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At Five Quills we believe reading should be fun and that humour and lively illustrations are key to developing lifelong readers.

We are passionate about creating stories that open children's worlds, inspiring curiosity and wonder. This is why our high-quality picture books and young fiction titles for children aged 3-9 years have well-crafted, action-packed stories at their centre, integrated with engaging, imaginative pictures throughout.



WILDLIFE HIGHLIGHTS

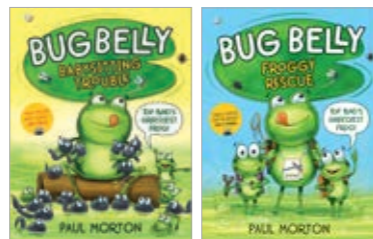
LOTTIE LOVES NATURE ages 6+ (p.7)

An exciting eco-adventure series, creating the wildlife experts of the future.



BUG BELLY ages 5+ (p.6)

Urgle-Gurgle-Glump! Follow Top Pond's greediest frog on his dangerous rescue missions through the spooky Whispering Woods and across a dangerous bog!



PICTURE BOOKS ages 3+ (pp.1-5)

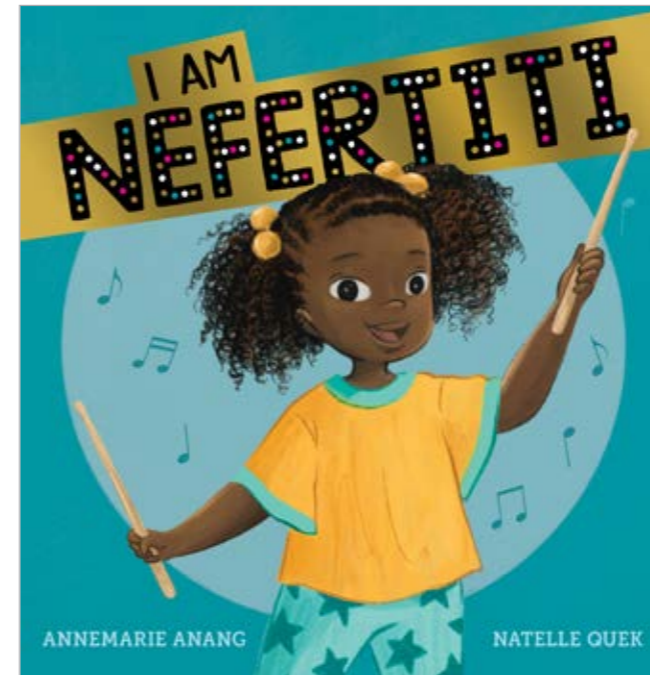


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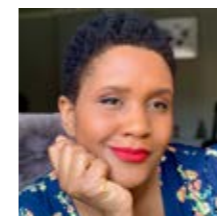
'A deft, empathy-fostering exploration of the importance of names and respect'-
The Guardian

by Annemarie Anang and illustrated by Natelle Quek



When Nefertiti plays the drums, the band plays as one. "I am Nefertiti" she says, and she feels ten feet tall. But when the new music teacher shortens her name to 'Nef', bit by bit, she starts to shrink. Without Nefertiti to keep the beat, the band is in disarray . . . "I am Nefertiti!" she whispers to herself. Drawing on her inner strength and with the support of the other children, they help Miss Potts recognise the importance of honouring Nefertiti's name. Now, when Nefertiti keeps the beat, the music sounds so sweet!

- Published
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- 9781912923304 / Ebook / £5.99
- 250 x 260mm • 32 pp
- Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights Available: World (excluding UK English)



ANNEMARIE ANANG is an actress and former primary school teacher. She began writing for children

after struggling to find books for her daughter that featured main characters who reflected the diversity of children in our world. A Londoner, born to Ghanaian parents, she lives in Sweden with her young daughter and husband. This is her first book.



NATELLE QUEK is a Malaysian-born illustrator. Natelle loves to use bold colours and cinematic perspectives. Her work is influenced by pop culture, folk art, nature and her personal heritage.

She lives in Southeast England. In 2020, she was awarded the SCBW/ IPOC Women's Scholarship. Natelle has illustrated *The Little Mermaid* (Penguin) by Anna Kemp, a powerful retelling of a classic fairytale.



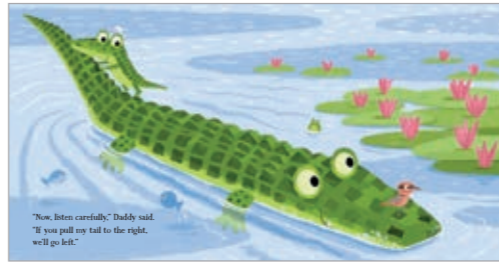
My DADDY is the BEST

by Guido Van Genechten



Isabella has so much fun with daddy. Daddy has a really cool tail and with it he can sail like a boat and even do balancing tricks.

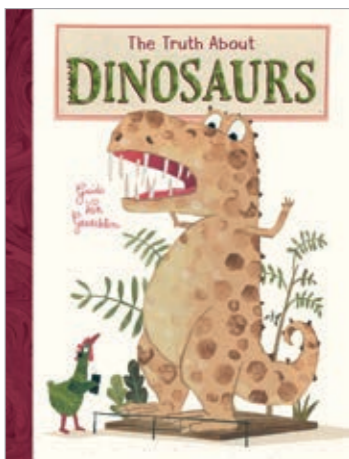
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- Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Sales Territory: World (except US and Canada)
- Foreign Rights: Not Available



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The Truth About DINOSAURS

by Guido Van Genechten



What do chickens and dinosaurs have in common? Open this book and find out! Meet an ordinary chicken whose family photo album reveals the long withheld truth about dinosaurs!

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GUIDO VAN GENECHTEN is a best-selling international children's book author/illustrator.



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BEAVER'S BIG ADVENTURE

~ A JOURNEY HOME ~

by Magnus Weightman



Beaver has big dreams! One day he makes himself a sturdy boat and sets off on an epic adventure to explore the world. **Young explorers will love visiting all kinds of fascinating animal houses from around the world in this stunning picture book.**

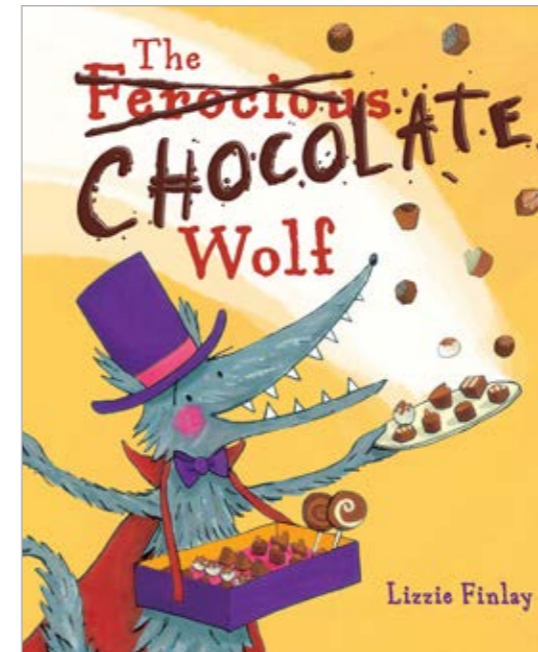
- Published
- 9780993553776 / Paperback / £6.99
- 9781912923274 / Ebook / £5.99
- 210 x 280 mm • 32 pp
- Age 4+ • Full-colour
- Sales Territory: World (except US and Canada)
- Foreign Rights: Not Available



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The Ferocious CHOCOLATE Wolf

by Lizzie Finlay



FEROCIOUS is a very unusual sort of wolf. He LOVES chocolate and he can't wait to share it with the animals in town. But when he opens his new chocolate shop, nobody dares to even come near it . . . "He's surely got a dastardly plan to eat us all!" clucks Mrs Chicken. Lonely and outcast, Ferocious' dreams are dashed. Then, one brave piggy bucks the trend and is richly rewarded with delicious chocolates and a new friendship that turns the tables on everyone's expectations and prejudices.

- Published
- 9780993553790 / Paperback / £6.99
- 9781912923298 / Ebook / £5.99
- 290 x 240mm • 32 pp
- Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights Sold: Dutch, Korean, Slovenian, US

LIZZIE FINLAY is the author/illustrator of the bestselling picture book *Dandyion*, winner of the Dundee Picture Book Award and shortlisted for the NASEN Children's Book Award, and *Little Croc's Purse*. She has also illustrated the *Compton Valance* and *Pony-Mad Princess* series (Usborne Publishing). This is her first picture book for Five Quills.



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PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

"The Ferocious Chocolate Wolf celebrates the importance of being yourself, pursuing your dreams and being a good friend."
– The North Somerset Teachers' Book Award

"An endearing story of love, acceptance and friendship, brimming with wonderfully vibrant and expressive illustrations, inspirational messages." – Lancashire Post

SKY PRIVATE EYE

FAIRYTALES WITH A DETECTIVE TWIST

by Jane Clarke and Loretta Schauer



Sky Private Eye: and the Case of the Sparkly Slipper

The Prince is stunned – just as the clock struck midnight, the winner of the best costume competition at his fancy-dress ball vanished into thin air! All she left behind was a sparkly slipper.

- Published
- 9780993553721 / Paperback / £7.99
- 250 x 250 mm • 32 pp • Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights sold: Complex Chinese, Simplified Chinese, Denmark, Turkey, USA



Sky Private Eye: and the Case of the Missing Grandma

Little Red Riding Hood is worried – Granny has gone missing! The Big Bad Wolf has left telltale hairs at Granny's house . . . Has he gobbled her up, or did he follow her on her beachside holiday, waiting to fatten her up nicely?

- Published
- 9780993553707 / Paperback / £7.99
- 250 x 250 mm • 32 pp • Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights sold: Complex Chinese, Simplified Chinese, Denmark, Spain (world), Turkey, USA



Sky Private Eye: and the Case of the Runaway Biscuit

The Little Old Lady and the Little Old Man are bereft – the Gingerbread Boy has run away to train for the Fairytale Olympics. Is he fast enough to outrun hungry Foxy Loxy?

- Published
- 9780993553714 / Paperback / £7.99
- 250 x 250 mm • 32 pp • Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights sold: Complex Chinese, Simplified Chinese, Denmark, Spain (world), Turkey, USA



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JANE CLARKE is the talented author of over 80 books for young children, including the award-winning picture books *Gilbert the Great*, *Stuck in the Mud* and *Neon Leon*.

LORETTA SCHAUER has illustrated numerous children's books, including *A Very Corgi Christmas* and the *Dougal Daley* series.

PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

"A lively fairytale series." – The Bookseller

"A fun story with wonderful illustrations and a great read aloud for story time."
– The North Somerset Teachers' Book Award

"Full of fun, with super illustrations." – Parents in Touch

"Kids will absolutely love this fabulous re-spun classic" – Read It Daddy



by Paul Morton

THE FROG IS INGENIOUS! HE'S INVENTIVE!
BUT CAN HE RESIST A SNACK ON THE FLY? NO WAY!



Bug Belly: Froggy Rescue

The froglets are having a sleepover and wishing on shooting stars with their favourite uncle. If only Uncle Bug Belly's tum hadn't gone URGLE-GURGLE-GLUMP! He wouldn't have missed Magpie swooping down on unsuspecting little Splodge...

Now Bug Belly and the froglets must go on a dangerous rescue mission. Will his cool gadgets be enough to rescue Splodge from Magpie's nest?

- July 2021
- 9781912923052 / Paperback / £6.99
- 9781912923229 / Ebook / £5.99
- 138 x 180mm • 96 pp
- Age 5+ • Two-tone colour
- Rights Available: World (excluding UK English)



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Bug Belly: Babysitting Trouble

It's Uncle Bug Belly's turn to babysit! The taddies and froglets in Top Pond can count on him for lots of froggy fun, but when Uncle Bug Belly's tummy goes URGLE-GURGLE-GLUMP! everyone knows that spells one thing – TROUBLE!

Will Bug Belly's penchant for tasty snacks lead him and the taddies astray, straight into the hungry jaws of Old Pike, Heron or Sneaky Snake?

- Published
- 9781912923045 / Paperback / £6.99
- 9781912923212 / Ebook / £5.99
- 138 x 180 mm • 96 pp
- Age 5+ • two-tone colour
- Rights sold: Turkish



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PAUL MORTON is an exciting author/illustrator with lots of stories to tell. He has produced dozens of children's board games, some for Disney and Pixar, as well as artwork for educational books. He likes frogs, wild mushrooms and mountain biking and gets lots of his best ideas whilst out pedaling.

PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

"The illustrations leap of the page at you – just like Bug Belly himself!"
– Mo O'Hara

"Fast-paced, funny and full of froggy frolics" – Jim Field

"A wonderful addition to the world of illustrated fiction"
– The Book Activist

Summer Reading Challenge selection 2020

LOTTIE LOVES NATURE

A BRAND NEW ECO-ADVENTURE SERIES FOR YOUNG READERS

by Jane Clarke and James Brown

Action-packed, humorous stories to inspire and empower young readers to help save wildlife and look after planet Earth. Each book is filled with nature and environmental facts, wildlife scrapbook ideas, plus tips on how to save nature right in your own back garden.



BOOK 1: Frog Frenzy

FROG FRENZY: Lottie has to save the frogs in her neighbour's garden!
Nature hooks: frogs and ants; how to make a pond.
 • Published • 9781912923076 / PB • 9781912923151 / Ebook
 • Rights sold: Slovenia

BOOK 3: Bird Alert

BIRD ALERT: Lottie is counting the birds in her garden.
Nature hooks: birds; how to make a bird feeder and recipe for fat cakes.
 • Published • 9781912923090 / PB • 9781912923175 / Ebook
 • Rights sold: Slovenia

BOOK 2: Bee-ware!

BEE-WARE!: Lottie is keen to save the bees!
Nature hooks: bees & bugs; how to make a bug hotel and butterfly feeder.
 • Published • 9781912923083 / PB • 9781912923168 / Ebook
 • Rights sold: Slovenia

BOOK 4: Hedgehog Surprise

HEDGEHOG SURPRISE: Lottie is saving important nocturnal creatures!
Nature hooks: bats, moths and hedgehogs; how to make a hedgehog home and moth box.
 • October 2022 • 9781912923106 / PB • 9781912923182 / Ebook
 • Rights Available: World (excluding UK English)

SERIES INFORMATION

- Paperback • £6.99 each • 185 X 129 mm • 128 pp • 7+ • Black & white illustrations throughout
- Ebook / £5.99 each • Rights Available: World (except UK English Language and Slovenia)

"Encourages curiosity about the natural world, creating the wildlife experts of the future" – North Somerset Teachers' Book Award

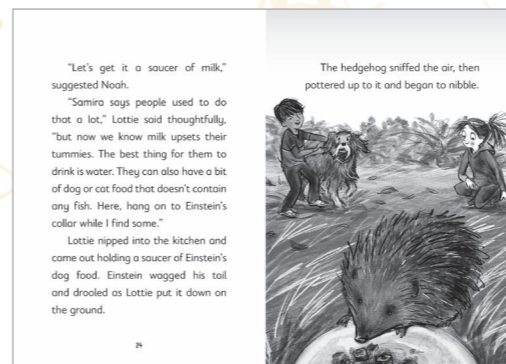
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JAMES BROWN is the illustrator of *Al's Awesome Science* (Five Quills), *Elsbeth Hart* by Sarah Forbes (Stripes) and *Tally & Squill* by Abbie Longstaff (Little, Brown), and the author of *With My Mummy* and *With My Daddy*.

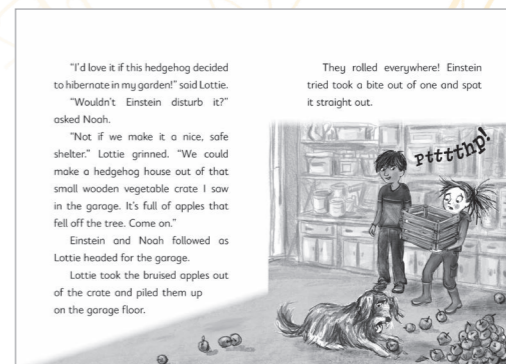


SERIES HIGHLIGHTS:

♥ Action-packed, funny stories perfect for emerging readers

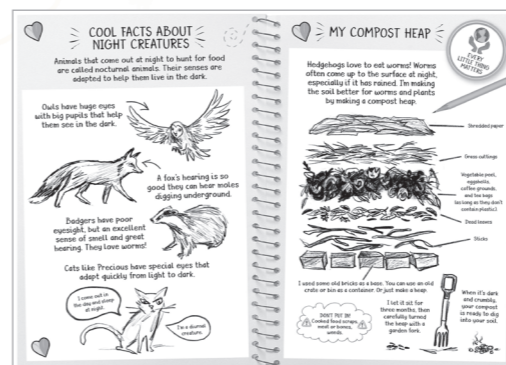


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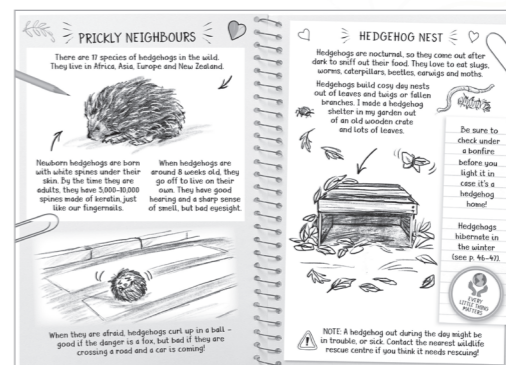


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♥ Includes detailed wildlife scrapbook activities and tips how to save nature in your back garden or neighbourhood

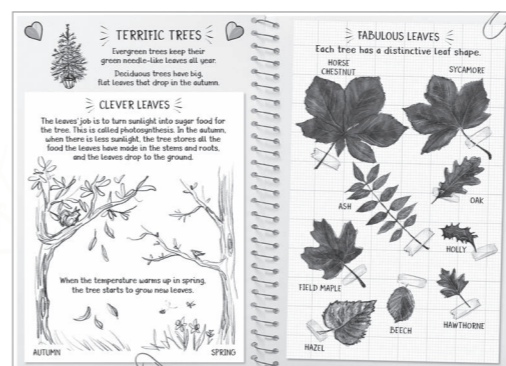


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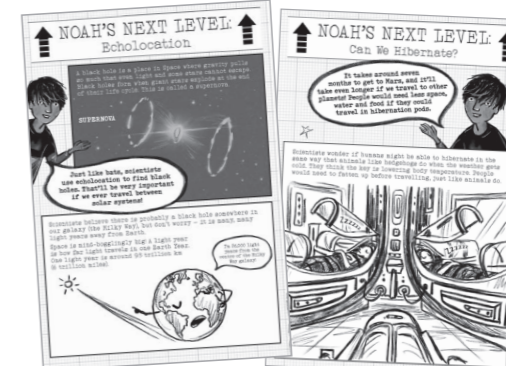


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♥ Filled with facts about nature and the environment, and exciting insights about future innovations



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PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

A 2021 SUMMER READING CHALLENGE selection

"The story encourages curiosity about the natural world and learning through first hand experience - creating the wildlife experts of the future." – North Somerset Teachers' Book Award

"With nature and conservation tips tucked away at the back of the book, this is the perfect way to have fun while learning!" – Lancashire Evening Post

"This book will really engage young readers with the natural world and the joy of playing outside." – Absolutely Education

A'L'S AWESOME SCIENCE

by Jane Clarke, illustrated by James Brown

FUNNY, MESSY, SCIENCE-BASED ADVENTURES FOR YOUNG READERS

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE SELECTION FOURS YEARS RUNNING!

2022,2020,2019,2018.

WINNER OF THE STEAM PRIZE 2019



A'l's Awesome Science: Busy Bodies

Al is researching the effects of travelling in a time machine on his body. Trouble is, it's hard to experiment without ANY mess . . . especially when the Goods' cat Precious is in the same house as Al's naughty dog Einstein!

Science hook: Experiments about digestion, nutrition, facts about the body, balance, and Space travel.

- Published
- 9780993553769 / Paperback / £6.99
- 9781912923144 / Ebook / £5.99
- 185 x 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 6+ • Black & white
- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, French, Turkish



A'l's Awesome Science: Blast-off!

Al and his friends are experimenting to blast off his time machine. Trouble is, fiddling with homemade rockets is messy, and adding too much baking powder to their birthday cake causes some unexpected gassy consequences . . .

Science hook: Experiments with thrust and potential energy show how rockets and catapults work.

- Published
- 9780993553752 / Paperback / £6.99
- 9781912923137 / Ebook / £5.99
- 185 x 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 6+ • Black & white
- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, French, Turkish



A'l's Awesome Science: Splash Down!

Al is experimenting to find out what kind of covering his time-machine capsule will need to survive its SPLASH DOWN! back to Earth.

Science hook: Experiments with water include how to create a siphon, what happens when you spin a bucket filled with water (centripetal force), making 'ice'-cream, and splash landings.

- Published
- 9780993553745 / Paperback / £6.99
- 9781912923120 / Ebook / £5.99
- 185 x 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 6+ • Black & white
- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, Dutch, French, Turkish



A'l's Awesome Science: Egg-speriments!

Al is experimenting to find the best shape for his time-machine capsule. But using up all the eggs in the fridge (meant for dinner!), plus his dog's naughty escapades, land him in a very sticky situation with the neighbours . . .

Science hook: Experiments with eggs show that egg-shaped objects are the strongest shape in nature – they can withstand great force (within reason).

- Published
- 9780993553738 / Paperback / £6.99
- 9781912923113 / Ebook / £5.99
- 185 x 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 6+ • Black & white
- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, Dutch, French, Korean, Turkish



PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

Summer Reading Challenge selection 2022,2020,2019 & 2018

"Packed with scientific facts, but perhaps more impressive are the examples of some key scientific methods and capabilities (close observation, investigating and problem solving, being systematic and discriminating) and scientific attitudes (curiosity, persistence, exploration, sustained thinking). Working together, the twins devise some ingenious and messy experiments."

– The School Librarian

"The perfect book to bridge from picture books. There's plenty of fun illustrations between the pages and a simple fun story. What's great though is how likeable the twins are – there's no attempt to make them outrageously wacky – and how they are so interested in science and nature."

– TOPPSTA

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