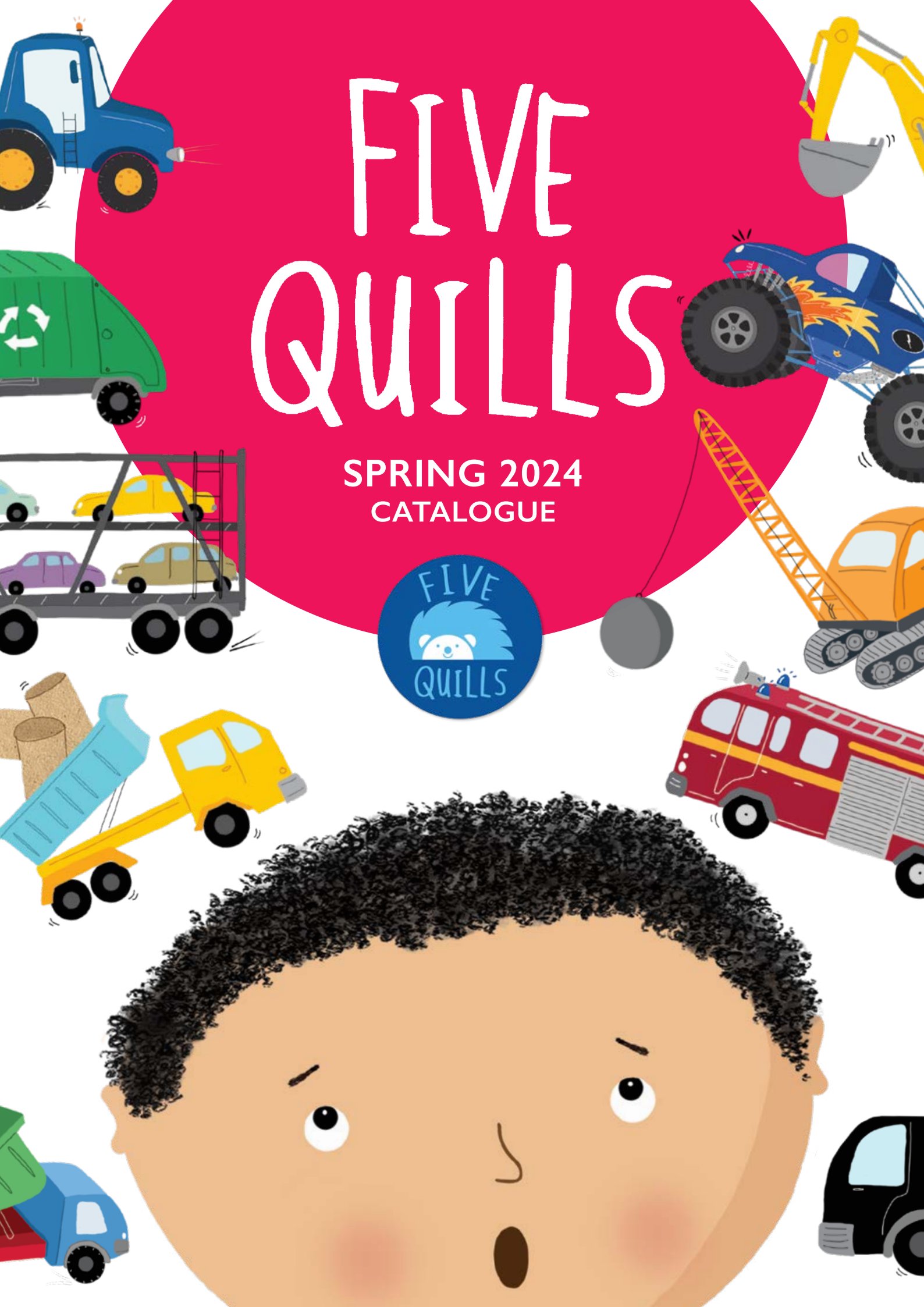


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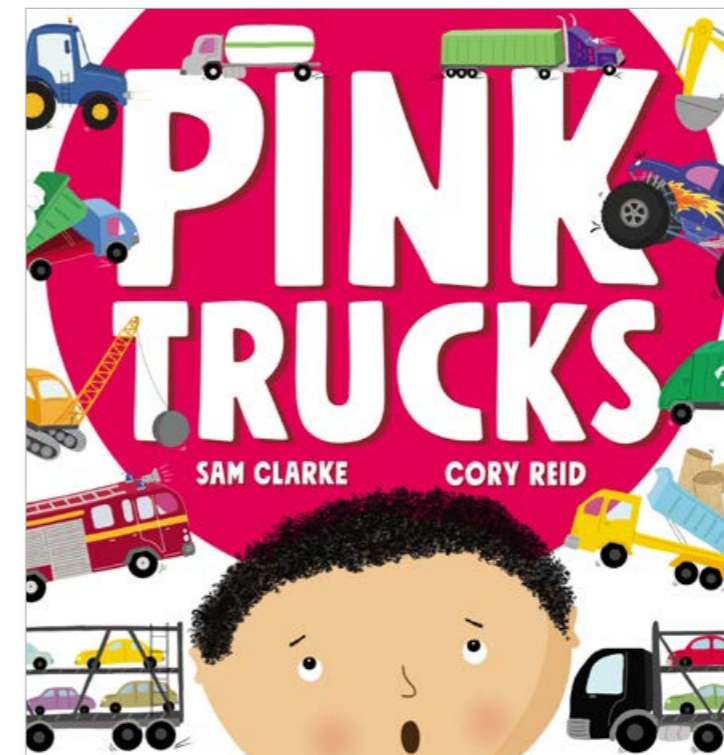


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PINK TRUCKS

by Sam Clarke and illustrated by Cory Reid



For all truck-loving children!

Stink loves trucks. Stink has HUGE trucks, *FAST* trucks, *NOISY* trucks, even special *SPACE* trucks. He has *BLACK*, *BLUE*, *RED* and little *WHITE* trucks. But Stink likes *PINK* . . . Can trucks be *PINK*? When Stink's quest for a *PINK* truck leads to a dead-end, his big sister helps him to make one out of recycled toys. In a surprising plot twist, Stink reveals his new *PINK* truck to his friends hidden under a truck-print blanket, which his friend Ned cannot wait to wrap around his dolly!



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SAM CLARKE is an engineer. He uses the analytical and logical left-hand side of his brain so much so, that it outgrew the right-hand side of his brain. He decided the only way around this problem was to become more creative, so he started writing children's stories! Sam resides in Bristol where he lives with his young family. He likes rainbows, football, cheese and renewable energy.

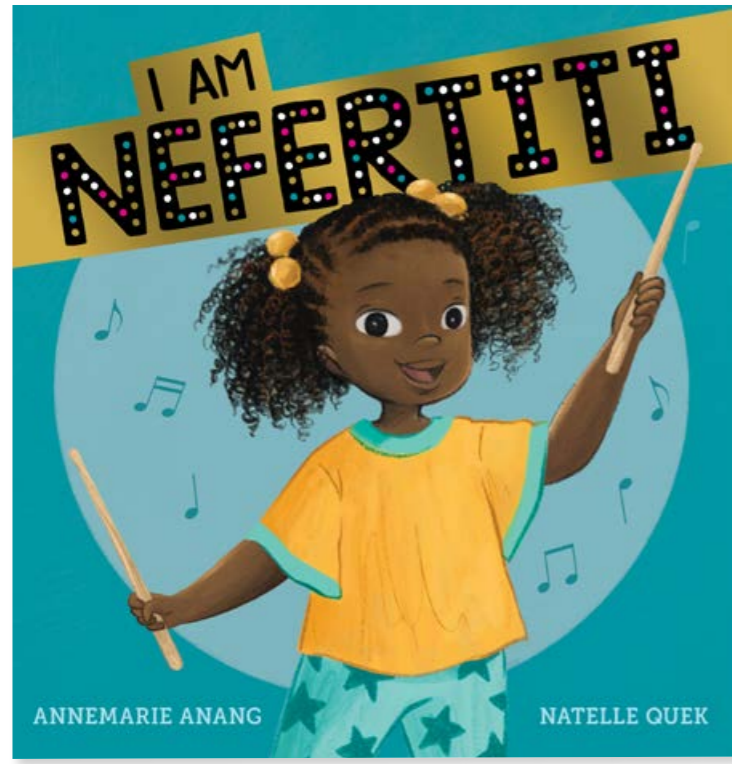


CORY REID has worked in the creative industry for almost twenty years, starting as a greetings card designer, before moving into children's publishing. Cory has a passion for creating adorable characters and worlds for them to inhabit. His charming digital style features fine detailing and is beautifully textured.

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I AM NEFERTITI

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!



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

"A strong debut. A heartwarming and empowering story of identity and belonging. This title features a lively energetic protagonist sure to inspire children to assert their individuality and take pride in their names."
The Bookseller

★ Shortlisted for the Little Rebels Award 2023
★ Shortlisted for the Leeds Book Awards 2023
★ Shortlisted for the Teach Early Years Picture Book 2023



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 SCBWI IPOC Women's Scholarship. Natelle has illustrated *The Little Mermaid* (Penguin) by Anna Kemp, a powerful retelling of a classic fairytale.

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COMING SOON! DANCE JUST LIKE SO

By the same creators who brought you *I AM NEFERTITI*, nominated for the Little Rebel Award.

It's dance class day, and Gran has promised to teach Kwesi and the neighbours her trophy-winning dance, the *Shooby Doo Mambo*! They tap their feet to the boogielicious beat. They shimmy, twirl and clap – *just like so*!

But then Gran hurts her knee . . .

How will Kwesi learn the steps to the special dance now?



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COTTON CLOUD REFUSES TO RAIN

by Elizabeth F. Hill and illustrated by Hannah George

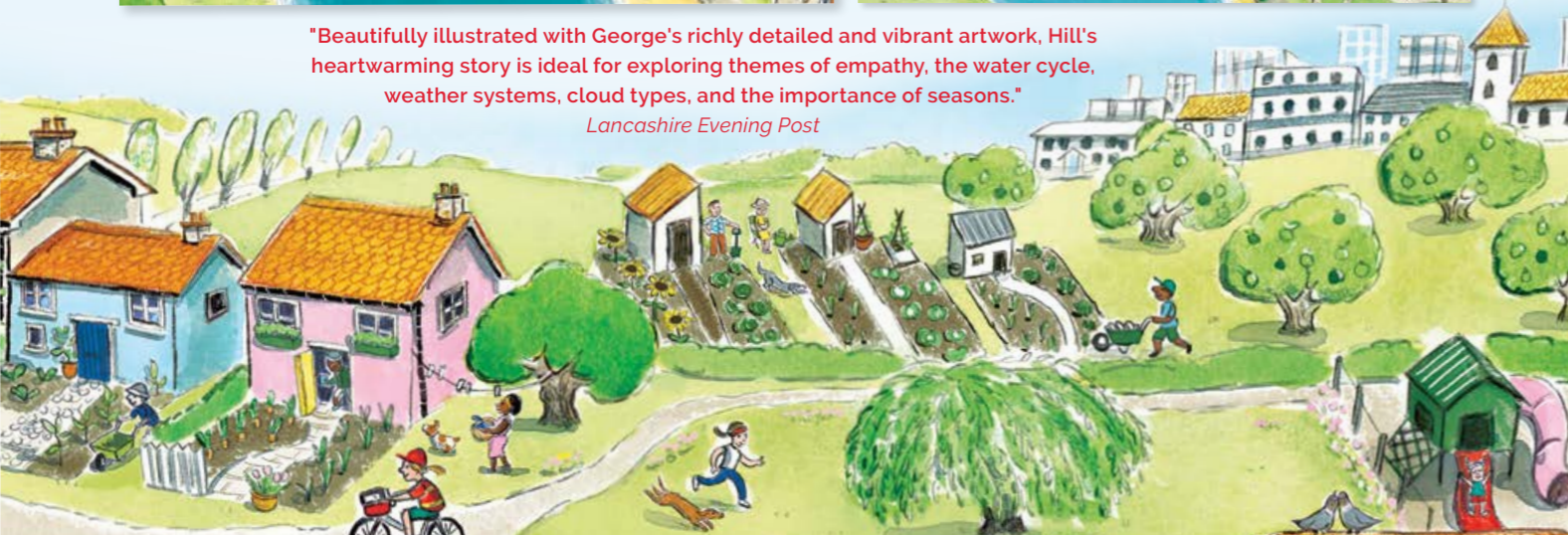


Cotton Cloud wants to be the best cloud ever! She will never rain, she says, because rain makes people SAD. But the endless sunshine dries up the lake, withers the plants and cracks the soil. Sun and Wind tell Cotton Cloud it is time for her to rain! But stubborn Cotton Cloud refuses to listen. Until one day she looks down on the hot, tired, thin people and sees they are no longer happy. Her heart swells with sorrow, and as her tears turn into rain, the dry earth turns green again. The people laugh and dance happily in the rain!



"Beautifully illustrated with George's richly detailed and vibrant artwork, Hill's heartwarming story is ideal for exploring themes of empathy, the water cycle, weather systems, cloud types, and the importance of seasons."

Lancashire Evening Post



ELIZABETH F. HILL is a poet, whose poems for children appeared most recently in *The Bee Is Not Afraid of Me: A Book of Insect Poems* (Emma Press). She is also the author of a nonfiction abecedary of Canada (*All 'Bout Canada: A Compendium of Canadiana* (Nimbus Publishing)). She holds a MSc in library science and a PhD in intercultural education. She lives in Canada.



HANNAH GEORGE is the illustrator of *Welcome to Hinch Farm* (Penguin Random House 2023) by Mrs Hinch (Instagram lifestyle influencer with a following of 4.6 million), and the *Chicken Mission* series by Jennifer Gray (Faber & Faber). Hannah's illustrations of characters and landscapes are full of life and vibrancy. She uses a combination of watercolour, pencil, ink and digital processes. She lives in England.

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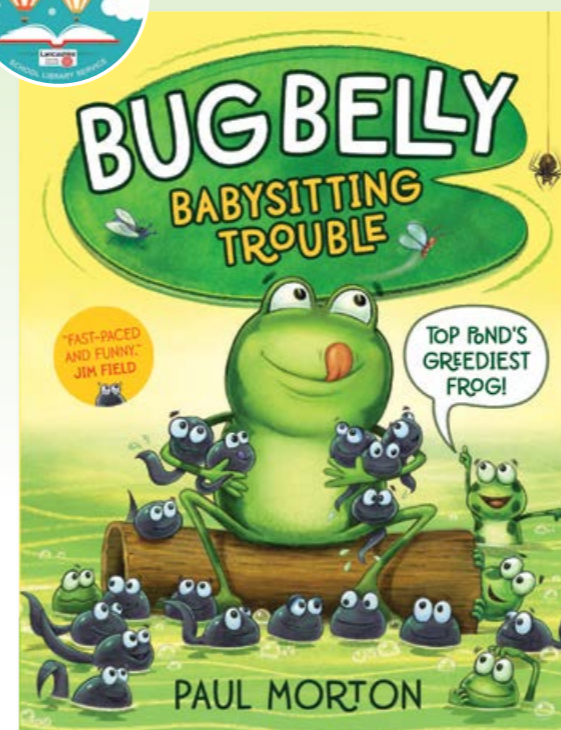


BUG BELLY

TOP POND'S GREEDIEST FROG!

by Paul Morton

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



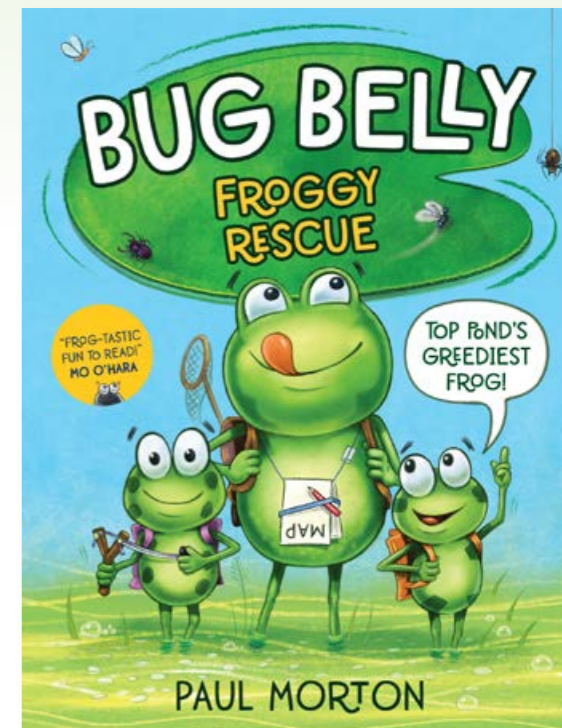
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BUG BELLY: BABYSITTING TROUBLE

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 -TROUBLE!

BUG BELLY: FROGGY RESCUE

The froglets are having a sleepover with their favourite uncle. If only Uncle Bug Belly's tummy 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.



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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.

Series Information:
• Paperback / £6.99
• Ebook / £5.99
• 138 x 180mm • 96 pp
• Age 5+ • Two-tone colour

LOTTIE LOVES NATURE

by Jane Clarke and James Brown

A BRAND NEW ECO-ADVENTURE SERIES FOR YOUNG READERS

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.



SERIES HIGHLIGHTS:

- ♥ Action-packed, funny stories perfect for emerging readers
- ♥ Includes detailed wildlife scrapbook activities and tips how to save nature in your back garden or neighbourhood
- ♥ Filled with facts about nature and the environment, and exciting insights about future innovations



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.
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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
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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: Slovenian

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.
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PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

"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

Summer Reading Challenge selection 2021



JANE CLARKE is the award-winning author of over 80 books for young children, including popular young fiction series such as *Al's Awesome Science* (Five Quills) and *Dr Kitty Cat* (OUP).



JAMES BROWN is the illustrator of *Al's Awesome Science* (Five Quills), *Elspeth 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 INFORMATION

- Paperback / £6.99 each
- 185 X 129 mm • 128 pp
- 7+ • Black & white illustrations throughout
- Ebook / £5.99 each
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AL'S AWESOME SCIENCE

by Jane Clarke and James Brown

FUNNY, MESSY, SCIENCE-BASED ADVENTURES FOR YOUNG READERS

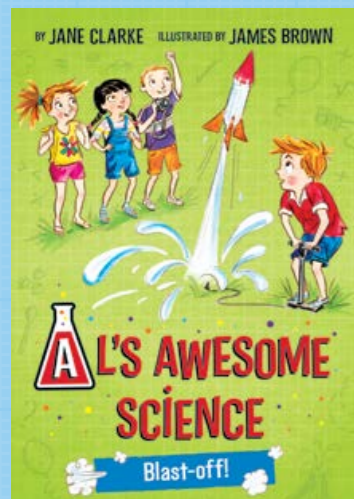


AL'S AWESOME SCIENCE: BUSY BODIES

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, balance, and Space travel.

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



AL'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.

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- 9780993553752 / Paperback / £6.99
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- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, French, Turkish



AL'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.

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- 9780993553745 / Paperback / £6.99
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AL'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).

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SKY PRIVATE EYE

FAIRYTALES WITH A DETECTIVE TWIST

by Jane Clarke and Loretta Schauer



SKY PRIVATE EYE: AND THE CASE OF THE SPARKLY SLIPPER

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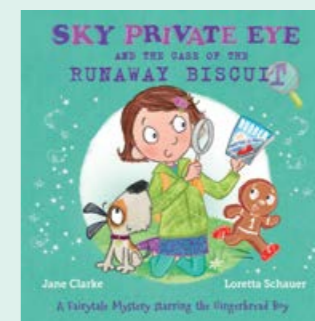
The Prince is stunned! The winner of the best costume competition vanished and left behind a sparkly slipper.



SKY PRIVATE EYE: AND THE CASE OF THE MISSING GRANDMA

• 9780993553707

Granny has gone on a beach holiday! Little Red Riding Hood has to find her before The Big Bad Wolf gobbles her up.



SKY PRIVATE EYE: AND THE CASE OF THE RUNAWAY BISCUIT

• 9780993553714

The Little Olds are bereft! The Gingerbread Boy is training for the Fairytale Olympics, and hungry Foxy Loxy is right behind him.



SERIES INFORMATION

- Published • Paperback / £7.99 each
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- 3+ • Full-colour
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My DADDY is the BEST

by Guido Van Genechten

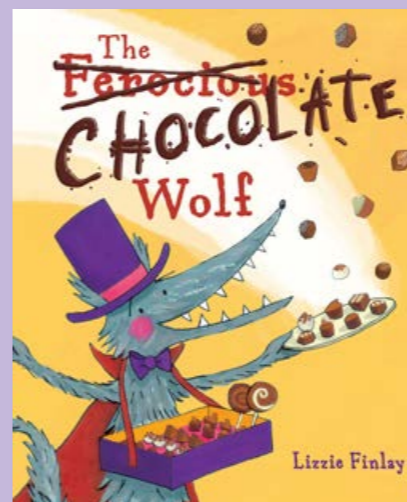
Isabella has so much fun with daddy. Daddy has a really cool tail and with it he can sail like a boat and even do balancing tricks.



- Published
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- 250 x 260mm • 32 pp
- Age 3+ • Full-colour
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- Foreign Rights: Not Available

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.



- Not for sale in the UK
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