

FIVE MILE

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This book is a toy...for aspiring young pirates!

ABOUT THE CREATORS

- Annabel Blake is a researcher, designer and children's author living in Sydney, Australia.
- Adele Ayres is an illustrator and background artist with over 10 years of experience creating artwork for children's TV shows, online and mobile content as well as product design. Adele is really passionate about creating colourful and fun designs that reflect my bright and bubbly personality.

SPECIFICATIONS

Pub Date: December 2023
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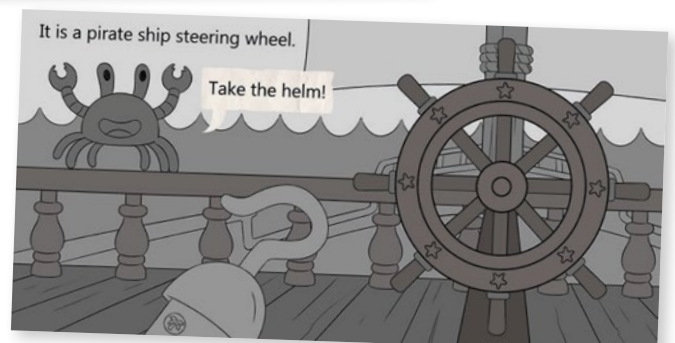
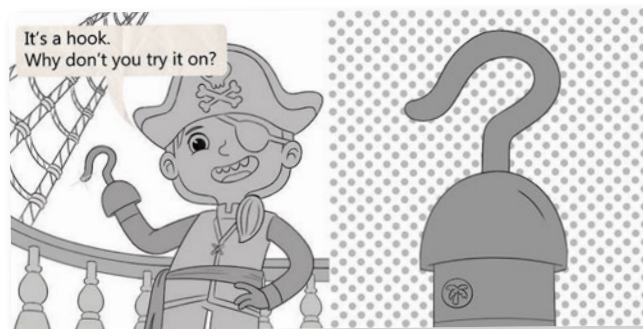
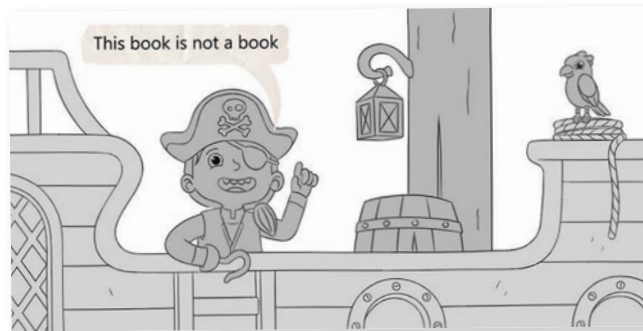
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This Book is a Toy

Written by Annabel Blake | Illustrated by Adele Ayres
 Hardback Board Book

- This is a picture book you can play with.
- In the hands of the imaginative reader, this book turns from a paperback to a plaything, absorbing the reader into the book as the main character.
- THIS BOOK IS A TOY invites kids and grown-ups into a shared world of make believe, and questions what a book is, and what a book is not.
- Like PRESS THIS by Hervé Tullet and THIS IS NOT A BOOK by Jean Jullian, THIS BOOK IS A TOY inspires the reader to creatively interact with the book with quirky invitations to wear it on their head, steer it like a ship or peer through it.
- The author has plans for subsequent books exploring different themes from mermaids to dinosaurs.
- Buyer feedback has strongly indicated that there is great demand for playful books like this in the marketplace.





My name is Twig

Written by Consuelo F. Ortiz | Illustrated by Consuelo F. Ortiz
Hardback, Picture Book

- A perfect book for children who might be having trouble finding common ground with others and might need gentle encouragement to try new things
- The author Consuelo F. Ortiz believes that 'dogs make every moment better just by being there' and this passion for dogs is evident in the joyful illustrations and moving text

Twig the Greyhound is looking for new friends, without much success initially. "It seems like I'll never find a friend who likes what I like", thinks Twig. But a new adventure begins when Twig tries new things and discovers that friendships can bloom between all kinds of breeds!



Another amazing offering from creator Consuelo F. Ortiz, this time celebrating one of her biggest passions - dogs!

ABOUT THE CREATOR

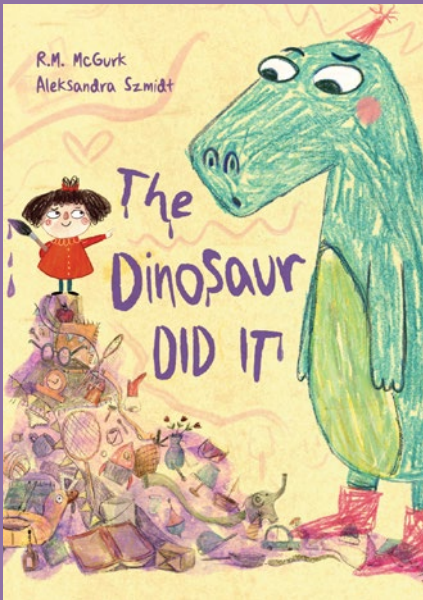
- Originally from Spain, Consuelo F. Ortiz is now a proud Australian who lives and works in Melbourne. Her love of Australia's fascinating wildlife has inspired a cast of iconic characters.

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The Dinosaur Did It! Or so says Imogen, when she needs someone to blame... but that's not very fair to the dinosaur, is it?

ABOUT THE CREATOR

- Ruth has been a keen writer since receiving a scratch and smell sticker in Prep for her story Danika the Dinosaur. This was soon followed by Paddington fan fiction and a 'chapter' book called Gone with the Wind with only two chapters. Ruth lives with her family on Wadawurrung Country in Victoria. When she's not writing she is working as a primary school teacher, watching musicals and eating lots of lemon slice.

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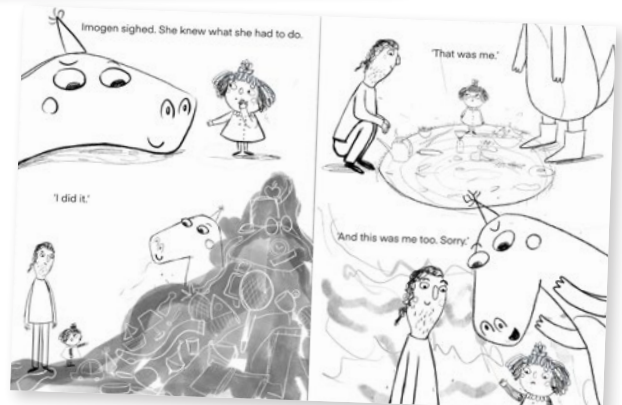
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The Dinosaur Did It!

Written by R. M. McGurk | Illustrated by Aleksandra Szmidt
 Hardback, Picture Book

- This delightful picture book will amuse every little person who has ever blamed someone else for their mess.
- R.M. McGurk is a new and exciting voice in Australian children's literature whose gentle humour is the perfect match to Aleksandra Szmidt's playful illustration style.

It's very convenient having a dinosaur to blame when Imogen's big mess takes over the house... but it's not so convenient when that blamed dinosaur takes offence and won't leave Imogen alone!





For sports-mad kids everywhere, this book invites the reader to imagine themselves on the field, or court, or rink - anything is possible!

ABOUT THE CREATOR

- Author of the much loved 'I Want to Be...' series, and the recently released Jimmy Bottoms, and The Art of Making Friends Mary Anastasiou is a self-confessed chocoholic, pluviophile and lover of all things Halloween- (especially vampires and ghosts). When she's not writing books of her own, Mary uses her 35 years of design experience to design picture books for various Australian publishers. With 5 new titles set for release with the Five Mile team in 2024, Julius Squeezer, Crazy Cat, Ellie Phant (Totally Fabulous), Disco Duck and Angus McGrew & the Unicorn Crew, Mary is well on her way to becoming known as that 'quirky animal lady'. With her heart firmly planted in kid lit, Mary writes books that she hopes will engage, inspire, and empower little people on their journey to becoming big people.

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I Want To Be...A Sports Star

Written by Mary Anastasiou | Illustrated by Anil Tortop
 Hardback, Picture Book

- The whole country went mad for The Matildas and this book will fill the gap for sports-mad kids to imagine themselves playing sport professionally.
- With The Olympics fast approaching in July 2024, kids will only be getting more interested in sports this year.

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.





Shark in the Loo

Written by Sharon J Boyce | Illustrated by Suzanne Houghton
Hardback, Picture Book

- This is the kind of absurd, ridiculous story that kids just love.
- With the repetition of the line 'There's a shark in the loo, what should I do?' this book is a pleasure to read out loud and super-fun for kids to enjoy with the humorous illustrations

Shark in the Loo is a laugh out loud story about a cheeky Shark who shows up unexpectedly in the bathroom on birthday party day. Mum, Dad and the party girl herself try all sorts of crazy ways to clear the house before the party guests arrive, and of course all their attempts are unsuccessful. In the end, the family must accept the additional party guest, who turns out to be a larger than usual extra mouth to feed. There's a Shark in the Loo is so funny that you'll laugh no matter how many times you read it.

There's a shark in the loo, what shall I do? A laugh-out-loud crazy caper.

ABOUT THE CREATORS

- Sharon Boyce loves animals, going camping and having adventures. She believes the world is full of magic and hidden wonders waiting to be discovered, all of which are waiting to be turned into stories. Her other job is looking after sick kids in hospital. If you can't find her, she's probably curled up in a cosy corner reading a book.



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Whingeville

Written by Coral Vass | Illustrated by Aleksandra Szmidi
Hardback, Picture Book

- Coral Vass is an award-winning author with over 20 books published, and this story has it all – it's a funny, relatable rhyming text with sensational illustrations by Aleksandra Szmidi.
- The topic will give parents and kids lots to talk and laugh about. 'The Golden Rule' – behaving and speaking in a way that you would like to be around – is explored in a fantasy context when Will becomes the King of Whingeville and finds that whingeing is tiresome to be around, and things aren't so bad after all!

Will loves to whinge. He is the master of complaining. Until one night, a magnificent hot-air balloon takes Will to an odd little town where the townspeople crown him King. But with everyone in town being constant complainers – will this moaning, groaning King really want to keep the crown?

Will the whinger gets a taste of his own medicine and finds it bitter!

ABOUT THE CREATOR

- Coral Vass is an award-winning Australian children's author. With a background in Media, Coral has always had a passion for telling stories and has been writing books for over ten years. Coral loves visiting schools to share the power of story and inspire children with a love for literature. Her signature writing style has a splash of rhythm, a dash of rhyme and is stirred with fun. Coral is an ambassador for Reading Out of Poverty and is passionate about giving all children an equal opportunity to read. Coral Vass is an award-winning Australian children's author.



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