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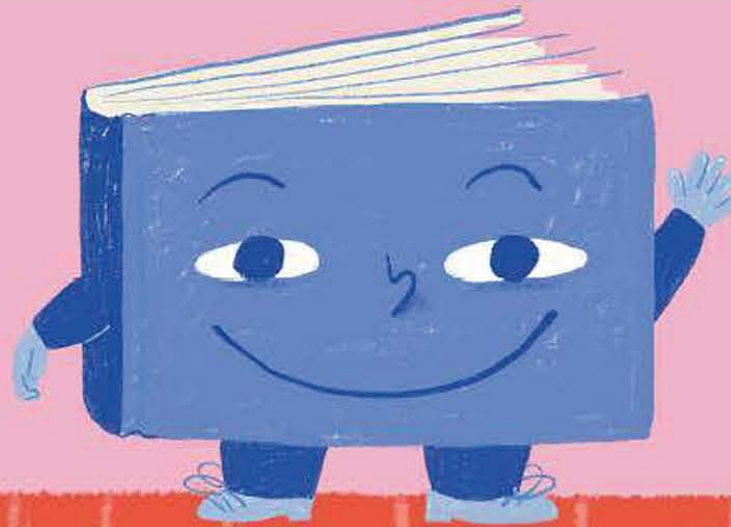
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Little J and Big Cuz: The Big Race

Dot West

Tony Thorne

School picnic day is nearly here! Little J, Big Cuz and all their friends can't wait for a day of desert fun. Will Little J's shiny tin roller win the big race? Ready, set, GO!

Author Details

A Ngoongar writer based in Broome, **Dot West** is a passionate and revered advocate for Indigenous media. Her recent projects include writing three short dramas *In the Air*, *High Tide* and *Maap Mordak* – which was her directing debut. She was a script writer and co-producer on *The Circuit* series 1 and 2, winning an AWGIE award. Dot's documentary scriptwriting credits include the Songlines on Screen documentary *Naji*, which screened at ImagineNATIVE International Film Festival in Canada along with *High Tide*.

Dot was the inaugural chairperson of NIMAA (National Indigenous Media Association of Australia), inaugural vice chairperson of NITV and a board member of Screenwest and the Australian International Documentary Conference. Dot is currently a board member of SBS. Dot's many accolades include the Tudawali Award for her contribution to Indigenous Media and the Kullarri NAIDOC award for contribution to Indigenous affairs.

Tony Thorne's endearing character design and vivid sense of place for Little J & Big Cuz is the culmination of his rich and diverse experience as an animation director, illustrator, visual artist, author of graphic novels and comic book illustrator. Tony's career is as diverse as it is interesting, spanning a Tasmanian Book Prize shortlisting, works displayed in the National Portrait Gallery and the Burnie Regional Art Gallery, and positions on high profile features including Animation Supervisor on *Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince*, Senior Animator on *Hunger Games* and *Happy Feet II* and Lead Animator on *Ella Enchanted* and *Valiant*.

Key Information

- Join *Little J, Big Cuz* and their friends for all kinds of adventures as they discover culture, community and country!
- *Little J & Big Cuz* is the first Indigenous animated series in Australia, featuring acclaimed actors Miranda Tapsell, Deborah Mailman, Aaron Fa'aoso and Ningali Lawford in voice-over roles. The series premiered in 2017 and quickly became one of the network's highest-streamed shows. It now airs across ABC, NITV, and SBS On Demand.
- The television series was commissioned by NITV with the aim of creating better support for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander children aged 4-6 transitioning to school from home or childcare. While doing just that, *Little J & Big Cuz* also resonates with all youngsters who are going out into the big world of school and tackling new experiences.
- A brilliant cast of accomplished Indigenous creators are at the helm of *Little J & Big Cuz* and the awards keep rolling in! Including: Best Children's Program (Logies), an ATOM award, an Awgie and SDIN award.
- Season three premieres in 2022!

‘Yeah, a double tin roller. **Double fast!**’ replies Little J.

Nah, mine's faster.

Is not.

Is so!

Little J has a deadly idea.

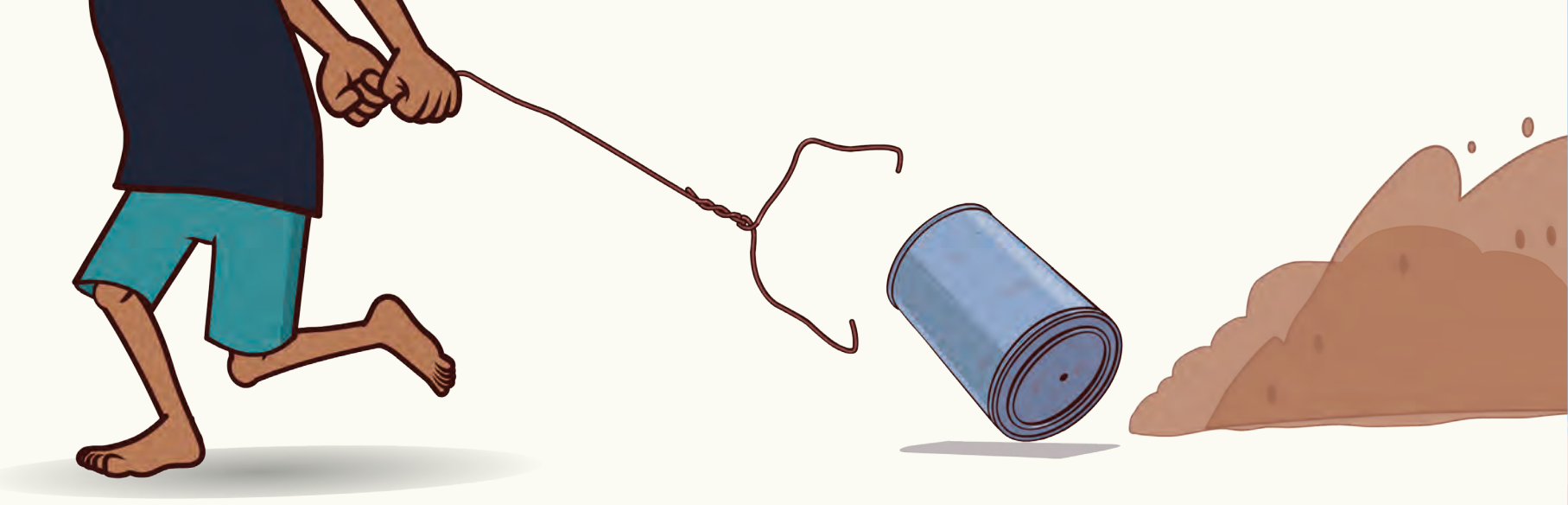
A ROLLER RACE!



‘Ready! Set! **GO!**’ yells Big Cuz.

Little J, Levi, Jacko, Monti and Ally are off with
a **CLICKETTY CLANG** and a cloud of dust.



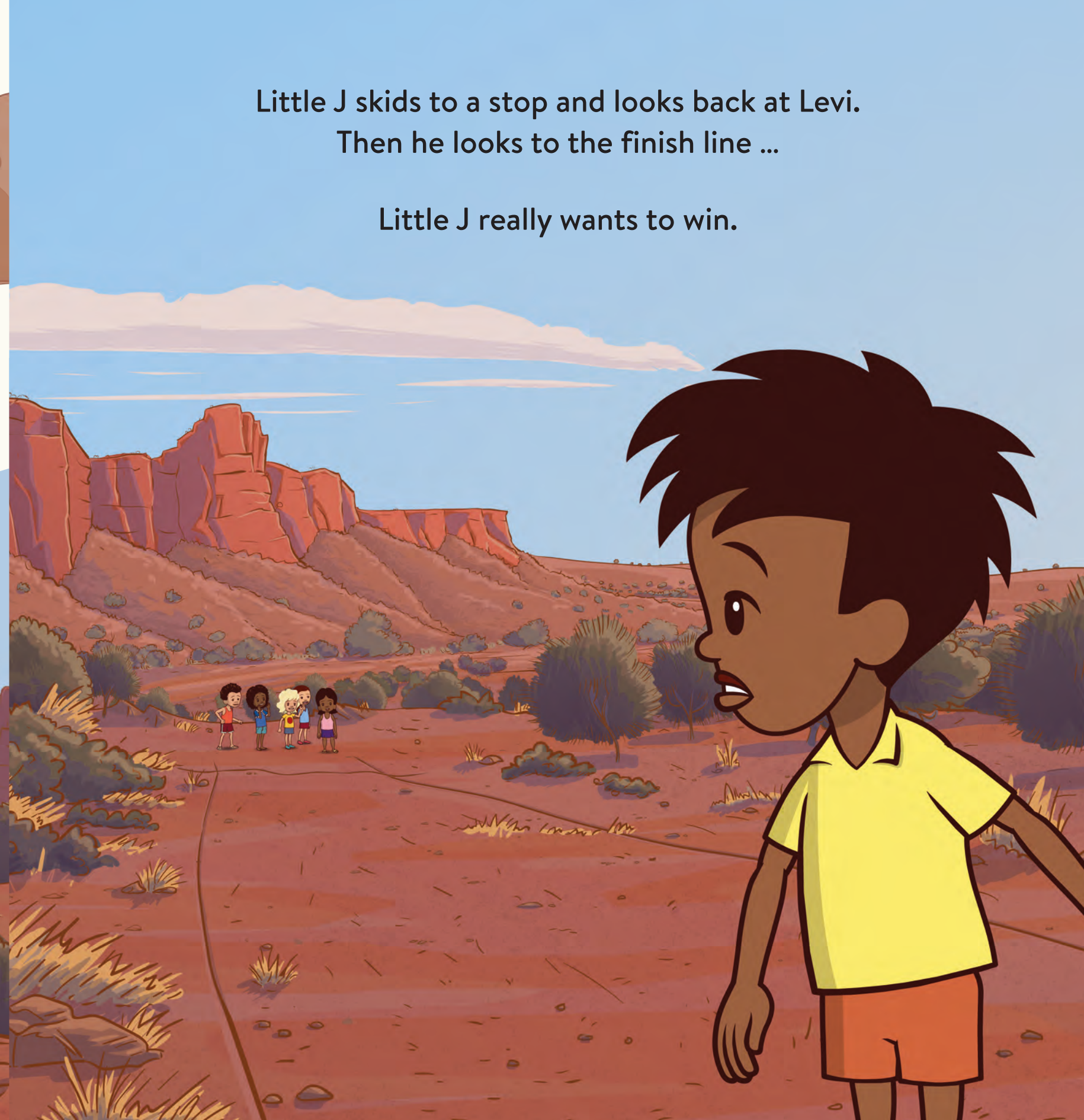


Uh oh! Levi's tin roller breaks with a **CLUNK** and a **CLATTER**.



Little J skids to a stop and looks back at Levi.
Then he looks to the finish line ...

Little J really wants to win.





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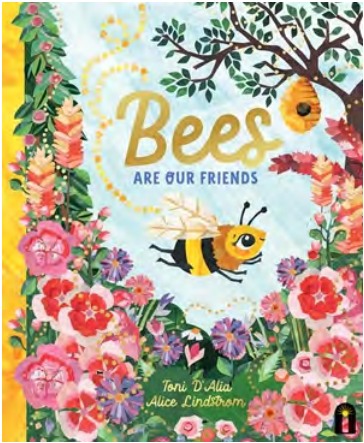
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Bees Are Our Friends

Toni D'Alia

Lindstrom, Alice

Bees are Our Friends invites readers into a stunning garden to admire the hard work of one little bee. As the bee pollinates the garden, vibrant flowers and ripe fruit and vegetables burst to life around her.

*Down in the garden,
up high in a tree,
is a busy bee hive ...
and one little bee.*

Written in irresistible rhyme by Toni D'Alia, and lavishly illustrated by Alice Lindstrom, young readers will pore over this perfect introduction to these essential insects.

Author Details

Toni D'Alia is a Melbourne-based author of children's books and contemporary fiction. With a background in primary education, Toni writes heartwarming stories to inspire, educate, empower and entertain. Her children's stories have humour, heart and a gentle focus on wellbeing and the environment.

Alice Lindstrom studied Philosophy, graduating with a Bachelor of Humanities from the University of Adelaide. Shortly after, Alice completed a Bachelor of Design at the National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA). After working as a theatre designer in Sydney, Alice returned to the University of Adelaide and completed a Masters of Museum Studies and a Graduate Diploma in Art History. Alice works in paper collage, using cut-and-paste techniques, painting and preparing the paper before cutting and assembling it to create textured and painterly collages. Alice's aesthetic draws on diverse influences, including mid-century illustration and design, folk art as well as Modern art movements.

Key Information

- Artwork by acclaimed illustrator Alice Lindstrom.
- The first in a series all about the essential work of insects.
- Exquisitely illustrated and told in irresistible rhyme, families will love to pore over the artwork and read together.



is a busy beehive ...

Down in the garden,
up high in a tree,


and one little bee.



She spreads pollen dust.

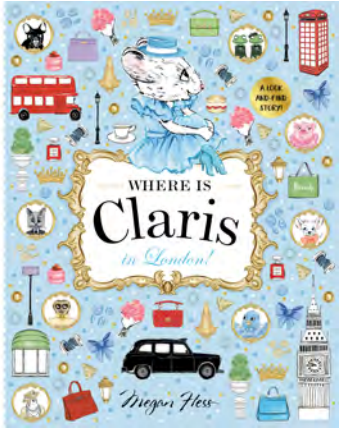
She pollinates the garden...

She visits each flower.



She zooms to a flower
and lands on the top.

She sips the
sweet nectar
and stores
every drop.



Where is Claris in London!

Claris: A Look-and-find Story!

Megan Hess

Claris, the chicest mouse in Paris, is setting off on an exciting adventure through London!

Can you find Claris and her friends in iconic places such as Buckingham Palace, Hyde Park and the West End? Look inside to find out!

Author Details

Megan Hess is an acclaimed art director and illustrator who works with some of the most prestigious designers and luxury brands around the world, such as Chanel, Dior, Cartier, Prada, Fendi, Louis Vuitton and Tiffany & Co. Her beloved *Claris* series for children has grown to include the *World of Claris* picture books.

Key Information

- The third look-and-find *Claris* adventure from beloved children's author Megan Hess, following Paris and New York.
- London cityscapes, covetable fashion, and recurring characters in every spread.
- Perfectly pitched for a picture book reader, with varying levels of difficulty!
- The Claris series continues to grow with five picture books and two look-and-find adventures available, as well as a spin-off. character series in the World of Claris.
- Megan Hess's books have sold over 1 million copies.

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Illustrations	Full Colour
Age Range	3 and up
Series	Claris
Category	Gift
Terms	SOR

*Top of the
morning!*

The Brat and
Madame are ready
for a lovely day in
London!

Can you find Claris
and her friends at
their hotel?

.....

CAN YOU SEE...

.....



2 hot drinks



6 boxes



2 yellow
boxes



5 falling
leaves



2 pairs of
sunglasses



3 bunches
of flowers



*First stop,
Oxford Street!*

You can find happiness and handbags at Selfridges.

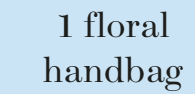
Can you spy Claris and her friends among the designer displays?

CAN YOU SEE...

- 1 floral handbag
- 2 pink hats
- 3 blue bows
- 4 roses
- 2 Valentino handbags
- 5 shopping bags

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1 floral
handbag



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3 blue bows



4 roses



2 Valentino handbags



5 shopping
bags

The royal treatment!

Buckingham Palace is fit for a queen – or even the Brat!

Can you find Claris and her friends posing at the palace?

CAN YOU SEE...



1 letterbox



12 lamps



2 hot drinks



10 butterflies

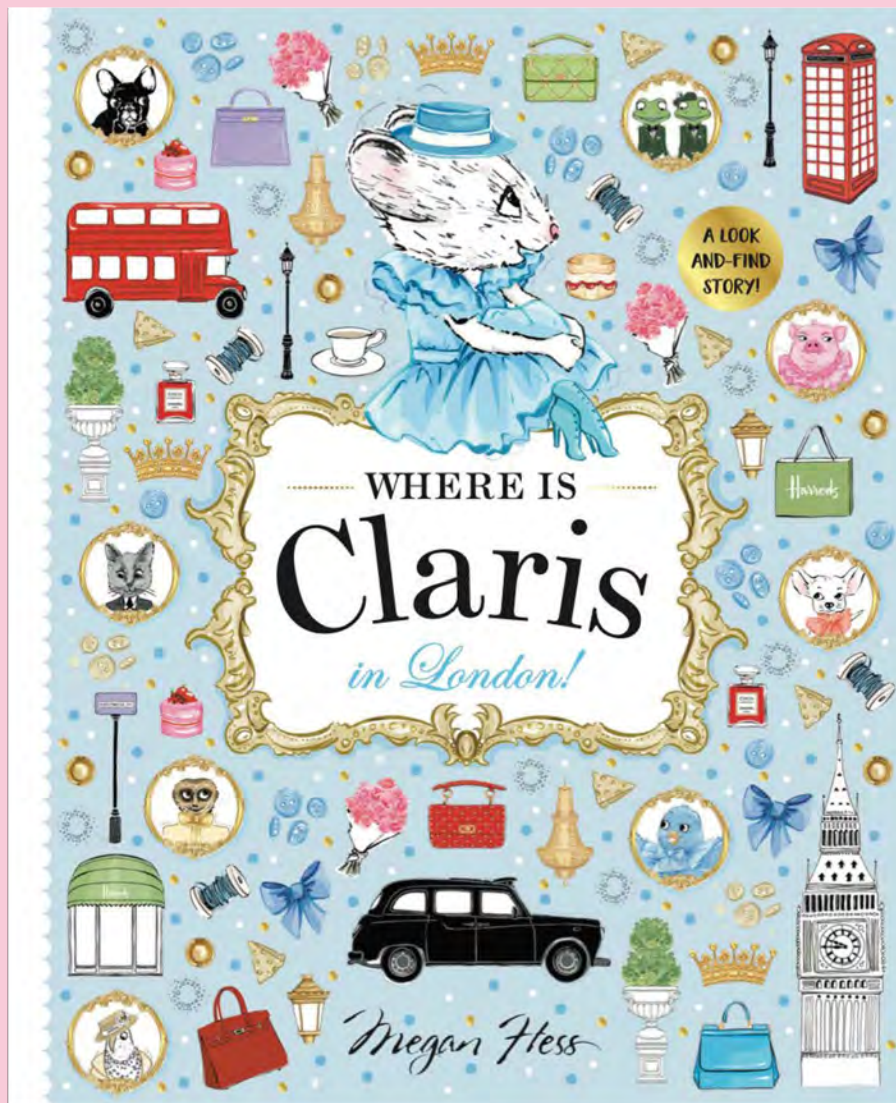


4 black sunglasses



6 palace guards





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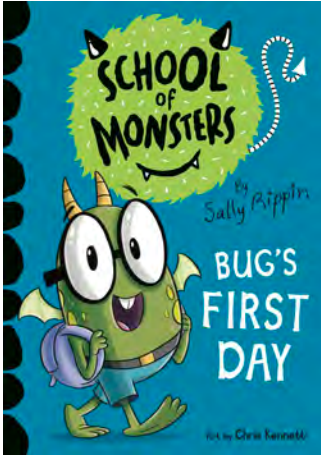
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Illustrations	Full Colour
Age Range	4 and up
Series	School of Monsters
Category	Child Junior Fiction
Terms	SOR

Bug's First Day

School of Monsters

Sally Rippin

Chris Kennett

***Bug starts to cry. His cheeks are wet.
'I don't know all my numbers yet!'***

It's Bug's first day at school, and he's worried that he's the only one who needs help learning. But is he?

Welcome to the **School of Monsters**: the funniest, silliest and most accessible series for first readers! Start by reading only the last word on every line and work your way up to reading the whole story. With tumbling rhymes and an infectious sense of humour, the weird and wonderful students at the **School of Monsters** are guaranteed to spark a love of reading!

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Sally Rippin is one of Australia's best-selling and most-loved children's authors. She has written over 50 books for children and young adults, and her mantle holds numerous awards for her writing. Best known for her *Billie B Brown* and *Hey Jack!*, and *Polly and Buster* series, Sally loves to write stories with heart, as well as characters that resonate with children, parents and teachers alike.

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Key Information

- Perfectly crafted for first-time readers, *School of Monsters* is the perfect bridging series to introduce children to chapter books.
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- Think *Dr Seuss* meets *Sesame Street* – secretly educational content wrapped up in bright, colourful artwork and loveable characters!
- At least 14 titles in the series to feed their newfound reading appetite!

Monsters take a
pad and **pen**.



They practise writing
up to **ten**.



'I can't read
books or
write my
name.'



To me, the words all
look the **same**.'

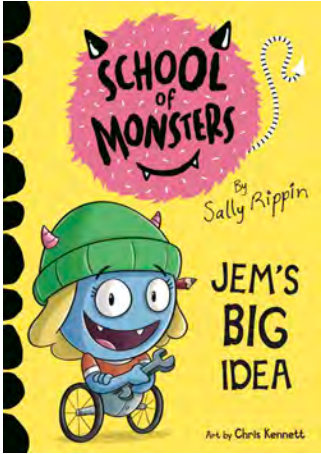


‘Oh Bug!’ she says.

‘Now, don’t you **fret**.

*No-one here is perfect
yet!*





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Age Range	4 and up
Series	School of Monsters
Category	Child Junior Fiction
Terms	SOR

Jem's Big Idea

School of Monsters

Sally Rippin

Chris Kennett

***This is Jem. She's very fast.
When monsters race, she's never last.***

Jem is fast, and Jem is strong – but she's always found first in hide and seek! Can she think up a way to win the game?

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‘We found you, Jem!’
the others **say**.

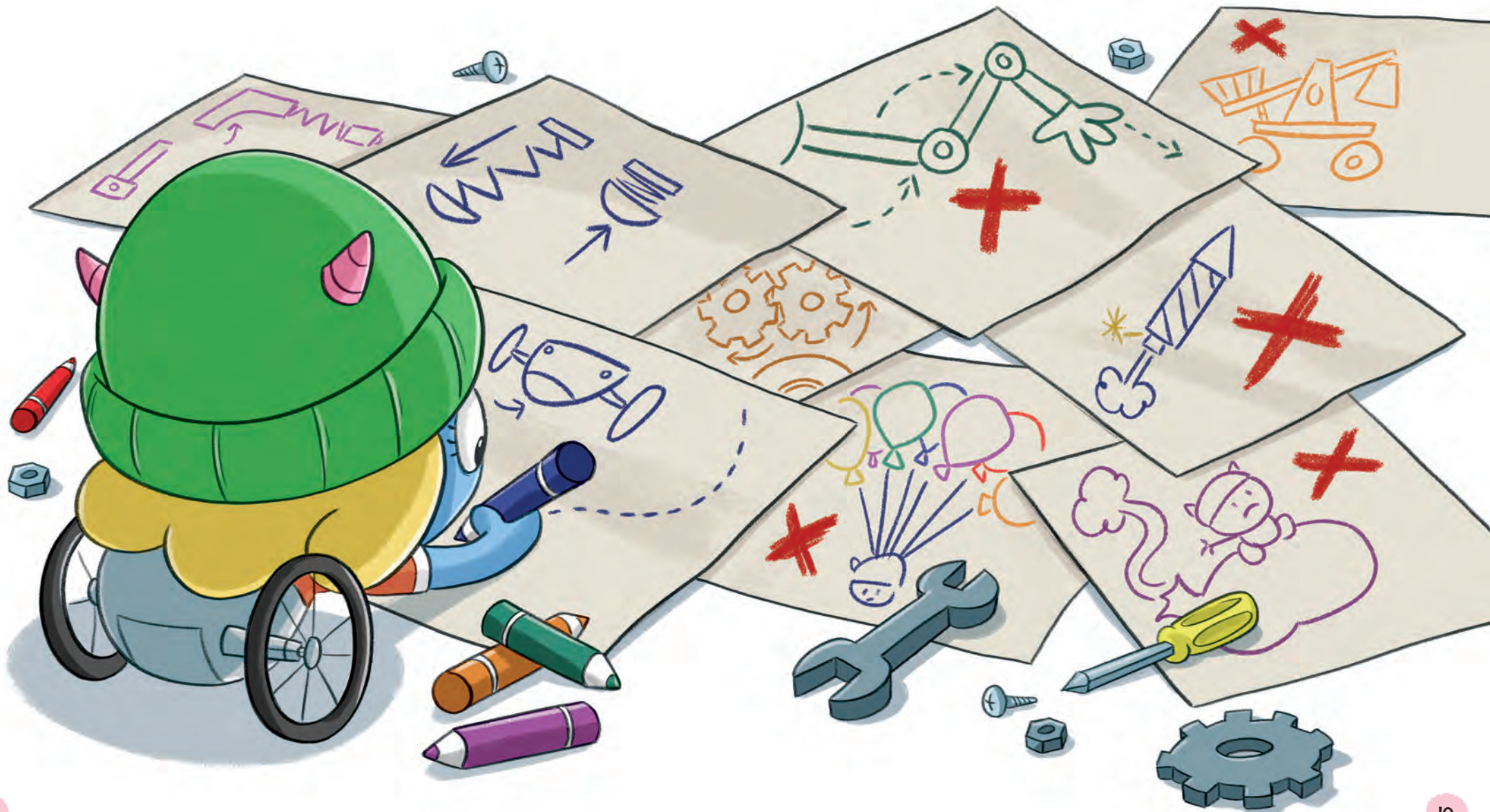


Jem wants to find
another **way**.



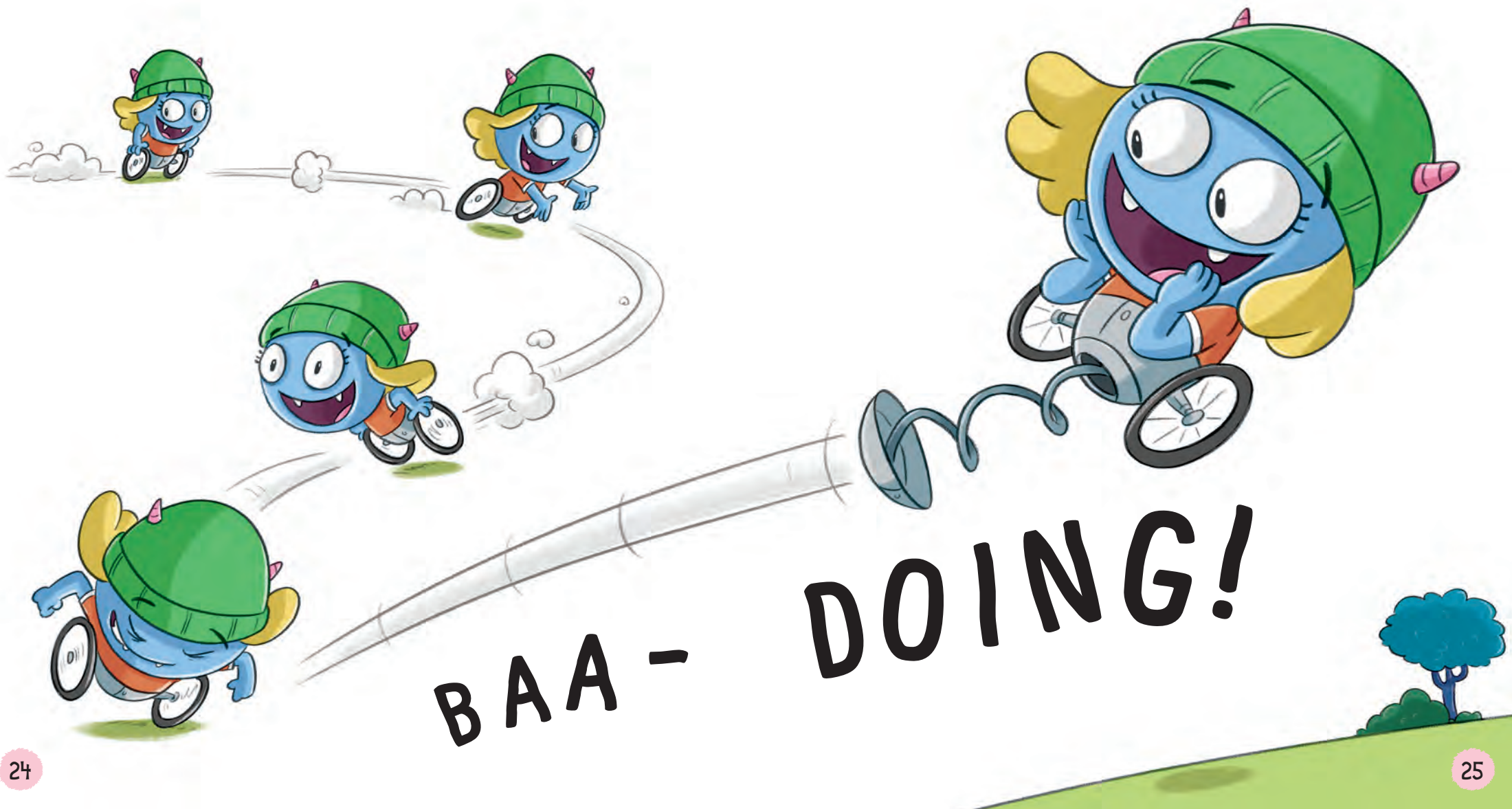
So Jem invents
a special **plan**.

Can she do it?



'This time there's
nowhere I can't **go**.'

Come and find me.
Don't be **slow**!





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Illustrations	Black and White
Age Range	8 and up
Series	Dungeoneer Adventures
Category	Child Middle Fiction
Terms	SOR

Lost in the Mushroom Maze

Dungeoneer Adventures #1

James Parks

Ben Costa

Dungeons & Dragons meets *The Last Kids on Earth* in this terrifically funny and fantastical new series *Dungeoneer Adventures*! *Lost in the Mushroom Maze* is the first book.

Coop Cooperson is the only human kid at Dungeoneer Academy, a school for future explorers in the Land of Eem, a world of monsters, mazes, mayhem – and even magic! Coop is surrounded by great friends – Oggie (hulking, sensitive bugbear), Mindy (whiz kid imp), and Daz (would-be class superstar boggart, if she only applied herself). Together, they become literal lifesavers when a school-trip-gone-wrong flings the kids into an adventure that puts all their Dungeoneer skills to the test. As Coop and his misfit friends try to find their way home, they'll face more than their own fears to overcome a menagerie of dangerous creatures, obstacles and a mysterious enemy from the Academy's past.

Author Details

James Parks and **Ben Costa** write comics, books, and games. They've been friends since the second grade, and love making stuff together. It all began in grade school, drawing superhero comics with crayons and construction paper. In high school, they spent hours making wacky homemade movies, and then as college roommates, they came up with the idea that would become *Rickety Stitch* and *the Gelatinous Goo*, their first published graphic novel series in 2017.

They love fantasy, and strive to craft tales that celebrate the adventures of unlikely heroes. They grew up playing tabletop role-playing games like *Dungeons & Dragons*, creating countless characters and collaborative worlds with their pals. It's a pastime that's paved the way for their creative careers, and they still play with the same friends to this day.

Key Information

- Funny, action-packed and highly illustrated series.
- Good bridging series from *Real Pigeons* for kids not ready to leave the illustrations behind.
- *Dungeons & Dragons* meets *The Last Kids on Earth* in this new series.

Chapter 1

That's it, I'm dead meat. I know, I know. The story literally just started, but I am TOAST. In fact, we all are.

Need proof? Check out the gnarly creature chasing me and my friends.



That thing's called a ramgore. Extremely grumpy. And do you see those horns? Trust me, you don't want to be on the business end of those horns.



That's me, Coop--front and center. Coop Cooperson. Yes, my name is really Coop Cooperson. And if you didn't already know, you're reading my adventures. I keep a journal of everything that happens to me. Mainly because I'm the only human kid ever at Dungeoneer Academy.

My best friend Oggie--he draws all the pictures. That's him on the right. The tall bugbear, eyes wide and panting hard. He's basically, like, the best artist in the whole school.

Next to Oggie is Mindy. She's an imp. And right now, she's struggling to keep up because of that giant backpack of hers. Weighs her down like an anchor. Who wears a backpack that huge, filled with that much random stuff? Mindy, that's who. She says it's because a dungeoneer needs to be prepared for anything. Which is true. But one thing I've learned over and over again in my short time here at Dungeoneer Academy...you also need to be

prepared to run for your life!

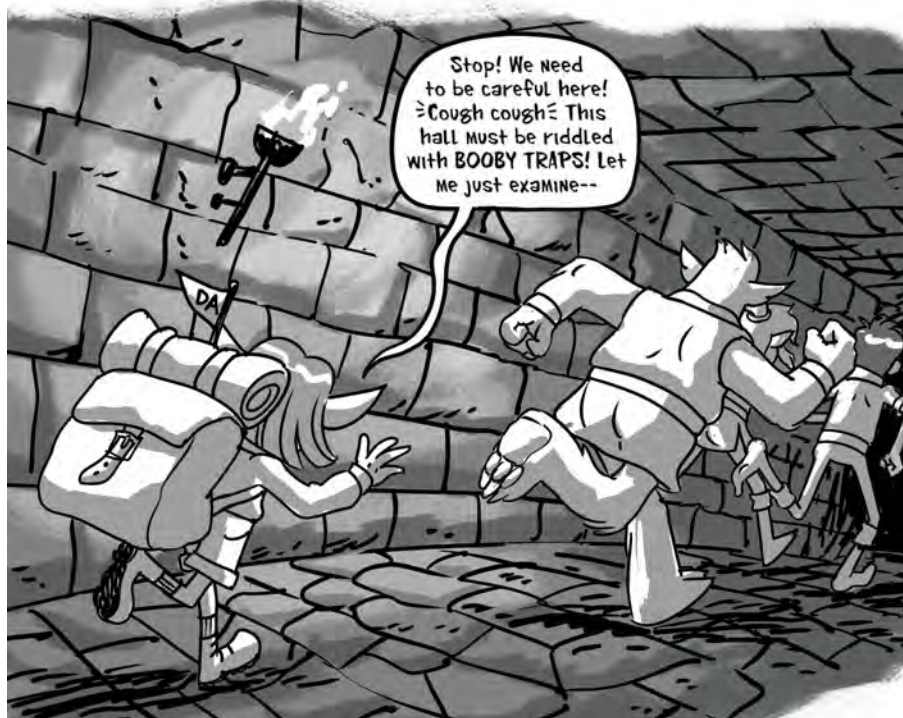
Luckily, Daz is there to give Mindy a hand as we leap for the slimy rock wall in front of us. Daz is a boggart, and easily the most awesome of our team. She's smart, fast, skilled...and, well, kinda cute.

Wait a minute--I can't be thinking about cute girls at a time like this! Get your head in the game, Coop! Your future at Dungeoneer Academy is riding on this. All of our futures are!

I clamber up the slimy surface of the wall, almost slipping to my doom. But my hands find a firm grip, and I barely pull myself out of harm's way as the ramgore slams its mighty horns into the wall with a **THUD!**

Whew! That was close. But there's no time to rest. We run full speed ahead into the next hallway, and out of nowhere this green, stinky gas pours from a vent in the stone walls. Ick! A gas trap! It smells like an ogre ate a trash salad sandwich and burped in my face. We've got to keep moving.

"Wait!" Mindy yells.



CLICK!

I accidentally step on a pressure-plate! Something sharp and pointy whizzes by my head.

We dash forward, not even watching where we step!



CLICK! WHIZZ! WHOOSH! Gouts of flame blast from jets in the floor and ceiling! We weave through them, fire so hot it burns my nostrils.

All of a sudden a pendulum blade swings towards us from the darkness above.

"Duck," yells Oggie.

We dive out of the way. Well, everyone except Mindy. She hits the floor, and her humongous backpack tumbles over her head. The pendulum narrowly misses slicing her in two.

"Mindy!" I scream.

"I'm fine!" she says, muffled under her backpack.



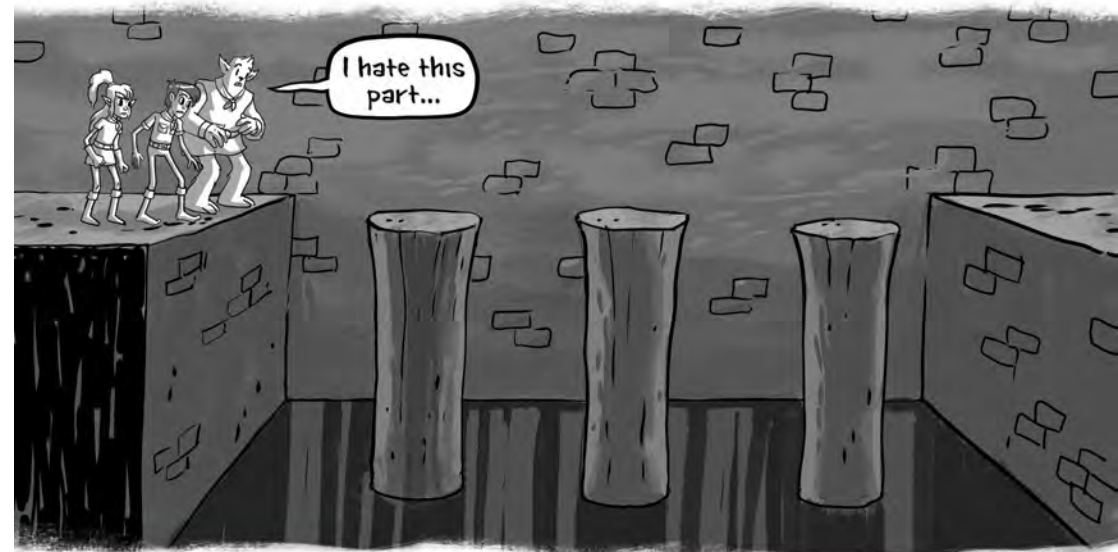
The pendulum sways back and forth above her like an old tire swing. Well, an old, razor sharp, murderous tire swing.

"Just stay down!" I reply. She'll be fine if she doesn't move. But we've got to press on. Time is against us.

We charge forward, and next thing I know Oggie sticks out his big furry arm to stop me from plunging down a pit.

"Whoa. Thanks, pal!" I say.

"Don't mention it," says Oggie. He sighs.



"Just follow my lead." I take a step back and jump to the first platform in front of us.

Daz leaps right behind me as I leap to the second platform, and Oggie follows her.

Now, I should probably explain something about Oggie. Oggie is super strong, and like I said before, he's a great artist. Oh, and of course he's the best friend anyone could ever ask for. But Oggie...well, he's kinda clumsy. He says he's still growing into his body, and sometimes his big old feet can't keep up with his brain.

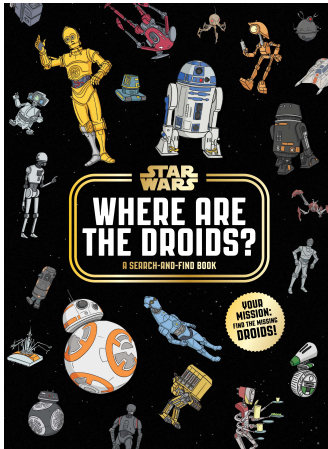
And that's exactly what happens as he leaps from one platform to the next. Oggie's feet go all wonky, and he spins out of control like a dizzy ballerina.

BAM! Oggie accidentally bumps into Daz, and she loses her footing too. I turn around but there's nothing I can do. They both go tumbling into the murky water below with a **SPLASH!**

"Oggie!," Daz yells as her head bobs up from the water. She's clearly frustrated.

"Sorry, Daz." Oggie is soaking wet and looks about a hundred pounds thinner.

"Whatever," Daz mutters under her breath. She turns my



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Where Are the Droids?

Star Wars

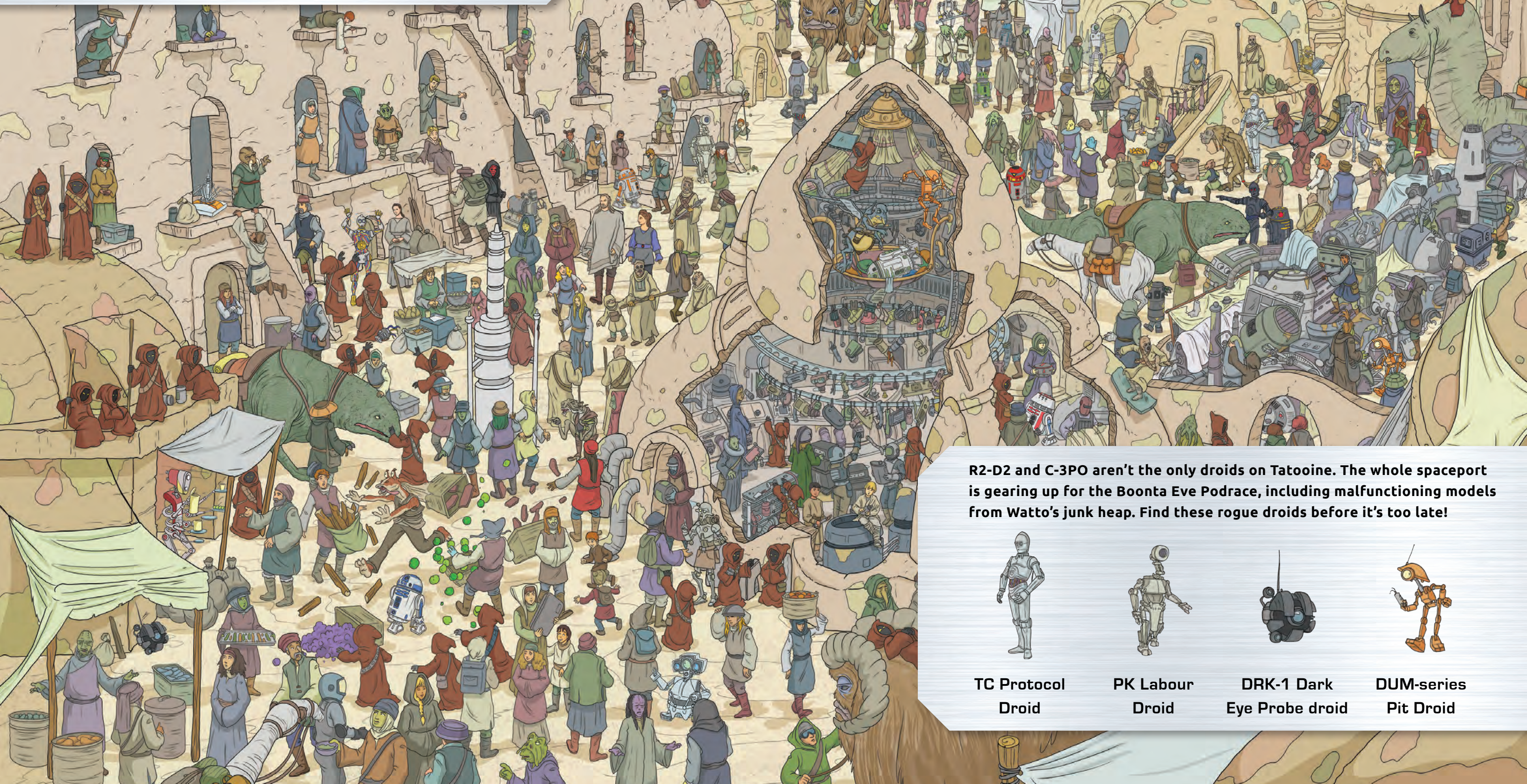
Forces of evil are looking for droids, and it is your mission to find R2-D2, C-3PO, BB-8, and other Star Wars droids and characters as they journey throughout the galaxy in this interactive search-and-find book. With scenes from Naboo, Hoth, Exegol, and other locations from across the Skywalker Saga, this book is full of nonstop fun for every Star Wars fan.

Key Information

- Celebrate all things *Star Wars* with this luxe, droid-filled search-and-find book. Find R2-D2, C-3PO, BB-8 and more!
- A perfect gift for fans aged 6+, complete with a gold foiled cover!
- The beloved *Star Wars* universe continues to expand on Disney+, with the hotly-anticipated third season of *The Mandalorian* premiering in early 2022, *The Book of Boba Fett* in late 2021, and *Obi-Wan Kenobi* in 2022.
- Search-and-finds continue to grow in popularity!

TATOOINE

On the Outer Rim planet of Tatooine, Jedi Master Qui-Gon Jinn has discovered a boy who is strong in the Force. Young Anakin Skywalker is very good at fixing machines, and his latest project is the half-built protocol droid C-3PO. The brave astromech droid R2-D2 arrived with Qui-Gon aboard Queen Amidala's starship and is destined to meet his droid counterpart here in the Mos Espa Spaceport. Find R2-D2 and C-3PO so that their fateful meeting can take place!



R2-D2 and C-3PO aren't the only droids on Tatooine. The whole spaceport is gearing up for the Boonta Eve Podrace, including malfunctioning models from Watto's junk heap. Find these rogue droids before it's too late!



TC Protocol
Droid



PK Labour
Droid



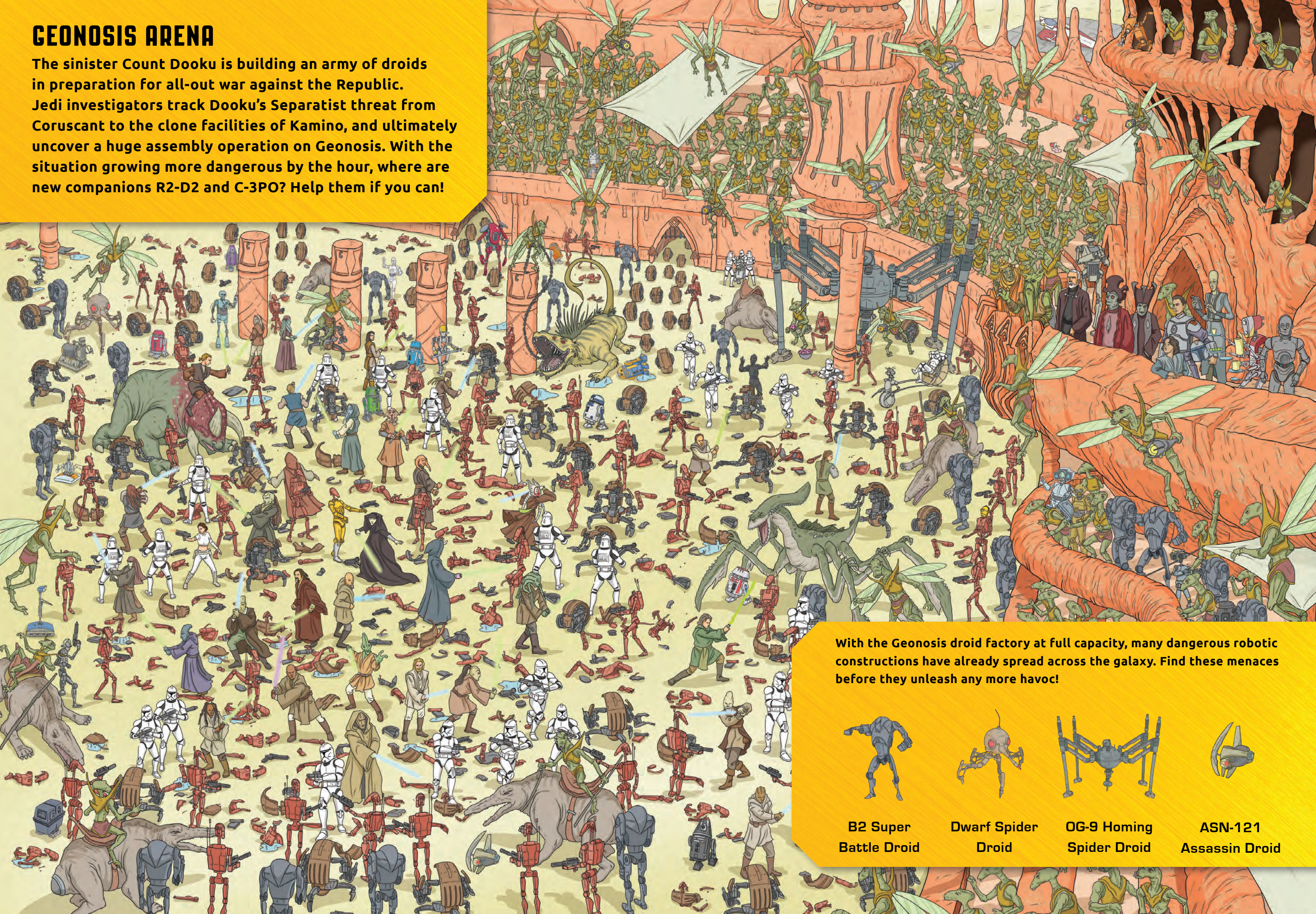
DRK-1 Dark
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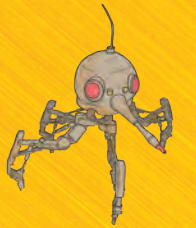

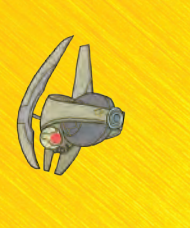
DUM-series
Pit Droid

GEONOSIS ARENA

The sinister Count Dooku is building an army of droids in preparation for all-out war against the Republic. Jedi investigators track Dooku's Separatist threat from Coruscant to the clone facilities of Kamino, and ultimately uncover a huge assembly operation on Geonosis. With the situation growing more dangerous by the hour, where are new companions R2-D2 and C-3PO? Help them if you can!

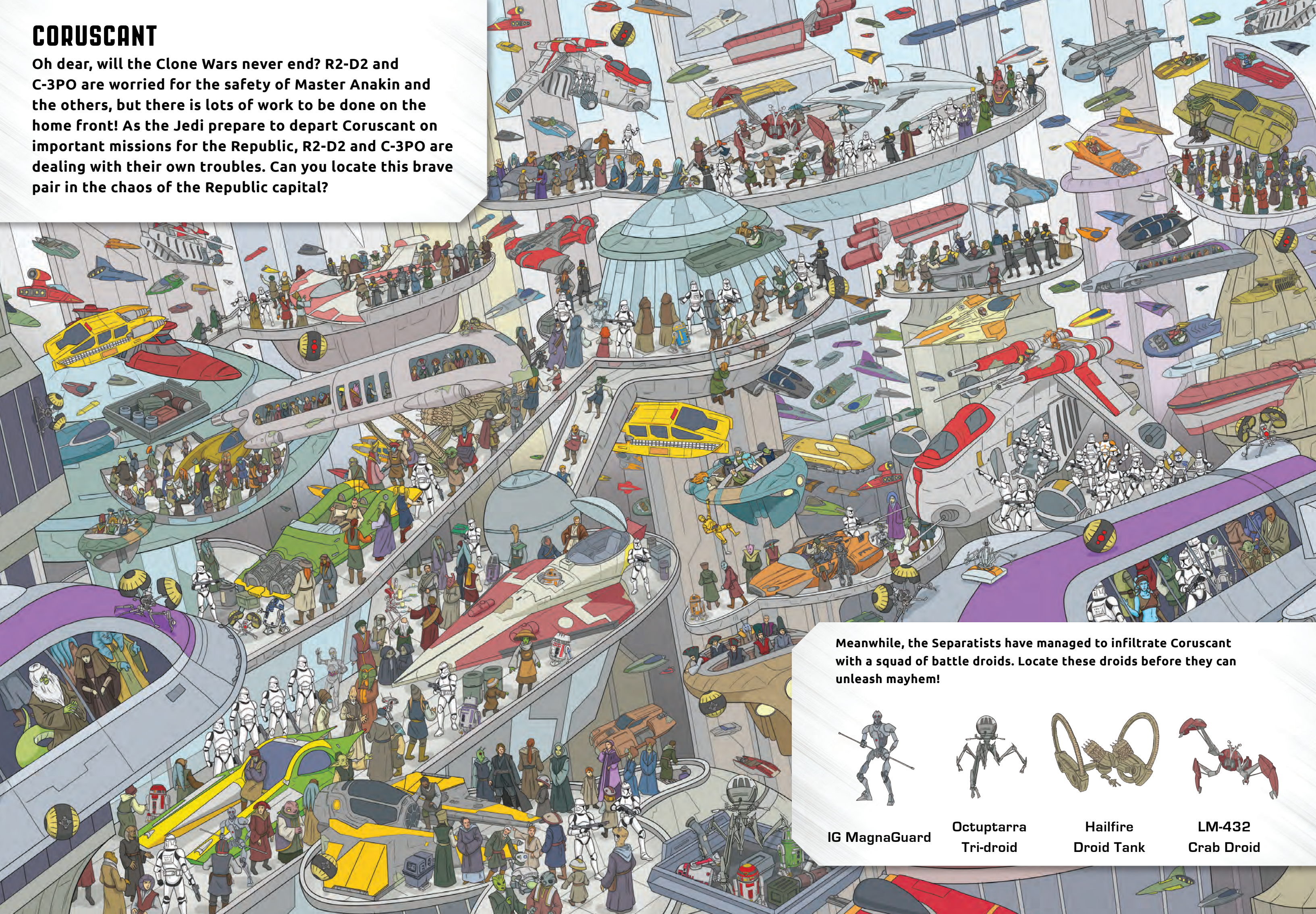


With the Geonosis droid factory at full capacity, many dangerous robotic constructions have already spread across the galaxy. Find these menaces before they unleash any more havoc!

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| B2 Super Battle Droid | Dwarf Spider Droid | OG-9 Homing Spider Droid | ASN-121 Assassin Droid |

CORUSCANT

Oh dear, will the Clone Wars never end? R2-D2 and C-3PO are worried for the safety of Master Anakin and the others, but there is lots of work to be done on the home front! As the Jedi prepare to depart Coruscant on important missions for the Republic, R2-D2 and C-3PO are dealing with their own troubles. Can you locate this brave pair in the chaos of the Republic capital?



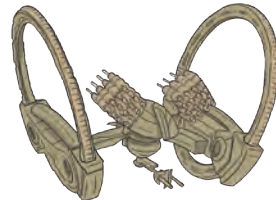
Meanwhile, the Separatists have managed to infiltrate Coruscant with a squad of battle droids. Locate these droids before they can unleash mayhem!



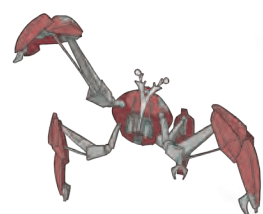
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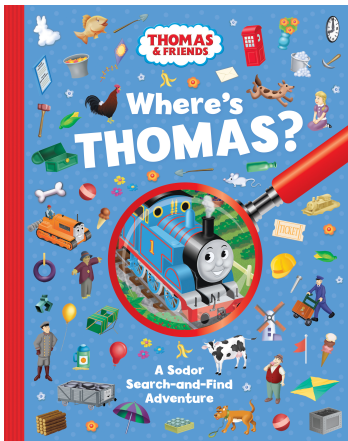
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Hailfire
Droid Tank



LM-432
Crab Droid



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Binding	Hardback
Price	AU\$16.99 NZ\$18.99
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Extent	32pp
Illustrations	Full Colour
Age Range	3 and up
Series	Thomas and Friends
Category	Child Novelty
Terms	SOR

Where's Thomas?

A Sodor Search-and-Find Adventure

Thomas & Friends

Sodor is a busy, bustling place with plenty of things for a team of Very Useful Engines to do.

Join Thomas and all of his friends as they travel all across the Island and see how many hidden things you can find on each colourful page!

Key Information

- Search-and-finds continue to grow in popularity!
- Each spread features a beautifully illustrated scene featuring Thomas and his friends on Sodor Island.
- Both visual and text clues make this interactive book perfect for a range of ages!
- Simple, engaging text on each page gives readers information about places on Sodor and the different jobs that Thomas and his friends do.
- One Thomastoy engine is sold every second somewhere in the world!

Good Morning, Sodor!

All of the engines set off bright and early each morning to do their various jobs on the Island of Sodor.



Can you spot these items?



Ready for more?

Can you spot ...
7 Really Useful Engines

Can you find ...
6 pink flowers?

A Busy Station

Travelling by train is very popular on Sodor. Thomas has just pulled into a platform and the station is bustling with activity.



Can you spot these items?



What about these?

pair of glasses

dog

glove

bouquet of flowers

apple

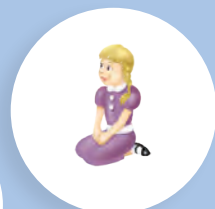
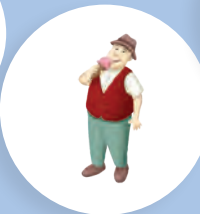
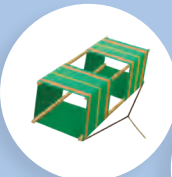
umbrella

A Perfect Picnic

There's a lovely picnic being held in the park near the castle. Thomas and his friends are delivering fruit for everyone to enjoy.



Can you spot these items?



Ready for more?

Find something that is:

yellow

orange

purple

soft and fuzzy

a square

a circle

Board Books

Hardie Grant

CHILDREN'S PUBLISHING





Publication	01 June 2022
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Imprint	Little Tiger Fiction
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Age Range	3 and up
Series	NA
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ABC of Love

Patricia Hegarty and Summer Macon

*Aa is for always-
that's how long I'll love you for.
Bb is for bear hug,
to show I love you more.*

Discover all the ways we can say we love one another with this beautiful ABC board book.

Gentle rhyming text and adorable animal characters introduce little learners to the concept of love and the many ways we can show it. From making others feel like they fit in and belong, to sharing special moments, there are so many little acts of kindness that can make others feel loved.

With chunky pages and soothing pastel colours, this is the perfect book to read with your little one before bed. A delicate first-concepts book about learning the alphabet and learning to be kind.

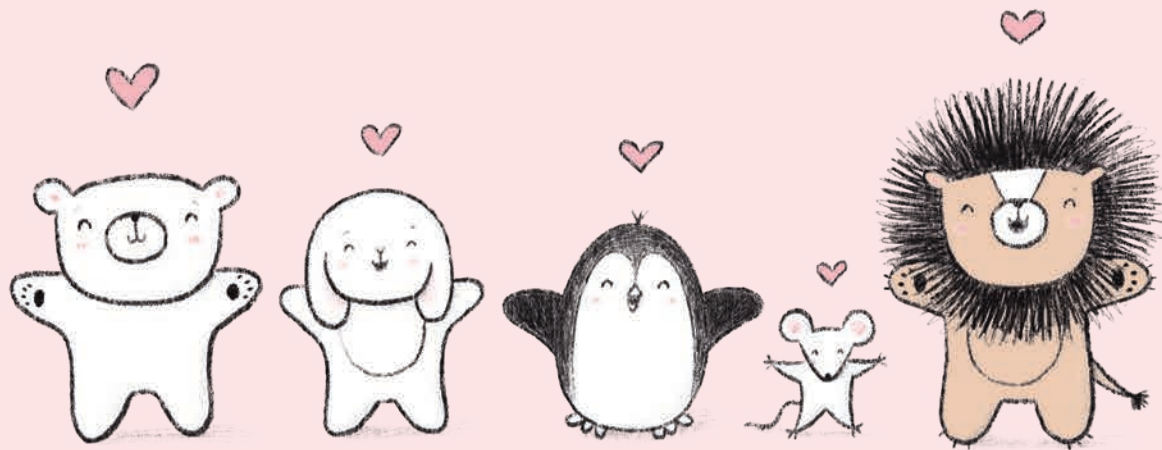
Author Details

Patricia Hegarty is currently the Editorial Director of Caterpillar Books and has written about all kinds of things from trees and bees to ABCs (and she loves to rhyme).

Summer Macon was raised in an itty bitty town of Southern NM. As a child, she quickly became known as “Tiger” as this is how she would sign her homework next to the many doodles covering their pages. She has decided to now go by her real name and lives in an even smaller itty bitty town (population 32) in beautiful Colorado. In the summer time (Summer enjoys the summer and not the winter) you can find her rock climbing, mountain biking or doodling on her contracts.

Key Information

- A gentle introduction to the learning the alphabet and the concept of love.
- Rhyming text explores the many ways we can show how much we love one another.
- Beautiful, delicate illustrations by Summer Macon are engaging and endearing.
- Adorable animal characters are perfect for little learners.
- A fantastic and calming bedtime read with an educational tone.
- Chunky pages are great for little hands.
- Also available: *123 of Thankfulness*, *ABC of Kindness*, *Happiness is a Rainbow*, *Friendship is Forever*.



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is for always –
that's how long I'll love you for.



Bb

is for bear hug,
to show I love you more.

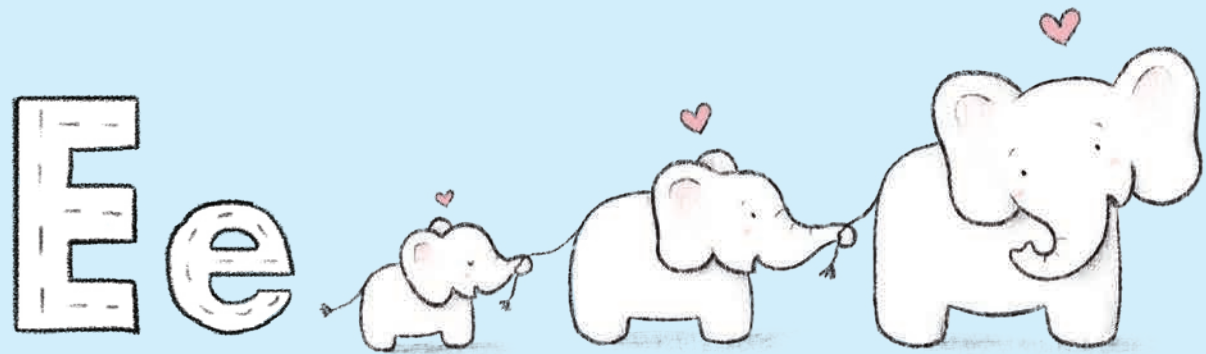
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is for cherish –
looking after one another.



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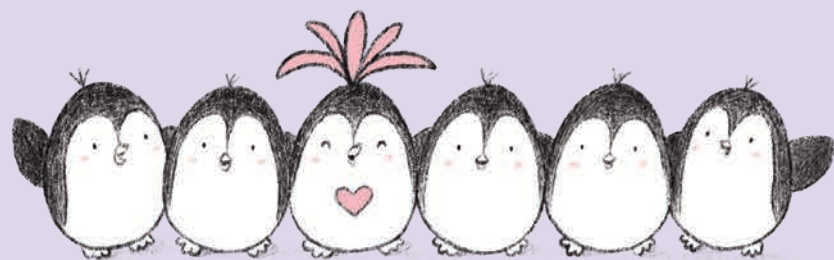
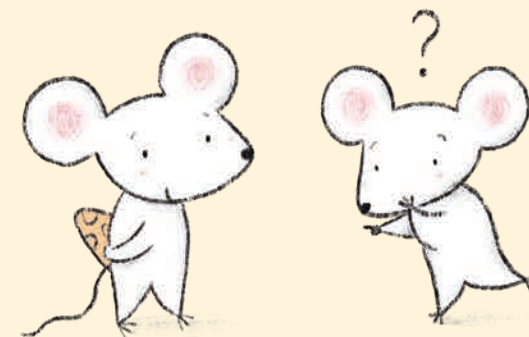
is for devoted,
as we are to each other.



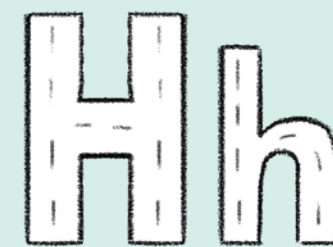
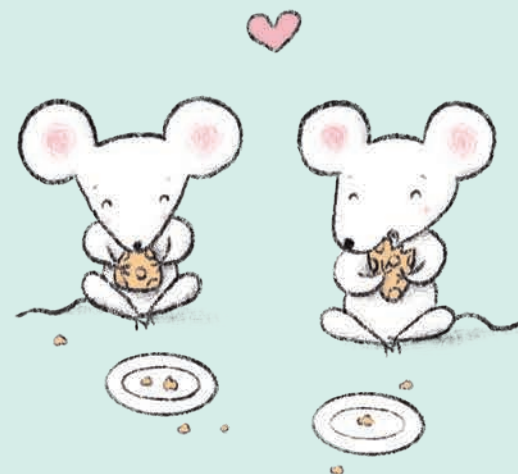
is for ever –
love lasts your whole life long.



is for giving
and generosity.



is for feeling
you fit in and belong.



is for happiness –
made for you and me!



Hello, You!

Cani Chen

Babies will love looking at the high contrast images in these stylish board books. With die-cut covers and super-bright fluorescent inks on every page, the second in the series of these very first books are guaranteed to capture your little one's attention.

Author Details

Cani is a print and pattern designer who has created kidswear, home décor and stationery. She is happiest when drawing cute animals and enjoys mixing up different mediums such as gouache, watercolour, collage and ink!

Key Information

- High contrast black and white images throughout—perfect for newborns.
- Tactile, die-cut cover and different fluorescent inks on every spread.
- Exciting new illustration talent, Cani Chen.

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Mummy smiles

Hello!

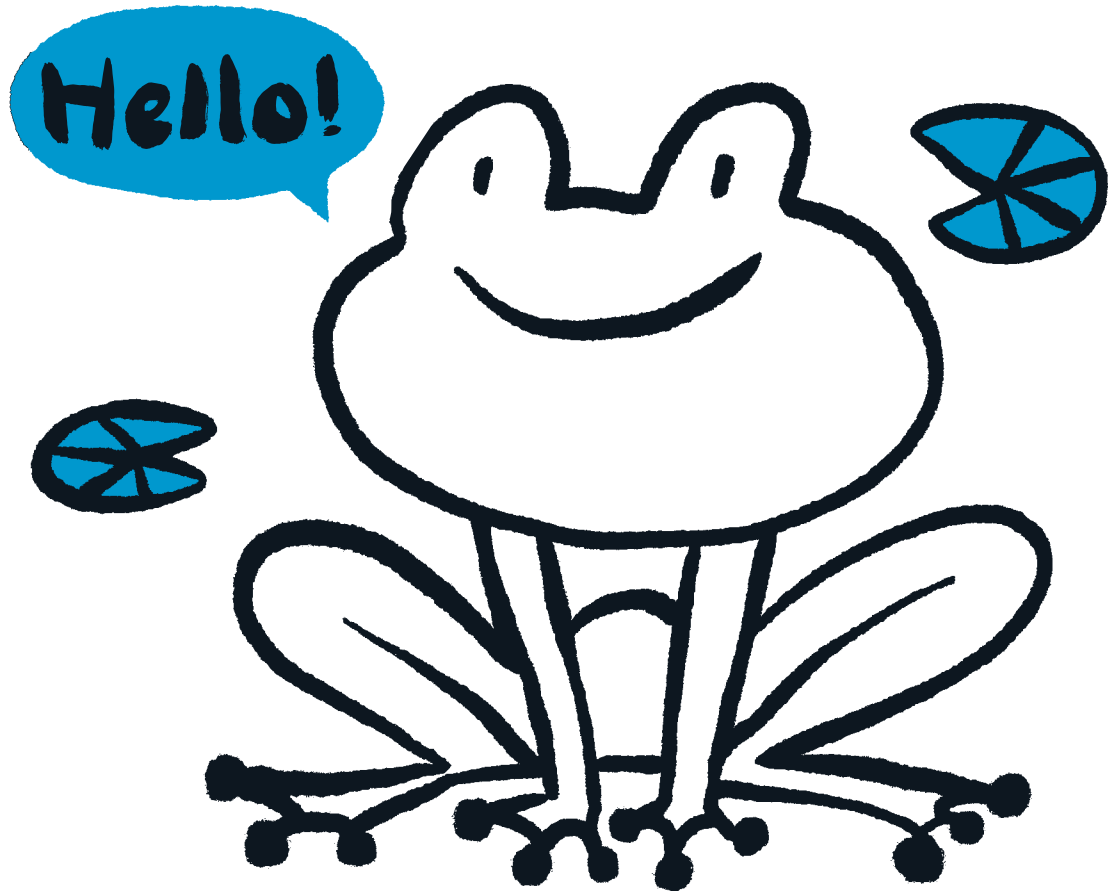


Daddy waves

Hello!



Frog ribbits



Bear grunts



Fox barks



Owl hoots





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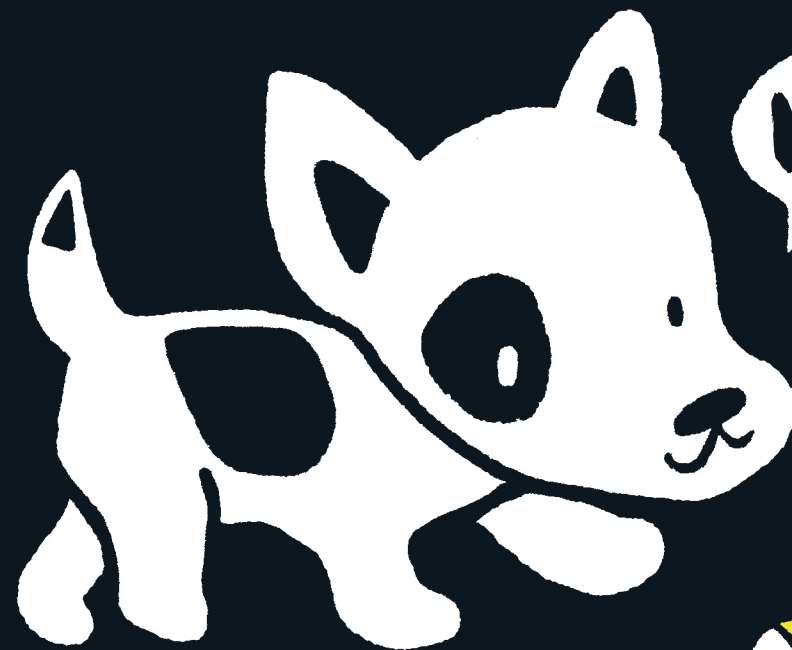
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Kitten purrs



Hello!

Puppy plays



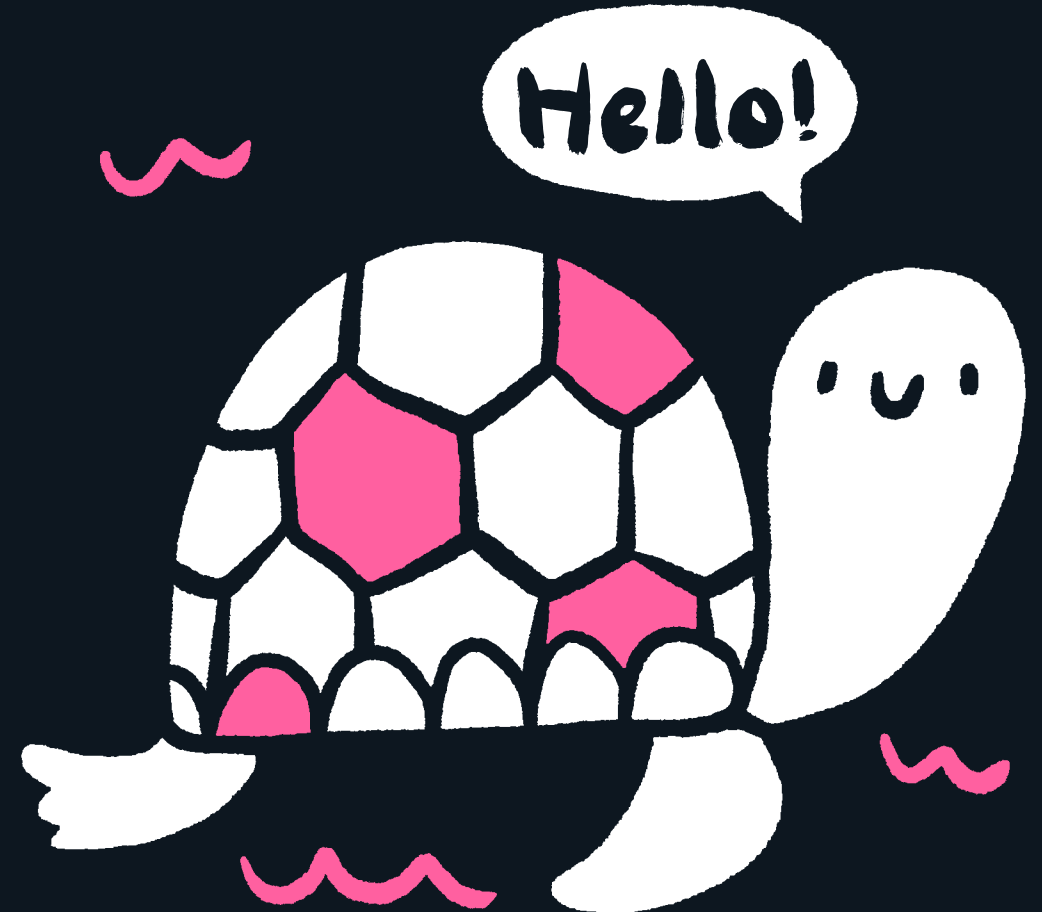
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Penguin flaps

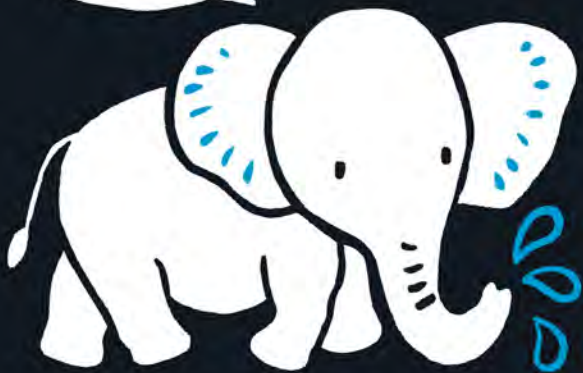


Turtle paddles



Elephant trumpets

Hello!



Panda grins

Hello!

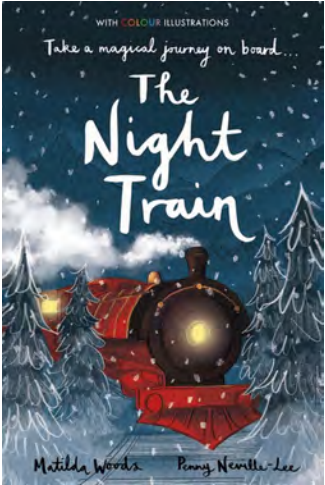


Fiction

Hardie Grant

CHILDREN'S PUBLISHING





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Extent	96pp
Illustrations	Full Colour
Age Range	5 and up
Series	NA
Category	Young Adult Fiction
Terms	SOR

The Night Train

Matilda Woods

Penny Neville-Lee

A range of simple stories for new readers, with beautiful colour illustrations.

With a shrill whistle the Night Train is off, delivering its passengers to children’s dreams. The yeti, the ballet dancer, the friendly monster and the princess all have starring roles. Then the train comes to an unexpected halt. A tree has fallen across the track and there’s no way the guard can move it on his own. It’s a race against time and the passengers will need to use all their talents to get the train moving again. Can they reach their dreams before midnight?

An uplifting story celebrating the power of working together by Matilda Woods, author of *The Boy*, *The Bird* and *The Coffin Maker*, gorgeously illustrated by debut artist Penny Neville-Lee.

Author Details

Matilda Woods grew up in a small town near Canberra, Australia. She graduated from Monash University with a Master’s of Social Work and now splits her time between writing middle-grade fiction and working as a youth social worker. She is the author of *The Boy*, *The Bird* and the *Coffin Maker*, *The Girl*, *The Cat* and the *Navigator* and *The Girl Who Sailed the Stars*. She currently lives in Southern Tablelands, the same town where she grew up, with her four chickens, three dogs, two cats and one bird.

Penny Neville-Lee was born in Surrey and raised on a diet of Saturday cartoons and MGM musicals. She gained an MA in Painting at the Royal College of Art and then turned her hand to illustrating children’s books. *The Night Train* is her first book.

Key Information

- Accessible and engaging colour fiction with illustrations on every page.
- Stunning hardback editions to treasure, encompassing a wide range of stories.
- Matilda Woods is the author of *The Boy*, *The Bird* and the *Coffin Maker*, *The Girl Who Sailed the Stars* and *The Girl, The Cat and the Navigator*.
- Penny Neville-Lee is an exciting debut illustrator.

“Off on your travels again?”

Charles said when he reached the yeti. The yeti was a regular passenger on the Night Train. His dreamer was a girl called Lily who wanted to be a great explorer. She had been travelling towards the North Pole for three weeks with the yeti for company.

The yeti nodded. “Lily is not the staying-at-home kind.” He searched among the cups and saucers in his bag and pulled out his ticket. An ice cube had melted over it but luckily the guard could still make out the Night Train emblem and the evening’s date.





Ruby flew on to Princess May's shoulder. With a final glare at the other passengers, the princess opened the carriage door and jumped down into the snow. She followed the trail of footprints until she found Charles who was standing at the front of the train.

The train had stopped on the edge of a narrow bridge spanning a deep gorge. Princess May looked around. Mountains heavy with snow loomed high above. Then she saw a large tree lying across the track up ahead. It must have tumbled down the slopes, felled by the weight of the snow.

For a moment everything was silent, then:

“Get off me!” Princess May squealed.

“Oh no! I’ve spilled my tea!” cried the yeti.

“Be careful!” Henri bellowed from the bottom of the pile. “My dancing legs are priceless!”

The monster jumped down, plucking a burst balloon from his horn.



Princess May rolled off the yeti and stood up, adjusting her tiara.



The yeti clambered upright and grabbed his cup and saucer.

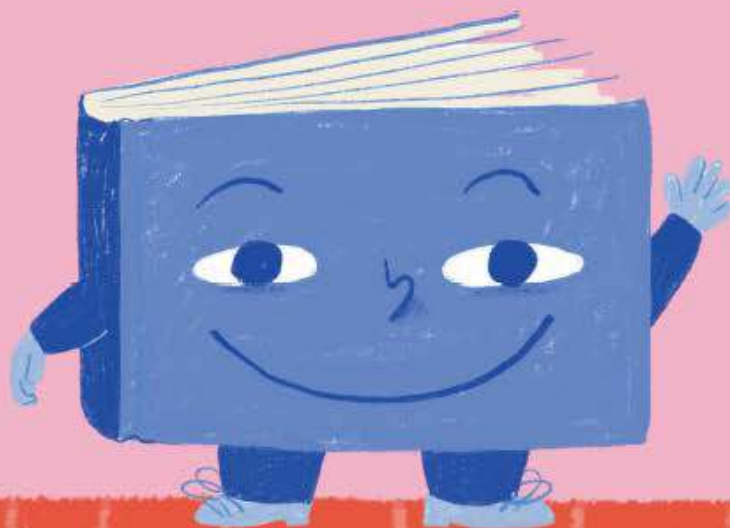
“Thank goodness!” said Henri, gingerly getting to his feet.

“I’m so sorry,” said Charles. “Please take a seat while I go and speak to the driver. I’m sure we’ll be moving again in no time.”

Non Fiction

Hardie Grant

CHILDREN'S PUBLISHING





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Age Range	1 and up
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Category	Child Novelty
Terms	SOR

100 First Words

Lauren Crisp

Thomas Elliott

Filled with vibrant illustrations and many essential first words, this compact board book is the perfect launch pad for little ones' language skills.

Author Details

Lauren Crisp is a children's book editor who is lucky enough to make beautiful books every day! She lives in London but grew up in Yorkshire, and loves long country walks with her dog, Ludo. She enjoys reading, writing and dreaming up fun rhymes for the books she works on.

Thomas Elliott is an illustrator and designer with a keen love of nature. When he's not creating beautiful books, he likes to spend time with his family and two dogs.

Key Information

- A pocket-sized board book, perfect for little hands.
- Filled with many essential first words to learn.
- With bright, bold illustrations to make learning fun and accessible.
- Part of the *I Can Learn* series, with its range of innovative early-learning novelties.

Toys and Games

doll



crayons



kite



slide



ball



puzzle



teddy bear



blocks



Colours



purple



red



yellow



pink



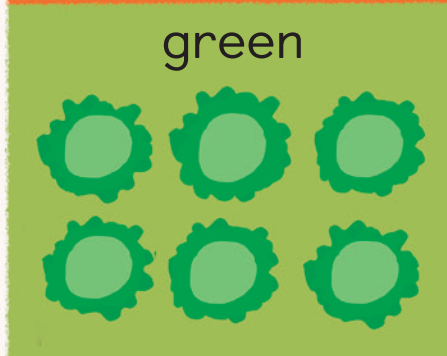
orange



blue



black and white



green

Food



carrot



cheese



strawberry



banana



milk



apple



cake



bread



broccoli

