olivia series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 1337930 | Ella and Olivia's puppy club: The puppy parade Poshoglian, Yvette & McDonald, Danielle (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761642333 | Meet Bob the puppy, and his humans, Ella and Olivia! Bob is competing in the Grand Puppy Parade! But so are all the other puppies in the neighbourhood! Can Bob learn his new tricks in time? Will he and Ella be on TV? Or will the competition be pawsitively tough? |
| 644951 | Ella and the ocean Tanner, Lian & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760633691 | Ella lived in the red-dirt country where the earth was as dry as old bones and it hadn't rained for years and years and years. One night Ella dreamt of the ocean. |
| 886463 | Ella and the useless day McKinlay, Meg & Blair, Karen (ill) | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760653095 | Ella's house is full of things, useless things. At least that is what she and dad think. But when they decide to have a cleanup day, something very curious happens. Maybe what is useless to them is a treasure to someone else. |
| 18573 | Ella Kazoo will not brush her hair Fox, Lee & Wilcox, Cathy (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2006 | 9780734408563 | Ella Kazoo simply refuses to brush her hair and it soon develops a mind of its own. Her hair grows so big and so wild that it has a bird's nest on top. Ella has to prove she has what it takes to change a bad hair day into a good situation. |
| 71093 | Ella Kazoo will not go to sleep Fox, Lee & Wilcox, Cathy (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2011 | 9780734411419 | As the Kazoo household settles down for the night, Ella is wide awake and ready for adventure. She begs for a drink, another bedtime story and chats to her teddy. But, when Ella finally captures the pirate ship, Dread, she discovers something rather surprising about the fearsome Captain Shut-eye and his pirates. |

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| 5596 | Ella who? Ashman, Linda & Sanchez, Sara (ill) | Sterling Publishing Co | 2017 | 9781454919049 | It is moving day and look who slipped in the door, an elephant! But when a little girl tries to tell her family about their unusual guest, the distracted grown ups just say, Ella WHO? Even as children giggle at the girl's adventures with the smallish pachyderm, and at the fun, recurring refrain, they will relate to the poignant theme about making and sometimes letting go of new friends. |
| 714434 | Ellie's dragon Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781406387629 | When Ellie is very little, she finds a newborn dragon fresh from the egg on a supermarket shelf and calls him Scratch. He is quite the sweetest thing she has ever seen! From that day on, Ellie and Scratch do everything together. Ellie's mum and her teacher can't see her fiery friend, but all her friends can - and, over the years, Ellie's dragon grows to be big, house-trained, and very affectionate. And Ellie grows, too. |
| 1424098 | Elmer and the white bear McKee, David & Milewski, Marysia | Andersen Press Ltd | 2025 | 9781839134654 | When the ice starts to melt at the North Pole, a polar bear sets off on an adventure that takes him all the way to Elmer's jungle. When a mysterious white bear appears in the jungle, Elmer and Wilbur are keen to hear his story. |
| | Elmer series McKee, David | | | | Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen. |
| 25612 | Emily and Alfie Hooper, Meredith | Hachette Children's Books | 2006 | 9780733621819 | Emily and Alfie are two young penguins. They venture into an ice cave against their father's advice and nearly lose their lives. |
| 50338 | Emily Brown and the Thing Cowell, Cressida & Layton, Neal (ill) | Orchard Books | 2007 | 9781846166945 | Emily Brown and her old grey rabbit, Stanley, are trying to sleep but a noise is keeping them awake. When they find the Thing crying on the windowsill, Emily and Stanley begin trying to find out what he needs for a happy night's sleep. |
| 43237 | Emily eases her wheezes Roe, Katrina & Hedstrom, Leigh (ill) | Wombat Books | 2014 | 9781925139129 | Emily feels frustrated when asthma stops her playing with friends. She wants to whiz around the park on her scooter and bounce on her trampoline. Instead, she has to stay inside on cold or windy days. Emily's friends help her find a way to ease her wheezes. |

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| 6379 | Emily Green's garden Harrison, Penny & Forward, Megan | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594249 | Emily Green lives in a perfectly lovely house, in a perfectly lovely street where people are always busy and bustling, hurried and hustling. One day Emily Green decides she wants to bring the outside into her home. She catches a glimpse of something green on the pavement, and visits the library to learn more about plants. Soon she has created something magical. She just needs to share it with others. |
| 1591 | Emily loves to bounce King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2000 | 9781865042749 | Emily is full of life and full of smiles. But most of all, she's full of bounce, on her head, on her toes, on her bottom. Skipping bounces, springing bounces, singing bounces. Wherever she may be, you can be sure she's in the air. |
| 9638 | Emily's bush Christmas French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2015 | 9780732286934 | It's Christmas Day in Shaggy Gully. The kangaroos are feeling bouncy, the echidnas are being prickly and the possums are just hanging around. Only the Bunyip is gloomy. Dawn and her chorus are playing Christmas carols but Emily Emu can't get a note right. Her musical mishaps float down to the creek, where the grumpy Bunyip lives. |
| 15126 | Emily's Rapunzel hair Matthews, Cecily & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | ABC Books | 2005 | 9780733315237 | Seven stories about childhood experiences. The link is Emily's determination to have 'Rapunzel hair'. |
| 9022 | Emo the emu Wilson, Tony & Masciullo, Lucia (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781742834382 | Emo the Emu is grumpy about everything. He is the grumpiest Emu in Humpty Doo. One day, he meets Katie the Kangaroo and she takes him on a journey around Australia. Perhaps, this might brighten Emo's mood. |
| 1363767 | Emperor's Egg, The Tan, Rae | Hachette Children's Books | 2025 | 9780734422514 | Looking for a worthy successor to his throne, an ageing emperor gives all the children in his kingdom an egg. After thirty days, he will judge what each child delivers to him and choose his heir. Ren brings his egg home and takes the best care of it. He reads to it, sings to it, sleeps with it and keeps it warm. Ren waits and waits, but his egg never hatches, while all around him wondrous hatchlings are emerging from other children's eggs. In a hall full of magical creatures, how can Ren present his unhatched egg to the emperor? |
| 19822 | Emperor's new clothes horse, The Wilson, Tony & deGennaro, Sue (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2012 | 9781742830452 | The Emperor has won every horse race in the kingdom except the Cristobel Cup. When two brilliant, international trainers claim to have found the fastest racehorse for the Emperor, it seems his wish will finally come true. After all, everyone else agrees too. Well, nearly everyone. |
| 6649 | Empty Pratley, Andrew & McMullan, Angel (ill) | Little Steps Publishing | 2019 | 9781925117783 | A little girl finds she has an emptiness. She embarks on a journey of friendship, music and giving, and along the way she finds her own joyful fulfilment. |

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| 18949 | Empty city, The Megarrity, David & Oxlade, Jonathon | Lothian Books | 2007 | 9780734410122 | A little boy has extraordinary adventures, or does he just imagine them, when he is separated from his mother in the crockery section of the shops. |
| 823 | Empty fridge Doremus, Gaetan | Wilkins Farago Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9780987109934 | Everyone has been so busy, they haven't thought of buying anything to eat. When one neighbour has carrots and discovers another has eggs and cheese, what will other neighbours upstairs be willing to share. |
| 15518 | Emu egg, The Thorpe, Sharon & Leffler, David (ill) | Indij Readers | 2004 | 9780975064122 | Searching for emu eggs can be more risky than you'd expect. |
| 11224 | Emu's Halloween Mangan, Anne & Cornish, David (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2015 | 9780732298906 | Emu wants to have a truly terrifying Halloween party but is worried that it will be as scary as a lamington. Luckily, her friends are there to ensure that Emu has the most spooktacular night of the year. |
| 601746 | Encyclopedia of Grannies Veille, Eric | Gecko Press | 2019 | 9781776572434 | Grannies come in all shapes and sizes, and with different hobbies, moods, wrinkles and sayings. This encyclopedia of grannies shows us that loving and caring for others is just one of the many things grannies do. |
| 833097 | Enough love? Hutchings, Maggie & Barron, Evie (ill) | Affirm Press | 2021 | 9781922400833 | Willa had one dad one mum one home and a bird. And that was enough. So when Willa's parents split up, she's pretty sad. But at least they are still all hers. Until Dad meets Kevin and Willa's family starts to grow - and keeps on growing. When will enough be enough? Or is there always room for more love? |
| 47155 | Eric finds a way Vescio, Robert & Finn, Ann-Marie (ill) | Wombat Books | 2017 | 9781925563030 | Eric loves to read. He has a towering bookshelf brimming with stories of strange and wonderful worlds. But if only there was a way to actually get to these magical places. He just can't seem to find the right words and his drawings never look quite right - not like his books at all! Eric just needs to find a way to tell his stories! |
| 15056 | Eric the liontamer Elliot, Rachel & Mayer, Uwe (ill) | Meadowside Children's Books | 2004 | 9781845390228 | Eric collects animals to perform in his circus presentation. The 2004 edition is a waterproof and tear-resistant picture book. |
| 4741 | Eric the postie Shanks, Matt | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781743811931 | Eric had a dream. He knew he could be the best postman ever. There was one big obstacle, he didn't have any mail to deliver. But Eric is not going to let that stop him. |

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| 783588 | Ernest the elephant Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781406395099 | Ernest is a happy baby elephant. But when his curiosity gets the better of him and he leaves the rest of his herd to explore the alluring and dangerous jungle, he becomes very lost indeed. Amongst the undergrowth, he meets a rude gorilla, a weary lion, an impolite hippo and an uncaring crocodile. Will anyone help Ernest find his way out of the jungle and home to his mum? |
| 750946 | Ernie's Journey Woodland, David | Berbay Publishing | 2020 | 9780648785149 | Uncle Ernie is a daring adventurer and an enchanting storyteller. He travels to far-off places, where he encounters wonderful and sometimes very rare creatures. Are these places real? Are the creatures he meets? It's up to you and his nephew Eli to decide. All Uncle Ernie can say for sure is that when you travel, sometimes you reason and sometimes you run. But you always end up with a story to tell. |
| 568281 | Errol Zanni, Louise & Bunting, Philip (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742766300 | Errol is a penguin who refuses to come when his mother counts to three. What happens next is a bright and playful adventure. |
| 647167 | Errol's garden Hibbs, Gillian | Child's Play International Ltd | 2018 | 9781786280848 | Errol loves gardening, but there isn't enough room in his flat to grow everything that he would like. When he discovers a secret but neglected space at the top of the apartment block, he has a wonderful idea, but to carry it out he'll need some help from his neighbours. Will they be interested in his garden in the sky? |
| 785442 | Esmeralda's nest Moore, Robert & Foot, Mandy (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2020 | 9781925227666 | Each day Esmeralda collects a variety of objects and waddles down the hill. Everyone wonders why the Saddleback sow is carrying a bottle, fencing wire and a pair of sneakers in her mouth. Only Esmeralda knows. Nothing will stop her. |
| 1754 | Esther's rainbow Kane, Kim & Acton, Sara (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781743313701 | Esther spies a rainbow under her chair and then it disappears. Where will she find her rainbow next. |
| 1209745 | Ethel the penguin Dubosarsky, Ursula & Nielsen, Christopher (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781761180880 | Ethel the penguin is fearless, independent, and a bit wild. How will her parents respond to her latest adventure? |
| 6387 | Eva's imagination Shurety, Wenda & Erasmus, Karen (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594232 | Eva doesn't know what an imagination is. With the help of her dog, Chops, Eva goes on a hunt to find it. A delightful story about the power of imagination. |
| 3042 | Eve and Elly Dumbleton, Mike & Wood, Laura (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9780857988515 | Elly is Eve's toy elephant and her best friend. When Elly goes missing, Eve is the one who is lost. Her dad will do anything to cheer her up so he tells Eve what adventures her toy has been having. Dad's tall tale turns little Elly into a towering hero. |

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| 6161 | Even superheroes have bad days Becker, Shelly & Kaban, Eda (ill) | Sterling Publishing Co | 2018 | 9781454913948 | When Superheroes don't get their way, when they're sad, when they're mad, when they've had a bad day...they could super-tantrum, they could but they don't, because real Superheroes just wouldn't - they won't! |
| 578969 | Even superheroes make mistakes Becker, Shelly & Kaban, Eda (ill) | Sterling Publishing Co | 2018 | 9781454927037 | When superheroes are not up to speed, when they slip up, and trip up, and fail to succeed, they could hang their heads down, they could, but they don't! Because real superheroes just wouldn't, they won't! |
| 65430 | Evening at Alfie's, An Hughes, Shirley | Red Fox | 2009 | 9781862307865 | Mum and Dad have gone out and Maureen is looking after Alfie and his little sister, Annie Rose. All is quiet until Alfie hears drip, drip, drip. It's raining inside and the drip becomes a downpour. Maureen's parents save the day but only Alfie can work out what's worrying Annie Rose. |
| 18399 | Ever so, ever so Gray, Kes & Nayler, Sarah (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2005 | 9780340873342 | When baby, Susan, is brought home from hospital, all the family think she is ever so cute and ever so wonderful except her sister. |
| 1047617 | Every night at midnight Cheong, Peter | Simon & Schuster | 2023 | 9781665917384 | Every night at midnight, Felix turns into a wolf. His hands and feet become velvety paws and he grows a long, bushytail. Felix has the night-time world to himself. There's no one else like him. Felix isn't a wolf during the day, but it still feels like there's no one else like him. That's okay. Felix is just fine on his own. But after a chance encounter, this little lone wolf starts to wonder whether he might find his pack after all... A tender and whimsical picture book about finding friendship in unexpected places. |
| 608 | Every planet has a place Baines, Becky | National Geographic Society | 2008 | 9781426303135 | Think about your address as Earth, third planet from the Sun in the Milky Way Galaxy. Find out lots of information about Earth and outer space, amazing places. |
| 26557 | Everything you McPike, Elizabeth & Fleck, Jay (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2018 | 9780702260032 | You're every wish answered, our hearts, how they grew...every day countless, everything you. A cute story about different animal families welcoming babies into their lives. |
| 1141364 | Everything you ever wanted to know about the tooth fairy (and some things you didn't) Stewart, Briony | Lothian Books | 2024 | 9780734421883 | A jam packed guide to everything there is to know about the magical world of the tooth fairy. |

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| 4080 | Everywhere Bear, The Donaldson, Julia & Cobb, Rebecca (ill) | MacMillan | 2017 | 9781447280736 | We meet the members of class one. There are Ollie and Holly and Josie and Leo and April and Theo and April, and the everywhere bear, who goes home with one of them each weekend. All goes well until the everywhere bear is in the backpack of the new boy, Matt and tumbles out onto the street. So begins a series of adventures, wild and breathtaking, for the bear and for the young reader. |
| 18728 | Evie's mad hair day McG, Shane | Koala Books | 2005 | 9780864615213 | Evie will not brush her hair. She's far too busy doing much more interesting things. |
| 25617 | Excuse me! Hughes, Dave & Ife, Holly | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781742765914 | Martha May has marvellous manners. She always says please and thank you...and she most certainly DOES NOT FART! But what will happen on the day of the Baked Bean Bonanza?! |
| 587799 | Excuse me, Santa! Hughes, Dave & Ife, Holly & Bunting, Philip (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742997896 | Martha May has marvellous manners, especially at Christmas. She writes very neat cards and gives very thoughtful gifts... and she never forgets to leave yummy snacks for Santa Claus and his reindeer! But what will happen when Martha May gives Santa a giant pudding?! |
| 38818 | Extra yarn Barnett, Mac & Klassen, Jon (ill) | Walker Books | 2013 | 9781406342314 | A little girl cocoons her cold, grey town in joy and warmth with brightly coloured yarn, until a selfish man arrives to take the yarn for himself. |
| 666030 | Extraordinary Harrison, Penny & Wilson, Katie | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781925594911 | Extraordinary! celebrates the best moments in life: the ones we share with family and friends in the great outdoors. They may be simple, like picking up a leaf and looking at its patterns, they may be ordinary, but they are moments we will cherish forever. |
| 12184 | Eyes in disguise Clement, Rod | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 1992 | 9780207174445 | Large and quirky illustrations tell the underwater tale of two shy and unattractive fish and deal with the issue of ocean pollution. |
| 993 | Fabulous fishes Stockdale, Susan | Working Title Press | 2013 | 9781921504556 | Vibrantly coloured fish burst from some pages, while others dare you to see past their camouflage. |
| 27787 | Fabulous friend machine, The Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2016 | 9781760277659 | Popcorn is, quite simply, the friendliest chicken at Fiddlesticks Farm. When she finds a Fabulous Friend Machine in the barn, Popcorn sets about making some brand new friends. But, behind the screen of the Fabulous Friend Machine, maybe her new friends are not so friendly after all. |
| 4986 | Fabulous frogs Jenkins, Martin & Hopgood, Tim (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406357417 | Find out about the variety of frogs around the world, including the mighty West African Goliath frog, the colourful South American Poison Arrow frog and the south-east Asian Flying frog. The author, a conservationist biologist, includes the humble frog in your garden pond. |

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| 916637 | Facing the wave Marshallsay, Rebecca & Duck, Vaughan (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503695 | Jude would love to join in the fun of surfing with his family but is scared. Will he be able to overcome his fears and try join in with his family? A great book for anyone who has been afraid to try something new. |
| 18729 | Fairytale cake, The Langley, Jonathan | The Chicken House | 2005 | 9781904442691 | A cheerful rhyme about preparing, decorating and delivering a huge birthday cake. |
| 1796 | Family forest Kane, Kim & Masciullo, Lucia (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2010 | 9781921564703 | Families come in all shapes and sizes, with half-sisters, big brothers, step-parents. While some kids have a family tree, others have a family forest. |
| 797859 | Family tree Pyke, Josh & Ghosh, Ronojoy (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781761126307 | It started with a seed, and that seed was me. And, over time, laughter filled my garden ... A heartfelt celebration of family, community and the seasons of life, to cherish and to share. |
| 903395 | Family, all that you dream it to be Stephen, Byll & Stephen, Beth & Howe, Simon (ill) | ABC Books | 2022 | 9780733341748 | A girl and her mum ride their bikes through their neighbourhood and tell all about the many people and the different families living their. Though these families are all a little different, the love between members is common to all. |
| 9626 | Fancy that Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 1998 | 9780140509717 | The noises and the sounds from the fowl yard can be heard for miles around. Little red hen has a secret that makes her the star of the barnyard. |
| 8285 | Farm Arlon, Penelope & Gordon-Harris, Tory | Scholastic US | 2012 | 9781407131498 | Find out about animals, crops and machines up close. Watch the farmer hard at work in the changing seasons. |
| 1359418 | Farm by the sea, A Packer, Jillian | Berbay Publishing | 2025 | 9781922610997 | Imagine living on a farm by the sea. After you finish your chores with your family, it's time to play on the beach, where the rockpools are a place for sipping on seagrass tea and dancing to the music of the waves. |
| 12068 | Farmer duck Waddell, Martin & Oxenbury, Helen (ill) | Candlewick Press | 1996 | 9781564025968 | One little duck does all the work while the lazy old farmer stays in bed all day. The other farm animals decide to take action. |
| 12466 | Farmer Fred's cow Wild, Margaret | ABC Books | 2004 | 9780733307638 | On Farmer Fred's farm, there are four old animals - Cow, Horse, Pig and Donkey. They have never been anywhere beyond the farm. Then, on the night Cow dies, something extraordinary happens and, for the first time, they imagine life beyond the farm. |
| 9967 | Farmer's hat, The Barnes, Kim L & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2010 | 9781862918351 | The farmer loves his dreamy, schemey, tickly wishful hat but it blew off his head and is now lost. Follow the farmer around his farm as he tracks down his whirling, whooshing hat. |
| 12459 | Farmyard cat in trouble, The Anello, Christine & Thompson, Sharon (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 1992 | 9780868968896 | Find out who spilt the milk, chased the goats and scared the chickens. Everyone thinks the farmyard cat is up to her old tricks again but that might not be fair. |
| 1424017 | Fart face Daddo, Andrew & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | Penguin | 2025 | 9781761355882 | We all do them. Yes, I know you do! But there's a time and a place for a fart face. A hilarious and irreverent picture book to entertain young and old alike. |

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| 1019895 | Fast, slow. Let's go! Sutton, Sally & Locelock, Brian (ill) | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781760653392 | This is the way we skate along, skate along, skate along. Scoot, bike, bus, swing, sail, run or ride your way across town in a joyous celebration. Come with us and join in the fun. |
| 130924 | Faster faster, nice and slow Sharratt, Nick & Heap, Sue | Penguin | 2005 | 9780670894468 | Nick and Sue feature in parallel images showing opposites. Sometimes they are ideas and sometimes they are actions. They can be big and small or fast and slow. |
| 988 | Fat Ferdie Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2013 | 9780670077168 | Fat Ferdie is a scary beast because of what he likes to eat. |
| 120080 | Fat Pat Niland, Kilmeny | ABC Books | 2008 | 9780733322396 | Pat is a pampered pet until a visit to the vet has him on a diet. However Pat feels that his family doesn't love him any more and runs away. |
| 12776 | Father bear comes home Minarik, Else Holmelund & Sendak, Maurice (ill) | HarperTrophy | 1987 | 9780064440233 | Little Bear's father is finally returning home from a long fishing trip. Four short stories about Little Bear, his friends and family. |
| 1667 | Faust's party Ottley, Matt | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2001 | 9780733613562 | Faust's family go off to have a picnic leaving him to mind the house. Unfortunately, Faust has some unexpected and unwanted visitors. Faust decides to enlist his friends to help protect the family home, creating an even bigger problem. |
| 4800 | Fearless with Dad Brooke, Cori & Poli, Giuseppe (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2015 | 9781925059403 | A little boy's celebration of the endless, wonderful activities, adventures and possibilities he can have with his Dad. |
| 46564 | Fearsome, frightening, ferocious box, The Watts, Frances & Legge, David (ill) | ABC Books | 2013 | 9780733328916 | Open the box if you dare, but danger lies within, beware. |
| 26459 | Feeling sad Verroken, Sarah | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781921150692 | Duck and little toy Dudley are feeling very sad. It is cold, cloudy and wet with not the smallest ray of sunshine. Frog tells her that the clouds will pass and she must look ahead. She does, and Duck feels happy in her new world full of colour. |
| 7464 | Feelings Alike | Greenwillow | 1984 | 9780688065188 | An array of feelings are explored through the pages of Alike's picture book using all kinds of illustrations and situations. It is a delightful book to share. |
| 3865 | Feelings Jones, Richard & Walden, Libby (ill) | Little tiger press | 2016 | 9781848575080 | What you feel is who you are. Explore the world of emotions with this stunning peep-through book. The lyrical text and enchanting illustrations bring each emotion to life to help children understand the universal and unique nature of feelings. |
| 977819 | Feelings are wild Williams, Sophy & Scott, Gavin (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781761180262 | It's true! Feelings are WILD! But whether we are grumpy or glad, brave or sad, with a big hug, a kind word or a little time we can embrace all our wild and wonderful emotions. A warm and playful counting book to help little kids understand their big feelings. |

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| 12478 | Felix feels better Wells, Rosemary | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744589269 | Felix ate too much chocolate and now he doesn't feel very well. Just look at his eyes. His lovely mummy tries to find lots of ways to make him feel better but in the end it's off to Doctor Duck. |
| 15139 | Fergal Onions Harrison, John | University of Queensland Press | 2004 | 9780702234484 | Fergal Onions has a television in every room and his life is shaped by the television schedule. One morning, he hears his young neighbour playing a tune on her violin and, in his quest to find out the origin of the familiar music, he discovers there's more to life than TV. |
| 5831 | Fergus and Delilah Knutt, Erin & Alexander, Misa (ill) | Fergus & Delilah | 2016 | 9780994605214 | It is Delilah's first day at the park. She slides, climbs, swings and dances, making friends with a variety of different children. However, despite her best efforts, one boy keeps shooping her away. Delilah tries everything to be his friend. |
| 712 | Ferocious wild beasts Wormell, Chris | Random House Children's Books | 2009 | 9780224083522 | Jack's Mum has told him that the forest is full of ferocious, wild beasts. But, when he gets lost in the forest, Jack meets lots of friendly creatures who become worried when he warns them to be careful of the ferocious, wild beasts in the forest. |
| 62531 | Fidgety itch, The Davey, Lucy & Cowley, Katz (ill) | Scholastic New Zealand | 2010 | 9781869439675 | A rhyming tale about a mouse that gets an itch that he can't scratch. See if you can find out what's causing the itch. |
| 2645 | Figaro and Rumba and the Crocodile Cafe Fienberg, Anna and King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742373119 | Figaro and Rumba are best friends. Figaro is a dog who loves to run like the wind. Rumba is a cat who once sang and danced in Cuba. When they catch the Very Fast Train that goes all the way to the beach, they meet a cunning crocodile with conga drums and an elegant satin waistcoat. Surely such a musical creature couldn't be a villain? |
| 1367137 | Find me on the coast McGeachin, Jess | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734423634 | Have you exhausted all the David Attenborough documentaries, and you are looking for your next notable nonfiction? Then Find Me on the Coast is the perfect book for you. Go and get your wetsuit on because Jess McGeachin is about to have you peering into rockpools, flipping and flopping with sea otters through kelp forests, lying belly-down in the sand staring eye to eye with baby sea turtles. Part story, part nature guide, this book shows that wherever the land meets the sea, wonderful discoveries are soon to be found. |
| 567903 | Finding granny Simpson, Kate & Jones, Gwynneth (ill) | EK Books | 2018 | 9781925335699 | Edie's Granny is a perfect Granny - she's warm, loving and all things fun! But then she has a stroke, and suddenly, the Granny that Edie knows isn't there anymore. Or is she? A heart-warming story of love and hope...and coping with life's challenges. |

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| 19172 | Finding Monkey Moon Pulford, Elizabeth & Wilkinson, Kate (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781921720734 | Michael and Monkey Moon are inseparable, especially when it's time for bed. But, one night, Monkey Moon is nowhere to be found and Michael's search for him goes way beyond the toy box. |
| 995873 | Finding Papa Pham Krans, Angela & Bui, Thi (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2023 | 9780063060968 | No one can make Mai laugh like her Papa! She loves playing their favorite game-the crocodile chomp chomp! But then Papa leaves Vietnam in search of a new home for their family in America and Mai misses him very much. Until one day, Mama and Mai pack a small bag and say goodbye to the only home Mai has ever known. And so begins Mai and Mama's long, perilous journey by foot and by boat, through dangers and darkness, to find Papa. |
| 7792 | Finn throws a fit Elliott, David & Ering, Timothy Basil (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2011 | 9780763656041 | Finn usually likes peaches. But not today. Today, Finn doesn't like anything at all. |
| 846092 | Fire truck Santa McPickle, Nic & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Albert Street Books | 2021 | 9781760526894 | A Christmas tradition, all round this land, from the city to the country, from the bush to the sand, in a shiny red truck instead of a sleigh, Santa sets out on his jolly old way. But this fire truck has seen better days. It creaks and rattles and groans as Santa makes his rounds. It will take a miracle to get through Christmas Eve... |
| 72101 | Firefighters, The Whiting, Sue & Rawlins, Donna (ill) | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781921529498 | Mrs Iverson and her class pretend to be firefighters, just like the real ones, then they meet genuine firefighters and climb aboard a real fire engine. What fun! |
| 5804 | Firefly forest Frampton, Robyn & Heath, Mike (ill) | Pan MacMillan | 2018 | 9781250122636 | Discover the magic! There's more to this forest than some choose to see, this magical place can set your heart free. Follow the glow of the fireflies to an enchanted space inhabited by unseen creatures. Who do you think lives there? Fairies or gnomes or pixies? |
| 3397 | Fireman Sam: red alert Egmont (pub) | Egmont Childrens | 2007 | 9781405229340 | Norman learns a valuable lesson about how important it is not to be careless with drink bottles. Fireman Sam comes to the rescue after some misadventures himself, and shares his safety tips. |
| 6152 | First adventures of Princess Peony, The: In which she could meet a bear. But doesn't. But she still could Hilton, Nette & Gifford, Lucinda (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781760650445 | Once upon a time there was a dear little girl called Peony. That's P.E.O.N.Y. And it's me. I live in a Castle with my Dragon whose name is Totts. That's T.O.T.T.S And that makes me a Princess if you really want to know. |
| 4530 | First book about the orchestra Taplin, Sam & Longcroft, Sean (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2016 | 9781409597667 | Readers will enjoy discovering the magic of music by pressing the pages of this book to hear the orchestra come to life. |
| 11283 | First day Daddo, Andrew & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | ABC Books | 2013 | 9780733331206 | It's the first day of school, but who is most nervous about the big day, a little girl, her doll or her mum. |

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| 12083 | First day Wild, Margaret & Gamble, Kim (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 1998 | 9781760293918 | A class of students from very different backgrounds are starting school. They're excited and a bit nervous, but they all get through in their own particular way. Alex's mum is going back to school again, too, and faces the same problems. |
| 1424041 | First day around the world Zoboi, Ibi & Londono, Juanita (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2025 | 9780063078888 | All across the globe, on this first day of school, we will learn... of the first humans to walk the earth in Africa, of the legendary dynasties of Asia, of monarchies and myths, folklore and fairy tales in Europe, of indigenous ancestors, keepers of the land in Australia, of a warming earth and melting glaciers in Antarctica, of ancient civilisations and modern peoples in South America, of freedom, resistance, and change in North America. |
| 15040 | First day at school, The Jagtenberg, Yvonne | Watts Publishing Group | 2002 | 9781903012550 | The first day at school contains new experiences and can be a bit scary. Simple illustrations and relevant language will help younger students. |
| 6599 | First shapes in buildings Lane, Penny Ann | Frances Lincoln | 2009 | 9781845076955 | Features twelve buildings from around the world to show two and three-dimensional shapes such as the circle, square, rectangle, cube, pyramid and cylinder. This inventive book provides an introduction to finding shapes in real-life buildings and will inspire children to appreciate some of the world's great buildings. |
| 3774 | First the egg Seeger, Laura Vaccaro | Frances Lincoln | 2009 | 9781845079697 | This is a book about transformations, from egg to chicken, seed to flower and caterpillar to butterfly. But, it's also a book about creativity as paint becomes picture, word becomes story and commonplace becomes extraordinary. |
| 15976 | First week at cow school Cutbill, Andy & Ayto, Russell (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2011 | 9780007273386 | Marjorie, the cow, feels jolly proud when her daughter, Daisy, starts school. But, lessons aren't as easy as they seem. Daisy can't hoof paint or swat flies like the other cows, and cowpat training is a disaster. Yet, Marjorie soon discovers that Daisy has a surprising talent to make her stand out from the herd. |
| 32645 | Fish Stadermann, Jane | Rabbit Books | 2017 | 9780994467812 | A little penguin goes looking for fish. |
| 4803 | Fishing trip, The Rodriguez, Beatrice | Gecko Press | 2012 | 9781877579240 | A wordless seafaring adventure about a chicken who would do anything for her family. Chicken, Fox and their soon-to-hatch egg are a happy family but there is nothing to eat. Chicken leaves the island to catch some food but the ocean is a dangerous place. |
| 647198 | Five enormous dinosaurs Bonner, Will (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2018 | 9781786281777 | Five enormous dinosaurs, letting out a roar. One stomped away... and then there were four! |
| 2864 | Five little owls Carthew, Mark & Goss, Mini (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2007 | 9781921042553 | Five beautiful owls with moonlight in their eyes find several animals playing a game in their woods. The owls give their help to all, from the tiny, dusky field mice to the orange-bellied swamp frogs in this beautifully poetic, predictable story. |

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| 29847 | Fix-it man, The Powell, Dimity & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | EK Books | 2016 | 9781925335347 | When things break, who do you get to fix them? The Fix-It Man of course! It's handy having a dad who can fix just about anything. But what happens to broken hearts when sticky tape and super glue are not enough? Together, a young girl and her father face grief and heartache, and discover that love can sometimes be the best glue of all. |
| 9944 | Flame stands waiting Fenton, Corinne & Ciaffaglione, Sebastian (ill) | Black Dog Books | 2010 | 9781742030951 | Flame is a beautiful, golden carousel horse with a sad heart. Unlike the other horses, Flame is built to stand still. Children choose to ride on the turning, dancing horses and Flame is left waiting. One day, a little girl, who has always dreamed of riding the beautiful horses, comes to ride the carousel. |
| 1722 | Flight of the bumblebee Edwards, Hazel & Goss, Mini (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2009 | 9781921042034 | Bumblebee has no sense of direction and, when he flies, he can't land and bumps into things. Then, one of the bees suggests that Bumblebee practise his flying to music. While you read, listen to the CD of the Flight of the Bumblebee which accompanies the book. |
| | Flip-up fairy tales series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 901483 | Flipper and finnegan: True story of how tiny jumpers saved little penguins, The Cunningham, Sophie & Tortop, Anil (ill) | Albert Street Books | 2022 | 9781761180071 | Flipper and Finnegan are two penguins who love their Island home. One day when Flipper tries to join the evening penguin parade, she gets covered in oil and cannot swim. She loses Finnegan and is very worried. The community of Phillip Island/Millowl band together along with knitters from around Australia to help clean the penguins, keep the penguins warm and return them to the safety of their homes. |
| 762264 | Float or sink? Covark, Kylie & Plant, Andrew (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2021 | 9781925804621 | What happens if a ladybug lands on a stick in a creek? What if a flea or a fly land as well? Then a gnat and a slug or a greedy duck. What do you think? Float or sink? This humorous rhyming tale will keep you guessing until the end. |
| 71129 | Flood, The Gray, Nigel & Hurst, Elise (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2007 | 9781921136214 | Mrs Farmer loves her animals and takes them all inside during the floods. They get into no end of mischief and enjoy themselves, so much so that when the water subsides they are loathe to leave. After a stint in their own domain Mrs Farmer invites them all back again. |
| 886465 | Floof McKinnon, Heidi | Fremantle Press | 2022 | 9781761180088 | Floof is floofy. Floof is very floofy. Floof is the floofiest. Floof is about to have a very busy day... A story to delight anyone who has ever loved a ridiculous furball. |

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| 782504 | Florence and Fox Louise, Zanni & Pignataro, Anna (ill) | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781760651350 | Florence can't share her toys with Fox today because today is not Sharing Day. In fact, Sharing Day is not for hundreds of days. Fox has never heard of Sharing Day and he has some questions, but luckily Florence has all the answers. |
| 4999 | Florette Walker, Anna | Penguin Books Australia | 2017 | 9780670079414 | When Mae's family moves to a new home she wishes she could bring her garden with her. She'll miss the apple trees, the daffodils and the butterflies in the long, wavy grass. But there's no room for a garden in her new home, or so she thinks. |
| 643128 | Fly McGeachin, Jess | Penguin Random House Australia | 2019 | 9781760892562 | Lucy had always been good at fixing things, and Dad needed a bit of help. It was just the two of them after all. So when Lucy finds a bird with a broken wing, she's sure she can fix him too. But not everything that's broken can be fixed. |
| 12150 | Fly went by, A McClintock, Mike | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1983 | 9780001713055 | A mad dash of animals appears to be started by one fly going by. This predictable, rhyming text supports early readers and deals with unfounded fears in a humorous way. |
| 20128 | Fly-in fly-out Dad Murphy, Sally & Dawson, Janine (ill) | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781743467299 | Australia is a vast land and some workers must travel thousands of miles to do their job. These people have become known as the fly in, fly out workers, with most staying on-site for weeks at a time, then flying back to their families and loved ones to spend quality time at home. |
| 5141 | Flying optometrist, The Anderton, Joanne, & Erasmus, Karen (ill) | National Library of Australia | 2018 | 9780642279132 | Stephanie stares up at the sky above her small town. When will the little red plane arrive? She hopes it isn't lost! Read the story to find out who's coming...and why! |
| 40241 | Flying orchestra, The McFadden, Clare | University of Queensland Press | 2010 | 9780702237041 | This whimsical, beautifully illustrated book explores the concept that there is a magical orchestra that performs the soundtrack of our lives, and is always there to highlight meaning in even the most mundane of moments, no matter the time or place. |
| 2795 | Foggy, foggy forest, The Sharratt, Nick | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406303377 | Innovative, picture book with ingenious, transparent pages inspiring the young listener to try to imagine what might be in the foggy, foggy forest from its intriguing shadow. Lots of familiar storybook characters are out in the dark woods today. Turn the page and see if your imagination is wilder than that of illustrator, Nick Sharratt. |
| 1019647 | Follow the rainbow Sampson, Juliet. M & Ryan, Anne (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2023 | 9781922696335 | Ruby wonders what is at the end of the rainbow. Who will help her solve the mystery? Will it be Tavish, Scarecrow, Metal Man or Lion? |
| 14987 | Food for thought Freymann, Saxton | Arthur A Levine Books | 2005 | 9780439110181 | Shapes, colours, numbers, letters and opposites are all illustrated quaintly with fruit and vegetables. |

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| 660373 | Foothand, Elbownose Thomas, Kiah & Brecon, Connah (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2019 | 9781760502027 | Max'ss foot is fed up and wants to be a hand instead - over puddles and prickles and being trod on every day - and Max, being ever so obliging, agrees. All is fine until the other body parts start putting in requests of their own, and when Max finds himself with not only a foothand but an elbownose, headbottom and a moutheat, he has no choice but to send the body parts back to where they belong. Which, as it happens, suits them. |
| 5594 | Footpath flowers Lawson, JonArno & Smith, Sydney (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406362084 | On a walk with her father, a little girl collects wild flowers while her distracted Dad pays her and their surroundings little attention. Each flower becomes a gift and both giver and receiver are transformed by their encounter. Wordless picture book. |
| 1023716 | Footprint Cummings, Phil & Soweol Han, Sally (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781761180323 | You carry hope and future need with careful footprint, plant the seed. Breathe...Yes, breathe. Embark on a lyrical, meditative journey through nature's tapestry where every step you take leaves a legacy of wonder and protection for the natural world. |
| 14476 | For all creatures Millard, Glenda & Cool, Rebecca (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781921529818 | This is a tribute to all the creatures of the world, the great and the small, the winged and the walking, the singing and the silent. |
| 15444 | For every child Castle, Caroline (adapt) | Red Fox | 2002 | 9780099408659 | Fourteen of the most pertinent rights of the child, carefully chosen from the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, and retold simply. Each right has been interpreted in a stunning double-page spread by some of the world's most acclaimed artists. |
| 649002 | Forever kid, The Cummings, Elizabeth & Hughes, Cheri (ill) | Big Sky Publishing | 2018 | 9781925675382 | It's Johnny's birthday but he is no longer here. His family still gathers and lovingly celebrates him on his birthday. By continuing Johnny's favourite party traditions, and sharing special memories, the family feel a sense of closeness and comfort on this day of remembrance. They will always cherish Johnny, their Forever Kid. |
| 1052158 | Found Pascoe, Bruce & Ledden-Lewis, Charmaine (ill) | Magabala Books | 2020 | 9781925936483 | One small calf's journey to bravely find his family. |
| 923380 | Found in Sydney O'Callaghan, Joanne & Song, Kori (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781760526245 | From Bondi Beach to the Opera House, there's so much to explore in spectacular Sydney! Join this colourful counting adventure across one of the world's most beautiful cities. |

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| 18730 | Found you, little wombat McAllister, Angela | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2003 | 9781862334243 | Little Wombat is playing hide and seek with his friends. When it is his turn to seek out his friends, he becomes lost. |
| 17449 | Fox & Goldfish Pieters, Nils | Book Island | 2016 | 9780994128218 | Fox knows that Goldfish is very unwell and that his time has come. But, first, there are places they simply must see and things they absolutely must do. So, Fox and Goldfish embark on a wordless adventure. |
| 23533 | Fox and Moonbeam Darlison, Aleesah & Joy, Narelda | Wombat Books | 2017 | 9781925563009 | It is Victorian England and Gerard Fox winds clocks for the queen. His lowly status means he lives in a world forever surrounded by shadows. Mademoiselle Moonbeam Lapin is a famous ballerina. She lives in the golden glow of stage lights. When Moonbeam offers Fox her friendship, both of their worlds are transformed forever. |
| 5545 | Fox and the crow, The Dickins, Rosie (retell) & Martinez, Roco (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2014 | 9781409584834 | Fox is very hungry and very cunning. When he sees Crow, with her beak full of tasty, yellow cheese, he works out how to persuade Crow to let it go. Retelling of an Aesop fable. |
| 3998 | Fox and the Wild, The McFarland, Clive | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760405274 | Fred is a fox who was born in the city. It's smoky in the city, and noisy. One day, Fred hears about a place called the Wild. None of the other city animals think it exists, but Fred sets off to hunt for it. What is he going to find? |
| 4747 | Foxly's feast Davey, Owen | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2010 | 9781921690594 | Foxly's tummy is rumbling. He's looking for a fantastic feast and Foxly's on the hunt for things to include. He visits the farmyard, the fish pond and the rabbit's burrow. But, maybe, there's more to Foxly than meets the eye. |
| 900 | Foxy in love Dodd, Emma | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2014 | 9780007483556 | Emily is making a Valentine's Day card and needs to be reminded about the things she loves, like hot chocolate with marshmallows. Foxy is happy to help, but sometimes makes mistakes. |
| | Frances series Hoban, Russell | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 891432 | Frank and Bert Naylor-Ballesteros, Chris | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2022 | 9781788008402 | Frank and Bert are besties, and love playing hide-and-seek together. Bert, however, is not very good at hiding so Frank wins every single time. Frank needs to decide which is more important: winning or being a good friend. |
| 895559 | Frank's red hat Avery, Sean E | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760654283 | Frank is full of ideas. Some are good and some are not. Frank lives in a black and white world. But when Frank gets a colourful idea in and on his head, will a few nervous penguins stop him from sharing it? |

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| 804780 | Frankie goes to Kindergarten Baxter, Peta & Hemmens, Connie & Gardner, Marjory (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2021 | 9781925804676 | Frankie the puppy loves sharing his day at Kindergarten with the children. He has many friends and there are a lot of fun things to do. Then one day George the cat decides he wants to go too. |
| 11003 | Freda the free-range chook Metzenthien, David & Axelsen, Stephen (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2012 | 9780143306870 | Freda is bored with life in the henhouse. She wants to see the world and have adventures. So, she sneaks away from her hen friends and power-walks to the creek. Freda soon finds that life outside the farmyard can be a challenge but, because she is such a gifted chook, such a thinking chook, she manages to get out of trouble. That is, until Freda gets stuck. |
| 574292 | Freddie and the fairy Donaldson, Julia & George, Karen (ill) | MacMillan | 2010 | 9780330511186 | Freddie is delighted when he meets a fairy who offers to grant his every wish. But Bessie-Belle can't hear very well, and all Freddie's wishes come out wrong. Whatever can they do? |
| 1159 | Fredrik goes bananas Firth, Melissa & Orsini, Cheryl | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781741691139 | Fredrik Lotsie lives on Snowsmoke Island where the only thing to eat is fish. Fish for breakfast, fish for lunch, fish for dinner. But Fredrik has a terrible secret, he's sick of eating fish. He comes up with a plan to fix his fishy problem but, while he's hard at work, everyone else just thinks he's gone bananas. |
| 8189 | Frida and Bear Bartholin, Hanne & Browne, Anthony (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406353990 | Friends, Frida and Bear, love to draw. One day, when Bear can't think of anything to draw, Frida draws him a shape to finish. This leads to an exciting game with some unexpected and entertaining results. |
| 1017855 | Friend for Ruby, A Laguna, Sofie & McBride, Marc (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781761067648 | Walking along the beach, Ruby finds a strange creature on the shore. She takes it home, feeds it and makes a bed of straw for it in her cubby - but a cubby is no place for a creature from the sea. Ruby must draw on all her resources to help the creature find their way home - and perhaps, along the way, she might just find an unexpected friendship. |
| 18402 | Friends Cave, Kathryn & Maland, Nick (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2005 | 9780340656006 | An appealing story about two friends who look after each other. |
| | Friends for keeps series Quay, Emma & Walker, Anna (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 18551 | Friends of Apple Street, The Pignataro, Anna | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2006 | 9780734409591 | On Apple Street, the sun is shining and six friends are each doing what they like best of all. But, then pitter, patter, plop, splat, it's raining in Apple Street. The six friends might have to change their plans. |

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| 1423989 | Friendship book, The Louise, Zanni & Johnson, Nicky (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781760658106 | Friends can come from anywhere! From school, the park, the shopping square. A bookstore, circus, from the zoo ... But how will we know what to do? How do we find friends, make friends or be a friend? Zanni Louise and Nicky Johnston weave a story of building friendship and community through kindness, inclusion and imagination in this delightful journey through a day of meeting, greeting, laughing and playing together. |
| 804796 | Frizzle and me Royce, Ellie & McLean, Andrew (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2021 | 9781925804744 | This book is the gently humorous story of a growing family. It's a big deal when your family changes, but with plenty of love to go around, even the biggest changes can be wonderful. |
| 4073 | Frog and Beaver James, Simon | Penguin Random House Australia | 2017 | 9781406359862 | Every morning Frog woke up from under his leaf and looked out over a beautiful river. Frog shared the river with his friends; the ducks and their ducklings. Everyone lived happily together. It was perfect. Everything changes when a young beaver comes swimming down the river, announcing this will be the ideal place for him to build his first dam. Frog endeavours to negotiate with Beaver but he shows total disregard for all the other creatures. Will all the the previously happy inhabitants survive the flood created by Beaver's dam? |
| 22140 | Frog finds a place Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ezekiel & Leffler, Dub (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2015 | 9781742990231 | Ever since moonlight shone down on him in his pond, Frog has wanted to live up with the Moon and the stars. He works hard to get there, but although he tries and tries, it's a long way for a little frog. |
| 1958 | Frog who lost his underpants, The MacIver, Juliette & Chapman, Cat (ill) | Walker Books | 2013 | 9781921977893 | Hopping through the jungle, this way, that way, Frog is in a frenzy, scattering the ants. Teddy's looking too now, this place, that place, will they ever find those jolly underpants. |
| 1355854 | Frog's first song, The Money, Jazz & Phu, Jason (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2025 | 9780702268977 | The Frogs First Song is a playful picture book about the joys of belonging, community, courage, teamwork, collaboration and friendship. This debut picture book is a unique and melodic ode to taking chances, using your voice and coming together in song and dance. Its also a timely and sensitive story about the power of togetherness in dark times. |
| 12234 | From chick to chicken Powell, Jillian | Raintree | 2002 | 9780739844274 | Chicks emerge from their eggs and grow fluffy down and then their first real wing feathers. The farmer and vet take a keen interest in the animals and the breeding process. Both free-range and confined chickens, egg layers and broilers are shown. |
| 18305 | From kitten to cat (How do they grow) Powell, Jillian | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2001 | 9780750238625 | Beautifully-illustrated book tracing the growth from kitten to cat and how to look after them. Includes an index and contents. |

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| 12235 | From piglet to pig Powell, Jillian | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2001 | 9780750238168 | A sow gives birth to many tiny, squealing piglets. They grow quickly and are soon playing and searching for their own food in the soil. The book traces the life of the piglets as they grow and change into adults and explains how piglets are born. |
| 12465 | Full moon barnyard dance Schaefer, Carole Lexa & Davenier, Christine (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2003 | 9780763618780 | The barnyard animals can't sleep. Deciding that a dance would be enjoyable, they line up two by two. As clouds cover the moon, the animals find it difficult to see their dancing partners. When the sky clears, the animals are dismayed. |
| 652802 | Funeral, The James, Matt | Affirm Press | 2019 | 9781925870404 | Norma misses her great-uncle Frank, but she is looking forward to his funeral. She's excited for time off school and a chance to play with her cousin Ray. And even though the day is full of things Norma doesn't understand, she's sure of one thing: Uncle Frank would have liked his funeral. |
| 8046 | Funky chicken: A bushy tale of crocs and chooks Collin, Chris & Kitchin, Megan (ill) | Funkybooks | 2013 | 9780987450708 | Funky chicken is deemed the most unique of all animals but croc takes a liking to him for all the wrong reasons. |
| 580033 | Funky chicken: Mission incrocible Collin, Chris & Kitchin, Megan (ill) | Funkybooks | 2018 | 9780994284655 | What news has our friend Funky Chook in a flap? And why have his friends interrupted his nap? Strap yourself in for a tropical trek through the great Aussie outback. Join Funky Chicken with friends, old and new, in their wildest ride yet, out beyond Humpty Doo! |
| 1209806 | Funnybones Ahlberg, Janet & Ahlberg, Allan | Puffin UK | 2017 | 9780141364766 | A laugh out loud picture book about two skeletons and their skeleton dog who embark on an adventure to scare people. |
| 1357344 | Gang, The Streich, Michel | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761205668 | Watch out for the Gang. They're everywhere. They're destroying. There is no escape. What will the family do when a flock of chaos-causing cockatoos lands in their backyard? |
| 41522 | Garcia & Colette go exploring Barnaby, Hannah & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2017 | 9781460754306 | Best friends Garcia and Colette are eager to go exploring- only they can't agree on where to go. Garcia loves everything about space (stars! planets! meteors!) and Colette is obsessed with the sea (sand! coral! fish!). So Garcia builds a rocket ship, Colette constructs a submarine, and they wish each other well on their travels. But even though they find some amazing things on their journeys, the friends quickly realise they each left something very important back home... |
| 8016 | Gary Rudge, Leila | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781925081695 | Gary the pigeon can't fly. When his racing pigeon friends head off in their travel basket, Gary stays at home. He organises his scrapbook of travel mementos and dreams about the adventures the other pigeons are having. But, when Gary accidentally ends up a very long way from home, he discovers that flying is not the only way to have adventures. |

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| 903294 | Gecko and the echo, The Bright, Rachel & Field, Jim (ill) | Hachette Australia | 2022 | 9781408356067 | In a sun drenched island paradise, one little gecko with a big personality dreams of becoming a star. From first light to midnight, it's always Goldy's show! But the road to fame can be a lonely, winding path.. one which takes Goldy on a surprising journey of self-discovery. |
| 4631 | Gecko's echo Rowland, Lucy & Rimmington, Natasha (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2017 | 9781408859506 | To stop sneaky animals stealing her precious eggs, Mummy Gecko threatens the wrath of one hundred angry geckos. But...are there really one hundred geckos? And, if there aren't, how will she protect her family? A mischievous tale of trickery and motherly courage. |
| 33344 | Gemma gets the jitters Roe, Katrina & Hedstrom, Leigh (ill) | Wombat Books | 2017 | 9781925563139 | Gemma has a new camera! When she visits the mountains, she wants to get the perfect photo, but at the top of the lookout Gemma gets the jitters. Will she let her fear of heights stop her from achieving her dream? |
| 1098175 | General Waste Streich, Michel | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781761205699 | General Waste loves stuff! Wasting lots of stuff! He tosses away apples after one bite, he has hour-long showers, he must have the latest uniform fashion, and he rides around in a monster truck! He shares a house with Gram-Gram. She always saves her leftovers, does her own repairs and cycles everywhere! One day, when General Waste finds himself trapped under a mountain of his own stuff, Gram-Gram comes to the rescue ... General Waste is a hilarious tale about how to find joy in the simple things in life. |
| 3778 | Gentle lion and the little owlet, The Shirley, Alice | Pavilion | 2012 | 9781843651994 | When a plucky young owlet falls from his nest above the lion enclosure at a zoo he finds himself face-to-face with a lion. Yet, instead of being eaten, the owlet and the lion become friends and decide to embark on a journey together. |
| 18473 | Gently Bentley Whybrow, Ian & Melling, David (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2004 | 9780340875629 | A romp of a picture book about a rough and tumble bear who creates troubles for his friends, Squeaky and Bun. |
| 2271 | George flies south James, Simon | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406328868 | Winter is on the way and it's time to fly south. But, George isn't quite ready to leave his nest yet. When an enormous gust of wind blows the nest out of the tree, things start getting really interesting for George and his mother. |
| 130923 | George saves the world by lunchtime Readman, Jo & Roberts Ley Honor | Eden Project Books | 2006 | 9781903919507 | With Grandpa's help, George helps to save the world by lunchtime. Full of practical hints that you can do at home that will have a positive global effect and make you feel good too. |
| 1209687 | George the Wizard Armstrong, Tony & Sjaan Beukers, Emma (ill) | Lothian Books | 2024 | 9780734422163 | George the Wizard has the best life on top of his magical mountain, but he's missing one key thing: friends! An uplifting story about friendship and letting others see your true colours from the ever-popular Tony Armstrong, with incredible artwork by debut illustrator Emma Sjaan Beukers. |

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| 587880 | German shepherds Noll, Elizabeth | World Book | 2018 | 9780716693253 | Learn all about man's best friend before bringing one home. Discover how much they eat and how much they bark! Which dog will be best for you? |
| 6395 | Geronimo: The penguin who thought he could fly Walliams, David & Ross, Tony (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2018 | 9780008279752 | Meet Geronimo, the baby penguin who has one dream and one dream only, and that is to fly! But everyone knows penguins can't fly, or can they? With a little help from his dad and friends, baby Geronimo discovers that even the wildest of dreams can come true. |
| 871601 | Get ready, Mama! Giltrow, Sharon & Li, Arielle (ill) | EK Books | 2022 | 9781922539083 | Getting Mama ready for the day can be a challenge. She will try and sneak back to bed, distract you with cuddles, and wait is she watching TV?! Learn how to get Mama ready, despite her mischievous delaying tactics, with this essential guide to dealing with morning mayhem! |
| 12155 | Get well soon Little Bear Minarik, Else Holmelund & Sendak, Maurice (ill) | Golden Books Publishing | 2003 | 9780694017027 | Mother Bear says Little Bear has to stay in bed because he has a cold. Little Bear doesn't mind, at least, while his mother is out of the room. |
| 32004 | Gezani and the tricky baboon Khoza, Valanga & Rippin, Sally (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2015 | 9781925000757 | Some bananas, a wily, hungry baboon and a boy who finds a way to teach the tricky baboon a lesson. |
| 1187 | Gift, The Gilmartin, Deb | Windy Hollow Books | 2012 | 9781922081070 | A textless picture book which allows the reader to discover the story. Orange cat has a comfortable life and shares his dinner with a black and white cat down the road. When attempts to do the same the next day she can no longer be found, having been dumped with her three kittens as her owner leaves town. Despite meeting danger as he tries to find her, he perseveres with ultimate success. |
| 37462 | Gift, The Matthews, Penny | Omnibus Books | 2012 | 9781862916982 | A rather plain bear sits next to a gorgeous plush crocodile in the toy shop among all of the special Christmas toys. As each waits to be chosen, Brown Bear makes his own gift to his friend. |
| 1019638 | Gigantic Biddulph, Rob | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9780008413439 | Gigantic is the smallest whale in the pod. But when his older brother, Titan, finds himself in trouble, Gigantic shows that you don't have to be big to be mighty. A powerful story about little fins and big hearts. |

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| 1019727 | Giinagay gaagal, hello ocean Greenwood, Melissa | ABC Books | 2023 | 9780733343001 | Come on an adventure to the ocean, where you will listen and learn from Mother Earth. What amazing creatures will you see? What kind of games can you play before it's time to settle down for a yarn and some tea? A delightful day's journey of learning and fun. This First Nations story book is a beautiful read aloud for younger children and the illustrations are detailed and intricate, making the story come alive even more. Gumbaynggirr translation is included in the back. |
| 12060 | Ginger Voake, Charlotte | Walker Books | 1997 | 9780744549348 | Ginger has a problem. Having lived a life of luxury as a pampered cat, he's suddenly confronted with a kitten in the house. |
| 4972 | Ginger Green play date queen: The new friend Kane, Kim & Davis, Jon (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2016 | 9781760127701 | Ginger is playing with Skye today. But what happens when Skye won't let her dad leave? A story of two new friends, sharing their love of dance and overcoming being shy. |
| 30771 | Giraffe in the bath, A Fox, Mem & Rawson, Olivia & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2010 | 9780670072132 | A giraffe in the bath, a frog in the flour, a crocodile with style. This very funny picture book suggests increasingly silly and hilarious possibilities. Lots of fun for every reader, with wonderful, giggle-inducing illustrations. |
| 6068 | Giraffe problems John, Jory & Smith, Lane (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406383164 | Edward the giraffe can't understand why his neck is as long and bendy and ridiculous as it is. No other animal has a neck this absurd. He's tried disguising it, dressing it up, strategically hiding it behind bushes, anything he can think of. But just when he's exhausted his neck-hiding options, a turtle ambles in and tries to help him understand that his neck has a purpose and looks excellent in a bow tie. |
| 11929 | Giraffes can't dance Andreae, Giles & Parker-Rees, Guy (ill) | Orchard Books | 2000 | 9781841215655 | Gerald, the giraffe, desperately wants to be able to dance with all the animals at the Jungle Dance. But, the other jungle animals laugh at him because he can't dance. Perhaps Gerald is just dancing to a different tune. |
| 846233 | Give me some space! Bunting, Philip | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781760972356 | Una dreams of a life in Space. Life on Earth is just so so-so. But how will she get there? And will she complete her mission to discover life in Space? And did she remember to feed Neil the goldfish? |
| 4290 | Glitch Worthington, Michelle & Plant, Andrew (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2017 | 9781925272710 | Glitch spends his life searching through mountains of mouldy mess at the dump. He wants to make the fastest billycart ever! This year, he will be competing in the Big Race! But will his twitch stop him from winning? |
| 750947 | Go away, worry monster! Graham, Brooke & Tatlow-Lord, Robin | EK Books | 2020 | 9781925820393 | Archie is unable to sleep on the night before he starts his new school. The worry monster is visiting and Archie's tummy hurts and his head is starting to ache. Archie must remember some of the things he can do to send that monster away. |

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| 5355 | Go go and the silver shoes Godwin, Jane & Walker, Anna | Penguin Books Australia | 2018 | 9780143785521 | When Go Go is allowed to buy the most beautiful shoes ever, she decides she will wear them EVERYWHERE! Even to the creek, where she and her brothers go adventuring. But - oh no, something terrible happens . . . |
| 38395 | Go home, cheeky animals Bell, Johanna & Beasley, Dion (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760291655 | At Canteen Creek where we live, there are cheeky dogs everywhere. But, when the cheeky goats, donkeys, buffaloes and camels make mischief in the camp, the dogs just lie there. That is, until those pesky animals really go too far. Then, the cheeky camp dogs roar into action. |
| 6703 | Go Jojo go Bickford, Tessa & Castles, Jennifer | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781743310175 | Jojo the gentoo penguin was born on an island in the Southern Ocean, halfway between Australia and Antarctica. From her nest she can see the beach, and she just can't wait to go to sea. |
| 17560 | Go to sleep, Jessie Gleeson, Libby & Blackwood, Freya (Ill) | Little Hare Books | 2014 | 9781742977805 | Ever since baby Jessie moved into her big sister's room, she wakes and she screams and screams. Nothing will make her sleep. Not a teddy. Not a changed nappy. Not even a bedtime story. |
| 21698 | Go, dog, go Eastman, P D | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2006 | 9780007225460 | A humorous book, full of brightly coloured, busy dogs and fun use of language. Ideal for beginning readers. |
| 623312 | Go-away bird, The Donaldson, Julia & Rayner, Catherine (ill) | MacMillan | 2019 | 9781509843589 | One by one, the other birds fly into her tree, wanting to talk or to play, but the Go-Away bird just shakes her head and sends them all away. But then the dangerous Get-You bird comes along, and she soon realizes that she might need some friends after all... |
| 15142 | Goal McNaughton, Colin | Collins | 2002 | 9780007711161 | Preston Pig is on the loose with unequalled world class football skills. Mister Wolf doesn't stand a chance. |
| 803496 | Goal!!! Williams, Lydia & Gifford, Lucinda (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9781760526146 | Australian Matildas goalkeeper, Lydia Williams, shares a fantastic story about some greatly skilled animals and what it means to be part of a team. |
| 7782 | Goanna was hungry, The James, Ann & Morgan, Sally | Indigenous Literacy Foundation | 2016 | 9780994465412 | Imagine being at a camp in the Great Victorian Desert. Imagine being one of the ten lucky kids chosen to work with two of Australia's best-loved author-illustrators. Kids from Tjuntjuntjara, Mt Margaret, Menzies and Melbourne spent five days at a writing and illustrating camp on Spinifex Country. This is their book and their stories. |
| 11792 | Goat and donkey and the noise downstairs Puttock, Simon & Russell, Julian (ill) | Oxford University Press | 2008 | 9780192728180 | One night, Goat is woken by a noise downstairs. He is sure there must be burglars in the house. When he goes to Donkey's room and finds the bed empty, Goat is sure that Donkey has been stolen. Goat knows he must be brave and investigate the noise. |

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| 14988 | Goat, the duck and the bale of hay, The Flynn, Rachel & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Penguin | 2004 | 9780670040438 | The goat, the duck, the mermaid, the dog and assorted friends set off in a mystical boat with their bale of hay. Simple but poetic language brings this magical tale to life. Well-suited for a newly independent reader. |
| 19151 | Gobbledygook is eating a book, The Clarke, Justine & Baysting, Arthur | Puffin Australia | 2012 | 9780670076574 | Something is coming. Can you see? It snuffles and shuffles. What can it be? Look! Look! It's a Gobbledygook! It's ripping up pages and eating a book! |
| 2278 | Gobbling tree, The Carthew, Mark & Boyer, Susy (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2008 | 9781921042973 | Join Zac and his friends as they try to retrieve their belongings from a tree that is determined to keep everything that lands in it. |
| 1423396 | Going for pippies Laurie, Wilaaran & Mordey, Tori-Jay (ill) | Magabala Books | 2025 | 9781922864147 | Wilaaran wants to learn the old ways. He's going hunting for pippies with his mum and dad, nans and pops, uncles and cousins. But what's this special dance his family is doing in the water? |
| 12085 | Going home Wild, Margaret & Harris, Wayne (ill) | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781921529047 | You'll never find Hugo whining that he's bored. Even in hospital, when there isn't much else to do except look out the window, he can amuse himself, especially with a zoo next door. Hugo inspires all the other children that he meets. |
| 12180 | Going on a school trip Church, Diane | Watts | 2000 | 9780749636708 | Georgia, a young schoolgirl who is blind, enjoys a school excursion. |
| 12181 | Going shopping Church, Diane | Watts | 2000 | 9780749636715 | Sara has muscular dystrophy and uses a wheelchair. Sara and Moya go shopping, have lunch and buy each other treats on their day out. |
| 639794 | Going to the footy Coombes, Debbie | Magabala Books | 2019 | 9781925936964 | Yay! The footy's on. How will you get there? On a bus? In a boat? On a plane? |
| 569198 | Going to the volcano Stanton, Andy & Ordonez, Miguel (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2018 | 9781444933444 | Dwayne and Jane-i want to see the volcano! They'll ride a great dance-o to see the volcano! And climb up a crane-o to see the volcano! What could possible go wrong? |
| 4938 | Goldilocks and just the one bear Hodgkinson, Leigh | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2012 | 9780857630438 | Many years have passed since Goldilocks caused chaos at the Bears' house in the woods. Find out what happens when Little Bear, as was, wanders out of his fairytale and into the big city, rather smart apartment where Goldilocks now lives. |
| 659290 | Goldilocks and the three bears Degennaro, Sue | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781743815878 | A little girl named Goldilocks goes for a walk in the forest. What happens when she comes upon a house owned by three bears? |
| 903272 | Goldilocks and the three crocodiles Rosen, Michael & Melling, David (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2022 | 9780008509880 | One bright morning, Tiddles the dog said to Goldilocks, "we could see if we could find that house with the chairs. There was porridge and beds. You went in..... there were three bears!" So begins this fabulously funny twist on a familiar story. |
| 551 | Good boy Fergus Shannon, David | Blue Sky Press | 2006 | 9780439490276 | Fergus, the West Highland terrier, is a pampered pet who loves to do all the things that dogs love to do. |

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| 6714 | Good day, good night Wise Brown, Margaret & Long, Loren (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2017 | 9780008261207 | When the sun comes up and the day begins, the little bunny says good day to all the familiar things outside. To the birds in the skies and the bees in their hives, to everything one by one. And as the sun starts to set, it's time for the little bunny to say good night. Good night, kitty. Good night, bear. Good night, people everywhere. |
| 2620 | Good dog Hank French, Jackie & Rycroft, Nina | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2014 | 9780732293642 | Hank is always a good dog, in his own special way. |
| 1272124 | Good gnus! Cummings, Phil & Parton, Daron (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781761203206 | Breaking gnus! Life is busy, full of fun too... What do you think the gnus will do? |
| 1122175 | Good hair Sewankambo, Yvonne & Chiu, Freda (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760655709 | Birugi does NOT like doing her hair. Her father describes different hair types to her, and points out all the different people in her life and how each one has different hair, in the hope of convincing her what good hair really looks like. |
| 49589 | Good knight, sleep tight Melling, David | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2006 | 9780340860939 | The young prince has a new baby sister who won't stop crying. A brave and loyal knight embarks on a quest to find the fluffiest and softest pillow in the land. |
| 10895 | Good morning Mr Pancakes McKimmie, Chris | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742377193 | It's holiday time for Bee. But, first, the chooks need their toenails painted, the dogs and cats need their bags packed and Gregor needs enough greens for a week. Then, Bee is off to the island. |
| 18447 | Good night me Daddo, Andrew & Quay, Emma (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2005 | 9780733621123 | An orangutan youngster goes to sleep, body part by body part, as he is kissed goodnight by his mother. It certainly takes a long time to say goodnight to this cute little fellow. |
| 804792 | Good night, Ivy Bright Long, Ben & Plant, Andrew (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2021 | 9781925804720 | Ivy couldn't get to sleep, her mind was burning bright. I'm done with counting sheep, she thought, I'll paint my dreams tonight. Ivy goes on a wondrous journey through her imagination. What will she find? |
| 19929 | Good night, sleep tight Fox, Mem & Horacek, Judy (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2012 | 9781742832579 | Bonnie and Ben have a favourite babysitter whose much loved nursery rhymes ensure a wonderful, whimsical world before bedtime. |
| 846263 | Good place, A Cousins, Lucy | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781529501254 | Four insect friends are looking for a place to live. But will they ever find a home that's good for all of them? |
| 699031 | Good question Whiting, Sue & White, Annie | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781760650841 | All Fox wants is a tasty meal to fill his hungry belly but he keeps wandering into the WRONG STORIES! No dinner for him - just more and more trouble! Will fox ever find the right story? |

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| 587801 | Good Rosie DiCamillo, Kate & Bliss, Harry (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2018 | 9780763689797 | Rosie is a good dog and a faithful companion to her owner, George. She likes taking walks with George and looking at the clouds together, but the closest she comes to another dog is when she encounters her reflection in her empty dog bowl, and sometimes that makes Rosie feel lonely. One day George takes Rosie to the dog park, but the park is full of dogs that Rosie doesn't know, which makes her feel lonelier than ever. When big, loud Maurice and small, yippy Fifi bound over and want to play, Rosie's not sure how to respond. Is there a trick to making friends? And if so, can they all figure it out together? |
| 943193 | Good thing happened today, A Figueroa, Michelle | HarperCollins US | 2022 | 9780063142312 | A good thing happened today. Hooray! Did you hear? Embark on an inspirational journey and discover real good news from all over the world. |
| 12117 | Good-night, Owl Hutchins, Pat | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1993 | 9781856810883 | Owl is trying to get to sleep but, every time he shuts his eyes, there is another sound to keep him awake. |
| 643279 | Goodbye house, hello house Wild, Margaret & James, Ann (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781743311103 | A heartwarming story about moving house and embracing change, of saying goodbye and saying hello. |
| 1334034 | Goodnight daddy Dreise, Gregg | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761524639 | A bedtime story about a father and daughter sharing their hopes for the future. |
| 660719 | Goodnight glow worms Parker, Aura | Penguin Books Australia | 2020 | 9780143792918 | Will the glow worms ever get to sleep? This is a cuddly, snuggly bedtime story, filled with joyful illustrations and rhyming text. A perfect read for bedtimes. |
| 15098 | Goodnight Harry Lewis, Kim | Walker Books | 2004 | 9781844285006 | Harry, the elephant, can't get to sleep. He tries all sorts of activities to help him get to sleep. Thank goodness for friends. |
| 43634 | Goodnight, goodnight, construction site Duskey Rinker, Sherri & Lichtenheld, Tom (ill) | Chronicle Books | 2011 | 9780811877824 | As the sun sets on the big construction site, all the hard-working trucks get ready to say goodnight. One by one, Crane Truck, Cement Mixer, Dump Truck, Bulldozer, and Excavator finish their work and lie down to rest, so they'll be ready for another day of rough and tough construction play. |
| 8900 | Goodnight, mice Watts, Frances & Watson, Judy | ABC Books | 2011 | 9780733324215 | It's time for bed but four cheeky mice are skittering, scampering and scurrying, and don't seem very sleepy. |
| 582933 | Goodnight, numbers McKellar, Danica & Padron, Alicia (ill) | Penguin Random House Australia | 2017 | 9781101933787 | Numbers are all around us. Snuggle up and see! |
| 1388303 | Gooramindi the crocodile Jaffrey, Quinlan & Goodwin, Jade (ill) | Magabala Books | 2025 | 9781922613424 | This picture book tells the tale of Gooramindi, the freshwater crocodile and guardian of the river. Gooramindi rescues a boy named Corey from the claw-grips of Walwarranga, a big cheeky crocodile who lives upstream. |
| 10736 | Gordon's got a snookie Shanahan, Lisa & Harris, Wayne (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9781865086903 | Gordon, the new silverback gorilla at the zoo, cannot understand it. When the animals discover he keeps a snookie, a security blanket, they bully him by teasing. He has tried his best but he thinks he is the loneliest animal in the whole zoo. |

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| 1133520 | Gorgeously me! Van Ness, Jonathan & Nair, Kamala (ill) | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781760659462 | Loving yourself, being gorgeous allows you to love others, need others and transform others. The vibe is doing it in so many different ways, such as playing together, joining in and being the best YOU. A simple recipe for growing up and getting around doubtful thoughts, just being with others to make gorgeously us. |
| 1992 | Gorilla Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2002 | 9780744594393 | Feeling neglected because her parents are pre-occupied with their own problems, Hannah is a lonely girl who uses her imagination to bring her toy gorilla to life on the night before her birthday. |
| 1319280 | Gotcha! Can you catch the thief? Henseleit, Jack & Hart, James (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781760267094 | A gang of burglars just escaped. They're coming to your town! Perhaps they've left some clues behind. Can you track them down? |
| 29846 | Grace and Katie Merritt, Susanne & Anelli, Liz (ill) | EK Books | 2017 | 9781925335545 | Twins Grace and Katie have only one thing in common: they love to draw! But Grace likes her drawings to be neat and orderly, while Katie loves hers to be bright and bold. They each decide to create their own map. But that doesn't work out quite as well as they'd planned. Perhaps working together will help? |
| 1080149 | Grace and Mr Milligan Goodwin, Caz & Kruger, Pip (ill) | Marshall Cavendish International | 2023 | 9789815009811 | Grace lives next door to old Mr Milligan and his goat Charlie. They are the best of friends. But when Mr Milligan's beloved goat dies, everything changes. Will Grace be able to help her friend overcome his sadness? Grace and Mr Milligan is a heart-warming story of grief, love and the healing power of friendship. |
| 610432 | Grace's mystery seed Sampson, Juliet. M & Erasmus, Karen (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2019 | 9781925804218 | Polly likes these stripy seeds,' Grace said. 'What are they from?' 'Let's find out,' said Mrs Marino. Grace and her neighbour plant a mystery seed. They wait and wait for ages. Then a little green shoot starts to grow...and grow...and grow...until, at last, Grace discovers the truth about her amazing mystery seed. |
| 983000 | Granbad Tangey, Penny & Baldwin, Peter (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2023 | 9780702266232 | My Grandad is a rebel. We call him Granbad. He doesn't believe in screen time limits or healthy snacks but he does believe in saving the planet. Good thing he is rule breaker. |
| 1359387 | Grandad Bluey | Penguin Books Australia | 2025 | 9781761620126 | Grandad is meant to be resting. But when Bluey and Bingo visit, they take of into the bush on a wild chase. Can mum catch them? |
| 12213 | Grandad's magic Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2002 | 9780744589160 | Alison loves Grandad's magic. She is shocked when, one Sunday, Grandad attempts his greatest trick of all and juggles with disaster. |

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| 1997 | Grandad's teeth Clement, Rod | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 1997 | 9780207090394 | An off-beat picture book in which grandad wakes to discover his false teeth are missing from his bedside table. The family rushes to help and soon a hunt is on to find the thief. |
| 1998 | Grandfather Baker, Jeannie | Scholastic Australia | 1994 | 9781863880886 | Grandfather has a junk shop which is a delightful place for his granddaughter to explore, play and dress up in. A wordless picture book told through beautiful collages. |
| 10403 | Grandma Shepherd, Jessica | Child's Play International Ltd | 2014 | 9781846435973 | Oscar loves Grandma and their time together is always lots of fun. As she becomes less able to look after herself, she has to go into a care home. |
| 47260 | Grandma forgets Russell, Paul & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2017 | 9781925335477 | Over the years, a little girl has built up a treasure trove of memories of time spent with her Grandma: sausages for Sunday lunch, driving in her sky-blue car to the beach, climbing her apple trees while she baked a delicious apple pie, and her comforting hugs during wild storms. But now, Grandma can't remember those memories. She makes up new rules for old games and often hides Dad's keys. Sometimes Dad is sad because he has to hold onto the memories for both him and his mother now, but fortunately his daughter is more than happy to help him make new memories to share. |
| 9615 | Grandma fox Ahlberg, Allan & Amstutz, Andre (ill) | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2000 | 9780140564020 | The chickens are in danger once more as Fast Fox fancies a chicken sandwich. He disguises himself as a grandma, a doctor and a postman as he plots to catch the unsuspecting chickens. |
| 21596 | Grandma Wombat French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2016 | 9780732299590 | She eats. She sleeps. She scratches. And, like all grandmas, she thinks her grandson is the best-behaved baby ever. But, this baby has other ideas. |
| 923443 | Grandma's guide to happiness Daddo, Andrew & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | ABC Books | 2023 | 9780733341304 | My grandma says the funniest things. She says that you don't need much to be happy - not really. Grandma knows that its often the simplest things that make you happy, like splashing in a puddle or baking delicious cookies. Join grandma and grandchild on a joyful journey to discover the key to happiness. |
| 8404 | Grandma's place Stead, James & Gardner, Marjory (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2008 | 9781921136290 | For those of you lucky enough to have a grandmother, this book asks lots of questions about what your granny likes to eat and talk about, who she visits, what she's good at and lots of other things. |
| 1277982 | Grandmas in grand cars Elliott, Mick | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760655068 | A glorious and grand celebration of all the different grandmas and their grand cars. |
| 5515 | Grandmother Baker, Jeannie | Scholastic Australia | 1994 | 9781863880893 | A special bond exists between a grandmother and her grandchild as they explore the overgrown jungle which is also grandmother's garden of memories. A wordless picture book told through beautiful collages. |

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| 12292 | Grandpa and Thomas Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2003 | 9780670041572 | Thomas and Grandpa go to the beach. The sun is shining, the gulls are screeching and the sea is singing. This lovely picture book gently unfolds the special relationship between a grandfather and his grandchild. |
| 506 | Grandpa and Thomas and the green umbrella Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2006 | 9780670029730 | Plenty of adventure with Thomas and Grandpa when they spend a day at the beach. |
| 649004 | Grandpa and Tuska Phillips, John | Big Sky Publishing | 2018 | 9781925675405 | Tuska is a young elephant who loves spending time with his grandfather. And Grandpa loves spending time with him. Tuska never grows tired of Grandpa's thrilling stories about being a young elephant and thinks Grandpa is the wisest elephant he knows. But Grandpa is getting old, and what's more, he's getting forgetful and, well ... he's acting rather strangely these days!? His stories are not making sense and sometimes he doesn't even recognise the other animals. Grandpa's behaviour is making Tuska feel scared. When Grandpa goes missing, Tuska is determined to risk everything to bring him home. But who will save who? |
| 17158 | Grandpa baby Wild, Margaret & Niland, Deborah (ill) | Viking Children's | 2009 | 9780670071746 | While Mum and Dad are working, Grandpa looks after Georgie. They read stories, plant flowers and play dress-ups. One day, Georgie decides they should swap roles. Find out what Georgie and Grandpa Baby get up to, now that Georgie is in charge. |
| 4024 | Grandpa's big adventure Newman, Paul & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2016 | 9780670078172 | I'm afraid of the water but Grandpa loves it, and he's teaching me to swim. If I can swim, maybe I'll have adventures like him one day. |
| 12283 | Grandpa's cardigan Watson, Joy & Hodder, Wendy (ill) | Scholastic New Zealand | 1993 | 9781869432263 | Grandma decides Grandpa needs a new cardigan. He agrees, so Grandma gives his old one away. But, finding just the right new cardigan to replace his favourite proves difficult for Grandpa. When he finds one, Grandma is in for a surprise. |
| 628138 | Grandpa's noises St John Thomas, Gareth & Rowe, Colin (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925335989 | Grandpa makes a lot of noises! His back creaks. His knees crack. His hearing aid squeals. He's always talking to someone about something. And then there are the sounds that his bottom makes! Join Grandpa on his daily adventures and see if you can understand what all his noises mean! |
| 12282 | Grandpa's shorts Watson, Joy & Hodder, Wendy (ill) | Scholastic New Zealand | 2001 | 9781869431563 | When the family invite Grandma and Grandpa to the beach, Grandpa begins to hunt for his beach shorts. Grandma doesn't want Grandpa to wear his old beach shorts but he is determined to find them. The kids think he looks pretty cool. |
| 12071 | Grandpa's slippers Watson, Joy | Ashton Scholastic | 1989 | 9780908643677 | Grandma wants to throw out Grandpa's old tattered slippers. Everyday, he finds them hidden in a different place. |
| 569499 | Grandpa's space adventure Newman, Paul & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Penguin | 2018 | 9780143785569 | I'm scared of the dark, but Grandpa says we can still have FUN so he's taking me camping. Maybe I'll be able to have space adventures like him one day. |

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| 46922 | Granny's place Paterson, Allison & McGrath, Shane (ill) | Big Sky Publishing | 2016 | 9781925275636 | Granny and Pa's farm was the best place in the world, brimming with treasures of the past and endless adventures to be had. Time brings change and new beginnings. |
| 903389 | Grannysaurus Walliams, David | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2022 | 9780008305765 | Spike is staying the night with his grandmother and does not want to go to bed. When his granny pretends to become a grannysaurus, she chases him up to bed. Later that night, loud noises wake him up and he creeps downstairs to discover where all the music and stomping is coming from. |
| 2003 | Granpa Burningham, John | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780099434085 | Granpa nurses his grand-daughter's dolls, mistakes her strawberry-flavoured, pretend icecream for chocolate, takes her tobogganing in the snow and falls in with her imaginary plans to captain a ship to Africa, like all good granpas should. |
| 12863 | Great big animal ask, The Hathorn, Libby & Pignataro, Anna (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9780734406323 | The animals have great big questions. They are concerned that they are not acceptable; perhaps they are too tall, too growly or too spiky. It turns out that they are all just right, they just didn't know for what they were right. |
| 12191 | Great castle of Marshmangle, The Doyle, Malachy & Hess, Paul (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 1999 | 9780862647926 | A child meets his grandfather for the first time and goes to stay at his house. He thinks his grandfather is the funniest man he has ever seen. A lively and humorous picture book. |
| 15055 | Great divide, The Dodds, Dayle Ann & Mitchell, Tracy (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2005 | 9780763615925 | A race begins with eighty competitors. Various obstacles keep halving the race until the finish line. There may not be anyone to cross the line and win. |
| 35744 | Great dragon rescue, The Robertson, M P | Frances Lincoln | 2007 | 9781845073794 | George needs to think of a clever scheme to rescue the baby dragon and reunite it with its dad. |
| 46737 | Great expedition, The Carnavas, Peter | New Frontier Publishing | 2011 | 9781921042812 | A team of brave, very young explorers cross wild country to deliver a valuable parcel. The journey is punishing. Some of the young explorers don't make it. But, in the end, two courageous souls will be admired and remembered for many years to come. |
| 1138 | Great garden mystery, The Trembl, Renee | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2014 | 9780857984166 | Someone is stealing the beetroots, would could it be. Join us in the garden and we'll unravel this mystery. |
| 4292 | Great goal! Marvellous mark! Germein, Katrina & Dawson, Janine (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2017 | 9781925272673 | Get ready for a great game of footy. There's plenty of action and masses of mud. Who will kick the first goal? Who will take the best mark? And will the yellow team win? |
| 22457 | Great Googly Moogly, The Dicmas, Courtney | Child's Play International Ltd | 2014 | 9781846436390 | Nobody has ever been able to catch the legendary Googly Moogly fish. Stella aims to do just that, with different fishing gear and different bate, she sets out to catch her dream fish. |
| 12470 | Great Gracie chase, The Rylant, Cynthia & Teague, Mark (ill) | Blue Sky Press | 2001 | 9780590100410 | All that Gracie wants is a quiet house. When the painters arrive, in their big, noisy truck, with the clanging ladders and their big-person voices, Gracie barks and barks to tell them to go outside. But, instead, Gracie is put outside. |

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| 953 | Great granny gang, The Kerr, Judith | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2012 | 9780007467914 | Grannies have a reputation for being mild, sedate and stay at home knitters. In fact grannies are capable of fixing most problems and so it is with the Great Granny gang whose members foil a burglary. Told in flowing rhyme for reading aloud. |
| 6445 | Great house hunt, The Cali, Davide and Boutavant, Marc (ill) | Gecko Press | 2012 | 9781877579295 | A big and brightly coloured picture book about two ladybirds hunt for the perfect house - led by a tenacious yet clueless real estate agent, Mr Weevil. |
| 12498 | Great ocean walk Novak, Jiri Tibor | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780734405777 | When a boy and his father take a walk along the beautiful, wild beaches of the Great Ocean Road, they find lots of interesting treasures. The next question is what will they do with their collection. |
| 43464 | Great rabbit chase, The Blackwood, Freya | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781743811641 | Gumboots is a soft and beautiful rabbit. He has very sharp claws for scratching and very strong teeth for chewing. But what he does best is...escape. Everyone joins in on the great rabbit chase. When they finally catch up to Gumboots he has a wonderful surprise! |
| 4142 | Great zoo hullabaloo, The Carthew, Mark & Tortop, Anil (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2017 | 9781925059786 | When Jess and Jack opened the gates to the zoo, it was strangely deserted. Nobody said boo! Can Jess and Jack discover the mystery of the missing animals? |
| 1019810 | Greatest in the world, The Clanton, Ben | Farshore | 2022 | 9780008646547 | Rot is a mutant potato who wakes up feeling great, maybe even... the greatest in the world! But that only makes Rot's brother Snot the grumpiest in the world. The only solution? An epic contest to prove who is the greatest once and for all, judged by the only impartial party they can find - their small fry little sister, Tot. But as the stakes get higher through the muddy potato sack race, sacred hot potato roll, and a hilarious laughing contest, their rivalry spirals out of control. Suddenly Rot's not feeling so spudtacular anymore. Will this tater trio ever be able to determine who the greatest in the world really is? |
| 774197 | Greatest showpenguin, The Freeguard, Lucy | Pavilion | 2021 | 9781843654681 | Poppy is a penguin who has always performed. But now Poppy wants to change her life to no more juggling, unicycling or breathing fire. She wants to make others happy, but also be happy herself. so she is going to run the show. Can she become The Greatest Showpenguin? |
| 7420 | Greedy dog, The Dickins, Rosie (retell) & di Chiara, Francesca (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2015 | 9781409584841 | Dog is always on the lookout for food. He finds a juicy bone to eat. But, one bone might not be enough for a greedy dog. A retelling of a classic Aesop fable. |

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| 812836 | Green Greig, Louise & Peck, Hannah (ill) | Farshore | 2021 | 9781405299398 | Envy can be a terrible feeling and poor Ed has it so bad that he is missing out on all the fun! Will Ed find happiness with his faster, sleeker sled? A book about seasons and living in the moment. |
| 12033 | Green eggs and ham Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1983 | 9780001713062 | Sam-I-am persists in pestering a grumpy grouch to try a plate of green eggs and ham. You never know what you will like until you try it. |
| 846153 | Green is for Christmas Daywalt, Drew & Jeffers, Oliver (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2021 | 9780008496203 | When Green Crayon claims that green is the only colour for Christmas, other crayons let him know that there would be no Christmas without them either. No candy canes or Santa without Red, no snow without White, no bells or stars without Silver and no cookies or reindeer without Brown! The crayons agree that they all need to come together to make Christmas special! |
| 682639 | Green machine Donnelly, Rebecca & Jacques, Christopher | Henry Holt & Co | 2020 | 9781250304063 | "Call it Peels on Wheels or a truck full of yuck!" Where is the garbage truck headed? It's collected our food scraps and heads to the treatment plant to compost our food and waste. Then it's time to sort it out and clean it up, with the help of some special bugs. Finally, what will our food scraps be turned into? You'll never guess! And the cycle begins again. |
| 12592 | Green Tree Frogs Kendell, Sandra | Windy Hollow Books | 2015 | 9781922081421 | Each year, monsoonal rains sweep across the Top End of Australia and the green tree frogs clamber from their hiding places to feed, breed and sing. Celebrate these cheeky characters and their life cycle in the wet season. |
| 2037 | Greetings from Sandy Beach Graham, Bob | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 1996 | 9780850917802 | The weekend at Sandy Beach doesn't start well when the whole family leaves home in a flood of tears and discovers a bike gang set up at their campsite. The story is great fun and the bikies turn out to be very helpful. |
| 660633 | Greta and the giants Tucker, Zoe & Persico, Zoe (ill) | Quarto Group | 2019 | 9780711254558 | Greta is a little girl who lives in a beautiful forest threatened by Giants. When the Giants first came to the forest, they chopped down trees to make houses. Then they chopped down more trees and made even bigger homes. The houses grew into towns and the towns grew into cities, until now there is hardly any forest left. Greta knows she has to help the animals who live in the forest, but how? Luckily, Greta has an idea... |
| 1088993 | Grey Dockrill, Laura & Child, Lauren (ill) | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781406389562 | I don't feel sunshine yellow or balloon orange bright or treetop green. Nor new idea white or night sky black. I am grey to day. I just am. I am grey. |
| 6645 | Grey-glasses-itis Jenkins, Lynn & Lonergan, Kirrili (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925335958 | Curly Calmster teaches Lopyy the LAC to realise that when he feels 'blah', it's because he is seeing the world through grey glasses. When Lopyy changes the colour of his glasses, the colour comes back into his life and he feels a lot better! |

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| 47914 | Grizzly dad Harrison, Joanna | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2009 | 9780552554466 | Dads can sometimes be grumpy and grouchy and grizzly. But sometimes, that can be great fun! |
| 803485 | Growing pains McLennan, Alison & Johns, Melissa (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820522 | When Finn's family plants a tree in their backyard, he feels responsible for it and worries the little sapling is cold, hungry or lonely. He tries to share his breakfast with it, offers it his scarf, and keeps it company. Just after going to bed, his nightlight goes out and Finn is plunged into darkness. But when he sees his tree standing tall and brave in the moonlight, it inspires him to be brave as well. |
| 895562 | Grub Severgnini, Sandra (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2022 | 9781922539267 | A small grub on the floor of the rainforest begins to feel itself changing and wonders what it will become when it grows up. He journeys across the rainforest to ask other insects about their transformations and discover itself. |
| 36281 | Gruffalo's child, The Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | MacMillan | 2010 | 9781405020466 | The Gruffalo's child goes hunting for the Big Bad Mouse, with a scaly tail, eyes like pools of fire and whiskers tougher than wire. |
| 35283 | Gruffalo, The Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | MacMillan | 2004 | 9780333710937 | Told in satisfying rhyme and beautifully illustrated, this is the story of a clever mouse who evades being eaten by inventing a terrifying friend to frighten his would-be predators. But, mouse's fictional friend might be very real and not so very friendly. |
| | Grug series Prior, Ted | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 833003 | Grumble boats McFarlane, Susannah & Ainslie, Tasmin (ill) | Affirm Press | 2021 | 9781925712919 | Emma wants to go to a pirate party with her brother but she's not allowed. Instead, mum takes her to Grandma's and she is ANGRY! Grandma knows just how to make it better, and, with pockets full of perfect supplies, Grandma takes Emma to the beach to set her anger free. |
| 36346 | Grump, The Garson, Sarah | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842707227 | The Grump is very scary. He leaves a mess wherever he goes, he gobbles everything in sight and he has a deep, rumbling growl. |
| 2787 | Grumpy Gloria Dewdney, Anna | Viking UK | 2006 | 9780670061235 | No matter what the children do, Grumpy Gloria is just sullen, scowly, sulky, slumpy. They cannot work out what is causing the problem until an unexpected accident provides the solution. |
| 21612 | Grumpy Grandpa Forsyth, Kate & White, Annie (ill.) | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781742831756 | A little girl is nervous about visiting her Grandpa who looks grumpy and scary, but she soon discovers that people, and grandpas, are never quite like they seem. |

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| 9050 | Grumpy lighthouse keeper, The Corpus, Terrizita & Prewett, Maggie (ill) | Magabala Books | 2016 | 9781925360189 | On a stormy, wet-season night in Broome, the lighthouse keeper gets out of his warm bed to ensure the lamp is still lit for passing ships. While he is out, sea creatures of all shapes and sizes race up the lighthouse staircase to escape the storm. When the lighthouse keeper returns to his bed, he becomes very grumpy. |
| 8588 | Grumpy little king Streich, Michel | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742375724 | The little king was always grumpy. He was fed up with being only a little king of a tiny nation instead of ruling over an enormous country and being famous. So, the little king decided to start a war. But, it didn't quite work out the way he planned. |
| | Guess how much series McBratney, Sam & Jeram, Anita (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 10571 | Guess the baby French, Simon & Rawlins, Donna (ill) | ABC Books | 2003 | 9780733306143 | The students in Mr Judd's class have to guess who belongs to each baby photo. Even the teacher's photo is included. |
| 35570 | Guff Blabey, Aaron | Penguin Random House Australia | 2017 | 9780670077175 | A delightful book for anyone who has ever had a little fabric friend. |
| 1019812 | Gus Murray, Liz & Serageldine, Walid (ill) | Berbay Publishing | 2024 | 9781922610645 | Edward and Gus don't just share a bond, they share the same birthday. Every year they spend their birthday together. So when one year Edward does not show up for their shared celebration, Gus knows exactly what to do. Find Edward. |
| 5036 | Gus dog goes to work Flynn, Rachel & Smith, Craig (ill) | Working Title Press | 2017 | 9781921504884 | Every day Gus Dog goes to work in the back of the ute with his owner, Tom the shearer. But one morning he wakes up to find Tom and the ute gone. So Gus Dog decides to go to work on his own. |
| 28527 | Gwendolyn Maclver, Juliette & Baynton, Terri Rose (ill) | ABC Books | 2016 | 9780733335174 | In the jungle, there are jaguars, monkeys and parrots aplenty. But, there are no penguins, none at all. Penguins don't live in the jungle, except for Gwendolyn. |
| 1019700 | Gymnastica fantastica! Stewart, Briony | Hachette Australia | 2023 | 9780734421852 | Prepare to be amazed as Gymnastica Fantastica attempts new physical skills and puts on wonderfully imperfect shows for whoever will watch! |
| | Habitats of the world series Ballance, Alison | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |

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| | Hairy Maclary and Friends series Dodd, Lynley | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 10126 | Handa's surprise Browne, Eileen | Walker Books | 1995 | 9780744536348 | An African girl's journey carrying a basket of fruit on her head. As she wonders which of the fruit her friends will like best, she is completely unaware of the various creatures stealing from her basket. What a surprise she gets at the end of her walk. |
| 37024 | Handa's surprising day Browne, Eileen | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781406302189 | Handa has lost Mondri, her grandmother's hen, and the fruit from her basket surprisingly goes missing too. |
| 1209931 | Happy birthday, Little Wombat! Fuge, Charles | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760655341 | Little Wombat's friends band together to help Little Wombat have an epic birthday celebration. |
| 12230 | Happy hedgehog, The Pfister, Marcus & James, Alison J (trans) | North South Books | 2003 | 9780735818163 | Grandfather Tarek urges Mikko, a young hedgehog, to accomplish something important. So Mikko ventures out and meets various animals. Mikko teaches his grumbling grandpa a lesson. |
| 11822 | Hark, it's me, Ruby Lee! Shanahan, Lisa & Binny (ill) | Pan MacMillan | 2017 | 9780734416551 | Ruby Lee is a little girl with a very big imagination. Every week Ruby's teacher, Mrs Majestic-Jones, asks special people to do special jobs in her class. Ruby would do anything to be the messenger, as she's the best in her class at announcing. But will her wild imagination get in the way? |
| 5973 | Harold and Grace Avery, Sean E | Fremantle Press | 2015 | 9781925162295 | Two tiny eggs, one in a tree and the other in a pond, survive a big storm and hatch at exactly the same time, on the same day. Harold the tadpole goes exploring and meets two fish who are mean to him until he grows fins, like them. Grace, the caterpillar, meets two stick insects who make fun of her too. Harold and Grace become friends but Harold begins to spend more time with the fish. When they are mean again, Harold returns to his leaf but Grace is no longer there. |
| 19246 | Harold and the purple crayon Johnson, Crockett | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2012 | 9780007464371 | "One evening, after thinking it over for some time, Harold decided to go for a walk in the moonlight." Armed only with an oversized purple crayon, young Harold draws himself a landscape full of wonder and excitement. |
| 30826 | Harold finds a voice Dicmas, Courtney | Child's Play International Ltd | 2013 | 9781846435492 | Harold is an amazing mimic and can imitate the sound of everything in his home. He seeks out sounds from outside the home and is shocked when he hears his own voice. |

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| 3118 | Harold's hungry eyes Waldron, Kevin | Phaidon Press Limited | 2016 | 9780714871240 | Like most dogs, Harold is obsessed with food. When he gets lost in the big city, Harold is overtaken by hunger and begins to see food everywhere. Hot dogs on an antenna, a turkey roast in the mailbox and toast popping out of the top of a building. |
| 10575 | Harriet, you'll drive me wild Fox, Mem & Frazee, Marla (ill) | Harcourt Children's Books | 2005 | 9780733613128 | Harriet's mother tries very hard not to yell at Harriet but, oh dear, she does do so many naughty things. |
| 71304 | Harris finds his feet Rayner, Catherine | Koala Books | 2008 | 9780864617811 | Harris is a very small hare with very big feet and he wants to know why. Grandad shows Harris how his big feet enable him to hop high into the sky, to climb to the tops of the mountains and to run very fast. Harris not only learns about the world around him but also the importance of finding his own feet. |
| 33993 | Harrison's song Craig, Harrison & Finn, Ann-Marie (ill) | Wombat Books | 2017 | 9781925563122 | Harrison is a bit different to the other kids. Each time he tries to speak , he stutters. No matter how hard he tries, his tongue feels tied up in knots. That is, until one day when Harrison discovers his talent. |
| 1296493 | Harry and gran bake a cake McIntosh, Fiona & Acton, Sara (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2025 | 9781761346941 | Harry and Gran are going to bake a cake. What could possibly go wrong? A funny and charming story of a gran and her grandchild sharing the joy of baking together . . . and embracing the hilarious mishaps that occur along the way |
| 11122 | Harry and the bucketful of dinosaurs Whybrow, Ian & Reynolds, Adrian | Puffin Australia | 2008 | 9780670915149 | When Harry helps Nan clear out the attic, little does he realise how important the toy dinosaurs will be. Harry and his dinosaurs go everywhere together. But one day, Harry accidentally leaves the dinosaurs on the train. |
| 12285 | Harry by the sea Zion, Gene & Graham, Margaret Bloy (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1994 | 9780099189718 | At the seaside, Harry, the little black and white dog, gets tangled in a bunch of seaweed and comes out of the water looking like a monster, frightening everyone on the beach. |
| 587680 | Harry helps Grandpa remember Tyrrell, Karen & Pocock, Aaron (ill) | Digital Future Press | 2015 | 9780987274083 | Harry and Grandpa love playing hide-and-seek together. Over time Grandpa becomes grumpy and forgetful, refusing to play games with Harry anymore. On Grand-parent's Day, Grandpa becomes confused and lost. He couldn't even remember Harry's name. Then Harry discovers clever ways to boost Grandpa's memory. How does Harry help Grandpa remember? |
| 12097 | Harry the dirty dog Zion, Gene & Graham, Margaret Bloy (ill) | Red Fox | 1990 | 9780099978701 | The delightful story of Harry, the little white dog with black spots, who tries very hard to avoid having a bath. |
| 16350 | Has anyone here seen William Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406316131 | William is never where he should be. His vanishing act reaches its peak on his second birthday. |

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| 1409643 | Hatful of dreams, A Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781529525861 | At the end of a dark and lonely street sits a little house that glows from within. Look through the window, and you might see the Andersons... Mum, Dad, Milly, Sonny, Jonas, and of course Maggie the dog! And don't forget Grandad - with music in his fingers and magic under his hat. No, really! The children aren't sure if they believe their Grandad's fantastical tales - "Oh, Grandad! You're joking!" they cry. But they really won't believe what happens when Grandad slowly takes off his hat... |
| 13132 | Hattie and the fox Fox, Mem & Mullins, Patricia (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2006 | 9780868963174 | Hattie, the hen, spies a nose and then some eyes in the bushes. None of the other animals are interested until Hattie realises what it is and calls out. |
| 1865 | Hattie helps out Godwin, Jane & Bell, Davina & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781743435434 | It's a busy day at Hattie's house. There's a lot to do before Dad's birthday party. Hattie is being very helpful, until it's time for her afternoon nap. Hattie is not even sleepy. But, Mama looks tired, very tired. |
| 46812 | Have you ever ever ever McNaughton, Colin & Clark, Emma Chichester (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406322880 | Join the fun with Mother Goose as all your favourite nursery rhyme characters come to life in this rollicking, read-aloud, picture book. |
| 7474 | Have you ever seen a Sneep Pym, Tasha & Stewart, Joel (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2009 | 9780374328689 | Oscar is just trying to enjoy a day out but, every time his back is turned, the Sneep and its mischievous friends sneak up and spoil his fun. From one hair-raising surprise to the next, the boy explains his monster troubles to us. |
| 4635 | Have you seen elephant Barrow, David | Gecko Press | 2015 | 9781776570096 | Elephant wants to play hide and seek. You can play too but you'll have to try your best as he's very good. |
| 3793 | Have you seen my dragon Light, Steve | Walker Books | 2014 | 9781406353815 | A young boy has lost his dragon. In the big, busy city, among the taxis and towers, the dragon must be somewhere. So the boy goes looking for one dragon. Perhaps it stopped for a hot dog (the boy has two of them) or rode into town on the bus (the boy sees three of these). And so the story goes. At each stop along the boy's search, the numbers grow from one to twenty. |
| 623834 | Hayden's bedtime Haynes, Wendy & Curzon, Brett (ill) | Inprint Publishing | 2019 | 9780987643506 | Discover with Hayden what's behind the door, under the bed, inside the cupboard, and in the drawer as his father tries to get him to sleep. |
| 12075 | Hazel's amazing mother Wells, Rosemary | Puffin UK | 1992 | 9780140545388 | Hazel is a whimsical animal. While on her way to a picnic, she becomes lost on a hill where three young toughs bully her. Although Hazel is far from home, she cries for her mother who must save the day and make the ruffians repent. |
| 1209809 | Hazel's treehouse Louise, Zanni & Watson, Judy (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760657260 | Hazel has an amazing treehouse in the bush which she shares with her even more amazing animal friends. Imagination and friendship make sure there is always an adventure, but there also quiet times and pancake making. |

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| | Heads and tails series Canty, John | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 660705 | Heart and soul Martin, Carol Ann & Suwannakit, Tull (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781742999920 | Charlie and his dog, Louis, are a musical team. Charlie plays the trumpet and Louis sings along with him. But when Charlie falls ill, Louis is left all on his own. He no longer sings or wags his tail. Until one day, Louis hears the familiar notes from a trumpet and decides to investigate. |
| 570815 | Heart of a whale, The Pignataro, Anna | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781743817629 | Whales song was so beautiful it could reach the furthest of faraways. It sang of happiness and hope, magic and wonder, always and everywhere. But Whale wishes with all his heart to find a friend somewhere in the vast, endless sea. Can his wish be carried over the ocean for someone to follow? |
| 916659 | Heartbeat of the land, The Freeman, Cathy & Vass, Carol & Harricks, Tannya (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503848 | As Cathy runs barefoot across the great ancient land, she listens to the heartbeat of the land - Ba Boom, Ba Boom, Ba Boom. But one day, Cathy hears a cry. The land is sick, it needs help. See how one small step can plant the seeds of change we need and then listen, and you too will hear the heartbeat of the land. |
| 44140 | Heather fell in the water MacLeod, Doug & Smith, Craig (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742376486 | Heather was a little girl who always fell in the water. She didn't mean to. She didn't enjoy it. But she fell in nearly every day, so her parents made her wear water wings all the time. |
| 18936 | Heather has two Mummies Newman, Leslea & Cornell, Laura (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406359404 | Heather's favourite number is two. She has two arms, two legs and two pets. And, she also has two mummies. When Heather goes to school for the first time, someone asks her about her daddy but Heather doesn't have a daddy. When Heather and her classmates draw pictures of their families, not one drawing is the same. Families are different and the most important thing is that all the people in them love one another. |
| 965817 | Heavy Patterson, Dannika & Lynch, Davilyn (ill) | Wombat Books | 2023 | 9781761111020 | At the wild animal rescue center run by her family of incredibly strong women, Nina watches as her older female relatives piggyback polar bears and carry boa constrictors. Every day, they pick up more and more. The trouble is, they never put anything down! Seeing her family struggle, Nina is determined to find a way to show them that just because they can carry heavy things around all the time, doesn't mean they have to. Will Nina's inventions help lighten their loads? |

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| 1423804 | Hedgehog or echidna?: Animals who are the same... but different Barton, Ashleigh & Thomas, Amandine (ill) | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734422682 | A hedgehog and an echidna meet. They are both spiny animals who look very similar - but they are different. Are there any other animals around the world who also get mixed up? Let's find out! |
| 22296 | Hello Flowers, Tony | National Library of Australia | 2016 | 9780642278876 | Meet twelve Australian friends who can speak different languages. In their own languages, they tell us how to count, say hello and goodbye, and lots of other words about play, food, hobbies and clothes. Once you've said hello, you can see Emiko playing the Japanese drum, Pili performing an Aboriginal dance, how to make gnocchi with Sophia and flat bread with Amal. |
| 10627 | Hello baby Fox, Mem & Jenkins, Steve (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2009 | 9780670074006 | There are clever monkey babies, dusty lion babies, sleepy leopard babies and hairy warthog babies. But, there is one baby who is the most treasured one of all. |
| 1423924 | Hello cocky Bell, Hilary & Pesenti, Antonia (ill) | Scribble Press | 2025 | 9781761381577 | Hello Cocky is a poetic and playful celebration of Australia's bossiest bird. Have a stickybeak at these beautiful creatures, curious, fearless and very loud, from bush to backyard, and from hollow trees to wheelie bins. |
| 750996 | Hello Jimmy! Walker, Anna | Puffin Australia | 2020 | 9781760893422 | One day a parrot appears on the doorstep. Dad thinks he's amazing, he's loud and full of surprises. But Jack doesn't like surprises at all....not at all. |
| 12296 | Hello puppy Cox, David | Penguin | 2003 | 9780670040568 | Bridie would love a puppy of her own, but her mum says she can't have one just yet. So Bridie waves her hands, works some magic and finds the puppy she wants - in her grandad. |
| 5024 | Hello to you, moon Morgan, Sally & Sonny & Bidy (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9789781760129 | Not all creatures are night animals, but all creatures respond to the moon. |
| 1019870 | Hello twigs: Let's find treasure McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2023 | 9781761212000 | Ziggy is on a treasure hunt but she's not sure what treasure is. With her twiggy friends, she sets out on a treasure hunt but the treasure she finds is ... unexpected. Let's say hello to Ziggy. Let's say HELLO TWIGS! |
| 1096840 | Hello twigs: Look who's grumpy McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben (ill) | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing | 2024 | 9781761212031 | Stump has a big problem: he is SO GRUMPY! Because his favourite splinter is missing! How terrible. Can Stump's twiggy friends help him get rid of his grumpy, or will he be grumpy forever? |
| 1096849 | Hello twigs: Puddle party McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing | 2024 | 9781761212024 | The twiggy friends are having a pool party. But Ziggy Twig is a brave explorer and is sure she can find something bigger, better and splashier for everyone to play in. That is, until she runs into a big, droolly DRAGON! Will our explorer find her way back to the twigs? Or is her latest adventure one splash too far? |

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| 1059108 | Hello Twigs: Surprise! McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben (ill) | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing | 2023 | 9781761211980 | Red is a WILD TWIG who loves giving surprises. So when he jumps out and yells 'SURPRISE' at his friends, he expects them to laugh - but instead they are shocked and scared. Oh dear! Can Red stay wild AND find a better way to surprise his friends? We hope so! Go, Red, go! |
| 1096855 | Hello twigs: Time to paint McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing | 2023 | 9781761212017 | Noodle isn't just a twig - she's an ARTIST too. And she knows exactly what she wants to paint. There's just one problem: the twigs have made red paint, green paint and yellow paint for her to use - but they can't find any BLUE. Noodle is dismayed - until she discovers that true artists can make up their own rules. Clever Noodle! She always works things out. |
| 6525 | Hello world Beavis, Paul | Gecko Press | 2015 | 9781927271995 | Mr and Mrs Mo are busy painting the house and the monster is bored, until he gets a grand idea. He's off to see the world. But, his adventure becomes bigger than he expected and the monster wishes Mrs Mo had come after all, and with some sandwiches. |
| 825618 | Hello world Shanahan, Lisa & Rudge, Leila (ill) | ABC Books | 2021 | 9780733340826 | The sun is up and one little girl is ready to face the day and welcome the world. From dressing up, helping outside in the garden to playing in the park, journey along on a day in the life of a child and discover the small wonders to be found in a single ordinary day. |
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| 31126 | Hello, horse French, Vivian & Rayner, Catherine (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406349948 | I have a friend called Catherine, and she has a horse called Shannon. Shannon's beautiful, with a coat like soft velvet - and very kind. I think she might just become my friend too! |
| 1979 | Helping little star Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Blaze (ill) | Walker Books | 2013 | 9781921977770 | Little Star has fallen off the edge of the night sky. He wants to return home to the Moon and hopes that Python, Dingo or Kangaroo can help him. |

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| 12130 | Henry and Amy: right-way-round and upside down King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2000 | 9781863889988 | Everything Henry tries to do straight turns out wiggly but his friend Amy always does everything perfectly. Henry shows her the fun of being topsy-turvy. |
| 3889 | Henry and the yeti Ayto, Russell | Bloomsbury | 2017 | 9781408876619 | Henry loves Yetis. Yes, yetis. The problem is nobody knows if yetis actually exist. Henry, however, is sure they do exist, and he is going on an expedition to find one. But will he remember to bring back some evidence? |
| 705692 | Henry Turnip Harris, Chloe Jasmine | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781760651114 | Henry Turnip has seven pairs of blue striped overalls, one for each day of the week. He likes television shows about the deep blue sea, strawberry jam sandwiches with the crusts cut off and reading indoors. Henry does not like too much of anything ... too much noise, too many people or too much mess, until he meets Reuben Moon. Reuben is an adventurer and the kind of friend who helps Henry. |
| 12677 | Henry's bath Perversi, Margaret & Brooks, Ron | Walker Books | 1997 | 9781921150043 | Henry does not want to have a bath and wash his hair. Henry's solution, he tries to give some of his animals a bath instead. |
| 39448 | Henry's bed Perversi, Margaret & Brooks, Ron | Walker Books | 1997 | 9781921150050 | A gentle story about Henry who is meant to be going to bed but he wants his mama or papa or his animals to sleep with him. |
| 32281 | Henry's pirate adventure McKenzie, Heath & Nixon, Livinia (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760454425 | Henry is just a normal boy. But one day, as he is walking home from school, he sees a water bottle on the ground. What follows is a brilliant idea for an adventure! Follow Henry and his wondrous imagination as he builds a ship fit for a pirate. What will happen when he sets sail? |
| 14983 | Herbert and Harry Allen, Pamela | Puffin Australia | 2000 | 9780140567830 | Herbert and Harry were brothers who did everything together till the day they have a falling out over treasure. One becomes very rich, the other stays poor but it remains to be seen whether either of them are happy. |
| 587751 | Here comes stinkbug Riddle, Tohby | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760523527 | Stinkbug can really stink. But when it starts bugging his friends, Stinkbug wonders if it's time to stop doing what stink bugs do best. |
| 15099 | Here comes the crocodile White, Kathryn & Terry, Michael (ill) | Koala Books | 2004 | 9780864615947 | A crocodile goes looking for lunch but all the jungle animals argue their way out of being his meal. |
| 2161 | Here comes the rain Good, Clare & Cox, David (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 1999 | 9781865040318 | Grace has been waiting for the rain for so long that it seems like the drought will never break. Grandpa Frank tells Grace to look for certain signs so she watches the animals to see if rain is on the way. Illustrations are very appealing. |

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| 11590 | Here we are Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2017 | 9780008266165 | Well, hello. And welcome to this Planet. We call it Earth. Our world can be a bewildering place, especially if you've only just got here. Your head will be filled with questions, so let's explore what makes our planet and how we live on it. From land and sky, to people and time, these notes can be your guide and start you on your journey. And you'll figure lots of things out for yourself. Just remember to leave notes for everyone else. Some things about our planet are pretty complicated, but things can be simple, too: you've just got to be kind. |
| 5724 | Here's a little poem Yolen, Jane & Fusek Peters, Andrew & Dunbar, Polly (ill) | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781844287536 | Poetry arranged in appealing themes related to the everyday experiences of children such as getting up in the morning to drifting off to sleep at night. |
| 61652 | Hetty's day out Allen, Pamela | Penguin Books Australia | 2010 | 9780670074471 | One morning, Hetty, a large grey cat, wakes up, squeezes through her cat door and sets off to visit all the people in her neighbourhood. Everyone has something special for Hetty to snack on, in increasing quantities, none of which Hetty can refuse. When Hetty tries to get to her cushion for a nap she realises, in a most unusual way, just how much she's eaten. |
| 647191 | Hey diddle diddle Schmid, Emma (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2018 | 9781786281784 | Hey diddle diddle, The cat and the fiddle, The cow jumped over the moon. The little dog laughed to see such fun, And the dish ran away with the spoon! But what happens next? With new verses about piano playing pigs and chimps with cellos, the rhyming fun continues! |
| 8603 | Hi new baby Harris, Robie H & Emberley, Michael (ill) | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744582260 | A child is reminded of the first reactions to a new baby in the family, including the varied emotions of excitement, curiosity, pride, disappointment, anger, understanding and love. |
| 5858 | Hickory Dickory Dash Wilson, Tony & Wood, Laura (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781743811160 | Before the clock infamously strikes one, a poor mother mouse must search the house for her two missing sons. But she'd better watch out for the cat! Hickory Dickory Dash is the National Simultaneous Storytime book for 2018. |
| 1423916 | Hickory dickory dock Horacek, Judy | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781761600814 | The show is over! The favourite nursery rhyme, Hickory Dickory Dock is done and I mouse am signing out! |
| 1245212 | Hide & seek beautiful Gill, Nicki Esler & Robaard, Jedda (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781761297335 | Finding the same things beautiful is a game Annie and Boo play. They are extra-special friends. One day Boo moves away. What can Annie do without a friend to see beautiful? |
| 30723 | Highway rat, The Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781407124377 | Give me your buns and your biscuits. Give me your chocolate eclairs. For I am the Rat of the highway and the Rat Thief never shares. Life is not safe for the other animals, as the villainous Highway Rat gallops along the highway, stealing their food. Clover from a rabbit; nuts from a squirrel, he even steals hay from his own horse. Until, the Highway Rat meets a cunning duck. |

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| 751142 | Hip hip hooray McCartney, Tania & Racklyeft, Jess (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2019 | 9781922081766 | The big day is almost here. The invitations are sent, the presents made pretty ... there's some fun to prepare! Peek inside the homes of these adorable animals as they celebrate charming birthday traditions - from party hats to pinatas and blowing out candles to making a wish. |
| 4425 | Hippo has a hat Donaldson, Julia & Sharratt, Nick (ill) | MacMillan | 2007 | 9781405021920 | Hippo and friends go to the shop to buy lots of interesting clothes, including shoes for Caterpillar and slippers for Gorilla. They all look so smart, they should be going to a party. |
| 4832 | His Royal Tinyness Lloyd-Jones, Sally & Roberts, David (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781406324662 | Once upon a time there was a happy family. Then, one horrible, no good day, a new ruler was born...behold! His Royal Highness, King Baby! |
| 6366 | Hodge Podge Lodge: A rubbish story Lamont, Priscilla | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781912076215 | The Pigwigs live happily in Hodge Podge Lodge. One windy morning, all their rubbish is blown away, causing mishaps with their neighbours. When the distressed animals bring all the rubbish back to Hodge Podge Lodge, Little Miss Pigwig has an idea that will help to keep Hodge Podge Lodge and its surrounding environment tidy. |
| 1084 | Hold on tight Acton, Sara | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781742833491 | A little girl explores the possibilities of being blown away, riding the leaves, chasing fairies, bouncing on clouds, being caught in raindrops. |
| 628135 | Hole idea, The Macdonald, Beth & Macdonald, Paul & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Book Trail Press | 2019 | 9780648498902 | Finnian Jones lived in a house brimming with books. One morning, Finnian woke up eager to create a story of his own... |
| 14978 | Hole in the road Wood, Jakki | Frances Lincoln | 2008 | 9781845072865 | The many steps needed to mend a damaged stretch of road, from the barricading of the original hole through to the laying and rolling of new asphalt. Find out about the vehicles, safety procedures and personnel required to complete the work. |
| 5259 | Hole story, The Canby, Kelly | Fremantle Press | 2018 | 9781925591125 | One day Charlie finds a hole. A hole of his very own! He picks it up and pops it in his pocket. But it doesn't take Charlie long to realise that a hole in your pocket is not a good thing to have... |
| 1239389 | Holey moley guac-a-moley! Pike, Tanya & Challenger, Rebel (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781760264598 | Roley Moley dug a big honey, and filled it full of guacamole. He jumped and stomped to push it in and suck right down, up to his shin! The story of a mole with a house chock-a-block full of guac... and one helpful friend, Quok. |
| 489 | Holly Bloom's garden Ashman, Sarah & Parent, Nancy & Mitchell, Lori (ill) | Flashlight Press | 2004 | 9780972922500 | Late bloomer, Holly, yearns to be a great gardener but just can't manage to grow flowers like her family can. But, Holly is determined to succeed and she finds where her real talents lie. |
| 617013 | Holly the honeybee dancing star Winch, Gordon & Pym, Stephen (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594492 | Holly the honeybee is the dancing star of her hive: she waggles, she wiggles, and she waggles again. But is there a secret message in Holly's waggle dance? And could it help the bees survive through a long, hot summer? |

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| 659809 | Home for Luna, A Gemmill, Stef & Armstrong, Mel (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594843 | When Luna washes up on a strange shore she is scared and lonely. She soon discovers there is beauty in her new land, and along the way makes unexpected friends. But will she ever feel at home in a place so different from the one she remembers? |
| 9304 | Home foreign language book Various | | | | Students and parents may substitute reading or listening to any book on the Kindergarten to Year 2 booklist, for a similar book that is written in their home language. All students may read a home language book as a personal choice book. |
| 16015 | Home in the rain Graham, Bob | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781406368239 | In heavy rain, Francie and her mum, who is expecting a baby girl, are driving home from Grandma's. When they're still far from home, they pull over for a picnic. As the car steams up, Francie presses her little finger on the window, spelling out Daddy and Mummy. She leave one space free, ready and waiting for the name of her soon-to-be sister. |
| 29979 | Homer the library cat Lindbergh, Reeve & Wilsdorf, Anne (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406336566 | Homer is a very quiet cat. He lives in a very quiet house with a very quiet lady. One day, while the lady is away, Homer hears a very loud crash and out the window he goes. He takes an unexpected tour of the neighbourhood and discovers it's a surprisingly hectic place. Poor Homer just wants to find a spot where he can curl up, undisturbed. |
| 15053 | Honey and Bear Dubosarsky, Ursula & Brooks, Ron (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2010 | 9780143305002 | Honey and Bear are good friends and do lots of things together. Sometimes, they feel bored or cross but they always look after each other. Contains five stories. |
| 1177 | Hooray for bread Ahlberg, Allan & Ingram, Bruce (ill) | Walker Books | 2013 | 9781406337990 | This tasty tale shares the joy a loaf of bread brings a baker, his family, a back-yard of dogs, a pond-full of ducks, a flock of birds and a teeny mouse. |
| 1209950 | Hooray, hooray, it's library day! Grasso, Julie Anne & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781760266042 | The sun is up, today's the day. The little ones come, with smiles so wide and silky bags as big as them... A lonely library book sits on the shelf, hoping for small hands to choose them... Will today be the day they're whisked away for a reading adventure? |
| 2067 | Hootie the cutie Worthington, Michelle & Poli, Giuseppe (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2014 | 9781921928000 | A brave little owl proves that heroes come in all shapes and sizes. |

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| 916660 | Hope is the thing Bell, Johanna & Wagner, Erica | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781761180026 | Hope is a kookaburra singing the sun Hope is the emu learning to run... Let your imagination soar in this joyful ode to the world of birds and the healing power of nature. Sparked by the Emily Dickinson poem 'Hope is the thing with feathers', this lyrical text accompanied by glorious mixed media collages reflects and celebrates the diversity, ingenuity and wonder of birds. |
| 637585 | Horatio Squeak Foxlee, Karen & Barrow, Evie (ill) | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781760650476 | In a very fine house, on a very grand street lived the tiniest mouse you could possibly meet. His little green coat was threadbare and patched. If you looked very close, his socks were mismatched. So, you might not believe that a mouseling so weak could possibly perform an incredible feat. But this is the tale of Horatio Squeak. |
| 5439 | Horses: Wild & tame Volant, Iris & Vogel, Jarom (ill) | Flying Eye Books | 2017 | 9781911171324 | From the earliest cave paintings of wild horses to domesticated ones today, horses have been a huge part of human history. See how the horse evolved from its ancient relatives, learn about famous horses from history and discover interesting facts along the way in this elegantly illustrated book. |
| 4454 | Horton and the Kwuggerbug and more lost stories Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2016 | 9780008131272 | Four short stories feature familiar faces and places, including Horton the Elephant, Marco, Mulberry Street and a Grinch. Seuss fans will learn more about Horton's integrity, Marco's amazing imagination, a narrowly avoided disaster on Mulberry Street, and a devious Grinch. |
| 13807 | Horton hatches the egg Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2004 | 9780007175192 | A fun, rhyming story about good-natured Horton whose dependability pays off. |
| 1423959 | Hotdog & friends: Fun park! Do, Anh & McGuinness, Dan (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761643316 | The perfect picnic quickly turns into a disaster, with one hilarious mishap after another! Hotdog and friends are ready for an awesome day at the park. They have their picnic basket and games to play. But, wait... is that rain?! |
| 4571 | Houndsley and Catina Howe, James and Gay, Marie-Louise (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2006 | 9780763624040 | Houndsley is a loyal friend to Catina. He encourages her writing pursuits and wants desperately to see what she has put down in words. Catina is just as loyal and compassionate to Houndsley, and absolutely adores the creative and tasty meals he concocts. But sometimes, no matter how much heart and soul goes into an individual's efforts, things don't always work out as expected. |

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| 2180 | House for Donfinkle, A Brereton, Choechoe & Harris, Wayne (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2014 | 9781921720536 | Up high in the grasslands where Wooble Beasts roam, Donfinkle Vonkrinkle is building his home. When up pop four creatures to babble and squawk, a troublesome taunt full of bothersome talk. |
| 24439 | House in the woods, A Moore, Inga | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406324327 | When two Little Pigs leave their home-made huts one morning, two very large friends, Moose and Bear, move in. It's very nice to have your friends stay but not when they cause your homes to collapse. The animals decide to solve the problem by building a big enough house in the woods where all four of them can live together. |
| 6362 | House of her own, A Hughes, Jenny & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2014 | 9781742974620 | Audrey is bigger than she was yesterday. Now she needs a bigger house. So she asks her Dad to build her one, at the top of a tree. It is an ideal house, perfect in every way. Except for one thing. |
| 903251 | House on pleasant street, The Laguna, Sofie & McBride, Mark (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2022 | 9781760526450 | Alby and his family are new on Pleasant Street. Their house is perfect, with a giant tree to climb, and a pool. Their pet, Delia, is still in training, But she is settling in just fine. And tonight is Halloween, Alby's favourite night of the year, so anything can happen. A hilarious story about family and friendship, and what happens when trick or treating doesn't go to plan. |
| 846279 | House, A Henkes, Kevin | Greenwillow | 2022 | 9780063092600 | What makes a house a home? Is it the windows and doors and walls and roof? Is it the sky above and the grass outside? Or is it something else? A House introduces young readers to shapes, numbers, the weather, and the parts of a house, with a rhythmic, repetitive text and remarkable illustrations. |
| 815447 | How a recycling truck works Bryan, Lara & Medeiros, Glovana (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2021 | 9781474986083 | Beep, beep! The recycling truck has arrived. Peep inside to find out how it works, as it zooms around town collecting recycling and taking it to the sorting factory. |
| 75377 | How big is a million Milbourne, Anna & Riglietti, Serena (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2007 | 9780746077696 | Pipkin, the little penguin, wants to know just how big a million is. He knows it's a big number so he sets out on a journey to find out. Assists early understanding of number and quantity. |
| 1359433 | How big is love? Merrison, Carl & Hustler, Hakea & Goodwin, Jade (ill) | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734420176 | A young child and older family member sit on the porch at sunset watching a storm roll in. The adult whispers, 'I love you,' but the child needs reassurance: 'How much?' With each new declaration, we learn that the love between adult and child is boundless. |
| 7304 | How big is too small Godwin, Jane & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2015 | 9780670070756 | Poor Sam, he always gets left out of his big brother's games. But, one day, when the big boys leave him out again, Sam gets to thinking about how big is too small. |

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| 965883 | How brave I can be Stephen, Byll & Stephen, Beth & Howe, Simon (ill) | ABC Audio - Enterprises | 2023 | 9780733342721 | A story of a family growing up and changing and the small milestones and examples of courage along the way |
| 41489 | How do dinosaurs eat their food Yolen, Jane & Teague, Mark (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2006 | 9780007216086 | Ten different dinosaur species behave just like some children do at mealtimes - burping, spitting, spilling or playing with their food. |
| 977816 | How do you say hello? Barton, Ashleigh & Heiduczek (ill) | ABC Books | 2023 | 9780733342196 | How Do You Say Hello is a delightful and fun look at how we welcome each other, in languages the world over. |
| 1019904 | How do you say I love you? Barton, Ashleigh & Heiduczek, Martina (ill) | ABC Books | 2022 | 9780733342172 | In every country around the globe, we all have ways to show the people who mean the most to us what they ought to know. A heartwarming book that celebrates the many different ways we say 'I love you', in languages the world over. |
| 48838 | How frogmouth found her home Kwaymullina, Ambelin | Fremantle Press | 2010 | 9781921696015 | Frogmouth isn't like the other birds. She doesn't want to live in the trees and is in search of something more. Frogmouth travels the land hunting for a new nesting place but nothing feels right. On her way, she helps other animals find their true homes, but still she searches for hers. |
| 12247 | How I became a pirate Long, Melinda & Shannon, David (ill) | Harcourt Children's Books | 2003 | 9780152018481 | Jeremy Jacob joins Braid Beard and his pirate crew and finds out about pirate language, pirate manners and other aspects of their life. |
| 1367134 | How my family says I love you Sewankambo, Yvonne & McLeod, Aurore (ill) | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760655723 | Not everyone says 'I love you', but we all have many ways of showing we care. There are so many ways to say I love you, without saying any words at all. From lending a hand, extending a hand, offering a gift, giving a hug, sharing a skill and sharing a meal, there are so many ways to express our love to family, and friends. An insightful, and delightful, celebration of how we show we care. |
| 2267 | How the birds got their colours Lofts, Pamela (comp) & Albert, Mary (teller) | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9781865046242 | Based on a story of the Bardi people in Western Australia. An Aboriginal story that explains the misadventure that led to the birds being so colourful. |
| 3675 | How the elephant got his trunk Kipling, Rudyard & Joven, John (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2016 | 9781474918497 | Once, in a time long forgotten, elephants had short, stubby noses. One day a curious baby elephant visits Crocodile and that all changes. |

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| 5794 | How the finch got his colours Guertin, Annemarie Riley & Perez Garcia, Helena | Familius | 2018 | 9781945547775 | Many years ago, before the world bloomed in magnificent colours, the Earth lay stark and gray. The animals that graced its skies and roamed its lands were the colours of dirt, clay, and stone. Until Rainbow descended to bestow her colours on the creatures of the world. Each bird asked for a bright and beautiful colour, green for Parrot, red for Cardinal, and yellow for Canary. But will there be any colours left for little Gouldian Finch? He soon learns the power of patience and the beauty of all creatures. |
| 7931 | How the sun got to Coco's house Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406359008 | The journey of the sun is captured as it travels from the far side of the world, rising up behind a snowy peak and casting its mellow dawn light for the wandering polar bears. The sun leaps whole countries, chasing the night, before bursting at last in a fanfare of warm golden light through little Coco's window. |
| 3672 | How the whale got his throat Kipling, Rudyard & Joven, John (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2016 | 9781474918503 | Once upon a time, Whale was ever so greedy- he swam around eating anything and everything he came across. Then one day he decided to eat a man and things changed... |
| 1052169 | How to be invisible Bland, Nick | HarperCollins Australia | 2024 | 9781460764060 | When Bunny arrives at the park wearing Grandpa's hat, he thinks that he is invisible, but Bird can still see him. The more Bunny tries, the less invisible he seems. The best friends enjoy the hat even if it's not magical. But are they sure it's not a magical hat? |
| 574730 | How to become a knight: In ten easy lessons Tarpley, Todd & Harney, Jenn (ill) | Sterling Publishing Co | 2018 | 9781454923305 | The King needs a new knight! But with Sir Simpleton training Sam in all the wrong ways, how will he ever master the tricks of the trade? |
| 620080 | How to build the perfect cubby house McKenzie, Heath | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760152673 | Ollie is building the perfect cubby house. Everyone has some great ideas, and pretty soon, the whole family is involved. |
| 15930 | How to catch a monster Bollenbach, Christina | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781742832791 | Lukas sits on the edge of his bed every night waiting for his scary monster, until he hatches a plan to catch it once and for all. |
| 1209747 | How to draw a dragon Talbot, Kate | Albert Street Books | 2024 | 9781761180606 | We all know what a dragon looks like, right? Maybe this hilarious story about imagination, creativity, and the strength of opinions can convince you that essential features of dragons are fire and roller skates! |
| 54416 | How to heal a broken wing Graham, Bob | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2008 | 9781406307160 | When Wills sees a fallen bird on the crowded city footpath, he stops and reaches down to help the creature whose wing has broken. |
| 1312676 | How to help when you really want to help Bell, Davine & Tapper, Hilary Jean (ill) | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734423658 | A tissue for a tear. A cloth to clean. Somewhere to stay. Something to snuggle. A warm-hearted exploration of some of the big and small ways we can all make a difference in the world, no matter our age - at home, around the neighbourhood, at school and in the community. |

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| 1229903 | How to make a bedtime McKinley, Meg & Blair, Karen (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760653712 | Beautiful bedtime and sleepy good nights. This is how the night wraps around you sleepily and slumbery. |
| 886019 | How to make friends: A bear's guide Rabbit, Cat | Berbay Publishing | 2021 | 9780645069600 | How do you make real friends? Bear is trying to answer that question. Lamb and koala are helping him find the answer. Could it be jogging or baking treats or following them everywhere? What is the answer going to be? |
| 1124756 | How to move a zoo Simpson, Kate & Swan, Owen | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781761180309 | The true story of how at the beginning of the 20th century Jessie the elephant walked from Moore Park Zoo to her spacious new home in the Taronga Zoological Park. |
| 15054 | Howler Rosen, Michael & Layton, Neal (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2004 | 9780747571377 | Howler, the pet dog, calls his owner child, Rover, and treats the family as we treat and name our pets. When a new baby arrives, the family must make some adjustments. |
| 47226 | Hubble bubble granny trouble Corderoy, Tracey & Berger, Joe (ill) | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2011 | 9780857630278 | A bespectacled little girl has a most unusual grandma. She's a witch, complete with spells, cats, bats, frogs and a pointy hat. Sometimes, the little girl wishes her granny was, well, a bit more normal. |
| 35758 | Hueys in It wasn't me, The Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2013 | 9780007420674 | A fight has broken out amongst The Hueys. But, no-one can remember what they are fighting about. If only they could find an interesting distraction. |
| 27185 | Hueys in none the number, The Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2014 | 9780007420698 | The thing about the Hueys was that they loved numbers, 0, 1, 2, 3.. Wait. 0 is none a number. Join the Hueys for a counting conundrum. |
| 29019 | Hueys in the new jumper, The Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2012 | 9780007420667 | The thing about the Hueys is they all look the same, they all think the same, they all do the same things. Until, one day, a Huey knitted himself a new jumper. |
| 35942 | Hueys in what's the opposite, The Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2015 | 9780007420711 | The Hueys explore the concept of opposites in their characteristically quirky way. Starting out with some easy ones, like up and down, they move on to ever more wildly imaginative examples. |
| 4797 | Hug machine Campbell, Scott | Atheneum Books for Young Readers | 2014 | 9781442459359 | A little boy takes it upon himself to calm and cheer everyone, and everything, with a warm hug. He takes his work quite seriously and no challenge is too tough. Being a Hug Machine is a big, important job that requires frequent refuelling to keep his hugging energy high. When he's about to collapse from exhaustion, the Hug Machine might just need a hug too. |
| 15036 | Hugo the flying firefighter Broekstra, Lorette | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9781741143348 | Hugo saves the day when he spots a house fire from his aeroplane and alerts the neighbourhood by sky writing an alarm. |
| 6424 | Hugo the lifesaving sailor Broekstra, Lorette | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9781741750454 | Hugo sails away in 'Gypsy' from Hometown. Then the wind picks up and Hugo is in grave danger. |
| 1209837 | Hullabaloo about elephant poo, The White, Dee & Nielsen, Christopher (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2024 | 9781460766194 | Elephant poo. How much does an elephant make? What can it be used for? Read this book to explore the hullabaloo about elephant poo. |

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| 63552 | Hullabazoo Hollier, Lisa & Roper, Tracey (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2010 | 9780670074822 | It's a perfect day for a trip to the zoo but watch out for the clever crocs. |
| 845816 | Human for Kingsley, A Evans, Gabriel | Little Hare Books | 2021 | 9781760506919 | Kingsley had decided to own a human. This was not a decision to be taken lightly. After all, owning a human is a responsibility. But finding the right kind of human is much harder than Kingsley expected. Some are too bossy. Some are too busy. And some just don't seem to appreciate a dog the way they should. Will Kingsley ever find a human that is exactly right? |
| 1209862 | Humongous Humdingle family and the tiny house, The Wilson, Michelle & Reece, P.J. | EK Books | 2025 | 9781922539922 | The Humdingles are a VERY large family - three generations share a small house. Life is squashy and noisy. Given an opportunity to live differently, would the family take it? |
| 751012 | Humpty Dumpty sat on the slide Wilson, Tony & Wood, Laura (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781743834770 | Humpty tries to join in but makes a few mistakes. But being a patient, resilient egg he is determined to make friends. |
| 846226 | Hundred thousand welcomes, A Donovan, Mary Lee | HarperCollins Australia | 2021 | 9780063228658 | Welcome! A hundred times over, a thousand times over, Welcome! Family, friends, neighbours, travellers and strangers from near and far are greeted with hospitality, kindness, compassion, warmth and fellowship in this timeless picture book about the universal birthright of all people. |
| 29908 | Hungry lion or a dwindling assortment of animals, A Cummins, Lucy Ruth | Atheneum Books for Young Readers | 2011 | 9781481448901 | Once upon a time there was a hungry lion and a bunch of adorable animals. I wonder what happened next. |
| 1019761 | Hunter on holiday: A big trip around Europe Parry-Valentine, Jessica & Parry-Valentine, Stephen & Spink, Ashlee (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2023 | 9781761046926 | Fly away with Hunter as she explores icy fjords and ancient cities; majestic mountains and sunny town squares. A wonderful adventure awaits! |
| 43170 | Hunting for dragons Whatley, Bruce | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741693294 | Dragons are everywhere, if you know where to look. A little girl sees dragons everywhere and is sure there is one living in her house. She puts on her dragon-hunting armour and sets out looking for clues to help her find the mysterious creature. |
| 14999 | Hunwick's egg Fox, Mem & Lofts, Pamela (ill) | Penguin | 2005 | 9780670042302 | Hunwick, an old bilby, finds an object which he thinks is an egg and he cares for it. Eventually, he realises that it is a stone and will never hatch but he continues to love it and care for it as his friend forever. |
| 21839 | Hurry down to Derry fair Chaconas, Dori & Tyler, Gillian (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406303797 | Billy Brown is in a hurry. The fair is starting now but his family is not hurrying too. Well, there are pies to be baked, wood to be chopped and animals to be brushed, all to show and sell at the fair. Only Grandma is ready to go. |

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| 3522 | Hurry up and slow down Marlow, Layn | Oxford University Press | 2008 | 9780192720801 | Hare and Tortoise are good friends but Hare is always in a hurry. When they're eating lunch or out walking, Hare always tells Tortoise to move faster. But, when Tortoise reads Hare a bedtime story, the tables are turned. Tortoise reads quickly but Hare wants more time to study the pictures. |
| 55404 | Hush, hush Wild, Margaret & Strevens-Marzo, Bridget (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2009 | 9781921272868 | Baby hippo can't fall asleep. He rolls and wriggles, he stands on his head and waggles his legs. So, he decides to go for a walk and he hears a sound that all the mothers are using to put other baby animals to sleep. |
| 663522 | Hush, little possum Crumble, P & Binks, Wendy | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743811597 | Hush, little baby - oops no, it's an Australian lullaby! Hush, little possum! What will happen to little possum as the rain begins to fall. Mama possum will find a place to keep her baby safe and warm. |
| 12166 | Husherbye Burningham, John | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2001 | 9780099408642 | A lullaby in which we see three bears, a frog, a fish and the man in the moon all worn out at the end of the day and ready for bed. |
| 27587 | I always, always get my way Krasnesky, Thad & Parkins, David (ill) | Flashlight Press | 2009 | 9780979974649 | Emmy is the youngest in the family but whenever anything goes wrong, it is never her fault. |
| 6008 | I am a warrior goddess Adams, Jennifer & Lemniscates, Carme (ill) | Sounds True | 2018 | 9781683640059 | You do not have to be a grown-up to be a hero, and I am a Warrior Goddess shows how in the empowering tale of a little girl with big aspirations, each day is full of opportunities to make a positive impact with ordinary actions. As our heroine connects with the earth, takes care of her body, and finds strength in kindness, she discovers her inner warrior goddess and inspires young girls everywhere to do the same. |
| 15052 | I am an ankylosaurus Wallace, Karen & Bostock, Mike (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2004 | 9780340893845 | An ankylosaurus lays her eggs then does battle to keep two predators away. |
| 21147 | I am jellyfish Paul, Ruth | Puffin NZ | 2018 | 9780143771159 | Jellyfish is quietly crooning in the shallows, when knife-nosed Swordfish swooshes, races and chases her, down, down, down, deep into the dark blue sea. At that moment, stealthy Squid stretches a tentacle, tussling and tossing Swordfish in the darkness. Who will help Swordfish? He makes a last wish...then...ON goes a light - it's Jellyfish! |
| 12472 | I am not sleepy and I will not go to bed Child, Lauren | Watts | 2002 | 9781841210780 | Lola's brother, Charlie, has the unenviable job of getting her to bed. Lola has quite an imagination and doesn't want to go. Charlie must give bedtime drinks to imaginary tigers and shoo a whale down the drain before Lola can get ready for bed. |
| 1233667 | I am not the Easter Bunny! McBeth, T.L | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9780593528457 | Everyone, look! It's the Easter Bunny! He says he's just a regular ol' fluffy white bunny, but he's got a vest and a bow tie and a big basket full of painted eggs and candy! He MUST be the Easter Bunny! Right? Step inside and find out for yourself! Is this the REAL Easter Bunny? |

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| 660606 | I am perfectly designed Brown, Karamo & Brown, Jaon & Syed, ANoosha (ill) | Pan MacMillan | 2019 | 9781529036152 | I Am Perfectly Designed is an empowering story about loving who you are, exactly as you are - and a celebration of the love between parent and child. From Karamo Brown -- star of the hit Netflix series Queer Eye -- and his son Jason, this touching story follows a boy and his father as they spend the day together. Walking through the city, they chat about all the ways in which they are perfectly designed for each other. From playing in the park and eating ice-creams, to gazing at the moon, father and son think about all the fun things they've done together... and all the fun to come! Perfect for sharing together, this is a book for families of all kinds, everywhere. |
| 3104 | I am so strong Ramos, Mario | Gecko Press | 2007 | 9780958272056 | Wolf is very vain but not really confident as he demands and bullies all the other animals into telling him how strong he is. Then, he meets what he considers is only a little toad-like creature. The little creature is sure someone else is stronger. |
| 21230 | I am the boss of this chair Crimi, Carolyn & Morea, Marisa (ill) | Sterling Publishing Co | 2018 | 9781454923220 | Being the boss is much easier when you're the only cat in the house. Oswald Minklehoff Honey Bunny III has always been top cat. Then Pom Pom the kitten comes along and suddenly Oswald isn't the boss of everything anymore - not the toilet paper, food dish, back door, toy mouse, or even his own special chair. Will Oswald realise that life is more fun when you have a friend - and that, really, there's plenty of room on the chair to share? |
| 3375 | I am the king Timmers, Leo | Gecko Press | 2007 | 9780958278720 | The animals are trying to establish who should be king of the animals. It could be Goat, Flamingo, Snake, Pig, Crocodile or even Elephant. |
| 12286 | I am too absolutely small for school Child, Lauren | Watts Publishing Group | 2003 | 9781841213545 | Lola agrees it would be handy to learn to read bedtime stories, write to Father Christmas and count biscuits, but she has told her brother, Charlie, that she probably doesn't have time to go to school. Her invisible friend doesn't want to go either. |
| 1209779 | I am tree rex! Davey, Mo | Berbay Publishing | 2024 | 9781922610669 | Rex loves trees. One day, a tree disappears. Can Rex save the rest of the forest? |
| 15349 | I can be safe Thomas, Pat & Harker, Lesley | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2003 | 9780750242646 | Shows children how to be safe and stay safe in lots of everyday situations. |
| 18379 | I can draw animals Gibson, Ray | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 1997 | 9780746029435 | A book to introduce drawing to young children, with simple step by step instructions. |
| 18374 | I can draw people Gibson, Ray | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2000 | 9780746037041 | Simple step by step guide for young children in how to draw people. |

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| 4664 | I can only draw worms Mabbitt, Will | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2017 | 9780141375182 | This book is about worms (I can only draw worms). A book that's all about worms might sounds a little odd, but in fact it's absolutely hilarious and it's guaranteed to have children howling with laughter. |
| 30716 | I could be a superhero Hornsey, Chris & Perkins, Gwyn (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2008 | 9781921272646 | Murphy, the dog, wonders what he will be when he grows up. He thinks about being a tennis player, a chef, an astronaut or even a superhero. His owner knows just what he will be. |
| 22987 | I do not like books anymore! Hirst, Daisy | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406369137 | Natalie and Alphonse really like books and stories. But when Natalie tries reading a book on her own, the letters and words look like scuttling insects, and it seems as if she might NOT like books ANYMORE! |
| 91721 | I don't believe in dragons Walker, Anna | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741693423 | When Miss May tells the children she sees a dragon, her kindergarten class reacts in different ways. Some are intrigued, some are surprised and some are scared. But, Jack says he doesn't believe in dragons. When Emma wonders where the dragon is, Jack reminds her there isn't any such thing. |
| 41791 | I don't like Gloria Umansky, Kaye & Chamberlain, Margaret (ill) | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406313406 | Nobody asked me if Gloria could come to live with us. She eats from my bowl, sleeps in my basket and gets all the attention. I don't like Gloria. |
| 8555 | I don't like Koala Ferrell, Sean & Santoso, Charles (ill) | Koala Books | 2015 | 9781742761497 | Adam does not like Koala. Koala is a little creepy. Adam tries explaining this to his parents. He tries putting Koala away, far away. He tries taking Koala on a long, long walk. Nothing works. Adam really wants to be rid of Koala, once and for all. |
| 10677 | I don't like snakes Davies, Nicola & Lozano, Luciano (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406342833 | A little girl's family doesn't have a dog or a cat or a bird. They have snakes and she really, really, really doesn't like them. They're slithery and scaly, and they have icky, flicking tongues and creepy, unblinking eyes. But, you and she might be surprised. |
| 1511 | I don't want a cool cat Dodd, Emma | Orchard Books | 2009 | 9781846169502 | There are cool cats, fluffy cats, skinny cats and scowly cats. Enjoy the different cats prowling and purring through the book, and decide which one you would like. |
| 75103 | I don't want a posh dog Dodd, Emma | Orchard Books | 2008 | 9781846169281 | There are snappy dogs, growly dogs, wheezy dogs and greedy dogs. Enjoy the different dogs itching and scritchng through the book, and decide which one you would like. |
| 12493 | I don't want to go to bed Ross, Tony | Andersen Press Ltd | 2003 | 9781842702239 | The Little Princess doesn't want to go to bed and she provides all sorts of reasons not to. But, the King and Queen are firm. When the King goes to kiss her goodnight, her bed is empty again, this time their princess is missing. |
| 12101 | I don't want to go to school Harris, Christine & Smith, Craig (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2000 | 9780091838805 | Kate does not want to go to school but, in helping her new friend, Li, she overcomes her fears and soon discovers that school is not the scary place she imagines it to be. |

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| 29886 | I found a friend and my friend found me Norling, Beth | Viking Children's | 2010 | 9780670072590 | An irresistible picture book about the delights and niggles of first friendships. |
| 22998 | I got a chicken for my birthday Gehl, Laura & Horne, Sarah (ill) | Carolrhoda Books | 2018 | 9781512431308 | What a birthday girl wants more than anything from her Abuela are tickets to the amusement park. Instead she gets a chicken. But this chicken is no ordinary chicken; it has plans! With a lot of hard work, and help from lots of other animals, this chicken may just end up building the girl the best birthday gift ever! |
| 1163 | I got this hat Temple, Jol and Temple, Kate & Foye, Jon (ill) | ABC Books | 2013 | 9780733332067 | If you enjoy wearing hats, you'll enjoy this book. But don't wear it as a hat, as it will fall off. |
| 1209915 | I in the island, The Barker, Judith & Firth, Janie (ill) | Woodslane Press | 2022 | 9781922800077 | This is the story of the 'I'. A young dancer performs a Brolga Dance at a spring festival in Sydney's Centennial Parklands. She imagines two brolgas entwined and circling then flying back to K'gari, her island home. This Australian story teaches young readers about the long vowel 'I' and where they can find it in different words. |
| 4785 | I just ate my friend McKinnon, Heidi | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760294342 | I just ate my friend. He was a good friend, but now he's gone. What if I never find another friend again? |
| 12019 | I like books Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 1997 | 9780744555455 | Funny books, scary books and books about monsters and pirates are all represented here. The endearing chimp appears in the clothes of each of the books' heroes. |
| 15035 | I like cats Hubbell, Patricia & Papparone, Pamela (ill) | North South Books | 2003 | 9780735817746 | Rhyming story describing all different types of cats in various situations. |
| 16565 | I like myself Beaumont, Karen & Catrow, David (ill) | Koala Books | 2005 | 9780864616111 | A picture book about self-awareness, acceptance and living life to the fullest. |
| 4076 | I listened and I looked Briggs, Sue & Harvey, Bev & Leslie, Donna (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781760158750 | A small girl, sitting alone on a river bank, repeatedly gets the same advice from the old people. There is a bunyip living in a cave at the bend in the river. No matter how hard or long she watches and waits, she never sees it. Have the old people just made up the bunyip to teach children to be safe in the river? Or are they just having a bit of fun, by teasing the children? |
| 952 | I love me Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ambelin (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2016 | 9781925163490 | I love the way my heart knows best. I am me. A lively celebration of being and loving yourself. |
| | I love series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |

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| 3996 | I love you Mao, Xiao & Yun, Tang (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2017 | 9781925059762 | Little Badger's teacher shares her favourite words with the class. At the end of the day Little Badger goes home to practise saying three special words- I love you. |
| 995909 | I love you because I love you Thi Van, Muon & Love, Jessica | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2022 | 9780062894595 | I love you because you tell the best stories. Because I love you, my best story is you. Who do you love and why do you love them? This is a happy book about the people who we love in our lives. It looks at the big and small reasons we love the people we do. |
| 60455 | I love you book Hathorn, Libby & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | IP (Interactive Publications Pty Ltd) | 2011 | 9781921479892 | Come on a romp through the pages of this enchanting picture book. It reminds us of all the books we love, and why we like to see and to feel, to touch and to smell and even to taste the books and the stories that light up our lives. |
| 7254 | I need a hug Blabey, Aaron | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743629093 | All this little porcupine wants is a hug. But, those prickly spikes make it very difficult to give her the cuddle that she craves. |
| 660053 | I NEED a parrot McKimmie, Chris | Ford Street Publishing | 2019 | 9781925804287 | What does a parrot need? A boy tries to persuade us he really needs a parrot for a pet. Will you agree with him that a parrot is an excellent choice? |
| 542 | I need my monster Noll, Amanda & McWilliam, Howard (ill) | Flashlight Press | 2009 | 9780979974625 | When Ethan's regular bed time monster decides to go on holidays, Ethan can't sleep without Gabe's ragged breathing and claw-scratching. Substitute monsters line up to take Gabe's place but none of them are scary enough to help Ethan get to sleep. Ethan wonders how he will be able to sleep. |
| 5214 | I remember Crawford, Joanne & Jordinson, Kerry Anne (ill) | Magabala Books | 2018 | 9781925360769 | I remember is an exquisite tale of memory. Set in the Geraldton area of Western Australia, an elderly woman remembers the camping trips of her childhood. As her recollections fade in and out, she is drawn to think about the elusiveness of what she can remember from so long ago. |
| 833115 | I saw Pete and Pete saw me Hutchings, Maggie & Barrow, Evie (ill) | Affirm Press | 2020 | 9781925972825 | Everyone walks right past Pete - except for one little boy. He sees Pete's big smile and bright drawings, and they make a connection. The boy can't give Pete a home, but when Pete gets sick, he can show he cares. A heartfelt, moving story about the importance of really seeing the world around us and the power in tiny acts of kindness. |
| 660428 | I see, I see Henderson, R. | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760524746 | A book for one? A book for two? A book for different points of view. |
| 6669 | I spy Dad Brian, Janeen & Stewart, Chantal (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2009 | 9781921042171 | A little girl is looking for her father. She can see lots of dads doing many different things but she can't find hers. |
| 24065 | I spy Mum Brian, Janeen & Stewart, Chantal (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2010 | 9781921042164 | The little boy searches for his mother and he spies all kinds of mums. A making mum, a baking mum and many other types of mums until he finds his own. |

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| 7716 | I told you so Arnold, Sarah | Child's Play International Ltd | 2009 | 9781846432873 | Sometimes, adults just won't listen. Ella tries to warn Nursey about all the odd characters that are filling up Tom's pram. But, Nursey just won't believe her. |
| 12464 | I took the moon for a walk Curtis, Carolyn & Jay, Alison (ill) | Barefoot books | 2004 | 9781841486024 | When the day has ended and everyone else has fallen asleep, a young boy embarks on an adventure with his friend, the Moon. Their unusual journey is described in a magical story celebrating the serene beauty of the world at night. |
| 24121 | I wanna be a great big dinosaur McKenzie, Heath | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743626009 | A little boy desperately wants to become a great big dinosaur. When a real-life dinosaur hears his wish and begins to show him what it takes, perhaps the dinosaur can learn a thing or two about what it takes to be a little boy. |
| 12279 | I want a sister Ross, Tony | Andersen Press Ltd | 2002 | 9781842701034 | When she is told that her mother is expecting a new baby, the stropky and determined Little Princess immediately announces that she does not want a brother because they are smelly and rough, and have all the wrong toys. |
| 33179 | I want my hat back Klassen, Jon | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406336832 | The bear's hat is gone and he wants it back. Patiently and politely, he asks the animals, one by one, whether they have seen it. Each animal says no, some more elaborately than others. But, just as he begins to lose hope, lying flat on his back in despair, a deer comes by and asks a rather obvious question. |
| 4313 | I want spaghetti Blake, Stephanie | Gecko Press | 2015 | 9781927271926 | Once there was a little rabbit who wanted to eat only one thing. |
| 916654 | I want to be a sports star Anastasiou, Mary & Tortop, Anil (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503596 | So you want to be a Sports Star? What kind will you be? A Surfer? A Fencer? A Football Star? Maybe a Tennis Star or a Pro Skater riding rails? Anything is possible with a little fun and a whole lot of creativity. Join Taylor, Frankie (and Lucky) as they imagine their way through the thrill of sports and Olympic medal dreams. |
| 4734 | I want to be in a book Oliver, Narelle | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781743811634 | For most of his life, Cecil had waited patiently on a pin board, dreaming of being in a book. In his imagination, Cecil could be anything, or anywhere. Adventure was calling, and Cecil knew what he had to do. |
| 4821 | I want to be in a scary story Taylor, Sean & Jullien, Jean (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781406363463 | I want to be in a scary story. Are you sure Little Monster? Scary stories can be very scary! Yes, I'm sure. Well, okay then. Here goes... |
| 6022 | I want two birthdays Ross, Tony | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842708750 | The Little Princess wants to have two birthdays, just like the Queen, which means twice as many presents every year. When she realises how much fun two birthdays are, she decides she wants three, then four. The more birthdays she has, the less special they are. But, the King has a solution up his sleeve. |
| 12144 | I went walking Machin, Sue & Vivas, Julie (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1997 | 9781862913202 | A repetitious, rhyming text in which the author is followed by a variety of animals all of a different colour. |

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| 4860 | I wish I had a dinosaur Anggabrata, Ian & Anggawan, Mingga & Sheehan, Peter (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9781865046068 | A little girl sits on her balcony, in a modern apartment block by the sea, dreaming of all the things she could do if she had a dinosaur. |
| 11107 | I wish I had a pirate suit Allen, Pamela | Puffin Australia | 1991 | 9780140509885 | Peter has a pirate suit and his poor little brother has to be his prisoner and his crew. Will it ever change? A book that really understands what it's like to be a little brother. |
| 12137 | I wish that I had duck feet Seuss, Dr | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1991 | 9780394800400 | A boy uses his imagination to experiment with what life would be like if you had different animal parts. He discovers that there is a good and a bad side to everything but being yourself is the best of all. |
| 751149 | I wish there were dinosaurs Niland, Amanda & Booth, Christina | Windy Hollow Books | 2020 | 9781922081919 | Have you ever wanted to see a dinosaur? Not just a skeleton in a museum, but a real, live huge dinosaur? It would certainly be exciting, but maybe dinosaurs are better left to our imaginations. |
| 1334258 | I'd rather be a dragon Bunting, Laura & Bunting, Phillip (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761528910 | Being small is the worst! Roller coaster? Too short! Fairy floss? Too messy! Run wild? Stay close! Life would be so much better as a mighty dragon ... Wouldn't it? |
| 15034 | I'll see you in the morning Jolley, Mike & Moriuchi, Mique (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2005 | 9781920878511 | An evening lullaby consisting of rhyming language and appealing illustrations. |
| 5468 | I'm a duck Bunting, Eve & Hillenbrand, Will (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2018 | 9780763680329 | Now I'm a duck who's scared to go in the pond or lake, and so I cannot swim, and that is bad. A landlocked duck is very sad. Sometimes it takes a lot to get your webbed feet wet! |
| 1345003 | I'm a photon Vavagiakis, Eve M & Malbrough, Mike (ill) | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781529526318 | Meet the incredible photon -- the fundamental particle that makes up light. Thanks to the photon, we can see colours and the world around us -- and photons also make up the light we can't see, like radiowaves and X-rays. Travel faster than the speed of light as you join the photon on a fascinating journey to uncover their extraordinary secrets. Then work together with the photon to make new scientific discoveries and change the world for the better. |
| 3841 | I'm Australian too Fox, Mem & Ghosh, Ronjojoy (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781760276218 | From countries near and far, many have made their home in Australia, sharing it with the original inhabitants, and living in peace beneath the southern stars. |
| 4598 | I'm going to eat this ant Naylor-Ballesteros, Chris | Bloomsbury | 2017 | 9781408869901 | There are so many scrumptious ways to eat this ant....served in a sandwich or simmering in a soup. Sliced or stir-fried, sauteed or sun-dried. Mmmmm, I can't wait to snaffle it up. |
| 2025 | I'm green and I'm grumpy Lester, Alison | Penguin | 1993 | 9780140544787 | Children dress up in all sorts of fancy dress costumes, including a witch and a dinosaur. You have to guess who is wearing what by following a series of clues. |
| 43178 | I'm not scared Allen, Jonathan | Koala Books | 2007 | 9780864617286 | Baby Owl is not scared of the dark and he shouldn't be, that's when owls are supposed to be about. But, all the do-gooders Baby Owl meets are starting to scare his favourite toy, Owly. Dad will have to come to the rescue. |

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| 1264 | I'm number one Rosen, Michael & Graham, Bob (ill) | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781406314656 | The toy soldier takes command of the other toys, with unexpected results. |
| 660702 | I'm ready for Easter Robaard, Jedda | Puffin Australia | 2020 | 9781760891596 | Hot cross buns. Easter egg hunts. Decorating Easter hats. Just some of the fun traditions explored in this book about the lead-up to Easter in Australia. Simple text paired with gorgeous watercolour illustrations that celebrate the fun activities associated with Easter. |
| 660701 | I'm ready for the new baby Robaard, Jedda | Puffin Australia | 2020 | 9781760891626 | This board book explores the anticipation and feelings that come with welcoming a new sibling into the family. |
| 16532 | I'm really not tired Sunshine, Lori | Flashlight Press | 2008 | 9780979974618 | Even before Dad tucks him in, Sam McKay has devised a plan to find out what really goes on in his house after bedtime. He is convinced that all the best things happen after he goes to bed. With his trusted furry accomplice, he hatches a plan to sneak downstairs and discover the fun for himself. |
| 50714 | I'm Taggart Toad Pavey, Peter | University of Western Australia Press | 2010 | 9781921529481 | Come and listen to Taggart, the boastful Toad, as he relates his amazing adventures of bravery, cunning and mischief to an audience of animals. A surprising story with incredible, detailed illustrations. |
| 26235 | I'm the best Cousins, Lucy | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781406323689 | Dog loves his friends, Ladybug, Mole, Goose and Donkey. He thinks they're brilliant. But, Dog also thinks that he's the best at everything and just won't stop telling them how good he is. Dog's friends decide to teach him a lesson. |
| 1423789 | I'm very busy: a (nearly forgotten) birthday book Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2025 | 9780008771911 | Are all of Bridget's friends too busy for her birthday? It's Bridget's birthday and she thinks it would be fun to spend the day with friends. But Royal has places to go, Rodney has to see a man about a dog and Regis has to wash his hair. Bridget's friends are all too busy to hang out! Will Bridget have to spend her birthday all alone? |
| 78956 | I've lost my kisses Trewin, Trudie & Bland, Nick (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2007 | 9781865044217 | Matilda has lost her kisses but she is determined to find them before Poppa comes to stay. She wonders what kisses look like and where they can be found. Matilda searches everywhere and it seems that everyone has kisses, except her. |
| 1262224 | If I had a dragon Dawnay, Gabby | Thames & Hudson | 2024 | 9780500653630 | There are many safe and normal pets to choose from, but sometimes it is fun to explore the idea of unlikely or even impossible pets. Polar bear, octopus, kangaroos would certainly be exciting, but how about a dragon? |
| 669571 | If I had an elephant Fairgray, Richard & Jones, Terry (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781775434764 | If I had an elephant for a best friend, there're be no stopping us. We'd get matching jackets. We'd build a time machine together. We'd have an OUT OF THIS WORLD adventures... IF I had an elephant. |
| 13607 | If I ran the circus Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2003 | 9780007169900 | Morris McGurk dreams of staging the world's most tremendous and stupendous show. |

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| 8426 | If I was a banana Tylee, Alexandra & Rynhart, Kieran (ill) | Gecko Press | 2016 | 9781776570331 | A boy's eye-view of the everyday brings alive all the wonder and oddity of the world inside our own heads. |
| 1078776 | If I was a horse Blackall, Sophie | Hachette Australia | 2023 | 9780734422712 | If I was a horse, I would gallop all day. I could go anywhere I want . . . If you were a horse, what would you do? Could you fit in your clothes? Would you give your little sister a ride? Would your brother even notice? |
| 995879 | If I were a lion Black, Kitty & Siuseppe, Poli (ill) | Wombat Books | 2023 | 9781761110191 | For all those children who wish that they were more like lions. |
| 45327 | If I were you Hamilton, Richard & Cole, Babette (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2009 | 9780747587576 | When a father and his daughter imagine what it would be like to be one another, a crazy adventure begins. |
| 669569 | If kids ran the world Dillon, Leo & Diane | Blue Sky Press | 2014 | 9780545441964 | Every day, people are doing extraordinary things, large and small, to shine a light of happiness and spread kindness around the world. If kids ran the world they would make it a better and happier place for us all. |
| 21199 | If sharks disappeared Williams, Lily | Roaring Book Press | 2017 | 9781626724136 | A healthy ocean is home to many different kinds of animals. They can be big, like a whale, tiny, like a shrimp, and even scary, like a shark. Even though sharks can be scary, we need them to keep the oceans healthy. Unfortunately, due to overfishing, many shark species are in danger of extinction, and that can cause big problems in the oceans and even on land. What would happen if this continued and sharks disappeared completely? |
| 1359442 | If we were dogs Blackall, Sophie | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734423641 | If we were dogs, what would we do? Wag our tails and drink from bowls? Fetch big sticks and dig deep holes? But wait - what if you don't want to be a dog at all. Can we still play? |
| 793350 | If Winter Comes, tell it I'm not here Ciraolo, Simona | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781529504255 | Nothing is better than summertime. But a boy's sister has BIG news... winter is coming! With it, the cold... the dark... the rain. What is the boy to do? |
| 1472330 | If you make a call on a banana phone Sterer, Gideon & Hughes, Emily (ill) | Clarion Books | 2025 | 9780063375222 | If you make a call on a banana phone, who will answer? What will you talk about? Will you share secrets or ask questions? No one knows what will happen, really? This very silly story is full of the whimsy and wisdom that comes from making new friends in unexpected places. Go ahead, pick up a banana and make a call -- you'll be glad you did. |
| 15145 | If you're happy and you know it Cabrera, Jane | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2004 | 9781862334113 | Song title in book format with lovely illustrations and the animals as participants. A book of happiness for all ages. |

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| 6927 | Imaginary Fred Colfer, Eoin & Jeffers, Oliver (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2015 | 9780008126148 | Sometimes, with a little electricity or luck or even magic, an imaginary friend might appear when you need one. An imaginary friend like Fred, who floated like a feather in the wind, until a lonely little boy wished for him and found a friendship like no other. |
| 7344 | Imagine Lester, Alison | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 1992 | 9781761181917 | Two children imagine places and picture all the animals they would meet there. Some of the imaginary places include being deep in the jungle, under the sea, in a land of ice and snow, among steaming swamps and marshes. |
| 6856 | In a people house Seuss, Dr & McKie, Roy (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1973 | 9780001712768 | Alliteration and rhyming text combine for a frolic through an ordinary house. |
| 707930 | In my dreams Gemmill, Stef & Stephani, Tanja (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781925594928 | A child's dream takes him on a fantastic journey as he sleeps at night. He finds fruit flavoured rainbows, makes mischief with monkeys, floats on marshmallow clouds, flies his dragon to faraway places and chases the night shadows away. |
| 1019641 | In my garden Mayes, Kate & Ainslie, Tamsin (ill) | ABC Books | 2023 | 9780733340253 | In our gardens are where we belong. Planting, watching, growing, dreaming. In our gardens something out of nothing comes. Join children from around the world as they share their gardens, from blossoming flowers in Japan to the waterside of Malawi, the frozen landscape of Iceland to the bush tracks of Australia. These are the places they love and the places they belong. |
| 8384 | In my heart: A book of feelings Witek, Jo & Roussey, Christine (ill) | Abrams Books | 2014 | 9781419713101 | Sometimes my heart feels like a big yellow star, shiny and bright. I smile from ear to ear and twirl around so fast, I feel as if I could take off into the sky. This is when my heart is happy. Happiness, sadness, bravery, anger, shyness, our hearts can feel so many feelings! Some make us feel as light as a balloon, others as heavy as an elephant. In My Heart explores a full range of emotions, describing how they feel physically, inside. |
| 839063 | In my mosque Yuksel, M O & Aly, Hatem (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2021 | 9780755502608 | A welcoming and informative story of the ways in which people interact with each other and their faith inside a mosque. |
| 12210 | In Redfern Gordon, Angelica & others | Indij Readers | 2003 | 9780975064078 | Three young authors explore all their favourite places in the Sydney suburb of Redfern. |
| 1448 | In the bin Bollard, Kellie | National Library of Australia | 2008 | 9780646500584 | In this funny and informative rhyming story, find out about bins, recycling and all things rubbish. |
| 90749 | In the deep blue sea Lionetto-Civa, Angie & Booth, Christina (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2008 | 9781921136115 | Find out who lives in the deep, blue ocean. A celebration of ocean life with a few surprises along the way. |

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| 1405 | In the deep green jungle Lionetto-Civa, Angie & Booth, Christine (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2007 | 9781921136085 | A toucan lives in the deep, green jungle where there are all kinds of animals. At the end of the book, there is a little surprise for us all. |
| 16262 | In the deep red desert Lionetto-Civa, Angie & Booth, Christina (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2010 | 9781921136467 | Explore the Australian desert through the eyes of a dingo. |
| 4937 | In the evening Wyatt, Edwina & Chapman, Gaye (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2015 | 9781742975283 | Oscar is shy. Charlie is bold. Oscar stays in while Charlie swings outside. It's hard to become friends this way. |
| 15350 | In the woods Wormell, Chris | Red Fox | 2004 | 9780099417675 | One day, three teddy bears set off for a picnic in the woods. But, before too long, they are utterly lost and all their food has been eaten. At least there are no wolves in the wood or so they think. |
| 22955 | In-between things Tey, Priscilla | Candlewick Press | 2018 | 9780763689834 | Between inside and outside, between upstairs and down, a world of in-between things can be found! |
| 34297 | Incredibilia Hathorn, Libby & Chapman, Gaye (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2016 | 9781760125257 | Little Georgie is the youngest and, sometimes, this means that Max and Harriet forget about her. But, Georgie is unfazed. She's armed with a big imagination and soon gets the attention of her neglectful siblings. |
| 6043 | Incredible book eating boy, The Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Australia | 2007 | 9780007182275 | Henry loved books but not like you and I love books. He loved to eat them, all sorts. It made him incredibly clever until he discovered that libraries were being decimated. |
| 833167 | Incredibly busy mind of Bowen Bartholomew Crisp, The Russell, Paul & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820881 | Bowen has a lot of thoughts about a lot of things. Sometimes, people don't understand how many questions he has. But his mum does, and she even has some of her own! |
| 593318 | Incurable imagination, The Russell, Paul & Aska (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925335972 | Audrey has the worst case of imagination her teachers have ever seen. While other children paint their families, Audrey paints the ogre who lives under bed drinking tea. What's worse, her condition is contagious and soon the other kids in her class start showing symptoms that appear equally incurable. As the dreaded imagination spreads, the teachers are horrified and the parents begin to protest too. But perhaps it isn't such a bad disease to have after all? |
| 9303 | Indigenous language book Various | | | | Students and parents may substitute reading or listening to a book in an indigenous language for a similar book on the Premier's Reading Challenge Kindergarten to Year 2 booklist. Older students may read an Indigenous language book as a personal choice. |
| 5770 | Inky the octopus Guendelsberger, Erin & Leonard, David (ill) | Sourcebooks Inc | 2018 | 9781492654148 | Out of this tank, I must be free. I must explore the open sea! Inky the octopus is bored with aquarium life and wants to escape to the ocean! But just how can an octopus in a tank get to the open seas? |

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| 1209859 | Inside dog, The Harry, Pip & Davis, Carolyn (ill) | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734423009 | Cuddles is an inside dog; it is his favourite place. It is warm and safe. However, his humans go on holidays and leave him on a farm where he is outside. Will Cuddles survive the experience? |
| 14984 | Inside Mary Elizabeth's house Allen, Pamela | Puffin Australia | 2001 | 9780140567113 | Mary Elizabeth boasts to the boys that there is a monster in her house. The boys don't believe her so she invites them to dinner to convince them. |
| 32244 | Interrupting chicken Stein, David Ezra | Candlewick Press | 2012 | 9780763641689 | It's time for the little red chicken's bedtime story and a reminder from Papa to try not to interrupt. But, the little chicken can't help herself and no matter what the story, she jumps in to save its hapless characters from doing some dangerous or silly thing. Now, it's the little red chicken's turn to tell a story to Papa. |
| 751156 | Into the wild Vescio, Robert & Armstrong, Mel | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781921928789 | Roman loves to wander and explore. All on his own the Wild is his to explore, have amazing adventures and make fascinating discoveries. But despite all of this, there is something missing. Roman keeps wandering and searching for something that is always just beyond his grasp. Journey with Roman and discover the missing piece to his wonderful adventures. |
| 2905 | Introducing Teddy Walton, Jessica & MacPherson, Dougal (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2016 | 9781408877623 | Errol and his teddy, Thomas, are best friends who do everything together. One sunny morning, Thomas is sad and not even the swing can cheer him up. Errol can't figure out why until Thomas finally tells Errol what has been bothering him. Thomas wishes his name was Tilly. |
| 21204 | Is it a mermaid? Gourlay, Candy & Chessa, Francesca (ill) | Otter-Barry books | 2018 | 9781910959121 | When Benjie and Bel find a strange creature on a tropical beach they know it's a dugong. But the dugong insists she is a beautiful mermaid and to prove it, she shows them her mermaid's tail and sings them a mermaid song. The children aren't convinced but they play with their new friend all the same. When it's time for her to go back to sea, there is one surprise left - could she be a mermaid after all? |
| 1367138 | Is it asleep? Tallec, Olivier | Gecko Press | 2025 | 9798765670521 | Pock and I love to sit on the old stump and watch the birds flash by. When we're tired of that, we follow the path to the yellow meadow so we can listen to the bird we like best. But today the blackbird isn't there. |
| 14995 | Is it bedtime Wibbly Pig Inkpen, Mick | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2005 | 9780340878644 | Wibbly Pig finds many ways to delay bedtime. Even in his dreams, he is not going to stay in bed for long. |
| 653194 | Is it Halloween yet? Chambers, Susannah & Ainslie, Tamsin (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760297404 | Emily loves Halloween with its spooky dress-ups, fun games and yummy things to eat. Her busy family is not so sure. Luckily, Emily has a few tricks (and treats) to get everyone in the mood. |

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| 21177 | Is it the way you giggle? Connelly, Nicola & White, Annie (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594102 | Everyone is special in some way. It might be how we giggle or how we wiggle or tell jokes. |
| 25741 | Is your grandmother a goanna? Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2007 | 9780670071128 | A little boy goes on a train to meet his grandmother. At each stop, he meets plenty of unusual characters. Join the fun and make plenty of noise. |
| 8246 | Isaac and his amazing Asperger superpowers Walsh, Melanie | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406344455 | Isaac looks like everyone else but he actually has superpowers that make him different from his brother and his classmates. Some kids don't understand that and call him names. But, Isaac's superhero brain sees and remembers loads of things. He tends to say whatever comes into his head which he doesn't realise might be hurtful. Isaac is not really a superhero, he has Asperger syndrome, which means his brain works a little differently from yours. |
| 9924 | Isabella's bed Lester, Alison | Hachette Children's Books | 2008 | 9780733622717 | At Grandma's house, Anna and Luis always sleep in Isabella's bed. It has interesting, silver pieces on the bed-head but the middle piece has disappeared. One night, Anna and Luis go on a magical journey and discover what the pieces mean and why the middle one is missing. |
| 1170 | Isla Lu, where are you Hoy, Catriona & White, Annie (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2013 | 9781922081063 | Mum is looking for Isla Lu. She isn't upstairs, she isn't downstairs, she isn't in the smelly bin. Mum is looking all over the house for Isla Lu, coming across all the family members as she goes, and they all join in the fun, but they know that Isla Lu is closer than Mum thinks. |
| 660766 | Isla's family tree McKelvey, Katrina & Pittock, Prue (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2020 | 9781925820379 | Isla's family is changing and she's not happy! It's time for Isla to explore her family tree so that she can see how all families change and grow over time. The perfect book for anyone looking to find a way to introduce new family members or show children how they belong in their own family. |
| 6183 | It's a miroocool Harris, Christine & James, Ann (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2012 | 9781921541018 | Audrey lives in the outback and, when she loses her first tooth, she's worried that the tooth fairy will never find her. She decides to make it as easy as possible by leaving a map and various trails for the tooth fairy. |
| 6334 | It's a secret Burningham, John | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781406314472 | Marie Elaine wants to know where cats go when they are let out at night. One night, when Marie Elaine discovers Malcolm, her cat, all dressed up in fancy clothes and a hat for a party, she wants to go too. When Marie Elaine promises to keep it a secret, puts on her party dress and gets small enough to fit through the cat-flap, Malcolm agrees that she can come. |
| 33547 | It's bedtime, William Niland, Deborah | Penguin | 2010 | 9780670073825 | It's time for bed but William has other ideas. A very special friend helps make this his most memorable night ever. |

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| 29842 | It's hard to love a tiger Pignataro, Anna | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781743817582 | I wish I had a tiger, a tiger from the zoo. A tiger of my own to love - a tiger just like you. A funny rhyming story about a little girl and a troublesome (but lovable) tiger. |
| 12118 | It's my birthday Hutchins, Pat | Bodley Head | 1999 | 9780370326429 | Billy is reluctant to share his birthday presents with the other little monsters but, then, something happens to make him change his mind. |
| 649018 | It's OK to feel the way you do Langley, Josh | Big Sky Publishing | 2017 | 9781925520965 | Everyone has feelings....happy,sad,lonely, angry, anxious, proud, scared and they are all OK! But sometimes we don't know what to do with them, until now that is! This fun book will help kids make friends with their feelings so that they can enjoy life a lot more. |
| 7073 | It's raining, it's pouring, we're exploring Peters, Polly & Stockham, Jess (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2007 | 9781846431173 | Bad weather stops the three children from playing outside. But, with a few home-made props and a bit of imagination, they have a wonderful time. |
| 587897 | Ivanhoe Swift left home at six Godwin, Jane & Yi, A. (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760631864 | Ivanhoe Swift left home when he was six. He had heard many songs about the world, and it was time to see it for himself. |
| 35550 | Ivy and the lonely raincloud Harnett, Katie | Flying Eye Books | 2017 | 9781911171157 | Life is lonely for this little rain cloud. If only he could find someone who liked rain! Then one day, he stumbles across a young florist who looks rather sad... Could they both be looking for the same thing? |
| 751214 | Ivy bird McCartney, Tania & Racklyeft, Jess (ill) | NewSouth Publishing | 2019 | 9781922081797 | Ivy wakes with the birds. She flutters, she flits...then takes flight into the endless blue of imaginative play - foraging for nectar, pecking in the sunshine, splashing the day away. Introducing an aviary of beautiful birds to little ones, Ivy Bird is a celebration of nature, friendship, and the love and comfort found in feathering the nest. |
| 574283 | Jacaranda magic Patterson, Dannika & Forward, Megan (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2018 | 9781925804010 | Five friends are feeling bored on a hot sticky day. Just when they think they'll never find anything fun to play, a simple gust of wind changes everything. |
| 6196 | Jacaranda snow Greer, Catherine & Magisson, Helene (ill) | Wombat Books | 2018 | 9781925563283 | Jess and Gran have always made the best of everything. When there's not much for dinner, they cook oodles of noodles. When there's no cake for birthdays, they toast marshmallows on the stove. When it snows in the mountains, Jess longs to go. But there's no extra money for a holiday this year. So Jess finds a way to see the most amazing snow of all. |
| 5904 | Jack and Mia Vescio, Robert & Richards, Claire (ill) | Wombat Books | 2016 | 9781925139730 | Jack and Mia are best friends. They are like two sides of a coin. They stick together like paper and glue. Then, the unthinkable happens. Mia's family has to move away, a long way away. |
| 15359 | Jack and the beanstalk Walker, Richard & Sharkey, Niamh | Barefoot books | 2002 | 9781901223378 | Find out what happens to Jack when he visits the giant's castle in this gleeful version of the classic children's story. |

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| 15051 | Jack in a box Jarman, Julia & Pottie, Marjolein (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2004 | 9780007104109 | Jack uses his imagination to visualise and play with the boxes left over from Tom's birthday presents. |
| 877891 | Jack's jumper Acton, Sara | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2022 | 9781760654054 | Jack's jumper is no ordinary jumper. It is a warm woolly hug, a reminder of those you hold dear and a source of adventure. It is no wonder that someone else likes Jack's jumper too. |
| 2955 | Jack's worry Zuppari, Sam | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406367799 | Jack is looking forward to playing in his first ever concert. But, on the big day, Jack finds he has a Worry. His Worry follows him, and it grows bigger and bigger. |
| 617340 | Jacket, The Pashley, Sue-Ellen & Baker, Thea (ill) | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781925381788 | The jacket was no ordinary jacket. Amelia wore it everywhere... until one day... |
| 15984 | Jar of happiness, The Burrows, Ailsa | Child's Play International Ltd | 2015 | 9781846437281 | Meg thinks she has found the recipe for happiness. She collects all the necessary ingredients in a jar, which she uses to cheer up her friends and family when they're feeling low. But her jar has mysteriously disappeared and she is feeling sad. Her friends and family think they know what can make her happy again. |
| 28006 | Jasper juggles jellyfish Long, Ben & Cornish, David | Ford Street Publishing | 2018 | 9781925736038 | An octopus called Jasper gives up on learning the basics at school to pursue something he thinks will be more fun. He soon finds that even fun things can be difficult to learn. But luckily, a smack of jolly jellyfish are there to help him every step of the way. How many jellyfish do you think Jasper will be able to juggle by the end? Count along! Maybe he will end up learning the basics without even knowing it. |
| 2843 | Jellybean goes to school Roc, Margaret & Hughes, Laura (ill) | Tamarind Books | 2013 | 9781848530751 | Jellybean is longing to learn about the world and make friends. So, she is very excited when it's time to start school. At first, Jellybean is nervous but her new teacher brings magic into the classroom. And Jellybean's imagination brings her new surroundings to life in many wild and wonderful ways. |
| 818 | Jeremy Faille, Chris & Snell, Danny (ill) | Working Title Press | 2013 | 9781921504402 | When tiny Jeremy falls out of his nest and is brought home by the family cat, he is only a few days old. Luckily, Jeremy is a fighter. As the weeks go by, he grows stronger and stronger, until the time comes to say goodbye. |
| 9882 | Jeremy's tail Ball, Duncan & Rawlins, Donna (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2001 | 9780868965888 | Jeremy, blindfolded and on his way to pin the tail on the donkey, takes a circuitous route that carries him far away, over the ocean and into space. |
| 32613 | Jerome's gift Denham, Trent | Trent Denham | 2017 | 9780648018506 | Over mountain and valley and stream he must go, across perilous sea, to a place where they know of a kindly old uncle who might lend some aid. The council agreed that a plan must be made. This most dangerous duty was all up to him, to provide precious food for his withering kin. |
| 9406 | Jessica Joan Orr, Wendy & James, Ann (ill) | Egmont Childrens | 1999 | 9781863303675 | Jessica Joan goes shopping and her quiet life will never be the same. |

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| 109050 | Jessica's box Carnavas, Peter | New Frontier Publishing | 2008 | 9781921042911 | Jessica is sure she will make lots of friends on her first day at school. But, despite, her best efforts, no one stays to talk with her. Then, unexpectedly, a friend appears. |
| 12214 | Jethro Byrde, fairy child Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2002 | 9780744588637 | Annabelle's mother doesn't believe in fairies but Anabelle does. One day, she meets an entire tiny fairy family who have crash landed in her urban backyard of cement and weeds. Her play area becomes a very special place. |
| 798584 | Jetty jumping Rowe, Andrea & Sommerville, Hannah (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2021 | 9781760500658 | While Milla's friends take big, brave jumps off the jetty, Milla stays on the blistering wood, scared of what lurks below. But when Milla accidentally falls off the edge, she discovers the beauty of the deep, dark sea - and her summer changes forever. |
| 877888 | Jigsaw: a puzzle in the post Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781529503319 | A mysterious parcel with a puzzle inside arrives at the Kelly's house - sender unknown. Will the family be able to piece it all together? A warmhearted story of perseverance, determination and hope. |
| 12252 | Jillian Jiggs Gilman, Phoebe | Scholastic US | 1985 | 9780590748759 | Jillian Jiggs is a little girl who hates to clean her room. She always promises her mum that she will clean it, but then forgets when her friends come over. |
| 12254 | Jillian Jiggs to the rescue Gilman, Phoebe | Scholastic US | 1994 | 9780590746168 | Jillian's sister, Rebecca, has a scary dream about a monster and Jillian decides to do something about it. |
| 2411 | Jolly postman or other peoples' letters, The Ahlberg, Janet & Allan | Viking Children's | 1999 | 9780670886241 | The Jolly Postman delivers cards and letters to various fairy-tale characters. He has a letter of apology for the three bears from Goldilocks, a postcard from Jack for the giant, and a letter for the wolf, written for Little Red Riding Hood, and more. |
| 1209912 | Jolly swagman, The Nanayakkara, Bec & Haan, Kim de (ill) | Woodslane Press | 2025 | 9781922800893 | Will dreams of going waltzing Matilda with Ollie - the swagman who comes to shear at his family's station. But then Ollie disappears... |
| 2106 | Jonathan Carnavas, Peter & Francey, Amanda (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2014 | 9781921928611 | Jonathan loves to dress up and scare his family, but they insist that he is just not scary. What happens when he gets too scary. |
| 903078 | Jorn's magnificent imagination Vass, Coral & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2022 | 9781922539144 | Jorn has an amazing imagination. He builds things with his orange peels from breakfast, with cardboard boxes and sheets and blankets. He used his ideas to create amazing things. Then one day he would use his ideas and imagination to design something truly magnificent. |
| 1030 | Josephine wants to dance French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2007 | 9780207200755 | Josephine loves to dance with her toes pointed, soaring into the air. She dreams of being part of a real ballet company and dancing in front of her friends. |
| 12153 | Josh McLean, Janet | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 1997 | 9781864483628 | Josh is a lovable, excited spaniel pup who wants to be companion, friend, helper and playmate from wake-up time in the morning to bath and bedtime in the evening. |

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| 12277 | Josh and the monster McLean, Andrew & Janet | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2000 | 9781864484922 | Josh is a loveable cocker spaniel, always ready for adventure. He and his friend are on a quest to find the Monster of Mud, facing battles along the way like true knights. Josh must find where the monster is hiding and try to catch it. |
| 20433 | Journey Becker, Aaron | Walker Books | 2013 | 9781406342307 | In this wordless picture book, a lonely girl, whose family members are all too occupied with some form of technology to pay her any attention, discovers a red crayon, draws a door on her bedroom wall and walks into a world where she controls a fantastic journey. |
| 5541 | Journey home, The Lester, Alison | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780340605424 | One day, Wild and Woolly dig such a big hole in their sandpit that they fall through to the North Pole. They set out on their journey home, visiting interesting houses and characters along the way. |
| 6262 | Journey of the sea turtle Wilson, Mark | Lothian Books | 2009 | 9780734411099 | Follow the journey of a loggerhead turtle from her birth to the great migration and the dangers of life at sea. She watches for the shadow birds which are a sign of danger but also hope. |
| 950244 | Journey under the sea, A Foster, Craig & Frylinck, Ross | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2022 | 9780358677864 | An ode to the mysteries of the ocean, the animals who share our planet, and the healing power of nature from the co-founders of Sea Change Project, and makers of the Oscar-winning Netflix documentary My Octopus Teacher. Follow along with the meditation exploring the treasures to be found in the Great African Seaforest. |
| 660814 | Jump Plant, Andrew | Ford Street Publishing | 2020 | 9781925804461 | High above the city, the Quigs leap and bound about the towers, jumping fearlessly. Day by day they become bolder and more daring. But what if you were a Quig and were afraid of the great empty spaces? What if you were afraid to JUMP? |
| 32277 | Jump and Shout Dumbleton, Mike & Carnavas, Peter (ill) | Little Book Press | 2017 | 9780648086819 | Jump and shout, clap and cheer on this rollicking adventure with a lively family. Join them as they swing, skip and tumble through the neighbourhood on a joyful day out. |
| 12148 | Jump baby Matthews, Penny | Scholastic Australia | 2002 | 9781862914278 | Baby possum must learn to jump or be separated from mother and big sister who have jumped into a peach tree, leaving him stranded in the walnut tree. They entreat baby possum to try to jump. |
| 12415 | Jump in Whybrow, Ian & Melling, David (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 1999 | 9780340739907 | Miss Lollipop is lonely so she buys a little truck. When she drives down to the river, in jump a lot of things you wouldn't expect. Find out who jumps in, in this funny animal farce with lots of counting. |
| 55300 | Jumpy Jack & Googily Rosoff, Meg & Blackall, Sophie (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2008 | 9780141502410 | Googily is the brave, best friend of Jumpy Jack, a very nervous snail who is afraid of monsters and thinks they are everywhere. Googily checks high and low to make sure Jumpy Jack is always safe because Googily is never scared of monsters, especially as they are imaginary. But, then again. |

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| 15315 | Jungle drums Base, Graeme | Penguin | 2004 | 9780670041084 | Little Ngiri is the smallest warthog in Africa and tired of being teased by his bigger brothers and sisters. Then, the old wildebeest gives Ngiri a set of magic drums. |
| 1423355 | Juniper's painting Bauer, Catherine & Horn, Jennifer (ill) | Wombat Books | 2025 | 9781761112409 | It's a grubby grey, hazy sky day. All Juniper wants is to play on the sand, but it's too wet and Mamma's busy with work. Mamma suggests she paint a picture, but what can Juniper paint? How about a beach the way she wants it to be? |
| 2446 | Just a little brown dog Morgan, Sally & Bancroft, Bronwyn (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2005 | 9781863681735 | Puppy finds a home with a young boy who has lost his mother. About a pup's playful antics as he responds to a new situation and yearns for love and acceptance. |
| 43457 | Just like daddy Freegard, Lucy | Pavilion | 2017 | 9781843653370 | Daddy deals with the scariest of monsters, keeps his eyes open on the rollercoaster, and puts on all the voices when he reads a bedtime story. Daddy is strong and silly, kind and practical. But he also knows how to have fun, and even if he messes up, it is never a big deal. Who wouldn't want to be just like daddy? |
| 4722 | Just like tonight Stewart, Amber & Marlow, Layn (ill) | Oxford University Press | 2009 | 9780192728494 | Button has had a wonderful day and is ready for sleep. But, he needs help to keep the bad dreams away and Dad has just the solution. |
| 12154 | Just like you and me Miller, David | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2000 | 9780733612459 | A picture book highlighting the similarities between animal behaviour and the behaviour of children. |
| 5386 | Just right Black, Birdie & Beardshaw, Rosalind (ill) | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2011 | 9780857630308 | The king finds the perfect soft, red cloth to make the princess a cloak for Christmas. Once the cloak is made, the leftover cloth is put outside where, in turn, it's found by someone and made into a different present. As the leftover cloth diminishes, each gift gets smaller and smaller but each piece is just right. |
| 6308 | Just so stories for little children: Rudyard Kipling's stories retold Various & Joven, John (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2018 | 9781474938051 | Just so stories for little children is a wonderful adaptation of six of Kipling's classic stories. This beautifully illustrated book will answer those burning questions like how elephants got their trunks, why camels have humps and what made kangaroos so jumpy. |
| 12321 | Just the right stripes Gray, Nigel & Brown, Deborah (ill) | Koala Books | 2002 | 9780864613967 | Little Zebra tries to count how many stripes he has. He wonders if he has too many and he wants to find out. All the animals have something to say and he worries until he gets home to his dad, who has just the right explanation. |
| 23611 | Just the way we are Shirvington, Jessica & Robertson, Claire (ill) | ABC Books | 2015 | 9780733331626 | Meet Anna, Chiara, Henry, Izzy and Jack. Their families might not look like your family but, that's okay, they are perfect just the way they are. |
| 47521 | Kaito's cloth Millard, Glenda & Chapman, Gaye (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2006 | 9781865048451 | Kaito visits the Lord of Flight and weeps when she finds that the beautiful summer butterflies have all died. To honour them and commemorate the magic of flight, Kaito weaves a special wing sewn with spider's silk. |

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| 58391 | Kangaroo and crocodile: my big book of Australian animals Bancroft, Bronwyn | Little Hare Books | 2011 | 9781921714252 | Striking, lusciously-coloured, Indigenous illustrations celebrate our unique Australian animals and birds, from the lesser known fence skink to the mighty great white shark, from eagles to echidnas. |
| 8745 | Kangaroo and the porpoise Lofts, Pamela (comp) & Lippo, Agnes (teller) | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9781865046297 | From the Larrakia and Waigite language groups. One of a series of Aboriginal stories about animals and birds. The kangaroo asks the porpoise to mind her baby. When the porpoise won't give the baby back, a fight ensues with interesting results. |
| 13758 | Kangaroo at the zoo Sims, Lesley & Semple, David (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2016 | 9781409580447 | What a hullabaloo, someone is new at the zoo. It's a kangaroo. |
| 18329 | Kangaroo's Cancan Cafe Jarman, Julia & Chapman, Lynne (ill) | Orchard Books | 2005 | 9781843626008 | A Kangaroo discovers a wonderful dance called the Cancan and wants to open his own Cancan Cafe. |
| 4559 | Kangaroos hop Moriarty, Ros & Balarinji (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742379159 | If you are very quiet, you'll see the kangaroos hop, the birds fly and the echidnas shuffle across the land and down to the water's edge, where a crocodile lies sleeping. Be very quiet now. |
| 2354 | Karana Kirk, Uncle Joe & Casey, Greer & Harrold, Sandi (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2014 | 9781743623138 | These are my chicks, I love them a lot. I will stay with them, no matter what. |
| 22982 | Kaya's heart song Sanders, Diwa Tharan, & Canzi, Nerina (ill) | Lantana Publishing | 2018 | 9781911373223 | Kaya is looking for her heart song - the song that happy hearts sing. Her search takes her on a journey deep into the jungle where a broken down carousel waits for a very special song to make it turn again. |
| 2490 | Keeping up with grandma Winch, John | Scholastic Australia | 2000 | 9781865041629 | Grandma decides that she and Grandpa should do things together such as sailing, horse riding, tobogganing and dancing. Grandpa has trouble keeping up so perhaps they are better off with their individual hobbies, painting and making cakes. |
| 916669 | Keeping up with the Dachshunds Fitzgerald, Carla & Challenger, Rebel (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503756 | This funny story is about a dog who just can't keep up is about the difficulties in trying to fit in with the cool crowd. |
| 1423914 | Kerfuffle, The Perrin, Clotilde | Gecko Press | 2025 | 9798765688656 | This is the story of Kitty and Pup, who get along like cat and dog. It's the story of a kerfuffle. And a wall that goes up, up, up until... Lift the flaps and peek through the gaps! |

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| 1124702 | Kevin the sheep Harvey, Jacqueline & Scott, Kate Isobel (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2024 | 9781761048951 | Kev is a sheep, not like all the rest. While he spends all his time trying to 'find himself' he learns so many wonderful new talents. Luckily for the herd, one of these new talents comes in handy one night. If Kevin becomes a hero, does this mean he is now accepted as part of the herd? A hilarious picture book for young and old with a powerful message about how being unusual or different is not always a bad thing. |
| 8130 | Kick it to me McMullin, Neridah & Hudson, Peter (ill) | One Day Hill Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9780980794861 | This is an illustrated, historical account of Tom Wills who was the principal founder of Australian Rules Football. Tom was inspired by the game of Marn-grook, a game played by the people of the Djab Wurrung tribe of the Gariwerd Grampians in Victoria, near the town of Moyston, where Tom spent his boyhood in the early 1840s. |
| 5248 | Kick with my left foot Seden, Paul & Briggs, Karen (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2014 | 9781743313442 | I pull the sock on my left foot. I pull the sock on my right foot. I lace up the boot on my left foot. I lace up the boot on my right foot. It's time for footy. |
| 4541 | King of Quizzical Island digs through the world Snell, Gordon & McKee, David (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406312140 | The King is to prove that the world is round, so he makes a spade with a diamond blade and starts digging. |
| 1085 | King pig Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781742834955 | King Pig had everything he could wish for except for one thing - being liked by his subjects and he just couldn't understand why not, no matter how hard he tried. The facial expressions and extra detail in the illustrations all provide added meaning. |
| 22992 | King with dirty feet, The Clayton, Sally Pomme, & Sanderson, Rhiannon | Otter-Barry books | 2018 | 9781910959237 | The king hasn't had a bath for a whole year. He is starting to smell! When he finally bathes in the river, he can't get his feet clean. Who can solve the problem of the king's dirty feet? |
| 12482 | King with horse's ears, The Maddern, Eric & Hess, Paul (ill) | Frances Lincoln | 2003 | 9780711219571 | No-one knows about King Mark's ears except his barber who is sworn to secrecy. Keeping the secret drives the barber to the doctor who advises him to whisper the secret to the ground. But sooner or later, truth will come out. |
| 846171 | King's birthday suit, The Bently, Peter & Powell, Claire (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2021 | 9781408860144 | The king has clothes for every occasion, but he never seems to have enough. When his birthday is around the corner the king decides he must have something special. Something stunning. Two tricky tailors promise the king something amazing and something which no one will forget. |
| 4068 | Kip Booth, Christina | Windy Hollow Books | 2009 | 9781921136405 | Mrs Bea knows that Kip is special but, when he starts to crow, the neighbours certainly don't think so. |
| 12409 | Kipper's toybox Inkpen, Mick | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 1993 | 9780340580493 | Someone or something has been nibbling a hole in Kipper's toybox. |

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| 12156 | Kiss for Little Bear, A Minarik, Else Holmelund & Sendak, Maurice (ill) | HarperTrophy | 1984 | 9780064440509 | Grandmother sends a kiss back to Little Bear as a thank you for her drawing. The kiss is passed from animal to animal with hilarious results before it finally makes it way to Little Bear. |
| 15108 | Kiss kiss Wild, Margaret & Strevens-Marzo, Bridget (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2003 | 9781877003516 | Little hippo is in such a rush to play, he forgets to kiss his mother goodbye. As he runs through the jungle, he sees his friends kissing their mums and feels the needs to find his own mum as soon as possible. |
| 63500 | Kiss like this, A Anholt, Catherine & Laurence | Frances Lincoln | 2008 | 9781845078621 | The little lion cub loves lots of different types of kisses, except for one. Just as well daddy lion is there to rescue him and give him the right sort of kisses. |
| 12843 | Kiss that missed, The Melling, David | Hodder & Stoughton | 2004 | 9780340797181 | The King blows his son a kiss but it misses. The kiss bounces out into the forest and a hapless knight is sent to retrieve it. Now the knight must find the royal kiss and survive whatever else he may encounter on his quest. |
| 18339 | Kisses for Daddy Watts, Frances & Legge, David (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2005 | 9781877003783 | It is time for good night and bed but Baby Bear is grumbly and refuses to give Daddy a kiss. |
| 649013 | Kisses in your heart Bestulic, Sonia & Bevington, Nancy (ill) | Big Sky Publishing | 2019 | 9781925675924 | I close my eyes, and always know, Mum's kisses follow where I go. A tender and simple bedtime blessing carries all Mum's heartfelt love inside. Her kisses rest in the heart - always there to help heal hurts, overcome fears and unlock inner courage. |
| 110129 | Kitten's first full moon Henkes, Kevin | Simon & Schuster | 2006 | 9781416911098 | Kitten sees the moon and thinks it's a bowl of milk. Her attempts to reach it prove disastrous. |
| 1252859 | Kittens do not care for baths Rutstein, Ali; Nill, Nina | Bright Light Books | 2024 | 9781761213274 | Maya is playing, imagining she is a kitten and when dad calls, she says she doesn't need a bath. Can dad tempt her with some warm milk then a bath, maybe even something else she loves best about bathtime! |
| 7621 | Knuffle bunny Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2004 | 9781844280599 | Trixie leaves her soft toy rabbit, Knuffle Bunny, at the laundromat and cannot tell her dad about it because she has not yet learnt to talk. After much searching, they find the treasure in one of the machines and Trixie utters her first words. |
| 1220 | Knuffle Bunny free Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406336498 | Trixie and Knuffle Bunny are on their first trip overseas. It becomes a disaster when Knuffle Bunny goes missing. |
| 903056 | Koala Ark King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2022 | 9781761128257 | Through the smoke, in a tiny battered boat, Koala sets out to rescue the billabong friends. |
| 32261 | Koala bare French, Jackie & Shanks, Matt (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2017 | 9781460751619 | For too long koalas have been called bears. But this koala is out to prove to the world that he is BARE! And that never, ever, ever can a koala be called a bear. |
| 11349 | Koala Lou Fox, Mem & Lofts, Pamela (ill) | Penguin | 2002 | 9780734304537 | Now that she has brothers and sisters, Koala Lou is worried that her mother won't have enough time to say, ""Koala Lou, I do love you"". |

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| 10251 | Koalas eat gum leaves Bunting, Laura & Philip, Bunting (ill) | | 2017 | 9781742991832 | Koalas eat gum leaves. That is most koalas. One koala has had enough and discovers ice cream. Will he be happy now? |
| 903356 | Koko and the coconut Pitt, Turia & Vaite, Celestine & Tavaearii, Emilie (ill) | Penguin | 2023 | 9781760892944 | Today is Koko's big day. He must leave his cosy shell and climb up, up, up the coconut tree to get a juicy, scrumptious coconut. His friends cheer him on but, once Koko has his coconut, how can he open and eat it? |
| 12825 | Kookaburra school Morris, Jill & Gall, Heather (ill) | Great Glider Productions | 2002 | 9780947304645 | Kookaburra fledglings learn skills from a Wise Old Bird and discover how to share their territory with other animals and people. |
| 5762 | Kookaburras love to laugh Bunting, Laura & Philip, Bunting (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742769660 | It is no laughing matter when you are the most serious bird in the borough. Kookaburras love to laugh. They laugh when it is sunny, or rainy, or windy. They laugh for no reason at all. When one serious kookaburra decides to flee the jokers, and goes to find a more suitable flock, he finds that perhaps he might just be in the right place after all. |
| 21860 | Kookoo Kookaburra Dreise, Gregg | Magabala Books | 2015 | 9781921248900 | Kookoo, a kind and well-loved kookaburra, is famous for entertaining the other bush creatures with his funny stories about them, without hurting their feelings. But, when Kookoo turns to teasing about his friends' differences, he alienates them until he finds himself alone and ignored. Kookoo is forced to remember his uncle's wise words and change his ways. |
| 916648 | Kora Kerplunk's travelling tongue Smith, Emily S & Olczyk, Peter (ill) | Larrikin House | 2021 | 9781922503206 | Kora Kerplunk is a real wild child who likes to lick disgusting stuff. One day, her poor tongue gets fed up and runs away. It travels all around the world, tasting delicious cuisines and trying brand new flavours, while Kora struggles with her new tongue-free life. Will Kora be able to change her gross ways and convince her tongue to come back home? |
| 1424025 | Kurrartuwarnti brolgas Nixon, June | Indigenous Literacy Foundation | 2024 | 9781922592545 | In the wet season, a family of brolgas make their nests in the long grass. They look after their eggs, search for food, and dance together. Written in Walmajarri and English, the story is about brolgas nesting, dancing, and defying any foes who might want to eat them up. |
| 1231021 | L.O.L: G.O.A.T laughs out loud Temple, Kate & Temple, Jol & Challenger, Rebel (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781760261153 | This is Goat. He loves to laugh out loud. But Duck can't make a LOL that will make anyone LOL! Can Goat help? |
| 38926 | La la la: A story of hope DiCamillo, Kate & Kim, Jaime (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781406378009 | A little girl stands alone and sings, but there is no response. So, gathering her courage and curiosity, she skips out into the world, calling to the trees and the pond and the reeds. But will anyone sing back to her? |

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| 1096850 | Ladybirds do not go to day care Rutstein, Ali & Nill, Nina (ill) | Bright Light Books | 2023 | 9781761213113 | It's the first day of day care, but Ravi's dressed up as his favourite insect and he is quite certain that ladybirds do not go to day care. In fact, this ladybird would rather stay home and eat aphids. Can an anxious and unsure Ravi find the bravery he needs to take flight? A spirited, funny and empowering picture book to encourage even the most nervous of children to spread their wings and try something new. |
| 3083 | Lamb-a-roo, The Kimpton, Diana & Beardshaw, Rosalind (ill) | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2007 | 9781862336575 | The lost and lonely little lamb has been loved by a kangaroo but we wonder what will happen when the little lamb realises how different he is from his mum. |
| 53670 | Lame duck protest Alexander, Goldie & Gaudion, Michele (ill) | IP (Interactive Publications Pty Ltd) | 2009 | 9781921479137 | A family discovers an injured duck at the local reserve. In response to development plans to build a shopping centre in the reserve, local residents launch a protest to protect this natural environment, naming their protest for the lame duck who becomes the mascot for the demonstrations. |
| 2932 | Last Anzac, The Winch, Gordon & Bailey, Harriet (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2015 | 9781925059298 | Alec Campbell was the last living Anzac. He enlisted at the age of sixteen and ended up in Gallipoli. Before Alec died in 2002, young James was lucky enough to meet him. |
| 995944 | Last-Place Lin Chim, Wai & Chiu, Freda (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781761067754 | Lin's excited about her first school sports day until she comes last. A reassuring celebration of the spirit to keep going from award-winning author Wai Chim and acclaimed illustrator Freda Chiu. |
| 12000 | Laura's star Baumgart, Klaus | Koala Books | 1998 | 9780864611321 | Laura is often lonely and longs for a friend of her own. One night, Laura sees a falling star. She mends its broken tip and tenderly puts it on the pillow beside her. She tells it all her secrets and believes that she has found a friend at last. |
| 5478 | Lazy Dave Jarvis | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2015 | 9780062355980 | Dave is a dog. He loves to sleep all day long. Lilly thinks Dave is the laziest dog in the world. But, maybe, Dave isn't quite as lazy as Lilly thinks he is. Find out what Dave really does all day. |
| 3632 | Lazy friend, The Badel, Ronan | Gecko Press | 2014 | 9781927271414 | In a vast jungle, snake, bird and frog are playing cards in a tree. Above them, a sloth sleeps quietly, bothering no one. When the tree collapses to the ground, sloth is still clinging to a branch, even when it is loaded onto a truck. Snake slithers over to the truck and conceals himself. As the truck navigates the jungle, the log, the sloth and the snake dislodge and begin floating down the river. A wordless picture book. |
| 49233 | Leaf King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2008 | 9781741691160 | An almost wordless, picture book which tells the story of a happy little boy who hates having his hair groomed. A bird drops a seed into his unruly mop and soon, with the help of the sun and the rain, a seedling sprouts. |

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| 24078 | Leaky story, The Sillett, Devon & Tortop, Anil (ill) | EK Books | 2017 | 9781925335392 | A book sits abandoned on a living room shelf. While the Blossburn family happily gets on with other things, like watching TV and playing video games. At last the book can't take it any longer. Slowly it starts to swell, then it starts to leak! |
| 638732 | Leaping Lola Hawkins, Tracey & Tortop, Anil (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594591 | Lola loves to dance. She flounces and bounces all day long, practising for the Black and White Ball. But she is a brown Jersey cow, not a black-and-white cow. Can she disguise herself and have a spin on the dance floor? |
| 6355 | Learn with Ruby Red Shoes: Alphabet book Knapp, Kate | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2018 | 9781460756904 | A is for angels, flying above and around. Their softest of wings make barely a sound. Have fun learning the alphabet with Ruby Red Shoes - everyone's favourite hare! |
| 6361 | Learn with Ruby Red Shoes: Counting book Knapp, Kate | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2018 | 9781460756911 | One is for me. I'm one of a kind. I'm separate from you and I know my own mind. Have fun learning how to count with Ruby Red Shoes - everyone's favourite hare! |
| | Learning Ladders series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 15317 | Leaving Germein, Katrina & Bancroft, Bronwyn (ill) | Penguin | 2003 | 9780143500490 | Saying goodbye to friends is never easy but there is joy in the giving and receiving of presents that are truly loved. Richly illustrated with simple paintings that reflect the giving of gifts. |
| 815332 | Leilong the library bus Liu, Julia & Lynn, Bei (ill) | Gecko Press | 2021 | 9781776573318 | The children are late for storytime at the library. Ever helpful, Lei the enthusiastic dinosaur can get them there one time! Lei's small head is the only part of him that fits so he must listen through the window. But he gets so excited by the story, he starts to shake the building. Lei's love of stories risks destroying the library until the children decide to take the books outdoors. This library-loving picture book reminds us how it feels to be transported by story. And what first seems a problem for Lei the dinosaur becomes a triumph. |
| 1304649 | Lemon for Safiya, A Shafei-Ongu, Jemima & Chantanakom, Nisaluk (ill) | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734422224 | A little girl and her family help a lost and confused stranger to find her way home. |

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| 4687 | Lenny & Lucy Stead, Philip C & Stead, Erin E (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760292119 | Peter and his father are moving to a new house beyond the dark unfriendly woods. When they arrive, Peter wants to turn back. Fortunately, he has Harold, his dog, for company. Scared of the things hidden in the woods, Peter makes a tall pile of pillows. He stiches and sews. He pushes and pulls. He makes Lenny, Guardian of the Bridge, to protect him. Then, he makes Lucy, to keep Lennie company. Together, Lenny, Lucy, Peter and Harold discover that this new place isn't so scary after all. |
| 24435 | Leo the littlest seahorse Wild, Margaret & Denton, Terry (ill) | Viking Children's | 2010 | 9780670073559 | In the warm waters of the coral reef, one hundred and one baby seahorses learn the ways of the world. They curl around coral and flutter their fins, except Leo, the littlest seahorse, who is always a bit behind. But, when a hungry groper approaches, Leo proves that he, too, is capable of big things. |
| 640231 | Leonard doesn't dance Watts, Frances & Watson, Judy (ill) | ABC Books | 2019 | 9780733333040 | All the birds are excited about the Big Beaky Bird Ball - except Leonard. His warble-warble waltz with the magpies is more wobble-wobble, and his caw-caw can-can with the crows is a can't-can't. The puffins are prancing, the rosellas are rocking and you should see the flamingo go-go-go! Everyone is jumping and jiving, but not Leonard. Leonard doesn't dance. Then an unexpected encounter changes everything ... |
| 625010 | Leonard the lyrebird McLeod, Jodie & Short, Eloise (ill) | King Street Press | 2018 | 9780994450753 | Leonard is friends with everyone - and boy can he sing! But will his singing talents impress the one friend he really wants? In a story about friendship, bravery and being yourself, join this charismatic bird as he searches for the song that will change his life. |
| 15353 | Leonardo's dream De Beer, Hans & Miller, Marisa (trans) | North South Books | 2004 | 9780735819276 | Leonardo, the penguin, has a dream, he wants to fly. The other penguins laugh at him but Leonardo does not give up. |
| 5817 | Lessons of a lac Jenkins, Lynn & Lonergan, Kirrili (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2018 | 9781925335828 | Loppy the LC has learned his whole life to look out for danger. Looking out for what can go wrong is all he knows - until Loppy meets Curly Calmster. Curly teaches Loppy that he doesn't have to look out for the everyday worst-case scenarios all the time. |
| 9823 | Let me sleep, sheep! McKinlay, Meg & Rudge, Leila (ill) | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781925381887 | When Amos starts counting sheep, there's one thing he doesn't quite count on...How he's supposed to sleep when the sheep land in his bedroom? |
| 804782 | Let's build a house Lucas, Mike & Parton, Daron | Lothian Books | 2021 | 9780734420329 | Slip on your overalls, Pop on your hard hat and jump in the digger-let's build a house! A step by step look at how a house is constructed from floor to roof. |
| 22862 | Let's count goats Fox, Mem & Thomas, Jan (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2010 | 9780670075058 | Come on a counting, rhyming adventure with chomping goats that increase in number throughout the book. |

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| 12096 | Let's eat Zamorano, Ana & Vivas, Julie (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2004 | 9781862912762 | Gazpacho, roast pollo, empanadas - a Spanish mother's lunchtime meal is not complete unless the whole family is together. One day, mum is the missing family member at lunchtime in this story of the daily life of a Spanish family. |
| 2583 | Let's get a pup Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744575743 | Despite their unconventional clothing, tattoos and piercings, this family is very loving. Every member has a valued place. They choose Dave, the puppy, over a larger dog, Rosie. The family will have to leave Rosie at the rescue centre. |
| 12066 | Let's go home, Little Bear Waddell, Martin & Firth, Barbara (ill) | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744581720 | Big Bear and Little Bear love to keep each other company. As the two bears return home from a long walk through the snowy woods, Little bear is having a wonderful time until he hears a noise that makes him shiver. |
| 46414 | Let's go to sleep Wild, Margaret & Dawson, Michelle (ill) | Working Title Press | 2013 | 9781921504440 | Go on a journey around the world to visit baby animals as it is time to go to bed. |
| 2587 | Let's go visiting Williams, Sue & Vivas, Julie (ill) | Working Title Press | 2000 | 9781876288044 | Let's go visiting and see who's ready to play - one foal, two calves, three kittens, four piglets, five ducklings, and six puppies. Favourite animal babies in a counting adventure. |
| 1166482 | Let's try again another day Barkla, Charlotte & Goodwin, Jade (ill) | Hachette Australia | 2024 | 9780734422019 | Learning and making mistakes is how all new things learnt begin. Stepping always starts unsteady, new skills come when we are ready. If you are young or getting older succeeding in learning comes with mistakes no matter who you are. You will feel happy, sad or even angry along the way but you can try again another day. |
| 1209815 | Lethal lizards Dreise, Gregg | Magabala Books | 2024 | 9781922777294 | Join a variety and lizards and goannas in a creation story that celebrates difference and highlights the value of self-belief. |
| 659811 | Liarbird Bunting, Laura & Philip, Bunting (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781743831571 | Liarbirds learn to lie from the day they hatch. They are the best in the push at fibbing, faking, fabricating and fake-news creating. Until one lyrebird decides to go straight, and discovers that sometimes even the truth hurts. |
| 26559 | Library book, The Chapin, Tom; Mark, Michael, & Groenink, Chuck | Simon & Schuster | 2017 | 9781481460927 | How boring it is when it is raining on the weekend, there is nothing on television and dad is still asleep after a late night working. Well not really, when there is a visit to the library and the world comes to life with incredible characters and places, all just waiting to be picked up and read. Pinocchio, the Cat in the Hat, the Cheshire Cat, Babar, Madeline, Winnie the Pooh and many others make an appearance. The endpapers provide a musical rendition which can also be found with different illustrations at https://youtu.be/bxuPVpJRouQ . |

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| 23361 | Library Lily Shields, Gillian & Chessa, Francesca (ill) | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2011 | 9781862338302 | Spring, summer, autumn, winter, morning, noon and night; Lily is always reading. The only adventures she's interested in are the ones inside her book and in her head. Then, one day, she meets Milly, who declares that she hates reading but loves to have real adventures. A bookworm and an adventurer seem worlds apart. |
| 71774 | Library lion Knudsen, Michelle & Hawkes, Kevin (ill) | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406305678 | A lion suddenly appears in a public library, but its presence is unexpectedly tolerated by the busy staff, so long as no one breaks any library rules. The illustrations offer clues as to the lion's origins, not mentioned in the written text. |
| 1038937 | Life in a hollow Gullan, David; Houghton, Suzanne | CSIRO | 2023 | 9781486316342 | Have you ever wondered how a hollow in a tree forms, who might call it home? From tiny ants all the way to birds and possums, this story shows how important a little hole in a tree can be the Australian ecosystem. |
| 958 | Light, The Oliver, Jo | New Frontier Publishing | 2013 | 9781921928413 | The darkness and howling of the wind as a storm develops, the lighthouse and the cottage warm and safe, lighting up the darkness. Then a knock at the cottage door. |
| | Lighthouse keeper's series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 43637 | Lilli-Pilli the frog princess Farrer, Vashti & Swan, Owen (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741696202 | Lilli-Pilli is the loveliest of her royal siblings, albeit with frogs' legs. As with all fairytale princesses, the finding of a suitable husband for Lilli-Pilli is paramount for the King and Queen, and her supreme jumping skills don't hold much sway. Princess lessons in fencing, horse riding and ballroom dancing all come to nothing due to Lilli-Pilli's frogs' legs, with suitors falling by the wayside. |
| 11914 | Lily and the fairy house Tanner, Jane | Penguin Books Australia | 2012 | 9780670075102 | Lily knows that fairies live near the gum tree. She has created a fairy house and, now, Lily's preparing a fairy party. |
| 6187 | Lily's balloon Roe, Katrina & Magisson, Helene (ill) | Wombat Books | 2018 | 9781925563399 | When Lily finds a beautiful, big, shiny balloon she wants to keep it forever. But what if somebody else needs it more? |
| 86575 | Lin Yi's lantern Williams, Brenda & Lacombe, Benjamin (ill) | Barefoot books | 2009 | 9781846861475 | Tonight is the moon festival and Lin Yi wants nothing more than a red, rabbit lantern. But, first, he must buy the things his mother needs at the market. |
| 593293 | Linda Jackson's rainbow menagerie Jackson, Linda | Scribe Publications | 2018 | 9781925322132 | I live in the rainforest. I have a spectacular tail that I raise over my head when I sing and dance. A kaleidoscopic introduction to native Australian animals. |

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| 5608 | Line up, please Ohmura, Tomoko | Gecko Press | 2015 | 9781877579998 | Standing in a line can be dull but not when you mix together a tiger, a skunk, a frog, a sheep, a sloth and many other animals. I wonder where they're going. |
| 764190 | Ling Li's lantern Heron, Steve & Johnson, Benjamin (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2020 | 9781925227673 | This beautiful picture book tells the story of Da Zhi and his three children. To test their wisdom, Da Zhi sends them on a quest. Jingming and Miao make excellent choices, but it seems Ling Li is too distracted by the activities of the markets to make a choice that will please her father. The story is a lovely depiction of how kindness matters and that true wisdom comes from your heart. |
| 8999 | Lion and the bird, The Dubuc, Marianne | Book Island | 2015 | 9780994109873 | One autumn day, a lion finds a wounded bird in his garden. With the departure of the bird's flock, the lion decides that it's up to him to care for the bird. They become good friends. But, the following autumn, the bird departs with his flock and Lion wonders what will become of their friendship. |
| 12276 | Lion in the meadow, A Mahy, Margaret | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 1989 | 9780140506303 | Your mother does not believe that there is a lion in the meadow but, to keep you happy, she gives you a matchbox with a dragon in it to scare the lion away. But the lion is not imaginary, it is really there. |
| 4114 | Lion inside, The Bright, Rachel & Field, Jim (ill) | Orchard Books | 2015 | 9781408331590 | Poor little mouse cannot make himself heard in the jungle. He is trod on, sat on and worst of all forgotten. One night he realises what he needs is a roar, like Lion, who everyone knows who he is. Mouse decides to approach Lion for advice but he is in for a surprise. |
| 4513 | Lion is a lion, A Dunbar, Polly | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406371536 | Is a lion still a lion if he wears a hat? And carries an umbrella, too? And is a lion still a lion if he says, "Oh yes, lunch would be lovely, thank you." And he asks you for a BITE? |
| 18621 | Lion sleeps tonight, The Solomon, Linda & Devries, Shane (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781741698077 | In the jungle, the quiet jungle, the lion sleeps tonight. Hush my darling, don't fear my darling, the lion sleeps tonight. Sing and act out this well-known song. |
| 47103 | Lion who wanted to love, The Andreae, Giles & Wojtowycz, David (ill) | Orchard Books | 2009 | 9781860399138 | Now lions are usually fierce And lions are meant to be strong, But Leo just wanted to love everybody And play with his friends all day long! |
| 938703 | Lionel and me Fenton, Corinne & Grimwood, Tracie (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2022 | 9781922326607 | When Lionel arrives, Maverick is unimpressed. Is there enough love to go round for the two of them? |
| 705688 | Lisette's green sock Valckx, Catharina | Gecko Press | 2020 | 9781776572847 | One day Lisette finds a pretty green sock. She's delighted until others begin to tease her saying that socks should come in pairs. What use is one sock? Her friend Bert helps her see the situation in a new way and together they find the perfect solution. |

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| 1124676 | Listen, Hippo! Evans, Gabriel | Puffin Australia | 2024 | 9781761341700 | Billy is feeling sad. he wishes he had someone to talk to. He thinks what he needs is someone to listen. But his best friend, Hippo, believes he knows exactly what Billy needs. |
| 1153343 | Little Axel's axolotl Maclver, Juliette & Nielsen, Christopher (ill) | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781760656195 | Axel adores his axolotl and Harris lives a life of ease: warm and cosy and cuddled. But Harris has a secret dream and is about to surprise everyone! |
| 12396 | Little bat Cox, Tania & McLean, Andrew (ill) | Working Title Press | 2000 | 9781876288099 | Little bat has to be very brave. She's never flown before and everyone has to encourage her. |
| 903323 | Little bat: Up all day Lies, Brian | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2022 | 9780358269854 | Little Bat is so curious about what happens during the day that he challenges himself to stay up all day. He meets a new friend, Rusty the squirrel, who helps show him around but can Little Bat stay up all day and can he stay friends with his diurnal buddy? |
| 12158 | Little Bear Minarik, Else Holmelund & Sendak, Maurice (ill) | HarperTrophy | 2003 | 9780064440042 | Mother and Little Bear speak to each other with gentle teasing. The book includes 'Birthday soup' in which Little Bear, fearing that his mother has forgotten his birthday, cooks for all his friends. Encourages independent reading. |
| 94371 | Little beauty Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406308662 | Gorilla is lonely and is given a friend, a kitten called Beauty. They are very happy together until one night, enraged while watching the movie, 'King Kong', gorilla smashes the television. The two animals are in big trouble with the keepers who threaten to separate them. |
| 33513 | Little bit, A Maniaty, Christine & Peter & Richards, Claire (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2008 | 9781862918009 | Growing up can be pretty confusing. Sometimes, you're too short or too tall, too fast or too slow and you can feel happy or sad, clever or silly. Maybe, you're just all of these things a little bit of the time. |
| 1370105 | Little book of Australian nursery rhymes, The Lessac, Frane | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781761601231 | A selection of nursery rhymes with an Australian twist taken from The Big Book of Australian Nursery Rhymes, also by the author. |
| 14359 | Little brothers are Norling, Beth | Puffin Australia | 2007 | 9780143502111 | Little brothers can be tiny, cuddly, smelly and sad. They can be bouncy, lumpy, sticky and brave. Every little brother is different, but we love them all the same. |
| 54033 | Little cat and the big red bus Godwin, Jane & Walker, Anna (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2008 | 9780670071722 | Cat has to catch the bus to school with her sister but her sister sits with her friends and Cat is left to sit alone. One day, when her sister is sick, Cat must catch the bus home on her own. She falls asleep and wakes up to find herself alone in the dark. |
| 18324 | Little crooked house, The Wild, Margaret & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | ABC Books | 2005 | 9780733315824 | The crooked little house moves from place to place with its inhabitants, trying to find the perfect place. |

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| 1145 | Little dinosaur, The Hoy, Catriona | Working Title Press | 2012 | 9781921504396 | In a time before Australia existed, a little dinosaur with big eyes roamed the Antarctic forests, nibbling on cycads and ginkgoes. One day the little dinosaur fell and hurt her leg. She struggled to keep up with her herd. Time passed and the world changed, but the discovery of the little dinosaur's leg bone millions of years later, meant that she would not be forgotten. |
| 4926 | Little dog and the Christmas wish Fenton, Corinne & Cowcher, Robin (ill) | Black Dog Books | 2014 | 9781742032368 | Little Dog is left at home during a storm and, when thunder crashes, he escapes the backyard to find his best friend for comfort. It is Christmas Eve, the streets are busy and he soon loses his way. |
| 37013 | Little dog and the summer holiday Fenton, Corinne & Cowcher, Robin (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781925381160 | The summer holidays stretch out forever. Little Dog and his family set off with their caravan. A delightful story about the way family holidays used to be. |
| 16649 | Little dragon, The Fox, Mem & Harvey, Roland (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2011 | 9780670028740 | A tiny sneeze, a puff of smoke, a washing line and a major disaster. |
| 43520 | Little elephants Base, Graeme | Puffin Australia | 2012 | 9780670076475 | The wheat is ripe but the harvester is broken and a plague of locusts is on the way. It looks as if Jim and his mother may lose the farm. But, when Jim show kindness to a stranger, their fortunes are set to change in the most surprising way imaginable. |
| 678944 | Little engine that could, The Piper, Watty & Santat, Dan (ill) | Grosset and Dunlap (Penguin Putnam) | 2020 | 9780593094396 | I think I can, I think I can, I think I can, I think I can, said the little engine and he did. What would you be able to do if you really believed in yourself? |
| 10947 | Little engine that could, The Straw, Wendy | Brolly Books | 2008 | 9781921346576 | With a little help from friends and a positive attitude, there is no problem which can't be solved. |
| 941931 | Little fear, The Scriven, Luke | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2023 | 9780008559168 | One night, Sam lets in a little fear. He's sure it won't be any bother. But before he knows it, the fear has grown and grown and grown. Until even the sunniest of sunny days doesn't feel very sunny any more. There's only one thing for it. Sam must try and be a little bit brave.... |
| 18672 | Little home bird Empson, Jo | Child's Play International Ltd | 2016 | 9781846438905 | Little Bird loves everything about his home. He's surrounded by his favourite branch, his favourite food, his favourite view and his favourite music. He doesn't want to change, even when his brother tells him that they must. |

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| 1019878 | Little horses Kelly, Deborah & Goodman, Jenni (ill) | Wombat Books | 2024 | 9781761111310 | Beneath the waters of a calm bay, seahorses hide from predators, feed on shrimp and raise their young in gardens of sponge, coral, and grass. But when a storm destroys their habitat, they are left with nothing to eat and nowhere to hide. That is, until a Marine Biologist comes up with a clever invention to provide them with shelter and food while the natural environment recovers. The little horses have a new home where they can thrive! Soon, tiny horses are swimming and the hotel is overgrown with coral and grass. Inspired by true events and including information about seahorses and the Seahorse Hotels Project, Little Horses is a conservation success story certain to inspire children to love and care for the natural world." |
| 12309 | Little Humpty Wild, Margaret & James Ann (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2003 | 9781877003165 | Big Humpty and Little Humpty are a mother and baby camel who live in the desert. Then, the day comes when Little Humpty must have some friends of his own to play with, so they set off together to the Great Waterhole. |
| 43478 | Little i Hall, Michael | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2017 | 9780062383006 | When Little i's dot falls off, rolls down a hill, over a cliff, and into the sea, Little i sets out on a journey to rescue it. With a playful focus on the alphabet, spelling, and simple punctuation, this charming and suspenseful quest story about letters, self-confidence, belonging, and growing up is a great choice for the classroom, library story-hours, and bedtime. |
| 32467 | Little koala lost Kwaymullina, Blaze & Racklyeft, Jess (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2016 | 9781742991283 | Little Koala is lost in the bush and he sets out to find a home. He asks so many creatures if he can live with them but they all have a reason why he can't. Koala is very sad until he finally gets accepted. |
| 19112 | Little meerkat Darlison, Aleesah & Melville, Shannon (ill) | Wombat Books | 2014 | 9781921632822 | Little meerkat may be tiny but he's also very brave. Perhaps a little too brave. |
| 48275 | Little Miss Muffet counts to ten Chichester Clark, Emma | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842709559 | In the original nursery rhyme, the spider frightened Miss Muffet away. Well, not this time. The spider asks her to stay and, to be polite, she does. And then come the animals - two, three, four, five - bearing gifts, delicacies and decorations. |
| 12132 | Little Miss Spider at Sunny Patch School Kirk, David | Callaway | 2000 | 9780733613180 | Little Miss Spider is off to her first day at Sunny Patch School and she is so excited. She gobbles her breakfast and runs all the way. But poor Little Miss Spider can't do the new lessons. She begins to doubt if there is anything she can do well. |
| 54492 | Little mouse, the red ripe strawberry, and the big hungry bear, The Wood, Audrey & Wood, Don (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2006 | 9780859530125 | The little mouse will do anything to save his big, ripe strawberry from the big, hungry bear. |

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| 846109 | Little Nic's big world Naitanui, Nic & Anaya, Fatima (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9781761066061 | When Nic's Bubu (Grandma) helps him make a cassava cake for the school fete, he tries very hard to keep it safe, but there are a lot of distractions. |
| 95343 | Little old man who looked up at the moon, The Allen, Pamela | Puffin Australia | 2012 | 9780670075812 | One evening, the little old man looked up at the moon and wondered whether the sky went on forever, where we come from and why we are here. The next morning, his wife put on her best bonnet and her red coat, and set off to find the answers. |
| 15104 | Little one step James, Simon | Walker Books | 2004 | 9781844284672 | When you're small, it can be hard to keep up, especially when you're lost and your legs feel all wobbly. One little duck learns that every journey begins, and ends, with one little step. |
| 1211 | Little one, The: The story of a red-tailed monkey Litchfield, Katie Afrika | Black Dog Books | 2009 | 9781742030906 | When Kaitie was four years old, she travelled with her mother to Uganda, where her mum was to study chimpanzees. One day, a two-week old orphaned red-tailed monkey was bought to their sanctuary. As the adults were all busy working with other chimps, Kaitie was placed in charge of caring for the tiny monkey. |
| 751159 | Little pirate queen, The Garland, Sally Anne | New Frontier Publishing | 2021 | 9781921928833 | Lucy sails across the sea fixing and mending her small rickety raft hoping to reach Far Away Island. But when a gigantic wave sweeps all the other children away, except Lucy, The Little Pirate Queen is determined to rescue everyone no matter what. |
| 12107 | Little platypus Hilton, Nette & Rycroft, Nina (ill) | Koala Books | 2000 | 9780864612724 | When a little native animal hatches from an egg beside a river, he feels lonely. He doesn't know where he belongs. How can he find a friend who is just the same? Help Little Platypus discover who he really is. |
| 1019811 | Little Puggle's Christmas Conley, Vikki & Magisson, Helene (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2023 | 9781922326812 | Christmas in the Australian bush is Puggle's favourite time of year. All the animals return to decorate the oldest tree, and to prepare for the big day. Every year, Puggle tries to help. But even though Puggle tries hardest, none of the special Christmas jobs seem to suit him. In despair, Puggle waddles off to his special place where he makes a Christmas wish on the first shooting star...but is it actually a shooting star? And what is stuck in the billabong? Can Puggle save Christmas and make his Christmas wish come true? |
| 654413 | Little puggle's song Conley, Vikki & Magisson, Helene (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594690 | A lonely echidna searches for his voice. Every time Puggle tries to make sound nothing comes out. Can Puggle find his voice and join the bush choir? |
| 12302 | Little red bear Matthews, Penny & Pignataro, Anna (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2003 | 9781865045375 | When Hanna sees a little red bear sitting alone on a wall, she is sure someone has lost him. Hanna leaves the bear there but she can't stop thinking he may be lonely, cold or afraid of the dark. In the end, Hanna takes matters into her own hands. |

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| 25987 | Little Red Train: busy day Blathwayt, Benedict | Random House Children's Books | 2008 | 9780091798727 | All aboard. The Little Red Train is in for a very busy day. There's post to deliver, rails and sleepers for the new track, a flock of sheep for Hilltop Farm, and lots of passengers for Barnacle Bay. Includes a diagram of how a steam engine works. |
| | Little Red Ute series Lewis, Mitch & Ziersch, Nahum (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 35377 | Little sisters are Norling, Beth | Puffin Australia | 2007 | 9780143501947 | Little sisters can be tiny, cuddly, smelly and sad. They can be bouncy, lumpy, sticky and brave. Every little sister is different, but we love them all the same. |
| 5766 | Little stowaway, The Bennett, Vicki & Suwannakit, Tull (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742993072 | France, Winter 1918. The First World War is over. A brave and determined little French orphan Honore, wanders through the snow, cold and hungry and lost. When he stumbles on the Australian Flying Corps and meets airman, Tim Tovell, his life is changed forever. |
| 15318 | Little Tawny Dale, Kim | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780734407566 | From the author's true experience of raising a Tawny Frogmouth. Little Tawny, a baby frogmouth, falls out of the nest and can't fly back to her mother. She is rescued and teaches children and adults about respecting all creatures. |
| 1096874 | Little things, The Harrison, Penny & Sommerville, Hannah (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2023 | 9781761211263 | The joy in watching clouds for hours, finding life between the flowers. Secrets written in a book, treasures tucked inside a nook... A tender-hearted celebration of the comfort and place to be found in life's simplest moments. |
| 1051107 | Little treasure Gosper, Chanelle & Goldsmith, Jennifer (ill) | Lothian Books | 2023 | 9780734421494 | A sweet and gentle book that celebrates the bond of mother and daughter. Together they explore a deserted beach and revel in the joy of collecting treasure, only to discover that the best treasure is not something that can be stored in a bucket or held in a hand. |
| 37979 | Little tree Long, Loren | Philomel Books | 2015 | 9780399163975 | In the middle of a little forest lives a Little Tree who loves the splendid leaves that keep him cool in the heat of long summer days. When Autumn arrives, the other trees drop their leaves, facing the cold winter head on. But, year after year, Little Tree hugs his leaves as tightly as he can, although they are now brown and withered. As Little Tree sits in the shadow of the other trees, he remembers when they were all the same size. He knows he has an important decision to make. |

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| 12284 | Little white dogs can't jump Whatley, Bruce | HarperCollins Australia | 2002 | 9780207198830 | Smudge and his family have got a problem to solve. Smudge's legs are so short that he can't jump into the car. One child works out some very clever ways get Smudge into the car, but none of them work. Finally, Mum solves the problem. |
| 7582 | Little wing Battersby, Katherine | University of Queensland Press | 2016 | 9780702254000 | On the smallest island, in the tallest tree, lived the world's smartest animal. But, there are some things that even the world's smartest animal doesn't know. |
| 846264 | Little wombat's Easter surprise Fuge, Charles | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760654269 | It's Easter time. Little Wombat is searching for eggs when somebody rushes past. It's not Rabbit, or Koala, so who can it be? A delightful tale about how a special Easter someone shows Little Wombat how important it is to share with your friends. |
| 70549 | Littlest dinosaur and the naughty rock, The Reid, Camilla & Foreman Michael (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2010 | 9781408802663 | The littlest dinosaur is in a bad mood. He sulks, shouts and throws his food on the ground. When he's sent to the naughty rock, he gets a bit of a surprise and some very helpful advice on how to handle his sulkiness. |
| 32929 | Littlest dinosaur's big adventure, The Foreman, Michael | Bloomsbury | 2009 | 9780747589839 | When the littlest dinosaur goes for a walk, he does not expect to find himself in the middle of a big, dark forest. Soon, he is very frightened. But, when he finds someone else who is afraid, the littlest dinosaur knows he has to be brave. |
| 846091 | Little bilby's Aussie bush Christmas Mes, Yvonne & Pratt, Jody (ill) | Lothian Books | 2021 | 9780734420404 | A group of little bilbies are hunting for decorations to turn their Australian bush home into a magical Christmas wonderland. Join them on their adventure and meet some friendly Australian animals along the way. |
| 51001 | Lively Elizabeth Bergman, Mara & Thomas, Cassia (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2010 | 9780340988046 | Lively Elizabeth is spirited, cheeky and very much a handful. Watch events unravel when Elizabeth, unwittingly, starts a chain reaction she can't control. |
| 12462 | Lizzie Nonsense Ormerod, Jan | Little Hare Books | 2004 | 9781877003592 | Lizzie Nonsense and her mother are left alone in the Australian bush while her father is away working. Despite the hard work and isolation, Lizzie, a playful and imaginative little girl, finds joy in everyday things. |
| 51813 | Lizzie's list Walter, Nadine & Greban, Quentin | Myriad Books Limited | 2004 | 9781905606276 | Lizzie loves making clothes for her friends and neighbours. Even some of the larger animals in the woods want Lizzie to make them some clothes and, with a little help, she can reach high enough to take their measurements. |
| 961902 | Llamas in pyjamas Cosgrove, Matt | Koala Books | 2021 | 9781760978457 | Meet Dharma the Llama, she is a 'Baby Sitter extraordinaire', she cares for everyone. Will twins Tru and Tori challenge Dharma? They do not like to go to bed, can Dharma get them ready for bedtime? |
| 1209944 | Lobsters can't knit Courtney, Karla & John Frith, Nicholas (ill) | Berbay Publishing | 2024 | 9781763571808 | To guard against the cold of the ocean, Lobster needs a jumper. Lobster wants to knit a jumper of his own, but his big claws make it impossible. How can Lobster and his sea creature friends solve this problem? |

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| 720949 | Lola and grandpa Kwok, Ashling & Low, Yvonne | Little Pink Dog Books | 2020 | 9780648652809 | Every Sunday Lola visits her Grandpa. They spend the day exploring the universe and teaching each other about the world. But then one day everything changes. Grandpa isn't there anymore. Lola struggles to deal with the loss. But as time goes by Lola realises that her Grandpa will always be with her - in her heart and in the memories they made. |
| 19278 | Lonely giant, The Ambrose, Sophie | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406361544 | The forest giant likes nothing better than smashing, bashing and pulling up trees. But, when all the birds and animals disappear, the giant is very sad and lonely. He misses the crackling warmth of a fire and the sweet songs of the birds. The lonely giant sets out to restore what used to be. |
| 1484259 | Lonely Lunch Club, The Mara, Maddy | Affirm Press | 2026 | 9781923419308 | One lunchtime, Benji goes to the worst bench in the whole school instead of playing footy. There he meets a girl named Alice and a spider named Mabel. And Mabel needs their help! But can Benji and Alice do it alone? |
| 11928 | Long red scarf, The Hilton, Nette & Power, Margaret (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 1992 | 9781862911529 | Grandpa loves the long, woolly blue scarf that his friend, Jake, wears on their fishing trips. He asks Great Aunt Maude and Cousin Isabel to knit him one but they're too busy. In the end, Grandpa knits the scarf himself. |
| 2667 | Long wait, The Wilson, Budge & Fernandes, Eugenie | Stoddart Publishing, Stoddart Kids | 1997 | 9780773730212 | Deirdre does not have a sleek, velvet coat or a lean and graceful body. But to the Wilsons, she is a very special cat. Whenever they come home, she is always there waiting on the mat in the front hall. Until one day, a terrible thing happens. |
| 50970 | Look out, Suzy Goose Horacek, Petr | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406307139 | Suzy Goose wanders through the wood, unaware that she is being followed by a hungry fox, who is followed by a hungry wolf, who is stalked by a hungry bear. Just as well a wise owl comes to the rescue. |
| 63650 | Look see, look at me Norrington, Leonie & Huxley, Dee (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781741758832 | Rhyming text and flowing illustrations capture the exuberance of a little boy who feels so big at three. |
| 2833 | Look, a book Gleeson, Libby & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2011 | 9781921541803 | In a dreary, underprivileged, contemporary world, two ragamuffins stumble across a book in the dust and their world begins to change. The familiar becomes fantastical, the mundane becomes magical and a fractured community finds a focus. |
| 12077 | Looking for crabs Whatley, Bruce | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1999 | 9780207177712 | A family goes to the beach to look for crabs. We can see where the crabs are hiding but the family in the book just can't seem to find them. |
| 18529 | Lost and found Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2005 | 9780007150359 | A young boy finds a penguin at his door. He doesn't know where it came from or who it belongs to. The penguin looks sad so the boy thinks he is lost and decides to help the penguin by rowing to the South Pole. |

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| 593305 | Lost dads home, The Veille, Eric & Martin, Pauline (ill) | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925584912 | When a young boy accidentally loses track of his dad, he sets out to find him at the Lost Dads Home. It is a fascinating place filled with all kinds of lost dads, most of them in fairly good condition. But will the boy be able to find his dad among them? |
| 647162 | Lost homework, The O'Neill, Richard & Beautyman, Kirsti (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2019 | 9781786283450 | Sonny devotes his weekend to helping his neighbours and fellow Travellers with a variety of tasks. He uses many skills, from calculating the amount of fuel needed for a journey, to restoring a caravan. In fact, the only thing he doesn't do over the weekend is his homework - his workbook is missing! What will his teacher say? |
| 750989 | Lost library, The McGeachin, Jess | Puffin Australia | 2020 | 9781760892715 | When Oliver finds a lost library book in his new bedroom, he decides to return it. But how do you find a mysterious hidden library? With the help of a new friend, of course . . . |
| 36671 | Lost stars, The Cumming, Hannah | Child's Play International Ltd | 2011 | 9781846434167 | The world is busy, bright and full of noise, powered by electricity. The stars are fed up and decide to take a holiday. No-one notices until the power fails and the search is on to find the missing stars. |
| 995890 | Lots of things to know about weather Bone, Emily & Gaigalova, Katia (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2023 | 9781803701349 | Lots of things to know about weather. Discover incredible facts about weather events all over the world. Use the book title to see links online of weather videos and experiments. |
| 13876 | Louie the pirate chef Mitchell, Simon & Wood, Ben (ill) | Working Title Press | 2011 | 9781921504235 | Louie would rather be a chef than a pirate. When Captain Blackheart and his crew are busy raiding another pirate ship, Louie can only think about herb-crumbed fish fillets and lemon jelly cheesecake. No one is very impressed with Louie, until they find themselves deserted on an island with plenty of treasure but no food. |
| 21450 | Love from Grandma Tanner, Jane | Viking Children's | 2010 | 9780670074099 | When Emily and her family move, she has to leave her beloved grandma behind. Grandma gives her a strawberry plant to remind her of the fun they have together in the garden. While she waits for Grandma to visit, the strawberry plant grows and starts to flower and then fruit, until Grandma finally arrives, bringing the best present of all. |
| 1424108 | Love is bigger than the sky, My Pignataro, Anna | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781761528620 | In the brambly forest Oli asked, 'Mummy, how much do you love me?' 'More than the whole world and everything in it,' said Mummy. From best-selling author and illustrator, Anna Pignataro, comes a tender-hearted story about infinite love. |
| 1115428 | Love we share, The Carty, Jack & Carty, Natasha (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781760266356 | The love we share is everywhere. The love we share is magic. The love we share will be there, forever, you and I. Celebrate the enduring gift of family love. |

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| 22783 | Love, Splat Scotton, Rob | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2008 | 9780060831578 | It's Valentines Day. Splat has a crush on Kitten but, whenever they meet, she pulls his ears, ties his tail and calls him smelly. His classmate, Spike, who has his own crush on Kitten, does his best to convince Splat that Kitten doesn't return his affections. Fortunately, Kitten knows that, when it comes to Valentine's Day cards, bigger isn't always better. |
| 4643 | Lovely old lion Jarman, Julia & Varley, Susan (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2015 | 9781467793100 | Lenny the lion loves his grandpa, King Lion. But, when King Lion starts to forget things, Lenny begins to worry. He can't understand why grandpa keeps getting muddled and doesn't want to play any more. Lenny doesn't know what to do but, with a little help from grandpa's old friends, perhaps he can find a way to help him remember. |
| 37856 | Lu-Lu's wish Zurbo, Matt | Lothian Books | 2008 | 9780734410177 | This is the story of Lu-Lu who wants to do something specially creative in the world. But, no matter how hard she tries, she seems to find that being special is not for her. She finds an ordinary stone in the creek which becomes very special and it turns into a love heart which she wears with pride. |
| 835 | Lucas and Jack Royce, Ellie & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Working Title Press | 2014 | 9781921504662 | Every week Lucas' mum visits Great Grandpop at the nursing home. And every week Lucas waits for her outside. Waiting is boring, until Lucas meets Jack. |
| 574300 | Lucia and Lawrence Francis, Joanna | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594157 | Lucia is creative. Lawrence loves numbers. Can they find the middle ground and stay friends? |
| 6793 | Lucky and Spike MacDonald, Norma | Magabala Books | 2019 | 9781921248177 | Spinifex hopping mice, Lucky and Spike, dodge a greedy cat and a hungry owl in this risky night-time adventure! |
| 995922 | Lucky shack, The Baldovino, Apsara & Falkner, Jennifer (ill) | Working Title Press | 2023 | 9781922033154 | A seaside shack surrounded by natural beauty is lovingly cared for by a fisherman, until one day everything changes. Unveiling a timeless message of hope, The Lucky Shack is a heartfelt and uplifting journey through the seasons and the cycle of life. |
| 23490 | Lucy and the dragonfly Papinaeu, Lucie & Hamel, Caroline (ill) | Auzou US Publishing | 2018 | 9782733856208 | Lucy is a little girl who has a close relationship with nature. She loves to play in the fields of flowers. And when she sings, the brook by her house sings with her. But when fall comes, and the leaves are covered with dark spots instead of bright colours, Lucy knows that something is wrong. Will her friend, the dragonfly, be able to help? |
| 3049 | Lucy Goosey Wild, Margaret & James, Ann (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2007 | 9781921049873 | It's time for young Lucy Goosey's flock to migrate but she is reluctant to commit to the dangerous journey into the unknown. Lucy hides and then assumes she has been abandoned by her mother. But, Mother has stayed behind and she and Lucy make a pact to always be there for each other. |

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| 3056 | Lucy's book Prior, Natalie Jane & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | Lothian Books | 2017 | 9780734416599 | Lucy loves to read, but there is one special book that she borrows from the library over and over again. The book is shared with her friends, dropped in the ocean, flown to China and even made into a banana sandwich. When her favourite book goes missing, Lucy, her friends and family go on a mission to find her a copy. |
| 587125 | Luis and Tabitha Campisi, Stephanie & Mengert, Hollie (ill) | Familius | 2018 | 9781641700405 | Luis is an alley cat who has everything figured out, until he meets Tabitha, a beautiful indoor cat. Separated by a tragic glass door, Luis will do anything to be with Tabitha-even brave the dangers of a fire. |
| 641375 | Lulu Donaghey, Georgie & Finn, Ann-Marie (ill) | Wombat Books | 2017 | 9781925563078 | Lulu's life was quite cosy and nice, with mountain of fish and even more ice. But something was missing, something wasn't quite right. She dreamed of the stage, she yearned for the lights. |
| 15148 | Luurnpa: the magical kingfisher Napangarti, Bai Bai & Nicholls, Christine (ed) | Working Title Press | 2003 | 9781876288242 | A dreamtime narrative belonging to the Kukatja people of how Luurnpa rescues people from a drought and takes them to the country they now call home. Includes background notes and a map of the region. |
| | Macca the alpaca series Cosgrove, Matt | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 26536 | Mad about dinosaurs Andreae, Giles & Wojtawycz (ill) | Orchard Books | 2004 | 9781408337103 | Some of them have huge long necks And some have giant jaws, So come into the swampland And let's meet the dinosaurs! |
| 6798 | Mad magpie Dreise, Gregg | Magabala Books | 2016 | 9781925360066 | The cheeky butcher birds always tease Guluu and he's becoming a very mad magpie. When Guluu heeds the advice of his Elders and ignores the birds, they just laugh at him. But, Guluu tries again and, this time, he stands proudly at the riverbank and remembers how he used to sing when he was having a bad day. Winner Book of the Year Award Speech Pathology Australia 2018 (Indigenous Children Category) |
| 580939 | Maddie's first day Matthews, Penny & Anelli, Liz (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781925381351 | It is Maddie's first day of school and she has everything ready - her uniform, shoes, socks and hat. But there is one special thing that Maddie can't leave behind - her blanky! |

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| 41496 | Madeline Finn and the library dog Papp, Lisa | Old Barn Books | 2017 | 9781910646328 | Madeline Finn does not like to read. Not books. Not magazines. Not even the menu on the ice cream van. Fortunately, Madeline Finn meets Bonnie, a library dog. Reading out to Bonnie isn't so bad. When Madeline Finn gets stuck, Bonnie doesn't mind. As it turns out, it's fun to read when you're not afraid of making mistakes. Bonnie teaches Madeline Finn that it's okay to go slow, to keep trying, and to get support from a friend. |
| 15123 | Madlenka Sis, Peter | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2000 | 9781865082936 | Madlenka has exciting news to share with her friends and neighbours. Set in Paris, Madlenka travels the neighbourhood which is rich in cultural diversity. |
| 1423793 | Maggie the dragon Armstrong, Tony & Beukers, Emma Sjaan (ill) | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734422187 | Maggie the Dragon's job is to guard the most FARAWAY edges of the kingdom. She's not afraid of any creatures, big or small, even the SCARY ones. The problem is, other creatures are sometimes scared of MAGGIE. When disaster is imminent, will Maggie be able to convince everyone that she is there to help and not to harm? |
| 6168 | Maggie's monsters Clayton, Coe & Soye, Alison (ill) | Black & White Publishing | 2018 | 9781785301773 | Maggie loves monsters, but she is bored of her toy monsters and would much prefer a real one to play with. Perhaps on her trip around Scotland she'll find one! Using her trusty binoculars, Maggie discovers an abundance of Scottish wildlife. A highland coo, a grey seal and even a golden eagle, but they are not the monster she's searching for. Eventually Maggie spots the perfect monsters to play with, but it's not quite what she expected! |
| 7615 | Magic beach Lester, Alison | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 1992 | 9781741144888 | On Magic Beach, children do all their favourite things, jumping waves, building sandcastles, beachcombing, exploring rock-pools and enjoying a fantasy world of white horses, dragons, pirates, sharks and smugglers. |
| 6330 | Magic bookshop, The Prior, Natalie Jane & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | ABC Books | 2018 | 9780733338328 | Anything can happen in the magic bookshop. On rainy afternoons, when it's too wet to play outside after school, Ben goes to his grandfather's bookshop. But with secret doors and passages, and tigers under the floorboards, there's much more going on than Ben could ever have imagined. |
| 11997 | Magic donkey ride, The Andreae, Giles & Cabban, Vanessa (ill) | Orchard Books | 2002 | 9781841219240 | Treacle is a donkey who lives on a farm and is close friends with Flinny. One night, Flinny discovers that Treacle is no ordinary donkey. |
| 11464 | Magic hat, The Fox, Mem & Tusa, Tricia (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2002 | 9781865044620 | People take on the characteristics of animals, with the help of the magic hat. The story is told in the pictures as well as in the text. |

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| | Magic school bus series, The Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 750978 | Magnificent Mabel and the rabbit riot Quayle, Ruth & Christians, Julia (ill) | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2020 | 9781788005944 | Sometimes life isn't fair for Mabel Chase. Like for instance she doesn't have one single pet in her whole life. And all the people in her class are losing their baby teeth. And she doesn't even have a sprinkler in her garden. But none of that matters in the end because Mabel is still magnificent. |
| 6747 | Magnificent tree, The Bland, Nick & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2012 | 9781742832951 | Bonny and Pop are bursting with ideas. Pop's ideas are big and brave while Bonny's ideas are simple and clever. When they two of them decide to make something that will attract the birds, they come up with ideas for a tree. A brave tree, a clever tree, a magnificent tree. |
| 4818 | Magpie learns a lesson Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ezekiel & Erzinger, Tania (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2015 | 9781742990590 | Magpie is cross because she can't fly like her friend, Brown Falcon. She thinks of mean tricks that will make Brown Falcon look silly. But, Magpie goes too far and finds out just how much friends need each other. |
| | Maisy series Cousins, Lucy | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 587887 | Major organs Poray Goddu, Krystyna | World Book | 2019 | 9780716634348 | Your body is amazing. Learn about all the body parts that keep it working and discover a few gross facts too. |
| 12151 | Make way for ducklings McCloskey, Robert | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 1999 | 9780140564341 | After raising her ducklings on a secluded island, Mrs Mallard leads them to the Boston Public Garden to eat peanuts. |

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| 5117 | Malala's magic pencil Yousafzai, Malala | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2017 | 9780241322567 | As a child in Pakistan, Malala made a wish for a magic pencil that she could use to redraw reality. She would use it to give gifts to her family, to erase the smell from the rubbish dump near her house, to sleep an extra hour in the morning. As she grew older, Malala wished for bigger and bigger things. She saw a world that needed fixing. And even if she never found a magic pencil, Malala realized that she could still work hard every day to make her wishes come true. The true story of one girl's wish for a better world. This beautifully illustrated picture book tells Malala's story, in her own words, for a younger audience and shows them the worldview that allowed her to hold on to hope and to make her voice heard even in the most difficult of times. |
| 7272 | Mallee sky Toering, Jodi & Harricks, Tannya | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781925381672 | An extremely timely and beautiful picture book about the effects of drought and climate change in the Mallee. The first people of the land call the Mallee "Nowie". It means sunset country. When the sun goes down the red heat of the day bleeds into the sky and sets it on fire. Drought and rain -- life under a Mallee Sky. This poetic text by emerging author Jodi Toering is beautifully accompanied by lush oil paintings by fine artist and illustrator Tannya Harricks. |
| 17039 | Malu kangaroo Morecroft, Judith & Bancroft, Bronwyn | Little Hare Books | 2007 | 9781921272028 | Malu kangaroo came to the seaside, made the first surfboard for the children and taught them how to ride it. It is his gift to all children who love the sea in this modern Dreamtime style story. |
| 4022 | Mama and Hug Darlison, Aleesah & Charlton, Heather (ill) | Wild Eyed Press | 2016 | 9780987505460 | When Hug first climbs out of his mother's pouch it is spring deep in the Australian bush. The trees are in blossom and new green growth is everywhere. As Hug grows, the season changes to the sharp dry crackle of summer. One day danger comes to the bush and Mama must flee to protect her baby, Hug. |
| 18444 | Mama Panya's pancakes Chamberlain, Mary & Rich & Cairns, Julia (ill) | Barefoot books | 2005 | 9781905236633 | Adika invites all their friends for pancakes but Mama Panya is worried that she does not have enough money to feed them. |
| 916604 | Mama's chickens Worthington, Michelle & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | EK Books | 2023 | 9781922539458 | Mama is not herself anymore. Sometimes she gets tired and sad but she always loves to look after her children and her chooks. Join Mama, Chooky LaLa and the other backyard chickens in this warm-hearted exploration of what happens when memory fails but love goes on forever. |
| 1019729 | Mama's sleeping scarf Adichie, Chimamanda Ngozi & Grace-James, Nwa & Avelino, Joelle (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2023 | 9780008550073 | Chino loves the scarf her mother ties around her hair at night, and takes it on endless adventures during the day as a reminder of the ones she loves. |

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| 587826 | Mamie McCartney, Tania | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2018 | 9781460755860 | In a land far away, where fairies, pixies and elves live deep in the woods, a baby girl is born. Her parents call her Mamie. Mamie loves to sing and dance and paint with her magical woodland friends. Her days are like a fairy tale. But when Mamie's family move to Australia, she misses green fields drenched with rain. The hot skies and dusty plains of her new home turn Mamie's world upside down. Will she ever find new fairy friends in this strange and beautiful land? |
| 942714 | Mammoth Kemp, Anna & Beer, Adam (ill) | Simon & Schuster | 2021 | 9781471191596 | A mammoth is released from the ice after thousands of years to find himself in a modern, busy city. Everything is strange and he sets out to find his herd, but it looks like he is the last mammoth in the world. |
| 5019 | Mammoth in the fridge, A Escoffier, Michael & Maudet, Matthieu (ill) | Gecko Press | 2012 | 9781877579158 | Noah discovers a mammoth in the fridge. At first, his father doesn't believe him but the evidence is too strong. They call the fire department but the mammoth slips past their net and hides in a tree. Only Noah's little sister knows where the mammoth came from. |
| 29952 | Man who loved boxes, The King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2007 | 9781865048376 | People thought that the man was strange, even a bit crazy, but the man didn't mind and neither did his son because they had a special way of showing their love for each other. |
| 12248 | Man whose mother was a pirate, The Mahy, Margaret | Penguin | 1996 | 9780140554304 | This is the story of Sam, an accountant and his first trip to the seaside with his ex-pirate mother. |
| 28985 | Mannie and the long brave day Murray, Martine & Rippin, Sally (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781741758863 | Mannie is going on an adventure. She's taking her favourite elephant, Lilliput, and her doll, Strawberry Luca. And, she hasn't forgotten her special box of secret things, just in case the adventure gets adventurous. |
| 617342 | Maple the Brave Harris, Chloe Jasmine | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781925381924 | Maple lived deep in the forest, in a treehouse, nestled high above the ground. No one knew how she got there or where she came from, but nevertheless, there she was. |
| 6329 | Mapping Sam Hesselberth, Joyce | HarperCollins Australia | 2018 | 9780062741226 | As Sam follows her customary path, wandering farther and farther away from home, readers encounter different kinds of maps illuminating different points of view and the various spots Sam visits. Finally, when Sam reaches her favorite place and confirms that all is well, she heads back home, climbs onto a cozy bed, and falls asleep. |

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| | Marine life for young readers series Swartz, Stanley L & Yin, Robert (phot) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 855340 | Market day Gallasch, Carrie & Sommerville, Hannah (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2022 | 9781760504076 | When a girl is given a coin to spend at the market, she thinks carefully about what to buy. She is tempted by the towering stacks of fruit, spinning rides and glass jars filled with sweets. But it isn't until a stranger gives something to her, without expecting anything in return, that she knows exactly what to do with her coin. |
| 1276 | Marlo can fly Vescio, Robert & Temple, Sandra (ill) | Wombat Books | 2013 | 9781921632419 | Everyone expects Marlo to fly, but she would rather slither like a snake, hop like a kangaroo and swim like a crocodile. But when someone needs her help, can she rise to the challenge. |
| 6922 | Marmaduke duck and the marmalade jam MacIver, Juliette & Davis, Sarah (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781869439286 | Marmaduke Duck makes marmalade jam, which sends the animals crazy, chasing the jam around the farm. |
| 50663 | Martha doesn't say sorry Berger, Samantha & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Little, Brown & Co | 2009 | 9780316077286 | Martha is good at doing lots of things, like hugging, sharing and reading. One thing that Martha is not good at is saying sorry. |
| 31864 | Martha, no Hardy, Edward & Allwright, Deborah (ill) | Egmont Childrens | 2010 | 9781606842669 | Martha May has already been through ten nannies in the past year and now there is a sparkling new nanny, Miss Harrington-Chive. Nanny is quite confident with her skills until they take an excursion to the city, where they lurch from disaster to disaster. When Martha puts her babysitter through test after test, they become separated. |
| 7650 | Marty's nut-free party Roe, Katrina | Wombat Books | 2012 | 9781921633362 | Marty loved to party. At every party, Marty was the first to arrive and the last to leave. That was before Marty found out that peanuts make him sick. Really sick. Parties aren't so much fun for Marty now that he keeps ending up in hospital. How can Marty and his friends make their parties safe and fun for everybody? |
| 21247 | Marvellous mummy Poli, Katie & Poli, Giuseppe (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594188 | My mummy is cuddly and snuggly and warm. Mums can be funny and friendly and gentle and strong all in one day! |
| 6370 | Marvin and Marigold: A stormy night Carthew, Mark & Prescott, Simon (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594225 | On a wild and stormy night Marvin and Marigold are scared. The wind rattled windows, whistled and whirled as lightning bolts cracked and thunderclaps swirled. Will they make it through the night? |

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| 886327 | Mary and Marcus: The crazy dance and other stories Dubosarsky, Ursula & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2022 | 9780733339844 | Mary is the happiest panda in the world. She loves to sing and dance and play the ukulele. But sometimes things get out of hand! Lucky she has her best friend, Marcus the snake, to help her out. |
| 34345 | Mary's penny: a wise and witty tale Landman, Tanya & Holland, Richard (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406330779 | This is a story of one farmer, his three children, Franz, Hans and Mary, and an ingenious competition to determine who should inherit the farm. The farmer's children are asked to fill the house with something that costs a mere penny. |
| 2880 | Mate and me Loakes, Jennifer & Elliot, Belinda (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2015 | 9781922081506 | Two families have moved in, one upstairs and one downstairs. The boy from upstairs plays in the yard but he is shy and doesn't join in my games. The family downstairs is a secret family and no one knows where they came from. When the downstairs family disappears, a strange note is found and a trail of silver treasures leads out of the garage. |
| 11925 | Matilda's cat Gravett, Emily | MacMillan | 2013 | 9781447218623 | Climbing trees, playing with wool, Matilda is sure her cat will love these things, but he doesn't seem very enthusiastic. She thinks up new ways to amuse her reluctant playmate. Tea parties, dressing up or what about a nice bike ride. |
| 60646 | Matty in a mess Moss, Miriam & Simmons, Jane (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842708125 | Matty is a very orderly, tidy bear who lives with his not so orderly, untidy sister. One day, when a strong wind turns everything upside down, Matty finds himself in a bit of a mess. |
| 35465 | Maudie and Bear Ormerod, Jan & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2010 | 9781921541407 | Maudie and Bear are the 'bestest' of friends, even if Maudie does boss Bear around a bit. |
| 8874 | Max Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744589054 | Despite his cape, mask and his parents' encouragement, Max just can't seem to be a flying super hero like the rest of his family. Even his school friends' taunts don't help him to get off the ground. When a baby bird needs help, Max can be a real hero. |
| 502 | Max and Ruby in Pandora's box Wells, Rosemary | Puffin Australia | 1998 | 9780140564150 | In this witty story, Max nearly comes to grief when he takes a peek into sister Ruby's jewellery box. |
| 7349 | Max and the doglins Montgomery-Highan, Amanda | Child's Play International Ltd | 2007 | 9781846430435 | When Max the dog steals an egg from his best friend Beryl it leads to a midnight visit from the mysterious Doglins. How can he makes things right? |
| 79261 | Max's bath Lindgren, Barbro & Eriksson, Eva (ill) | Gecko Press | 2008 | 9781877467042 | Max loves his bath and playing with all his toys but Dog is not keen to join him. |
| 55302 | Max's chocolate chicken Wells, Rosemary | Puffin Australia | 2000 | 9780140566727 | Ruby found the eggs but Max took the chocolate chicken. Max is a bit of an anti-hero. |
| 638743 | Max's dinosaur feet! Spasevski, Lana & Pratley, Penelope (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594638 | Max has dinosaur feet. He must not wake the baby. Stomp! Stamp! Smash! Oh dear! How can he and his family keep their feet quiet, and the baby asleep? |
| 12274 | Max's dragon shirt Wells, Rosemary | Puffin UK | 2000 | 9780140567274 | Max's sister, Ruby, is taking him to replace his favourite old blue pants but Max wants a shirt with a dragon on it. |

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| 49038 | Max's wagon Lindgren, Barbro & Eriksson, Eva (ill) | Gecko Press | 2008 | 9781877467035 | Max takes teddy and Dog and all his toys on a wagon ride. Dog is good at finding lost things, all except for this one. |
| 806914 | Maxine Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781406387636 | Maxine is born to the Thunderbolt family who have a cape and mask and boots all ready for her to wear. Maxine grows quickly and has many ideas of who she would like to be as she gets older, but what if this means she does not wear a cape? |
| 567912 | Maya & cat Magerl, Caroline | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781921977282 | On a roof, as wet as a seal, as grey as a puddle, Cat was rumbling, a rumbly purr. What does a cat want most? Feather boas? Pretty pink shoelaces? A boatful of fish under a tiny tin sail - or perhaps something much more valuable? |
| 774456 | Maybe... Houghton, Chris | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781406385526 | 3 little monkeys are warned by Mummy Monkey, beware of the tigers! They want to find the mangoes. Are there tigers hiding in the jungle near the mango tree? |
| 8201 | Me and my cat Kitamura, Satoshi | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842707753 | Late one night, an old lady with a pointed hat climbs through Nicholas' bedroom window. She brandishes a broom, fires out some words and leaves. It's puzzling at the time, but not nearly as puzzling as what happens when Nicholas wakes up the next morning. |
| 580943 | Me and my fear Sanna, Francesca | Flying Eye Books | 2018 | 9781911171539 | When a young girl has to move countries and start at a new school, her fear tells her to be alone and afraid. How can she hope to make friends if she doesn't understand anyone? Surely no one else feels the same way? |
| 12105 | Me and my mum Heiss, Anita & Davis, Jay (ill) | Indij Readers | 2003 | 9780975064016 | A young Koori girl and her Mum shop, eat, work and dance together. A positive look at the everyday life of a mother and daughter. |
| 596832 | Me and my sister Robbins, Rose | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760524456 | My sister and I love to spend our days together, eating meals, going to school and playing. But life with an autistic sibling is not always easy. |
| 15517 | Me and Priscilla get ready Schreiber, Aunty Deanna & Roberts, Rochelle & Luxton, Peter | Indij Readers | 2004 | 9780975064054 | A day in the life of a little girl and her sequined snake, Priscilla. |
| 959 | Me and you Holmes, Janet A & Rossell, Judith | Little Hare Books | 2008 | 9781921272547 | Rabbit loves doing all sorts of things, climbing a tree, standing on his hands and turning somersaults. But, the best thing about being himself is that he can be with his best friend, Mouse. |
| 1052 | Me and you Kelly, Deborah & Blair, Karen (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2017 | 9780670079247 | I love our sandy-sandwich days, our racing, seagull-chasing days. I love our arty-crafty days, our cut-and-paste and colour days. Winner Book of the Year Award Speech Pathology Australia 2018 (3-5 Years Category) |

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| 1237047 | Me and you Royce, Ellie & Pratley, Penelope (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2025 | 9781922696502 | Come and join in on a day of joyful discovery, where treasured memories are made, connection is celebrated, and sharing love is as simple as holding hands. A gently humorous book which celebrates the simple joys of being together with someone you love. |
| 4503 | Me too Geraerts, Erika & Laubscher, Charl & Murray, Andrew (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781925381900 | Two little friends discuss the someones they want to find when they grow up. Perhaps they've met them already. |
| 5705 | Me, Oliver Bright de Kantzow, Megan | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781862917156 | Oliver Bright, in Year 3, has an assignment about his family history. He looks at three generations, sharing his life and the lives of his father and grandfather. Oliver finds out just how much life has changed since they were young. For Oliver, getting milk is as easy as driving to the shops but it was very different for his dad and grandfather. |
| 2616 | Me...Jane McDonnell, Patrick | Little, Brown & Co | 2011 | 9780316045469 | The story of the young Jane Goodall's childhood and the pleasures and interests that eventually led her to Africa and her famous study of chimpanzees in the wild. It all started with a stuffed toy chimpanzee named Jubilee. |
| 1277981 | Meatball goes to school Jellett, Tom | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760655648 | Meatball is the newest member of our family. And he loves eating everything. But when he ate Mum's slippers, he was sent to Dog School. It seems that Meatball has done so well at Dog School, that now he's going to MY school. With me! |
| 587881 | Medical robots Kingsley Troupe, Thomas | World Book | 2018 | 9780716693314 | Robots have been on TV and in movies for years, check out what some robots are doing now! They can be fun and helpful. |
| 28748 | Meerkat choir Greenberg, Nicki | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760290795 | Attention, meerkats! Choir practice is about to begin. But who are all these pesky animals interrupting the rehearsal? They're not meerkats! They cannot be in a meerkat choir! It's no wonder the Meerkat Choirmaster is getting very, very, very cranky! |
| 903263 | Meerkat Christmas Parker, Aura | Penguin | 2022 | 9780143777229 | Hip Hooray! It's Christmas Day! Come on meerkats, let's all play. Jumping, leaping, up,up,up! Meerkat pup on pup on pup. Join our ten meerkat friends as they play a wobbly Christmas game. But who makes them crash? |
| 1209863 | Meerkat mayhem Fox, Mem & Horacek, Judy | Puffin Australia | 2024 | 9780143777687 | After eating a large meal Meerkat finds himself stuck in his burrow. Will his animals friends rally to the rescue? |

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| 995934 | Meet Mim Severgnini, Sandra | EK Books | 2023 | 9781922539557 | Dive down to the world of the sandy seabed and meet one of the ocean's masters of disguise! Is it a jellyfish? Is it a sea star? Is it perhaps a sting ray? Can you guess which creature it is that can change colour, shape and even skin texture in so many amazing ways?" |
| 1209886 | Meet the mubbles Pichon, Liz | MacMillan | 2025 | 9781035068326 | Something ODD has landed on the Isle of Smile. But WHAT is it? (Good question.) Can the Mubbles solves the mystery in time before the colour disappears from their world... forever? |
| 2827 | Meg and Mog Nicoll, Helen & Pienkowski, Jan (ill) | Puffin UK | 1975 | 9780140501179 | We meet Meg the well-meaning witch, her cat, Mog, and her owl, called Owl. Not all Meg's spells turn out as expected. |
| 15321 | Meg on the moon Nicoll, Helen & Pienkowski, Jan (ill) | Puffin UK | 1976 | 9780140501209 | Mog wants a birthday treat so Meg and Mog go to the moon in a flying saucer. |
| 12492 | Meg up the creek Nicoll, Helen & Pienkowski, Jan (ill) | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2002 | 9780140568936 | Meg, Mog and Owl go out in their canoe to hunt for supper. They can't find any thing to eat so Meg makes a powerful spell and they get more than they bargained for. |
| 12218 | Meg's car Nicoll, Helen & Piernkowski, Jan (ill) | Puffin UK | 1978 | 9780140502596 | When Meg the witch, her cat, Mog, and Owl decide to go on a picnic, it is easier to take the broomstick than the new car. |
| 6432 | Melissa's octopus and other unsuitable pets Voake, Charlotte | Walker Books | 2014 | 9781406353006 | Follow Melissa, her friends and all their rather unsuitable pets. There are certain animals that make suitable pets, like a cat, a dog or a guinea pig. Then, there are other animals that definitely make unsuitable pets. Find out why. |
| 21211 | Melowy: Dreams come true Star, Danielle | Scholastic US | 2018 | 9781338151749 | Melowies are small pegasuses born with hidden magic powers. Somewhere behind the clouds is the Castle of Destiny where Melowies find friends, learn courage and learn what they are meant to be. |
| 21212 | Melowy: Song of the moon Star, Danielle | Scholastic US | 2018 | 9781338151763 | The Medowies, young pegasuses, are putting on a school musical. One Medowy, Selena, doesn't want to participate so her friends try and help her overcome her nerves. |
| 916633 | Meowster chef Speedie, Sarah & Verola, Marina (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503954 | Tonight is the night. The show of the year. Only one of these cats will win the chef's crown. Will it be Pompous Pierre, Jinx, Belle or Lou? Lights! Camera! Action! With a splash of hijinks and a dash of drama, will any of these contestants make it? Or will their big ideas go up in flames? |
| 652809 | Mermaid! Hutchings, Maggie & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925870282 | When a day at the beach reveals Lena's secret worries, her smile goes away. Even ice cream doesn't make it better! So Luka sets out to find something - or someone - to help...a beautiful mermaid! |

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| 29026 | Merry everything McCartney, Tania | Windy Hollow Books | 2017 | 9781922081704 | It's Christmas Eve and the world is buzzing with busy. With baubles to hang, shimmer to drape, and scrumptious treats to prepare, enjoy this peek inside the festive homes of animals all over the world. From deer baking gingerbread, to elephants gobbling candy canes and ducks snapping crackers, join these adorable creatures as they celebrate the togetherness that is Christmas. |
| 4846 | Mervin the sloth is about to do the best thing in the world Venable, Colleen AF & Chan, Ruth (ill) | HarperCollins US | 2016 | 9780062338471 | Mervin the Sloth is about to do best thing in the world. Can you guess what it is? "Flying!" says the bird. "Gazelling!" says the gazelle. "Digging!" says the prairie dog. Hurry up, Mervin! But Mervin moves so slowly. Are you patient enough to wait? |
| 19501 | Michael Bradman, Tony & Ross, Tony (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842709115 | Michael, intelligent, wilful and eccentric, drives all his teachers to distraction with his non-conformist behaviour and attitudes. He is always late, he's scruffy and he never seems to do the right thing. There seems to be no hope for Michael but the story has a twist to it. |
| 846262 | Michael Rosen's Sticky McStickstick Rosen, Michael & Ross, Tony (ill) | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781529502404 | Who would think a stick could be your best friend and a symbol of hope and recovery. In this book you meet Sticky McStickstick. He is the friend that helped Michael to walk again. This is a true story about getting better after being sick with covid. |
| 12087 | Midnight babies Wild, Margaret & James, Ann (ill) | Clarion Books | 2001 | 9780618104123 | At midnight, when absolutely anything can happen, Baby Brenda escapes through the cat door to romp with the other neighbourhood babies at the Midnight Cafe. |
| 1409689 | Midnight chew, The Morgan, Sally & Blair, Karen (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2025 | 9781760995096 | When Boofa Boy Jones steals Skippy Gillespie's very big bone, a marvellous doggy race ensues. But who will win the mighty bone, and will they feast all alone? |
| 12088 | Midnight feast, The Wild, Margaret & James, Ann (ill) | ABC Books | 1999 | 9780733307898 | The cheeky babies from The Midnight Gang are back. Baby Brenda and her gang meet up with Baby Mario and his gang at The Midnight Cafe for a wild time of dancing, playing and feasting. |
| 12080 | Midnight gang, The Wild, Margaret & James, Ann (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1996 | 9781862912991 | A gang of babies climb out of their cots at night to go to the park and play. Here they can do all the things that their parents think they are too young to do. |
| 12315 | Miffy the fairy Bruna, Dick | ABC Books | 2002 | 9780733310881 | Miffy imagines what fun it would be to become a fairy. She could wave her wand and make a castle, give a bird a glorious tail and turn pears into rosy apples. |
| 12314 | Miffy the ghost Bruna, Dick | Big Tent Entertainment | 2004 | 9781592260621 | Miffy dresses up as a ghost and decides it would be fun to scare her friends. But when she frightens dear Aunt Alice, it's time to stop. |

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| 38336 | Mike I don't like Temple, Jol & Temple, Kate & Foye, Jon (ill) | ABC Books | 2014 | 9780733333255 | Mike has no hesitation in letting anyone know exactly how he feels, and it appears that there is much he does not like. Mike loudly proclaims his dislike of everything from sandwiches to lizards, from cheese to tickles, all described in rhyme just itching to be spoken aloud. |
| 9380 | Mike Mulligan and his steam shovel Burton, Virginia Lee | Houghton Mifflin | 1977 | 9780395259399 | Mike Mulligan proves that, although dated, his steam shovel is still useful. |
| 882467 | Mila & Ivy McKelvey, Katrina & Berry, Jasmine (ill) | Wombat Books | 2022 | 9781761110801 | Mila is a cardboard design engineer. She often works with her sister Ivy. However, things change when Ivy destroys their project by making cardboard confetti. Mila is devastated and continues to engineer alone. But something is missing. Maybe Ivy has something that can help. What could that be? |
| 20806 | Mila and the missing lions Hulme, Celeste | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760066826 | Mila's parents are lion tamers, they're part of a circus. Mila is a lion tamer too. She has everything she needs, except, well, lions. So, she practises on her dog, Ralph, who doesn't care for his paper mane and would much rather be asleep on the sofa. When Mila opens the gate to the lions' cage to slip in, they slip out. They have sharp teeth and pointy claws. Mila must catch the missing lions before anyone finds out. |
| 12270 | Milli, Jack and the dancing cat King, Stephen Michael | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9781865087474 | Milli has a special gift for fixing things. She can make something out of any old discarded thing or mend boots and tools. But, all the townsfolk ever want are sensible things. Milli keeps her dream of making something special to herself. |
| 2873 | Millicent Baker, Jeannie | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781921150739 | Every day at the same time, Millicent walks through Hyde Park. She never speaks to anyone, but the park pigeons expect her. When they see her, they make a sweeping circle above the place where she always stops. Millicent's dream is to find enough feathers on the ground to eventually make herself a feather coat, hat, bag and shoes. This wordless story is told through magnificent collages. |
| 4157 | Millie loves ants French, Jackie & deGennaro, Sue (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2017 | 9781460751787 | 'My friend Millie just loves ants.' Emily is intrigued to know why Millie the echidna loves ants so much. And so Emily carefully observes Millie until she discovers her secret. Millie is collecting food for her baby puggle! |
| 10052 | Millie's special something Cox, Tania & Miller, David (ill) | Working Title Press | 2012 | 9781921504389 | Big, bad Reggie loves to scare Millie. He thinks it's fun. But, not for Millie, it's frightening. All her friends have a special something to make them feel brave. Millie wonders why she doesn't have a special something too. |
| 9386 | Millions of cats Gag, Wanda | Penguin Putnam | 1996 | 9780698113633 | A man goes out for one kitten but comes back with millions of cats. |

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| 2876 | Milo and the magical stones Pfister, Marcus (ill) & Martens, Marianne (trans) | North South Books | 1997 | 9781558586826 | Milo, the mouse lives on a small mountain island and finds a glowing, gold-foil rock that provides warmth and light on a cold night. The mice will either be unselfish and caring and replace what they have taken or act with greed and envy. |
| 12229 | Milo and the mysterious island Pfister, Marcus (ill) & Martens, Marianne (trans) | North South Books | 2000 | 9780735813526 | Milo and his fellow cliff mice set off with magical stones that give light, to an island where strange, striped mice are reputed to live. The cliff mice will either be cooperative, friendly and sharing or they will be fearful and untrusting. |
| 6485 | Milo armadillo Fearnley, Jan | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781406310306 | Tallulah wants a pink, fluffy rabbit for her birthday. But, she can't find one anywhere. When Gran decides to knit her a fluffy, pink rabbit, the present is not quite what Tallulah had in mind. |
| 2988 | Milo's birthday surprise Pollard, Maureen | Mcperson's Printing Group | 2009 | 9780980597509 | Children can search for clues in the bold illustrations to see what birthday surprises are in store for Milo. Milo is wondering who might come and play. Meanwhile, Felix the frog flips and flaps and Kylie the koala practises karate kicks. Fun to read with mum or dad or to a little brother or sister. |
| 1019645 | Mine!: A story of not sharing Persson, Klara & Ramel, Charlotte & Smalley (ill) , Nichola (trans) | Berbay Publishing | 2023 | 9781922610676 | Nico is coming over to play, but Sally does not want him to touch her toy squirrel. Or her train. And definitely not her favourite refrigerator. Sally's mum tells her to put the things she does not want to share in the wardrobe. It turns out that there are lots of things Sally does not want to share, including her mum. This funny book shows how complicated hiding all the things you do not want to share can be. In the end, it just might be easier to try sharing. Maybe. |
| 1052159 | Mini and Milo: Elephants can't jump Dimos, Venita & Curtin, Natashia (ill) | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781760656140 | Mini's best friend, Milo, always gives the best birthday presents. But when Mini's birthday comes around, she is so cross about Milo's gift that she stops speaking to him and does everything she can to hide from him. But Mini soon finds out that sometimes what you avoid might be the answer you needed all along. Together they learn to deal with life's big and small problems. |
| 1233662 | Mini and Milo: Elephants never forget Dimos, Venita & Curtin, Natashia (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781760658427 | Mini has the best memory in the whole animal kingdom. She remembers the good stuff, the bad stuff and everything in between. And because Mini remembers everything, she also remembers mistakes. Usually other peoples mistakes. So when her best friend Milo accidentally loses Mr Cuddles, Mini has to learn how to forgive, and forget. |

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| 1367124 | Mini and Milo: Room for one Dimos, Venita & Curtin, Natashia (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781760658434 | Meet Mini and her best friend Milo. Mini's dream boat was no ordinary boat. It was silky, snuggly and soft. But when Mini's best friend Milo wants to get on board, Mini doesn't want to share. When Mini gets cross, things go wrong and she discovers her boat, and her friendship, is heading in the wrong direction. |
| 1019714 | Mini and Milo: The big floppy ears Dimos, Venita & Curtin, Natashia (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781760656164 | Mini's ears are bigger than big and huger than huge... but she has a problem. They aren't very good at listening. When Mini misses out on the excursion, she realises that maybe her ears aren't the problem after all. It's not the size or shape of your ears that count, but using them! |
| 1209748 | Mini and Milo: The last plum Dimos, Venita & Curtin, Natashia (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760656171 | Mini the elephant wants to win the annual cooking competition. Unfortunately, she has insufficient plums to bake her prize-winning plum pie. Milo the rabbit declines to give his only plum to Mini; he has been waiting a long time for it to ripen and he does not wish to share. Will Mini find the final plum needed to bake her plum pie, or will she find something else - something more special - instead? |
| 825519 | Mini rabbit come home Bond, John | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2021 | 9780008264932 | Mini Rabbit is going to have the best day ever. Building a camp in the backyard, eating marshmallows and staying up very late are a recipe for fun. But when things start to go wrong Mini Rabbit definitely will not Come Home. |
| 751049 | Mini rabbit must help Bond, John | HarperCollins Australia | 2020 | 9780008264888 | Mini Rabbit has a very important letter to post. Mini Rabbit will not lose the letter, will be vary careful and definitely will not be late. What could go wrong? |
| 6332 | Mini rabbit not lost Bond, John | HarperCollins Australia | 2018 | 9780008264833 | Mini Rabbit is making a cake. But he's run out of berries. No berries, no cake. So off he goes to look for some. He's not cold, not too small - no, and definitely not lost. Or is he? |
| 10684 | Minty and Tink Chichester Clark, Emma | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842707203 | When searching for a birthday present for her baby brother, Minty finds a tiny, toy bear who can talk. Instantly, they become the very best of friends and Minty decides that she does not want to give Tink away to her little brother. |
| 75696 | Miracle of the little wooden duck, The Wild, Margaret & Huxley, Dee (ill) | Working Title Press | 2010 | 9781921504129 | Once upon a time, there was a little wooden duck that sat on the windowsill of Annie's bedroom. Every day, Annie stroked the little green duck, wishing it could see and hear and speak to her. But, the little green wooden duck continued to sit silently on the windowsill until, one day, a great gust of wind blew it into the river. |

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| 5434 | Miss Hazeltine's Home for Shy and Fearful Cats Potter, Alicia & Sif, Birgitta (ill) | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406362381 | Miss Hazeltine's Home for Cats helps all kinds of felines. Cats scared of mice, cats scared of birds, cats who can't pounce, and cats who won't purr. Miss Hazeltine runs lots of different lessons and emphasises holding tails high, arching backs and thinking good thoughts. But, under the rug or in the inky-black of under-the-bed lurks little Crumb, the most fearful feline of all. He longs to be brave and courageous. |
| 653196 | Miss Kraken Greenberg, Nicki | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760637743 | The minute we saw Miss Kraken, we all knew it was going to be a bad year. She's cranky. She's strict. She's just plain ... weird. Miss Kraken is definitely not the teacher the kids were hoping for. But she might have a surprise or two up her sleeves. A hilarious tale of bad behaviour and unexpected consequences. |
| 12081 | Miss Lily's fabulous pink feather boa Wild, Margaret & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Claremont | 2002 | 9780734304582 | Last Potoroo (a rare and endangered long-footed potoroo) is incredibly lonely, but lacks the courage to search for others of her kind. Shy and timid, her trip to the tropical north is a milestone and a bright pink feather boa changes her life. |
| 54744 | Miss Llewellyn-Jones Forrestal, Elaine & Court, Moira (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2008 | 9781921361173 | Miss Llewellyn-Jones lives in a windy place and has a lot of trouble keeping her washing on the line. She loses jeans, tops, socks and knickers. But, when she hangs out Teddy, things take a surprising turn. |
| 5930 | Miss Llewellyn-Jones goes to town Forrestal, Elaine & Court, Moira (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2010 | 9781921696046 | Miss Llewellyn-Jones takes Teddy shopping, with disastrous results. Teddy takes off on an adventure of his own and it takes all his ingenuity to find his way home. |
| 22671 | Missing Marvin DeGennaro, Sue | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742769509 | Marvin loves his job. He has never missed a day of work. Sometimes his friends play jokes to pass the time. Sometimes the jokes are on Marvin. Then, one day, Marvin isn't where he usually is. Where is Marvin? |
| 1484263 | Missing Pencil Case, The McGaughey, Jasmin & Goodwin, Jade (ill) | Affirm Press | 2026 | 9781923419315 | Lea has lost her pencil case. It's full of money she has collected for charity. Lea must search all over her apartment block for the missing pencil case. Where could it be? |
| 10476 | Mister Magnolia Blake, Quentin | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1999 | 9780099400424 | Mr Magnolia has many things including an old trumpet that goes rooty-toot, some very fat owls that are learning to hoot, a big purple dinosaur who's a magnificent brute and a swimming pool. But, he only has one boot. |
| 13440 | Mister seahorse Carle, Eric | Puffin Australia | 2004 | 9780140569896 | Mister seahorse carries his babies about and meets other male baby carriers in the ocean. |
| 660763 | Mog the forgetful cat Kerr, Judith | HarperCollins Australia | 2020 | 9780007171347 | A very special 50th anniversary edition of the very first adventure of Mog the Forgetful Cat! Fifty years ago, everyone's favourite family cat, Mog, first got into trouble for her forgetfulness, and she has been loved ever since for her funny and warm-hearted escapade. |

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| 7045 | Moli det bigibigi (Molly the pig) Manbulloo, Karen | Indigenous Literacy Foundation | 2018 | 9780648260424 | Written in Kriol and English, this is the story of Molly, a little pig who is rescued from the bush. She's taken back to the community where she finds a happy home. Happy that is apart from the local dogs who keep chasing and frightening her. Moli is greatly loved in her community but what she loves most is Weet Bix. She loves it so much that it's not too long before little Moli is a very big pig indeed. So big, she now chases and frightens the local dogs. All in good fun, of course. |
| 13329 | Molly & Mae Parker, Danny & Blackwood, Freya (Ill) | Little Hare Books | 2016 | 9781742975276 | Friendship is like a train journey. There are happy moments, boring moments and exciting moments. There's also anger and loneliness. And, there is forgiveness. |
| 90027 | Molly and her dad Ormerod, Jan & Thompson, Carol (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2008 | 9781921272554 | Molly loves to tell stories especially about her Dad who lives a whole plane ride away. When Molly finally gets the chance to meet him, she and the kids at school wonder what he will be like. A tender story about modern families. |
| 47245 | Molly the pirate Teece, Lorraine & Seden, Paul (ill) | Magabala Books | 2017 | 9781925360660 | Young Molly's imagination knows no bounds when she transforms her Australian backyard into an adventure playground on the high seas. Molly conjures up a pirate ship on her inland horizon and takes her loyal cat and dog along for the ride as she rows across the choppy ocean to the unsuspecting pirates. On board, she meets a feisty crew of salty buccaneers who look suspiciously like her own farmyard chickens. They are no match for Molly's daring exploits as she walks the plank, dances jolly jigs, scrambles up the rigging, or is that a clothesline? And steers the ship like a true seafaring adventurer. |
| 10792 | Monkey puzzle Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | Koala Books | 2001 | 9781580482028 | Monkey has lost his mum and a butterfly tries to help him find her. Monkey's descriptions of her lead the butterfly to lots of animals but not mum. Monkey thinks he will never find his mum, but butterfly is persistent. |
| 44537 | Monkey Red Monkey Blue Greenberg, Nicki | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9780618462643 | The house is quiet and everyone is asleep except for Monkey Blue, Monkey Red and their friend Chameleon, who is quick to suggest a midnight feast. Soon, the monkeys are feasting on popcorn, spaghetti, hot dogs, fruit and more. Chameleon is a little too enthusiastic and, soon, there is a big foody mess everywhere. |
| 3584 | Monsieur Albert rides to glory Smith, Peter and Graham, Bob (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742376806 | Monsieur Albert enters the Grand Cycle Race, but he's up against Francois, the champion of France. Can he possibly win? |
| 3992 | Monsieur Chat Robaard, Jedda | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760405007 | Josephine and Pierre live on different floors in the same old building, but have never met. Each spends their days alone, until a very determined little cat arrives, with a plan of his own. |

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| 19518 | Monster Daddo, Andrew & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2010 | 9780733322754 | Some monsters are scary, with pointy teeth and snuffly grunts, and they smell. You would never invite them to sleep over. But, there are other monsters that are cute and full of surprises. |
| 4287 | Monster chef Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2014 | 9781742838250 | Marcel was a monster who was lumpy and grumpy and just not scary. But one day, Marcel discovers that his cooking can give kids a fright, so his perfect new job begins. |
| 18754 | Monster machine, The Robinson, Nicola L. | Pavilion | 2012 | 9781843652007 | When a boy and his dad build an amazing monster-making machine, all sorts of monsters come tumbling out. They discover that other monsters live far away so once again it is time to make an amazing machine. One to take them to the land of monsters. |
| 578085 | Monster party The Children of Rawa Community School & Lester, Alison & Godwin, Jane | Magabala Books | 2018 | 9781925360554 | Monsters have a party at Dora Lake and go galumphing all over the place. |
| 7624 | Monster who ate darkness, The Dunbar, Joyce & Liao, Jimmy (ill) | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406308679 | Jo-Jo is afraid of the dark, so a monster comes and eats all of the darkness until there is none left. Perhaps Jo-Jo will be able to sleep now. |
| 18561 | Monster wrote me a letter, A Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2005 | 9781865046013 | When a boy replies to a letter meant for the monster who lives under his bed, he discovers that another monster is coming to play. The boy studies up on how to appeal to a monster, while the monster is panicking about how to play with a boy. |
| 897 | Monsters love colors Austin, Mike | Harper | 2013 | 9780062125941 | Explosions of colour erupt from every page where the monsters demonstrate the mixing of colour to create new ones. The primary colours are also described with rhyming sounds which creates much fun. |
| 1010419 | Monsties: the lost bunny Louise, Zanni & May, Kyla (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2023 | 9781760509965 | Meet Orla, Pearl, Mig, Boo and Oops - they are the Monsties! Mig has lost Bunny somewhere in Scaryland, which is a big problem because Mig can't sleep without her! Can the Monsties work together to find Bunny? |
| 4441 | Moo and Moo and Little Calf too Millton, Jane & Hinde, Deborah (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781877505928 | It's the middle of the night, and the big super moon is high in the sky. All the cows are fast asleep, until...the earth begins to shake and quake! Uh-oh! This is the true story of the famous Kaikoura cows and their remarkable adventure. |
| 40125 | Moo and Moo and you can guess who? Millton, Jane & Hinde, Deborah (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760631611 | The famous Kaikoura earthquake cows are back! What have they been up to since they were rescued? Nine months on, Moo and Moo are about to embark on yet another remarkable adventure. |
| 31332 | Moo: Talk to the farm animals Lester, Alison | ABC Books | 2007 | 9780733318467 | Make all the noises of the farm animals. Lots of rhyme and colourful illustrations. |

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| 42474 | Moon shines out of the dark, The Dowrick, Stephanie and Spudvilas, Anne (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742375656 | Harry loves to know when things are going to happen. Exactly. Mum usually says 'Time to get up', 'Time for the bus' and 'Time to sleep now, Harry'. But Mum's been away for ages. And Harry has had to guess what's coming next. One cold, cloudy night, Harry stays awake, thinking and wondering... Will the moon shine out of the dark? |
| 12221 | Moonlight Ormerod, Jan | Lothrop Lee & Shepard | 1982 | 9780688008468 | As two parents attempt to help their child fall asleep at bedtime, they find they are becoming more and more sleepy. A book without text that tells the story through pictures. |
| 7163 | Moose is loose, The Carthew, Mark & Stanton, Matt (ill) | ABC Books | 2013 | 9780733331015 | When the sneaky, slippery and sly animals on the train escape, it's up to Mac and Bruce to get them back onboard. |
| 3847 | Mopoke Bunting, Philip | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781742991658 | This is a mopoke. Mopoke loves peace and quiet. He is about to find out that you can't always get what you want. |
| 570746 | More and more and more Mutch, Ian | Fremantle Press | 2018 | 9781925591545 | Henry Harper loves collecting. But what happens when more and more becomes too much? |
| 11114 | More caps for sale Slobodkina, Esphyr & Mulhearn Sayer, Ann Marie | Harper | 2015 | 9780062405456 | After finally getting his caps back from a group of mischievous monkeys, the peddler begins to walk home. He does not look back. He does not see the monkeys following him. Right foot, left foot, right foot, all in step. Now, those pesky monkeys are sitting in a tree in the pedlar's backyard. |
| 581524 | Morris the mole Greenberg, Nicki | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760630829 | Down and be digging! Into the dirt! Beetles for breakfast and worms for dessert! With a twirl of his spade and a twitch of his nose, Morris makes tunnels wherever he goes. How much mayhem can one mole make? Dive in with the ever-exuberant Morris and find out! |
| 12275 | Morris's disappearing bag Wells, Rosemary | Puffin UK | 2000 | 9780142300046 | Morris's older siblings share each other's noisy toys but no-one wants to play with Morris until he finds a very special present left under the tree and disappears. Now, everyone wants to play with Morris's present. |
| 1209688 | Mosaic, The Kelly, Deborah & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539731 | When mum's vase breaks, everything changes. Dad moves out, Nan moves in, and Frankie's world feels a little bit broken, too. That is, until Nan has an idea. |
| 12456 | Moses the kitten Herriot, James & Barrett, Peter (ill) | Pan Macmillan London | 1988 | 9780330293174 | Moses is a lost, bedraggled kitten who goes to live on a farm. He adopts a very unusual mother. |
| 1023709 | Most amazing thing, The Robinson, Ian Hayward & Shanks, Matt | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781761180118 | 'What is the most amazing thing?', asks Henry. 'Life', says his sister. 'The mind', says his brother. 'The universe', says his father. Henry can see these things are amazing, but are they the most amazing things? A story with a message about different ways to find wonder in the world. |

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| 1019642 | Most delicious soup and other stories, The Ruiz Johnson, Mariana & Harvey, Rosalind (trans) | Berbay Publishing | 2023 | 9781922610683 | Welcome to the Villa Verda, where there's always something happening and new friends to meet. This vibrant community is bursting with stories to share. Come along for five little adventures! |
| 7656 | Most wonderful thing in the world, The French, Vivian & Barrett, Angela (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406339680 | When a king and a queen promise to marry their daughter, Lucia, to the man who can show them the most wonderful thing in the world, suitors descend on the palace, bearing ever more amazing and exotic gifts. But, nothing feels quite right, and the king and queen are exhausted. When a shy, young man, who isn't a suitor, steps forward, the king and queen finally understand what the most wonderful thing in the world really is. |
| 5952 | Mother fox and her cubs, The Momencaeu, Amandine | Thames and Hudson (Australia) Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9780500650899 | At the edge of the forest, Mother Fox gazes fondly at her young frolicking in the snow. But, the cubs venture a bit too far and, all of a sudden, they vanish. Mother Fox sets off in search of them but there are so many trees and the snow is very deep. Finding them is going to be tricky. Maybe, you can help. |
| 12001 | Mother Goose remembers Beaton, Clare (ill) | Barefoot books | 2000 | 9781841480732 | Childhood favourites illustrated with hand-sewn designs, using antique fabrics, felt, beads, braids, lace, buttons, and bric-a-brac. In each scene, a single stitched feather floats for young readers to discover. |
| 833195 | Mouse and the egg, The Worthington, Michelle & Ferre, Adyna (ill) | Daisy Lane Publishing | 2021 | 9780648825371 | Baby bird is coming. Mouse wants to help. Can she get used to the responsibility of babysitting before Mama Bird gets back? |
| 7875 | Mouse mansion: Sam & Julia Schaapman, Karina | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781743312995 | Julia lives on the sixth floor of Mouse Mansion in a tiny room with her mother. Julia is super curious and very stubborn. Sam lives in the middle of Mouse Mansion with his mum, dad, brothers and sisters. Sam is super shy and very well-behaved. But when he is with Julia, Sam finds himself doing things he normally wouldn't dare. The two mice are inseparable. And together they get up to all sorts of fun ... |
| 12111 | Moving house Hunter, Rebecca | Evans Bros | 2000 | 9780237520199 | Sarah tells the story of moving house. She shares her fears at leaving her old home and her joy when she discovers a new friend. Includes notes on how to prepare children for moving. |
| 1332 | Mozzie and Midgie MacLeod, Doug & Okalyi, Sandy (ill) | Working Title Press | 2011 | 9781921504310 | When Mozzie and Midgie meet a colourful parrot who boasts of being the most beautiful bird on the island, the two young spoonbills set off to find out what could make them beautiful and special. |

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| 46936 | Mozzie with a sharp snozzie, The Goundortseva, Irina | Big Sky Publishing | 2016 | 9781925275964 | Everyone adored the beautiful butterflies that gathered around the pond. Mozzie most of all. One day he gathered up his courage and asked if he could fly around with them. But beautiful butterflies do not hang out with ugly, boring mosquitoes. He comes up with cunning plan to become a beautiful butterfly that just might work. |
| 9627 | Mr Archimedes' bath Allen, Pamela | HarperCollins Australia | 1991 | 9780207172854 | Mr Archimedes and his animal friends try to work out why the water always overflows when they have a bath together. |
| 812833 | Mr Bat wants a hat Black, Kitty & Wood, Laura (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2021 | 9781922326218 | Mr Bat is missing something. Something important. A HAT! He wants A HAT! Soon he finds the perfect hat. It has pretty pink roses and lots of GLITTER. But this hat belongs to someone else... Which doesn't bother him AT ALL, actually. Or does it? |
| 15919 | Mr Billy's goat Stafford, Liliana | Windy Hollow Books | 2007 | 9781921136948 | The farm animals are left alone while Mr Billy goes off to buy new trousers. They get up to mischief while he is away and the goat eats his suit coat. Just as well Mr Billy doesn't buy the new trousers. |
| 34679 | Mr Bunny's chocolate factory Dolan, Elys | Oxford University Press | 2016 | 9780192746207 | Do you want to know how chocolate eggs are made? Step inside Mr Bunny's chocolate factory to find out! |
| | Mr Chicken series Hobbs, Leigh | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 10008 | Mr Darcy Field, Alex & Carnavas, Peter (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2013 | 9781921928406 | Mr Darcy is a rather reserved and gentle duck who lives in the best park. He feels very important and he likes to tip his very tall hat. Mr Darcy's life is a little lonely until he discovers that it's alright to let friends into his life. |
| 1160 | Mr Darcy the dancing duck Field, Alex & Carnavas, Peter (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2013 | 9781921928178 | Mr Darcy is a very popular duck with many friends to greet as he takes his morning walk. By the end of his walk he is very unhappy because everyone is dancing in joy because it is spring and Mr Darcy can't dance. With his friends' help he gains his confidence to join in the spring dances. |
| 12170 | Mr Gumpy's outing Burningham, John | Red Fox | 2001 | 9780099408796 | Mr Gumpy's boat becomes a miniature ark when he takes two children and various animals for a ride. Everyone's having a lovely time until disaster strikes. |

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| 1334021 | Mr Luke's magic library: Ocean adventure Mr Luke & Kennett, Chris (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781761642708 | There's a special place, hidden within the school. It's a magical place where the books inside can take readers on journeys beyond their wildest dreams. Welcome to Mr Luke's Magic Library ... Mr Luke's class have opened a magic book and found themselves under the sea! |
| | Mr McGee series Allen, Pamela | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 4228 | Mr Moon wakes up Sharpe, Jemima | Child's Play International Ltd | 2016 | 9781846436932 | Mr Moon always sleeps. He naps during hide-and-seek, passes out on puzzles and dozes during adventure stories. But when we go to sleep, Mr Moon wakes up and what adventures we go on. |
| 649 | Mr Ouchy's first day Hennessy, B G & Meisel, Paul (ill) | Putnam | 2006 | 9780399242489 | Kids are not the only ones who stay awake, nervous and wondering about their first day at school. Mr Ouchy, who's not grouchy, finds that his new students have enough questions and energy to make him feel at ease. |
| 574296 | Mr Pegg's post Topouzoglou, Elena | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594195 | Anna and her parents live in a lighthouse, surrounded by the ocean, far from neighbours and friends. Their only visitor is Mr Pegg, the postman. But when Mr Pegg needs help with his deliveries, Anna comes to the rescue. Maybe she will find some friends after all? |
| 916662 | Mr Price's pet emporium Lewis, Millie & Bazykina, Maria (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503657 | Looking for the perfect pet? Don't be tricked by Mr Price - his Pet Emporium is not all it's made out to be |
| 2879 | Mr Pusskins Lloyd, Sam | Orchard Books | 2008 | 9781846165245 | From the moment Mr Pusskins spies the prize for Best In Show, he is smitten. He just has to get his paws on that trophy and nothing is going to stand in his way, not even that mean, double-crossing poodle, Madame Fifi Foo-foo. |
| 5139 | Mr Pusskins and Little Whiskers Lloyd, Sam | Orchard Books | 2007 | 9781846165238 | What is the fabulous surprise for Mr Pusskins? The hideous noise that was the reason for Mr Pusskins being put outside, may not have been made by him. |
| 9577 | Mr Rabbit and the lovely present Zolotow, Charlotte & Sendak, Maurice (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2002 | 9780099432951 | A little girl doesn't know what to give her mother for her birthday but Mr Rabbit helps her with ideas based on her mother's favourite colours. |
| 12003 | Mrs Armitage and the big wave Blake, Quentin | Jonathan Cape | 1997 | 9780224046299 | Mrs Armitage and her little dog paddle out to surf the Big Wave. Waiting for the wave is boring, hot and maybe even dangerous so she makes frequent return trips to shore to get things. They still may not know what to do when the Big Wave arrives. |

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| | Mrs Honey series Adams, Pam | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 15103 | Mrs McTats and her houseful of cats Capucilli, Alyssa Satin & Rankin, Joan (ill) | Simon & Schuster | 2003 | 9780743462068 | Mrs McTats lives alone except for her cat. Soon, cats in twos, threes and fours come to her door until the house is bursting. But, something, or someone, is missing. |
| 89931 | Mrs Muffly's monster Dyer, Sarah | Frances Lincoln | 2011 | 9781847800404 | Mrs Muffly lives by herself in a house on top of a hill. She's always been a bit strange but, lately, she's been acting very, very strangely. When Mrs Muffly buys huge amounts of butter, eggs, flour, sugar and jam, she must be keeping something very, very large in her house. |
| 4473 | Mrs White and the red desert Boyle, Josie & Prewett, Maggie (ill) | Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781925360578 | Mrs White was in the higgledy-piggledy garden. Suddenly billowing over the hill came a big red sand storm. |
| 1182 | Mrs Wilkinson's chooks Peguero, Leone | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1999 | 9780091829360 | Mrs Wilkinson is blissfully happy with her four chooks, Charlotte, Maureen, Violet and Shirley. She doesn't realise that other people don't see their behaviour and the problems they cause in quite the same way. |
| 12129 | Ms Johnstone to the rescue King, Karla | Indij Readers | 2003 | 9780975064092 | When a dog fight threatens the playground, the other teachers are not very helpful but Ms Johnstone saves the day. |
| 4739 | Muddle & Mo Robinson, Nikki Slade | Starfish Bay Publishers | 2015 | 9780994100757 | Muddle is a loveable, slightly confused yet enthusiastic little duckling who asks lots and lots of questions. Mo is a long-suffering, not very adventurous white goat who has lots of patience. They are best friends but Muddle is rather confused about what type of animals they are. Fortunately, during the course of their walk together, Mo helps Muddle get his identity sorted out. |
| 58642 | Muddled-up farm Dumbleton, Mike | Red Fox | 2002 | 9781740517331 | Muddled-up farm is a special place where all the animals make peculiar sounds. Using rollicking rhyme, this delightful and humorous tale tells of a farm inspector's frustrations as he tries to fix a farm's mixed-up ways. |
| 17174 | Mulga's magical musical creatures Mulga | Hachette Children's Books | 2016 | 9780734416704 | While he's sleeping, a musician dreams of banjo-playing owls, jazz-fluting kangaroos, trumpeting elephants and whistling toucans. When he wakes up, he's inspired to write a song. |
| 12207 | Mum goes to work Gleeson, Libby & Smith, Craig (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 1992 | 9780868966076 | It's early morning and everyone is arriving at the noisy child care centre. Mums are off to work, doing a variety of roles in different workplaces. The children are also busy, sharing activities and having lots of fun. |

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| 12841 | Mum who was made of money, The Coleman, Michael & Bogdanowicz, Basia | Magi Publications | 1993 | 9781854302526 | Cleo and Jake keep pestering their mother to buy them things. She tells them that if she was made of money, this wouldn't be a problem. They both wish as hard as they possibly can and, suddenly, their mother changes. |
| 1424109 | Mum's amazing!, My Cummings, Phil & Marks, Hannah (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781761297380 | My mum's amazing-it's true, I'll show it! She's a hero, but doesn't know it! A celebration of all the light, laughter and never-ending love that mums bring to the world. |
| 1423955 | Mum's busy work Ardern, Jacinda & Jones, Ruby (ill) | Penguin NZ | 2025 | 9781776957415 | Even though day care is fun, it's still hard not to miss Mum throughout the week. But despite her busy job, there's always time for stories, time for games, time for hugs, and time for love. |
| 660690 | Mum's elephant Jipyiliya Nampijinpa O'Keefe, Maureen & Booth, Christina (ill) | Magabala Books | 2020 | 9781925936728 | What is your greatest treasure? This is the story of a mother who treasured her very 'special' elephant. |
| 69152 | Mummies are amazing Hoy, Catriona & White, Annie | Lothian Books | 2009 | 9780734411082 | Mummies do many amazing things. Find out what they can do and what they are good at. |
| 28325 | Murgatroyd's garden Zavos, Judy & Zak, Drahos (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781921720529 | Murgatroyd really, really hated having his hair washed. When his parents tried, Murgatroyd's screams were so loud that they could be heard by everyone, everywhere. So, his parents stopped washing his hair. Murgatroyd smiled, quiet descended and a magnificent garden began to grow on his head. |
| 15149 | Mutt dog King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9781865046365 | A scruffy dog is brave and fast and smart but he's all alone. A heart-warming, waggly tale of resilience and belonging. |
| 1423380 | Mutt dog! 21st anniversary edition King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761723780 | Mutt Dog! The scruffy dog is brave and fast and smart ... but he is all alone. No-one feeds him. No-one wants him. No-one loves him. Until one day ... |
| 20774 | My amazing Dad Kwaymullina, Ezekiel & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2015 | 9781921894862 | Dad isn't very handy around the house but he's brilliant at turning the everyday into something exciting. |
| 5760 | My Australia Murphy, Julie & Fleming, Garry (ill) | NLA Publishing | 2018 | 9780642279163 | This is my country...this is my home. Come on a poetic journey that celebrates the beauty and diversity of Australia's landscapes. Relish the visual delights of our continent - from dry deserts to lush rain forests, high mountains to stormy seashores, and winding rivers to fertile swamp lands - all the magical places that are my Australia. |
| 15429 | My bedtime book of favourite princess stories Rupnik, Louise | St Martin's | 2005 | 9780312494339 | Four classic fairytales including Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, The Frog Prince and Sleeping Beauty. Large text with beautifully embroidered picture clues. |
| 15431 | My big book of animals Voce, Louise | Walker Books | 2005 | 9781844280742 | A collection of animals, categorised and well-illustrated. |

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| 1331630 | My big secret Arena, Felice | Penguin Books Australia | 2025 | 9781761349706 | Everyone in my family goes for the RED team. My dad goes for the RED team. My mum goes for the RED team. Everyone goes for the RED team. Well, ALMOST everyone... A fun story about love and acceptance, no matter what team your heart belongs to. |
| 1259264 | My body, my brain Gills, Nicki Esler & Daniels, Inge (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781761524622 | Have you ever been a chatterbox, with lots of things to say? Or has it seemed that your voice has left and gone on holiday? Have you spent the day high-swinging, spinning, tumbling, giving chase? Or snuggled in a blanket in a quiet, cosy place? We're all important, not for what we can or cannot do, but because each child is precious. And every brain is too! A fun and engaging introduction to neurodiversity for all young readers. |
| 12043 | My cat likes to hide in boxes Sutton, Eve & Dodd, Lynley (ill) | Hamilton | 1973 | 9780140502428 | All the exotic cats from around the world might like to do exciting things but this cat, a plain, ordinary cat, likes to hide in boxes. |
| 12428 | My cat Maisie Allen, Pamela | Puffin Australia | 1990 | 9780140542370 | Andrew doesn't have anyone to play with. The dog next door is too rough. When a scruffy, ginger cat arrives at his house, Andrew learns how to be gentle with her. |
| 2749 | My Chinatown Mak, Kam | HarperCollins US | 2016 | 9780064437325 | Chinatown in New York is a place of dragons, dreams, memories, fireworks and delicious food on every corner. |
| 1289044 | My cousins, my world Attai, Shahara & Pereira, Michelle (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781761180972 | I have more cousins than I can count on my fingers. And toes. I have cousins who are near. And some who are far. A joyful celebration of the rich and unbreakable bonds we share with our cousins. |
| 12020 | My dad Browne, Anthony | Transworld | 2002 | 9780385602907 | In this lovingly told story, a son proudly describes and exaggerates his father's accomplishments. |
| 4067 | My Dad is a giraffe King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743625941 | If your Mum and Dad were animals, I wonder what they would be. |
| 1138106 | My dad is the best McPickle, Nic & Doyle, Tommy (ill) | Albert Street Books | 2024 | 9781761180507 | A book that celebrates dads of all varieties. Are there funny sayings that your dad has, or things he does that are amusing? Then this is the book for you. |
| 877889 | My dad thinks he's a pirate Germein, Katrina & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760653460 | My dad thinks he's a pirate but not the scary kind. He has a treasure trove full of silly sea jokes and shares them all day while we have fun at the beach. I know why pirates are funny, because my dad says they arrrgghh! |
| 11778 | My dad's a wrestler Zurbo, Matt & Gorissen, Dean (ill) | Lothian Books | 2009 | 9780734410603 | A young boy is the number one fan of his Dad who is a storeman by day, and a keen but unsuccessful wrestler by night. Known as The Percolator, Dad is far from pretty but, to his son, Dad is a hero just like those in the Greek myths he learns about at school. |

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| 4364 | My dog Bigsy Lester, Alison | Penguin Books Australia | 2016 | 9780670078936 | Meet my dog Bigsy. He's only small but everyone knows he's the boss. Each morning, he visits the animals on the farm. What a lot of noise. And, all because of Bigsy. |
| 42520 | My dog Dash Greenberg, Nicki | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760110673 | Dash is badly behaved at puppy school. He chews things that he shouldn't, he makes puddles on the floor, he wrecks the garden and steals food off the bench when no one is looking. Perfectly standard behaviour for a puppy but Dash is far from an ordinary pet. |
| 43491 | My dog socks Osborne, Robyn & Konchi, Sadami (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2017 | 9781925272826 | An ordinary dog becomes extraordinary through the magic of a child's imagination. While most people think Socks is just an ordinary dog, through a child's eyes he becomes an enchanted character of many disguises - a chameleon who changes with his environment. One day he's a contented cow rolling in grass, the next a sleek seal basking on rocks, or even a terrible tiger, sprinting from hunters and searching for prey. However, regardless of his many guises Socks offers a dog's unconditional love and loyalty, for 'when he is by my side, he is my best friend'. |
| 11999 | My dog's a scaredy cat Ball, Duncan & Smith, Craig (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2001 | 9780207198199 | Stanley is scared of everything - big dogs, little dogs, cars, water, butterflies and even cats. |
| 1423788 | My dream holiday Barty, Ashleigh & McGaughey, Jasmin & Goodwin, Jade (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2025 | 9781460765173 | Every sizzling summer, my family travels to Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island) for our dream holiday. SPend time with Ash Barty on her dream family holiday! There's fishing, whale spotting and paddleboarding at the beach, plus games, exploring and animals to see in the bush. At night, there's a campfire, stargazing and thrilling stories until everyone falls asleep in their tents ... to be ready for another fun-filled day! Visit the sun and the sand and the sea with the bestselling creators of the Little Ash series, Ash Barty, Jasmin McGaughey and Jane Goodwin. |
| 1470643 | My feelings, my rules Gill, Nicki Esler & Desai, Kruti (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781761721786 | You're precious when you're happy, and you're precious when you're blue. With all your different feelings, it's just part of being you! Learn about all the different emotions you might feel throughout the day and ways you can express your feelings safely - even when they get messy! |
| 12113 | My first pet Hunter, Rebecca & Fairclough, Chris (phot.) | Evans Bros | 2000 | 9780237521448 | A boy experiences all the joy and responsibility of having a first pet. He chooses a guinea pig. The story comes with notes on guinea pigs and advice from the vet. |

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| 19971 | My friend Ernest Allen, Emma & Sommerville, Hannah (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2016 | 9781460750537 | It's the first day of school and Oscar is trying hard to be brave. Oscar's mum feels sure he will make lots of friends. But, Oscar isn't so sure, particularly when Ernest the dragon seems so mean and scary. |
| 616971 | My friend Fred Watts, Frances & Yi, A. (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760290948 | My friend Fred eats dog food for breakfast. I think dog food is disgusting. My friend Fred howls at the moon. I don't know why. He does a lot of funny things. But even though we are different, Fred is my best friend. |
| 916612 | My gran does karate Deverall, Michel & Demchenko, Anna (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503787 | My gran does Karate. She knows how to block and chop and how to kick and spin. Don't let her wrinkles and old skinny bones fool you - my gran is REALLY strong! This legendary lady is about to Hi-Yah her way into your heart and show you what grannies are really made of. But who will be in the firing line when Gran chops and blocks her way all over town? |
| 18389 | My grandad marches on Anzac Day Hoy, Catriona & Johnson, Benjamin (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780734408457 | Anzac day and it's significance as seen through the eyes of a young girl. She goes to the pre-dawn Anzac Day service with her father where they watch her grandad march in the parade. |
| 10120 | My grandma lived in Gooligulch Base, Graeme | Penguin | 2002 | 9780734304506 | Grandma's adventures romp along in rollicking, rhyming verse with bright illustrations of Australian animals, especially birds. |
| 2935 | My happy sad mummy Vasiliu, Michelle & Masciullo, Lucia (ill) | JoJo Publishing | 2015 | 9780987358592 | Sometimes, Mummy has happy days, other days can be sad days. Sometimes, Mum is so sad, she has to go to hospital. |
| 1019882 | My heart McKelvey, Katrina & Hudson, Deb (ill) | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539571 | Celebrate a journey of memories and emotions in this tribute to mothers everywhere. |
| 15150 | My hen is dancing Wallace, Karen & Jeram, Anita (ill) | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781406318623 | Let's see what happens in the hen house. They do lots of interesting things. Softly coloured pictures and lively, poetic text. |
| 4202 | My meerkat mum Paul, Ruth | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781775434894 | Up. Down. Dig. Play. Meerkat Mum leads the way. Snuggle up, little pup, join them in a meerkat day! |
| 15029 | My mum Browne, Anthony | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780385608213 | My mum is skilled in many areas. I love her and know that she will always love me. |
| 1209887 | My mum is a bird Cui, Angie & Barrow, Evie (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2025 | 9780702268632 | Today is Parents' and Carers' Day at school. I don't want to bring anyone, but my mum is coming anyway. She is a bird. A delightfully absurd and touching story about celebrating differences and loving your family feathers and all. |
| 569244 | My Mum is a magician Young, Damon & Carnavas, Peter (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2018 | 9780702259944 | Some mums gulp green tea, with bitter barley blends. But my mum is a magician, her cup of coffee never ends. All mums are different. But what if your mum was really different? What if your mum was a magician? |
| 1209933 | My mum is the best McPickle, Nic & Doyle, Tommy (ill) | Albert Street Books | 2025 | 9781761181160 | A funny and loving celebration of mothers everywhere! |

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| 1334252 | My name is Jemima Muscat, Olivia & Colpoys, Allison (ill) | Scribble Press | 2025 | 9781761380457 | Meet Jemima, a lovable Labrador with a very important job! While she loves playing with her favourite yellow bone and getting lots of cuddles, Jemima is also a fully trained guide dog who helps her handler navigate the world. Through playful adventures and heartwarming moments, discover how Jem balances her fun-loving nature with the focused dedication needed to be a guide dog extraordinaire. |
| 2051 | My nanna is a ninja Young, Damon & Carnavas, Peter (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2014 | 9780702250095 | Some nannas dress in pink when they jog around the track. But, my nanna is a ninja, so she dresses up in black. |
| 43452 | My new room Stickley, Lisa | Pavilion | 2017 | 9781843653271 | Moving into a new room is a real adventure. In Edith's room, she's found space for each of her favourite toys. Major Ted, the bad dream soother, is on the bed; Clarissa the Cow, entertains everyone from the desk; and Sebastian Snake gets a bit shivery by the door. And that's just some of the gang. See how they all settle in and make Edith feel really at home. |
| 2936 | My pop is a pirate Young, Damon & Carnavas, Peter (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2015 | 9780702253614 | Some pops drive big trucks over hills of rock and sand. But, my pop is a pirate and he steers his ship on sharky seas. |
| 751147 | My possum plays the drums Meatheringham, Catherine & Hamilton, Max | Windy Hollow Books | 2020 | 9781922081841 | Night-time falls and the possum orchestra begins. Drums bang, violins scratch and I can't sleep. |
| 641207 | My real friend Hunt, David & Masciullo, Lucia (ill) | ABC Books | 2019 | 9780733334894 | It's not easy being imaginary... Rupert isn't real, but he has a real friend, William. They both love sport, painting and music and have amazing adventures together in William's imagination. But why can't they have the adventures that Rupert wants? And what will happen if William no longer wants an imaginary friend? |
| 751246 | My shadow is pink Stuart, Scott | Larrikin House | 2020 | 9780648728757 | Inspired by the author's own little boy, 'Shadow's' main character likes princesses, fairies and things 'not for boys'...he soon learns (through the support of his dad) that everyone has a shadow that they sometimes feel they need to hide. |
| 879801 | My shadow is purple Stuart, Scott | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503817 | My Dad has a shadow that's blue as a berry, and my Mum's is as pink as a blossoming cherry but my shadow is purple and this sometimes makes me feel quite alone until I realise that many of us have different coloured shadows - and that's okay. A heartwarming and inspiring book about being true to yourself. |
| 5627 | My sister Young, Joanna | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594041 | Who looks just like you and is your mummy's too? A heart warming picture book showing the special relationship between sisters. |
| 5084 | My sister is a superhero Young, Damon & Carnavas, Peter (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2016 | 9780702253928 | Some sisters sprint in shorts as they twist and twirl their kites. But, my sister is a superhero, she wears undies over tights. |

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| 41483 | My sister is an alien Bright, Rachel | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2010 | 9780141502656 | Alfie is crazy about space. His favourite things are aliens, rockets and the moon, in that exact order. He doesn't really think much about anything else, until his new baby sister comes along. Then, Alfie notices that she looks a bit funny, she talks funny and she sometimes smells funny. He thinks his new sister is an alien who must be returned to the moon. |
| 8760 | My sister Olive Russell, Paula & Chapman, Gaye (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2010 | 9781921272882 | A younger sister looks up in awe to her older sister, Olive, marvelling that she is the best in the world at nearly everything. But, Olive knows that her younger sister is also the best at something. |
| 1426168 | My spinning anxious brain Vee, Dani & Smith, Ruth-Mary (ill) | Larrikin House | 2026 | 9781923345324 | What is it like to experience anxiety? This beautiful picture book explores the challenges of experiencing anxiety while providing strategies to help keep kids calm. Celebrating the resilience and courage it takes to have anxiety, this is a positive story that encourages kids to accept their brains and love who they are! |
| 569923 | My storee Russell, Paul & Aska (ill) | EK Books | 2018 | 9781925335774 | A young boy has a mind full of wonderful stories but when he writes them down, day after day, they come back covered in red pen after his teachers have corrected his spelling. It seems his dyslexia will always hold him back from sharing his creativity the way he longs to. Then a new teacher arrives at the school. |
| 751157 | My summer with Grandad Tinn-Dinsbury, Tom | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781922326140 | Eric loves spending the summer holidays with his grandad. This year was going to be really special because Eric was going to learn how to work on his Grandad's fishing boat. But Eric was not a good fisherman. His grandad gave him a special job of Chief Seagull 'Shoo-er'. Eric was good at his new job until he found a baby seagull trapped in a fishing net. Eric and his Grandad rescue the little seagull and take care of him. Eric called his new friend Beaky and took special care of him until it was time for Beaky to fly away. It was the right thing to do but how could Eric say goodbye to his new friend? It seems Beaky had another idea. Read the story and find out. |
| 1326117 | My super charged ADHD brain Vee, Dani & Layton, James & Smith, Ruth-Mary (ill) | Larrikin House | 2025 | 9781923345041 | What is it really like to have ADHD? This picture book explores the strengths and challenges of having a different kind of brain. Celebrating diversity and being unique, the story encourages young readers to love who they are. Written and illustrated by creatives who have ADHD and/or children with ADHD this story celebrates sparkly supercharged brains. |
| 1208 | My super hero Owen, Chris & Court, Moira (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2013 | 9781921888977 | Kaboom, kapow, kabam, kasplat, my superhero's not like that. Which animal is the real superhero. |

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| 1424061 | My super uncle Patterson, Dannika & Walsh, Seantelle (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2026 | 9781922696540 | My friends all love my uncle when he jokes and fools around. To me, he's super special 'cause he never lets me down. I don't need x-ray vision, to see the way he cares. I don't need super senses, to know he'll be right there. |
| 5027 | My turn Rankin, Laura | Bloomsbury | 2016 | 9781599901749 | Pammy and Wyatt are best friends. They always have lots of fun playing together. But today... when they put on a parade, Pammy rides in the float and Wyatt pulls it. When they on the swing, Pammy flies high while Wyatt pushes her. And when they play school, Pammy's the teacher. Wyatt has to raise his hand. Wyatt wants to know, when will it be his turn to do all the fun things. |
| 32205 | My uncle's donkey Riddle, Tohby | Viking Children's | 2010 | 9780670040339 | My uncle's donkey is allowed in the house. And in the house, the donkey gets up to all sorts of mischief. He is so much more than just an ordinary pet. |
| 12219 | My very first Mother Goose Opie, Iona (ed) & Wells, Rosemary (ill) | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744568677 | A picture book for children who are learning to read. A collection of quirky, sly, sweet, gentle, rollicking and silly rhymes of childhood with charming illustrations. |
| 64076 | Naked penguin, The Lardner, Kym & Lardner, Oliver (ill) | ABC Books | 2008 | 9780733320729 | A little penguin doesn't have any friends because he is different. Unlike the other penguins, he is black all over without a patch of white on his chest. But, when he decides to leave his home, he sees there are other creatures that are different too. |
| 751036 | Nala the koala Min Ferguson, Penny | Penguin Random House Australia | 2020 | 9781760898830 | Nala has lost her home. She sets out to find a new one but there is nothing that will work for her, until she finds a tree. She notices that there are no other animals around. What will bring other animals to this area and who will help? Will Nala find some friends? |
| 15513 | Nan and dad and me at the zoo Russelly, Dylan & McDougall, Wendy (phot) | Indij Readers | 2004 | 9780975064146 | A young boy spends the day at the zoo with his father and grandmother. Photographs support the text and provide lots of additional information about Taronga Zoo and some of its inhabitants. |
| 43472 | Nanette's baguette Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781406376210 | Nanette, is on a mission to buy a baguette. It's Nanette's very first solo trip to the bakery. But will Nanette get the baguette from baker Juliette? Or will Nanette soon be beset with regret? |
| 1272111 | Nanna Croccles Lu, Susan Joy | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761527340 | Nanna Crackles is no ordinary nanna! She spreads joy and colour everywhere she goes, even on her way to fetch bananas! At home, she always knows exactly what everything needs. But what will she do when she finds a friend in need? |
| 4479 | Nanna's button tin Wolfer, Dianne & Potter, Heather (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781922077677 | Nanna's button tin is very special. It has buttons of all shapes and sizes and they all have a different story to tell. But today, one button in particular is needed. A button for Teddy. |
| 2859 | Nannie loves Dunstan, Kylie | Working Title Press | 2016 | 9781921504839 | Nannie lives on a farm with rolling hills, a muddy creek and lots of animals. Nannie loves her farm and all her animals. But, what Nannie loves most is when her family comes to stay. |

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| 3868 | Nara and the island Ungureanu, Dan | Andersen Press Ltd | 2016 | 9781783443420 | My home is so small, you can't lose anything. At least, that's what my dad says. But sometimes, I feel like getting lost. |
| 1470699 | Nature knows Farmer, Yvette & Harris, Chloe Jasmine (ill) | Thames & Hudson | 2026 | 9781760765293 | Sometimes life gets busy - too busy. Mum calls it feeling foofy. Dad calls it time-to-go-camping! Journey into the wild and discover what nature knows about calming busy minds and bringing us home to ourselves. Includes scientific facts based on current research into children's wellbeing through nature-based play. |
| | Nature storybooks series Saxby, Claire & Harricks, Tannya (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 5595 | Nature's lullaby fills the night Leone, Dee & Engel, Bali (ill) | Sterling Publishing Co | 2018 | 9781454921394 | Spiders spin their silky treads to the tune of raindrops, and crickets put on a chirping concert. Flower petals curl up for the night as willow branches dance in the breeze. Sleepy little fishes swim through starlit waters, and a stately stallion nuzzles its yearlings by its side. From land, to sky, to sea...this is how nature wishes you goodnight. |
| 1017797 | Nature's song Vescio, Robert & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2023 | 9781922326782 | A little girl sets off on a quest to find an irresistible gift to help bring the outside in for her homebound brother. Nature's Song is an invitation to discover the wonders of nature. It looks at how nature creates and touches our lives for the better |
| 4066 | Naughty naughty baddies, The Sperring, Mark & Tazzyman, David (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2017 | 9781408849736 | The Naughty Naughty Baddies like nothing more than being wickedly wicked, awfully awful and diabolically dreadful. But will their latest naughty plan land them into a right spot of bother? |
| 751221 | Nerdy babies: rocks Kastner, Emmy | Roaring Book Press | 2020 | 9781250312198 | Do you like rocks? Follow our intrepid nerdy baby explorers to the center of the earth. Check out the variety of landforms that occur around the world. Plus, learn about the layers of rock that make up the ground we walk on! |
| 56832 | Nest for Kora, A Saxby, Claire & Rossell, Judith (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2007 | 9781921136030 | Kora is searching for the best place to lay her egg. She is very particular and nothing seems to be right. Eventually she takes Granny Hen's advice and lays her first egg. |

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| 903352 | Nesting Cole, Henry | HarperCollins Australia | 2020 | 9780063021709 | In the Spring, a robin sings to find another robin. Together they build a nest with twigs and grass. The mother robin lays beautiful blue eggs. She will keep the eggs warm in the nest until they hatch into baby robins. The father robin protects the babies until they can fly on their own. The perils the babies encounter are many, including snakes and storms.. The nest is always their safe place. |
| 20942 | Never ever before King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781741694666 | In the drifting, swirling land of small, Big is born. Big stands solid, strong and predictable until the day a breeze, bigger than never ever before, begins to blow. |
| 1233669 | Neville's great escape Avery, Sean E. | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760659042 | Neville was a penguin known for being somewhat of a risk taker. He was brave, bold, and beloved by all. Until the day he was eaten by a whale. Or so it seemed. Because that was only the beginning of the story. |
| 886025 | New dog, The McKimmie, Chris | Ford Street Publishing | 2022 | 9781922696045 | They call me Babykins. They call me beautiful. They call me other names as well. But I am Kiddo. |
| 15438 | New room for William, A Grindley, Sally | Bloomsbury | 2000 | 9780747544890 | William has to move to a new house. He has misgivings about settling into his new room without his familiar surroundings. Little by little his new room becomes perfect. |
| 12159 | New shoes, My Bruce, Lisa | Watts | 2000 | 9780749634926 | For young children, buying new shoes can be fun but it can also be overwhelming. Adults sharing this picture book with children, can discuss common childhood experiences and relationships. |
| 3816 | New Year surprise Cheng, Christopher & Wu, Di (ill) | National Library of Australia | 2016 | 9780642278838 | The whole family is excited about the New Year Spring Festival. Everyone has a special job and Little Brother is anxious to know what his will be. But, his brother says that Little Brother is too small to help out. He's not strong enough to hold onto a kite and he's too little to hold the dragon poles. But, Father says that he has a special job. Follow Little Brother through the village to find out what his special job is. |
| 4553 | Newspaper hats Cummings, Phil & Swan, Owen (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743622544 | Grandpa can remember many things from long ago but he has trouble remembering Georgie. Together, they stroll through Grandpa's memories of tadpoles in tins, summer rain and sticky honey on bread, until they both rediscover their love of making newspaper hats. |
| 1209916 | Ng in ningaloo, The Barker, Judith & Firth, Janie (ill) | Woodslane Press | 2024 | 9781922800787 | "The Ng in Ningaloo" illustrates the beauty of the Ningaloo Reef's creatures and its environment... Dive right in to this beautiful collage and cacophony of rhyme while being immersed in the beauty of Australia. |
| 903328 | Nice and slow Ayoub, Sarah & Purnell, Mimi (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2022 | 9781460761137 | Our lives can become so busy that we forget to enjoy the time we have with family and friends. This picture book shows us how to slow down and enjoy a day without plans. |

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| 12004 | Nice walk in the jungle Bodsworth, Nan | Puffin Australia | 1991 | 9780140541274 | When Miss Jellaby takes her class on a nice nature walk through a most extraordinary jungle, she does not realise they are being followed by a very hungry boa constrictor. |
| 61347 | Nickle Nackle tree, The Dodd, Lynley | ABC Books | 2006 | 9780733320644 | The Nickle Nackle tree is overloaded with the most outrageous, zany birds you can imagine. Rollicking rhymes reinforce the fun. |
| 15360 | Night animals (Ladybird read it yourself) Horsley, Lorraine & Harmer, Sharon (ill) | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2004 | 9781844222742 | Discover animals from different environments and what they do at night. Simple text and supportive illustrations. Ideal for developing readers. |
| 41017 | Night garden, The Hurst, Elise | ABC Books | 2007 | 9780733318306 | When the moon rises, Sally and her cat go into the night garden. The garden is transformed into a place of magic and adventure as they go past twisted shapes and creatures. |
| 3132 | Night noises Fox, Mem & Denton, Terry (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1991 | 9781862910799 | Lily Laceby is nearly ninety. She lives in a quiet spot in the country with her dog, Butch Aggie. As Lily dozes peacefully by the cosy fire, Butch Aggie stirs, alarmed by strange noises. Children will enjoy the suspense as Lily reaches the door. |
| 5528 | Night walk Binks, Alison | Berbay Publishing | 2018 | 9780994384171 | A family camping holiday opens into a new world when a boy takes a night walk and discovers the animals that wake when we are asleep. |
| 948 | Night watch Cummings, Phil & Dawson, Janine (ill) | Working Title Press | 2013 | 9781921504365 | Giraffe, Elephant, Hippo and Baboon all live happily by the lake, minding their own business, until Lion is spied stalking in the shadows. |
| 1019898 | Night watch Toering, Jodi & Harricks, Tannya | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760655310 | Sunset beckons. Moon appears and tawny frogmouth stirs. She begins her nightly flight, watching over all the animals nestled down to sleep in the burrows and branches of the Australian bush. |
| 1019646 | Nightsong Soweol Han, Sally | University of Queensland Press | 2023 | 9780702266188 | After a big day in the noisy city, Lewis and his mother are heading home. But on the way, their bus breaks down, leaving them stuck on the side of a country road. It's still and quiet, but when Lewis ventures into a nearby field, he discovers that nature is full of wonder and music. |
| 9033 | Nighty night Wild, Margaret & Argent, Kerry | ABC Books | 2000 | 9780733305900 | All the mums and dads in the barnyard want to put their babies to bed but their naughty babies are up to very tricky tricks. |
| 44558 | Niko draws a feeling Raczka, Bob & Shin, Simone (ill) | Carolrhoda Books | 2017 | 9781467798433 | Niko loves drawing his world, the energetic ring-a-ling of the ice cream truck, the bright and warm of sun on his face. But no one appreciates his abstract art. Finally, a new neighbour sees the world in the same way as Niko, leading the young artist to create a new illustration that reflects the act of making a new friend. |
| 15049 | Nina Rose's toes Wise, Sandra & Linton, Lina (ill) | Sassey Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9780975207611 | When Nina Rose disobeys her ballet teacher and mother and continues to dance on her toes, she is unable to dance in the annual Christmas concert. Nina Rose learns a lesson the hard way. |

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| 877875 | Ninni Yabini Kicket-Tucker, Cheryl & Waigana, Tyrown (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2022 | 9781760991210 | Yabini chased a willy wagtail and before long she was far from home. Then she saw a little star shining brightly... Yabini baal djidi djidi moodoonginy wer boordawan Yabini baal bookootj woorar boolyaka koolark. Ali Yabini baal nyit djina kanagoor djinaang... This book is written in English and Noogar" |
| 647154 | Nipper and the lunchbox Dillamore, Lucy | Child's Play International Ltd | 2018 | 9781786281791 | Nipper hates being left along all day while his best friend Richard is at work. But when he realises one morning that Richard has left his lunchbox behind, Nipper sets off on a difficult journey to deliver it. Will Nipper find Richard in time? Will he survive the many dangers along the way? And will happen when he gets there? |
| 20933 | No Altes, Marta | Child's Play International Ltd | 2011 | 9781846434174 | The little dog in this family works very hard to be good. His family must love him very much. But, there's one thing he doesn't understand. |
| 58700 | No bears McKinlay, Meg & Rudge, Leila (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781921529924 | Ruby is in charge of this book and there will be no bears in it, not even one. |
| 21498 | No kind of superman Parker, Danny & Ottley, Matt (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2011 | 9781921136771 | Dad doesn't always get the small things right. But, then, it's not always the small things that matter. When it comes to the big things, well, Dad has his own brand of superpowers to call on. |
| 8066 | No one likes a fart Foster Blake, Zoe & Nickel, Adam (ill) | Penguin Random House Australia | 2017 | 9780143786603 | Fart is excited! He's desperate to make friends and have fun. But no one likes a fart. Not even a fart with a heart. Too smelly. Too embarrassing. Too gross. A sweet, funny story about accepting yourself and finding a friend who loves you just the way you are. Mostly, though, it's about a fart. And fart jokes. Loooots of fart jokes. |
| 15925 | No place like home Ghosh, Ronojoy | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9780857988461 | Being homesick is making George a terrible grump. Not knowing where home is makes it even worse. So, George sets off on a search. He isn't sure what home looks like but he'll know it when he finds it. |
| 7545 | No place like home Thompson, Collin & Pignataro, Anna (ill) | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2001 | 9780733613234 | Big Jim, the old horse, knows that the best thing about going away is coming home. Every summer, Big Jim pulls the caravan that takes Max and his family around the countryside to perform their acrobatics and magic theatre show. |
| 12267 | No roses for Harry Zion, Gene & Graham, Margaret Bloy (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1992 | 9780099978800 | Everyone loves the coat with roses on it that grandma has knitted for Harry, the little black and white dog. Everyone, that is, except Harry, who can't bear it. Losing the coat proves to be more difficult than Harry imagined. |
| 4574 | No way Yirrikipayi Milikapiti School, Melville Island & Lester, Alison | Pan MacMillan | 2015 | 9780992478070 | Yirrikipayi, the crocodile, is hungry. He goes hunting, chasing animals in the sea and on the land. Meet the animals and learn their Tiwi Island names. |

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| 846166 | No! Never! Hathorn, Libby & Hathorn-Jarman, Lisa & Pearce, Mel (ill) | Hachette Australia | 2020 | 9780734418906 | Little Georgie has discovered a new power and that new power is saying no to everything. Even when her parents try to feed her and clean her, Georgie will not allow them. Her parents finally realise a way to help Georgie out of these terrible tantrums and she is not going to like it. |
| 12862 | Noah's boat Elliott, Louise | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780734404596 | This Noah lives in Australia. When a voice in his head tells him he should build a boat, he tries to ignore it but, eventually, gives in. The animals start to give him advice so it doesn't turn out exactly as expected, but that's not a bad thing. |
| 21790 | Noah's garden Johnson, Mo & Josse, Annabelle (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781921150159 | Noah and his family are living in The Children's Hospital because his new sister, Jessica, was born with a serious medical condition. Normal family life is suspended indefinitely for Noah and he spends his days in the hospital garden, creating an imaginary world, longing for the day when Jess can join him. |
| 1153635 | Nobody likes Monday Lee, Kelly & Calauti, Amy (ill) | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539847 | Nobody likes Monday, and the complaint letters are piling up. People dread the start of the week and waking up early. Monday tries hard to change to be more like the other days, until one day she notices a colourful envelope... Readers will love this warm-hearted adventure about learning to celebrate our individual talents and strengths. |
| 3935 | Nog and the land of noses Whatley, Bruce | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781741698091 | Nog is the only one in town who doesn't have a nose that does anything useful. His family and friends have noses that can do all sorts of things, sniff out a bargain, play music and even catch fish. But, all Nog can do is catch a cold. Grandma has always said Nog has a nose for trouble but no-one knows what she means until, one day, Nog's nose gets itchy. |
| 8129 | Noises at night Glass, Beth Raisner & Lubner, Susan & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2006 | 9781862916838 | A boy is attempting to fall asleep but he is distracted by the nightly household and neighbourhood sounds. Each sound leads to a colourful vision, created by his fertile imagination. |
| 12076 | Noisy Nora Wells, Rosemary | Scholastic US | 1973 | 9780140567281 | Noisy Nora has trouble being the middle mouse-child. No one in the family has time for Nora so she does the thing she does very well that her family can't ignore. She makes noise. Nora is noisy. She slams windows, upsets furniture and bangs doors. |
| 41502 | Nomax Horsfall, Shannon | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2017 | 9781460753927 | Nomax is a dog who lives life to the full, which is why his master is so often calling out to him- NOMAX! |
| 12619 | Noni the pony Lester, Alison | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781741758887 | Noni is the nicest pony. She loves to entertain the cows and hens and ducks on the farm by the sea. And play hide and seek with her best friends Dave Dog and Coco the Cat. |
| 846067 | Noni the pony counts to a million Lester, Alison | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9781760524395 | Noni the Pony stands under one tree, and watches her two friends dance by the sea. She gives three speckled hens a ride up the hill... Come on another adventure with Noni in this delightful rhyming story. |

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| 9953 | Noni the pony goes to the beach Lester, Alison | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2014 | 9781743311141 | Noni the pony is friendly and funny, and her friends join her at the beach when it's sunny. |
| 587806 | Noni the pony rescues a joey Lester, Alison | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781534443709 | Noni the Pony and her friends Dave Dog and Coco the Cat are headed out to spend the day roaming the hills near Waratah Bay. But then they meet a lost wallaby joey who needs help finding his family. So Noni, Dave, and Coco ask all of their animal friends, from koala to wombat to possum, if anyone has seen the wallaby family. Will they be able to help their new friend find his way home? |
| 24908 | Nonna's gnocchi Huntley, Rebecca & Tor, Ilona (ill) | Little People Publishing | 2014 | 9780992479503 | Nonna is Sofia's grandmother, and today she is teaching her granddaughter how to make gnocchi, and telling her also how she learnt from her mother. This is a story of passing our traditions, stories and recipes on in families - complete with a gnocchi recipe. |
| 12196 | Nonsense nursery rhymes Edwards, Richard & Fisher, Chris (ill) | Oxford University Press | 1997 | 9780199104789 | A quirky mix of traditional and modern rhymes, arranged in alphabetical order in picture book format. Rhymes, without illustrations, are also organised alphabetically in the back of the book. |
| 642936 | Noodle bear Gravas, Mark | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781760651022 | Noodle Bear is crazy about noodles. His best friend, Fox, brings him other delicious treats when he's a no-show at her party but he's so noodle obsessed that doesn't he notice them. And when he's run out of noodles, his only thought is to go to the big city and become a contestant on the TV game show, "Noodle Knockout". Of course, he becomes a surprise star with more noodles than he can eat. But no amount of noodles and fame can fill the empty space where home and friends should be. |
| 660622 | Nop Magerl, Caroline | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781760651251 | No one chose Nop, he was not plush, had no button, ribbon, scarf or spangle, nothing to tell where he belonged. So Nop chose adventure and sets off to someplace wonderful. |
| 1286590 | Nora notices Moss, Tegan | Little Book Press | 2025 | 9781923141131 | Nora notices the world in a different way. She sees things that others forget to see. She transforms the ordinary into the extraordinary wherever she goes. Slow down and look closer with Nora and find beauty in the smallest surprises that life has to offer. |
| 10612 | Nora: the girl who ate and ate Weale, Andrew & Cort, Ben (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2011 | 9781849390514 | Nora Fatima Buffet is greedy. One night, when she is sent to bed without any supper, Nora decides to make her own sandwich, using whatever she can find. But, this time Nora's bitten off more than she can chew. |

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| 4542 | Norris, the bear who shared Rayner, Catherine | Orchard Books | 2010 | 9781846163081 | Norris just loves plorrings. When he spots one ripening in the afternoon sun, Norris sits back and waits patiently for the fruit to drop from the tree into his paws. But, Norris isn't the only one who adores plorrings. Pesky Tulip and Violet also love them and they can't wait for the one in the tree to ripen. It will be interesting to see who can get their paws on the delicious fruit first. |
| 5292 | Norton and alpha Litten, Kristyna | Simon & Schuster | 2017 | 9781471145766 | Battered wheels, rusty cogs, broken springs - Norton and Alpha find them all and always find a use for them. Then, one ordinary Tuesday, they find something completely unlike anything they've ever found before. What is IT? And what does IT do? |
| 750942 | Norton and the bear Evans, Gabriel | Berbay Publishing | 2020 | 9780648785132 | Being different is important to Norton. He wants to be unique but what can he do when Bear wants to look just like him. Every time he tries to make himself different Bear copies him. Norton finally yells at Bear to stop. He realises he has hurt Bear's feelings and decides to say sorry. But what happens when he sees Bear wearing a new cape? Norton really, really likes Bear's cape and wants one for himself! |
| 4849 | Nose pixies, The: A cautionary tale Hunt, David & Masciullo, Lucia (ill) | ABC Books | 2016 | 9780733334870 | Oliver has a bad habit. A very bad habit. He just can't keep his fingers out of his nose, which is a big problem for the tiny pixies who mine his nose gold to keep our cities running. The nose pixies return to their kingdom with empty handkerchiefs night after night. And unless their luck changes, they'll be out of a job...or worse. |
| 746555 | Not cute Bunting, Philip | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781760972387 | This is the story of a stubbornly adorable quokka who wants to be anything but cute! |
| 34652 | Not last night but the night before McNaughton, Colin & Clark, Emma Chichester (ill) | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781406325560 | A little boy believes that all his nursery rhyme friends come knocking at the door, with remarkable results. |
| 12152 | Not now Bernard McKee, David | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1988 | 9780099240501 | Bernard's parents are so busy and pay so little attention to him that they don't even realise when a monster moves in and takes his place. |
| 3659 | Not quite black and white Ying, Jonathan & Ying, Victoria (ill) | HarperCollins US | 2016 | 9780062380661 | A zebra wearing pink polka dots. A penguin with bright yellow boots. Lots of colours to see on these silly animals that aren't quite black and white. |
| 751148 | Not so quiet mouse Waters, Ruth | Windy Hollow Books | 2019 | 9781922081803 | Mouse likes to read very loudly, but not everybody in the forest likes what they hear. Not so quiet mouse is a tale of acceptance, friendship and being and sounding- like yourself. |
| 751144 | Not so scary bear Waters, Ruth | Windy Hollow Books | 2018 | 9781922081728 | Every day Scary Bear roams the forest looking for animals to scare. Every night he roars so loudly even the leaves on the trees shake. But looks can be deceiving. Scary Bear is lonely. He dreams up a plan to find a friend. |

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| 8840 | Not so small after all Messina, Lilli | Koala Books | 2008 | 9780864617095 | Lilly is the smallest in her class. She wishes she was taller so that her classmates wouldn't tease her. Then, something happens which helps Lilly realise that it doesn't matter how tall you are, it's how big you are inside that counts. |
| 22028 | Nothing Ismail, Yasmeen | Bloomsbury | 2016 | 9781408873366 | Lila's lively imagination means she's always busy, wrestling an octopus, racing along in a winged chariot or flying with birds over a noisy jungle. But, Mummy and Grandpa have a plan to join Lila in her play world. |
| 1096856 | Nothing alike Moor, Zewlan & Cheong, Peter (ill) | Bright Light Books | 2023 | 9781761212239 | Reuben and his best friend think it's impossible to tell Esme and Eunwoo apart! They both have the same dark hair, are both short, and they even wear the same school uniform. Except that once Reuben starts to think about it, of course he knows who is who. But the girls have a surprise in store for him. He and his best friend look more like than they realise! |
| 1019834 | Nova's missing masterpiece Graham, Brooke & Tatlow-Lord, Robin (ill) | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539373 | When Nova realizes the artwork she created for Dad's birthday present is missing, her tummy flip flops and her heart ker-thumps. She and her dog, Harley, turn the house upside down, searching absolutely everywhere, but the missing masterpiece is nowhere to be found. Nova loses her temper but Harley remains calm and content. Can Nova learn from her dog, calm herself down and find her Dad's present in time for his birthday party? |
| 11206 | Now I am bigger Clark, Sherryl & Rycroft, Nina (ill) | Working Title Press | 2010 | 9781921504174 | In the first three years of a child's life they learn and experience so much. This is a collection of poems in picture book format arranged to reflect a child's progress through time represented as 'memories' of growing up from birth to two or three years. |
| 501 | Now one foot, now the other dePaola, Tomie | Putnam | 2005 | 9780399242595 | Grandpa teaches little Bobby how to walk and Bobby returns the favour when Grandpa has a stroke. |
| 634861 | Now that's a hat McKenzie, Heath | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760664022 | That hat is too BIG! That hat is too SMALL! That hat is too SHORT! That hat is too TALL! That one's too CRAZY! And that one might BITE! How hard can it be to find a hat that's JUST RIGHT?! |
| 628191 | Now what?: A math tale Harris, Robie, H. & Chatterton, Chris (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2019 | 9780763678289 | Puppy wants to build a bed out of blocks, one that is wide enough and long enough for a snooze. But there aren't enough rectangles, squares, and triangles. NOW WHAT? Build, measure, count, compare! Follow along as Puppy tries again and again and again and finally figures out how blocks of different shapes and sizes can fit together to build a bed that's just the right size for a nap. |

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| 1423389 | Now you are a chicken McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2025 | 9781761214035 | Get ready to flap and cluck and do eggs, because this book will turn you into a chicken! All you need is a few magic words and ... WAIT!! |
| 20900 | Number one Aussie alphabet book, The McKenzie, Heath | Black Dog Books | 2010 | 9781742031477 | Trace and sound out the alphabet with some familiar, and not so familiar, Australian animals. |
| 1254 | Number one Aussie counting book, The McKenzie, Heath | Black Dog Books | 2008 | 9781742030098 | Count the gorgeous, baby Australian animals, from one all the way to twenty-one. |
| 8227 | Nursery & playtime rhymes Straw, Wendy (ill) | Brolly Books | 2009 | 9781921346873 | Sixteen favourite nursery rhymes are accompanied by large, colourful illustrations. The well-known nursery and playtime rhymes include Humpty Dumpty, Baa Black Sheep, Owl and the Pussy Cat, Old Macdonald had a Farm and Five Little Ducks. |
| 871584 | O in the snow, The Barker, Judith & Frith, Janie (ill) | Woodslane Press | 2021 | 9781925868609 | What words contain the O sound? |
| 1423375 | O.M.G: Oh my G.O.A.T! Temple, Kate & Temple, Jol & Challenger, Rebel (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761642357 | Oh My, Goat! What do you say when you see something very surprising, like ... Outstanding Marching Grasshoppers? Or an Overjoyed Massive Goldfish? Find out with Duck and Goat in this playful new laugh-out-loud story. |
| 21217 | Ocean lullaby Odgers, Sally & Stewart, Lisa | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742769110 | Ocean babies in the deep, waves are rocking them to sleep. Listen as the deep sea sighs, that's the ocean's lullaby. |
| 8228 | Odd bird out Bransch, Helga | Gecko Press | 2008 | 9781877467097 | Robert is different to the other ravens. He doesn't act like the other ravens and he looks different. How will he cope with being odd bird out. |
| 846154 | Odd dog Christmas, An Biddulph, Rob | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2021 | 9780008413354 | For festive dogs a festive day. It's Christmas Eve! Hip hip hooray! Odd Dog learns what Christmas is all about. She needs to find the perfect present and she's running out of time. When she crosses paths with a festive friend in need, will she listen to her heart and give her all or continue on shopping? |
| 4903 | Odd dog out Biddulph, Rob | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2016 | 9780007594153 | For busy dogs, a busy day, of busy work and busy play. And small dog is finding out what being different is all about. All Odd Dog wanted is to fit in, and she's prepared to go around the world to find her place in it. But sometimes it takes becoming part of the crowd to show that, actually, it's better to stand out from it. |
| 903392 | Odd fish, the Jones, Naomi & Jones, James (ill) | Farshore | 2022 | 9780755504428 | There's a strange new fish that has lost its family. Octopus's tentacles are tangled and Turtle has a tummy ache. Can Little Fish help her friends? And can you spot what's wrong with the ocean? |
| 20113 | Oddly Dunbar, Joyce & Benson, Patrick (ill) | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781844280322 | It's the small things which are the most important and Oddlet finds he isn't so odd after all. |
| 12176 | Oh dear Campbell, Rod | Pan MacMillan | 1999 | 9780333733516 | Children lift the flaps to meet all the farm animals and help Buster when he goes down to the farmyard to fetch the eggs for grandma. |

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| 1406612 | Oh dear, look what I got! Rosen, Michael & Oxenbury, Helen (ill) | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781529510898 | I went to the shop to get me a carrot. Oh dear, they gave me... a parrot! Oh dear, look what I got! Do I want that? No I do not! Each visit to the shop brings an animal surprise in this playful read-aloud, with a final twist and a joyful ending. |
| 9177 | Oh no, George Haughton, Chris | Walker Books | 2012 | 9781406332254 | It's hard work being good all the time. And, it's especially hard for a dog like George. Harris is off to do some shopping and asks George to be good. George really wants to be good but there's the chocolate cake, the cat and other temptations. |
| 5051 | Oh, Albert Bell, Davina & Acton, Sara (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2016 | 9780670078608 | When no one is around, Albert can't help getting into mischief. But, one day, he goes too far. Oh, Albert. |
| 1061458 | Oh, olive! Cho, Lian | HarperCollins US | 2023 | 9780063237490 | Olive's parents are professional artists who always paint prim, proper, perfect shapes, and they want Olive to follow in their footsteps. But Olive wants to paint differently; she likes to splatter and splash colour across her work and never paints perfect shapes, or any shapes at all. What will happen when Olive and her bright paints reach her parents' pristine art gallery? |
| 3186 | Oh, the places you'll go Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1990 | 9780007158522 | Dr Seuss takes a look at the mishaps and misadventures that life may have in store for us. |
| 14942 | Oi Cat! Gray, Kes & Field, Jim (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2017 | 9781444932522 | According to Frog, cats sit on gnats, dogs sit on logs, raccoons sit on macaroons, armadillos sit on pillows and chicks sit on bricks. But wait! Cat doesn't like sitting on gnats, they keep biting his bottom! Will Frog and Dog help him change the rules? |
| 1252266 | Oi dinosaurs! Gray, Kez & Field, Jim (ill) | Hachette Australia | 2024 | 9781444971828 | According to Frog, in dinosaur times sitting down hadn't been invented. So . . . Pterosaurs didn't sit on bendy straws, velociraptors didn't sit on plug adaptors, triceratops didn't sit on lollipops. Join Frog, Cat and Dog for oodles of prehistoric rhyming in this dino-packed new title in the Oi Frog and Friends series. |
| 19674 | Oi Dog Gray, Kes & Gray, Claire & Field, Jim (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2016 | 9781444919585 | Cat insists that there are rules. Only mules sit on stools, no one but hares should sit on chairs and, however irritating, dogs must sit on frogs. But, Frog's had enough, he's changing the way things are. He insists that, from now on, dogs sit on logs, not frogs. And, everyone else is going to have to sit somewhere else too. And, most importantly, Frog has to find somewhere to sit as well. |
| 13340 | Oi Duck-billed Platypus Gray, Kes & Field, Jim (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2018 | 9781444937329 | Oi! Where are duck-billed platypuses meant to sit? And Kookaburras and hippopotamuses and all the other animals with impossible to rhyme with names? Over to you Frog! |
| 7981 | Oi Frog Gray, Kes & Field, Jim (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2014 | 9781444910865 | Cats sit on mats, hares sit on chairs, mules sit on stools and gophers sit on sofas. But, Frog does not want to sit on a log. |

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| 12171 | Oi get off our train Burningham, John | Red Fox | 1991 | 9780099853404 | A little boy is speeding through the night on his dream train to far-off lands where endangered animals beg for a lift. |
| 8497 | Old dog Willis, Jeanne & Ross, Tony (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2008 | 9781842706978 | The young pups don't want to visit Grandpa. They think that he's boring and only wants to talk about the olden days. They don't believe that he was ever young or had fun. But, Grandpa still has a few tricks up his sleeve. |
| 871678 | Old fellow Cheng, Christopher & Anelli, Liz (ill) | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760652395 | Take a walk through one day in the life of two best friends, a man and his dog. This book is full of unspoken friendship and love. The importance of neighbours and community is shown in this very special story. |
| 6353 | Old friends, new friends Daddo, Andrew & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | ABC Books | 2018 | 9780733338137 | A brand-new school year! I can't wait! Hang on, none of my old friends are in my new class! |
| 751047 | Old man emu Williamson, John & McLean, Simon (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2020 | 9781760898793 | This iconic Australian song tells the very funny tale of the emu and its many traits - good and bad: He can't fly, but I'm telling you, he can run the pants off a kangaroo! The story compares the emu to lots of other Australian birds (galah, cockatoo, wedge-tail eagle, kookaburra) and of course to the kangaroo, providing wonderful opportunities for hilarious illustrations. |
| 3192 | Old man who loved to sing, The Winch, John | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9781865048048 | An old man moves to a secluded valley where he can sing, whistle and play his music all day long. The animals in the valley become accustomed to the old man's music and even learn to love it. Then, one day the valley falls silent. |
| 15340 | Old mother Hubbard Cabrera, Jane | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2001 | 9781862333048 | The traditional nursery rhyme is well-presented and illustrated. |
| 12079 | Old pig Wild, Margaret & Brooks, Ron (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 1997 | 9781741757064 | After a life-time of sharing how to do things, Grandmother Pig prepares her grand-daughter for the inevitable, sad day she will no longer be with her. The event is foreshadowed in a sensitive way. |
| 12479 | Old steam train, The Amery, Heather & Cartwright, Stephen(ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 1999 | 9780746033364 | Poppy, Sam and Mrs Boots help to restore Apple Tree Station and enjoy seeing its steam train run again. The book comes with a great map of the Apple Tree line. |
| 3194 | Old Tom Hobbs, Leigh | Penguin | 2004 | 9780140369793 | Old Tom is a lovable, battle-scarred tom cat. The story begins with Old Tom arriving in a basket outside Angela Throgmorton's front door. He has many adventures and is a wickedly appealing, naughty cat. |
| 10121 | Old Tom at the beach Hobbs, Leigh | Puffin Australia | 1995 | 9780140377057 | Old Tom, the loveable old tom cat, has never been to the beach before and is eager to see the sights. But, even he cannot foresee the unexpected adventures that lie ahead. |
| 8300 | Old Tom's big book of beauty Hobbs, Leigh | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781743314142 | Angela Throgmorton adores Old Tom, but that doesn't mean that there isn't room for improvement. When she gives him The Big Book of Beauty the results are astonishing. But will The Big Book of Beauty go to Old Tom's head? |

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| 9927 | Old Tom's holiday Hobbs, Leigh | ABC Books | 2002 | 9780733310737 | When Angela Throgmorton wins a luxury holiday, she has to leave Old Tom, her irrepresible cat, at home, or so she thinks. |
| 4238 | Old woman who loved to read, The Winch, John | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9781865048055 | The old woman thought she would have plenty of time to read when she moved to the country. Unfortunately, there is always something to do. |
| 12185 | Olga the Brolga Clement, Rod | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2002 | 9780207197581 | Olga, the brolga, wants to dance but nobody will join her. She decides to dance by herself and, soon, a crowd of Australian animals pick up the beat in this delightfully illustrated, rhyming tale. |
| 34016 | Oliver Rossell, Judith | Harper | 2012 | 9780062022103 | Oliver is a curious explorer, so he asks a lot of questions. Then, one day in the bathtub, he hears a strange gurgle. "What lives down the drain?" he wonders. Soon Oliver is headed down the drain in his homemade submarine on a spectacular mission. |
| 4894 | Oliver and George Carnavas, Peter | New Frontier Publishing | 2014 | 9781925059083 | Oliver is ready to play, but George the bear is busy. Oliver tries to get George's attention, but what happens when a boy bothers a bear too many times. |
| 68743 | Oliver who travelled far and wide Bergman, Mara & Maland, Nick (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2009 | 9780340981634 | Oliver Donnington Rimington-Sneep woke from his sleep to find that Bat and Owl and Fox were there, but he couldn't see Ted anywhere. |
| 12397 | Oliver's egg Costain, Meredith & Power, Margaret (ill) | Penguin | 2003 | 9780143300250 | Oliver believes his chook is going to lay the biggest egg ever. But, the other chooks start laying and Oliver is still waiting. Oliver wonders if his chook will ever lay an egg. |
| 12198 | Olivia Falconer, Ian | Simon & Schuster | 2000 | 9780689829536 | Simple black and grey illustrations, with a splash of red, are a feature of this picture book. Olivia is a feisty piglet who has far too much energy and is always getting into mischief. |
| 12261 | Olivia and the missing toy Falconer, Ian | Simon & Schuster | 2003 | 9780689852916 | When her best toy mysteriously disappears, Olivia, the feisty piglet, is determined to find out who is responsible. |
| 12262 | Olivia saves the circus Falconer, Ian | Simon & Schuster | 2002 | 9780689829543 | At school, Olivia, the piglet, tells how she went to the circus and all the performers were sick. Olivia tells how she saved the day by becoming Olivia the Lion Tamer, Olivia the Tattooed Lady and many more. |
| 32284 | Olivia's voice Lucas, Mike & Harrison, Jennifer (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2017 | 9781925227192 | Listen. Silence. Love, words, friendship and colour need no sound. My name is Olivia and this is my world. |
| | Ollie and Bea series Trembl, Renee | | | | Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to ten more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |

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| 3002 | Ollie and the wind Ghosh, Ronojoy | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9780857988485 | Ollie lives on a small island. There aren't many people around but he does have lots of space to play. One day, when the wind steals his hat, Ollie tries to catch the wind in a net so he can ask what it's done with his hat. Then the wind takes Ollie's scarf. He tries to catch the wind in a can this time, but that also fails. Ollie thinks the wind is very naughty. It's only when the wind whisks his balloon away that Ollie realises it just wants to play. But, now, he has to find out what kinds of things it likes to play with. |
| 29824 | Ollie's treasure Jenkins, Lynn & Lonergan, Kirrili (ill) | EK Books | 2017 | 9781925335422 | When Ollie's grandmother sends him a letter with a treasure map, he's so excited! What could his treasure be? The latest toy? That game he's wanted forever? But this treasure is something completely different. Join Ollie as he goes on a rather unexpected adventure and discovers that if we only pay attention to what's around us, the greatest treasure of all is actually with us all the time. |
| 14993 | Olly and me Hughes, Shirley | Walker Books | 2004 | 9781844285259 | Beautifully illustrated collection of sophisticated poetry for the very young. Mum's birthday, Saturday shopping, fireworks and water play are all captured in blank verse. |
| 21180 | Oma's buttons Ingram, Tania & Harrison, Jennifer | Penguin Books Australia | 2018 | 9780143786573 | Ruthie loves visiting her Oma. They always have lots of fun together. One day Ruthie finds a pretty tin while playing hide and seek at her Oma's house. It's full of Oma's beautiful 'memory buttons'. Each button reminds Oma of a special person in her life and a story to share with Ruthie. And of course Ruthie must have a memory button of her own! |
| 1269 | Omar the strongman Rogers, Gregory | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781742834368 | Omar is very busy with his new job at the zoo. He makes friends with Mavis the elephant, who helps him unveil an act of his own. |
| 638747 | On my way Masson, Sophie & Howe, Simon (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781742994093 | On my way to school, Mumma, guess what I saw? A pig chasing a wig! A goat rowing a boat! A delightful story about all the extraordinary things you can see on your travels. |
| 62943 | On our way to the beach Laguna, Sofie | Omnibus Books | 2004 | 9781862915206 | A little girl is going to the beach for the first time with her family and she is trying to imagine what it will look like. The trip to the beach takes several days and the journey is full of experiences and special moments, which influence her imagination. When the family finally arrives at the beach, nothing has prepared the girl for what she eventually sees. |
| 1232 | On the day you were born Wild, Margaret & Brooks, Ron (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781741147544 | A proud father shows his new baby the wonderful new world to which it now belongs - the smells, the sounds, the colours and the inhabitants are all introduced to the new child. The illustrations reinforce the atmosphere of love, pride and home. |

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| 1209691 | On the Hunt for Santa Gibbes, Lesley & Michael King, Stephen (ill) | Working Title Press | 2024 | 9781922033109 | Three friends, Cat, Hare and Pig, head off on a snowy, Christmas adventure. |
| 2808 | On the night of the shooting star Hest, Amy & Desmond, Jenni (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781406377330 | Bunny looks at Dog. Dog looks at Bunny. No one says hello. Or hi. But on the night of the shooting star, two doors open... |
| 88828 | On the night you were born Tillman, Nancy | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781741693935 | Through rhyming text, this book celebrates you and the joy you have brought just by being. |
| 12167 | On the way home Murphy, Jill | MacMillan | 2000 | 9780333375723 | Claire sets off on her way home to show her mum her bad knee. On the way, she tells her story to lots of friends. |
| 4710 | On the way to Nana's Haji-Ali, Frances & Haji-Ali, Lindsay & Hardy, David (ill) | Magabala Books | 2017 | 9781925360301 | I'm on the way to Nana's house, what will I see! |
| 12064 | Once there were giants Waddell, Martin & Dale, Penny (ill) | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744578362 | To the baby in the house, Mum and Dad and Jill and John and Uncle Tom are giants. But, little by little, that baby grows up, until she becomes a giant too. |
| 15338 | Once upon a golden apple Little, Jean & de Vries, Maggie & Gilman, Phoebe (ill) | Penguin Books Canada | 1993 | 9780140541649 | Daddy tries out all sorts of alternative storylines in his fairytale but the children object to all but the most predictable. Delightfully, the story is even more important than the food. |
| 7406 | Once upon a northern night Pendziwol, Jean E & Arsenault, Isabelle (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406362459 | As a little boy sleeps soundly, wrapped up warm in bed, a winter tableau slowly builds outside, beginning with a single snowflake. The beauty and wonder of a northern winter night unfolds, with images of a soft snowfall, the wild animals that appear in the garden, the gentle rhythm of the northern lights and the etchings of frost on the window pane. |
| 16950 | Once upon a picnic Prater, John | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406306323 | A small boy goes on a picnic with his Mum and Dad and it's sure to be boring with no one to play with. While his parents just sit and stare, the boy sees many amazing and well-known characters. |
| 2814 | Once upon a small rhinoceros McKinlay, Meg & Rudge, Leila (ill) | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781925126709 | Once, there was a small rhinoceros who wanted to see the big world.... |
| 63065 | Once upon a time Prater, John | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781406306330 | A boy and his mother spend a boring day at home doing mundane chores, oblivious to the street full of famous fairy tale and nursery rhyme characters playing out bizarre scenes all around the neighbourhood. |
| 864105 | One blue shoe Godwin, Jane & Reiseger, Jane (ill) | Affirm Press | 2021 | 9781925870558 | A bright and joyful exploration of counting and number concepts as readers search for a missing blue shoe. Numbers 1 to 10 are introduced using rhyme as readers are encouraged to count familiar objects, then further extended with the exploration of addition and subtraction. |
| 15945 | One blue sock Ballou, Emily & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2007 | 9781741660838 | Theo Leo is an ordinary boy in many ways, he likes to jump, dig and collect things. In other ways, he is very different and this can lead to all sorts of wonderful discoveries. |

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| 895551 | One book was all it took Shurety, Wenda & Calautti, Amy (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2022 | 9781922539137 | Violet has searched high and low but cannot find a book that she has not already read. She would love a library in her town with an endless supply of stories, but she is not sure if anyone hear her request. When she finds a book under the dining table, it leads to an unbelievable chain of events which changes her town forever. |
| 4865 | One day in the eucalyptus, eucalyptus tree Bernstrom, Daniel & Wenzel, Brendan (ill) | HarperCollins US | 2016 | 9780062354853 | One day in the leaves of eucalyptus tree hung a scare in the air where no eye could see, when along skipped a boy with a whirly-twirly toy, to the shade of the eucalyptus, eucalyptus tree. |
| 63162 | One dragon's dream Pavey, Peter | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781921150746 | A clever counting book full of hidden surprises. Each picture poses a challenge to find the matching objects and visual puns and puzzles that can be discovered within. |
| 15010 | One fish two fish red fish blue fish Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2003 | 9780007158560 | This book explores some of the funny things that exist in Dr Seuss's fantasy world. Along the way, young children are introduced to colours, counting, opposites and rhyme. |
| 27168 | One funky monkey McCleary, Stacey & Degennaro, Sue (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781921150456 | Join in the dance and count with a funky monkey, some hip-hopping elephants, jiving giraffes, moonwalking meerkats and lots of other animals. |
| 15339 | One is a snail, ten is a crab Sayre, April Pulley & Jeff Sayre & Cecil, Randy (ill) | Walker Books | 2004 | 9781844281640 | The humour continues to build in this excellent counting book which deals with numerals 1-10 and multiples of 10. |
| 4108 | One keen koala Wild, Margaret & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781743629291 | One keen koala and all of the animal friends are ready for school! Count along in this beautiful introduction to the fun of school. |
| 993003 | One little duck Germein, Katrina & Snell, Danny (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2023 | 9781460761649 | One little duck went out one day, over the hills and far away. Mother Duck said 'Moo Moo Moo Moo,' and Cow said, 'Wait! Now I'm coming too.' Mother Duck has forgotten how to quack! Every day she tries a new barnyard call, and every night Little Duck returns with a new farm friend. |
| 1286576 | One little dung beetle Williams, Rhian & Potter, Heather (ill) & Jackson, Mark (ill) | Wild Dog Books | 2024 | 9781742036656 | Beetles are clever, diligent environmental engineers, working away under our very noses. What's not to love about beetles? |
| 5003 | One little goat Dubosarsky, Ursula & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9781742976921 | It starts with one little goat. It ends with one little goat. But what happens in-between is a whirlwind of nonsense and fun. |
| 12204 | One lonely sea horse Freyman, Saxton | Scholastic Australia | 2000 | 9780439110143 | In search of some friends, a lone seahorse encounters a range of sea creatures. In the course of the journey, the seahorse learns to count to ten. Intriguing collage illustrations made of vegetables feature in this counting book. |

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| 18330 | One more sheep Kelly, Mij & Ayto, Russell (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2004 | 9780340805862 | Sam has ten sheep and he has to be sure that he's fetched them all in from the wild, windy moor. To do this, Sam has to count them but, as everyone knows, counting sheep sends you to sleep. |
| 54387 | One of those days Heffernan, John & Perkins, Gwyn (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781741693348 | When Samantha wakes up, she discovers it's one of those days, a day when her imagination can carry her away to fantastic settings and amazing adventures. |
| 1423999 | One race Dreise, Gregg | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781761298585 | How can there be racism when we are one human race? Our difference is our biggest strength; not something to debase. From Kamilaroi and Euahlayi author and artist Gregg Dreise, comes this call for unity, embracing what connects us all ... our humanity. |
| 643275 | One runaway rabbit Metzenthien, David & Murphy, Mairead (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760523558 | One pet rabbit. One dark night. One hungry fox. |
| 1053 | One Sunday Allen, Pamela | Viking Children's | 2014 | 9780670077656 | Outside the wind blew, the trees groaned and the tiny wooden house creaked. Eeeeeek. Inside, a delicious roast dinner was cooking. The little old man was expecting visitors. The little old woman said no one would come. Who was right. |
| 15341 | One ted falls out of bed Donaldson, Julia & Currey, Anna (ill) | MacMillan | 2004 | 9780333947814 | Ted is taken on an adventure after falling out of bed and not being able to get back in. |
| 4817 | One thousand trees Hughes-Odgers, Kyle | Fremantle Press | 2017 | 9781925164725 | Deep in the heart of the city, Frankie dreams of a thousand trees. Over them, under them, through them, above them. |
| 63313 | One to ten and back again Sharratt, Nick & Heap, Sue | Penguin Books Australia | 2005 | 9780140567861 | Best friends, Nick and Sue, go on a counting journey to ten and back again. |
| 587898 | One tree Cheng, Christopher & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2019 | 9780143786733 | One tall tree on the mountain once marked Grandfather's farm. Now there is a busy city and Grandfather lives with us in our apartment. Once he told stories but now he stays silent. Until one day, in the city market, I find something precious ...something that brings Grandfather's memories alive again. |
| 29681 | One very tired wombat Trembl, Renee | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742755786 | How hard can it be to find a little peace and quiet. Unfortunately for wombat, he's about to find out. |
| 12053 | One woolly wombat Trinca, Rod & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1987 | 9780140507584 | Zany Australian animals parade through this counting book, including five pesky platypuses and fourteen slick seals. |
| 45631 | One, two, cockatoo Garson, Sarah | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2009 | 9781741664454 | A delightful counting and hide-and-seek book rolled into one. Children will love learning to count from one to ten as they search for the cockatoos hidden in the pages. |
| 2841 | Only fish fall from the sky Parsons, Leif | POW Kids Books | 2015 | 9781576877579 | A boy wakes from a marvellous dream, where it rains fish instead of water, people dance through dinner and children sleep with tigers, to find the world is not quite as he left it. |

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| 871585 | OO in Uluru, The Barker, Judith & Frith, Janie (ill) | Woodslane Press | 2020 | 9781925868180 | This is the story of the OO. An amusing sound for all of you! Learn about the vowel sound OO and where you can find it in different words as you explore Australia's Red Centre. |
| 803510 | Oona DiPucchio, Kelly & Figueroa, Raissa (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2021 | 9780062982247 | Oona and her best friend Otto love to search for treasure...and often find trouble instead. Messy trouble. Tricky trouble. Even shark-related trouble. That's never stopped them before, though! After all, no proper treasure hunt is without some adventure. But when the grandest treasure yet is stuck in a deep, dark rift, Oona's not sure if she can dive right in. What might be waiting for her in those unknown waters. |
| 90472 | Oops Fromental, Jean-Luc & Jolivet, Joelle (ill) | Abrams Books | 2010 | 9780810987494 | A family suffers a series of mishaps as they race frantically through the streets of Paris to get to the airport in time for their holiday trip. It all starts when near-sighted Aunt Roberta's bar of soap is jettisoned out of her apartment, setting off a chain of events that thwarts the unsuspecting family's every move to make the flight on time. |
| 78232 | Oops McNaughton, Colin | Andersen Press Ltd | 2008 | 9781842707128 | Preston sets off to take a basket of food to his granny's, wearing a red coat and hood, and looking very much like Little Red Riding Hood. As ever, Mister Wolf is in hot pursuit but he can't think which story Preston's red coat and hood reminds him of so he can't remember what to do. |
| 13395 | Opera house mouse Chapman, Jean & Oliver, Tony (ill) | Margaret Hamilton | 2000 | 9781876289294 | Mouse can't sleep at night as he is kept awake by sounds of music. He goes exploring and sets out to climb a mountain. He encounters dangers but is rewarded when he reaches the top. |
| 12093 | Orchard book of nursery stories, The Windham, Sophie | Orchard Books | 1993 | 9781843626930 | Large print and plenty of attractive illustrations in this perfect introduction to traditional stories like Goldilocks and Henny Penny. Fifteen favourite, traditional stories are retold for the very young. |
| 12458 | Oscar cat-about-town Herriot, James & Brown, Ruth (ill) | Pan Macmillan London | 1992 | 9780330320665 | When Oscar is brought to the vet's surgery as a starving, stray cat, he finds a home with the vet and his family. But, it soon becomes clear that the tabby cat, with the extra loud purr, is no ordinary cat. |
| 6098 | Oscar the hungry unicorn Carter, Lou & Dyson, Nikki (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2018 | 9781408355756 | Oscar the Unicorn has eaten his stable so he needs to find somewhere else to live. Not easy if you're a unicorn who eats everything in sight. No one wants him around: not the pirates or the fairies or the dragons. Will Oscar ever find a place to call home? Well, it just so happens that Princess Oola has been searching for a unicorn forever. |

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| 14991 | Oscar's half birthday Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2005 | 9781844280292 | A family and community celebrate Oscar's half birthday. A story of love and celebration. |
| 803462 | Oscar's tower of flowers Tobia, Lauren | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781406391879 | When Oscar's mum has to go away for a while, Oscar feels a bit lost. But then he waters a forgotten, wilting plant. The leaves perk up and Oscar perks up, too. Oscar soon discovers the joy of sowing seeds, lots and lots of seeds. |
| 40833 | Other bears, The Thompson, Michael | Fremantle Press | 2010 | 9781921361951 | Mother and Father Koala are suspicious of the other bears and surprised that they are so different. But, the little koalas have other ideas. |
| 751172 | Other brother, The Jaye, Penny & Cooper Smith, Heidi | Wombat Books | 2020 | 9781925563689 | Jayden James thought his family was perfect - until last Wednesday when Mitchell David arrived. Now the car's too small, picnics are ruined and no one's paying attention to Jayden anymore. Jayden knows something needs to be done. And he's the only one who can do it! A gentle story about acceptance, belonging and what it means to be family. |
| 846185 | Ouch! Tales of gravity Simpson, Kate & Hardiman, Andy (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2022 | 9781760526610 | Have you ever wondered how gravity works? Or what life would be like without gravity? Find out in this fun introduction to the idea that what goes up must come down. |
| 4583 | Our baby Wild, Margaret & Blair, Karen (ill) | Working Title Press | 2015 | 9781921504785 | Babies come in all shapes and sizes, and from all sorts of families. Some babies have a mum and a dad. Some have two mums or two dads. Our baby has a mum and a dad and a big sister, me. Some babies have snotty noses, tufty hair or no hair at all. Some babies like going to cafes or to the park. Some like playing at home. Every baby is different, and every one of them is special. |
| 1304674 | Our beautiful world Speedie, Sarah & Davis, Margeaux (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2025 | 9781923145573 | Join us on a colourful journey of discovery to every corner of our amazing world. From the vibrant red rocks of Australia, to the glittering gold dunes of Morocco, to the tropical blue oceans of Fiji, our earth is home to a dazzling rainbow of natural colours. Our Beautiful World is a lyrical celebration of the many cultures and colours found on this awe-inspiring planet that we call home. |
| 1096828 | Our birds Bancroft, Bronwyn | Little Hare Books | 2023 | 9781761211195 | Discover the birds of Australia through the evocative and intricately detailed artwork of best selling Bundjalung author-illustrator Bronwyn Bancroft. |
| 1096821 | Our bugs Bancroft, Bronwyn | Little Hare Books | 2023 | 9781761211188 | Discover the bugs of Australia through the evocative and intricately detailed artwork of best selling Bundjalung author-illustrator Bronwyn Bancroft. |
| 61128 | Our daft dog Danny Allen, Pamela | Penguin Books Australia | 2009 | 9780670073351 | In the winter, we love visiting Uncle Peter and going to the beach with his dog, Millie. But, the day we took our dog Danny with us, everything went wrong. Then, a good idea saved the day. |

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| 1259662 | Our dance Daniher, Jacinta & Hampton, Taylor & Burger, Janelle (ill) | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734423429 | Under the moon of a big gum tree children gather to learn how to dance. Painting their faces and sitting by the fire, the elder plays the Yidaki and teaches the mob how to dance. Follow the kids as they learn how to slither like a snake and dance like an emu. |
| 12224 | Our dog Oxenbury, Helen | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744531794 | Our dog is not the best-behaved dog in the world. Our dog jumps in puddles and mud when we go for walks. We try to wash and dry our dog, but our dog just won't stay clean. |
| 27714 | Our dog Benji Carter, Pete & Henderson, James (ill) | EK Books | 2017 | 9781925335330 | Benji will eat anything. From ice cream to insects, he's eager to try it all! His young owner isn't quite so adventurous. But perhaps Benji can inspire him to be a little less fussy. |
| 941938 | Our dragon Fox, Mem & Davick, Linda (ill) | Penguin | 2023 | 9781761049828 | Our dragon is a special dragon with a loving mum and dad. He is a sweetie. Except, well, when he is not. He never means to cause trouble, but he is a baby dragon, after all. A tender and funny book about unconditional love. |
| 1105017 | Our flag, our story: The Torres Strait Islander Flag Namok Jnr, Bernard & Mayo, Thomas & Mordey, Tori-Jay | Magabala Books | 2024 | 9781922613509 | Flags are symbols of identity, pride, and difference. Join Bernard Namok Junior as he explains the elements of the Torres Strait Islander flag designed by his father. |
| 12091 | Our granny Wild, Margaret & Vivas, Julie (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1997 | 9781862913509 | This granny has a wobbly bottom, marches at demonstrations and is full of kisses for the grandchildren with whom she lives. Other grannies are compared to this one. Most children will find a granny that appeals to them. |
| 903317 | Our home on wheels Parry-Valentine, Jessica & Stephen & Spink, Ashlee (ill) | Penguin | 2022 | 9781761046827 | Ride along with Hunter as she discovers beaches and billabongs, paddocks and plains, forests and dugouts, and even underwater worlds. A big adventure awaits! |
| 3475 | Our last trip to the market Clarke, Lorin & Vane, Mitch (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781925266962 | What a fabulous morning to go the market! That busker is dressed as a clown. And there's fruit and a baker. There are people on bikes. <u>Annabelle, please put that down!</u> |
| 596838 | Our little inventor Ng, Sher Rill | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760523565 | Far from Nell's home in the countryside, the Big city is growing more polluted every day - and Nell has a brilliant mind and an ingenious invention. She sets off on the long journey, only to find that the problem is far worse than she'd imagined. But Nell is determined to succeed. |
| 11496 | Our love grows Pignataro, Anna | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743626269 | Pip is an adorable, roly-poly little panda, who is playful and curious. Mama explains to him how he will grow, just like the world around them. |
| 15124 | Our school fete Pfanner, Louise & Gamble, Kim (ill) | ABC Books | 2004 | 9780733308826 | The whole family joins in the preparations for the school fete. Dad cooks chutney and mum draws a map of the school. Everyone has a job to do. |

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| 82566 | Our tree named Steve Zweibel, Alan & Catrow, David (ill) | Penguin USA | 2005 | 9780399237225 | A family moves into their new house. As they grow older, the one constant is 'Steve', a massive tree in their backyard sharing their lives, their ups and downs. |
| 14994 | Out and about Hughes, Shirley | Walker Books | 2005 | 9781844284733 | A collection of beautifully illustrated blank verse for the very young exploring nature - mud, water, fire, mist and wind - and a child's feelings. Double-page illustrations will delight children who love detail. |
| 699178 | Out of nowhere Naylor-Ballesteros, Chris | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2020 | 9781788008389 | Beetle and Caterpillar are best friends. Every day, they sit together on a big rock, sharing a picnic and looking out over the forest. But one day, Caterpillar goes missing and, try as he might, Beetle cannot find her. Just as he is about to give up hope, a very friendly (and rather familiar) butterfly appears out of nowhere. Can it be his friend? She might look different but she is still just the same and they are together again, at last. |
| 31317 | Out of the egg Matthews, Tina | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781921150357 | Reworked version of the traditional tale of the hardworking, unaided Little Red Hen continues until her own baby chick befriends the offspring of the lazy cat, the rat and the pig and together they play. By the end of the day, each baby learns a new lesson in forgiveness and sharing. |
| 805 | Outside Hathorn, Libby & Voutila, Ritva | Little Hare Books | 2015 | 9781921894688 | It's the fluttery leaves in the magical breeze in the summery sun outside. |
| 553 | Over in the clover Ormerod, Jan & Gardiner, Lindsay (ill) | Oxford University Press | 2009 | 9780192791702 | Meet busy beavers, tumbling tigers, tiny tadpoles and lots more in this rhyming, counting book. |
| 1209711 | Over or under? Harry, Pip & Tapper, Hilary Jean (ill) | Lothian Books | 2024 | 9780734421807 | Maisie's dad is teaching her about the ocean. She quickly learns to jump over big waves, but finds it trickier to know when to dive under the bigger ones. Will she be able to muster up the courage to give it a try? |
| 660682 | Over the moon: let love in Hoster, Colin & Dey, Sia & Wang, Yujia (ill) & Myers, Brittany (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2021 | 9780063002418 | Fueled with determination and a passion for science, a bright young girl named Fei Fei builds a rocket ship to the moon to prove the existence of a legendary Moon Goddess. There she ends up on the adventure of a lifetime and discovers a whimsical land of fantastical creatures. |
| 4090 | Over the ocean Gomi, Taro | Chronicle Books | 2016 | 9781452145150 | A young girl gazes out to where the water meets the sky and wonders what lies beyond the waves. She thinks there might be boats filled with toys or skyscrapers filled with people or houses filled with families. Or, maybe, over the ocean stands someone not so different from the girl herself, returning her gaze. |
| 902457 | Owl and star Milroy, Helen | Fremantle Press | 2022 | 9781760992156 | The sparkle of the stars was important to Owl. He watched as they greeted him at dusk and at dawn would fall asleep to their gentle light. Owl was worried after his favourite little star didn't come out one night. He went searching far and wide for his little friend. Where could Little Star be? |

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| 3247 | Owl and the pussy cat, The Lear, Edward & Mortimer, Anne (ill) | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2008 | 9781741789362 | In this beautifully illustrated edition of the well-known nonsense poem by Edward Lear, the Owl and the Pussycat sail across the sea and travel into lush jungles, all by the light of the moon. |
| 35327 | Owl and the pussycat, The Lear, Edward & Wilson, Anne (ill) | Australian Broadcasting Corporation | 2006 | 9780733319143 | The beautiful, classic poem of the Owl and the Pussycat and their adventure to get married. |
| 12491 | Owl at school Nicoll, Helen & Pienkowski, Jan (ill) | Puffin UK | 2002 | 9780140568875 | Meg sends Owl to school for the first time and he has to learn some very unusual lessons. |
| 5747 | Owl babies Waddell, Martin & Benson, Patrick (ill) | Walker Books | 1998 | 9780744563139 | The story of three baby owls who wake up one night in their hole in the tree to find that their mother has gone. They sit on the branch and wait, wondering when she will return. |
| 2869 | Oww: a wriggly piglet with a prickly problem Rosen, Michael & Langley, Jonathan (ill) | Collins | 2003 | 9780007767977 | Piggly, the wriggly piglet, has a problem, a quite painful problem. Everyone wants to help but their best efforts only cause them a problem too. Assistance comes from an unexpected and seemingly unhelpful encounter. |
| 587860 | Ozzie goes to school Crabb, Jocelyn & Snell, Danny (ill) | Working Title Press | 2019 | 9781921504907 | Ozzie isn't afraid of much. Not the cool dark of the container when the door is closed at night. Not snakes. Not even of the crocodiles that he and his dad watch out for on the beach during the day. But there is something Ozzie is afraid of...starting school! |
| 803729 | Pablo Rascal & Shugaar, Antony (trans) | Gecko Press | 2021 | 9781776573240 | It's time for Pablo to bust out of his shell. He's ready, but he's not going to rush things. |
| 649014 | Paint with Magic Wooton, Sandi and Kan, Pat (ill) | Big Sky Publishing | 2019 | 9781922265098 | A touch of magic and suddenly all you paint comes to life. A tale brimming with imagination and creativity. What would you paint? |
| 660429 | Painted ponies, The Lester, Alison | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781741758894 | Matilda loves staying at Grandma Lucky's, riding Luna in the front paddock and playing with the painted ponies in their carved wooden wagon. The gold palomino, the chestnut, the bay, the pinto, the brown and the dapple grey. One day, Lucky tells Matilda about when she was a little girl and the real ponies were her friends... |

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| 1125089 | Pancakes for plum Tan, Rae | Lothian Books | 2024 | 9780734422491 | Plum worries she's not good at anything. Big Brother is good at climbing trees and Second Brother is good at painting, but when Plum tries to join them, she discovers climbing and painting aren't really for her. Then she hears piano notes for the first time and her heart flips over like a pancake on a hot pan. Could playing the piano be the thing that's truly meant for her? Pancakes for Plum is a gentle, whimsical celebration of self-discovery, beautifully illustrated by remarkable new author-illustrator Rae Tan. |
| 23844 | Pandamonia Owen, Chris & Nixon, Chris (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2016 | 9781925163339 | When visiting the zoo, whatever you do, don't wake the panda. |
| 4490 | Pandora Turnbull, Victoria | Frances Lincoln | 2016 | 9781847807496 | Pandora lives alone, in a world of broken things. No one ever comes to visit, so she spends her time gathering and mending what she can. But when a bird falls from the sky, slowly her world begins to change... |
| 64164 | Pants Andreae, Giles & Sharratt, Nick (ill) | Corgi Books | 2003 | 9780552548335 | A colourful and hilarious celebration of pants which will appeal to the very young. Each double-page depicts a different type of pants. There are also musical versions of this book. |
| 30504 | Papa Sky Heinrich, Sally & Jolly, Jane (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2017 | 9781925227291 | Papa Sky sits where earth meets sky, until one night the wind blows him down, down, down through the cloud forest, where he lands with a bump. What will happen next? Who will help him? |
| 12246 | Papa, please get the moon for me Carle, Eric | Simon & Schuster | 1999 | 9780689829598 | A little girl, Monica, sees the moon from her bedroom window and wants to play with it. Her father sets out to bring it to her - it isn't easy to climb to the moon. |
| 1263 | Parachute Parker, Danny & Ottley, Matt (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2013 | 9781921894206 | The parachute is the first thing Toby puts on each morning. It gives him the courage to deal with all kinds of tricky situations, such as getting out of bed and riding his bike. But sometimes someone else's trouble can be greater than your own and they need his parachute more than he does. |
| 12067 | Park in the dark, The Waddell, Martin & Firth, Barbara (ill) | Walker Books | 2002 | 9780744594089 | Deserted parks seem exciting places after dark. The toy monkey and his friends, Loopy, the elephant and Little Gee, the dog, creep out of the bedroom as the moon rises. But, when the night train comes to chase them, they all run home. |
| 4887 | Parrot carrot Temple, Jol & Temple, Kate & Foye, Jon (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742376868 | See what happens when you mix animals that rhyme with objects and then illustrate them. Lots of mixed-up animals and humour. |

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| 528 | Particular cow, A Fox, Mem & Denton, Terry (ill) | Harcourt Children's Books | 2006 | 9780152002503 | The particular cow in this story is everything the word conveys. She is individual, special, specific and noteworthy but she is not very good at taking care which leads to riotous catastrophes. |
| 3281 | Passing on Dumbleton, Mike & Denton, Terry (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2001 | 9780091840839 | A boy shares a very special bond with his grandma and his life changes when she dies. The book shows how he deals with his grief, how he can think lovingly about the people who have died and pass on memories and feelings. |
| 1177168 | Pasta! Arena, Felice & Cerocchi, Beatrice (ill) | Affirm Press | 2023 | 9781922848604 | Pasta tastes delicious, but do you know that pasta names are also fun to say? Grab your fork and spoon and get stuck into this rhyming feast. It's enough to make anyone hungry for pasta! |
| 29831 | Patch and Ruby Jones, Anouska & Jones, Gwynneth (ill) | EK Books | 2016 | 9781925335224 | Patch the pony is lonely. Sometimes it feels as if he doesn't quite fit in on the farm. But one day something happens that changes his life forever. |
| 11671 | Patchwork bike, The Beneba Clarke, Maxine & Rudd, Van T (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2016 | 9780734416681 | When you live in a village at the edge of the no-go desert, you need to make your own fun. That's when you and your brothers get inventive and build a bike from scratch, using everyday items like an old milk pot and a used flour sack. You can even make a number plate from bark, if you want. The end result is a spectacular bike, perfect for going bumpetty bump over sand hills, past your fed-up mum and right through your mud-for-walls home. |
| 34021 | Patricia King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2006 | 9781865049380 | Patricia's head was filled with wonderful, amazing thoughts. All she needed was someone to share them with. |
| 7084 | Pattan's pumpkin: An Indian flood story Soundar, Chitra & Lessac, Frane (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2016 | 9781910959442 | Pattan finds an ailing flower and decides to plant it near his hut and nurture it. To Pattan's surprise, the flower changes into a magnificent pumpkin and grows until it reaches the summit of the mountain. When the storm clouds burst and the waters rise, Pattan's pumpkin just might save the family. |
| 1209774 | Pau: The Last Song of the Kauli 'o'o Piedra, Tony & Joy, Mackenzie | Candlewick Press | 2024 | 9781536219494 | This book takes you on a journey way back in time. If you listen closely you will hear the sound of the 'o'o bird. Over time, that song grows fainter and fainter until it disappears completely. The 'o'o bird is no more; it is pau (lost forever). What has happened to the 'o'o' bird? Why did its journey end? |
| 750948 | Pea + Nut, go for gold! Stanton, Matt | ABC Books | 2020 | 9780733340680 | Pea, wants to sleep under his umbrella in the shade and Nut wants to jump in the swimming pool. Can Nut convince Pea to swim a race to other end of the pool? What shenanigans will Pea and Nut get up to in order to win the race? |
| 43451 | Pea pod lullaby Millard, Glenda & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760290085 | I am the small green pea, you are the tender pod, hold me. Pea pod lullaby is an inspiring and timely story of courage, endurance and hope, for a world in which we can reach out and embrace one another. |

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| 12168 | Peace at last Murphy, Jill | Dial Books (Penguin) | 1984 | 9780803767577 | Mr Bear spends the night searching for enough peace and quiet to get a little sleep. |
| 64577 | Peace book, The Parr, Todd | ABC Books | 2004 | 9780733319761 | Discover the many different things that can mean peace to different people. See if you agree, or tell someone what peace means to you. |
| 1395175 | Peach king, The Simpson, Inga & Harricks, Tanya (ill) | Lothian Books | 2025 | 9780734418517 | This contemporary fable tells the story of the Peach King and his orchard as the land faces drought, bushfires and change. It is a gentle and lyrical tale that shows how nature is able to endure and renew itself. The accessible language and rich imagery invite readers to reflect on the beauty and resilience of the natural world. Suitable for students in Years 3 to 4, this book offers an age appropriate way to explore themes of hope, growth and connection with the environment. |
| 689210 | Peanut goes for the gold Van Ness, Jonathan & Reid, Gillian (ill) | HarperCollins US | 2020 | 9780062941008 | Peanut does things in their own way. They love cartwheeling and having banana pancakes! When they decide to become a rhythmic gymnast, nothing will stop them. Their routine is perfect - perfectly Peanut! |
| 9630 | Pear in the pear tree, The Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2000 | 9780140564976 | When John and Jane go out walking, what do they see? They see a pear in the pear tree. The problems of how to get the pear from a branch that is too high for them sets in motion a funny and unlikely chain of events. |
| 785424 | Pear of hope Shurety, Wenda & Hudson, Deb (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820867 | Told through sensitive words and beautiful illustrations, this is a story of hope for any child who might be struggling to feel positive, whatever journey they may be on. |
| 25822 | Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley Blabey, Aaron | Penguin Books Australia | 2007 | 9780670070947 | Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley are friends, really great friends, much to the amazement of others because the two are so different in personality. The book looks at how their differences make their friendship so strong. |
| 4665 | Peas and quiet Tozer, Gabrielle & deGennaro, Sue (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2017 | 9781460752395 | Best friends Pip and Pop live in peapod, but sometimes it can get a little too cosy- especially because they are so different! Pip loves to sing, while Pop won't stop snoring. How are they ever going to work out how to live together? |
| 7664 | Peas in a pod McCartney, Tania & Snerling, Tina (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2015 | 9781921966712 | Pippa, Pia, Poppy, Polly and Peg are quintuplets. Since birth, the five sisters have looked the same, sat the same, eaten the same, slept the same and even cried the same. Mum and Dad want to keep their adorable, identical girls forever matching, like peas in a pod. But, as the sisters grow, they discover they are not the same. In fact, they are very different from each other. |
| 2717 | Pecan pie baby Woodson, Jacqueline & Blackall, Sophie (ill) | Putnam | 2010 | 9780399239878 | Gia is tired of hearing about the new baby. It hasn't even been born yet, but everyone, even her friends, seem fixated on it. Gia thinks things are fine just the way they are and is worried about what's going to happen to her nice, cosy life with Mama. |

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| 34219 | Peeking ducks Bell, Krista & Rippin, Sally (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2010 | 9781921136450 | Three young ducklings live with their parents and sister on a quiet stream. Ignoring instructions against exploring too far, the trio investigate the much larger River Li, where they soon find out how much they still need to learn to be safe. |
| 9618 | Peepo Ahlberg, Janet & Allan | Penguin | 1997 | 9780670871766 | On each page, there is a clever hole to peep through so you can see what the baby sees. |
| 5458 | Peg and Cat: The camp problem Oxley, Jennifer & Aronson, Billy (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2018 | 9780763699222 | Welcome to Camp Niniwawa. Peg + Cat are joined by their friends Richard and Aki, and together they are Gopher Bunk! But, working together, over coming homesickness and using their problem-solving skills are all needed if they are to score 100 points against Raccoon Bunk. |
| 30138 | Peggy Walker, Anna | Scholastic Australia | 2012 | 9781742832708 | Peggy lives in a small house in a quiet street. One blustery day a big gust of wind sweeps down and scoops up leaves, twigs and... Peggy! The wind blows Peggy into the city where she discovers strange new things, but how will she find her way back home? |
| 660657 | Pen pal club, The Morgan, Sally & White, Annie (ill) | Australia Post | 2020 | 9780648525103 | Follow pen pals Maria, Ruby, Jack and Ahn as they write letters to each other from different parts of Australia. They discover interesting things about the life of their pen pal and the part of Australia they are from all while growing friendships. |
| 2824 | Penguin Dunbar, Polly | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781844280650 | Ben just can't seem to get the response he wants to out of his toy, Penguin. When it's needed, Penguin shows himself to be a toy of action with his own special way of talking. |
| 903295 | Penguin huddle Montgomery, Ross & Warburton, Sarah (ill) | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781406389838 | The penguin family squeeze and squish together to stay warm and cosy all night long. Then one morning they wake up frozen together like a giant penguin ice pop! How will they solve this penguin puzzle? Pipsqueak, the smallest of them all, has an idea..... |
| 1097641 | Penguin oh Penguin Milroy, Gladys & Milroy, Helen | Magabala Books | 2023 | 9781875641697 | Can Penguin make it back to its family? |
| 669560 | Peppa loves our planet Holowaty, Lauren (adapt) & Astley, Neville (ill) & Baker, Mark (ill) | Penguin | 2020 | 9780241436721 | It is Love Our Planet Week at playgroup and Madame Gazelle asks the children to make a scrapbook of all the things they can do to help look after our planet. Peppa and George recycle, grow their own vegetables, turn off the taps when they are brushing their teeth, and scooter to playgroup instead of going in the car. They learn that every little thing makes a BIG difference! |
| 6861 | Perfect Parker, Danny & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2015 | 9781760125554 | On a perfect day, the hours stretch endlessly ahead. Three children scribble with chalk, run with kites, dig for shells, paddle, climb and dream. |

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| 28005 | Perfect leaf, The Plant, Andrew | Ford Street Publishing | 2018 | 9781925736014 | Two girls meet under the wind-tossed Autumn trees. Knee-deep in the fallen leaves they search for the perfect leaf. But they find something much more wonderful. |
| 15972 | Perfect present, The Robertson, Fiona | Penguin Books Australia | 2011 | 9780670074761 | Henry has the perfect pet, a duck called Spot, who thinks he's found the perfect present for Henry's birthday. But, when the big day comes, Henry's grandparents arrive with a perfect present of their own, a strange and wobbling box. This could change things between Spot and Henry forever. |
| 16861 | Perfect thing, The Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ambelin (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2017 | 9781742991122 | No problem is too big for Lily's grandpa. He knows how to solve all of them. He always knows the perfect thing. |
| 42245 | Perky little penguins Mitton, Tony & Parker-Rees, Guy (ill) | Orchard Books | 2007 | 9781846163388 | Follow the delightful little penguins as they slide and jump and waddle around in their world of ice and snow. |
| 15101 | Pet fish Nelson, Robin | Lerner Publishing Group | 2003 | 9780822512677 | Tells how to keep fish as pets and contains lots of fishy facts. |
| 15102 | Pet guinea pig Nelson, Robin | Lerner Publishing Group | 2003 | 9780822512684 | Introductory book on how to keep a guinea pig as a pet plus lots of facts about the animals. |
| 30142 | Petunia Paris's parrot Haworth, Katie & Williamson, Jo (I'll) | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760403690 | Petunia Paris lives a life of luxury and has everything she could possibly want, from a swimming pool to a bicycle with its very own chauffeur. When she requests a parrot for her fifth birthday, a parrot is what Petunia gets. The problem is, Petunia Paris's parrot doesn't do what Petunia Paris wants it to. |
| 903391 | Pick a story: A pirate + alien + jungle adventure Coyle, Sarah & Walker-Parker, Adam (Ill) | Farshore | 2022 | 9781405299046 | Hey, you! Yes... YOU! You have been chosen for an important mission. Vincent's dog, Trouble, has disappeared and he needs your help. Has trouble been stolen by aliens? Pilfered by pirates? Or wandered deep into the jungle? It's up to you to decide! |
| 1019902 | Pidge's poppies Andrews, Jan & Ide, Timothy (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2024 | 9781922696380 | Pidge's Poppies brings to light the message of hope with the symbol of the red poppy in a curious, delightful way when two pigeons tell a story about building a nest in the Australian War Memorial from cloth poppies strewn among the name plates of those who fought the war and lost their lives doing so. Pidge's remembering of how important carrier pigeons were in communication is both factual and comforting when the nest is complete. |
| | Pig called Pete series Bowater, Alan & Pascoe, Pete (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |

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| 12480 | Pig gets lost Amery, Heather & Cartwright, Stephen(ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2005 | 9780746063149 | Curly, the pig, goes missing. Mrs Boots, Sam, Poppy and Rusty, the dog, must find him. It's a very muddy job. |
| 29841 | Pig in a wig Krebs, Chrissie | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742762654 | The pig was feeling pretty good - even better than a piggy should. His skin was pink. His eyes were big, and he was wearing a glorious wig! When a wig lands on a pig, expect the unexpected in this hilarious tale of mistaken identity! |
| 12061 | Pig in the pond, The Waddell, Martin & Barton, Jill (ill) | Walker Books | 1966 | 9780744543919 | Neligan's pig sits by the pond, watching the ducks and geese play on the cool water. The pig gets hotter and hotter and the ducks and geese get louder and louder. The pig has to find a solution to this problem. |
| | Pig the pug series Various | | | | Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen. |
| 7525 | Pig's knickers, The Emmett, Jonathan & Cabban, Vanessa (ill) | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781406316247 | Pig loves his polka-dot knickers and can't stop showing them off. His friends tell him he is extraordinary but they may not still think so when disaster strikes. |
| 15027 | Pigeon finds a hot dog, The Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2005 | 9781844280476 | The pigeon is thrilled when it finds a hot dog. A duckling asks the pigeon what hot dogs taste like. Perhaps, one of them will outsmart the other and get to eat the hot dog. |
| 2330 | Pigeon needs a bath, The Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2014 | 9781406357783 | The pigeon is filthy, but will not take a bath. |
| 100977 | Pigeon wants a puppy, The Willems, Mo | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406315509 | Pigeon decides he really wants a puppy to care for. When he comes face to face with a real one, pigeon's choice of pet changes. |
| 5025 | Piggy Lai, Trevor | Bloomsbury | 2016 | 9781681190655 | Piggy loves books so much that he never has time for friends. But one day Piggy sees a cat reading alone. And he wonders if, perhaps, they could be best friends. Try as Piggy might- in increasingly spectacular ways- the cat just won't notice him. Piggy just wants to let her know just how he feels. |
| 31479 | Piglet and Granny Wild, Margaret & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Working Title Press | 2009 | 9781921504020 | Piglet loves his Granny and has been waiting all day for her to visit. Cow, horse, duck and sheep all think she'll be here soon but Piglet wonders what is taking her so long to arrive. |
| 12414 | Piglet and mama Wild, Margaret & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Working Title Press | 2004 | 9781876288426 | Piglet has lost her mama. Everyone wants to help - Duck, Sheep, Donkey, Dog, Horse and Cat. But, Piglet won't be consoled until she finds her mama. |

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| 130953 | Piglet and Papa Wild, Margaret & King, Stephen Michael | Working Title Press | 2007 | 9781876288754 | Little piglet is feeling insecure. Horse, sheep, donkey, duck and dog make her feel loved but there is someone else who loves her a billion times more. |
| 12406 | Pigs don't fly French, Jackie | Koala Books | 2003 | 9780864613981 | Lift the flap to find out all the things farm animals love to do. |
| 1424125 | Pink easter Hennessy, Tanya & Kent, Sophie | Albert Street Books | 2026 | 9781761181153 | Twass the night before Easter, the workshop was busy! There were baskets to fill and eggs to make pretty. There was so much to do for the Big Easter Quest. And the Bunny herself? She was, honestly stressed. Sometimes a catastrophe is just what you need to see the world in a whole new rosy light! |
| 21751 | Pink hat, The Joyner, Andrew | Penguin Books Australia | 2018 | 9780143789369 | Once there was a pink hat. A cat played with it. A baby caught it. A dog swiped it. That is, until...a girl found it. And one day she wore it someplace special. Join this girl and millions of others as they stand up for what it is right. |
| 750984 | Pink! Wild, Margaret & Rossell, Judith (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2020 | 9781460757499 | Pink is a small dinosaur who stands out from the crowd. Hide-and-seek is her favourite game but her colour means she's always the first one to be found. She doesn't want to be pink anymore until her difference helps her friends find their way home again. |
| 4540 | Pip and Pim Hegarty, Aunty Ruth & Harrold, Sandi (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781760151973 | Tonight, for the very first time, Pip and Pim, two young possums, are going down to the forest floor with their mother. Papa Possum warns them to be careful but the two young possums are too excited to listen. |
| 659810 | Pip finds a home Topouzoglou, Elena | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594744 | After a long journey over the seas, Pip arrives at the South Pole. But as he meets his fellow penguins, he realises he is not quite the same as them. What makes him different...and does it matter? |
| 751086 | Piper picks the perfect pet Tuohey, Caroline & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2020 | 9781925804591 | My dad says I can choose a pet, but I'm not sure which pet to get. A dog, a cat, a fish, a rat? How can Piper pick the perfect pet when there are so many appealing possibilities? |
| 15026 | Pipkin of pepper, A Cooper, Helen | Random House Children's Books | 2004 | 9780385600071 | Duck and Squirrel go to the big city to buy salt for their pumpkin soup. But, Duck thinks it will taste better with a pipkin of pepper and that is how he gets lost. A delicious sequel to Pumpkin Soup. |
| 636642 | Pippa Powell, Dimity & Plant, Andrew (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2019 | 9781925804270 | Pippa thinks she's ready for a blue-sky adventure. But it's a big wild world out there. Can she make it safely home on her own? |
| 5388 | Piranhas don't eat bananas Blabey, Aaron | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743625781 | Brian is a piranha. He is also a vegetarian who loves fruit. Brian is trying to convince his family to join him in eating the food. |

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| 693084 | Pirates are coming, The Condon, John & Hunt, Matt (ill) | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2020 | 9781788006781 | "Pirates! Quick! Everybody Hide!" Tom is on the lookout for pirates! But every time he sees a ship, it turns out to be a false alarm. Everyone is fed up with Tom's warnings. So what will happen when the pirates really DO arrive? |
| 37299 | Place to call home, A Deacon, Alexis & Schwarz, Viviane (ill) | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406323023 | The baby hamsters have outgrown their home, an old mattress, so it's time to find a new one. They go on a mission across the garden, in various funny disguises so they're not attacked. Their quest takes them through a puddle that looks as big as the sea, across the sand, which they think is a desert, and the most dangerous part of all is getting past the beast. |
| 785444 | Plastic throne, The Uduman, Amani and Bruton, Kera (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2021 | 9781925227802 | Denver flushes all kinds of things down the toilet not thinking of the consequence. Then one night while he sleeps the ocean begins to stir, unable to contain its fury. Can Denver and his sister Maisy make it right before it is too late? |
| 41699 | Play School: The useful book ABC Books | ABC Books | 2016 | 9780733334016 | Packed with activities, recipes, songs and poems to share and celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of Australia's most iconic television show. |
| 12047 | Playmates Tanner, Jane | Viking Children's | 2002 | 9780140541472 | Ben gets a little, bouncy puppy to love. |
| 14996 | Ploo and the terrible gnobbler Inkpen, Mick | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2004 | 9780340879009 | Ploo must face the terrible Gnobbler to rescue the moon. If he can't, day will never come and there will be no oggs for breakfast on Blue Nose Island. |
| 63900 | Pobble's way Booy, Simon Van & Edelson, Wendy (ill) | Flashlight Press | 2010 | 9780979974663 | Daddy and Pobble discover a butterfly raft and frog umbrellas on their walk through the forest. When Pobble drops something, the animals all have a suggestion as to its purpose. A book for all who love to imagine alternative uses for things. |
| 802 | Pocketful of posies: a treasury of nursery rhymes Mavor, Salley | Harcourt Children's Books | 2010 | 9780618737406 | A collection of classic nursery rhymes, beautifully illustrated with incredibly detailed, embroidered fabric and cloth scenes. |
| 4529 | Poesy ring, The: A love story Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2017 | 9781406378276 | Love is always there, it just needs to be found...Follow a little treasure on its astonishing journey to find its beloved owner. |
| 12139 | Pog Lee, Lyn & Gamble, Kim | Omnibus Books | 2000 | 9781862914124 | Pog is a warty, bug-eyed monster who is terrified of children. One day, he comes face to face with his worst nightmare. An engaging twist to the story of a child who is about to start school and is still scared of monsters. |
| 18388 | Pog and the birdies Simmons, Jane | Orchard Books | 2005 | 9781843624967 | Cats stop chasing birds so they can enjoy their songs. |
| 751042 | Polar bear in Sydney Harbour Feiner, Beck & Feiner, Robin | HarperCollins Australia | 2020 | 9780733339400 | Imagine finding a polar bear in Sydney Harbour. Hannah finds one but no-one else seems to notice him. Hannah helps him fit into the climate while she tries to find a way to help her new friend get home. |

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| 15047 | Polar express, The Van Allsburg, Chris | Andersen Press Ltd | 1985 | 9780862641436 | A small boy boards a train with other children and travels across snow covered country to the North Pole. He receives a silver bell from Santa as the first Christmas present of the year. |
| 3128 | Poles apart Willis, Jeanne & Jarvis (ill) | Nosy Crow Ltd | 2015 | 9780857634924 | Everybody knows that penguins belong at the South Pole and polar bears live at the North Pole-that is until a family of picnicking penguins accidentally get lost journeying home. When the hapless Pilchard-Brown family find themselves at completely the wrong pole, they need Mr White, the friendly polar bear, to guide them all the way home. |
| 1038939 | Pollination: How does my garden grow? Cheng, Christopher & Snell, Danny (ill) | CSIRO | 2023 | 9781486313235 | A child spends the day in their grandparent's garden, learning about the importance of bees, possums and birds in the ecosystem. With additional information about pollination in the back of the book, students can learn all about how our world needs these creatures and the important roles they play in food and plant production. |
| 3479 | Ponkidoodle McMullin, Neridah & Pocock, Aaron (ill) | Little Steps Publishing | 2010 | 9781921042881 | At night, Ponkidoodle keeps watch over the family home. He's very friendly and happy, and his antics are hilarious. Nocturnal by nature, Ponkidoodle likes to hang out on top of the roof, underneath the house, in the kitchen and, sometimes, even in the loo. But, despite his comical capers, what Ponkidoodle loves more than anything, is protecting children. |
| 23331 | Poo bum Blake, Stephanie | Gecko Press | 2011 | 9781877467974 | Once there was a rabbit who could only say one thing. |
| 751184 | Poo! and other words that make me laugh Arena, Felice & Jellett, Tom (ill) | ABC Books | 2021 | 9780733341427 | In the grand tradition of The Book with No Pictures and This Is a Ball, comes a brand-new read-aloud to get everyone laughing WARNING: Reading this book out loud may cause fits of giggles. If symptoms persist, read it again to appreciate our weird and wonderful language. And whatever you do, don't say POO! |
| 7614 | Pooka Chataway, Carol & Rycroft, Nina (ill) | Working Title Press | 2012 | 9781921504372 | From the moment she's discovered on the doorstep, everyone loves Pooka. She's the best dog ever. Grandad warns the family not to get attached but it's too late for that. |
| 3453 | Poor fish Godwin, Jane | Penguin | 2000 | 9780141306650 | There's something wrong with Brendan's fish. A story about football, friends and a fish with nine lives. |
| 2398 | Poppy cat Acton, Sara | Scholastic Australia | 2014 | 9781743620168 | Poppy Cat is a copy cat, she likes to do everything I do. But sometimes she is mischievous. |
| 22515 | Poppy wash Brown, Kerry & Pike, Michelle (ill) | ABC Books | 2010 | 9780733325212 | Poppy loves her job of dragon cleaning and one special dragon makes her realise it's not just the cleaning she loves. |

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| 21703 | Poppy's gift Kuchling, Guundie | Windy Hollow Books | 2006 | 9781921136924 | Oswin is a common cricket, far too common for the vain and beautiful poppy, She does not care for his courting. When her fair-weather friends leave her, Oswin is her last remaining admirer. |
| 2021 | Possum and wattle: my big book of Australian words Bancroft, Bronwyn | Little Hare Books | 2008 | 9781921272585 | This book explores the natural, rich landscape of Australia through Bundjalung woman's eyes. The Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal words are printed alongside each vibrant image of flora and fauna. A glossary of Indigenous words such as willy-willy, that are now part of everyday use, are included. |
| 12280 | Possum in the house Jensen, Kiersten & Oliver, Tony (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2000 | 9780949130020 | This nameless possum creates havoc, and many sounds, crunch, clatter, rip, rustle, as he races through a house avoiding capture. |
| 3467 | Possum magic Fox, Mem & Vivas, Julie (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1991 | 9781862910959 | Grandma Poss uses bush magic to make Hush invisible but, when Hush wants to see herself again, Grandma can't remember which particular Australian food is needed to reverse the spell. |
| 18310 | Postman's dog, The Shanahan, Lisa & Harris, Wayne (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9781741142525 | Features lovable dogs, a lonely postman and a big-hearted multicultural community. |
| 9631 | Potato people, The Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2002 | 9780670896608 | Every Friday, Jack spends the day with Grandma. They play, read stories and eat cake. Then, one cold and rainy Friday, they make two little people using potatoes, toothpicks and scraps of fabric. |
| 7459 | Pout-pout fish, The Diesen, Deborah & Hanna, Dan (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781742830063 | A fish with a pout-pout face is spreading the dreary-wearies all over the place. We need to turn this fish's frown upside down. |
| 965820 | Prank queen! George, Zoe & Vee, Dani & Lopez, Jesus (ill) | Larrikin House | 2023 | 9781922804396 | Mum is the Prank Queen, creating chaos with wild and whacky pranks but what happens when the Prank Queen gets a taste of her own medicine? |
| 32786 | Press here Tullet, Herve | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742375281 | Press here. That's right, just press the yellow dot. Now turn the page. |
| 652808 | Press the button Nicholls, Sally & Woollvin, Bethan (ill) | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925870206 | It's a book full of buttons. What do they do? There's only one way to find out: press them all! |
| 1346804 | Pretty please, do not open this book Lee, Andy & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9780655232612 | Whether 'pretty please' is a polite request or a desperate plea is for you to decide! This time, Wizz is reunited with his delightful friend Nessie, in some more highly relatable and hilarious situations. Anyone who occasionally (or not so occasionally) is nervous or unsure of themselves will delight in Wizz's escapades. |

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| 1424119 | Prickles Cummings, Phil & Goldsmith, Jennifer (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781760266028 | Prickles lived in a city alleyway. He wandered the streets every day, bringing warmth and joy to the lives of everyone he met. But then... the colour in his eyes began fading to shadow. Prickles was afraid and alone, with no-one to help... until he met Molly and her family. A gentle but powerful story of community, connection, family and the importance of those who help us find our way. |
| 1334254 | Pride oasis Rainbow, Kasey | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761720192 | Welcome to Pride Oasis, a magical land inside the whimsical world of Kutopia! Luka the Lion wants nothing more than to fit in with his pride, so he tries very hard to hide his differences. Can Luka learn from the caring critters of Kutopia that being unique is something to be proud of? |
| 580942 | Prince and the witch and the thief and the bears, The Chisholm, Alastair & Tuya, Jez (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406365139 | When it's time for Jamie's bedtime story, his Dad begins to tell an age-old fairy tale about a prince in a faraway land full of dragons, wolves and princesses in distress. But inquisitive Jamie can't help but add to his dad's story, and the prince is soon joined by an evil-eyed witch who turns people to jelly, a broccoli-wielding ninja frog and a jewel-thief, lock picking princess. It may not be the story Dad set out to tell, but together, he and Jamie create something much more energetic and hilarious than they could have alone. |
| 3494 | Prince Cinders Cole, Babette | Puffin UK | 1987 | 9780140555257 | Prince Cinders leads a hard life as he spends all his time cleaning up after his three brothers who bully him. One night, his luck changes when a small, dirty fairy falls down the chimney and promises that his wishes will come true. |
| 50768 | Princess and her panther, The Orr, Wendy & Stringer, Lauren (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781742374246 | What do you get when you take one brave, big sister, one not-so-brave little sister, a spooky night-time backyard, and heaps of imagination? The most magnificent camp-out ever. The perfect story for chasing away the spooky shadows of the night. |
| 8040 | Princess and the packet of frozen peas, The Wilson, Tony & deGennaro, Sue (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781741693362 | Once upon a time, there was a prince called Henrik who wanted to fall in love and get married. He was an outdoorsy type and he hoped that the princess he married would like hockey and camping. But, it's not easy to find a real princess. |
| 774467 | Princess Benjamina has a very cheeky bum! Hooper, Claire & Nguyen, Jackie (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9781760876579 | When you are trying to find your inner voice, sometimes you need to look behind you! This delightful tale, bursting with humour, proves that behind every cheeky princess... is her own rear end. |

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| | Princess in black series Hale, Shannon & Hale, Dean & Pham, LeUyen (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 2257 | Princess Pigsty Funke, Cornelia & Meyer, Kerstin(ill), Wright, Chantal (trans) | Chicken House | 2007 | 9781905294329 | Princess Isabella is so defiant her father, the King, tries to punish her by taking away her princess privileges. But, Princess Isabella discovers she likes doing chores. In the end, her father's love helps Isabella find the right life for her. |
| 630945 | Professional crocodile Zoboli, Giovanna & Di Giorgio, Mariachiara (ill) | Chronicle Books | 2017 | 9781452165066 | Mr Crocodile loves his job. Every morning he gets up with an alarm. He brushes his teeth. He chooses the right tie to match his outfit, eats a quick slice of toast, and heads off to work on a crowded train. But what is his job? The answer may surprise you. |
| 118684 | Promise is a promise, A Knister, Tharlet, Eve (ill) & Bishop, Kathryn (trans) | Penguin | 2006 | 9780698400405 | After a long winter's hibernation, Bruno, the marmot, wakes to discover a beautiful dandelion outside his burrow. The two become friends and play together until summer when the dandelion asks Bruno to trust her even though she wants his help to disappear. |
| 9137 | Pros and cons of being a frog, The deGennaro, Sue | Scholastic Australia | 2012 | 9781742830636 | Two young friends are trying to find the right animal. This isn't as easy as it sounds, especially when one of them speaks mostly in numbers and the other is a little quirky. And, they're also working out what makes a good friend and how to deal with differences and arguments. Perhaps, you need to read through the pro and cons of being a frog to figure it out. |
| 12463 | Pudding & chips Matthews, Penny & others | ABC Books | 2004 | 9780733314148 | Pudding, the goose, is fierce and very noisy. The only animal on the farm who isn't afraid of Pudding is the sheepdog, Chips. When a fox starts visiting the farm, it is Pudding who raises the alarm. |
| 571115 | Puddle hunters Murray, Kirsty & Blair, Karen (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760296742 | When the rain stops, it's time to go puddle hunting. Ruby and Banjo go up the street, through the park, over the bridge and down to the river flats where the puddles lie waiting. Splish it, Ruby! Splish it, Banjo! |
| 28885 | Puffin Peter Horacek, Petr | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406324600 | Peter and Paul are the best of friends but, when Peter gets lost in a terrible storm, he can't find his mate anywhere. With the help of a big blue whale, Puffin Peter sets off to find Paul. They find all kinds of birds that match Peter's description but none of them are quite like Paul. |

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| 578091 | Puffin the architect Andrews, Kimberly | Penguin Random House Australia | 2018 | 9780143793755 | Meet Puffin, a clever architect who always creates the perfect home for her clients. But her newest clients are very hard to please - her own pufflings! Will Puffin come up with a puffling-perfect home design? |
| 5399 | Puffling Wild, Margaret & Vivas, Julie (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2007 | 9781862915985 | Baby puffin is safe and warm in the burrow but longs to make his way in the world. He knows that he can leave the burrow when he is strong enough, tall enough and brave enough to go. He knows that when he goes both scary and good experiences await. |
| 10689 | Puggle Hoy, Catriona & Plant, Andrew (ill) | Working Title Press | 2011 | 9781921504228 | When Puggle the baby echidna is found in mother's pouch on the side of the road, he is taken to a tall house on a hill to live with lots other rescued animals who need help to get back into the wild. Little by little, Puggle thrives and grows, until the day comes when he is old enough to look after himself. |
| 11682 | Puggle's problem Darlison, Aleesah & Temple, Sandra (ill) | Wombat Books | 2010 | 9781921633072 | Pipp is a tiny puggle with a big problem. He's the only echidna without spines. Determined to have them. Pipp sets out to ask friends for advice. |
| 5628 | Pugs don't wear pyjamas Worthington, Michelle & Johansson, Cecilia (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594034 | When Tom visits his Aunt, he meets her pug Ellie. Ellie is no ordinary pug. Wherever Tom and his aunt go, Ellie must go too. His aunt dresses Ellie up for their outings. Tom finds Ellie strange, but she makes friends everywhere she goes. Tom makes no friends. He realises something has to change. |
| 12187 | Pumpkin soup Cooper, Helen | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2002 | 9780385604932 | Cat, Duck and Squirrel live in an old white cabin with a pumpkin patch in the garden. Every day, Cat slices up some pumpkin, Squirrel stirs in some water and Duck tips in some salt to make the perfect pumpkin soup. Then, one day, things change. |
| 75497 | Purr: Talk to the pet animals Lester, Alison | ABC Books | 2007 | 9780733318443 | Through rhymes, see what the dog, mouse, fish and other pets are doing. You can help with the noises they make. |
| 14998 | Puss in boots Light, Steve (retell) | Harry N Abrams Inc | 2002 | 9780810943681 | A retelling of the classic tale of an enterprising cat who wins riches and fame for her poor master. |
| 67463 | Python Cheng, Christopher & Jackson, Mark (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781921529603 | This book is a 'slice of life' following a python living in an Australian forest. Be with her as she wakes up at first light, hunts for birds and rodents, sheds her skin and guards over her first clutch of eggs until they hatch. |
| 15106 | Quacky quack-quack Whybrow, Ian & Ayto, Russell (ill) | Walker Books | 2003 | 9780744594607 | All the animals make a terrible row when the baby won't feed the ducks. Full of wonderful sounds, this book is great for reading aloud. |
| 7270 | Queen Celine Shanks, Matt | Walker Books | 2019 | 9781760650346 | Every now and then, Celine was a queen of a kingdom by the sea. |

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| 3533 | Queen of the universe Gleeson, Libby & Cox, David (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1997 | 9781862913141 | Everyone in the family is helping Gina with lines, costume and props for her role as Queen of the Universe in the school play. Gina is set to be a star but then she gets chickenpox, the problem will be finding someone to take the starring role. |
| 4100 | Queen's handbag, The Antony, Steve | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2015 | 9781444925524 | A naughty swan steals the Queen's handbag and, naturally, she races after it. Using various modes of transport, the Queen follows it around the United Kingdom, taking in famous sights and landmarks along the way. This chase includes the Queen's butler and an awful lot of police officers. |
| 4461 | Queen's hat, The Antony, Steve | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2014 | 9781444919141 | A sudden gust of wind sets off a marvellous London adventure for the Queen, the Queen's men and one very special hat. Follow one determined, daredevil Queen through the zoo, over Tower Bridge and up Big Ben. Find out where that hat lands. |
| 3536 | Queenie the bantam Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 1999 | 9780744563283 | An adventurous little chicken's entanglement with a thoroughly modern and, at times, quirky family. |
| 20413 | Quest Becker, Aaron | Walker Books | 2014 | 9781406357660 | Entering a magical fantasy world, using her red crayon and finding two new companions has provided colour to the girl's otherwise drab existence. Now, when the children are presented with a puzzling map by a king pursued by soldiers, they take up the challenge. They must travel through mystical places and gather coloured crayons to save the king. A wordless picture book, the sequel to Journey. |
| 903342 | Quickly! Quickly! Clark, T M & Magisson, Helene | Wombat Books | 2022 | 9781761110832 | Bongani accepts that he's too small to attend school. But he does not want to be left chasing the animals away on his own either. Maybe he needs a scared crow to help him do this important job. His grandmother tells him it is a scarecrow. When it might not be as easy as it seems, Bongani's family are there to show him the difference between being quick and being fast. |
| 614628 | Quiet girl, A Carnavas, Peter | University of Queensland Press | 2019 | 9780702260025 | Mary is a quiet little girl who lives with an active family. They make so much noise that they hardly notice her - or anything else around them...until, in her own gentle way, Mary opens their eyes and ears to what they've been missing. |
| 923453 | Quiet time with my Seeya Barbarera, Dinalie | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781250824271 | Seeya (Grandfather) and I speak different languages but our love speaks volumes. Time with him is quiet time. Seeya and I like the same things, mostly. A lovely story on the bond between grandparent and child with sweet, cheeky mischief and tender insight. |
| 4560 | Quiet woman and the noisy dog, The Eves, Sue & Busby, Ailie (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2009 | 9781842708293 | In a quiet house in a noisy town lived a quiet woman and a noisy dog. On the other side of the noisy town lived a noisy woman with her quiet dog. Join in the fun and find out what happens when the women meet by accident in the park and the two dogs get muddled up. |

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| 647156 | Quiet! Alizadeh, Kate | Child's Play International Ltd | 2017 | 9781846438882 | Ssh! Listen. What's that noise? What can we hear when we're really, really quiet? A toddler enjoys the range of sounds they hear as their busy day comes to an end, from the bustle and chat of dinner time, to the quiet hush of their father's voice at bedtime. |
| 69142 | Quincy and Oscar Millard, Kerry | ABC Books | 2006 | 9780733317255 | Oscar and his dog, Quincy, move house and both are lonely without new friends. Oscar decides to take Quincy to school with him. Eventually, thanks to Quincy's outgoing nature, they break down the barriers and begin to make friends. |
| 1218503 | Quokka finds a friend Stewart, Katie | Fremantle Press | 2024 | 9781760994204 | When Quokka meets Seal, he wants to be friends. Quokka thinks that making Seal smile would be a great way to start. But, despite his best efforts, Seal doesn't smile. Can they be friends after all? |
| 55297 | Rabbit cooks up a cunning plan Fusek Peters, Andrew & Robert, Bruno (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2007 | 9781846430978 | In this North American folk tale, all the animals in the forest are tired of Lion throwing his weight around. They must work out how to escape being caught and eaten by him. |
| 13935 | Rabbit problem, The Gravett, Emily | MacMillan | 2009 | 9780230704237 | One January day, Lonely Rabbit of Fibonacci's Field sends out an invitation for other rabbits to join her. Two cold bunnies, Lonely and Chalk, snuggle up together and, by March, there's a pair of baby rabbits. By May, there are five pairs, by July thirteen pairs and come October, there are fifty-five. In the field, a large notice forbids rabbits to leave so problems of overcrowding, food shortages and boredom begin to occur. |
| 628164 | Rabbit's hop Rance, Alex & McG, Shane (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760524449 | Jack Rabbit loved Rabbit Island. He loved his friends and family and all the little rabbits. He loved being the best at hopping and chomping and (nearly the best) at zigzagging. But Jack Rabbit was restless. So when his cousin Roo invites him to Big Island, he's very excited - and a little bit scared. Can he overcome all the challenges and get to Big Island and become the best Rabbit he can be? |
| 3182 | Rabbit-hole golf course, The Mulvey, Ella & Briggs, Karen (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781925266290 | In the big old ute, on the long red road, in the desert of my home, we all set off for the rabbit-hole golf course. It's the best place around here to find rabbits. We sit by the holes, we dig, we wait...Where are all the rabbits? |
| 30997 | Rabbityness Empson, Jo | Child's Play International Ltd | 2012 | 9781846434822 | This is the story of a very special rabbit. He enjoys doing rabbity things but he also loves un-rabbity things. When Rabbit suddenly disappears, no one knows where he has gone. But as it turns out, Rabbit has left behind some very special gifts for them, to help them discover their own unrabbity talents. |

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| 593307 | Rabby the brave Guest, Patrick & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2018 | 9781760127534 | Leon and Lily do everything with their best pals Rabby and Snuggles, until one night the unimaginable happens and Snuggles is left outside. Faced with sadness, the others must find a way to save Snuggles from a frightful end. |
| 846143 | Rabunzel Jones, Gareth P & Schauer, Loretta (ill) | Egmont Childrens | 2021 | 9781405298582 | Rabunzel the rabbit has VERY long ears - so long that her mother worries they will make her easy prey for the hungry creatures of the forest. The answer? Rabunzel must be kept safely in a tower, with daily visits from her mother, calling: "Rabunzel, Rabunzel, let down your ears!" ... until one day when someone else climbs up her very long ears. |
| 12216 | Race day Grant, Gwen & Layton, Neal (ill) | Orchard Books | 2001 | 9781841217178 | A refreshing story of kindness, cooperation, persistence and courage. Diesel Dumptruck, Supersonic Sporty and their friends are off and running on a crazy race day. Little Red Bubble Car is one who will try his hardest to win. |
| 30334 | Race to the finish Blathwayt, Benedict | Red Fox | 2009 | 9780099495178 | The nasty Swish Train drivers have challenged Duffy and Jack to a race and the winner gets to keep the Little Red Train's very last route. When the flag goes down, the Swish Train speeds straight out of sight, but there's worse to come. There's oil on the tracks, sheep on the line and someone has switched the points. |
| 10144 | Radio rescue Jolly, Jane & Ingpen, Robert (ill) | National Library of Australia | 2016 | 9780642278784 | Jim and his family live happily on their remote outback station. Yet, sometimes Jim feels lonely. His Dad enjoys droving and shearing but, sometimes, he wishes he could chat to a mate. Jim's Mum is always busy with the accounts but she sometimes worries about being so far away from everything. When a strange new radio with pedals arrives, Jim is excited, and Mum and Dad can now send messages to their neighbours. Then, something happens and only Jim can save his dad. |
| 69396 | Rain Stojic, Manya | Pavilion | 2015 | 9781843653059 | The porcupine smells rain in the air. The zebra sees the lightning. Baboons hear thunder while the rhino feels the first drops. For a time, the grasslands abound with new green leaves, juicy fruits and fresh pools of water. |
| 3999 | Rain Usher, Sam | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760405243 | It's pelting down and one little boy can't wait to get outside. His grandad has other ideas...but when at last they leave the house, an amazing adventure awaits. |
| 750950 | Rain before rainbows Hallis, Smriti & Litchfield, David | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781406382358 | Before sun there are clouds. Before daybreak there is night. In the midst of rain and thunderstorms rainbows are hard to see. And in troubles we face in life we need to always remember that bright, happy times are just ahead. With the help of friends there is always a way to overcome our dark times. This book is a celebration of hope that is at the heart of everything we do. |

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| 52892 | Rain train, The De Roo, Elena & Lovelock, Brian | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781921529146 | All aboard the rain train, through the storm, with clackety-clack and a ratter-tat-tat. |
| 10181 | Rainbirds, The Metzenthien, David & Rippin, Sally (ill) | Lothian Books | 2006 | 9780734408860 | Gleeson looks up into the mountains and admires the rainbirds he sees there. He is told that they will fly down to the city when it becomes cold in their mountain home. He eagerly awaits their arrival. |
| 623122 | Rainbow bear King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742997698 | Bear likes to dive into the deep blue ocean, blowing bubbles and turning somersaults. He wakes with the sun and sleeps by the light of the moon. He enjoys spending time with his family and his two cheeky polar bear cubs. One morning, Bear is shocked to discover that his coat has changed colour. Is Bear dreaming or is there more to discover? |
| 12499 | Rainbow fish and the big blue whale Pfister, Marcus & James, J. Alison (trans.) | North South Books | 1998 | 9780735810099 | A big, blue whale loves watching the sparkling fish at play but, because of his size, the little fish are suspicious and think he is planning something bad. The whale, hurt and angry, lashes out at the fish. Rainbow fish must save them. |
| 12232 | Rainbow fish and the sea monster's cave Pfister, Marcus & James, J. Alison (trans.) | North South Books | 2001 | 9780735815360 | In order to find healing algae for the ailing bumpy-backed fish, Rainbow fish volunteers to brave the dreaded Sea Monster's Cave. |
| 11479 | Rainbow fish to the rescue Pfister, Marcus & James, J. Alison | Pan Asia Publications | 1992 | 9781572270404 | Rainbow fish's friends want to ignore the new striped fish in their midst. Rainbow fish feels a little ashamed, remembering what it feels like to have no friends. So, when a shark appears, it's Rainbow fish who leads the rescue mission. |
| 9941 | Rainbow fish, The Pfister, Marcus & James, J. Alison (trans) | North South Books | 1995 | 9781558584419 | The Rainbow fish is so proud of his beautiful decoration that it blinds him to the beauty others hold inside. |
| 660440 | Rainbow of fun, A Ihle, Lyndal M & Brown, Leigh (ill) | Potoroo Publishing | 2018 | 9780994283979 | Pigs LOVE pink...or so we're told. Maybe that was true of most pigs, but Penny was different. Her love of mixed colours brought her class dance display to a standstill. It could have been a disaster, but Penny discovered someone else who shared her rainbow of fun. A Rainbow Of Fun is a story about love, courage, and rainbow underpants. |
| 3572 | Rainbow serpent Roughsey, Dick | Collins | 1985 | 9780006614715 | In the Dreamtime, there were no animals, birds, trees, hills or mountains. When the great Rainbow Serpent stirred and set off to look for his tribe, he changed the shape of the country and the lives of the people. |
| 647181 | Rainforest Groves, Julia | Child's Play International Ltd | 2017 | 9781846439353 | Travel deep into the forest - what elusive and fascinating creatures will you find there? Wildlife fans will be thrilled to encounter all kinds of rainforest creatures - from the familiar species to the more obscure. |
| 15393 | Rainy day, The Milbourne, Anna & Gill, Sarah (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2005 | 9780746052129 | Happy kids play in rain showers and picnic on fine afternoons. Factual descriptions of weather. |

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| 1073061 | Raised by moths Archbold, Charlie & Conn, Michelle (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2023 | 9781922858184 | Willow jumps on the Ferris Wheel and is amazed to see the boy surrounded by moths. As they go up to the sky, he explains why moths love him. |
| 774384 | Rajah Street Yim, Myo | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781760651480 | Junya loves to sit at his window and watch the goings-on in Rajah Street. He watches the clouds passing overhead, kookaburras singing and skateboard riders zipping by. Today he is waiting for Wednesday. Wednesday is when the garbage trucks come, and garbage trucks are his favourite. |
| 1159940 | Reading to baby Wild, Margaret & Sommerville, Hannah (ill) | Affirm Press | 2024 | 9781922930378 | Dora has doting big brothers who play with her, look after her, and guide her as she grows. One of her brothers, Peter, reads to her, which turns out to be the greatest gift of all. |
| 1019820 | Ready, set, big school Stradling, Jan & Robaard, Jedda (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9780733342875 | Maurice is getting ready to start big school. He's excited and a bit nervous too. His friends are with him to take this step, to make new friends and begin their learning together. They will face big and little challenges together. |
| 32282 | Ready, steady, hatch! Long, Ben & Cornish, David (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2017 | 9781925272536 | Ten chicks are excited to discover the world outside their eggshells, but the smallest is soon separated from the rest. Where can she be? |
| 587697 | Ready. Set. Discover Logan Tyrrell, Karen | Digital Future Press | 2018 | 9780994302199 | Yana arrives in the city of Logan with her family, feeling alone. She's not sure what children can do in Logan. Yana meets Bunji, an Aboriginal boy at a Logan City library. Bunji shows Yana the best places for kids to explore and play. |
| 1080641 | Real cowgirl, The Duff, Isabelle & Crispe, Susannah (ill) | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539687 | Sal wants to be a real cowgirl. At home, Sal is brave and strong, wild and free, smart and kind. But at school, Sal feels anxious and small. Will she ever be a real cowgirl? |
| 1096800 | Recipe for magic potion, A Henseleit, Jack & Horne, Natasja (ill) | Bright Light Books | 2024 | 9781761211881 | To make a magic potion, you will need these things: A friend (or two or three) A bucket or a pot Or a hole And... ingredients. |
| 3613 | Red balloon, The Lamorisse, Albert | Bantam Doubleday Dell Publishing Group Inc | 1956 | 9780385142977 | A classic story of Pascal, an only child who is lonely. When he finds a red balloon with a mind of its own, Pascal's life changes. |
| 32301 | Red boat, The Cumming, Hannah | Child's Play International Ltd | 2012 | 9781846434815 | Posy feels lonely in her new home. She doesn't know anyone and worries about making new friends. Luckily, her dog George is around to keep her company, and they spend many hours playing in a mysterious red boat they find in the garden. One night, Posy can't sleep, so she and George go down to the garden, and that's when the magic begins... |

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| 10349 | Red bridge, The Dunstan, Kylie | Windy Hollow Books | 2011 | 9781921136726 | Claire and her family have moved from Australia to Vietnam. She feels lost and lonely in the busy, bustling streets of Hanoi, until she finds the red bridge and a new friend to show her the way. |
| 5912 | Red feather, The Kitchin, Ben & Swan, Owen (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2015 | 9780957988439 | Claude finds a beautiful, red feather at the beach. His three friends also want the feather and, one by one, each person trades the feather for something else. |
| 593303 | Red house, blue house, green house, tree house! Godwin, Jane & Reiseger, Jane (ill) | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925584691 | Red house, blue house, green house tree house! See the tiny mouse in her little brown house? A fresh and fun rhythmic exploration of colour for younger readers. |
| 6274 | Red plane to the rescue Firth, Melissa & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781741698534 | Today the planes are putting on a show, vroom vroom, zoom zoom. |
| 5275 | Red wheelbarrow, The Stewart, Briony | University of Queensland Press | 2012 | 9780702249259 | With nothing but a paper bag full of lollies and a much-loved blanket, two sisters and a curious chicken share an adventure in a red wheelbarrow. |
| 9984 | Red woollen blanket, The Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781406316490 | From the moment Julia is born, her most treasured possession is a red woollen blanket. Wherever Julia goes, her blanket goes too. But, as Julia grows bigger, her blanket becomes smaller. |
| 29456 | Red, a crayon's story Hall, Michael | Greenwillow | 2015 | 9780062252074 | Red crayon has a bright red label but he can only colour blue. Everyone tries to help him but he just can't colour red, no matter how hard he tries. Red is really miserable until a new friend offers a new perspective. |
| 29848 | Reena's rainbow White, Dee & Grimwood, Tracie (ill) | EK Books | 2017 | 9781925335491 | Reena is deaf and Dog is homeless. Sometimes neither of them feels as if they quite fit in. But when Reena and Dog form a unique bond, it's not long before everyone finds out just how special they are. |
| 15387 | Reggie and Lu (and the same to you) Quay, Emma | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9780733619267 | Reggie and Lu are best friends most of the time. But, they discover that even when they're not, making up can be lots of fun. |
| 12293 | Reggie, queen of the street Barbalet, Margaret | Penguin | 2003 | 9780670040575 | Reggie is the queen of her street. All the children love her. When her owners decide to move far away, Reggie wonders about her friends and whether the new house will ever be home. Reggie's journey home is going to be a long one. |
| 6803 | Reindeer's Christmas surprise Dubosarsky, Ursula & deGennaro, Sue (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781760113025 | It's Christmas eve in Australia and Reindeer has great fun giving presents to his friends, Cat, Dog and Guinea Pig. But, even when it's warm and sunny outside, it's hard to be far away from home and family. Luckily, Christmas is a time for exciting surprises and, this year, Reindeer might just get one of his very own. |
| 3676 | Remarkably Remy Smith, Craig | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781760113940 | Everybody loves Rex. He is the most dazzling cat on Serengeti Street. The schoolkids who pass by are always impressed by his moves. But, one day, an interloper threatens to take all the attention away from Rex. |

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| 1279 | Rescue ark, The Hall, Susan | National Library of Australia | 2014 | 9780642278104 | An Australian representation of the rhyme/song 'The animals went in two by two' here we have a journey around Australia identifying vulnerable and endangered Australian animals at risk of extinction, such as the Orange-Bellied Parrot, Native Bee and Gulf Snapping Turtle. |
| 20544 | Return Becker, Aaron | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406368437 | Failing to get the attention of her busy father, a lonely girl returns to a fantastic world for friendship and adventure. It's her third journey into the enticing realm of kings and emperors, castles and canals, exotic creatures and enchanting landscapes. This time, it will take something truly powerful to persuade her to return home, as a gripping backstory is revealed. The third book in the wordless picture book trilogy, following Journey and Quest. |
| 3926 | Return of the dinosaurs Houston, Bronwyn | Magabala Books | 2016 | 9781925360370 | Imagine if dinosaurs came back to visit and they were roaming the Broome coastline today. |
| 660375 | Return of Thelma the unicorn, The Blabey, Aaron | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781742999890 | Thelma the Unicorn did not like being famous, so she fled the spotlight and disappeared . . . But the world was heartbroken! We miss our UNICORN! Thelma, its time to get your sparkle back on... |
| 17141 | Rex Dubosarsky, Ursula & Mackintosh, David (ill) | Penguin | 2005 | 9780670042265 | Rex, the class chameleon, is taken home by a different kindergarten student each day. Each child writes or draws imaginatively about the adventures with Rex. |
| 17162 | Rhino Neil Goss, Mini | New Frontier Publishing | 2005 | 9781921042300 | Rhino Neil is lonely because all the other animals are too afraid to come near him. Their parents warn them to stay away. One day, Tuscany the elephant arrives and they become good friends. |
| 5704 | Rhinos, toucans and woolly dogs Winch, Gordon & Texidor, Dee (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2003 | 9780958143189 | Whimsical poetry for the very young covering subjects from animals to people and experiences with lots of playful language. |
| 588197 | Rhyme cordial Pesenti, Antonia | Scribble Press | 2018 | 9781925322149 | From Alarm Croc to Cheepy Head, you'll enjoy Rhyme Cordial all day long! A fun, new take on wordplay, open the pages to reveal unexpected rhymes and bold, bright illustrations. |
| 696538 | Ribbit rabbit robot Mackinlay, Victoria & Karmazina, Sofya (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781743834060 | When a friendly frog, a greedy rabbit and a robot with a short fuse discover a magic lamp they go on an adventure full of wishes waiting to be granted and a little bit of trickery. |
| 18772 | Ricker Racker Club, The Guest, Patrick & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2016 | 9781760122928 | To be in the Ricker Racker Club, you have to be brave. You have to be kind. You have to not be a girl. But, some people are better than others at being both kind and brave. |
| 491 | Ring bear, The Slater, David Michael & Brooks S G (ill) | Flashlight Press | 2004 | 9780972922517 | Wesley and his mum are the perfect pair of pirates, wicked and mean, until Wesley has to decide whether to let Stan come aboard or not. |

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| 11998 | Ringle tingle tiger Austin, Mark & Miller, David (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2002 | 9780734403445 | A young boy decides to face his biggest fear, monsters in the night, when he takes on the ever-stalking Ringle Tingle Tiger. Follow the tiger as he hunts through the fearsome jungle. |
| 3863 | River riddle Dewar, Jim & Tortop , Anil (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781760150518 | A boy, a bale of hay, a sheep and a fox need to cross the river in a boat built for two. Maybe you can help them get to the other side, all in one piece. |
| 5005 | Road trip Parker, Danny & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9781760127404 | The only thing worse than a long boring road trip is driving with someone who loves long and boring road trips. Even when that someone is your dad. |
| 11242 | Roadworks Sutton, Sally & Lovelock, Brian (ill) | Walker Books | 2008 | 9781921150166 | A book for boys and girls on how to build a road, with fabulous, bright illustrations and fun language. There's a page of machine facts identifying the types of heavy equipment that help build our roads. There are even the ones that 'Tip the stones. Tip the stones. Lift and slide and dump. Lay the groundwork for the road. Crash! Roar! Thump!' |
| 4621 | Roar Mayo, Margaret & Ayliffe, Alex (ill) | Orchard Books | 2006 | 9781846164880 | Meet some wild and wonderful animals - galloping zebras, prowling tigers, water-squirting elephants, jumping kangaroos and more. |
| 46376 | Roar: Talk to the wild animals Lester, Alison | ABC Books | 2007 | 9780733318481 | Make your own noises as you find the animals in the wild. Lots of rhyme and colourful images. |
| 15011 | Robert the rose horse Heilbroner, Joan & Eastman, P D (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1992 | 9780001717602 | Robert's allergy to flowers finally comes in handy when he becomes a police horse. |
| 18911 | Robin Hood's day Feeney, Josephine | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781406306408 | Jimmy is looking after Patchy Patch, the special class mascot that has been made by his teacher. He wants to take Patchy Patch somewhere very special. Dad thinks of going to Nottingham, where Robin Hood lived. They have a great day until they lose Patchy Patch. |
| 693079 | Rocky and Louie Walleystack, Phil & Caisley, Raewyn & Leffler, Dub (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2020 | 9780143786528 | Louie has a big brother named Rocky who always has time to teach Louie how to be a great footy player just like him. Rocky also shows Louie how to talk to the elders in their family to learn about Country and their culture. When Rocky has to leave their community to learn new things, Louie needs to think of a way to show Rocky how good of a big brother he has been to Louie. |
| 6501 | Rodney Canby, Kelly | Fremantle Press | 2019 | 9781925815320 | All Rodney ever wanted, all he had ever dreamed about, was to know a life among the treetops. |
| 43465 | Rodney loses it Gerard Bauer, Michael & Krebs, Chrissie | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781742991900 | Rodney was a rabbit who loved nothing more than drawing. He never found it tiresome, tedious or boring. But then one day, disaster struck! Where was his PEN?! |
| 5552 | Room on our rock Temple, Kate & Temple, Jol & Baynton, Terri Rose (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742764108 | Two seals are perched on a rock. When others need shelter, do they share it? |

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| 12190 | Room on the broom Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | Koala Books | 2001 | 9780864613189 | A witch, who is prone to losing her belongings, is helped by the animal friends that she meets on her broomstick journey. This is a delightful, rhyming story that children can easily join in. |
| 20674 | Rory the dinosaur wants a pet Climo, Liz | Little, Brown & Co | 2016 | 9780316390606 | When Rory meets his friend's pet crab, he realises he wants a pet of his own. Rory searches high and low for a creature to love. It's at the end of a long day, when Rory least expects it, that he meets George. |
| 5011 | Rose meets Mr Wintergarten Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 1994 | 9780744531480 | Mr Wintergarten's house looks cold and uninviting. One day, Rose finds the courage to open the front gate to search for a ball that has ended up in Mr Wintergarten's yard. This is the beginning of an adventure that becomes a wonderful friendship. |
| 77476 | Rose's garden Reynolds, Peter H | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406330762 | After travelling the world in her fantastic teapot, Rose is ready to put down roots. She sets about planting flowers in a neglected corner of a bustling city, where the earth is dusty. And, then, she waits and waits, through rain, cold and snow, never doubting that her garden will bloom one day. |
| 4438 | Rose's red boots Finn, Maura & Eramus, Karen (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2017 | 9780957988446 | One bright morning, Rose and her cheeky companion, Banjo, head off to fly their kite. The little red boots went marching, marching, marching. The little red boots went marching, merrily on their way. |
| 26626 | Rosie Revere, engineer Beaty, Andrea & Roberts, David (ill) | Abrams Books | 2013 | 9781419708459 | Shy, quiet Rosie is always trying to solve problems with her inventions. When a favourite uncle laughs at one of the gizmos she designs especially for him, Rosie resists talking about her dream to become a great engineer. But, when Great-Great Aunt Rose shows up for an extended stay, she tells stories of her experiences building planes during World War II. Rosie sets about designing a unique contraption to help her aunt take to the skies again. |
| 12715 | Rosie sips spiders Lester, Alison | Hachette Children's Books | 2006 | 9780733621079 | Clive bakes chocolate cakes, Nicky loves spaghetti, Tessa eats Bombe Alaska but Rosie sips spiders. Follow these children and others as they discover their individual differences. |
| 3526 | Rosie's hat Donaldson, Julia & Currey, Anna (ill) | MacMillan | 2006 | 9781405000079 | The simple text may be about the wonderful adventures of Rosie's hat but the pictures tell us a lot more about Rosie's life. There could be more to the story than just Rosie's part in it. |
| 12119 | Rosie's walk Hutchins, Pat | Red Fox | 2001 | 9780099413998 | When Rosie, the hen, sets off for a stroll, she is unaware that something is following her, or so we think. Rosie may just be lucky that her pursuer is the clumsiest of his kind, or maybe she knows more than she lets on. |

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| 86340 | Rotten and Rascal: the two terrible pterosaur twins Geraghty, Paul | Red Fox | 2007 | 9781862308688 | Rotten and Rascal are quarrelling twin baby pterosaurs who scream and snarl at each other all day long. One day, when a really terrible argument begins, the other dinosaurs try to resolve their noisy dispute. But, the two terrible pterosaur twins prove impossible to shut up. Something must be able to silence the horrible hullabaloo. |
| 10038 | Round and round and round and round Thompson, Colin & Gamble, Penelope | Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd | 2002 | 9780733613470 | When Mrs Golightly retires, she buys a bike and sets off round the world. |
| 492 | Round fish square bowl Skinner, Tom & Goss, Mini (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2006 | 9781921042966 | If you've ever felt like a square peg in a round hole, that you don't quite fit, just remember that the thing you don't like, that makes you different, can sometimes be a very good thing and make you very special. |
| 750940 | Ruby and Graham Barnard, Lucy | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781921928758 | Ruby loves fun while Graham loves to organise. In their own unique ways, they make sure that Acorn Wood is a beautiful and fun place to live. But when Graham decides to play and party all the time like Ruby, the chaos and confusion in the wood gets out of hand. Who will step up to set things right? |
| 17176 | Ruby and Leonard and the great big surprise Rossell, Judith | Little Hare Books | 2009 | 9781921541599 | Leonard and Ruby are working together to create a special surprise. But, when you're a mouse, even the smallest task can be overwhelming and keeping a secret is even harder. |
| 6188 | Ruby learns to swim Gwynne, Phillip & Ainslie, Tamsin (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742377506 | Splash the water. Floaties on. Eyes wide open. Blow Big bubbles. Simple, repetitive text that young students will enjoying chanting along as it is read aloud. |
| 3718 | Ruby makes a friend Burke, Tina | Penguin Books Australia | 2009 | 9780670072262 | When Ruby's big brother leaves for his first day at school, a new friend appears. His name is Milo. Ruby and Milo become the very best of friends and have so much fun together. When Ruby and Milo go to school, they meet Jacinta and Boris, who become friends. |
| 41544 | Ruby roars Wild, Margaret & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2007 | 9781741757521 | When Ruby was a baby, she liked to make noises with her dummy. Now that she is bigger, she wants to make scarier noises but she can't. The little Tasmanian devil wonders how she will be able to frighten others. |
| | Ruby Wishfingers series Kelly, Deborah & Hedstrom, Leigh (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |

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| 1019816 | Ruby's repair cafe Worthington, Michelle & Bennett, Zoe (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2023 | 9781922326805 | Ruby loved to fix things rather than throwing them away. But when a shiny new department store opens next door, everyone buys new things and throws away the old. What will happen to Ruby's business and how can she stop the rubbish taking over her town? |
| 4051 | Rudie Nudie Quay, Emma | ABC Books | 2011 | 9780733323355 | A celebration of nudie moments between bath and bedtime. A rhyming tale. |
| 567886 | Rudyard Kipling's just so stories: How the camel got his hump Milbourne, Anna & Joven, John (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2018 | 9781474941617 | In the old days, when the world was new, grumpy Camel had no hump. Here is the fun story of how he came to have one. |
| 29835 | Rudyard Kipling's just so stories: Why the kangaroo jumps Jones, Rob Lloyd & Joven, John (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2018 | 9781474940962 | Long, long ago, kangaroos were short and stumpy. So how did they end up so tall and jumpy? |
| 5605 | Rufus blasts off! Griswell, Kim T & Gorbachev, Valeri (ill) | Sterling Publishing Co | 2017 | 9781454920991 | Rufus the Pig has already sailed the seven seas on a pirate ship. Now he dreams of the Moon, the stars, and Mars! But Commander Luna tells him: 'No pigs in space!' Why? Because pigs pester the pilot, do loop-the-loops in the cabin, and always want to push buttons. Then Luna learns that she needs someone to read a book live from the Red Planet or the mission is scrubbed. Will Rufus finally blast off? |
| 74667 | Rufus the numbat Miller, David | Ford Street Publishing | 2010 | 9781876462963 | Rufus the numbat is just passing through but his quiet stroll through town causes all kinds of trouble for the people who live there. This very effective story encourages thinking about human impact on the environment. |
| 4537 | Rufus the writer Bram, Elizabeth & Groenink, Chuck (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2015 | 9780385378536 | Why have a lemonade stand when you can have a story stand? That's what Rufus, a boy with a big imagination, decides. And once he's in business, he starts creating little gems for his friends and family. Millie and Walter trade a shell for his story called "Why Orange Is the Best Colour." Rufus writes little sister Annie a story for her birthday about a girl who shrinks to the size of a teacup. Sara trades flowers for a story about a family of buttons. And then they all sit down and read the wonderful stories together. |
| | Rugby League Reads K-2 League Stars Various | | | | Using the club mascots and various Rugby League players and captains, these books will allow readers to read about Rugby League and their favourite clubs and players, whilst engaging with text and practicing reading strategies. Any two books from this series may be read as Challenge books; up to five more can be read as personal choice books. Go to the Series lists for individual book titles. |
| 18398 | Rumble in the jungle Andreae, Giles & Wojtowycz, David (ill) | Orchard Books | 2005 | 9781860396601 | This book has appealing and colourful verse about a variety of jungle animals. |

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| 3738 | Runaway dinner, The Ahlberg, Allan & Inman, Bruce (ill) | Walker Books | 2006 | 9781844280636 | Banjo has a sausage for his dinner every day. One day, his sausage, called Melvin, jumps off the plate and runs away, with the rest of Banjo's dinner, cutlery and furniture in pursuit. |
| 31326 | Runaway hug, The Bland, Nick & Blackwood, Freya | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781865044057 | Mum has just one hug left for the night, so Lucy tries hard to share the hug with everyone before bed. But, the hug runs away before Lucy can give it back to Mum. |
| 12811 | Runaway tractor, The Amery, Heather & Cartwright, Stephen (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2000 | 9780746039137 | For children just beginning to read. Ted loses control of the tractor and it ends up in the water. Ted's job is to get the tractor out. |
| 2219 | Russell and the lost treasure Scotton, Rob | HarperCollins Australia | 2006 | 9780007206247 | Russell, the sheep, is determined to find the lost treasure of Frogsbottom. Equipped with his super-duper treasure seeker, he searches high and low, up and down, in and out. |
| 15542 | Russell the sheep Scotton, Rob | HarperCollins Australia | 2005 | 9780007206230 | Russell can't sleep. He tries every way he knows but nothing is working. He even tries counting everything but still nothing works. Beautiful illustrations that will make you want to just reach out and pat Russell. |
| 8729 | Ruthie Bon Bair, do not go to bed with wringing wet hair Lubner, Susan & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Harry N Abrams Inc | 2006 | 9780810954700 | The hilarious story of a girl with thick hair that took too long to dry. |
| 15046 | S.W.A.L.K. McNaughton, Colin | Collins | 2003 | 9780007145676 | Preston Pig writes to his friend Max. He thinks nothing interesting ever happens in his life but perhaps it does and Preston just doesn't notice. |
| 7192 | Sad, the dog Fussell, Sandy & Suwannakit, Tull (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781921529641 | Mr and Mrs Cripps feed their dog, wash him and even clean inside his ears. But, they don't give him a name, and they boom and bellow at him all the time. So, the dog gives himself a name. |
| 15109 | Saggy baggy elephant, The Jackson, Kathryn & Tenggren, Gustaf (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780375925900 | An elephant worries that his skin is wrinkly and saggy. When he meets his herd, he realises that he is just right. |
| 1306 | Sam & Dave dig a hole Barnett, Mac & Klassen, Jon (ill) | Walker Books | 2014 | 9781406357769 | Sam and Dave dig down, down, down until they find something spectacular. |
| 35311 | Sam and his dad Bloch, Serge | Wilkins Farago Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9780980607086 | When Sam grows up, he wants to be just like his dad. Sam's dad is an artist and Sam's life is full of creativity, exploration and adventure, as he plays with his little brother, goes to the park, visits a farm and goes on holiday, all in the company of the long-suffering but affectionate dad he loves so much. |
| 774189 | Sam sheep can't sleep Punter, Russell & Cartwright, Stephen | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2021 | 9781474970136 | Sam Sheep can't sleep so he sets off to get help from his friends and before long they are all fast asleep and snoring. |
| 9898 | Sam the cat Bowring, Sam & McLean, Andrew (ill) | Working Title Press | 2012 | 9781921504297 | Sam lives very happily in a tumbledown house with Jane and Ian. But, when they bring home a baby boy, not only does the baby get all the attention, he even steals Sam's name. |

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| 19198 | Sam's bush journey Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ezekiel & Bancroft, Bronwyn (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2009 | 9781921541049 | Sam is a city boy who doesn't much care about the wonders of the bush. The shrubs are scratchy and the mosquitoes bite. Sam thinks he wouldn't care if the bush disappeared. |
| 13924 | Samantha Seagull's sandals Winch, Gordon | Childerset Publishers | 2004 | 9780949130037 | Samantha Seagull longs to be different and thinks that new shoes will do the trick. She tries many pairs but none provide the desired effect. Then, one day, something changes. |
| 5333 | Same Roe, Katrina & Trappel, Jemima (ill) | Wombat Books | 2015 | 9781925139266 | When Uncle Charlie comes to visit, Ivy keeps her distance. She's a little bit scared because he seems so different from other people Ivy knows. Uncle Charlie finds a way to show Ivy that he is not so different after all. |
| 74295 | Samuel's kisses Collum, Karen & Geddes, Serena (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2010 | 9781921042157 | Samuel loves going shopping with his mum. He smiles and blows kisses to all the unhappy shoppers, spreading fun and happiness to all those around him. |
| 5909 | Sandcastle Bunting, Philip | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760295387 | Rae and Grandad set out to build a sandcastle. They make a tall tower. They raise great ramparts. They dig a deep moat. They even find a dragon. But will it be enough to hold the tide? |
| 22996 | Sandcastle, The Robertson, M P | Koala Books | 2001 | 9781845078003 | Jack loves building sandcastles but no matter how strongly he builds them, the sea always sweeps them away. Then, one night, a seagull outside his window wakes him up and calls him down to the beach. There, Jack finds the sandcastle he built the day before but it's now very different. |
| 751041 | Santa and the sugar glider Moses, Alexa & Tortop, Anil (ill) | Lothian Books | 2020 | 9780734419521 | It's Christmas Eve and Snap the sugar glider is practicing his moves. He wants to be the greatest flyer in the rainforest but the other animals just laugh at him. When Santa makes an emergency landing, all the animals have a chance to audition. Could this be Snap's chance to shine? |
| 31710 | Santa's Aussie holiday Farrer, Maria & Walker, Anna (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2007 | 9781741690187 | Fun book about Santa Claus picking a holiday destination. This year he is off to Australia. Some key tourist destinations are mentioned as Santa makes the most of his vacation. |
| 6380 | Santa's high-tech Christmas Dumbleton, Mike & Perrini, Angela (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594270 | Santa has discovered high-tech gear. With his techno-pad, a soft reclining seat in his sleigh and a rocket pack, he is well prepared to deliver presents for Christmas Day. But as things start to go wrong, Santa needs the help of a young girl so that all the presents get delivered on time. |
| 5373 | Santa's outback secret Dumbleton, Mike & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2014 | 9780857982254 | Santa has received a special Christmas letter, which leads him to packing a bag just before Christmas and spending some time in the Australian outback. |

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| 30253 | Sarah and the steep slope Ottley, Matt & Parker, Danny (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9781742974675 | When everything feels like an uphill battle, your friends will get you through. Sarah wakes to find a steep hill has sprung up around the house overnight, preventing her from leaving. No matter what she tries, the hill won't budge. When the Hill Doctor suggests she gets in touch with her friends, Sarah discovers how the healing power of friendship can transform the steepest slope. |
| 34463 | Savannah dreams Stewart, Lolla | Little Hare Books | 2011 | 9781921714030 | From Sunday to Saturday, Savannah and her family go looking for bush tucker. Her father, mother, brother and sister each find food to bring home to share, but Savannah only finds pieces of rubbish and junk. At the end of the week, Savannah's brother is wondering why they bother to bring her along at all. But, eventually, he discovers that Savannah's imagination is important too. |
| 1304723 | Save the gum trees, bees and big blue seas Arnold, Luke John Matthew | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781760264970 | A colourful call to action to love the land and everything upon it, from iconic Australian visual artist Luke John Matthew Arnold. |
| 643276 | Saved! Williams, Lydia & Gifford, Lucinda (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760524708 | Little Lydia loves sport. She lives in the outback and is friends with all the animals. When she asks Emu, Kangaroo and Koala to play sport with her, she soon discovers that each of them has a special talent. But does Lydia have a gift for sport too? And if she does, how will she discover it? |
| 672009 | Say cheese! Watts, Frances | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781760664046 | Maxwell Mouse, the photographer, is trying to take school photos at South Forest Public School. But some students just won't stay still and others won't look at the camera. Can Maxwell get all of the students to say "CHEESE"? |
| 965832 | Say freeze Birthisel, Miranda & Challenger, Rebel (ill) | Larrikin House | 2023 | 9781922804341 | Jodie loves a bit of mischief and will do anything to make people laugh, but has she gone too far this time? What happened when the wind changes, and will things change back? |
| 903393 | Say hooray Hayward, Renae & Mills, Rebecca | Fremantle Press | 2023 | 9781760992361 | A rhyming, multicultural book celebrating the many small moments, milestones and new adventures a baby has within their first year. |
| 587858 | Saying goodbye to Barkley Sillett, Devon & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925335965 | Olivia and her dog Barkley are inseparable. He's her sidekick, her partner in crime fighting- they're the perfect pair. But then, one day, Barkley isn't there anymore. Can Olivia find a way to get her happiness back? |
| 2852 | Scallywags blow their top, The Melling, David | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2010 | 9780340988152 | The Scallywags are a band of unruly wolves who find it hard to behave properly. But after they storm out of the forest show, they meet their match in the shape of a little sheep. it's not long before they are begging to be accepted again by the other animals. |

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| 6311 | Scarecrows' wedding, The Donaldson, Julia & Scheffer, Axel | Scholastic UK | 2014 | 9781407144412 | Betty O'Barley and Harry O'Hay invite you to the best wedding ever. The scarecrow couple sets off for a hunt round the farm for everything they need for the festivities. When Harry's search for flowers takes him far away, his villainous scarecrow rival, Reginald Rake, sees his chance to ruin this beautiful day. |
| 23421 | Scared book, The Tidball, Debra | Hachette Children's Books | 2017 | 9780734417503 | This story is about to begin, when our book realises it might be a scary story! Help, can you help? What are some of the ways you can help yourself when feeling scared? Fun and interactive story with wonderful illustrations. |
| 21173 | Scaredy book: It's not always easy to be brave! Sillett, Devon & King, Cara (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2018 | 9781925335682 | Book longs for adventure but is too scared to leave the library. Then Book meets Emma - and learns how to be brave! |
| 21176 | Scaredy cat Gallagher, Heather & Tortop, Anil (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594171 | A little girl shows how far she will go to protect her beloved pet. |
| 18013 | Scaredy cat and the boo Broad, Michael | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2008 | 9780340917794 | Scaredy Cat, as his name suggests, is scared. He's frightened of just about everything, from noises to shadows. When he meets Boo, a little mouse, with a lot of confidence, Scaredy Cat is introduced to a wider world. |
| 10960 | Scarlett, starlet Quay, Emma | ABC Books | 2015 | 9780733331589 | Scarlett loves to dance and her house is always filled with rhythm. Her parents clap along and Little Jazzy Jo-Jo's paws tap-tap-tap in time. But, when Scarlett's dream of dancing on a real stage finally comes true, Little Jo-Jo has to stay at home. Scarlett will have to find her own rhythm. |
| 751210 | Scary bird Streich, Michel | Scholastic Australia | 2020 | 9781743838594 | When a new bird arrives in the aviary, he upsets the status quo. This bird is very different from the rest. He looks different. He chirps a different language. The other birds are afraid and angry. However one curious bird takes the time to get to know Scary Bird and the flock eventually discover that he has interesting qualities to share. He is not so scary any more. |
| 17488 | Scary dog Anderson, Scoular | Walker Books | 2005 | 9781844289455 | Bonzo goes to 'Dog School' to learn how to scare cats. When his family gets a new kitten, he forgets all he has learned. |
| 18815 | Scary night Gibbes, Lesley & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Working Title Press | 2014 | 9781921504631 | Once upon a scary night, three friends set out on a journey. Hare, Cat and Pig wander through the darkness. |
| | Scholastic question & answer series Rippin, Sally & Kennett, Chris (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |

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| 761621 | School days Degennaro, Sue | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2020 | 9781760506933 | On some days there are butterflies in tummies, upside down lunchboxes and lines in the bathroom. Other days are for singing really loud, dressing up in costumes and listening to stories. But no matter what kind of School Day it is, there are always friends to be made and fun times to be had. |
| | School of monsters series Various | | | | Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen. |
| 15394 | School trip, The Butterworth, Nick | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 1996 | 9780340547199 | Tracey and Sam are off to the museum for a school trip but Matthew Tibbs is missing. They have an adventure exploring all the exhibits especially the dinosaurs. When it's time to go home, Matthew Tibbs still can't be found. |
| 22986 | Scientist, scientist, who do you see? Ferrie, Chris | Sourcebooks Inc | 2018 | 9781492656180 | Full of scientific fun, Scientist, Scientist, Who Do You See? features appearances from real-life scientists including Albert Einstein, Marie Curie, Charles Darwin, Ada Lovelace, and more! Young readers will delight in poking fun at a familiar text while learning about scientists who changed the world. |
| 6214 | Scruff sheep Church, Caroline Jayne | Oxford University Press | 2006 | 9780192791634 | Scruff sheep is the one sheep on the farm who is always late and who almost always leads to disaster. But, one day, he might just be in the right place to help a little hen with a very big problem. |
| 654402 | Scruffle-nut Fenton, Corinne & Swan, Owen (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594768 | Sitting in the park, I remember back to a furry friend from long ago. The story of a girl and an unlikely friendship. |
| 23302 | Scrummy Hodgkinson, Leigh | Orchard Books | 2010 | 9781408309360 | Sunny McCloud thinks her family is like a sandwich. She's the yummy cheese, her twin brothers are the salad, occasionally annoying, goodness bits and her parents are the slices of bread, keeping everything together. But, it seems a bit boring and Sunny wants to add some exciting ingredients, like bananas and ice cream. |
| 15072 | Scuffy the tugboat Crampton, Gertrude & Gergely, Tibor (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780307105479 | Scuffy escapes from his owners and floats out to sea. He really enjoys his freedom until things become dangerous. |

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| 944267 | Sea Country Cameron, Aunty Patsy & Kennedy, Lisa (ill) | Magabala Books | 2021 | 9781925936032 | My people are proud, strong people. We are the decendants of Mannalargenna of the Pairrebeene Trawlwoolway clan, We grew up on Flinder's Island in eastern Bass Strait. The bush and the beach were our playground. We were free there to hear Country speak to us. Sea Country will give you everything you need, if you watch and listen. |
| 31153 | Sea of words, A: An ABC of the deep blue sea Toft, Kim Michelle | Silkim Books | 2006 | 9780975839003 | Fantastic alphabet book of aquatic animals, with each letter making great use of alliteration and supported by amazing illustration. |
| 12059 | Sea-Breeze Hotel, The Vaughan, Marcia | Margaret Hamilton | 1995 | 9780947241414 | Life is tough at the Sea-Breeze Hotel where the strong winds are keeping guests away. Young Sam comes up with the perfect solution of how to fill the hotel with people who appreciate the breeze. |
| 25425 | Seadog Saxby, Claire & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781742756509 | Seadog is not a working dog, he doesn't fetch, is not a performer of tricks and is not clean, shiny or fluffy, but he is full of energy and is lots of fun. |
| 18345 | Seadragon sea Spurling, Margaret & Snell, Danny (ill) | Working Title Press | 2005 | 9781876288617 | Ten baby seahorses need to find their way to the seagrass meadow. One seahorse is left behind and encounters various sea creatures on the journey to the meadow. A counting book based on marine animals. |
| 6517 | Seagull Snell, Danny | Working Title Press | 2015 | 9781921504815 | Seagull loves to fly. It makes her heart sing. But, when she gets caught in a tangle of fishing line on the beach, she is unable to fly. Many creatures try to untangle the line but Seagull can only watch as other birds fly effortlessly above. |
| 7360 | Search for the perfect child, The Fearnley, Jan | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781406306019 | People say that there is no such thing as the perfect child. Fido Fonteyn, the cleverest, sharpest, coolest dog detective in the whole world, is on a mission to sniff one out. |
| 1209937 | Searching for treasure Bell, Johanna & Long, Emma (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781761180682 | This story celebrates the joy and wonder of a walk along the beach. |
| 6335 | Sebastian and the special stack of stories Hibbert, Kelly & deGennaro, Sue (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2018 | 9781460753460 | Sebastian trots off at a slow, steady speed with a bundle of books he'd love someone to read. Where can you find the best spot to hear a story when you're the smallest and slowest one in a big family? Sebastian knows. |
| 11198 | Sebastian lives in a hat Catterwell, Thelma & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2008 | 9781862910980 | Four month old Sebastian's mother has been killed at the side of the road. The tiny wombat must be nursed carefully by the author if he is to survive and finally be returned to the wild. When Sebastian first comes into her life, he fits inside a hat. |
| 7881 | Second sky, The Guest, Patrick & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9781760127985 | The first thing Gilbert sees when he hatches from his egg is the sky. It is love at first sight and from that moment on Gilbert longs to fly like other birds. But Penguins don't fly, they waddle, and so begins Gilbert's quest to find his place in the world. Great things happen when you reach for the sky. |

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| 43490 | Secret of black rock, The Todd-Stanton, Joe | Flying Eye Books | 2017 | 9781911171256 | Erin is fascinated by the legend of Black Rock. A huge, dark and spiky mass that is said to destroy any boats that come near it. But are the tales really true? One day Erin sneaks on board her mother's fishing boat to find out... |
| 1423990 | Secret world of seahorses, The Davies, Nicola & Baker-Smith, Lou (ill) | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781529522815 | Dive beneath the waves and enter the secret world of seahorses. Meet creatures that are no bigger than the end of your little finger! See how we can help seahorses thrive on our changing planet. |
| 5815 | See McCartney, Tania & Racklyeft, Jess (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2018 | 9781925335675 | There's magic all around you. Can you see? What can you hear? Flip-Book format! |
| 38218 | See me grow Arlon, Penelope & Gordon-Harris, Tory | Scholastic US | 2012 | 9781407131542 | Watch baby animals grow up and find out all about their amazing life cycles. |
| 17243 | Selfish crocodile, The Faustin, Charles & Terry, Michael (ill) | Bloomsbury | 1999 | 9780747541936 | Crocodile refuses to allow any other animal to bathe or drink in his river. One day, he develops a toothache and only one animal is brave enough to help. |
| 795201 | Seriously do not open this book Lee, Andy & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Lake Press Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760458850 | He's back AGAIN! This cheeky blue character is willing to forgive you for what happened last time but he SERIOUSLY does not want you to open this book or turn its pages. What reason does he have this time? |
| 15156 | Seven more sleeps Wild, Margaret & Rawlins, Donna (ill) | Working Title Press | 2004 | 9781876288389 | Babs, the baby, Fog, the dog, and mum count down the sleeps until the party. On the day, there is a big surprise. |
| 64765 | Seven ways to catch the moon Robertson, M P | Frances Lincoln | 2008 | 9781845079031 | Equipped with a butterfly net, a little girl tries to catch the moon by hitching with a witch, riding on a dragon's back, floating in a hot air balloon until, finally, the moon is discovered. |
| 1153640 | Shadow play Forsyth, Kate & Street, Rosalie (ill) | Wombat Books | 2024 | 9781925563740 | Minnie May is plagued by fear; her shadow follows her everywhere, she cannot shake its dark and menacing presence. An encounter with Ziggy heralds a shift in perspective, encouraging Minnie May to think about her shadow anew. |
| 8014 | Shapes at play Borando, Silvia | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406367331 | Squares, triangles and circles - let's play. We might even make a brand-new shape. |
| 24357 | Shapes, reshape Borando, Silvia | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406367348 | The shapes in this book get mixed up, moved around, and reshaped into all kinds of animals. See if you can guess the animal before the shapes reshape. |
| 76155 | Share said the rooster Allen, Pamela | Penguin Books Australia | 2010 | 9780143501756 | Five little stories about Billy and Ben. They will not share anything, whether it's a sticky bun, a pair of boots or an apple. But, when Billy and Ben go out in a rowing boat, they learn to share. |
| 647200 | She'll be coming round the mountain Passchier, Anne (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2018 | 9781786281753 | She'll be coming round the mountain, when she comes. Toot, Toot! How will she arrive next? |

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| 1019716 | Shearer McMullin, Neridah & Tomkins, Michael (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2023 | 9781760653163 | Jack Howe had hands the size of tennis racquets, legs like tree trunks and wrists made of steel. And in Queensland, in 1892, he set a hand blade shearing record that has never been beaten! An astounding true story, about the greatest shearer in the world!" |
| 15031 | Shhh Willis, Jeanne & Ross, Tony (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2004 | 9781842703564 | The little shrew believes that he has the secret to peace on earth. Although he tries to tell everyone, his tiny voice is lost in the clutter of day to day noise. Eventually, after much effort, people listen and take heed. |
| 76509 | Shhh little mouse Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2007 | 9780670070688 | The little, grey mouse is hungry but he faces dire consequences if he wakes the sleeping cat. |
| 1423960 | Shibu's tail Thomas, Tess & Fong, Kamwei (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781761182525 | A tale about a tail and a cat with some very big feelings. |
| 3059 | Shine: a story about saying goodbye Balla, Trace | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781743316344 | A story about loss and the everlasting power of love. |
| 1357342 | Shmoof McKinnon, Heidi | Albert Street Books | 2025 | 9781760876661 | Shmoof moves into a new house where he meets Floof. Shmoof and Floof do not get along until the find something that have in common. |
| 6787 | Shoelaces are impossible! Allen, Ed & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760154950 | I am NEVER going to be able to tie my shoelaces. It's IMPOSSIBLE! Caterpillar really wants to learn to tie his shoelaces so he can be a tap dancing star! Luckily, his bunny friend gives him all the steps to learn how to do it. You can learn too! |
| 4385 | Shoes from Grandpa Fox, Mem & Mullins, Patricia (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2008 | 9780868963723 | When Grandpa decides to buy Jessie a new pair of shoes for winter, the rest of the family joins in to buy various items of clothing. Jessie doesn't want to be ungrateful but she really wants something else. |
| 12295 | Shoo cat Bone, Ian | Omnibus Books | 2003 | 9781862915312 | There's a strange cat at the back door. He keeps trying to get into Matt's house. Matt must shoo the cat away, it doesn't live at his house. |
| 587165 | Shoo Grumpers shoo! Lawson, Josh & Knoll-Miller, Shelley (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742991955 | When you find yourself with a grumper, or two, you need to tell those grumpers to shoo, for it's grumpers that bring out the grumpy in you. But how do you dump a bumper of grumpers? That's quite a stumper. So here is a lesson in just what to do. |
| 10150 | Shopping basket, The Burningham, John | Red Fox | 2002 | 9780099899303 | You can count on Steven as he goes to buy his six eggs, five bananas and four apples. He finds going to the shop to get his mother's order quite an adventure. He may not be able to get it all home safely and survive the trip himself. |

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| 15024 | Shopping expedition, The Ahlberg, Allan & Amstutz, Andre (ill) | Walker Books | 2005 | 9780744596847 | A simple trip to the shops for groceries becomes an imaginative journey. |
| 1341049 | Short stories Borando, Silvia | Scribble Press | 2025 | 9781761381560 | Short Stories presents eleven encounters between unexpected animal pairings, each told with remarkable economy. From the unseen dangers of a hedgehog at a birthday party to the unexpected uses of a chameleon's colour-changing abilities, these bite-sized narratives showcase the art of storytelling at its most precise and playful. Silvia Borando's comic timing turns each page into a lesson in narrative craft. With just a few words and simple illustrations, she creates moments of surprise, irony, and pure delight. |
| 13918 | Show day Matthews, Penny & McLean, Andrew (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2012 | 9781862916890 | It's Show Day and everyone has taken weeks to get ready. Now, the whole family and an assortment of animals are off to the country showgrounds for a day of fun and excitement. |
| 57789 | Shrieking Violet Quay, Emma | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741695694 | Sometimes, having a younger sister is not much fun. Violet seems to interrupt or spoil everything. It is only when the older sister realises that things go better when the two sisters are not competing for attention, that family life is fun again. |
| 10636 | Shutting the chooks in Gleeson, Libby & James, Ann (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2003 | 9781863889858 | A small boy has to feed the chooks and shut them up for the night. On this night, one of the chickens is missing and he must find it before the fox comes. |
| 15001 | Shy little kitten, The Schurr, Cathleen & Tenggren, Gustaf (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9780375828997 | A shy, little kitten makes new animal friends. |
| 38104 | Sick day for Amos McGee, A Stead, Philip C & Stead, Erin E (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742377797 | Friends come in all sorts of shapes and sizes. And, for Amos McGee, they're all sorts of species, too. Every day, Amos spends a little bit of time with each of his friends at the zoo, running races with the tortoise, keeping the shy penguin company and even reading bedtime stories to the owl. But, one day Amos is too sick to make it to the zoo. |
| 1334231 | Sidney of Sydney Whiting, Sue & Anelli, Liz (ill) | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760657703 | Sydney is a big city with a busy harbour. Sidney is a young penguin... and he's in trouble. Sidney doesn't mean to be trouble, he's just curious. And one day that curiosity takes Sidney all over Sydney and on a grand adventure that lands Sidney in... TROUBLE! |
| 516 | Silly Billy Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2006 | 9780744570175 | Billy worries about everything including things that may never happen. His parents don't know the best way to help him but his grandmother offers him a special way to manage his worries. |

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| 12318 | Silly birds Dreise, Gregg | Magabala Books | 2014 | 9781922142993 | Maliyan is a young eagle who makes his parents very proud. He always looks and listens, and everyone respects him. Then, he meets Wagun, the turkey, who is a 'wombah thigaraa', a silly bird. He's always talking, usually about himself. No one respects Wagun but Maliyan thinks he is fun. It's not long before Maliyan has become a bit of a wombah thigaraa himself. |
| 12007 | Silly galah Brian, Janeen & Johns, Cheryll (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2001 | 9781862914421 | Witty verses, colourful illustrations and useful facts about seventeen, very different Australian animals combine to make this an entertaining and informative picture book. |
| 571287 | Silly Lily and the first day of kindergarten Robaard, Jedda | Bonnier Publishing Australia | 2017 | 9781760405601 | Lily is smart and adventurous and is not scared of anything! But Lily does not always understand new situations. Which means Lily is often in trouble. Today is her first day of kindergarten, and there is so much for Lily to discover! But a classroom and playground can be a bit confusing. And in her excitement, Lily forgets to pay attention to the rules! Luckily Lily is clever, too. She may sometimes be a bit naughty but in the end, she always does the right thing! |
| 5923 | Silly squid: poems about the sea Brian, Janeen & Johns, Cheryll (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2015 | 9781742990965 | Find out about some clever Australian creatures found by the shore. In this collection of funny verse, each poem is accompanied by some facts about the animal and the illustrations are based on the colours and features of the environment in which each one lives. |
| 28613 | Silly Suzy goose Horacek, Petr | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781406304589 | In her quest for individuality, Suzy Goose reasons that it just might be better to be part of a flock for most of the time. |
| 2813 | Silver buttons Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2013 | 9781406342246 | At 9.59 on Thursday morning, Jodie draws a duck. Just as she is about to add one final silver button to the duck's boots, her little brother takes his first step. At this exact same moment, a man buys bread, a soldier leaves home and a baby is being born. |
| 15158 | Silverskin Kuchling, Guundie | University of Western Australia Press | 2002 | 9781876268633 | Silverskin is different from her brothers and sisters but she comes to discover herself and her own talents. Beautiful end papers and great illustrations that give extra information about Australian animals. |
| 790532 | Sing me the summer Godwin, Jane & Lester, Alison | Affirm Press | 2020 | 9781925972924 | Splash into summer with this glorious love letter to the seasons. |
| 593315 | Singing seal, The Lamington, Merv & Langton, Allison (ill) | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925584868 | Meet Florence, a flamboyant fur seal who lives on the steps of the Sydney Opera House. Unlike the other seals, Florence has plans. Big plans. She's going to be a world-famous singer. But does Florence have what it takes to become a real SEALPRANO? |

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| 587805 | Sisters Saint-Claire and the royal mouse ball, The Gibson, Carlie & Ainslie, Tamsin (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760523640 | Queen Julie S. Cheeser has invited the entire village to her glamorous Royal Ball, but with nothing to wear, what are the villagers to do? Luckily, the Sisters Saint-Claire have a thrifty idea, or two! |
| 8816 | Sisters Saint-Claire, The Gibson, Carlie & Ainslie, Tamsin (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760291563 | This is the tale of the five sisters Saint-Claire. There's Harriet, Violet, Beatrice, Minette and, we must not forget, little Cecile. Five gourmand mouse sisters go to market. The youngest sister, Cecile, sets up her very own delicious pie stall, with food fit for a queen. |
| 4017 | Six dinner Sid Moore, Inga | Simon & Schuster | 1990 | 9780750002974 | Sid has six owners, lives in six houses and has six dinners a day. Each owner doesn't know about the others and life for Sid is just about perfect. |
| 821 | Skunk with no funk, The Young, Rebecca & Rudge, Leila (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2014 | 9781922179012 | Woody is not what his family expected. He is a failure, a flop, an odourless plop. |
| 21179 | Sleep Prendergast, Kate | Old Barn Books | 2018 | 9781910646229 | From cats and dogs to bears and tigers - how does the animal kingdom sleep? Discover a world of curious sleeping habits in this fact-based picture book for young nature lovers. |
| 903337 | Sleep through the night Stephen, Byll & Stephen, Beth & Howe, Simon (Ill) | ABC Books | 2022 | 9780733342707 | Some species sleep wherever they choose to roam, but human beings sleep the very best when they are home. |
| 81618 | Sleep tight, my honey Shanahan, Lisa & Harris, Wayne (ill) | Lothian Books | 2008 | 9780733623738 | Lily and Monty's new baby is gorgeous but she just won't sleep at night. Grandma, Tortoise, Possum, Butterfly and Bat are full of helpful advice but nothing works and everyone is very tired. |
| 4046 | Sleep time Gleeson, Libby & Greder, Armin (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 1993 | 9781863880633 | When a little girl is put to bed early to have a sleep, she responds by trying to get each of the toys in her room to have her sleep for her. |
| 7369 | Sleepy bears Fox, Mem & Argent, Kerry (ill) | MacMillan | 1999 | 9780732909802 | Winter is here, and in winter bears sleep. But how do you convince six not-so-sleepy bear cubs to go to bed? Mother Bear finds a way with a cosy rhyme for each bear that sends them on dreams filled with adventure. |
| 4047 | Sleepy Pendoodle Doyle, Malachy | Walker Books | 2001 | 9780744594775 | Uncle tells a little girl the right words to get her new puppy to open his eyes. But it's a long way from Uncle's place to home and every interruption makes it harder to remember. |
| 1065820 | Sleepy Sheepy Cummins, Lucy Ruth & Oswald, Pete (ill) | Walker Books | 2024 | 9780593465912 | Sleepy Sheepy is NOT sleepy. It might be bedtime, but he would rather do all the fun activities he can. Ma and Pa sheep try everything to get him to bed. A humorous read-aloud picture book for young audiences. |
| 1209750 | Sleepy sheepy and the sheepover Cummins, Lucy Ruth & Oswald, Pete (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760658953 | It's time for Sleepy Sheepy's very first sleepover. But when it's time for bed, Sleepy Sheep cannot sleep. His blankets scratch and his PJ's don't match. |

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| 5060 | Slightly invisible Child, Lauren | Orchard Books | 2010 | 9781408307908 | When his friend, Marv, comes over to play, Charlie would prefer that his little sister stay away. However, Lola is irritating and likes being the centre of attention. When Charlie's nerves snap, he issues an ultimatum to Lola, but rules, like not touching the secret potion that turns people invisible, are simply ignored. |
| 705712 | Sloth and the dinglewot, The Prust, Nicole & Enwright, Amanda | New Frontier Publishing | 2020 | 9781925594966 | When Samuel the Sloth feels brave enough to leave his cosy hut, he meets the colourful and mysterious Dinglewot. Together they discover incredible places, and Samuel will learn that overcoming fears and doubts means more adventures, friendships and much happiness. |
| 3665 | Sloth slept on Preston-Gannon, Frann | HarperCollins US | 2016 | 9781843653042 | He wasn't like any other creature we had ever found in the garden. We couldn't figure out what he was and where he had come from. |
| 4787 | Sloth who came to stay, The Wild, Margaret & To, Vivienne | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760290221 | Amy's family is speedy! They are always in such a rush that there is no time to talk or play - until the afternoon Amy brings home a sloth. Then things start changing very, very slowly... |
| 4844 | Slowly! Slowly! Clark, T.M & Magisson, Helene (ill) | Wombat Books | 2017 | 9781925563221 | Slowly, slowly, you catch a monkey. Bongani wants to go to school but he is too young. To prove to his family that he is big and strong, just like his cousins, he tries to catch a monkey. Slowly, slowly, he must go. Luckily his family is there to school him in the lessons of patience and compassion. |
| 7966 | Slug needs a hug Willis, Jeanne & Ross, Tony (ill) | Koala Books | 2015 | 9781742761428 | When it begins to bug slug that his mummy doesn't hug him, he leaves home to find out why. Kitten suggests he should be furrer, so he puts on a woolly hat, while Bird suggests he needs a beak. Many animals come up with various ideas to make slug more attractive. Soon, Slug has a new look to take home to his mum. |
| 15398 | Small Vulliamy, Clara | HarperCollins Australia | 2002 | 9780006647751 | When Tom goes to grandma's place, he accidentally leaves Small, his toy mouse, at home. He misses Small terribly but Small is very loyal and does everything he can to get back to Tom. |
| 2664 | Small and big Collum, Karen & Wood, Ben (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2015 | 9781922081476 | Small and Big are best friends but they are very different. During a trip to the city, Big is loud and confident and certain that it's the big things in life that matter. Small is more reserved and finds beauty in the detail. In the city, Small and Big are so fascinated by the things they are seeing, they lose track of each other and, eventually, Small realises he is lost. |
| 5723 | Smallest bilby solves the biggest problem, The Hilton, Nette & NSW students (ill) | | | 9781111111113 | Billy Bilby needs the help of his friends with a very important job at Easter. This is an electronic book, viewed on YouTube at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B-mHVegWKtA |

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| 49815 | Smallest turtle, The Dodd, Lynley | ABC Books | 1996 | 9780733322082 | The smallest turtle is the last of his family to set out on the long journey to the sea. The sand is hot and there are many dangers. |
| 660378 | Smeds and the Smoos, The Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | Scholastic US | 2017 | 9781407188898 | The Smeds, who are red never, play with the Smoos, who are blue. So what will they do when a young Smed and Smoo fall in love? |
| 5331 | Smelly book, The Cole, Babette | Red Fox | 2001 | 9780099409618 | There are many smelly things in life and this book tells us about them in a humorous way. |
| 4458 | Smelly Louie Rayner, Catherine | Pan Macmillan London | 2014 | 9780230742505 | Louie, the dog, has just had a bath and he is not happy about it. He smells all wrong. Determined to get his Special Smell back, Louie goes on a hunt for it and meets lots of smelly things along the way. Louie wants his smell back and, more importantly, to keep it. |
| 29833 | Smile cry Mccartney, Tania & Racklyeft, Jess (ill) | EK Books | 2017 | 9781921966989 | Happy or sad, wailing or glad - how do you feel today? |
| 12073 | Snail Watts, Barrie | Franklin Watts | 2002 | 9780749644314 | One of a series that traces the life cycle of plants and animals. A simple introduction to snails, their behaviour and appearance, emphasising their development from the day they hatch until they lay eggs of their own. |
| 41624 | Snail and the whale, The Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | Pan MacMillan | 2003 | 9780333982242 | One little snail longs to see the world and hitches a lift on the tail of an enormous whale. Together they go on an amazing journey, past icebergs and volcanoes, sharks and penguins, and the little snail feels so small in the vastness of the world. But when disaster strikes and the whale is beached in a bay, it's the tiny snail's big plan that saves the day. |
| 2318 | Snail and turtle are friends King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2014 | 9781743620236 | Snail and Turtle are friends who enjoy walking, running and hiding together. |
| 574733 | Snail's crowded house Tang, Sulan & Zheng, Suming (ill) | Starfish Bay Publishers | 2018 | 9781760360399 | The rain doesn't worry Snail, because he carries his own little house with him everywhere he goes. An ant, a rabbit and a little boy came running through the rain. One after the other they all ask Snail the same question, "Can I stay in your house until the rain stops?" How will Snail's shell hold them all? |
| 16938 | Snake and the boy, The Sebastian, Azmen | Magabala Books | 2011 | 9781921248245 | As children play football in a country schoolyard, a boy takes to the bars in the playground, only to have a cunning green tree snake slither in and steal his apple. |
| 886027 | Snakes awake Paine, Jarrod & Boland, Shannon (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2022 | 9781925804928 | Pip explores the outdoors with her mum, hoping to find her favourite creature, a snake. Join her to discover the beauty and excitement of these remarkable reptiles and learn how to stay safe in the Australian bush |
| 12297 | Snap, went Chester Cox, Tania & Miller, David | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2003 | 9780733614941 | Chester is bored. He just can't think of anything to do until he discovers how much fun it is to go snap, snap, snap, at all the creatures around the waterhole. But, Chester is in for a big surprise. |

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| 603347 | Snow knows, The McGrath, Jennifer & Bisailon, Josee (ill) | Nimbus Publishing LTD | 2019 | 9781771084413 | In the winter woods, the snow knows where everyone goes. |
| 4892 | Snow wombat, The Chambers, Susannah & Jackson, Mark (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781760113810 | In Australia's High Country, it's a big journey through the snow for a little wombat, meeting animals, birds and people along the way. But, there's no place like home. |
| 6937 | Snowy's Christmas Murphy, Sally & Murphy, David (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2009 | 9781741664409 | Snowy is a little, white kangaroo that recognises he is not the same as the other red kangaroos. When his mother explains he is special, he is not sure that he understands. With his mother's encouragement, he goes off to have a very special adventure on Christmas Eve, helping to pull Santa's sleigh across Australia. |
| 12319 | Snuffy Bruna, Dick | Big Tent Entertainment | 2004 | 9781592260140 | Snuffy, the little brown dog, finds a woman crying because she has lost her daughter. Snuffy sets off to find the daughter and bring her back safely. |
| 35951 | Snug as a hug Vaughan, Marcia & Lofts, Pamela (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741695212 | Join all the animals as they settle down to rest. The text is a rhyming lullaby, with each page showing an Australian animal in a different environment. A perfect book to read before bedtime. |
| 15161 | So shy Morrison, Vicki & Hilb, Nora (ill) | North South Books | 2005 | 9780735819672 | Jake is shy, so shy that he has no friends. His only playmate is his shadow. They do everything together, race along the beach, clamber over rocks and climb trees. But, shadows can't talk and Jake longs to laugh and joke with a real friend. |
| 4990 | Sock monster, The Melenhorst, Glenn & O'Connor, Sharon | Lothian Books | 2007 | 9780734409911 | The sock monster is on the prowl and you have to wonder if you are in danger. The sock monster may be cranky, warty, scaly or naughty, but he is sure to be scary. |
| 8250 | Solomon crocodile Rayner, Catherine | MacMillan | 2011 | 9780230529229 | Here comes trouble. Poor Solomon the crocodile is looking for some fun but no-one wants to play. The dragonflies tell him to buzz off, the storks get in a flap and the less said about the hippo, the better. But, then, somebody else starts causing trouble and, for once, it's not Solomon. |
| 46842 | Some birds Spink, Matt | David Fickling Books | 2016 | 9781910200667 | Small and tall, flappy and fluttery, twitchers and tweeters. A feathery celebration of birds. |
| 35243 | Some dads Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781741697933 | Dads come in all shapes and sizes, with various interests, obsessions, foibles and personalities. Here are eleven animal dads to brighten your day. |
| 1395168 | Some days you'll have days like these Pyke, Josh & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761527067 | A picture book about navigating sunny days and sad days, happy days and hard days. |
| 820656 | Some dinosaurs are small Voake, Charlotte | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781406394207 | One small dinosaur is no match for three big dinosaurs, especially when they are hungry. Find out who little dinosaur can rely on to stop the bullies in their tracks. |

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| 1052179 | Some families change Galatola, Jess & Barrand, Jenni (ill) | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539670 | Families come in all shapes and sizes and sometimes they can change too. Sometimes people join our family and sometimes they leave, and sometimes changes can be hard to understand. But even when families change, there's one thing that never does. There are always people who love you. |
| 974761 | Some Fish Have Moustaches Walkinshaw, Heidi & Streich, Michel | Affirm Press | 2023 | 9781922863256 | There are big fish and small fish, round fish and long fish, and fish of all shapes and sizes. But did you know that there are also fish who have ...moustaches? Celebrate all kinds of fish, and especially those with moustaches, in this fin-tastic picture book! |
| 609050 | Some mums Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743626047 | Some mums are graceful and some mums are tough. Each mum has her own way of being a mum and they are all delightful! |
| 52181 | Somebody's house Germein, Katrina & Stead, Anthea (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781921720338 | Follow a little girl as she walks along a street, looking at different houses and wondering who lives there. The little girl passes each, until she gets to the last house at the end of the street. |
| 860934 | Somebody's land Goodes, Adam & Laing, Ellie & Hardy, David (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9781760526726 | Today, across Australia, young children everywhere will acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of the land where we live, or go to school, preschool or care. This book is designed to help parents and carers have conversations with their children about what the acknowledgement means and why we do it. |
| 2794 | Something about a bear Morris, Jackie | Frances Lincoln | 2014 | 9781847805164 | Find out about eight bears in the wild, what they like to eat, their habitats and daily activities. Includes conservation information about bears. |
| 903343 | Something broken, something fixed England, Kathryn & Lynch, Davilyn (ill) | Wombat Books | 2022 | 9781761110825 | Amy likes to make things. Sometimes she uses broken things for parts. Sometimes things get broken. When her brother Finn goes looking for her, he follows a trail of broken objects from the house to the backyard. He fixes things along the way. But what has his creative little sister been making? |
| 569141 | Something for Fleur Pelosi, Catherine & Murray, Caitlin (ill) | Lothian Books | 2018 | 9780734418104 | It's Fleur's birthday and her friend Bo is sending her a present. Can you guess what it is? |
| 6342 | Something wonderful Caisley, Raewyn & Blair, Karen (ill) | Viking Children's | 2016 | 9780670078455 | Sam likes to pull things apart, put them back together and think about how things work. But, sometimes, he is so busy doing this, he forgets his chores on the family farm. One day, he creates something truly wonderful. |
| 838 | Somethingosaur, The Mitton, Tony & Ayto, Russell (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2012 | 9780007441266 | Long, long ago, where the dinosaurs roam, a cute little creature bursts out of an egg, but what on earth is it and where is its mum. |

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| 815769 | Sometimes cake Wyatt, Edwina & Ainslie, Tamsin (ill) | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781760650421 | There is always a reason to have cake. Audrey and Lion celebrate the little things that make them happy such as Tuesdays and coconuts. They celebrate with cake and hats and balloons. One day Lion feels ordinary, so Audrey cheers him up by making ordinary special too - and lions. |
| 1265 | Somewhere in Australia Pennacchio, Marcello & Snell, Danny (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781741695229 | Australian animals and landscapes feature in this rhyming text. We are taken to the hot and dry centre where death adders live, to the rainforest floor of the Tassie devils and right around the different Australian habits. |
| 5761 | Somewhere in the reef Pennacchio, Marcello & Snell, Danny (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781760159894 | Along the Great Barrier Reef, having fun in the sun, lived a mother dolphin and her little calf one. Leap, said the mother. I leap, said the one, as they leapt out of the water and had fun in the sun. Join the little dolphin calf and many more familiar ocean animals in this vivid counting book based on the classic rhyme Over in the Meadow. |
| 89388 | Song for Lorkie, A Bowen, Dean (ill) & Castles, Jennifer | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742377186 | Lorkie is a Roofbird. His best friend is Brian and they've been friends since they were eggs. They live in the Valley of Roofs, where every bird has a song to sing except Lorkie. Lorkie wants to leave the rooftops and live on the Road, where he feels free, fast and fizzy. But, Brian thinks it's dangerous. |
| 923387 | Song in the city Bernstrom, Daniel & Mohammed, Jenin (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2022 | 9780063011120 | A young blind girl, filled with the sounds of her beloved city, shares a song with her grandmother that changes the two forever. After helping Grandma realize that the city makes music as beautiful as the sounds they hear in church on Sunday morning, the two sit down and take in all the sounds of the city... together. |
| 637586 | Song of the river Cowley, Joy & Andrews, Kimberly (ill) | Gecko Press | 2019 | 9781776572533 | Cam the mountain boy follows the river from its trickling source in the snow all the way to the sea. The river leads him through forest, farms and towns to the salty wind of the sea. The dramatic landscapes are packed with detail to discover in the world of the river. |
| 3117 | Sonoma meets Miss Mouse Morrissey, Di & Sydenham, Julie (ill) | Harbour Publishing House | 2015 | 9781922134400 | A sob in the night awakes a little girl called Sonoma. She discovers a magical little mouse who is scared of the dark and hungry. Sonoma decides she must help the poor mouse. |
| 12475 | Sophie's masterpiece: a spider's tale Spinelli, Eileen & Dyer, Jane (ill) | Simon & Schuster | 2001 | 9780689801129 | Sophie ages from a young artistic spider to an elderly lady too tired to travel further when she is not wanted. Every web that Sophie spins is more wondrous than the one before but only one person appreciates her at the boardinghouse. |
| 5784 | Sophie's prize Marston, Jennie & Watt, Lexie (ill) | Little Steps Publishing | 2014 | 9781925117073 | Sophie has won one hundred dollars in an art competition and she wonders what do with the money. |
| 2574 | Sorry Wally Mayne, Troy | Oceanic Imagery Publishing | 2007 | 9781920892524 | Casey and Shelly are brave brother and sister turtles who team up against the school bully when he hides their lunch box. |

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| 29368 | Sounds spooky Cheng, Christopher & Davis, Sarah (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781864718799 | In a rickety old house, spooky sounds fill the air. A crash, a slam, a snarl and a hiss. Who or what is making these sounds is yet to be discovered. |
| 1424104 | Spare kisses Harry, Pip & Marcatili, Yiscah (ill) | Lothian Books | 2026 | 9780734423511 | Eve's Nan is prepared for anything, seats at the table for morning tea drop-ins. In Nan's cupboards Eve finds an assortment of treasures and Nan's spare kisses make everything right, from let-downs, rained out matches and burnt batches. Her limitless love (and treats) are never spared. |
| 1399468 | Speedy sloth Christmas, A Young, Rebecca & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761649219 | Oh no! Santa is sick and an elf crashed the sleigh. Lucky the Speedy sloth is there to help. Spike, Dash and the elf have to work out how to deliver all the presents to the animals in the bay while the sleigh gets fixed. |
| 1231533 | Speedy sloth meets her match, The Young, Rebecca & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781760266479 | Spike was a sloth, and yes she was slow. But, unlike the others, she wanted to go! Then Spike meets Dash, just what she needs - someone to play with who goes at her speed! A joyful story about finding friends in unexpected places. |
| 963414 | Speedy sloth, The Young, Rebecca | Scholastic Australia | 2022 | 9781760974893 | It was finally time for the event of the year, Spike couldn't believe it - THE GREAT RACE was here! The other sloths said it couldn't be done, but Spike didn't care, she was ready to run! |
| 31130 | Spirit Ryan, Cherri & Booth, Christina (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781925381771 | I built a ship from this and that. I named her Spirit. Could Spirit sail? I knew she could. A beautiful picture book about resilience, imagination and hope. |
| 16344 | Spirit of hope Graham, Bob | Lothian Books | 2008 | 9780734410696 | Dad works six days a week at the factory across the street but, each night when he comes home, the fun begins for the five Fairweather children. When the family is ordered to move out to make way for another factory, they despair of finding another house they can afford. Mary's favourite toy inspires them to make a new home in an unexpected place. |
| 1240904 | Spiro McGregor, Anna | Scribble Press | 2024 | 9781761381010 | A hilarious tale of one spider's determined search for a decent meal from award winning author and illustrator Anna McGregor. |
| 34678 | Splat Burgerman, Jon | Oxford University Press | 2017 | 9780192749543 | When you turn the page, get ready for....SPLAT! A very messy fit of giggles. |
| 9722 | Splat the cat Scotton, Rob | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2008 | 9780060831547 | Splat is terrified of his first day of school and he tries all sorts of tricks to avoid going. But, Mum is not convinced and Splat is soon on his way, with mouse pal, Seymour, in his lunch box. Splat is welcomed enthusiastically by his cat classmates and lessons go smoothly until he learns that cats are supposed to chase mice, not have them as friends. Watch Splat's day turn around. Day Two is going to be much better. |

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| 37687 | Splish, splash, splat Scotton, Rob | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2011 | 9780007432400 | Splat doesn't want to have a play date with Spike because Spike will break his toys and eat all of his candy fish. And, Splat does not want to learn how to swim. He thinks water is horrible, scary and wet. He's sure that this is going to be the worst day ever. But, when the rest of their classmates rush straight into the pool, Splat and Spike find that they may have more in common than they thought. |
| 6721 | Splosh for the billabong Moriarty, Ros & Balarinji (ill) & Bradley, John (trans) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781760112127 | Splosh for the billabong at the shady bend of river. Brush for the flowers that burst in summer heat. A glorious celebration of country, animals and painting. Includes words translated into the Yanyuwa language, which is spoken by Aboriginal families in Borroloola, Northern Territory. |
| 15020 | Spookyrumpus Mitton, Tony & Parker-Rees, Guy (ill) | Orchard Books | 2004 | 9781843624226 | Count all the spooky characters as they make their way to a party. |
| 3993 | Spot of bother, A Emmett, Jonathan & Cabban, Vanessa (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406347999 | Pig is very proud of his neat appearance so he's horrified to discover a spot of squashed cherry on his side. His farmyard friends try to remove it, with disastrous results, and the spot of bother soon becomes a truly calamitous catastrophe. |
| | Spot series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 1380 | Spotty dotty lady, The Boyle, Josie & Martins, Fern (ill) | Magabala Books | 2014 | 9781922142108 | A sad lady finds an unusual, spotty flower in her garden and is inspired to paint dots on her cups, kitchen and all over her house. Her neighbours soon become interested and the spotty flower breathes new life into the street. |
| 1423831 | Spud and Snowball and the fancy fish Rossell, Judith | ABC Books | 2025 | 9780733343865 | Every day, Spud and Snowball lie on the couch and watch TV. When they see an ad for Fancy Fish, the two cats work out a way to have this new food delivered to their door. But what actually arrives is totally unexpected. Can Spud and Snowball outwit this loud, bossy and very fancy intruder? |
| 22994 | Square Barnett, Mac & Klassen, Jon (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406378658 | Every day, Square brings a block out of his cave and pushes it up a steep hill. This is his work. When Circle floats by, she declares Square a genius, a sculptor! "This is a wonderful statue," she says. "It looks just like you!" But now Circle wants a sculpture of her own, a circle! Will the genius manage to create one? Even accidentally? |
| 14986 | Squash and a squeeze, A Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | Koala Books | 2003 | 9780864614681 | A little old lady thinks her home is too small. Her friend finds the best solution, filling the home with lots of animals so that it seems instantly bigger when they leave. |

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| 12412 | Squeak street Rodda, Emily | Working Title Press | 2002 | 9781876288341 | Meet the ten mice who live in Squeak Street. |
| 823326 | Squirrels who squabbled, The Bright, Rachel & Field, Jim (ill) | Orchard Books | 2018 | 9781408340479 | Greedy squirrels Cyril and Bruce both have their sights on a very special prize: the last pine-nuts of the season. Uh-oh! The race is on! |
| 638711 | Squish Rabbit's pet Battersby, Katherine | University of Queensland Press | 2019 | 9780702260469 | Squish is just a little rabbit, but being little leads to big dreams. Most of all, Squish dreams of having a pet. Squish wants a puppy, but he doesn't know where to find one! With the help of his best friend, Twitch, Squish sets out to find the pet of his dreams. |
| 20417 | Staircase to the moon Houston, Bronwyn | Magabala Books | 2011 | 9781921248290 | A young girl has a yearning to get to the moon. One night, she and her grandfather sneak away from home in a bid to climb the staircase to the moon. The pair brave blood-thirsty mosquitoes, dive-bombing fruit bats, boab trees that loom like giants and sinking mangrove mud before making it to the foot of the staircase. |
| 3032 | Stanley Thompson, Colin | ABC Books | 2016 | 9780733332852 | It's very quiet in Stanley's house. There are no brothers or sisters, no dads or grannies, not even a cat, a budgie or a goldfish. Stanley lives with his human, Gerald, and Gerald's mum. Life is peaceful but, sometimes, Stanley feels quite lonely. Then, one day at the park, another dog steals Stanley's favourite red rubber ball and sets in motion a chain of events that will change Stanley's life forever. |
| 44139 | Stanley Paste Blabey, Aaron | Penguin Books Australia | 2009 | 9780670071807 | Stanley Paste is small, really small. And he hates it. But, when a new girl arrives at school, Stanley learns that being small is not so bad after all. |
| 4594 | Star Prior, Natalie Jane & Pignataro, Anna (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2008 | 9780733322440 | Little eyes are closing and it's time everyone was in bed. I wonder what the star sees. |
| | Start with science series Waring, Geoff | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 936 | Starting school Godwin, Jane & Walker, Anna (ill) | Penguin | 2013 | 9780670076765 | Five children are off to school for the first time. There are new friends to make, fun ways to learn and lots of different things to discover. |

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| 1096844 | Stay for dinner Parappukkaran, Sandhya & Pereira, Michelle (ill) | Bright Light Books | 2023 | 9781761211966 | Reshma loves dinnertime with her family. They eat with their hands not just finger food type-eating, but hands-on squishy eating. But, when she's invited to stay for dinner at her friends' houses, she finds out that they all eat in different ways and worries about what they will think when they have dinner at her house. |
| 4304 | Stella brings the family Schiffer, Miriam B & Clifton-Brown, Holly (ill) | Chronicle Books | 2015 | 9781452111902 | Stella's class is having a Mother's Day celebration and she is worried. Everyone else in her class has a mum, Howie even has two. But, Stella has two dads who take care of her, help with her homework and tuck her in at night. Stella doesn't have a mum to invite but she finds a unique solution to her party problem. |
| 923438 | Step inside science: Your body Bryan, Lara & Bellon, Teresa (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2022 | 9781474998864 | Gurgle, sneeze, hiccup. There's so much going on inside your body that you can't even see. Step inside and find out how it all works - from eating to breathing to why your heart beats. |
| 2888 | Steve goes to carnival Button, Joshua & Wells, Robyn & Rau, Julia (photo) | Magabala Books | 2016 | 9781925360219 | Steve is a gorilla, who lives at a zoo in Rio. He loves to listens to jazz on the radio with his friend, Antonio the zookeeper. One night, Steve lifts the latch of his cage door and escapes to find Antonio. It's carnival time in Rio and a hat provides the perfect disguise for Steve. He follows the sounds of a saxophone and discovers Antonio playing in a quartet. When a beautiful dancer steps on to the dance floor, Steve takes her by the hand. They twirl and twist until, suddenly, Steve's hat falls off his head. |
| 12844 | Steve's Sunday blues Layton, Neal | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 2002 | 9780340797228 | There are so many things that are good about Sundays - walking the dog, splashing through puddles, eating yummy food. Even with all these good things happening, Steve has the Sunday blues. |
| 1200 | Stick man Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | Scholastic UK | 2012 | 9781407132327 | Stick Man lives in the family tree with his Stick Lady Love and their stick children three. But it's dangerous being a Stick Man. A dog wants to play with him, a swan builds her nest with him. He even ends up on a fire. How will he get back home. |
| 12382 | Stickybeak Edwards, Hazel & Wilson, Rosemary (ill) | Puffin Australia | 1986 | 9780140541144 | Stickybeak is an unforgettable school pet who gets up to all sorts of mischief. He thinks he's a person. When a student takes Stickybeak home for the weekend, it proves to be a disaster. |
| 32279 | Stitches and stuffing Gallasch, Carrie & Acton, Sara (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9781760127787 | Adeline's beloved Bunnybear goes with her everywhere, but one night he is damaged by the dog. Nanna sews Bunnybear back together, but this new Bunnybear is stiff and strange and Adeline puts him on a shelf and leaves him there. Then Nanna goes away, and Adeline realises it is not just stitches and stuffing that holds Bunnybear together, it is love. |

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| 22990 | Stone for Sascha, A Becker, Aaron | Candlewick Press | 2018 | 9780763665968 | This year's summer vacation will be very different for a young girl and her family without Sascha, the beloved family dog, along for the ride. But a wistful walk along the beach to gather cool, polished stones becomes a brilliant turning point in the girl's grief. There, at the edge of a vast ocean beneath an infinite sky, she uncovers, alongside the reader, a profound and joyous truth. |
| 4219 | Stone soup Bonning, Tony & Hobson, Sally (ill) | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2001 | 9781862334366 | The weary fox stops at the farm gate and asks the animals if they have any food to spare. They are too mean to share so Fox asks for just a little water to make some stone soup. The curious animals crowd round to see how stone soup is made. |
| 839062 | Stop the dad jokes! Beck, Adrian & Greiner, Simon (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2021 | 9781761043086 | On a trip to the zoo, a kid finds out that even the animal dads think it's their job to tell really bad jokes. Somehow, dads all over the world think telling lame jokes is in their job description. And kids all over the world just have to groan. |
| 12623 | Story blanket, The Wolff, Ferida & Savitz, Harriet May & Odriozola, Elena (ill) | Andersen Press Ltd | 2008 | 9781842706947 | Babba Zarrah has a beautiful, woollen blanket which the children love to sit on to listen to her stories. But, when Babba realises that her neighbours need new clothes, she has another use for her blanket. |
| 63359 | Story of Growl, The Horacek, Judy | Penguin | 2010 | 9780143503101 | Growl is a little monster who lives in Eucalyptus Drive and loves to growl. After scaring her neighbours one day, Growl is banned from growling and she doesn't know what to do. |
| 3197 | Stubborn Stanley Eckstrom, Nathaniel | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781760155025 | Stanley loves inventing fun things to play with. But Stanley is so stubborn he won't let anyone else join in - no matter what! Can Stanley work out how to make things fun all by himself? Or will he have to come up with another plan...? |
| 8078 | Stuck Calder, Charlotte & Jackson, Mark (ill) | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781921150463 | On a windy day, Charlie's kite gets caught in a big tree. All solutions to retrieve it fail, resulting in the tree being full of objects. |
| 30546 | Stuck Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2011 | 9780007263868 | Floyd gets his kite stuck up a tree. He throws up his shoe to shift it but that gets stuck too. So, he throws up his other shoe and that gets stuck too, along with a ladder, a pot of paint, the kitchen sink, an orang-utan and a whale, amongst other things. |
| 8713 | Stupid baby Blake, Stephanie | Gecko Press | 2012 | 9781877579325 | There's a new baby in Simon's house. And Simon wants to know when the stupid baby is going back to the hospital. But, the baby is here to stay. Simon wonders about the scary wolves outside the house and whether his parents will still protect him now they have a stupid baby. |

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| 1356323 | Style secrets of Gareth McGreen, The Brodie-Brown, Kelly & Carty, Natasha (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761527043 | Gareth McGreen was a stylish toad, no toad in the town appeared finer. He always impressed with the way that he dressed; a fabulous fashion designer. Gareth McGreen is a toad who sews, designing the very best clothes for creatures from all over the world. Until one day when he just cant find the right design for a shy young possum. Can Gareth unlock the style secrets he needs to create the perfect fit? |
| 21233 | Sugarlump and the unicorn Donaldson, Julia & Monks, Lydia (ill) | Pan MacMillan | 2018 | 9781509862665 | The unicorn has a silver horn, her eyes are bright and blue, and when she hears a horse's wish, she can make that wish come true. Sugarlump the rocking horse longs for adventure. But when a magical unicorn grants his wish, he soon discovers there's no match for the fun of playing with children. Is it too late to change his mind? |
| 18386 | Summer Factor, June & Lester, Alison (ill) | Brolly Books | 2005 | 9781877035548 | Rhyming pages illustrate family life in summer time. A good portrayal of Australian life. |
| 7850 | Summer rain Moriarty, Ros & Balarinji (ill) & Bradley, John (trans) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781760112110 | First, the land wakes in morning light. Turtles crawl and lizards creep. But, then, rain splatters on dusty ground and everything comes alive. A joyous serenade of northern Australian animals and landscapes in the rainy season. Words are translated into the Yanyuwa language, which is spoken by Aboriginal families in Borroloola, Northern Territory. |
| 999 | Sun Prior, Natalie Jane & Pignataro, Anna (ill) | ABC Books | 2008 | 9780733322433 | It's morning, the sun is shining and all the animals are stirring. I wonder if someone else is awake. |
| 1070406 | Sunday skating Rowe, Andrea & Sommerville, Hannah (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2023 | 9781761211232 | Clancy's friends skate through the quiet Sunday streets, while Clancy feels self-conscious, and embarrassed, that he's just a beginner. His board stays tucked under his arm; his feet stay firmly on the ground. But his friends aren't giving up on him and Clancy realises the only way forward is to step on his board and try... even if he might fall. |
| 1423921 | Sundays under the lemon tree Busuttil Nishimura, Julia & Yim, Myo (ill) | Scribble Press | 2025 | 9781761381485 | On Sundays, our family gets together to eat good things under the lemon tree in our backyard. A delicious story of family, food and tradition. |
| 4281 | Sunk Biddulph, Rob | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2017 | 9780008207397 | A pirate hat. A sunny day. For Penguin Blue a game to play. So climb aboard your ship and let's set sail! |
| 903244 | Sunny the shark Lai, Remy | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2022 | 9781761065460 | I'm Sunny the Shark and I love cruising the ocean with my pilot fish friends looking for food. Sometimes things in the water are not what they look like. Now a plastic ring is wrapped around my fin and its tricky to hunt. |

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| 12222 | Sunshine Ormerod, Jan | Puffin USA | 1983 | 9780140503623 | A little girl wakes up as sunlight floods her room and she goes about her morning routine. She watches as her parents do the same. A book without text that tells the story through pictures. |
| 660054 | Super Nova Saclier, Krys & Timmis, Rebecca (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2019 | 9781925804300 | Nova's brother thinks she gets away with too much, until he finds out what she's really planning. And it's out of this world. Will he keep her secret? Super Nova tells the story of the most powerful force in the universe -- a little sister. |
| 1208957 | Super snake Dreise, Gregg | Magabala Books | 2024 | 9781922142955 | Dhurraluwi guuma-li - come together! Wantima - Rise up! Woorri - Share! This is the refrain of the Super Snake as he locates the water that communities need to survive, and as he teaches us the value of sharing our resources. |
| 1101133 | Super speedy sloth, The Young, Rebecca & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2023 | 9781760978488 | Ever since she was small, Spike wished she could be a super speedy sloth on a great rescue spree. The other sloths said it just wasn't right but Spike was read to show them her might. A joyful and inspiring zero to hero story. |
| 3544 | Surfer boy Bo Morrissey, Di "Gigi" & Sydenham, Julie (ill) | Harbour Publishing House | 2016 | 9781922134417 | Bo discovers a magical place beneath the waves. During his adventures, he sees wonderfully strange creatures and their beautiful homes. He also learns that parts of our underwater world are disappearing and it is up to all of us to look after our oceans. |
| 1334235 | Susurrus, The Young-Evans, Genevieve & James, Cate (ill) | Walker Books | 2025 | 9781760657611 | Frankie doesnt know what a susurrus is. She knows it not its not a platypus, an octopus, or even a kind of saurus. So Frankie searches for the susurrus, while her friend Andy has suggestions as to what a susurrus might be. Everyone has a go at guessing what a susurrus is. But no one has ever seen one. What is a susurrus? Frankie now knows. Do you? |
| 19173 | Swap Light, Steve | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406367768 | A broken-down ship, a loose button and an idea. |
| 40660 | Swap, The Ormerod, Jan & Joyner, Andrew | Little Hare Books | 2013 | 9781921541414 | Mama Crocodile is taking the kids shopping and, as usual, she is gushing over the baby. Older sister, Caroline, is not happy. She thinks her baby brother dribbles and smells. She couldn't even think about being more jealous, if she tried. While waiting for her mother to come back from the hat shop, the very jealous Caroline decides to swap her baby brother at the Baby Shop nearby. |

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| 6867 | Swim in the sea, A Whiting, Sue & Thomas, Meredith (ill) | Walker Books | 2013 | 9781921150494 | Bruno has never been to the beach before. And he can't wait. He is going for a swim in the big blue sea. |
| 32174 | Swirl by swirl: spirals in nature Sidman, Joyce & Krommes, Beth (ill) | Houghton Mifflin | 2011 | 9780547315836 | Spiral shapes are all around us in nature. See what makes the tiny snail shell so beautiful and why that shape occurs in rushing rivers, in a flower bud, and even inside your ear. Celebrate the beauty and usefulness of this fascinating spiral shape. |
| 56645 | Sylvester and Arnold Bedford, David & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2013 | 9781921714542 | Two tough crocs, look tough, dress tough and act tough. They are about to get a shoc from a much nastier, bigger croc, called Big Betty. |
| 754 | Sylvia Sharp, Christine | University of Queensland Press | 2015 | 9780702253140 | Sylvia snail is in love with Simon and his luscious lettuce, choice cucumbers and buttery beans. But, being so small, Sylvia wonders how she can get Simon to notice her. |
| 4339 | Sylvie Sattler, Jennifer | Random House Children's Books | 2009 | 9780375857089 | Sylvie is a flamingo who discovers that she is pink, like the other flamingoes, because she eats pink shrimps. Sylvie decides that you are what you eat so she keeps changing her diet, and ends up with some very interesting new looks. |
| 660726 | Tabitha and the raincloud Sillett, Devon & Johns, Melissa (ill) | EK Books | 2020 | 9781925820133 | When Tabitha wakes up and finds a raincloud next to her, she knows that it is going to be one of those yucky days. Tabitha's day goes from bad to worse as her terrible mood affects everything. Tabitha soon realises that she has the power to shift her mood and the raincloud does not have to ruin her day. |
| 4032 | Take Ted instead Webb, Cassandra & Francey, Amanda (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2016 | 9781925059533 | It's bedtime for one tired little boy. But why should he go to bed when everyone else in the house is still awake? He has a plan to keep himself wide awake... |
| 1209948 | Tala learns to Siva Netane, Kealani & Ho, Dung (ill) | Orchard Books | 2024 | 9781338859317 | Tala adores watching Aunty Sina's taualuga, a traditional Samoan dance. Aunty Sina's hands and feet roll and glide seemingly effortlessly. When Tala decides to learn how to siva, she discovers that achieving Aunty Sina's flow and rhythm is anything but effortless! Will Tala find her rhythm and muster the courage to perform at her grandmother's birthday celebration? |
| 8272 | Tale of two beasts, A Roberton, Fiona | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2015 | 9781444916720 | A little girl rescues a strange beast in the woods and carries him safely home. But, the beast is not happy and escapes. |
| 24017 | Tales from around the world Percy, Graham | Pavilion | 2012 | 9781843652076 | Tales from around the world retells best loved children's tales including The Amazing Tea-Kettle, Why the Owl has such Big Eyes, Three Balls of Wool & the Tiger, the Old Man and the Jackel. |

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| | Tales from Mossy Bottom Farm series Howard, Martin & Janes, Andy (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 12469 | Tales from the waterhole Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2004 | 9780744565935 | The waterhole in summer is the perfect place to hang out with your friends and family, playing football, doing springboard stunts, having a party. In five tales, mess about with Morris, his best friend, Billy, and a crowd of colourful animal characters. |
| 40580 | Talkative tortoise, The Fusek Peters, Andrew & Cooke, Charlotte (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2012 | 9781846434181 | Talkative Tortoise loves talking about his smooth and shiny shell and showing off to his best friend, the geese. But when the time comes for the to migrate, he is worried about being left behind. |
| 7157 | Tall man and the twelve babies, The Niland Champion, T & Niland, K & Niland, D (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781742371153 | In a big, big city, in a tiny, tiny apartment, lived a tall, tall man and twelve babies. |
| 18205 | Tanglewood Wild, Margaret & Goodman, Vivienne (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2012 | 9781862915701 | A lonely tree, Tanglewood, lives on an island far away, visited only by the wind. One day, a bird shelters from the storm among its branches and a precious bond is formed. But, Seagull belongs to the sky and, too soon, must leave. |
| 871677 | Tasmanian devil Saxby, Claire & Hamilton, Max (ill) | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760652418 | A whiskered snout appears in the mouth of a wombat burrow. This is the Tasmanian Devil, join her as we watch her 2 imps grow. |
| 15110 | Tawny scrawny lion Jackson, Kathryn & Tenggren, Gustaf (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9780375828386 | A hungry lion is a threat to the animals in the jungle until a visit to rabbit's house for supper changes everything. |
| 1019854 | Taxi, go! Toht, Patricia & Karipidou, Maria | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781406385687 | This taxi has lots of work to do. Such a busy day ahead. Join in on its busy day. Here we go. Cabs are resting in a line. Wake up, Taxi. Rise and shine! Fill the tank. Check the tyres. Roof light on-now for hire! |
| 9698 | Tea and sugar Christmas Jolly, Jane & Ingpen, Robert (ill) | National Library of Australia | 2014 | 9780642278630 | The Tea and Sugar train came once a week on a Thursday. But, the special Christmas train only came once a year. Today was Sunday. Four more days without sugar. Four more days until the Christmas train. Please, please be on time. Please don't be late. Join Kathleen in the outback as she eagerly waited for the Christmas Tea and Sugar train. |

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| 40975 | Teddy took the train Greenberg, Nicki | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781760112134 | When Mum and Dot go on an outing, Dot brings Teddy along for the ride. But, in the rush to get off the train, Dot loses Teddy. The kindly stationmaster assures Dot that the train didn't take teddy but, rather, Teddy took the train to go on a big adventure. Although she isn't sure, Dot gets involved in imagining Teddy's adventures. |
| 7314 | Tell me about your day today Fox, Mem & Stringer, Lauren (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2012 | 9781742835785 | Time to curl up, snuggle in and discover the who, the what, the why, and the way four friends had a wonderful day. |
| 12138 | Ten apples up on top Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 1984 | 9780001713239 | A dog, lion and tiger show off how many apples they can balance on their heads while doing all sorts of silly things. The rhyming, rhythmic, repetitious text helps with early reading and counting. |
| 903361 | Ten blocks to the big wok Hu, Ying-Hwa | University of Queensland Press | 2023 | 9780702266072 | Mia and Uncle Eddie walk ten blocks to their favourite restaurant. Mia counts all the fascinating things that she sees on her walk one giant panda two lion statues three toy turtles. But how many dumplings will she get for grandma? |
| 25868 | Ten blue wrens and what a lot of wattle Honey, Elizabeth | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742377872 | Count all the familiar Australian things. Count the busy wrens on their fine stick legs, the bowerbird's treasures, his bottle tops and pegs. One little nipper and twelve kelpie legs as well as pies, potoroos and blue wrens. |
| 846172 | Ten delicious teachers Montgomery, Ross & Wharburton, Sarah (ill) | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781406389821 | When ten teachers miss the last bus home, they decide to walk through the Dark Forest. As they go along, it seems they are disappearing one by one. It seems they are not alone in the woods. |
| 12188 | Ten in the bed Dale, Penny | Walker Books | 1998 | 9780744513400 | Have you ever wondered who the ten in the bed were and what happened to them after they rolled out? This tale, about a small child and an assortment of animated, soft toys, will help you to find out. |
| 682659 | Ten little figs Williams, Rhian & Eckstrom, Nathaniel (ill) | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781921977312 | Count down as ten little figs disappear from the tree thanks to some very hungry Australian Animals. Who will get the last one? |
| 774428 | Ten little yoga frogs Robinson, Hilary & Stanley, Mandy (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2021 | 9781922326126 | Yoga frogs love to have fun trying all the different yoga poses from the Tree pose to the Up-the-Wall pose! Can you count the different yoga frogs and try each yoga pose as you read along? |
| 12399 | Ten out of bed Dale, Penny | Walker Books | 1996 | 9780744543834 | A counting book about a little boy and his toys that play games until they all fall asleep. |
| 12121 | Ten red apples Hutchins, Pat | Bodley Head | 2001 | 9780370326931 | Beginning with a horse, one by one, several farm animals consume the ten apples from a tree. A story that nearly ends when a sole apple remains for the farmer but none for his wife, who hopes to bake a pie. |
| 4763 | Ten scared fish Moriarty, Ros & Balarinji (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742379128 | A counting book. Follow the river to the sea and meet and count the animals. Find out what ten little fish meet. |

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| 6488 | Ten terrible dinosaurs Stickland, Paul | MacMillan | 2018 | 9781509835522 | Ten terrible dinosaurs standing in a line, soon began to mess about until there were...nine! |
| 1277977 | Terrakeet, The Van der Borgh, Jo & Beasley, Jo (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781760657673 | In the shade of the gobi trees on the edge of Pincer Sea, live a family of Finlocks as peaceful as can be. They lomf and fish and fish and eat and hope that they will never meet, the Frimbultic Terrakeet! A story of legend and adventure, remarkable bravery and unexpected friendship. |
| 17760 | Terrible plop, The Dubosarsky, Ursula & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2009 | 9780670071418 | Everyone is afraid of the Terrible Plop. They have to run, they cannot stop. Join in as someone reads this wonderful picture book to you and find out about the bear and the littlest rabbit who turn back to discover the secret of the Terrible Plop. |
| 10553 | Terrible suitcase, The Allen, Emma & Blackwood, Freya (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2012 | 9781862919402 | It's the first day of school and all the children have special backpacks, except for me. My mum has given me a terrible suitcase. Well, first I got mad then I used my imagination. |
| 8656 | Tessa snaps snakes Lester, Alison | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 1993 | 9780340605431 | Seven children each behave in a unique way. They have seven different secrets and fears. Different things make them laugh and each child has a special way to earn pocket money and to send messages. Each child gets to be a star. |
| 3436 | Thank you dish, The Balla, Trace | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760292355 | It's dinnertime at Grace's place. 'Thanks to the rain, the soil and the sunshine,' says Mama. 'Thank you alpaca,' says Grace. Mama is confused, why does Grace thank alpaca for her dinner. Grace smiles and explains. |
| 951 | That car Kennedy, Cate & Zapel, Carla (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781743310953 | We found the old car in the shed when we moved to the farm. We couldn't wait to play in it, it could take us anywhere. |
| 846277 | That cat Harvey, Jacqueline & Scott, Kate Isobel (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2022 | 9781761040702 | Nothing is quite like a cat. There are brat cats and fat cats, rat cats and mat cats . . . but if there's one cat everyone knows, it's THAT CAT. |
| 33078 | That cat can't stay Krasnesky, Thad & Parkins, David (ill) | Flashlight Press | 2010 | 9780979974656 | Dad is no match for this clever Mum, a cat lover, who manages to get not one, not two, not three, but four cats into the household. One by one, she brings them home and uses guile to convince Dad to keep them, but only just for a little while. |
| 17663 | That Christmas feeling Wilkinson, Lili & Francey, Amanda (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760294960 | This year, Dottie, Jem and Shortbread are staying with their grandparents, and Dottie is worried. Will Santa be able to find them? Does Grandpa know how to make Christmas pudding? Will Mum and Dad make it back in time? Can Dottie find that special, tingly Christmas feeling? |
| 28912 | That's (not) mine Kang, Anna & Weyant, Christopher (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2016 | 9781444918335 | Two fuzzy creatures both want to sit in the same comfy chair. The trouble is, they can't agree who it belongs to and they get madder and madder. |
| 46399 | That's mine Van Zeveren, Michel | Gecko Press | 2013 | 9781877579288 | Deep in the jungle, a little frog finds an egg and declares 'That's mine'. However, there are those within the jungle who would dispute his claim, and each one seems bigger, stronger and more of a bully than the last. |

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| 80249 | That's not a daffodil Honey, Elizabeth | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2011 | 9781742372488 | When Tom's neighbour gives him a brown bulb, Tom can't believe it will flower. He doesn't think it's a daffodil so the old gardener invites him to plant the bulb and see what happens. |
| 3980 | The bear who stared Beedie, Duncan | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781760405182 | There once was a bear who like to stare. Bear doesn't mean to be rude, just curious but nobody likes to be stared at and it soon gets Bear into trouble. Luckily there's a googly-eyed frog who soon sets Bear straight. |
| | The invisible tree series Lowe, Kirrily & Smith, Henry (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 5984 | The last peach Gordon, Gus | Penguin Random House Australia | 2018 | 9780670078912 | One fine summer's day two bugs discover the most beautiful peach of the season and are faced with a dilemma...Who should eat it? |
| 5927 | The rainbow Moriarty, Ros & Balarinji (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760297794 | The land bakes RED. The sun sets ORANGE. The dawn glows GOLD. The flowers burst YELLOW. A joyous serenade to colours that show country before a storm, illustrated by Balarinji, Australia's leading Indigenous design studio, with a translation of the text into the Aboriginal Yanyuwa language. |
| | The smallest bilby series Hilton, Nette & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| | The very bear series Bland, Nick | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 1697 | Thelma the unicorn Blabey, Aaron | Scholastic Australia | 2015 | 9781743625804 | Thelma the pony wants to be a famous unicorn. When her dream comes true, with the help of a carrot, pink paint and glitter, Thelma soon learns to love herself just as she is. |
| 643470 | Theodore the unsure Smith, Pip & Wyle, Beau (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760661861 | King Theodore is the ruler of the whole animal kingdom. When his mane keeps growing and growing and growing, he must decide whether to cut it or keep it. But Theodore is always so unsure! What will he do? |

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| 2836 | There is a tribe of kids Smith, Lane | Pan MacMillan | 2016 | 9781509812882 | When a young boy embarks on a journey alone, he joins a colony of penguins, wriggles with an army of caterpillars, marches with a troop of monkeys and lots, lots more. But, he never feels that he belongs and needs to find his own tribe. |
| 751150 | There is no magic in this book Macwhirter, Michelle & Beer, Sophie | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781921977299 | There is absolutely no magic in this book. No dragons or unicorns or mermaids. Look very closely. Do you see the magic? Perhaps you'll be the first! |
| 19527 | There was an old bloke who swallowed a bunny Crumble, P & Shea, Louis (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2013 | 9781742831602 | We all know what happened to the old woman who swallowed a fly but now this bloke has entered the land of stories and nursery rhymes. He has started eating everything on the farm - starting with a bunny! What will happen to him? Read along to discover what happens to the old bloke who swallowed a bunny! |
| 15406 | There was an old lady who swallowed a fly Simms, Taback | Penguin USA | 1997 | 9780670869398 | Lively, colourful, busy mixed media and collage illustrations include visual jokes, comments by characters and passers-by and an increasingly enlarged old lady. |
| 660805 | There was an old lady who swallowed a fossil Crumble, P & Shea, Louis (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781760157685 | There was an old lady who swallowed a fossil. I don't know why she swallowed a fossil... That's colossal! The old lady has made an amazing discovery! Now she's on the hunt for more prehistoric snacks and not even the biggest dinosaur can stomp out her giant appetite. Surely she'll explode! |
| 147232 | There was an old lady who swallowed a mozzie Crumble, P & Shea, Louis (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760669966 | "I don't know why she swallowed the mozzie ... she's gotta be Aussie!" Aussie animals beware! There's an old lady in the bush with an unstoppable appetite! You won't believe what she can swallow. |
| 47770 | There was an old sailor Saxby, Claire & Allen, Cassandra (ill) | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781921150715 | Have some fun by joining in to read aloud this nautical take on the rhyme, There was an old lady who swallowed a fly. |
| 587752 | There's a baddie running through this book Unwin, Shelly & To, Vivienne (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760630614 | Kids, watch out! A baddie is on the loose and only you can catch him. But this baddie is very sneaky. He's going to have you looking for him everywhere, up and down, and around and around, until the very last page! |
| 37379 | There's a big green frog in the toilet Do, Anh & McKenzie, Heath (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781743812495 | Mum! There's a big green frog in the toilet and it's looking up at me. There's a big green frog in the toilet and I'm busting for a wee! |
| 41503 | There's a bug on my arm that won't let go Mackintosh, David | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2017 | 9780008135089 | There's a bug on my arm that won't let go. I don't want it anywhere near me. So why won't it just buzz off?! |
| 21229 | There's a dragon in your book Fletcher, Tom & Abbott, Greg (ill) | Penguin | 2018 | 9780141376127 | There's a little dragon in your book! She's oh-so cute, BUT watch out for her fiery sneezes! |
| 83244 | There's a goat in my coat Milne, Rosemary & McLean, Andrew (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781741758917 | Read aloud and act out the playful, lively rhymes in this collection. |

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| | There's a hippopotamus series Edwards, Hazel & Niland, Deborah (ill) | | | | Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen. |
| 31236 | There's a hole in my bucket Cooper, Jenny (ill) & Twins, The Topp (sing) | Scholastic Australia | 2011 | 9781775430469 | When Henry the goat discovers a hole in his bucket, Liza the duck offers a series of solutions to fix it. Sing and act out this well-known song. |
| 12244 | There's a sea in my bedroom Wild, Margaret & Tanner, Jane (ill) | Penguin | 1989 | 9780140540642 | A little boy is frightened of the sea but, when he finds a conch shell, he can hear the sea trapped inside. He coaxes the sea out of its hiding place. |
| 916672 | There's a shark in my school Boyce, Sharon J & Houghton, Suzanne (ill) | Larrikin House | 2021 | 9781922503626 | Seymour, my pet shark is bored at home in my pool. He wants to come to school with me, I think that's a brilliant idea. But not everyone does... |
| 751173 | There's a snake on my cake! Baker, Julia & Finn, Ann-Marie (ill) | Wombat Books | 2020 | 9781925563948 | Jessie loved all her friends birthday parties. They celebrated with rollerblading, soccer and unicorns. But Jessie has something else in mind for her party. Will her friends like the slithering friend she wants to bring or will it be too scary? |
| 24189 | There's going to be a baby Burningham, John & Oxenbury, Helen (ill) | Walker Books | 2010 | 9780744549966 | As the arrival of a new sibling draws nearer, the child in the story imagines all kinds of colourful futures for the brother or sister he is waiting to meet. The questions that stream through his mind show the expectation plus a little bit of uncertainty that a new arrival creates. |
| 983448 | There's no such book Dettmann, Jessica & Minton & Jake A (ill) | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2022 | 9781760509743 | It's the night before the Book Week parade and Ellie needs a costume. She and Mum raid their home but all Mum's suggestions fall flat. Ellie heads to bed with only Mum's promise that she'll find something... somehow. |
| 669557 | There's no such thing McKinnon, Heidi | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2020 | 9781760877279 | Bear can't sleep. Noises are keeping him awake. Maybe they are coming from a hungry giant, a blood-sucking spider or a fire-breathing dragon. |
| 652806 | There's only one dad like you Racklyeft, Jess | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925870534 | There's only one dad like you, Dad. My hero, friend and guide. You teach me about this great big world and how to enjoy the ride. Wise dads, caring dads, daring dads, creative dads - each dad brings their own sense of fun. |
| 833000 | There's only one Grandma like you Racklyeft, Jess | Affirm Press | 2021 | 9781922400680 | Grandma, granny, nana, yiayia, oma - whatever you call yours, everyone's grandma is precious. Maybe she gives you big hugs. Maybe she lives a really long way away. Wherever she is and however you love her, your grandma is special because she is yours. |

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| 652805 | There's only one mum like you Racklyeft, Jess | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925712902 | I love your quiet stories, songs sung loud in the rain. No one can hug like you, Mum or makes me feel the same. Brave mums, playful mums, cuddly mums, quiet mums - every mum is special in her own way. |
| 15107 | Thesaurus Rex Steinberg, Laya & Harter, Debbie (ill) | Barefoot books | 2003 | 9781841487878 | Thesaurus Rex starts his day stretching, reaching, extending and bending. Lots of energetic words describe his busy day where he's always on the move and, often, in trouble. |
| 1019698 | These little feet Rawsthorne, Hayley & Stewart, Briony | Albert Street Books | 2023 | 9781761069017 | These little feet, so tiny and new. The places they'll go, the dances they'll do. The mountains they'll climb, the dreams they'll pursue. These little feet, so tiny and new. A joyous celebration of love, hope and dreams for the future. |
| 29843 | Thimble Young, Rebecca & Suwannakit | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781743811627 | When her grandmother's time comes, Mabel finds something left behind. A beautiful story about how a tiny thimble and an unfinished blanket can help mend a heart. |
| 774447 | Thing that goes ping, The Carthew, Mark & McG, Shane (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2021 | 9781925804669 | In the faraway town of Figgy-tra-ling, you may hear the faint ring of a thing that goes ping! Join in the quest for the thing that goes ping- and meet some fun animals along the way. |
| 5447 | Things that I love about trees, The Butterworth, Chris & Voake, Charlotte (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406349405 | Look up, any time of the year, and you will see changes in the trees, which is just one of the wonderful things to love about them. Come and discover some more! |
| 1395162 | This is an elf Stanton, Matt & Stanton, Beck | HarperCollins Australia | 2025 | 9780733344169 | For the Grown-Ups: You know how you're right all the time? All. The. Time. Well, it's Christmas! Time to give the kids a turn. Which is why almost everything you read in this book will be wrong. You'll say it once and they'll check it twice. It won't be a silent night ... And the kids will love it! |
| 4994 | This is Banjo Paterson McCartney, Tania & Booth, Christina (ill) | National Library of Australia | 2017 | 9780642278982 | Andrew Barton 'Banjo' Paterson loved to write poetry. He loved hunting and fishing and horses too, especially a horse named 'Banjo'. Join Banjo, his family, dog and neighbourhood friends, as they recount the life of Banjo Paterson with an afternoon of backyard playtime that truly typifies childhood. |
| 25840 | This is Captain Cook McCartney, Tania & Booth, Christina (ill) | National Library of Australia | 2015 | 9780642278692 | Join Miss Batts and her class as they tell the story of Captain Cook, in a humorous and whimsical school play. The class acts out the story of Cook as a boy watching ships on the horizon, sailing to Canada, to Tahiti and on to New South Wales, as the first European to cross the Antarctic Circle. Spot the escaping chicken in each of the scenes. |
| 1107464 | This is my book Harris, Tim & McKinnon, Heidi (ill) | Puffin Australia | 2024 | 9780143777489 | This is MY Book declare the left AND the right page of this hilarious story of what REALLY happens inside a book. |

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| 4266 | This is my book Inkpen, Mick | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2009 | 9780340989623 | Every Tuesday, Snapdragon, the dragon whizzes in and does nasty things to the words in Bookmouse's book. He bites off letters, changes letters and sounds, and even sucks the dots of all the i letters. Luckily, the Bookmouse has a cunning plan but it means he'll have to face the ghosts of the Woollywolves. |
| 855836 | This is my dad Powell, Dimity & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2022 | 9781922539076 | Leo lives with his monster-battling, world creating, children's author mother, and has never known a father figure. So when his teacher announces Tell Us About Your Dad Day, Leo's tummy flip-flops; he worries that he won't have anything to present to his class. Then he remembers that he already knows someone cool, courageous and clever -- someone who's not his dad, but is his everything. |
| 9306 | This is not my hat Klassen, Jon | Candlewick Press | 2012 | 9780763655990 | When a tiny fish shoots into view wearing a round, blue topper, which happens to fit him perfectly, trouble could be following close behind. So, it's a good thing that the enormous fish won't wake up. And, even if he does, it's not like he'll ever know what happened. |
| 98466 | This is our house Rosen, Michael & Graham, Bob (ill) | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781406305647 | George says the cardboard house is his and his alone. It isn't for girls, small people, twins, people with glasses or people who like tunnels. But, when George leaves the cardboard house for a little while, he comes back to find that there are some people inside who don't think it is suitable for a certain person either. |
| 13926 | This is the bear Hayes, Sarah & Craig, Helen (ill) | Walker Books | 2003 | 9780744594812 | A teddy bear is accidentally disposed of in a garbage bin. Through simple, rhyming text, we follow his trip to the dump. |
| 15407 | This is the bear and the picnic lunch Hayes, Sarah & Craig, Helen (ill) | Walker Books | 2003 | 9780744598117 | Lovely, rhythmic, picture book of picnic preparations. The bear doesn't notice all the food disappearing from his picnic basket. The bear may have trouble having a picnic if there is no food left. |
| 15372 | This is the bear and the scary night Hayes, Sarah & Craig, Helen (ill) | Walker Books | 1994 | 9780744531473 | The boy and his bear go everywhere together. One day, the boy leaves his friend behind in the park and night falls. Bear's scary night adventure begins. |
| 28329 | This is the mud Apel, Kathryn & Crossett, Warren (ill) | Lothian Books | 2009 | 9780734411020 | There is muck, mess and mayhem when a cow gets stuck in the mud. |
| 59724 | This is the way Fuge, Charles | Gullane Children's Books Ltd | 2008 | 9781862336629 | Join a little boy on an imaginative journey with some friendly animals. |
| 1968 | This little piggy went dancing Wild, Margaret & Niland, Deborah (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781743315118 | Five little piggies explore the world. They splash and swim, ride and slide, then hop, skip, hula and go wee wee wee all the way home. |
| 14997 | Threadbear Inkpen, Mick | Hodder Children's Books (Australia) | 1992 | 9780340573501 | Ben's Threadbear is a little bear whose squeaker has never squeaked. Threadbear sets off on a big adventure and when he returns, Ben's mum washes him with surprising results. |

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| 660590 | Three King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760664053 | One, two, three. Every day is a skip and a hop for the happy, little, three-legged dog - Three. He loves to walk around the city and go on adventures far and wide, exploring the things around him and meeting new friends along the way. |
| 587893 | Three billy goats Gruff, The Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781743815885 | Trip, Trap, Trip, Trap, Trip, Trap! Three billy goats named Gruff want to cross a bridge to get to where the sweetest grass grows. But under the bridge lives a great ugly troll! Will he gobble them up? |
| 1089012 | Three dresses Gibson, Wanda | University of Queensland Press | 2024 | 9780702266355 | Author-illustrator Wanda Gibson grew up on Hope Vale Mission in Far North Queensland. Her novel revisits the family's annual break from the Mission, and celebrates connection to family and place, as well as the joy in simple things such as a young girl's three dresses. |
| 4607 | Three emus, The Lawson, Sue & Hopwood-Wade, Patricia (ill) | The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760401092 | The emu sisters are happy to live among the mulgas and spinifex of the outback. But when Flick loses her precious shell, they must embark on a journey that sees them travel across the vast Australian landscape. Will they ever rescue Flick's shell from the Swedish traveller's backpack? |
| 47257 | Through the gate Fawcett, Sally | Exisle Publishing | 2017 | 9781925335415 | Moving to a new house can be hard and difficult. A young girl thinks that that things will never be as good as they were before. But each time she passes 'through the gate' things seem to improve just a little bit more each time... |
| 12021 | Through the magic mirror Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2000 | 9780744567724 | Toby can hardly believe his eyes when he walks through a magic mirror. |
| 10338 | Thunderstorm dancing Germein, Katrina & Watson, Judy (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9781743314593 | Twirl and hum, bang and drum. A wild thunderstorm is on its way. |
| 15409 | Tick-tock Dunbar, James | Franklin Watts | 2004 | 9780749656881 | What is it we cannot see, hear, touch or smell, yet it is here now? It was at the very beginning of the world when it was first created and it will continue till the world ends and maybe beyond. Yes, this is a book all about time and how we measure it. |
| 18323 | Tiddalick, the frog who caused a flood Roennfeldt, Robert | Puffin Australia | 2005 | 9780140503494 | A well-loved classic tale of Tiddalick, the frog, who drank up all the rivers and lakes. All the other animals resolve to get the water back from him. |
| 12123 | Tidy Titch Hutchins, Pat | Red Fox | 2000 | 9780099413349 | Mum complains that Peter and Mary's bedrooms are a mess. Titch's room is very tidy so she suggests that he helps his brother and sister to clean their rooms. Titch is a great help keeping all the junk that Peter and Mary decide to throw away. |
| 29821 | Tiger's roar Rance, Alex & McG, Shane (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760523916 | Tiger was the champion of all the jungle. He was strong and bold and proud, and he sat at the top of the very tallest tree. But one day, Tiger fell all the way down to the mud at the bottom of the tree, and bumped his head on a a rock. What will it take for Tiger to be able to climb back to the top of the tree? |

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| 660374 | Tilly Godwin, Jane & Walker, Anna (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760663728 | Tilly's found the perfect hiding place to keep her special treasures. No one knows about it, not even her big brothers and sister, who know everything. But one day, something happens that Tilly could never have imagined.. |
| 1325353 | Tilly in a tangle Lamond, Margrete & Lee, Monty (ill) | Dirt Lane Press | 2024 | 9781923044289 | Tilly enjoys adventure in her boat as her friends join her in a world that tangles and mangles. She travels to places where different slimes and lilies take her. Her exciting adventure continues but stuck in a muddle to who-knows-where her friends help as she continues her adventure.. |
| 1450 | Tilly's at home holiday Hibbs, Gillian | Child's Play International Ltd | 2014 | 9781846435966 | Tilly's friends are all going to exciting places for their holidays, but she is staying at home. Mum says they'll have a great time together, but Tilly thinks it's impossible to have any holiday fun at home. |
| 1800 | Tim and Ed Dubosarsky, Ursula & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Viking Children's | 2014 | 9780670074631 | Here is Tim and here is Ed. Same ears, same eyes, same feet and same head. Twin koalas Tim and Ed love to be together all the time so <u>what will happen when Ed goes away for the night.</u> |
| 718071 | Time for adventure, daddy Hackett, Dave | University of Queensland Press | 2020 | 9780702262852 | How can a little girl get her daddy ready to go on an adventure when he doesn't want to leave the house? |
| 12203 | Time for bed Fox, Mem & Dyer, Jane (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 1993 | 9781862911949 | The day is done, darkness is falling and little ones are getting sleepy. With rhythmic verse and gentle illustrations, this book is ideal for reading before bedtime. |
| 27299 | Time for bed, Daddy Hackett, Dave | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2015 | 9780702253812 | A little girl tries to put her Daddy to bed when he doesn't want to go. |
| 18737 | Time for school, Daddy Hackett, Dave | University of Queensland Press | 2018 | 9780702260049 | Wake up, Daddy, it's time for school!' I say. 'But I'm tired,' says Daddy. How can a little girl get her daddy ready for school when he has to wake up, find a sock and eat his breakfast? |
| 12173 | Time to get out of the bath, Shirley Burningham, John | Red Fox | 1999 | 9780099200512 | Her mother is calling her to get out of the bath but Shirley is far away in her dream world, full of knights in armour, castles and galloping horses. |
| 1063353 | Time to rest Carty, Jack & Carty, Natasha | Scholastic Australia | 2024 | 9781761294631 | The sun is sinking low, my darling, the birds are in their nests. And you have spent the day exploring, so now it's time to rest. A beautiful and timeless Australian lullaby story. |
| 15410 | Tin forest, The Ward, Helen & Anderson, Wayne (ill) | Koala Books | 2003 | 9780864615497 | In the middle of a dark, lonely wasteland filled with old scrap metal lives a forgotten man. He dreams of a lively forest, full of sunshine, plants, birds and animals but always wakes to gloom. One day, he comes up with an idea to change things. |
| 1344997 | Tiny gardeners, The Macleod, Kat | Thames & Hudson | 2024 | 9781760763367 | Explore the five senses with the Tiny Gardeners as they plant, grow and harvest their produce for the Summer Market. The fruit is ripening and the flowers are blooming, but it's a hot, humid day and the garden needs one last thing. |

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| 846212 | Tiny kitty, big city Miller, Tim | HarperCollins Australia | 2021 | 9780062414427 | Tiny brave playful kitty goes on an adventure through the crowded noisy swinging city in a story about finding love and kindness in unexpected places. |
| 903248 | Tiny light, A Lester, Alison | University of Queensland Press | 2022 | 9780702265655 | When you go to bed tonight, be sure to leave a tiny light, So Twinkles in the Milky Way can find you when they come to play. This book feels like a warm hug from a loved one at bedtime. |
| 679830 | Tiny Star, The Fox, Mem & Blackwood, Freya | Penguin | 2019 | 9780670078127 | When a tiny star falls to earth, it goes on a tremendous journey of life. |
| 869789 | Tiny Wonders Han, Sally Soweol | University of Queensland Press | 2022 | 9780702263477 | April thinks if her town was a colour, it would be grey. Everyone is too busy to stop and look around. How can she help them slow down? When she remembers the happiness that dandelions brought her grandmother, April comes up with a plan. |
| 87887 | Tiny: a little dog on a big adventure Castles, Jennifer & Otton, Steve (photo) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2008 | 9781741755473 | Steve and Tiny look after each other so when Steve needs to get away for a while, Tiny goes too. The trusty old van becomes their new home as they drive across Australia, through wide red deserts and past glittering oceans. But, Tiny has a job to do. Steve needs new friends, friends to get him out from behind his camera and make him smile again. If there's one thing Tiny is good at, it's making friends. |
| 719607 | Tippy and Jellybean Cunningham, Sophie & Tortop, Anil (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2020 | 9781760878474 | Tippy and her baby Jellybean live in a beautiful eucalyptus forest. One day, they wake up and sniff the air. It's smokey, hot and windy. Kangaroos and wallabies are bounding. Lizards and snakes are slithering. Wombats are heading to their burrows. The cockatoos take off in an enormous flock. Tippy can't hop, run or fly. Instead, she shelters her baby in the only way she can. |
| 12265 | Titch and Daisy Hutchins, Pat | Red Fox | 2002 | 9780099718017 | Titch feels reluctant to attend a party with children he doesn't know but his mother assures him that his friend, Daisy, will be there. When he doesn't see Daisy at the party, Titch withdraws and hides in all sorts of places. |
| 903339 | Tjitji lullaby Ross, Michael & Fielding, Zaachariaha & Kennedy, Lisa (ill) | ABC Books | 2022 | 9780733342783 | Tjitji means child. A lullaby is a soft song. This book includes animals of the Australian bush to relax you. |
| 1334215 | To be your dad Pyke, Josh & Daniels, Inge (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761527357 | What does it mean to be your dad? It means jokes are more gigglesome, cuddles more warm, an 'I love you' more soul-deeply true. It means the universe never held so many wonders, the most wondrous of all being you. |

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| 1262764 | To stir with love Mildenhall, Kate & Racklyeft, Jess (ill) | Simon & Schuster | 2024 | 9781761426391 | Grandma makes her everything cake for every special occasion. These days she sometimes needs a little help, but that's what grandkids are for. This story combines food and family to celebrate the magic of grandmothers (and their secret recipes) Complete with Grandma's everything cake recipe... and room to write down your own family favourite. |
| 6496 | Toast tree, The Martin, Corina & Martins, Fern (ill) | Magabala Books | 2015 | 9781922142689 | A very special tree, with bright green leaves and an orange trunk, is hidden in the sand dunes, bordering a dusty, pearling town. Every day, Ella and Mia's grandpa comes home from work with a treat from the tree. It's the best-tasting toast in the world. Ella and Mia search high and low for the tree, laden with squares of golden-brown toast, but they can never find it. |
| 56045 | Tobias Blow Jane, Zacharey & Street, Rosalie (ill) | University of Queensland Press | 2011 | 9780702238765 | Take a stormy night, a glorious wind and a sack full of treasures. Mix them together, add a pinch of magic and the world is ready for Tobias Blow. |
| 14023 | Today we have no plans Godwin, Jane | Puffin Australia | 2012 | 9780670075201 | A busy week, a slower day brings time to dream and time to play. Come on a journey through a busy week in the life of a family, celebrating those precious days that have no plans. |
| 14766 | Together Pignataro, Anna | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781741693393 | Little Oli loves exploring new places and having adventures. He is also a little fearful if Mum is not by his side. |
| 67620 | Tom the outback mailman Weidenbach, Kristin & Ide, Timothy (ill) | Lothian Books | 2012 | 9780734412249 | Everyone living in the Northern South Australian outback depends upon Big Tom Kruse to deliver their mail. Not only letters but furniture, tyres, petrol, he delivers it all. But what is Tom to do when he is waylaid by an unexpected flood. With everyone relying on him, how will he make it all the way up to Birdsville and back. |
| 27695 | Tom Tom Sullivan, Rosemary & Huxley, Dee (ill) | Working Title Press | 2008 | 9781876288983 | A contemporary story of a young boy living an idyllic life in the Northern Territory's Top End. It follows his day as he interacts with his extended family and attends the local preschool. |
| 22210 | Tomorrow Macleod, Mark & Schell, Kirrily (ill) | ABC Books | 2008 | 9780733320743 | Tomorrow is so full of wonderful things to see and do. Maybe it's better to start today. |
| 38484 | Tomorrow book, The French, Jackie & Degennaro, Sue (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2010 | 9780732289393 | When the little prince's parents leave him in charge of the kingdom, he and his friends use the ideas found in the palace library books to transform the world into a better place. |
| 774403 | Tomorrow girl Conley, Vikki & Pratley, Penelope (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820362 | Tomorrow is always going someplace.. fast! She doesn't seem to have time for anything, until she stumbles over Yesterday and bumps into Today. He shows her that there are other things around her in the world, if she would just slow down. Just a little. |
| 1271966 | Tony the moany groany pony Avery, Sean E | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761520877 | Tony is a moany groany pony. When the farmyard animals have a fabulous and fantastical parade, Tony is not impressed. Will he keep his opinions to himself.. or tell us how he really feels? |

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| 34465 | Too cold for a tutu Goss, Mini | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781743313787 | Barry and his sister Stella wake up to a chilly morning. They carefully get dressed and have an amazing time with their imaginations. An irresistible story about creative play and the joy of dressing up. |
| 12136 | Too loud Lily Laguna, Sofie & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2002 | 9781862914667 | Lily, the young hippopotamus, is a little too lively for her family and friends. But then, a new teacher comes to school. The animals in this picture book behave and react just like people we have met. |
| 1171888 | Too many acorns Crispe, Susannah | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539748 | Patrick finds an acorn. It is small and warm and smooth and something inside him begins to grow. He starts collecting acorns, a few at first and then a few more until the acorns are everywhere, but Patrick can't stop. What will happen when there are more acorns than space? |
| 1471 | Too many cheeky dogs Bell, Johanna & Beasley, Dion (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781743316221 | On Monday I went to my auntie's house and guess what I saw? ONE yellow cheeky dog sleeping on the floor.' So begins this cheeky story set in a remote Indigenous community, romping through numbers, colours and days of the week to the hilarious finale. |
| 69147 | Too many elephants in this house Dubosarsky, Ursula & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Penguin | 2012 | 9780670075461 | Eric has a problem, there are too many elephants in his house. Eric actually doesn't think it is a problem at all but his mum insists that it is. So what is he to do. He loves every single one of them and doesn't want to lose them. So where can all the elephants go. |
| 15111 | Too many monkeys Wild, Margaret & Rippin, Sally (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2004 | 9781862915480 | A family of monkeys live in a tree. As more and more family members come to stay, they must keep moving to larger and larger trees. Finally, they find the perfect solution. |
| 12299 | Too many pears French, Jackie | Koala Books | 2003 | 9780864614605 | Pamela, the cow, loves pears. She loves them so much that she will stop at nothing to get to them. Unfortunately, Pamela's pear obsession means there are no pears left for the people. They must stop her eating all the pears. |
| 3073 | Too many toys Shannon, David | Scholastic UK | 2008 | 9780439490290 | Spencer has too many toys. Eventually, they clutter his room and overflow into the rest of the house. When Dad steps on a stray Lego and Mum gets tangled in some train tracks, Spencer is told that some of his toys have to go. But, Spencer wants to keep them all because every toy is his favourite. |
| 1209746 | Tooth fairy and the crocodile, The Donaldson, Julia & Monks, Lydia (ill) | MacMillan | 2024 | 9781447284437 | Ruth Mary is a tooth fairy who is typically tasked with collecting teeth from beneath the pillows of sleeping children. In this book she is given a special assignment: collect teeth from sleeping animals! Will these animals help her when things start to go awry? |

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| 18812 | Top dog Clement, Rod | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2016 | 9780732298753 | An apricot coloured poodle called Samson is the ultimate boss in the tough, dog-eat-dog, fat cat world of business. He reveals the skills required to keep his paws on the steadfast corporate pulse and, of course, Samson never has a bite that's worse than his bark. |
| 660653 | Top koala French, Jackie & Shanks, Matt (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2019 | 9781460754818 | I am top of every tree. Top is always best to be. This koala is determined to be at the top of EVERYTHING. From a mast atop a boat on Sydney Harbour to the Parliament House flagpole in Canberra, this koala travels around Australia and tops it all. |
| 74424 | Totally wonderful Miss Plumberry Rosen, Michael | Walker Books | 2006 | 9780744561821 | It is a totally wonderful morning and Molly takes Grandma's special crystal into school for Show and Tell. But, when everyone is more interested in Russell's water-squirting stegosaurus, Molly's day becomes totally horrible. Luckily, Miss Plumberry knows just what to do to make Molly's day totally wonderful again. |
| 846135 | Toy mountain Gemmill, Stef & Hall, Katharine (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820966 | Sam is tired of playing with hand me down teddies and trains. His luck changes when he is given the chance to test whizzing and whirring toys made in the factory at the end of the rainbow. But will he feel the same when he finds his old toys buried under a mountain of plastic ones? |
| 846260 | Tractor Sutton, Sally & Lovelock, Brian (ill) | Walker Books | 2022 | 9781760653385 | Down on the farm, we're busy, busy busy! We are chopping, cutting, churning and planting. Who's working the hardest? It is our tractor. Read this book to see if you agree. |
| 133333 | Train party Blair, Karen | Penguin Books Australia | 2021 | 9781760899578 | Red, blue and green, yellow and black. Here come the trains! Clickety-clack. All aboard the train party! |
| 6369 | Trapped: a whale's rescue Burleigh, Robert & Minor, Wendell (ill) | Charlesbridge Publishing | 2015 | 9781580895583 | In the icy waters of the Pacific, a massive humpback whale unexpectedly finds herself tangled in a net abandoned by fishermen. The race is on to save the whale from drowning. When a rescue boat and a convoy of divers arrive to help the struggling humpback, a realistic and moving encounter bridges the human and aquatic worlds. |
| 3127 | Travel bug, The Gilmour, Benjamin & Hancock, James Gulliver (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9780143780137 | In a land of long grasses, where small insects crawl, lived a strange little bug, with no name at all. He packed his blue suitcase, bought a round-the-world ticket, and flew off to find answers on the back of a cricket. |

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| 660645 | Tree Jenkins, Lynn & Lonergan, Kirrili (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2020 | 9781925820126 | Tree is the much-loved centrepiece of the community where Calmsters and Little Anxious Creatures come to relax, play and socialize. But one day Curly and Lopy notice that Tree's leaves are starting to fall, at the wrong time of the year, and Tree's bark is flaking. It is Tree's time to leave. The fifth book in the Lessons of a LAC series, Tree, is an ideal resource to help children learn how to say goodbye and process grief. |
| 2762 | Tree, The Layton, Neal | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406358216 | The tree is home to a family of birds in their nest, squirrels in their drey and rabbits in their burrow. When a man and woman decide to cut the tree down and use it for their dream house, the animals are under threat. |
| 15374 | Tremendous tractors Mitton, Tony & Parker, Ant | Kingfisher | 2003 | 9780753408322 | Rhyming text about the work of a tractor on a farm. |
| 593313 | Tricky's bad day Lester, Alison | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925712513 | Poor Tricky! Nothing is going right for him. Milk spills, buttons won't work, his little sister wrecks their game, and when he tries to help out, everything gets worse. Then Dad has an idea. Outside it's wild, but there's a lot to explore. |
| 846093 | Trip to the hospital, A Chiu, Freda | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9781760526702 | Momo, Raimi and Henry must all visit the children's hospital and, once there, find themselves treated by the many incredible, caring and clever people. |
| 588198 | Troll, The Donaldson, Julia & Roberts, David (ill) | Pan MacMillan | 2019 | 9781509892426 | The troll longs for a goat supper, but he's stuck with boring fish. Meanwhile, Hank Chief and his pirate crew love fish, but they can't cook. Might a chance meeting save everyone's dreadful dinners? |
| | Trolls graphic novel series Scheidt, Dave & Howard, Tini (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 21231 | Tropical Terry Jarvis | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406376425 | Coral Reef City is home to the flashiest, most fancy fish in the ENTIRE ocean. And then there's Terry... |
| 654207 | Trouble in tune town, The Pierlot, Maura & Norsa, Sophie (ill) | Little Steps Publishing | 2017 | 9781925545333 | Meg is Tune Town's best music performer, but she's having trouble rehearsing. So much trouble, in fact, that the notes have run right off the sheet! Can Meg find the notes in time for her big concert? Or are they closer to home than she thought? |
| 18296 | Trouble with dad, The Cole, Babette | Egmont Childrens | 2004 | 9781405211222 | This zany picture book revolves around a dad who makes robots and interesting gadgets. |

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| 130951 | Trouble with dogs, The Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781406326017 | After being rescued, Dave and Rosie have settled into their new home. Now it is time for Dave to be trained by the Brigadier from Pup Breakers. The family want Dave trained but at what price. |
| 11808 | Trouble with gran, The Cole, Babette | Egmont Childrens | 2004 | 9781405211239 | The trouble with Gran is she may look like a normal gran but, in fact, she is far from ordinary, as the others discover on a day trip to Wethorp-on-Sea. |
| 11839 | Trouble with Grandad, The Cole, Babette | Egmont Childrens | 2004 | 9781405211246 | Locked up for growing a dangerous vegetable, Grandad lands in a lot of trouble. His terrible tomato must be stopped or it will keep growing bigger and bigger and bigger. |
| 4565 | Trouble with mum, The Cole, Babette | Egmont Childrens | 2004 | 9781405211215 | The trouble with mum is that she wears funny hats, has funny pets and makes funny cakes - she's not like other mothers at all. But, only a special mum can save the school. |
| 13508 | Trouble with uncle, The Cole, Babette | Egmont Childrens | 1994 | 9780749710248 | Uncle is a true pirate living in today's world. His sailing ship won't fit in the marina and he is unwelcome at the yacht club. An ancient treasure map sends him in search of modern day adventure. |
| | True to life series Latta, Jan | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 15125 | Trumpet's kittens Polizzotto, Carolyn & Spinks, Sarah & Duke, Marion (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2003 | 9781863683319 | Trumpet, the cat, goes to live with a new family when her owners move away. It soon becomes apparent that Trumpet has arrived with more than just herself. |
| 13851 | Truth about penguins, The McKinlay, Meg & Jackson, Mark (ill) | Walker Books | 2010 | 9781921150487 | Penguins are joining the zoo. According to the zoo animals, penguins love pizza, warm weather and ponchos. This can't be true... |
| 3066 | Truth according to Arthur, The Hopgood, Tim & Tazzyman, David (I'll) | Bloomsbury | 2016 | 9781408864982 | Arthur and The Truth are not the best of friends right now. Today, Arthur did something he shouldn't have done, especially when his mum told him not to. Arthur knows he's done wrong but telling the truth is really hard. Maybe, he can bend it, stretch it, cover it up or, even, hide it. |
| 17638 | Tuart dwellers Ramage, Jan & Hickman, Ellen (ill) | Department of Environment and Conservation, WA | 2008 | 9781876615307 | Magical descriptions of a day in a tuart forest and the mini worlds that exist around these magnificent trees. The book reveals what happens to the insects, lizards, birdlife and animals from dawn to nightfall and during a storm, in the undisturbed bushland. |
| 12142 | Tucking mummy in Loh, Morag | Scholastic Australia | 1990 | 9780868966267 | Roles are reversed when mummy falls asleep while reading a story and her little girls put her into bed. |

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| 660049 | Tulip and Brutus Ledden, Liz & Plant, Andrew (ill) | Ford Street Publishing | 2019 | 9781925804348 | Tulip and ladybugs live different lives to Brutus and the stinkbugs - they NEVER play together! When a storm merges their habitats and a new threat looms, the bugs discover they have more in common than they realised. |
| 1423975 | Turbo turtle Dreise, Gregg | Magabala Books | 2025 | 9781922864109 | During Dreamtime a lizard hatched out of a cluster of eggs. An eagle swept down and snatched him up! That lizard wriggled so much his tail broke off. He fell, but Biamme made a safe landing for him. Biamme gave him speed and he became turbo-charged. Biamme shared the Lore with him. |
| 774398 | Turning Cartwheels Adeney, Amy & Calautti, Amy (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820515 | Emma is desperate to join Carly's Cartwheel Club. Week after week she lines up to try out only to be told that her cartwheels are not good enough. When Emma is finally accepted she is exhausted and does not enjoy it as much as expected. Perhaps there is a better club for her. This is a heart-warming story about friendship, fitting in and finding out where you belong. |
| 1019726 | Turtle and the flood, The French, Jackie & Snell, Danny (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2023 | 9781460715550 | Myrtle the turtle knows everything about the waterhole where she lives. She can also sense the giant flood that is coming, long before other animals or humans. So, when she begins her long slow climb up the mountain, what will the others do? |
| 659254 | Twelve days of kindness Brooke, Cori & Burrows, Flona (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594751 | One little girl realises that a girl in her class is struggling to make friends. With the help of their football coach they came up with a plan. Can their school football team bring them together, and expand their friendship group? |
| | Twelve months in the life of kids series McCartney, Tania & Snerling, Tina (ill) | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 3845 | Twig Parker, Aura | Scholastic Australia | 2016 | 9781760157067 | Heidi is a stick insect, tall and long like a twig of a tree. It's her first day at a busy bug school, where she hopes to learn and make new friends. But finding friends isn't easy when no-one can find you. |
| 24814 | Twinkle Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741693539 | Penny is a lonely little girl who gazes out her window at night and pretends that the stars are her friends. Then, one night, a shooting star lands in her garden and together, they chase the quietness away, and fill the night with giggle and bounce. |
| 6771 | Two bad teddies Niland, Kilmeny | Little Hare Books | 2009 | 9781921541056 | Tilly Ted and Gruffy Ted love Millie-Sue, and she loves them. But, when a new toy, Bendy Bill, turns up, the two Teds are jealous. There's trouble in the toy box. |

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| 4829 | Two birds on a wire Vass, Coral & Cooper Smith, Heidi (ill) | Koala Books | 2015 | 9781742761619 | In this rhyming story, Little Bird Blue and Little Bird Black refuse to share. Each bird wants to sit on the wire alone. |
| 1334035 | Two cranky bears Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2025 | 9781761640131 | Two bears, one hill. Everything was fine until they reached the top and that's when fine turned quickly into... 'Mine!' Can these cranky bears learn to share? |
| 12448 | Two frogs Wormell, Chris | Jonathan Cape | 2003 | 9780224064743 | Two frogs are sitting on a lily pad and one of them has a stick. The stick, he says, is to beat off the dog. But there is no dog. Yet. So begin the trials of this hapless pair whose adventures build to a brilliant conclusion. |
| 12839 | Two left feet Apeitos, Stacey & Kundrus, Ulrike (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 1995 | 9780207186479 | Barclay McClay has two left feet. Buying shoes is very difficult and nobody wants to dance with him. Barclay is very lonely until he learns to tap dance and meets someone who understands his problem. |
| 1069 | Two little bugs Sommerset, Mark & Sommerset, Rowan (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2013 | 9780732296599 | Two very different bugs become aware that each has made their home on the same leaf, one on the top and one underneath. The red bug wants to eat his way right through the leaf they live on. |
| 15003 | Two little trains Brown, Margaret Wise & Dillon, Leo & Diane | HarperCollins Australia | 2001 | 9780064435680 | The trains are travelling west. One is old and not moving very fast and one is new, shiny, streamlined and moving very fast. Both will travel through long dark tunnels, through snow and dust. |
| 1466 | Two nests Anholt, Laurence & Coplestone, Jim (ill) | Frances Lincoln | 2013 | 9781847803238 | Betty and Paul are birds who build a nest together. Betty lays an egg and out pops Baby Bird. Everyone is happy, but the nest is small, Betty and Paul squabble, and they decide that Paul should live in a different nest across the other side of the tree. Now there are two nests in the cherry tree. Betty and Paul both love Baby Bird, and soon he is able to fly over the cherry tree, visiting his two nests. |
| 8213 | Two peas in a pod McKimmie, Chris | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2010 | 9781742373041 | Marvin and Violet have been friends since they were babies. They are like two peas in a pod. But, then, Violet moves away. With a unique Australian flavour, this story of friendship is both tender and truthful. |
| 1019903 | Two rabbits Ferenchuk, Lisa & Pittock, Prue (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2024 | 9781922539656 | What happens when best friends fight? What happens when you hurt someone by saying unkind words? And what is the best way to fix things? Little Grey rabbit and Little Brown Rabbit are about to find out in this touching story of friendship and forgiveness. |
| 17923 | Two rainbows Masson, Sophie & McMahon, Michael (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2017 | 9781760127794 | All the colours of the rainbow are explored against the striking backdrop of two different worlds. |

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| 995984 | Two sides to every story Feiner, Beck & Feiner, Robin | ABC Books | 2023 | 9780733341618 | Cats or dogs? Living in the city or the country? Going to the pool or the beach? Life presents lots of questions and lots of choices. For Oscar, there's no question or choice he won't twist, tumble, turn inside out and explore every which way. This book invites you to be a mental gymnast and look at both sides of the story! |
| 18212 | Two tough teddies Niland, Kilmeny | Little Hare Books | 2007 | 9781921272059 | Tilly and Gruffy Ted have been put in an old box and dumped in the park. They have to toughen up to face the world but all they really want is to find someone to love them. |
| 12388 | Two wallabies, The Jakamarra, Henry Cook (Aboriginal storyteller) & Nicolls, Christine (ed.) | Working Title Press | 2002 | 9781876288266 | A Dreaming narrative from the Aboriginal people of Australia's far north. After a flood carries away his first friend, the wallaby finds another companion. They criss-cross the country bringing many places and plants into being. |
| 14142 | Two-by-two band, The Flavell, David & Bartlett, Alison (ill) | Oxford University Press | 2009 | 9780192727541 | Noah's Ark has been afloat for too long and the animals are looking hungrily at one another. Noah forms a band which sounds dreadful and Mrs Noah believes that he needs a baton to conduct. The dove arrives with an olive branch which Noah uses as a baton with great effect. But, an olive branch also means something else which just might save them. |
| 45485 | Tyrannosaurus Drip Donaldson, Julia & Roberts, David (ill) | MacMillan | 2019 | 9781509892433 | Who ever heard of a vegetarian T-rex? This little dinosaur is in the wrong nest. He may look small and weedy, but don't be fooled by his size - Tyrannosaurus Drip is brave, and very clever! |
| 24881 | Ugh, eggs Arnold, Sarah | Child's Play International Ltd | 2010 | 9781846433429 | Pip is hungry and really looking forward to breakfast. But Dad has cooked eggs and Pip hates eggs. He goes to see Aunt Nellie, whose sandwiches look delicious. That is, until he looks inside and finds more egg. After spending the day avoiding eggs of all shapes and sizes, Pip has a pleasant surprise when he follows his nose. |
| 9717 | Ugliest dog in the world, The Whatley, Bruce | HarperCollins Australia | 1992 | 9780207174278 | Everyone thinks the Ugliest Dog in the World is ugly in different ways. Mum thinks she's ugly in a cute sort of way, the lady next door thinks she's pretty, but you haven't seen the lady next door. Her owner, of course, thinks that she's beautiful. |
| 751087 | Ultimate animal alphabet book, The Crossins, Jennifer | Hachette Australia | 2020 | 9780734420091 | From the Adelie penguin to the zigzag heron. This A-Z book covers over 400 animal species and all kinds of interesting facts. Discover why the American flamingo is pink, what a baby echidna is called and whether the dusky leaf monkey really has four stomachs. If you are interested in learning about animals this is a good book for you. |

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| 613986 | Ultimate animal counting book, The Cossins, Jennifer | Lothian Books | 2019 | 9780734418852 | Can you count one blue whale? Probably. How about 16 lions? Or 44 penguins? Or 100 fairy flies? Join us on an expedition through the animal kingdom, counting one to 100 and collecting fascinating animal facts along the way. Discover the colour of a zebra's skin under its stripes, how a tapir uses its nose as a snorkel when it swims, and that cranes are famous for their dancing! |
| 1424060 | Unbearable Apel, Kathryn & Wylie, Beau | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781761528842 | This is the story of three grumpy bears, who couldn't see anyone's viewpoint, but theirs. Until, with a bowl ... and a bed ... and a stool, a little girl taught them the Golden Grr-rule! |
| 10199 | Uncle David Gleeson, Libby & Greder, Armin (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2000 | 9780868969336 | Ned, the smallest person in his childcare group, declares that his Uncle David is a giant. The problem is all the parents want to meet Ned's uncle. |
| 659253 | Under the same sky Vescio, Robert & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594676 | Two children on opposite sides of the world crave friendship. Is it possible to be friends across the miles? |
| 13692 | Under the sea Milbourne, Anna and Shimmen, Cathy (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2011 | 9781409539087 | Have you ever wondered what's under the sea? Dive beneath the waves and discover bustling fish, a singing whale and twinkling creatures of the deep. |
| 4628 | Underneath a cow Martin, Carol Ann & Wood, Ben (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2015 | 9781742990880 | Madge the cow welcomes the storm that is heading towards her farm. Some of the animals, however, are scared and when they find themselves caught out in the rain, far away from their homes, Madge is only too happy to offer them shelter. |
| 25062 | Underwater fancy dress parade, The Bell, Davina & Colpoys, Allison (ill) | Scribe Publications | 2015 | 9781925106206 | Sometimes, it's hard to be brave. Sometimes, you get that feeling. You're just not ready. Until, one day, you are. |
| 22609 | Unexpected crocodile, The Kane, Kim & Acton, Sara (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742378077 | Peggy's family is hosting a barbecue for their neighbours, the Dawsons. Peggy isn't too sure about those Dawson boys. But she is delighted when an unexpected crocodile invites himself to tea, with unexpected consequences. |
| 5246 | Unfortunately Durant, Alan & Rickerty, Simon (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2010 | 9781408309896 | When you are walking through the jungle, almost anything can happen. Unfortunately, sometimes it's bad, but fortunately sometimes it's good. |
| 833137 | Unicorn! Hutchings, Maggie & Orsini, Cheryl (ill) | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925712506 | Luka is unwell and her best friend wants to make her better. When Luka says she wants a unicorn, her friend goes to extreme lengths to make her wish come true. But Luka is no fool, so the goal to find a unicorn is a lot trickier than first anticipated. |
| 498 | Uno's garden Base, Graeme | Penguin | 2006 | 9780670041916 | When Uno arrives in the beautiful forest, it is full of extraordinary animals. As people and buildings appear, the animals and plants begin to disappear. Children will love the puzzles and numbers intertwined with a strong environmental message. |

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| 587175 | Unscary book, The Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742994147 | What are you doing here? This is a scary book! Nicholas Ickle is back and this time he wants to show us a very scary book. However, as much as he tries, he can't keep away all the lovely and happy things from appearing on the pages. |
| 751098 | Unwilling twin, The Blackwood, Freya | HarperCollins Australia | 2020 | 9781460757536 | Jules and George are the same in every way. It is quite impossible to tell them apart. Like all twins, Jules and George do everything together. But after a long, hot day at the beach, even twins sometimes disagree ... |
| 38642 | Up and down Jeffers, Oliver | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2010 | 9780007263844 | Two friends, a boy and a penguin, do everything together until, one day, the penguin decides it's time to spread his wings. |
| 616976 | Up to something McKelvey, Katrina & Lonergan, Kirrili (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925335705 | All his life Billy knows something magical happens in Dad's shed. Finally he has been invited in and together they are going to do a project, at least that's what he thinks. Billy soon discovers he is an assistant, sweeping and carrying, how will dad ever see his great talents. Will dad ever learn what they are capable of if only they work together? |
| 785439 | Upside down Friday Spasevski, Lana & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | EK Books | 2021 | 9781925820850 | Hugo doesn't like Upside-Down Fridays. The day is the wrong way round. It's sports day, which means lunchtime is at morning teatime, and all his classmates' smiles look like frowns. Will Hugo learn to tame the butterflies in his tummy and find the fun in days that don't go to plan? |
| 15384 | Upsy down town Shoshan, Beth & Hendra, Sue (ill) | Meadowside Children's Books | 2004 | 9781904511885 | Visit an amazing world where nothing is quite as it should be. |
| 4270 | Usborne big book of animals, The Fabiano, Fiorin & Maskell, Hazel (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2017 | 9781474928953 | The Big Book of Animals contains 14 impressive giant fold out pages. From the mighty elephant to the amazing colossal squid, some of the worlds tallest, longest, and heaviest animals will be revealed, as well as the biggest animal that has ever lived. Each animal contains a physical description and dimensions, some of which will leave the reader in awe. |
| 28429 | Usborne big book of big bugs and a few little ones too, The Bone, Emily | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2012 | 9781409532989 | From an amazing stick insect longer than your arm, to gigantic spiders as big as a dinner plate, open the huge fold-out pages to discover how big some of the biggest bugs in the world really are. |
| 4273 | Usborne big book of bugs, The Bone, Emily & Fiorin, Fabiano (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2017 | 9781474928960 | The Big Book of Bugs contains some very impressive colour illustrations of gigantic bugs and insects, along with some information about each one. From an amazing stick insect longer than your arm, to gigantic spiders as big as a dinner plate, open the huge fold-out pages to discover how big some of the biggest bugs in the world really are. |
| 6294 | Usborne book of night time, The Cowan, Laura & Pang, Bonnie (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2018 | 9781474936606 | At night when you are fast asleep and dreaming, another world awakens, the world of night. Night in a desert, night in a forest, night in space, there are many night-time worlds for you to explore. |

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| 1659 | Vanilla icecream Graham, Bob | Walker Books | 2014 | 9781406350098 | The little wild sparrow journeys south across the seas, to a bright new world where he meets little Edie and changes her life forever. |
| 10255 | Verdi Cannon, Janell | Koala Books | 1997 | 9780864610829 | Verdi, the personality-plus python, begins life as a yellow, boldly striped and lively hatchling who zings his way through the jungle. Join the snake's verdant, vibrant tropical world and share his fun. |
| 12305 | Very blue thingamajig, The Oliver, Narelle | Omnibus Books | 2003 | 9781862915275 | The Very Blue Thingamajig is a colourful, innovative counting book about the newly hatched thingamajig, who is very blue and very plain. He is different from all the other thingamajigs, so he has no friends. Then, one day, he begins to change. |
| 903314 | Very first questions and answers: What's inside me? Daynes, Katie & Alvarez Miguens, Marta (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2022 | 9781474948203 | Take a deep dive into your body and how it works. A lift-the-flap, very first questions, book that will answer questions such as: What gives me shape? How do I move? and What does blood do? |
| 4998 | Very grumpy day, The Jones, Stella. J & Edgson, Alison (ill) | Little tiger press | 2016 | 9781848692039 | There's a big bad mood spreading through the wood. It starts with Bear who upsets Mole, who snaps at Hedgehog, who's prickly with Fox. Soon Bear's bad mood has made everyone grumpy! Can a little bit of love make them happy again? |
| 903250 | Very hard book, The Ben-Barak, Idan & Bunting, Philip (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2022 | 9781760526221 | This book asks you to imagine and think about some things. That sounds easy, right? Anyone can think stuff. You don't even need to be standing up. Is this book really The Very Hard Book? We shall see. Good luck. |
| 4670 | Very hungry caterpillar, The Carle, Eric | Penguin | 2003 | 9780140569322 | The very hungry caterpillar eats his way through all kinds of food in this beautifully structured and appealing story. |
| 647165 | Very long sleep, The Noakes, Polly | Child's Play International Ltd | 2017 | 9781786281289 | Fox, Chipmunk, Marmot and Bear are such good friends that they decide to build a forest home and live in it together. But when winter comes, Chipmunk, Marmot and Little Bear take to their beds. Fox can't wake them up at all. Fox is lonely and confused, especially when parcels start to arrive for the other three animals. What on earth can be in them, and will the three friends ever wake up? |
| 9842 | Very noisy baby, The Lester, Alison | Affirm Press | 2017 | 9781925475616 | Here is the story of a very noisy baby. She could bellow like a buffalo and roar like a lion. And howl like a wolf for a very long time. The baby loves to make all kinds of sounds. She's really very loud. But when some animals in the town go missing, can the very noisy baby help? |
| 903275 | Very Play School Christmas, A Stradling, Jan & Robaard, Jedda (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2022 | 9780733342363 | The toys are on their way to Jemima's caravan park to spend the holidays together. Join them for classic Play School fun as they bring to life the joy of an Australian Christmas. |

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| 32616 | Very quacky Christmas, A James, Ann & Watts, Frances (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2017 | 9780733329623 | We wish you a quacky Christmas!' Samantha Duck is getting ready for Christmas. 'I'm going to give presents to animals all over the world!' Her friend Sebastian tells her not to bother. 'Christmas is not for animals,' he says. But with the help of her farmyard friends, Samantha sets out to prove that Christmas is for everyone. |
| 5291 | Very, very, very long dog, The Patton, Julia | Sourcebooks Inc | 2017 | 9781492654452 | Bartelby's walks started out great...but they didn't always end so well |
| 18390 | Vincent's colors The Metropolitan Museum of Art | Chronicle Books | 2005 | 9780811850995 | Van Gogh's paintings cleverly mixed with text from Van Gogh's letters. A wonderful introduction to the more sophisticated world of visual art through a simple introduction to colour. American spelling. |
| 7126 | Violet & nothing Burrows, Fiona | Fremantle Press | 2019 | 9781925591552 | Violet is a little girl with big ideas. She is always thinking. One day, Violet starts thinking about nothing... |
| 902478 | Violin & cello Greer, Catherine & Bartel, Joanna (ill) & Lau, Alexander (music) | Exisle Publishing | 2022 | 9781922539274 | In a big apartment building two children live next door to each other. One plays the violin. One plays the cello. They play alone until one day something exciting happens. A book about friendship, the magic of music and an original duet for musicians to play. |
| 5664 | Visiting you: A journey of love Sharpe Shelberg, Rebecka & Edmonds, Andrea (ill) | EK Books | 2018 | 9781925335668 | Who are you going to visit?" a young child asks curiously. A daughter, a wife, a grandfather, a son...Each simple answer from a fellow commuter shows how we are all bound by the common experience of love, and that it's our similarities - not our differences - that matter most. |
| 25227 | Visitor, The Bougaeva, Sonja | Gecko Press | 2007 | 9780958272049 | Two sisters live peacefully on a tiny, remote island. When they receive a letter announcing the arrival of their cousin, John, the sisters are initially delighted to have a visitor. But, the sisters' delight is short-lived as John tries to bring order to their comfortable lives. |
| 76442 | Vivi finds Bean Holle, Vanessa | Murdoch Books Australia | 2009 | 9781741965049 | Vivi sets off to travel from Hamburg to Sydney to find her godmother. How long will it take and how will she get there. |
| 12022 | Voices in the park Browne, Anthony | Transworld | 1999 | 9780552545648 | Four different voices tell their own versions of the same walk in the park. There's a bossy woman, a sad man, a lonely boy and a young girl whose warmth touches those she meets. |
| 660372 | Voyage, The Vescio, Robert & Edmonds, Andrea (ill) | EK Books | 2019 | 9781925820034 | Displaced by war and conflict, a refugee family sets out on a voyage into the unknown. Told in only a few words (one word per page) 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. |

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| 3745 | Vullah Vunnah Nah: a Gunditjmara lullaby Clarke, Patricia | One Day Hill Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9780987313904 | This ancient song is presented for the first time as a beautiful book for children, includes a CD to song along with. |
| 15043 | Waddle giggle gargle Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 1996 | 9780140559910 | The story of the ingenious way Grandpa, Grandma and Jonathan protect themselves from the swooping, waddling, giggling, gargling magpie that is determined to protect her nest. |
| 1414270 | Wait a minute Unwin, Shelly & Azore, Lana (ill) | Larrikin House | 2025 | 9781923345027 | Have you ever sent your little one off to fetch their shoes, only to find them completely distracted 10 minutes later? Readers will be surprised by how wild procrastination can get. Parents will relate. Expect the unexpected or, everyone should expect the unexpected. |
| 5807 | Waiting for Hugo Niland, Amanda & Richards, Claire (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2013 | 9781922081216 | For Hugo, the world is full of things to count. For his family, that means everything takes extra time, which does come with some nice surprises sometimes. |
| 2269 | Waiting for later Matthews, Tina | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781921720055 | Even though Nancy is big, one day she feels small. When she asks her mum, brother, cousin, aunt and grandfather to play with her, they're all busy and ask her to wait until later. So, Nancy climbs a tree in her backyard to wait for later, and imagines playing the games her family doesn't have time for. |
| 22842 | Waiting for mum Lunn, Helen & Pignataro, Anna (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2008 | 9781865041711 | Even very small children have to face big worries. When mum doesn't arrive to pick her up from school, this little girl faces those worries and carefully thinks about the right thing to do. She knows it is important not to panic and that worries can be forced to back down if you face them. Some devilish worries swirl around the familiar scenes on these beautifully illustrated pages. |
| 1185500 | Waiting for Santa Cochran, Lucy & McKinnon, Heidi (ill) | Albert Street Books | 2024 | 9781760526719 | Ren and Harry are taking letters to Santa. They want to bring Moloko (the cat) but mum says no. what happens when Moloko manages to sneak his way into a bag? Mayhem ensues. But can Moloko find Santa? |
| 8324 | Waiting out the storm Macken, Joann Early & Gaber, Susan (ill) | Candlewick Press | 2009 | 9780763633783 | Out on a hillside as a storm moves in, a young girl and her mother watch the raindrops fall, the thunder rumble and the lightning flash. As they approach their house, the girl wants to know where the turtles, chipmunks and birds go during a storm. Indoors, they settle down together, to watch the rain. |
| 4015 | Walk in the bush, A Perkins, Gwyn | Affirm Press | 2017 | 9781925475531 | Little Iggy does not want to leave the house, but Grandad insists, they always have fun together. What follows is a wonderful journey, in the great Australian outdoors, with singing birds, wallaby surprises, secret caterpillar messages and oodles of grandad humour. Here is a story about the wonders of nature, the funny side of life and spending time with the ones we love. |

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| 878023 | Walk of the whales Bland, Nick | Hardie Grant Egmont | 2021 | 9781760509026 | When all of the whales in the ocean leave their home to walk around on land, people don't quite know what to think. But soon shopkeepers go out of business, farms are flooded with water and salt, and people shout horrible, anti-whale words. That is, until, a smart little girl decides to ask the whales what everyone can do to help. |
| 12058 | Walker treasury of bear stories, The Various | Walker Books | 1995 | 9780744544183 | A delightful collection of twenty-one stories about bears, written and illustrated by many well-known authors and illustrators, including Michael Rosen, Sarah Hayes and John Burningham. If you like bear stories, you'll love this book. |
| 590078 | Wall in the middle of the book, The Agee, Jon | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760663490 | The wall in the middle of this book is supposed to protect one side of the book from the other side. Supposed to. |
| 1153643 | Walls Ingram, Tania & Smith, Ruth-Mary (ill) | Wombat Books | 2024 | 9781761111518 | A Viking and a Knight are both convinced that they live on the best side of the book. When an argument ensues and each becomes suspicious of their neighbour, their solution is to build walls to keep them safe from the other side. But in their quest to build the better wall, will they fail to see the environmental dangers that threaten both sides of the book? |
| 620081 | Wandering star Prior, Natalie Jane & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760663339 | I have a horse, a beautiful horse, and her name is Wandering Star. We roam wild and free, from the hills to the sea, and it's magic wherever we are. Follow this truly enchanting story of discovery, adventure and wonderful friends. |
| 568905 | Want to play trucks? Stott, Ann & Graham, Bob (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406378238 | Jack likes trucks. Alex likes dolls. What will they play together? Their new favourite game, of course! |
| 14950 | Warambi Darlison, Aleesah & Plant, Andrew (ill) | Working Title Press | 2011 | 9781921504280 | When her home in a little bent-wing bat colony is destroyed, Warambi is separated from her family. She's forced to shelter in a rather unusual place, where scary sounds are all around her and danger is never far away. Warambi just wants to find her way home. |
| 4847 | Was not me Horsfall, Shannon | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2016 | 9781460752463 | I have a naughty twin brother who I only see. A cheeky twin brother, his name is Not Me. There are how many boys in this family? |
| | Watch me grow series Dorling Kindersley | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |

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| 9619 | Watch out big Bro's coming Alborough, Jez | Walker Books | 1999 | 9780744563047 | Mouse has some hot news. Big Bro is coming. The news spreads from Monkey to Parrot to Frog to Elephant. All the animals add to the news until the size and toughness of Big Bro is legendary. |
| 593295 | Watch this! Godwin, Jane & Orpin, Beci & Walker, Hilary | Scribble Press | 2018 | 9781925322774 | Can you make a circle with your arms? Or a triangle with your fingers? If we work together, we can make a rectangle, or even a pyramid. We can make lots and lots of shapes- just watch this! |
| 6596 | Watchmaker who saved Christmas, The Whatley, Bruce | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2006 | 9781741662245 | A mysterious visitor requests that his extraordinary watch be repaired by Christmas Eve. The watchmaker has never seen a watch like it. His assistant, Peter, suggests an unusual way to repair it but it's a race against time. |
| 620202 | Way home for wolf, The Bright, Rachel & Field, Jim (ill) | Hachette Children's Books | 2018 | 9781408349205 | Wilf is as strong and independent as a wolf cub can be. He doesn't need help from his friends and family - whatever it is, he can do it ALL BY HIMSELF. But when Wilf finds himself lost and alone in the snow and chill of an Arctic night, he discovers something important - sometimes we all need the help of a friend to keep us safe and show us the way. |
| 97380 | Way I love you, The Bedford, David & James, Ann | Little Hare Books | 2004 | 9781877003813 | A young girl describes the reasons why she loves her pet dog. |
| 4859 | We all sleep Kwaymullina, Ezekiel & Morgan, Sally (ill) | Fremantle Press | 2015 | 9781925162684 | Beneath the stars, we all sleep. |
| 15112 | We all went on safari, a counting journey through Tanzania Krebs, Laurie & Cairns, Julia (ill) | Koala Books | 2003 | 9780864615138 | Learn to count in Swahili and discover all kinds of African animals in the grasslands of Tanzania. |
| 623315 | We are together Teckentrup, Britta | Little tiger press | 2018 | 9781848576582 | On our own we're special, and we can chase our dream. But when we join up, hand in hand, together we're a team. |
| 50640 | We belong together Parr, Todd | Pan Asia Publications | 2008 | 9780733323119 | Child-like, smiling stick figures and bold, brilliant colours capture what it means for a family to belong together. In a sensitive, child-friendly way, the book focuses on different types of families. |
| 877385 | We found a cat McKinnon, Heidi | Scholastic Australia | 2021 | 9781761121005 | Look! We found a cat. It has whiskers and a long tail, it has to be a cat...doesn't it? |
| 4943 | We found a hat Klassen, Jon | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2016 | 9781406347517 | Two turtles have found a hat. The hat looks good on both of them. But, there are two turtles and there is only one hat. |
| 995867 | We know a place Clarke, Maxine Beneba | Lothian Books | 2023 | 9780734421579 | Every Saturday, when the chores are done, two children set out on a journey to their local bookshop, a magical place where sneaky stories escape as you peep in the door and there's plentiful magic for each and for all. Monsters, giants, trolls and pirates ahoy! But what happens when some cheeky creatures follow the children home one day? |

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| 1209808 | We live in a bus Petzold, Dave | Thames and Hudson (Australia) Pty Ltd | 2024 | 9781760764647 | Some families live in houses and some live in apartment buildings, but can a family live on a bus? Jump in and join the travels aboard Grace Joy Rufus Bean. |
| 4226 | We're all wonders Palacio, R J | Penguin Books Ltd, UK | 2017 | 9780141386416 | I know I can't change the way I look. But maybe, just maybe, people can change the way they see... Auggie knows he's no ordinary kid. He does plenty of ordinary things. He feels ordinary. He just doesn't look ordinary. But it is not just Auggie who's different, and everyone is a wonder- if only they could see it. |
| 8243 | We're going on a bear hunt Rosen, Michael & Oxenbury, Helen (ill) | Walker Books | 2000 | 9781406372588 | The family are going on a bear hunt. You can go with them, through the long grass and the mud. Are you scared? Children love this bear hunt. |
| 15113 | We're going on a picnic Hutchins, Pat | Red Fox | 2002 | 9780099433040 | Hen, Goose and Duck are going on a picnic. They pack all their favourite foods but, as they walk, their basket becomes lighter and lighter. |
| 844136 | We're going places Jackson, Mick & Broadley, John (ill) | Pavilion | 2021 | 9781843654971 | We all travel paths in our lives that depend on choice, chance and circumstance. Some journeys are purposeful and some are driven by curiosity and adventure. This book is about how every day is different and it is important to make good choices and go on adventures. |
| 5694 | We're going to be friends White, Jack & Blake, Elinor (ill) | Third Man Books | 2017 | 9780996401692 | Join Suzy Lee as she goes to school with her books and pens, looks for bugs, shows and tells, and finds a friend. |
| 1096838 | We're moving away Nill, Nina | Bright Light Books | 2023 | 9781761212321 | In this picture book, a family has to move from one country to another. It is exciting and scary at the same time. Join them as they decide what to take, what to leave and how to make the new house feel like a home. |
| 613989 | We're stuck! deGennaro, Sue | Scholastic Australia | 2019 | 9781760663476 | When Turtle races into the lift of Building 24, there is a nod and a blink and a step to the side. A grunt and a sigh and a lean to the right. But what happens when the lift stops moving? Crocodile has a meeting to get to. And Giraffe has a doctors appointment. And Turtle really, really needs to get to the shop. |
| 1171890 | Welcome cookies, The Baillie, Kaye & Lonergan, Kirrili (ill) | EK Books | 2024 | 9781922539502 | Mabel loves her Friday visits to Miss Plum's Sugar Plum Cafe. How will she adapt when the cafe has a new owner and everything changes? A sweet story about the change and belonging. |
| 120055 | Wendel's workshop Riddell, Chris | MacMillan | 2007 | 9780230017801 | Wendell, an inventor, builds a robot called Clunk who is a total disaster because he is so untidy. He is thrown down the rubbish shoot onto the scrap heap. Wendell invents a replacement robot called Wendelbot who is obsessed with tidiness and Wendell realises he is in danger of being thrown into the rubbish as well. |

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| 1303 | Whale in the bath Westaway, Kylie & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2014 | 9781743318584 | Bruno can't wash when there is a whale in the bath, but why won't anyone believe him. |
| 669512 | What a lot of nonsense Knowles, Sheena & Bentley, Jonathan (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2020 | 9781460756140 | Dear reader, please take time to note, Two ways to read this book I wrote. The first way is for everyone, Just read the book, enjoy the fun. The second way will challenge those Who like to read beyond the prose. Who'd like to ACT just like a cat (And that's an anagram, in fact)." |
| 774408 | What are they called 2? More Australian animals Cole, Diana Marlay | Little Red Apple Publishing | 2020 | 9780648871255 | Its fun to find out the strange names for a group of animals. What is a group of lizards called or a group of jellyfish? Find out the answers and many more in this book. |
| 684215 | What are they called? Australian animals Cole, Diana Marlay | | 2020 | 9780648290582 | Do you know the names given to different groups of animals? Did you know that a group of penguins is called a colony? There is no group name for quokkas but they are said to be Australia's happiest animals as they always appear to be smiling. |
| 1426180 | What can I get for Mother's Day? Hayward, Renae & Lu, Susan Joy (ill) | Larrikin House | 2026 | 9781923345270 | Choosing the perfect Mother's Day gift can be quite the challenge. Will it be hot air ballooning or a close encounter with a moose? The only certainty is that there are no boring gifts allowed because all mothers deserve an awesome Mother's Day! |
| 660638 | What colour is the sea? Stewart, Katie | Fremantle Press | 2020 | 9781925816389 | Koala has a great question. What colour is the sea? Her friends give her so many answers she decides to go and look for herself. |
| 24758 | What could it be Fawcett, Sally | Exisle Publishing | 2016 | 9781925335026 | It's time to step outside the square and explore your creativity. So many shapes, so many possibilities. Have some fun with your imagination. |
| 766 | What did one elephant say to another Baines, Becky | National Geographic Society | 2008 | 9781426303074 | Find out how elephants communicate with one another, not only through the noises they make but with their body movements. |
| 12390 | What Dino saw Kelleher, Victor | Penguin | 2004 | 9780143300984 | Jenny finds a big, egg-shaped thing down by the creek. She takes it home and, when it hatches, out pops a cute, but very hungry, baby dinosaur. |
| 28503 | What do they do with all the poo from all the animals at the zoo? Do, Anh & Wood, Laura (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781742769202 | What do they do with all the poo from all the animals at the zoo? The elephants, the tigers, the kangaroos - what do they do with all that poo? Do they mix it into chocolate ice-cream? Sprinkle it on pizza? Can you guess what else they might do? |

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| 1151644 | What do you call your dad? Barton, Ashleigh & Heiduczek, Martina (ill) | ABC Books | 2024 | 9780733343476 | There's many ways dads present themselves to their children as their best selves. In this delightful worldly collection of ways to look at dads and what their children call them, is their endearing qualities spread across each colourful page and a message of love to accompany it. |
| 770013 | What do you call your grandma? Barton, Ashleigh & Heiduczek, Martina (ill) | ABC Books | 2021 | 9780733340840 | In every country around the world are grandmas short and tall. Though they go by different names, we love them one and all. An inclusive picture book for grandparents and grandchildren everywhere. |
| 720997 | What do you call your grandpa? Barton, Ashleigh & Heiduczek, Martina | ABC Books | 2020 | 9780733340864 | Some people call him nonno, some call him kabu, some call him grandpa. Here is a book celebrating the different ways we say and enjoy grandfathers. |
| 1433887 | What do you call your mum? Barton, Ashleigh & Heiduczek, Martina | ABC Books | 2026 | 9780733343810 | In every country around the world are mums - some short, some tall. Though they go by different names, we love them one and all. A celebration of ways to say 'Mum' from Okaasan in Japanese to Miimi in Gumbaynggirr. |
| 864754 | What do you do to celebrate? Barton, Ashleigh & Heiduczek, Martina (ill) | ABC Books | 2021 | 9780733341595 | In every corner of the globe, as years begin and end, there are many ways to celebrate with family and friends. This joyous book that explores the many different ways we celebrate the close of one year and the beginning of another. |
| 8039 | What do you wish for Godwin, Jane & Walker, Anna (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2015 | 9780670078110 | Ruby is looking forward to Christmas and the street party in the local park, as well as many other happy customs. One of these is the neighbourhood children hanging a Christmas wish on the big tree in the park, before they perform their yearly show. Ruby happily ponders on all the things she loves about the festive season - baking, presents, Christmas lunch and the freedom of holidays. |
| 12616 | What does your daddy do Reece, Gordon & Cencic, Vilma (ill) | Lothian Books | 2009 | 9780734411129 | In class, the children are trying to determine whose father is the most important. The answer may surprise you. |
| 825524 | What if, pig? Hunter, Linzie | HarperCollins Australia | 2021 | 9780008409470 | Pig is kind, thoughtful and fun, but also a tremendous worrier. His worries about throwing a perfect party are too much to bear until Mouse shows Pig that grey days never last with the help of your friends. |
| 1019891 | What is love? Daynes, Katie & Sosa, Daniela (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2023 | 9781803701943 | What is love? Can I love lots of things? Does love last forever? And what actually is love? |
| 43486 | What makes me a me? Faulks, Ben & Tazzyman, David (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2017 | 9781408867259 | Who am I? I ask myself. What makes me a me? I think hard with all my might and look around to see. Sometimes I am like super guy, really strong and brave. Sometimes I am like a tree, my arms stick out like branches. And sometimes I am like a snail, slow, slow, slow. |

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| 21306 | What makes my dad happy Cox, Tania & Broekstra, Loretta (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742378381 | What makes your dad happy? Find out all of the things that make these dads happy. |
| 3808 | What makes my mum happy Cox, Tania & Broekstra, Lorette (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2012 | 9781742378374 | Find out all the simple things that make this little girl's Mum happy. |
| 995996 | What my daddy loves Figueroa, Raissa | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2023 | 9780358588771 | Some daddies love going outdoors and exploring the world. Some daddies love teaching their kids how to fix machines. Some daddies love learning and dreaming big dreams. But there's a special something - or someone - that daddies love best of all... |
| 30663 | What noise comes from a giraffe MacLean, Craig | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2016 | 9781460752234 | We all know it's true, that a cow says moo. Find out what noise comes from a giraffe. |
| 7781 | What pet should I get Seuss, Dr | Random House Children's Books | 2015 | 9780553524260 | When a brother and sister visit a pet store to pick out a pet, they can't choose just one. |
| 587622 | What should a horse say? McDonald, Fleur & White, Annie (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594201 | Farmer Rochelle owns a cow that says moo moo, a sheep that says baa baa, a chicken that says chick chick and a horse that says, chick chick! What on earth could be wrong with Farmer Rochelle's horse? |
| 5764 | What the fluffy bunny said to the growly bear Crumble, P & Saunders, Chris (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742761084 | There is a surprise birthday party for Zebra, and all his friends are passing the message along. But when the message gets mixed up, there is confusion, chaos and lots of fun! |
| 885969 | What to say when you don't know what to say Bell, Davina & Tapper, Hilary Jean (ill) | Lothian Books | 2022 | 9780734421142 | Stories to help you through life's little moments and big emotions with kindness and words from the heart. Stories with these words. I'm not brave enough today, maybe next time. You're hurting my feelings right now. You can cry, I don't mind. A warm and whimsical guide to negotiating life's little moments and big emotions with empathy, kindness and words from the heart. |
| 12197 | What we count then and now Empacher, Helen & others | Indij Readers | 2003 | 9780975064023 | A simple counting book in which the pictures compare related everyday, useful objects used in Australia before 1788 and their modern counterparts. |
| 31125 | What will I do when I grow up? Borin, Margherita | Berbay Publishing | 2018 | 9780994384157 | Take a walk down High Street and explore the different jobs people have. What do they do? How do they do it? |
| | What Zola did series Marchetta, Melina & Hudson, Deb (ill) | | | | Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen. |

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| 1019757 | What's in a dumpling, Grandma? Meeker, Linda & Eide, Sandra (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9781400244225 | Grey loves food and today Grandma, Ngoai, is teaching him how to cook one of his favourite dishes, banh loc, which is a Vietnamese dumpling. Join Grey and his cousin Mila as Ngoai passes down this family recipe and her memories of sharing this special meal with family. This delicious story will leave your mouth watering and your heart full as you celebrate the joy of sharing family traditions. A Grandmother's love in every dumpling. |
| 63477 | What's in that egg Baines, Becky | National Geographic Society | 2009 | 9781426304088 | Imagine if humans were born from eggs. Find out about the animals that lay eggs and how the babies make their way out. Discover why some eggs are huge while others are tiny. |
| | What's it like to be series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |
| 560 | What's that awful smell Tekavec, Heather & Spengler, Margaret (ill) | Puffin USA | 2004 | 9780142405864 | The animals are being driven out of the barn by a hideous smell. They all think it is the little piglet but perhaps it is a case of mistaken identity. |
| 23805 | What's that there? Moriarty, Ros & Balarinji (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760297817 | What's that there? That's the rushing river's curly bend, cried the sea eagle perched on a knotted branch, swaying. There, look! What's that there? That's the cliff face sharp with sun-scorched stones, glinting, shrilled the hawk, gliding on summer winds. There, look! An exhilarating celebration of the Australian landscape as seen from the sky featuring vibrant illustrations by Balarinji, Australia's leading Indigenous design studio. |
| 1772 | What's the matter, Aunty May Friend, Peter & Joyner, Andrew (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2012 | 9781921714535 | Good intentions go awry for a little boy, as a polish here and a scrub-a-dub there ends up in a parakeet going through a vacuum cleaner, a couple of floods, ice cream cake where there shouldn't be ice cream cake, and the promise of a return visit. |
| 12386 | What's the time Mr Wolf Hawkins, Colin & Jacqui | Egmont Childrens | 2003 | 9781405206846 | Large and brightly coloured pictures of Mr Wolf, knowing when its time to do things, provides an excellent way of learning the time. |
| 4562 | What's up top? Martin, Marc | Penguin Random House Australia | 2017 | 9780143783886 | What is up top of the ladder? Is it a hat? Is it a cat? Is it a snail on whale or a frog on a log? |

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| 43453 | Whatcha building? Daddo, Andrew & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2017 | 9780733334153 | The old milk bar on the corner is coming down to make way for something new. Little Davey Durak is gathering scrap- a short piece of wood here, a long piece there. But what's Davey building? Big Bruce the Builder wants to know, but Davey won't tell... |
| 12217 | Whatever next Murphy, Jill | MacMillan | 1995 | 9780333636213 | Baby bear travels to the moon and back while his mother gets his bath ready. On the way he meets an owl and they have a picnic on the moon. |
| 1423968 | Whatever the weather, we're in this together Braithwaite, Jessica & Ralfe, Rebecca & Bee, Laura (ill) | Albert Street Books | 2025 | 9781761182297 | Like a warm hug on a cold morning, this beautiful book reassures children that they are loved ... always. |
| 660662 | Wheels Sutton, Sally & Lovelock, Brian (ill) | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781760651589 | Wheels go fast, Wheels go slow. Shout what's coming, if you know! Join in with this interactive story for all the wheel-loving people in your life. |
| 1096810 | Wheels and springs and moving things Rippin, Sally & Kennett, Chris (ill) | Hardie Grant Children's Publishing | 2024 | 9781761211584 | Frank's dad is a farmer, Jess's brother drives a garage truck, and Jack's mum is a firefighter. In this exciting deep-dive into the world of monsters and beyond, discover the different jobs monsters do all day and the incredible vehicles they drive |
| 7461 | When a dragon moves in Moore, Jodi & McWilliam, Howard (ill) | Flashlight Press | 2011 | 9780979974670 | On a beautiful day at the beach, a little boy builds the perfect sandcastle and, immediately, a dragon moves in. The boy and the dragon roam the beach, roast marshmallows, fly kites, float in the water and defend the sandcastle against bullies. But, no-one in his family believes that the dragon exists and that's when the mischief begins. |
| 628163 | When Billy was a dog Murray, Kirsty & Blair, Karen (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2019 | 9781760631826 | Can I please, please, please have a dog?' asked Billy. 'Would you walk it every day and wash it if it got dirty?' 'I would, I promise!' said Billy. Billy wants a dog. He really really really wants one. Billy's parents aren't so sure. So one morning, Billy takes matters into his own paws. |
| 4799 | When dad showed me the universe Stark, Ulf & Eriksson, Eva (Ill) | Gecko Press | 2015 | 9781927271827 | One day, Dad said he thought I was old enough for him to show me the universe. We rugged up and set off through the town, where the shops are closing for the night. I wonder where the universe is. |
| 18450 | When elephants lived in the sea Godwin, Jane & Agostino, Vincent (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2006 | 9780734408426 | A picture book about the evolution of elephants. |
| 4779 | When Frank was four Lester, Alison | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 1997 | 9781864483994 | Follow seven children as they grow up from tiny babies to age seven, with a different event to highlight each year. There's the year when Nicky tipped spaghetti on her head and, another, when Ernie climbed into the fish tank. |

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| 50695 | When Henry caught imaginitis Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2008 | 9781741690309 | Henry is an overly methodical boy, preferring sums and order to playing or daydreaming. Luckily, he catches a fortuitous case of Imaginitis, a condition where silly thoughts invade his head in a random manner and beg to be acted on. |
| 1087422 | When I can fly Stewart, Katie | Fremantle Press | 2023 | 9781760992682 | Little Boobook is obsessed with the idea of going to the city. He promises himself that as soon as he learns to fly, he will set off on his adventure. The city, however, is not what he imagined at all, and he finds himself missing his mum and ready for a new adventure back at home. |
| 29051 | When I first met you, Blue Kangaroo Chichester Clark, Emma | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2015 | 9780007425112 | When Lily gets a new baby brother, she soon discovers that it's not easy learning new things and helping to look after someone so small. But, then, Grandma brings her a very special surprise. Someone who also needs to be cared for. |
| 15377 | When I grow up McNaughton, Colin | Walker Books | 2005 | 9780744583724 | What do you want to be when you grow up? A class of kids present a musical about growing up. |
| 27044 | When I grow up Minchin, Tim | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781742764955 | When I grow up... I will eat sweets every day on the way to work and I will go to bed late every night. And I will wake up, when the sun comes up and I will watch cartoons until my eyes go square. |
| 26131 | When I see Grandma Tidball, Debra & Hedstrom, Leigh (ill) | Wombat Books | 2014 | 9781921632594 | Visiting Grandma can sometimes be sad, but a little girl and her brother brighten Grandma's dreams and bring warmth and laughter to the residents of an aged care home. |
| 497 | When I was a baby Niland, Deborah | Penguin | 2006 | 9781435017986 | All about being very, very young - and growing up, a bit. |
| 23806 | When I'm older Flory, Neil & Chaudhary, Somak (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760296322 | When I grow up I can be a goat, I can be a boat, I can be a penguin in a coat... A gloriously silly celebration of what it means to grow up, from the author of The Short Giraffe. |
| 17172 | When it is time McCleary, Stacey & Rippin, Sally (ill) | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 2004 | 9780734406538 | Beautiful, sensitive story extolling the virtue of patience at the time of birth. Sakura and the mother hen wait for an egg to hatch which it does, when it is time. |
| 2897 | When Lulu went to the zoo Ellis, Andy | Andersen Press Ltd | 2008 | 9781842707531 | When Lulu went to the zoo she was sad for the giraffes and the penguins. She decides to release all the animals from their cages and takes them back to her house to live. However that turns out to be not quite such a good plan after all. |
| 12206 | When Poppy and Max grow up Gardiner, Lindsey | Little Orchard | 2001 | 9781841216997 | Poppy and her dog, Max, act out possible career and pastime choices in a way that inspires the imagination and choices of young students. |
| 815 | When spring comes Henkes, Kevin & Dronzek, Laura (ill) | HarperCollins US | 2016 | 9780062331397 | When it's cold and snowy and bleak and brown, Spring seems very far away. But, if you wait, soon you will see leaves and blossoms, smell flowers and mud. Soon, you will hear birds and buzzing bees. |

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| 1019887 | When the fog rolls in Fong, Pam | HarperCollins Australia | 2023 | 9780063136540 | If you get lost in the fog, it can be hard to find your way out. You might stumble or be confused, or encounter the unexpected. But the closer you look, the more you will see, and the clearer the path will become. You can find your way. And the world is waiting for you. |
| 12251 | When the snake bites the sun Lofts, Pamela (comp) & Mowaljarlai, David (teller) | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9781865046280 | Based on a story told by David Mowaljarlai of the Ngarinyin tribe. One of a series of Aboriginal stories about animals and birds. |
| 795535 | When the waterhole dries up Baillie, Kaye & Hamilton, Max (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2021 | 9781922081971 | It's bath time in the outback, and a dusty boy is waiting, but so are some very dusty and very cheeky animals. Will this boy ever get clean? |
| 9653 | When the wind changed Park, Ruth & Niland, Deborah (ill) | HarperCollins Australia | 2003 | 9780207167614 | Josh always pulled the most awful faces. His mum always said he'd be sorry when the wind changed. One day the wind changes but Josh can't believe that it could really make something awful happen. He may be surprised. |
| 2264 | When we go walkabout Lalara, Rhoda & Alfred | University of Queensland Press | 2014 | 9781743314562 | When we go walkabout, what do we see. Yirruwa yirrilikenuma-langwa, amiyembena yirringka yirruwa. |
| 774387 | When you go to Melbourne Coote, Maree | Melbournestyle | 2020 | 9780648568421 | Take a walk around Melbourne - Can you find the golden whale? Can you find the giants and their clock? Join the author as she relives childhood trips to town that bring the city to life with wonder and fun. Reliving cherished childhood memories of trips to town, Maree Coote has created a delightful nonsense romp around the city of style. Join in a child's discovery of Melbourne, its surprises, its delights, its hidden treasures and unexpected touchstones. |
| 609724 | When you're going to the Moon Beekman, Sasha & To, Vivienne (ill) | Affirm Press | 2018 | 9781925584936 | Your pet iguana, tap-dancing shoes, an inflatable moose...What else might you need when you're going to the moon? |
| 12434 | When's my turn Smithers, Hayley & Yahyeh, John (ill) | Koala Books | 2004 | 9780864615510 | Every day, after work, Dad and I go to the park to play cricket. Dad's really good at cricket and teaches me everything he knows, which should be great. |
| 1861 | Where are you, Banana Laguna, Sofie & Smith, Craig (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2013 | 9781743310533 | Roddy and his dog, Banana, are the best of friends, They play together, rest together and sleep together. What do Roddy and his parents do when they return home to find a hole under the back fence and no Banana. |
| 12182 | Where are you, blue kangaroo Chichester Clark, Emma | Andersen Press Ltd | 2000 | 9780862649234 | Lily has a special relationship with Blue Kangaroo. He goes with her everywhere but she has a habit of losing him. A delightful picture book. |
| 825529 | Where are you, Magoo? Stewart, Briony | Penguin Books Australia | 2021 | 9781760896911 | Where's Magoo? Play hide and seek with Magoo by finding him in the pictures and see what mischief this cheeky pup is up to now. |

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| 844 | Where do baby animals come from Milbourne, Anna & Riglietti, Serena (ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 2012 | 9781409532927 | Pipkin is a very small penguin who asks big questions. This time he wants to know where babies come from, but each animal keeps giving him different answers. |
| 785448 | Where do the stars go? Stewart, Katie | Fremantle Press | 2021 | 9781760990480 | Have you ever wondered where the stars go when the sun comes up? Join Possum as she ventures beyond her hollow to gain answers to this question from other Australian animals. |
| 567889 | Where does a giraffe go to bed? Maclean, Craig | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2018 | 9781460752272 | When it needs to rest, a bird naps in a nest. But where does a giraffe go to bed? |
| 4788 | Where does Thursday go Brian, Janeen & King, Stephen Michael (ill) | Margaret Hamilton | 2001 | 9781876289515 | A wise, gentle picture book about the passage of time for those who wonder why special days can't last forever. |
| 9445 | Where is Galah Morgan, Sally | Little Hare Books | 2015 | 9781921894466 | Dingo is on the prowl. He can see Emu, Swan and Turtle. He can hear Crocodile, Frog and Kookaburra. But, he can't find Galah. |
| 6139 | Where is Rusty Posthuma, Sieb & Nagelkerke, Bill (trans) | Gecko Press | 2014 | 9781927271469 | Rusty, his mother and two friends, Henrietta and Toby, are going into town on the bus. In the department store, Rusty's mother gives clear instructions that they must all stay together. But, Rusty is a curious young dog whose nose repeatedly leads him astray. Soon, everyone is looking for him. |
| 15163 | Where is the green sheep Fox, Mem & Horacek, Judy (ill) | Viking Children's | 2004 | 9780670041497 | There are all sorts of sheep doing activities. There is the blue sheep, the red sheep, the bath sheep and the bed sheep, but, the green sheep is missing. |
| 1346581 | Where shall we travel today? Martin, Kristin & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2025 | 9781922858542 | A group of neighbourhood friends search for adventure. They climb mountains, sail through waterfalls and snorkel the reef. At night, they marvel at the sky above and wonder where to go next |
| 574734 | Where should Grace the witch live? Tang, Sulan & Yang, Sifan (ill) | Starfish Bay Publishers | 2018 | 9781760360382 | On the hillside is a small, beautiful house where Grace the Witch lives. Anyone who stumbles upon this house would love it, so unsurprisingly, Ant, Rat, Snake and Frog all want to live there, too. But Grace the Witch does not like to share her house and wants to live somewhere quiet. Where should Grace the Witch live? |
| 496 | Where the fairies fly Simmons, Jane | Orchard Books | 2004 | 9781841211084 | When Jamie can't sleep, he and Lucy decide to look for the dream time fairies. |
| 815330 | Where the heart is Gold, Irma & Crispe, Susannah (ill) | Exisle Publishing | 2021 | 9781925820874 | Inspired by an extraordinary true story, Where the Heart Is explores the friendship between Dindim the Magellanic penguin and his rescuer, Joao. We get to see Dindim's 8000-mile journey to his Patagonian home, and his longing to return. Young readers will delight in travelling across the ocean with Dindim, meeting whales and albatross! This is a celebration of the power of friendship and the beauty of the natural world. |

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| 960876 | Where the lyrebird lives Conley, Vikki & Hamilton, Max (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2022 | 9780645323566 | High in the mountains through the sleepy clouds. Deep in the forest past the chiming birds. Will we see the lyrebird? I don't know. Tip-toe, tip-toe. The beauty of the Australian rainforest and the magic of family-time come together in this lyrical and delightful story of intergenerational connection, habitat and adventure. |
| 12030 | Where the wild things are Sendak, Maurice | Red Fox | 2000 | 9780099408390 | Max, wearing his wolf suit, sails to where the wild things are. Over the years, many children have taken this voyage with Max. |
| 1423969 | Where would you go? Lester, Alison & Godwin, Jane (ill) & The Royal Children's Hospital (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781761181573 | If you could travel wherever you choose, to worlds imagined and new, where are the places that you'd like to go and what in the world would you do? Take a journey through words and drawings in this magical adventure as the children of The Royal Children's Hospital wonder where everyone at the hospital might go - the doctors, the nurses, the teachers, and even themselves. |
| 571288 | Where's bear Elliott Smyth, Sarah & Johnston, Nicky (ill) | Empowering Resources | 2017 | 9781925592023 | Go on an adventure with Sophie as she attempts to find her best friend, Bear. Sophie has to be brave, just like Bear, but the Shadow Monster is lurking in the dark. This gentle book encourages children to face their fears and to have courage, even if they are frightened or nervous. |
| 18347 | Where's dummy Simpson, Kate & Holfield, Greg (ill) | Jitterbug Books | 2005 | 9780975679906 | Little wombat can't find his dummy. |
| 7613 | Where's Jessie Brian, Janeen & Spudvilas, Anne (ill) | National Library of Australia | 2015 | 9780642278753 | When Jessie and her family move to the Outback, there isn't room in their horse-drawn cart for her favourite toy, Bertie Bear. Poor Bertie is packed into a box to travel with the cameleers. But, when Bertie becomes dislodged, he doesn't understand where his family has gone. Bertie is about to begin some grand adventures. |
| 12208 | Where's mum Gleeson, Libby & Smith, Craig (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1997 | 9781862913523 | Three children imagine that their working mother has brought home their favourite bedtime story characters and are astonished when she actually does. |
| 4089 | Where's the elephant Barroux | Egmont Childrens | 2015 | 9781405276481 | What starts as a game of jungle hide-and-seek to find the elephant, the parrot and the snake quickly turns into something more significant. A near wordless picture book which powerfully demonstrates the devastating effects of deforestation in Brazil. |
| 18527 | Where's the gold Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 2005 | 9780670028443 | Three pirates hunt for gold, accompanied by a green parrot. Lots of rhyme and alliteration. |

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| 2898 | Where, oh where, is Rosie's chick Hutchins, Pat | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2015 | 9781444918281 | Rosie has lost her baby chick. She looks under the hen house. She looks behind the wheelbarrow. But, little baby chick isn't there. But, watch out Rosie, there's someone following you and it's not just your baby chick. |
| 774471 | While you're sleeping Jackson, Mick & Broadley, John (ill) | Pavilion | 2021 | 9781843654650 | You might think that when you sleep the world sleeps with you, but all through the night others are busy. Firefighters wait for the bell to ring, nurses and doctors look after their patients, postal workers sort letters and parcels. Mums and dads are up feeding their babies. In the wild, owls, bats and foxes search for food. |
| 916678 | Whingeville Vass, Coral & Szmidt, Aleksandra (ill) | Larrikin House | 2022 | 9781922503961 | William loves to whinge. He whinges about everything, but when he is made King of Whingeville, a town of constant complainers, even he finds the moaning and groaning too much. |
| 4840 | Whirlpool, The Larkin, Emily & Magisson, Helene (ill) | Wombat Books | 2017 | 9781925563047 | Life is full of brightness for one polar bear cub. But then the shadows fall...and his world changes. The little cub must learn to hope again. |
| 855860 | Whisper on the wind Saxby, Claire & Racklyeft, Jess (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2022 | 9781760526887 | This is the wind that carries the whisper from Ren's dream. This is the sailor, long at sea, who catches it. |
| 6624 | White book, The Borando, Silvia & Clerici, Lorenzo & Pica, Elisabetta | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781406363173 | A little boy stands in front of a white wall. He readies his brush and begins to paint. First off, a coat of pink. But wait, the painted wall reveals six birdies, perched on a branch. Then, he tries the blue, yellow, grey, green and purple. There are lots of surprises in store for our little painter. A wordless picture book. |
| 660376 | Whitney and Britney: Chicken divas Gifford, Lucinda | Scholastic Australia | 2017 | 9781760666507 | Whitney and Britney are two gorgeous chooks, Fluffy and silky with stunning good looks. Dora is perplexed about where her chooks go each night. Little does she know, they are Whitney and Britney, Chicken Divas! |
| 825531 | Who fed Zed? McInerney, Amelia & Nickel, Adam (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2021 | 9781760524432 | Ted, Ned, Fred, and their friend like playing with Fred's dog, Jed, but today is different. Jed has fleas and is in the shed, so they'll be watching Fred's fish, Zed instead. A funny tale with a twist, to keep new readers engaged and learning about how to care for animals. |

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| 1357346 | Who might you be? A tale in tangrams Henderson, R | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781760526276 | A lively story in which all the illustrations are tangrams; the well-known geometrical puzzle that is a square cut into seven pieces arranged to make various other shapes. It is also a delightful story about the imagination where the words and pictures combine to tell a deeper story about the idea of self, from the creator of I See, I See. |
| 9632 | Who sank the boat Allen, Pamela | Penguin | 1988 | 9780140509403 | One warm, sunny morning, a donkey, a cow, a pig, a sheep and a tiny little mouse decide to go for a row in a boat. |
| 5928 | Who saw Turtle? Moriarty, Ros, & Balarinji (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2018 | 9781760297800 | Who saw Turtle? Did the whale with the slapping, splashing tail? Or the octopus with the dangly, stretchy tentacles? Maybe the fish with the glittery, shimmering scales? A glorious exploration of the amazing migration of Turtle as she travels the world and then returns home to lay her eggs, illustrated by Balarinji, Australia's leading Indigenous design studio. Also contains text translation into the Aboriginal Yanyuwa language. |
| 18474 | Who wants a dragon Mayhew, James & Gardiner, Lindsay (ill) | Orchard Books | 2005 | 9781843624943 | A baby dragon is lonely and wants someone to love him. Zany art and lots of opportunities to respond to the little dragon's feelings. |
| 10394 | Who will play with me Coxon, Michele | Koala Books | 2002 | 9781875846412 | Two stories in one about a lonely boy and a kitten. |
| 654406 | Who's afraid of the quite nice wolf? Black, Kitty & Wood, Laura (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2019 | 9781925594706 | The Quite Nice Wolf doesn't fit in with the local wolf pack. he commences training to become a proper wolf - one that's BIG and BAD. Can he help the wolf pack with their master plan? |
| 41046 | Who's driving Timmers, Leo | Gecko Press | 2006 | 9780958272025 | This is a picture book for drivers of all ages. A new play on the fable of the hare and the tortoise. |
| 6375 | Who's got a normal family Nowell, Belinda & Alexander, Misa (ill) | Little Steps Publishing | 2016 | 9781925117752 | Alex has a new foster sister, Emma, and excitedly tells his class. But, when Jimmy Martin tells Alex that Emma is not his real sister and his family is not normal, Alex isn't quite so excited anymore. |
| 31956 | Who's in my family? All about our families Harris, Robie H. & Bernard Westcott, Nadine (ill) | Walker Books | 2018 | 9781406345407 | Join Nellie and Gus and their parents for a day at the zoo, where they see all kinds of children and families - both animal and human! To top off their day, Nellie and Gus invite friends and relatives for a big dinner at home. |
| 28203 | Whole caboodle, The Shanahan, Lisa & Rudge, Leila (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2016 | 9781743629321 | On a stroll to the park, a playful pup takes the lead to see how many new friends will be found. |
| 750949 | Whose bones? Takeuchi, Chihiro | Berbay Publishing | 2020 | 9780648785163 | Guess which animal just by looking at their bones. A masterpiece of paper-cut art for a fun introduction to the vertebrate animal world. |
| 47166 | Whose dinner Rowe, Jeannette | ABC Books | 2009 | 9780733322570 | Lift the flap and find out whose eating dinner and what it is. |

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| 901898 | Whose dinosaur bones? Takeuchi, Chihiro | Simon & Schuster | 2022 | 9781922610485 | From inside to out, dinosaurs will be revealed. From ankylosaurs to velociraptors, so many favourite dinosaurs are in skeletal pieces ready to be recovered. |
| 15379 | Whose tail is that Nicholls, Christine & Snell, Danny (ill) | Working Title Press | 2002 | 9781876288105 | When two little monkeys lose their mother, they have to check lots of tails to find her. But, there are lots and lots of dangerous tails. |
| 69650 | Why are they marching Daddy Burke, Di (comp) & Alger, Elizabeth (ill) | ANZAC Day Commemoration Committee QLD Incorporated | 2002 | 9780958162555 | A father answers his little daughter's curious questions about all the different people she sees passing by in an ANZAC Day march. Simple, clear explanations of the concept of honouring those who fought presented in a way that may inspire discussion amongst those who share this book. |
| 43459 | Why can't I be a dinosaur? Westaway, Kylie & Jellett, Tom (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2017 | 9781760294724 | Today is Aunt Daisy's wedding but Nellie can't wear her flower girl dress. Today, she's a dinosaur. Luckily, Nellie might just have a roaringly good idea... |
| 18706 | Why do I have to eat off the floor Hornsey, Chris & Perkins, Gwyn (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2005 | 9781921049026 | Whimsical situations around the owning of pets. Against the backdrop of an owner's seemingly carefree life, Murphy the dog questions the rules under which he must live. |
| 23061 | Why elephant has a trunk Tinga Tinga Tales | Puffin UK | 2010 | 9780141327815 | There was a time when Elephant had no nose at all. You see, he was big, he was clumsy and he was very, very smelly. But, his friends didn't tell him because they didn't want to upset him. |
| 7670 | Why giraffe has a long neck Tinga Tinga Tales | Puffin UK | 2011 | 9780141335056 | You see, there was a time when Giraffe didn't have a long neck. She had short legs, short horns and a very short, stumpy neck. She was also a very fussy eater. When Giraffe tried to get some honey from deep inside a tree, everything changed. |
| 669516 | Why I love the earth Howarth, Daniel (ill) | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2020 | 9780008389109 | Everyone loves the Earth for its beauty, the people, animals and the wonders of nature. Why do you love the Earth? |
| 16825 | Why lion roarrs Tinga Tinga Tales | Puffin UK | 2011 | 9780141335216 | There was a time when Lion wasn't like a King. You could even say that Lion had no roar. But, something happened when the animals asked Lion to make snappy Crocodile share the waterhole. |
| 35336 | Why monkey swings in trees Tinga Tinga Tales | Puffin UK | 2010 | 9780141327839 | There was a time when Monkeys didn't swing in the trees. They used to stay on the ground and play. And, they loved to wind Crocodile up. One day, Crocodile got cross and went snap. |
| 73240 | Why the animals came to town Foreman, Michael | Walker Books | 2011 | 9781406329957 | Anteaters, apes and antelopes, baboons and bison, beavers, bats. Animals from all over the world have come to our street. A boy's nocturnal visit from a parade of dancing animals warns us all that the world we share is in danger. |
| 5895 | Wibbly Pig has 10 balloons Inkpen, Mick | Hachette Children's Books | 2011 | 9781444902662 | Wibbly Pig has ten balloons but not for very long. As he gives them away, he holds on tightly to his favourite teddy bear balloon. But, then, Big Pig's shouting sister comes along. |

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| 36709 | Wibbly Wobbly Street Trewin, Trudie & Orsini, Cheryl | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741695618 | The city of Squareton had streets that were all smooth and wide and very, very straight except for Wibbly Wobbly Street. The mayor and his council try to straighten Wibbly Wobbly Street, but they should think again. |
| 32268 | Wilbur, Grace and Joe Cummings, Phil & Graham, Amanda (ill) | Little Book Press | 2017 | 9780648086826 | Join Wilbur, a fun loving family pet as he shares the joy of Grace and Joe's first years. He worries when they fall, he rejoices with their first steps, and faithfully joins in all their adventures. |
| 1096870 | Wild and free Gallasch, Carrie & Heiduczek, Martina (ill) | Little Hare Books | 2024 | 9781760504069 | Get up! Come on! Join the crew! We're off to play, like wild ones do! Join the children in Wild and Free as they discover the joys of the great outdoors. From climbing trees and crossing creeks to rolling down hills and watching bugs, readers will almost smell the fresh air as they pore over the pages |
| 15380 | Wild animals ABC Fleming, Garry | Hinkler Books | 2010 | 9781741853537 | An enjoyable introduction to alphabet books that provides poetic text and rich, full page, close-up illustrations with a photographic quality. |
| 34892 | Wild boars' cook Rosoff, Meg & Blackall, Sophie (ill) | Puffin UK | 2010 | 9780141329338 | Four wild boars, Boris, Morris, Horace and Doris, are bad tempered, smelly, rude and always hungry. They turn their talents to cooking a cake and, of course, they can't wait to devour it. |
| 18439 | Wild girl, The Wormell, Chris | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2005 | 9780224070263 | A girl lives in the world with only a small dog for company. A sensitive story with original artwork. |
| 1344158 | Wild robot on the island, The Brown, Peter | Piccadilly Press | 2025 | 9781835871645 | Roz is not where she's supposed to be. You see, the robot wasn't designed to live in the wilderness. But when she washes up on an island, she must learn from the animal inhabitants and adapt to her new, natural surroundings. And before long, the island begins to feel like home. |
| 3273 | Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge Fox, Mem & Vivas, Julie (ill) | Omnibus Books | 1997 | 9781862913479 | Wilfrid, who has four names, spends much of his time in the retirement home next door. His special friend, Miss Nancy, who also has four names, has lost her memory. Wilfred tries to help her by finding Miss Nancy's memories for her. |
| 943607 | Will you be my friend? McBratney, Sam & Jeram, Anita (ill) | Walker Books | 2020 | 9781406351606 | Little Nutbrown Hare has gone exploring on his own. Off he hops along the path until he reaches Cloudy Mountain. What a surprise he finds there in the heather! It's Tipps, a snow hare, and she has a question for him: Will you be my friend? |
| 9676 | Willow and the treasure hunt Parker, Natalie Jane | Brolly Books | 2008 | 9781921346958 | Willow the wombat and Marshall the hopping mouse set out on a treasure hunt. They eventually find the real treasure which is worth more than all the gold in the world. |
| 1208571 | Willow's Gumboots McWilliams, Beverley & Magisson, Helene (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2024 | 9781922858535 | When Willow gets a new pair of gumboots, she wears them everywhere, until there is a problem with them. She wants to find a solution for her beloved footwear. In spring, the ever present garden she enjoys wearing her gumboots in when mum is gardening sets her mind thinking. |

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| 12023 | Willy and Hugh Browne, Anthony | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 1998 | 9780099266150 | Willy and Hugh meet in the park and, after a tricky start, they become firm friends. When threatened by bullies or monsters, Willy and Hugh look after each other. |
| 4588 | Willy and the cloud Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2016 | 9781406366969 | There is a cloud following Willy wherever he goes. He can't hide and he can't escape. There is only one thing he can do. Willy will have to stand up to it. |
| 4866 | Willy the champ Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 1996 | 9780744543568 | Willy, the chimpanzee, isn't good at sports and prefers books and music. When he is threatened by a bully, he triumphs. |
| 4867 | Willy the dreamer Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2000 | 9780744569643 | Willy, the modest chimpanzee, becomes the various characters of his dreams. He is a rock singer, superhero, beggar and king. |
| 4868 | Willy the wimp Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 1998 | 9780744567014 | When he is bullied by a gorilla gang, Willy, the chimpanzee, answers a bodybuilding advertisement to grow big and strong. |
| 4864 | Willy the wizard Browne, Anthony | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780552549356 | Willy the chimp loves football. But, he doesn't have any boots, so he's never picked for the team. Then, one evening, Willy is given a strange pair of old-looking football boots and his luck is about to change. |
| 4870 | Willy's pictures Browne, Anthony | Walker Books | 2000 | 9780744561654 | Inspired by well-known artists whose works appear in a fold-out, double-page spread at the back of the book, Willy, the chimpanzee, has created his own masterpieces. |
| 3454 | Wim Wom from the mustard mill, The Peters, Polly & Angeletti, Roberta (ill) | Child's Play International Ltd | 2008 | 9781846431180 | The mischievous Wim Wom will cause trouble if the children don't do as they are told. The children draw, make and model him and events take a surprising turn when the Wim Wom from the Mustard Mill makes his appearance. |
| 46407 | Windy farm MacLeod, Doug & Smith, Craig (ill) | Working Title Press | 2013 | 9781921504419 | There is a farm so windy that the family who live there need to wear heavy shoes so they don't blow away. Can they make the most of the wind. |
| 1423988 | Windy washing day Low, Yvonne & Talbot, Kate (ill) | MidnightSun Publishing | 2025 | 9781922858672 | It's a dry, sunny day and perfect for hanging out the laundry. But what happens when an unexpected wind pulls the washing off the line and carries it next door - to the zoo! Will the animals give up their new-found clothes and can all the washing be returned safely? |
| 854072 | Winston and the indoor cat Rudge, Leila | Walker Books | 2021 | 9781760652609 | Two very different cats: Winston, a free-spirited explorer; and The Indoor Cat, lover of leisure; form a friendship and show each other how different their lives could be. Can The Indoor Cat be enticed by outdoor adventure? Will Winston be tempted by a life of indoor luxury? |

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| 1359413 | Winston's special day Evans, Gabriel | Berbay Publishing | 2025 | 9781922610980 | Winston is wearing his brightest, yellowest sweatsuit today because it's an important day for him. It's the kind of day that only happens once a year. He hopes his friends will remember and help him celebrate. But everyone is busy, even his good friend Miles. Miles is working on a special mission that requires an awful lot of help. Winston didn't plan to hide in a bin, crawl through a hedge and wear a disguise on his special day. Luckily Miles is as good at surprises as he is at secret missions in this story about expectations and friendship. |
| 12008 | Wishbone Brian, Janeen & Niland, Kilmeny (ill) | ABC Books | 2002 | 9780733309748 | A wistful picture book about a boy's quest for a little rough-and-tumble dog of his own. A story about the need to love and be loved. |
| 1041361 | With a little sprinkle of courage Case, Jackie | Boolarong Press | 2023 | 9781922643544 | When Fen was born, her father gave her a special gift, knowing it would help her through any difficult times. However, just when she is about to face her biggest challenge, Fen loses her gift, and can't find it anywhere. |
| 593 | With love from head to toe Kuchling, Guundie & Tambour, Evelyn (photo) | Windy Hollow Books | 2009 | 9781921136337 | How good it is to have toes and ears and tongues and other parts of our body, to enjoy paddling, listening and tasting, and all the other senses that we have. |
| 68261 | With Nan Cox, Tania & Blair, Karen (ill) | Windy Hollow Books | 2013 | 9781921136122 | A leaf that flies. A rock that hops. These are some of the wonderful things that Simon sees on his walk with Nan. Simon takes a walk through the bush with his Nan and along the way finds out that things are not always what they seem. |
| 1153336 | Wobbly bike, The McCallum, Darren & Smith, Craig (ill) | Walker Books | 2024 | 9781760656416 | How do you fix a wobbly bike? Could it be the tyres, the terrain, or maybe it might be a new rider? A joyful, multi-layered story, celebrating the unique culture of Australia's urban "top end", the precious roles of grandparents in families, the fact that kindness and encouragement, combined with practice, are the key to success, bound together with gentle humour... because laughter is always the best medicine. |
| 108788 | Wobbly wand, The Bevan, Clare | QED Publishing | 2005 | 9781741261929 | On this night, the toys are playing noisily in the toy room. Fairy Doll waves her wobbly wand with rather dire consequences. |
| 9371 | Wolf won't bite Gravett, Emily | MacMillan | 2011 | 9780230704251 | Watch in wonder as three cheeky little circus pigs make a wild wolf jump through hoops, endure feats of astounding derring-do and even withstand perilous games of dress-up. Safe in the thought that the wolf won't bite, they even put their heads between his jaws. But, maybe they are pushing the wolf just too far. |
| 12298 | Wolf's Sunday dinner Cox, Tania | Working Title Press | 2003 | 9781876288396 | Wolf can smell goose. A nice, fat, juicy goose to have for his dinner, or so he thinks. |

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| 4278 | Wolfie: An unlikely hero Abela, Deborah & Brecon, Connah (ill) | Penguin Random House Australia | 2017 | 9780143781509 | Dear Readers, fairy tales are nonsense. They're full of wolves pestering pigs and picking on sweet little girls in red hoods. But I would never do those things. I knit! I bake blueberry pie! You want to know what I really want to do? I want to rescue a princess! And if I can't? I quit! Yours sincerely, Wolfie. |
| 628172 | Wolfy Solotareff, Gregoire | Gecko Press | 2017 | 9781776571574 | Once upon a time there was a rabbit who had never seen a wolf, and a young wolf who had never seen a rabbit. The pair meet and become good friends. Tom the rabbit teaches the wolf to play marbles, read, count and fish. Wolfy teaches Tom to run very, very fast. But eventually their friendship is tested by the classic game Who's-afraid-of-the-big-bad-wolf? Can the little rabbit and the young wolf remain best friends in all the world? |
| 11841 | Wombat divine Fox, Mem & Argent, Kerry (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2009 | 9781862918412 | All the animals are excitedly preparing for a Christmas nativity performance. Wombat is desperate to have a part in the play but is unsuitable for every role he tries, except one. |
| 4925 | Wombat stew Vaughan, Marcia & Lofts, Pamela (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2001 | 9781865044484 | A gooey, brewy, yummy, chewy, wombat stew. At least, that's what Dingo is planning but he doesn't reckon on the help of Wombat's friends. |
| 16957 | Wombat wins French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill) | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2015 | 9780732299576 | Mothball has become an athlete, albeit a little accidentally. In her never-ending quest for carrots, Mothball stumbles upon children at the local school sports day and ends up competing. |
| 40973 | Wonderful things you will be, The Winfield Martin, Emily | Random House Children's Books | 2015 | 9780385376716 | When I look at you and you look at me, I wonder what wonderful things you will be. |
| 97599 | Wonky donkey, The Smith, Craig & Cowley, Katz (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781869439262 | I was walking down the road, and I saw a donkey ... hee-haw. And he only had three legs. He was a wonky donkey ... In this very funny, cumulative song, each page tells us something new about the donkey. There is much fun to be had trying to predict the new word for each clue given. |
| 15434 | Woolly jumper, the story of wool Hooper, Meredith & McEwen, Katharine | Walker Books | 2003 | 9780744565720 | Through cumulative text and simple illustrations, children are introduced to information about wool production. The book traces the wool from the sheep's back to the boy's back. |
| 12481 | Woolly stops the train Amery, Heather & Cartwright, Stephen(ill) | Usborne Publishing Ltd | 1999 | 9780746034682 | Mrs Boots, Sam, Poppy, Rusty, the dog, and Ted, the farmhand, have to save the day when naughty Woolly encourages all the other sheep to stand on the line and stop the train. They come up with a novel idea that is very exciting for sheep. |
| | World Book Bolt series Various | | | | Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen. |

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| 7264 | World of Ruby Red Shoes, The: A book about Ruby's day Knapp, Kate | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2019 | 9781460756935 | The jolliest time of my whole day is when I hear it's time to play! As Ruby shares the fun and busyness of her life, this book looks at key times in a day and in a subtle way highlights the importance of routine, and also balance in our lives, including time for meditation and reflection. |
| 587911 | World of Ruby Red Shoes, The: A book about Ruby's feelings Knapp, Kate | Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins) | 2019 | 9781460756928 | When I feel happy, all the world seems light, like sunshine and daffodils, all golden and bright. With so much awareness around mindfulness and mental health in young children, this is the perfect book to start gentle conversations about why we can feel the way we do, and how some of our more confronting feelings can be managed. |
| 587885 | World soccer records Cooley Peterson, Megan | World Book | 2018 | 9780716693468 | Explore the exciting world of soccer in this series of books. Learn the rules, who are the famous players and which is the best team. Get ready to get in on the action. |
| 32614 | World's worst pirate, The Dreiling, Katrin & Worthington, Michelle (ill) | Little Pink Dog Books | 2017 | 9780994626912 | Pirates are swashbuckling, treasure hunting, buccaneers of the seven seas. But if your mother is the Pirate Captain and you can't stand on deck without getting seasick that makes William 'The World's Worst Pirate'. When the ship is attacked, can he use his own special talent to save the day? |
| 4743 | Worm Greenberg, Nicki | Windy Hollow Books | 2016 | 9781922081605 | Worm lives underground, munching through the earth. Life is pretty predictable. Then, one day, everything changes. |
| 5378 | Worm loves worm Austrian, J J & Curato, Mike (ill) | Balzer & Bray | 2016 | 9780062386335 | When a worm meets a special worm and they fall in love, they want to get married. Their friends want to know who will wear the dress and who will wear the tuxedo. But, it doesn't matter because Worm loves Worm. |
| 1201743 | Worms are our friends D'Alia, Toni & Purnell, Mimi (ill) | Bright Light Books | 2024 | 9781761212994 | Worms Are Our Friends invites readers into stunning garden to admire the hard work of one tiny worm, and to marvel at the essential role it plays in nature. |
| 8395 | Worms, the mechanics of organics Bollard, Kellie | National Library of Australia | 2011 | 9780646535593 | In this funny and informative rhyming story, find out about worms that can convert garden waste and food scraps into nutrients to feed your garden. |
| 15114 | Would you rather ... Bunningham, John | Red Fox | 1999 | 9780099200413 | Lots of fun about what to choose. You can decide whether you'd rather dance with a goat, tickle a monkey, help a witch make a stew or help Santa deliver presents. |
| 1424106 | Wowie! Look at that tree! Knight, Ben | Scholastic Australia | 2026 | 9781761723810 | Not every tree grows straight and tall. Some twist and turn, some lean and fall. This is the story of one small tree who chose to grow a little differently. |
| 1423980 | Wrapping things Burgess, Linda & Tapper, Hilary Jean (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781991142009 | Rosie likes to wrap things. Her crayons, a parcel for Granny, some flowers. What other special things might be wrapped up, waiting for her? |

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| 6269 | Wrong book, The Bland, Nick | Scholastic Australia | 2009 | 9781741693409 | Nicholas Ickle is trying to tell a story but he keeps being interrupted by others, including an elephant, a queen, a pirate and even rats. As the intruders get increasingly ridiculous, Nicholas gets increasingly frustrated about not being able to tell his story. |
| 15074 | Wynken, Blynken, and Nod Field, Eugene W & McPhail, David (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2004 | 9780439543033 | Delightful illustrations bring this old rhyme to life. Three fishermen set out on a magical dream as they climb aboard a wooden shoe. |
| 8897 | Xander's panda party Park, Linda Sue | University of Queensland Press | 2013 | 9780702249983 | Xander Panda is planning a party, with the help of Amanda Salamander. |
| 34183 | Yak and Gnu MacIver, Juliette & Chapman, Cat (ill) | Walker Books | 2015 | 9781922077684 | Yak and Gnu are best friends who love to row and sing. I wonder who they will meet on their journey down the river. |
| 1174798 | Yanga mother Leavy, Cheryl & Bassi, Christopher | University of Queensland Press | 2024 | 9780702268311 | Written in Kooma and English, this picture book explores the beauty and strength of family bonds. |
| 995914 | Yawn book, The Kim, Diana | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2023 | 9780358525936 | Everyone yawns, but no one knows why. Find out some funny and fascinating facts about yawning. |
| 8231 | Yellow dress day Worthington, Michelle & Norsa, Sophie (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2012 | 9781921928291 | Ava wears a different coloured dress for each type of day. A red dress for hot days, a purple dress for rainy days and a blue dress for cold days. One whistling, whirly, windy morning, leaves tumbled and danced in the back yard. Ava and her puppy wanted to go out and play. But, Ava's favourite coloured dress was missing. |
| 689568 | Yellow truck road train Tootell, Mandy | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2020 | 9781760525811 | Dad is waiting for the wet season to end so Yellow Truck Road Train can get back to work. There are cattle and donkeys to load, kangaroos to look out for, heat and dust, and always plenty to do. Come aboard Yellow Truck Road Train and experience life in the outback and on the road! |
| 12569 | Yertle the turtle and other stories Seuss, Dr | HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK | 2004 | 9780007173143 | Three hilarious Dr Seuss stories in rhyming verse including the story of Yertle the turtle, the power mad king, plus Gertrude McFuzz and The Big Brag. |
| 12205 | Yip snap yap Fuge, Charles | Koala Books | 2001 | 9780864613103 | A delightful picture book about a very boisterous dog. The excited puppy sounds surrounding each large painting demand to be read aloud, and loudly. |
| 4525 | Yoga babies Cotton, Fearne, Dempsey, Sheena (ill) | New Frontier Publishing | 2018 | 9781925594072 | Meet the yoga babies! Family life's hectic, but yoga helps everyone chill out, from Emily in the garden to Honey at bath time. And once you've seen what the yoga babies can do, why not give it a try? |
| 15435 | Yoko Wells, Rosemary | Hyperion Books | 1998 | 9780786803958 | Yoko takes sushi for lunch to school and is teased. On international food day, no-one will eat Yoko's sushi. |

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| 903329 | Yoshi and the ocean: A sea turtle's incredible journey home Moore, Linsay | HarperCollins Children's Books | 2022 | 9780063060982 | Based on the extraordinary true story of a turtle named Yoshi, who was released back into the wild after 20 years living at the Two Oceans Aquarium in Cape Town, South Africa. The story tells of the journey Yoshi took after her release, as recorded by her tracking device. Where was she going? |
| 19522 | You King, Stephen Michael | Scholastic Australia | 2010 | 9781741696226 | An ideal book to share with a child or any special person in your life. A simple, touching story about how the people we love make the world a beautiful place. |
| 1307021 | You are a wildlife warrior! Irwin, Bindi & Prasadam-Halls, Smriti & Kaulitzki, Ramona (ill) | Penguin Books Australia | 2025 | 9781761350962 | Answer the call of the wild! Discover how you can join Bindi and Grace in their work to help save animals and protect their homes. |
| 32265 | You can't catch me Bolton, Nicola | Nicola Bolton | 2017 | 9780646977553 | Two dogs spend their day chasing Blackbird while she darts from tree to tree collecting mulberries for her babies three. Will they catch her? |
| 1233671 | You can't pat a fish Paul, Ruth | Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd | 2025 | 9781760656973 | You can play with a puppy and snuggle a bunny, but as much as you wish, you can't pat a fish. |
| 6059 | You can't take an elephant on the bus Cleveland-Peck, Patricia & Tazzyman, David (ill) | Bloomsbury | 2015 | 9781408849804 | An elephant on a bus, a whale on a bike, or a hippo in a hot air balloon. It soon becomes apparent that none of these is a good idea, as a variety of animals cause total disaster trying to travel in or on unsuitable vehicles. |
| 109950 | You choose Goodhart, Pippa & Sharrett, Nick (ill) | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2003 | 9780552547086 | A big catalogue of things to choose like where to live, what to eat, what pets we would like to have. Hundreds of different choices to discuss, imagine and enjoy. |
| 12125 | You'll soon grow into them, Titch Hutchins, Pat | HarperTrophy | 1992 | 9780688115074 | Titch is already fed up with wearing hand-me-downs and being told, "You'll soon grow into them, Titch". But, when his baby cousin comes to visit, it's Titch's turn to hand his clothes down and get some new clothes of his own. |
| 12128 | You'll wake the baby Jinks, Catherine & McLean, Andrew (ill) | Penguin | 2000 | 9780670891238 | On a wet day, a young brother and sister try to play quietly so as not to wake the baby. Each game inevitably ends in noise. |
| 29852 | You're all my favourites McBratney, Sam & Jeram, Anita (ill) | Walker Books | 2007 | 9781844285150 | Mummy and Daddy Bear believe they have the most wonderful baby bears in the whole world. But, one day, the three small cubs begin to wonder which of them their parents like the best. |
| 3860 | You're different, Jemima Morley, Jedidah & Erasmus, Karen (ill) | Empowering Resources | 2015 | 9780994501028 | Jemima likes to sing loud, dance her own moves and use her imagination, but her teacher and the other kids think she is too 'different'. When Mrs Chuckles takes over teaching the class, Jemima discovers that being different is wonderful. |
| 1893 | Your mother didn't do that Holt, Sharon & Lovelock, Brian | Walker Books | 2009 | 9781921150173 | Mother kangaroos look after their babies in pouches, mother sharks sometimes eat their babies. Luckily for Holly her mother didn't do that. |
| 684 | Your skin holds you in Baines, Becky | National Geographic Society | 2008 | 9781426303111 | Take a look at the skin you're in. Find out fascinating facts about your skin and why it is so important. |

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| 18525 | Yuck Manning, Mick & Grandstrom, Brita | Frances Lincoln | 2005 | 9781845070885 | Yuck looks at the variety of food lots of different babies have for supper. While a human might think a wiggly worm is revolting, a baby bird would prefer worms to warm milk. |
| 83747 | Yum, yum Bergman, Mara & Maland, Nick (ill) | Hodder Children's Books (UK) | 2009 | 9780340930564 | Creak, crack, creak, crack. Lots of things are creeping through the window but Katie, James and their little dog, Harry, just don't see them. |
| 14985 | Zachary Quack minimonster Dodd, Lynley | ABC Books | 2005 | 9780733315800 | Led by a dragonfly, an inquisitive duck goes exploring and gathers odd pieces of junk on his journey to the river. |
| 6837 | Zebra's hiccups McKee, David | Random House Australia Pty Ltd | 2009 | 9781842709238 | Zebra is a proud animal, reluctant to take advice or lose his dignity. When he gets the hiccups and loses his stripes, he realises that he just might need help from his friends. |
| 3033 | Zelda's big adventure Alafaci, Marie & McGowan, Shane (ill) | Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd | 2016 | 9781925266382 | Zelda has big plans. She wants to be the first chook in space. She leaves nothing to chance and packs food, fuel and a cosy nesting box. But, none of her friends wants to help with her plans. |
| 5338 | Ziggy and the moonlight show Litten, Kristyna | Simon & Schuster | 2018 | 9781471145797 | "Hoo hoo" Bird has lost her stripy chick! Ziggy the zebra wants to help, but with stripy flowers, feathers and fur everywhere they look, it's not easy. How will they find the chick and get home in time for the Moonlight Show? |
| 58336 | Zizzy Matthews, Penny & Snell, Danny (ill) | Omnibus Books | 2010 | 9781862917972 | Zizzy the sloth sees a blue patch through the rainforest canopy and travels with parrot to investigate the beautiful colour. |
| 31929 | Zog and the flying doctors Donaldson, Julia & Scheffler, Axel (ill) | Scholastic Australia | 2016 | 9781407164953 | Princess Pearl, Sir Gadabout and Zog the dragon are the flying doctors. There's much to do as they soar over the countryside, tending to mermaids, lions and unicorns. But, Pearl's uncle, the King, doesn't think it's fitting for a princess to be a doctor. |
| 12215 | Zoltan the magnificent Graham, Bob | Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd | 1999 | 9780734400291 | When Jack's family take a seaside vacation, his father is able to relax and join in the fun, even pretending he is an animal trainer called Zoltan the Magnificent. An illustrated story of family life. |
| 12024 | Zoo Browne, Anthony | Red Fox | 1994 | 9780099219019 | The human visitors to the zoo are nowhere near as splendid and positive as the animal inhabitants. |
| 29817 | Zoo house McKenzie, Heath | Scholastic Australia | 2018 | 9781742767628 | One morning young Oscar jumped up, wide awake, he headed for breakfast, but stepped on a snake! What will Oscar do when he wakes up to find his house is a zoo?! |
| 47250 | Zoom D'Anthes, Sha'an | Lothian Books | 2017 | 9780734417619 | After breakfast, Scout the explorer and Beattie the space shuttle are off on an adventure, to discover the wonders of greater outer space. |
| 7362 | Zou Gay, Michel | Gecko Press | 2009 | 9781877467202 | Zou is a tiny zebra foal who rises early and is not deterred when his parents insist they are still asleep. He goes into the kitchen and prepares them some breakfast, including large bowls of coffee. And, then, disaster strikes and we find out just how resourceful Zou can be. |

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| 8476 | Zou and the box of kisses Gay, Michel | Gecko Press | 2011 | 9781877467745 | Zou is going on his first trip without his parents and he is worried about missing out on his kisses. Mum and Dad find a way for him to take his kisses with him. |