



## The Witchling's Girl

Author: [Helena Coggan](#)

Published: July 2021

Age: Senior

Genre: Fantasy & magical realism

RRP: \$17.99

In a quiet street far from the river, with an ancient tree growing through its walls and floors, is the House of the Dead. There lives the witchling: healer, midwife and conduit between the world of the living and the world below. A witchling must give up her family and friends and spend her life alone, tending to the sick and carrying the dead down dark tunnels to the underworld. Haley was born with the gift of death-magic, and at the age of seven her mother abandons her to the witchling to be raised as her successor. But as Haley grows older and learns her craft - as invading armies pass through her town, people are born and die on her floor, and loyalties shift and dissolve around her - she finds it harder and harder to keep her vows and be the perfect and impassive healer. But if she can't, it will be her downfall - and that of everyone she's not supposed to love.

### Why you need it?

- Imaginative, thrilling and highly readable fantasy novel from a bright young voice. Perfect for fans of Victoria Aveyard.
- An atmospheric, beautifully written YA novel about magic, self-sacrifice and one girl's search for who she really is.
- Praise for Helena Coggan: The next JK Rowling. "It gave me hope; it made me cry. It's a fantastically good book."

## Six Crimson Cranes

Author: [Elizabeth Lim](#)  
Published: July 2021  
Age: Middle + Senior  
Genre: Fantasy  
RRP: \$22.99

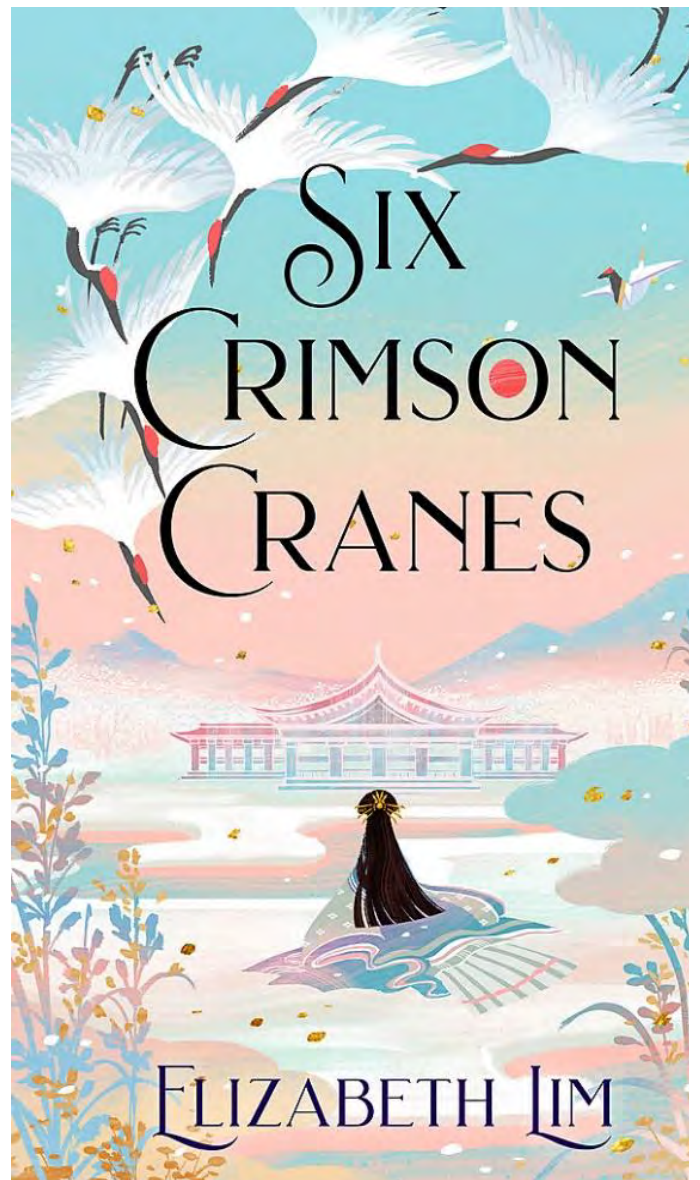
Shiori'anma, the only princess of Kiata, has a secret. Forbidden magic runs in her veins. And on the morning of her betrothal ceremony, Shiori loses control. At first, her mistake seems like a stroke of luck, forestalling the wedding she never wanted, but it also catches the attention of Raikama, her stepmother.

A sorceress in her own right, Raikama banishes the young princess, turning her brothers into cranes, and warning Shiori that she must speak of it to no one: for with every word that escapes her lips, one of her brothers will die. Penniless, voiceless, and alone, Shiori searches for her brothers, and uncovers a dark conspiracy to seize the throne.

Only Shiori can set the kingdom to rights, but to do so she must place her trust in a paper bird, a mercurial dragon, and the very boy she fought so hard not to marry. And she must embrace the magic she's been taught all her life to contain - no matter what it costs.

### Why you need it?

- **\*\* PRAISE FOR ELIZABETH LIM \*\***
- 'What an amazing creation! Every time I thought I knew where it was going, I was wrong. This is a white-knuckle read!'
- Part exciting adventure, part thoughtful coming-of-age novel.
- A beautiful and immersive YA fantasy retelling of the Grimm brothers' The Six Swans fairy-tale and it's just as whimsical and charming as promised by its concept.



## Don't Hate the Player

Author: [Alexis Nedd](#)

Published: August 2021

Age: Middle + Senior

Genre: Romance & relationships stories

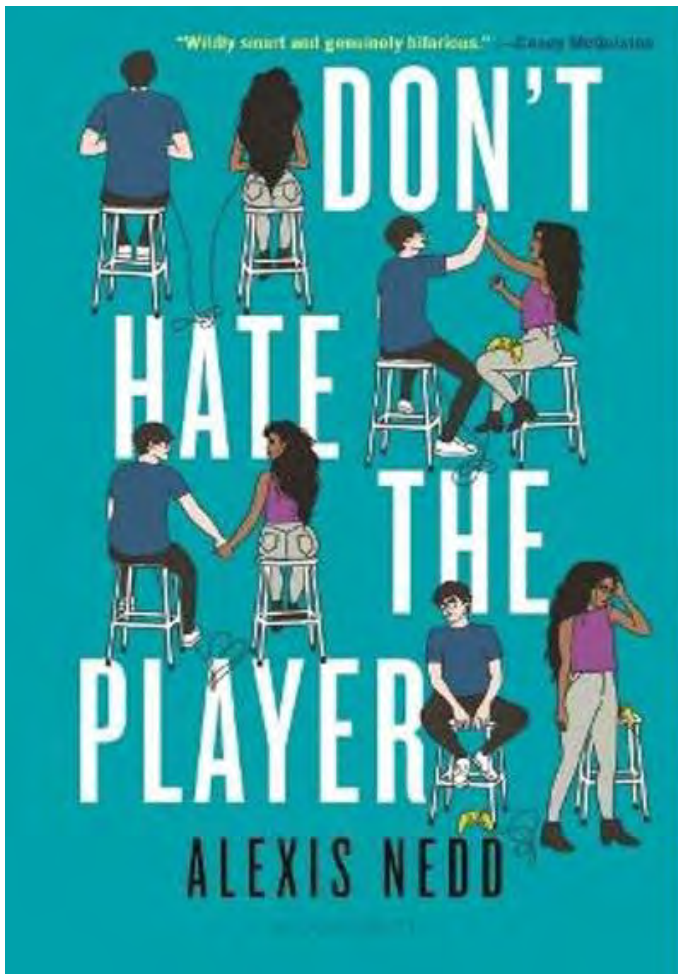
RRP: \$16.99

By day, Emilia is a field hockey star with a popular boyfriend and a mother obsessed with her academic future. But by night, she's kicking virtual ass as the only female member of a highly competitive eSports team. Emilia has mastered the art of keeping her two worlds thriving, which hinges on them staying completely separate.

When a major eSports tournament comes to her city, Emilia is determined to prove herself to the male-dominated gaming community. But her perfectly balanced life is thrown for a loop when a member of a rival team—Jake—recognizes her . . .

### Why you need it?

- "Refreshingly voice-y, wildly smart, and genuinely hilarious." - Casey McQuiston, New York Times bestselling author of *Red, White & Royal Blue*.
- Debut author Alexis Nedd has crafted a YA combo-punch of charming romance and virtual adventure that will win the hearts of gamers and non-gamers alike.
- Unique, immersive, and entertaining young adult novel about gaming, identity, and pursuing your dreams.
- Strong female protagonists.





## The House in the Cerulean Sea

Author: [TJ Klune](#)

Published: Late July 2021

Age: Senior

Genre: Fantasy Romance

RRP: \$24.99

A magical island. A dangerous task. A burning secret.

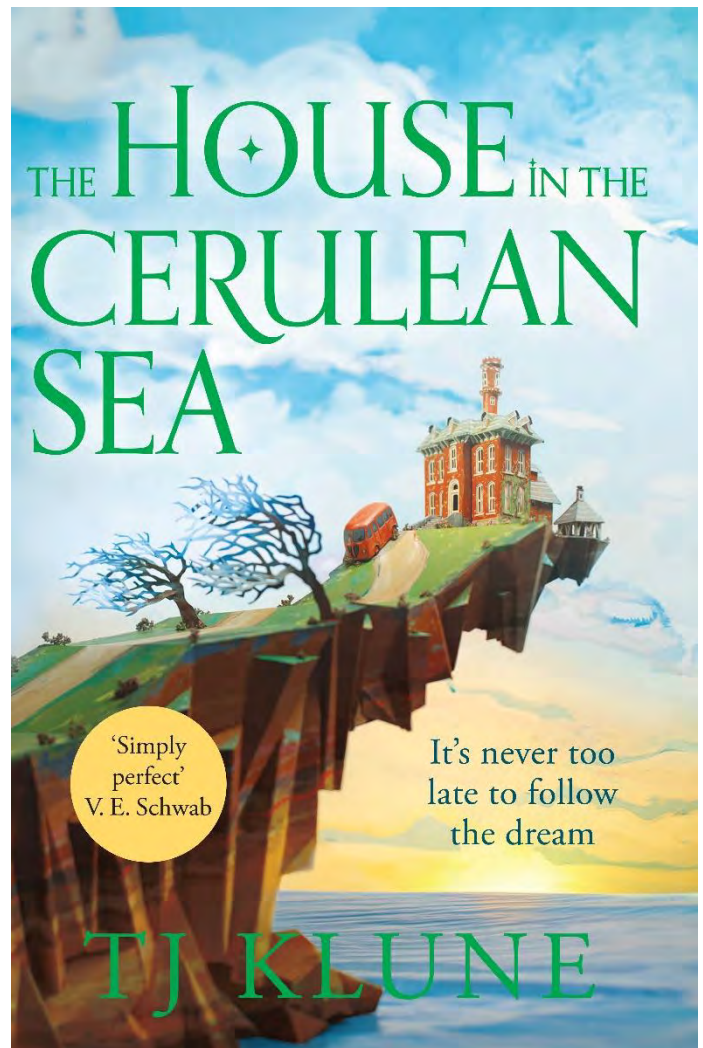
Linus Baker leads a quiet, solitary life. At forty, he lives in a tiny house with a devious cat and his old records. As a Case Worker at the Department in Charge Of Magical Youth, he spends his days overseeing the well-being of children in government-sanctioned orphanages.

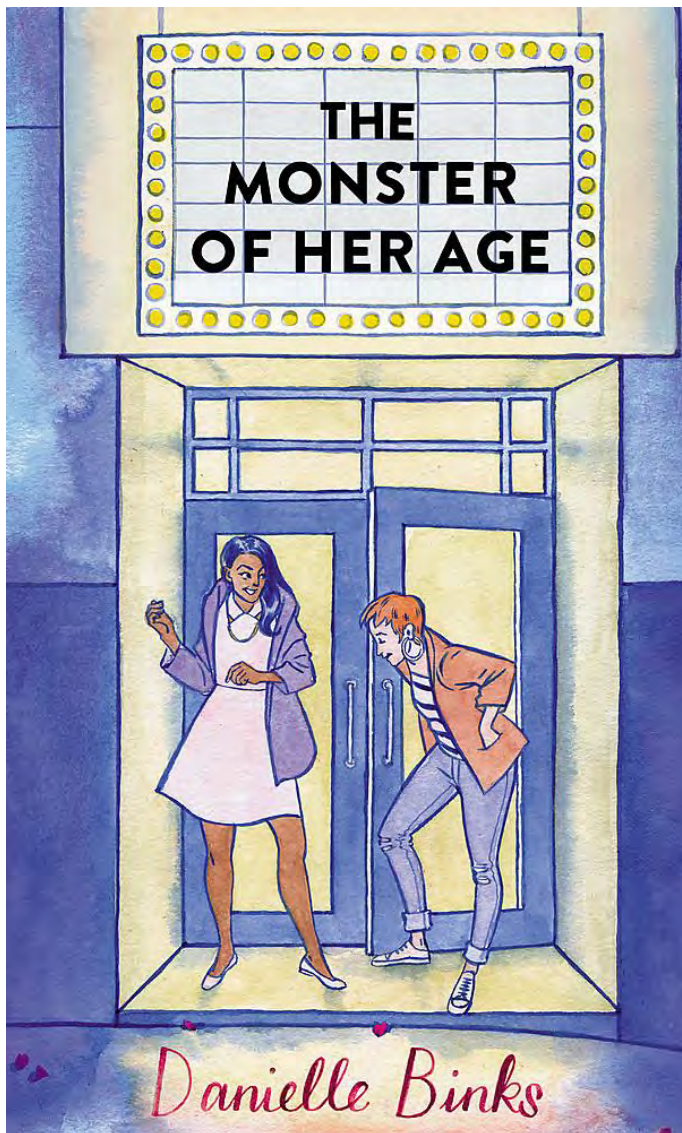
When Linus is unexpectedly summoned by Extremely Upper Management he's given a curious and highly classified assignment: travel to Marsyas Island Orphanage, where six dangerous children reside: a gnome, a sprite, a wyvern, an unidentifiable green blob, a were-Pomeranian, and the Antichrist. Linus must set aside his fears and determine whether or not they're likely to bring about the end of days.

But the children aren't the only secret the island keeps. Their caretaker is the charming and enigmatic Arthur Parnassus, who will do anything to keep his wards safe. As Arthur and Linus grow closer, long-held secrets are exposed, and Linus must make a choice: destroy a home or watch the world burn.

### Why you need it?

- HUGE 4.5 rating on goodreads.com, with over 30,000 reviews!
- A NEW YORK TIMES, USA TODAY, and WASHINGTON POST BESTSELLER!
- A 2021 Alex Award winner!
- An enchanting story and masterfully told.
- 7 reasons it's a must read [HERE](#)
- Notes available [HERE](#)





## The Monster of Her Age

Author: [Danielle Binks](#)  
Published: Late July 2021  
Age: Middle + Senior  
Genre: General fiction  
RRP: \$19.99

How do you ruin someone's childhood?

Ellie Marsden was born into the legendary Lovinger acting dynasty. Granddaughter of the infamous Lottie Lovinger, as a child Ellie shared the silver screen with Lottie in her one-and-only role playing the child monster in a cult horror movie. The experience left Ellie deeply traumatised and estranged from people she loved.

Now 17, Ellie has returned home to Hobart for the first time in years. Lottie is dying and Ellie wants to make peace with her before it's too late. When a chance encounter with a young film buff leads her to a feminist horror film collective, Ellie meets Riya, a girl who she might be able to show her real self to, and at last comes to understand her family's legacy.

### Why you need it?

- Danielle Binks lives in Victoria and is the author of *The Year the Maps Changed*, a CBCA Notable Book for Younger Readers 2021.
- *The Monster of Her Age* is Danielle's debut YA novel.
- A story of love, loss, family, and film - a stirring, insightful novel about letting go of anger and learning to forgive without forgetting.
- *The Monster of Her Age* is an instant classic full of heartfelt moments, emotional insight and charming characters set in a unique and memorable world.
- A contemporary novel set-in modern-day Australia.

## The Last of the Apple Blossom

Author: [Mary-Lou Stephens](#)

Published: July 2021

Age: Senior

Genre: Historical fiction

RRP: \$29.99

7 February 1967. Walls of flame reduce much of Tasmania to ash.

Young schoolteacher Catherine Turner rushes to the Huon Valley to find her family's apple orchard destroyed, her childhood home in ruins and her brother dead. Despite her father's declaration that a woman will never run the orchard, Catherine resolves to rebuild the family business.

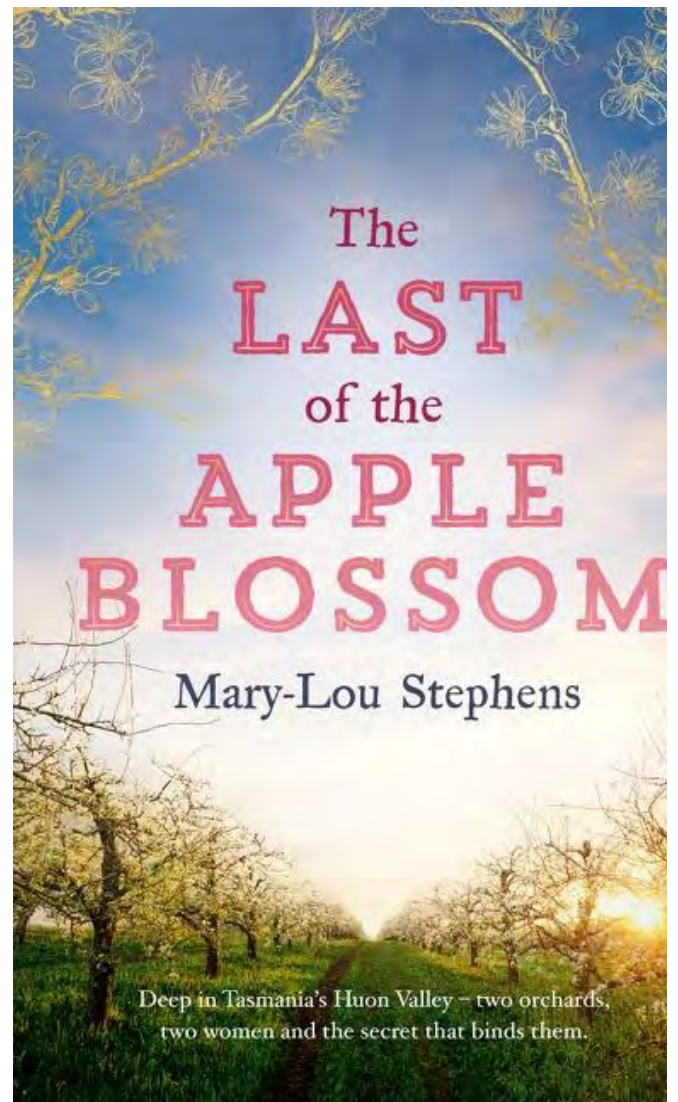
After five sons, Catherine's friend and neighbour, Annie Pearson, is overjoyed by the birth of a much longed for daughter. As Annie and her husband Dave work to repair the damage to their orchard, Dave's friend Mark pitches in, despite the fact that Annie wants him gone. Mark has moved his family to the valley to escape his life in Melbourne, but his wife has disappeared leaving chaos in her wake and their young son Charlie in Mark's care.

Catherine becomes fond of Charlie, whose strange upbringing has left him shy and withdrawn. However, the growing friendship between Mark and Catherine not only scandalises the small community but threatens a secret Annie is desperate to keep hidden.

Through natural disasters, personal calamities and the devastating collapse of the apple industry, Catherine, Annie and those they love battle to save their livelihoods, their families and their secrets.

### Why you need it?

- Superb reviews on [goodreads.com](#).
- PRAISE FOR THE LAST OF THE APPLE BLOSSOM: 'What a cracker of a debut! A beautiful story of family and orchards, of secrets and love and forgiveness.'
- Unforgettable tale of love and loss, triumph, and tragedy.







## Everything I Thought I Knew

Author: [Shannon Takaoka](#)

Published: Aug 2021

Age: Middle + Senior

Genre: Personal & social issues: body & health

RRP: \$18.99

Seventeen-year-old Chloe had a plan: work hard, get good grades, and attend a top-tier college. But after she collapses during cross country practice and is told that she needs a new heart, all her careful preparations are laid to waste. Eight months after her transplant, everything is different. Stuck in summer school with the underachievers, all she wants to do now is grab her surfboard and hit the waves – which is strange, because she wasn't interested in surfing before her transplant. (It doesn't hurt that her instructor, Kai, is seriously good looking.) And that's not all that's strange. There's also the vivid recurring nightmare about crashing a motorcycle in a tunnel and memories of people and places she doesn't recognize.

Is there something wrong with her head now, too, or is there another explanation for what she's experiencing? As she searches for answers, and as her attraction to Kai intensifies, what she learns will lead her to question everything she thought she knew – about life, death, love, identity, and the true nature of reality.

### Why you need it?

- Unique plot: A teenage girl wonders if she's inherited more than just a heart from her donor in this compulsively readable debut.
- Teen readers who appreciate a little romance with their theories of the multiverse are likely to enjoy this book.
- Readers will relate to main character's search for meaning and identity.
- Watch out for the major plot twist!!
- It's a great option for teens who love character studies.

## **In Plain Sight: An investigation into UFOs and impossible science**

Author: [Ross Coulthart](#)

Published: Late July 2021

Age: Middle + Senior

Genre: UFOs & extra-terrestrial beings

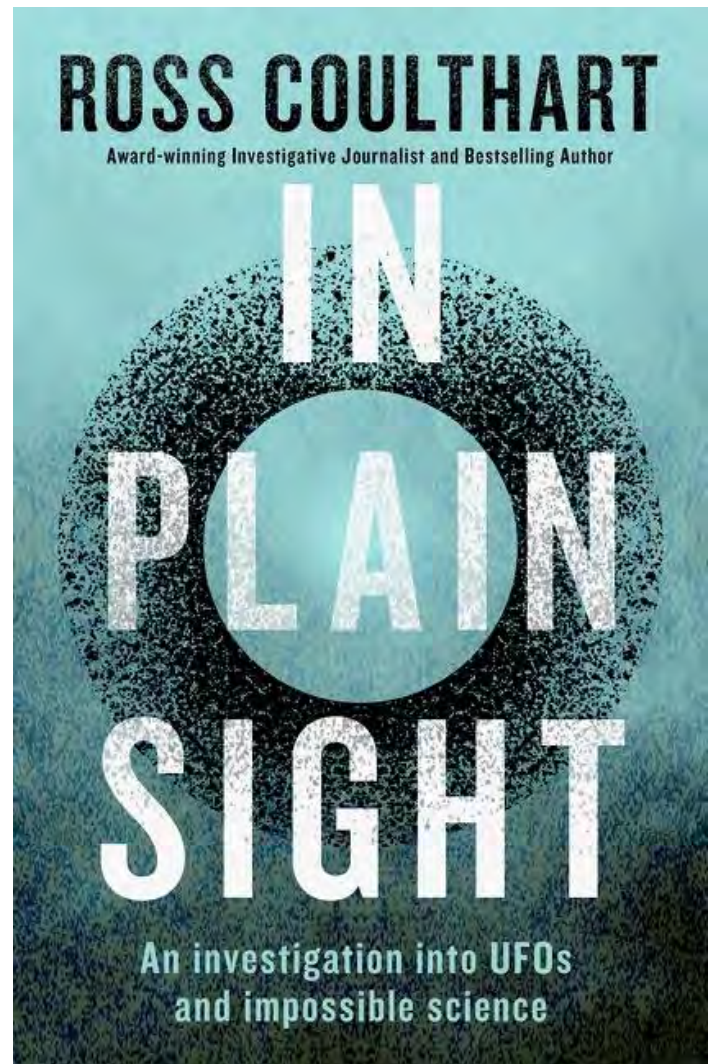
RRP: \$34.99

After decades of denial, the US Department of Defence made the astonishing admission in 2020 that strange aerial and underwater objects frequently reported and videoed by pilots and tracked by sensors are real and unexplained and pose a genuine national security concern. Compelled to investigate, Coulthart has embarked on what's become the most confronting and challenging story of his career.

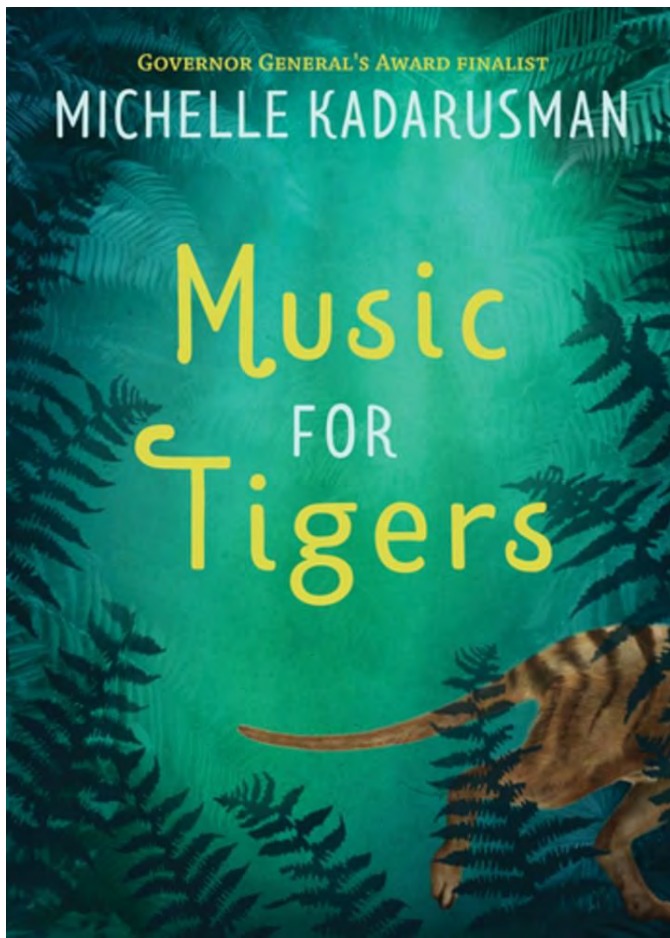
Coulthart has spoken to witnesses, researchers, scientists, spies and defence and intelligence officials and insiders. Many are convinced we are not alone, while some have been investigating and utilising what appear to be extraordinary potential new technologies, including radical propulsion systems, leaving Coulthart convinced that the world is on the cusp of extraordinary technological breakthroughs and cultural revelations.

### **Why you need it?**

- Ross Coulthart is one of Australia's leading investigative journalists – a five-time Walkley Award winner. Previously an investigative reporter for 60 Minutes and chief investigations reporter for the Sunday Night news program, and has won a Logie for top broadcast award.
- A story largely ignored by mainstream media but is right there, in front of our eyes.
- @AppleBooks has chosen IN PLAIN SIGHT for their 'What To Read This Month' promotion for August 2021.







## Music for Tigers

Author: [Michelle Kadarusman](#)

Published: June 2021

Age: Reluctant reader + Junior Fiction

Genre: Animal stories (Children's / Teenage)

RRP: \$19.99

Shipped halfway around the world to spend the summer with her mum's eccentric Australian relatives, middle schooler and passionate violinist Louisa is prepared to be resentful. But life at the family's remote camp in the Tasmanian rainforest is intriguing, to say the least. Not the least strange is her Uncle Ruff, with his unusual pet and veiled hints about something named Convict Rock.

Finally, Louisa learns the truth: Convict Rock is a sanctuary established by her great-grandmother Eleanor—a sanctuary for Tasmanian tigers, Australia's huge marsupials that were famously hunted into extinction almost a hundred years ago. Hidden in the rainforest at Convict Rock, one tiger remains. But now the sanctuary is threatened by a mining operation, and the last Tasmanian tiger must be lured deeper into the forest. The problem is, not since her great-grandmother has a member of the family been able to earn the shy tigers' trust.

As the summer progresses, Louisa forges unexpected connections with Colin, with the forest, and—through Eleanor's journal—with her great-grandmother. She begins to suspect the key to saving the tiger is her very own music. But will her plan work? Or will the enigmatic Tasmanian tiger disappear once again, this time forever?

### Why you need it?

- A moving coming-of-age story wrapped up in the moss, leaves, and blue gums of the Tasmanian rainforest where, hidden under giant ferns, crouches its most beloved, and lost, creature.
- Touches on dealing with anxiety.
- 'A well-told and timely story, which gently but firmly addresses topics such as environmental impact, endangered species, neurodiversity, friendship, bullying, and being your best self.'
- Long list of awards, including 2021 USBBY Outstanding International Book.
- Teacher Notes found [HERE](#).

## Lost in the Never Woods

Author: [Aiden Thomas](#)

Published: May 2021

Age: Junior + Middle + Senior

Genre: Fantasy & magical realism

RRP: \$32.99

Something sinister waits within the trees . . .

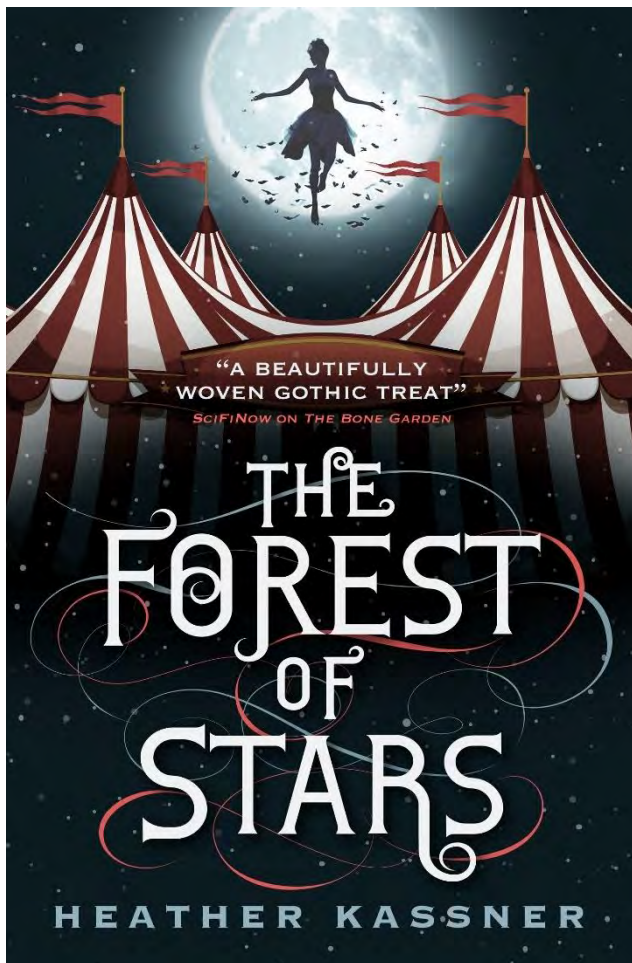
It's been five years since Wendy and her two brothers went missing in the woods, but when the town's children start to disappear, the questions surrounding her brothers' mysterious circumstances are brought back into the light.

Attempting to flee her past, Wendy almost runs over an unconscious boy lying in the middle of the road . . . Peter, a boy she thought lived only in her stories, asks for Wendy's help to rescue the missing kids. But, to find them, Wendy must confront what's waiting for her in the woods.

### Why you need it?

- Aiden Thomas wrote the NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER [Cemetery Boys](#).
- "Absolutely delightful! Lost in the Never Woods is chock-full of suspense, excitement, and nostalgia".
- Explorations of familial loss, grief, and trauma; some descriptions of anxiety/anxiety attacks.
- Aiden Thomas gives a completely fresh take on the well-known Peter Pan story.
- If you love dark retellings, magical realism, Peter Pan, and authentic stories about trauma, Lost in the Never Woods is highly recommended.





## The Forest of Stars

Author: [Heather Kassner](#)

Published: August 2021

Age: Reluctant reader + Junior

Genre: Fantasy

RRP: \$17.99

Left all alone after her mother passes away, twelve-year-old Louisa watches the sky for her father. Long ago, a powerful gust of wind stole him away on the wings of his untamed magic — the same magic that stirs within Louisa. As if she is made of hollow bones and too much air, her feet never quite touch the ground.

But for all her sky gazing, Louisa finds her fortune on the ground when she spots a ticket to the Carnival Beneath the Stars. If her father fits in nowhere else, maybe she'll find him dazzling crowds alongside the other strange feats. Yet after she arrives, a tightrope act ends disastrously — and suspiciously. As fate tugs Louisa closer to the stars, she must decide if she's willing to slip into the injured performer's role, despite the darkness plucking at the carnival's magical threads.

### Why you need it?

- Featuring beautiful illustrations by Iz Ptica
- An enchanting and magical tale set in a circus
- Friendships and the power of hope
- Theme: family is where you find it



## A Season in Paris

Author: [Clare Griffin](#), [Ava January](#), [Sarah Fiddelaers](#) & [Nancy Cunningham](#)

Published: July 2021

Age: Middle + Senior

Genre: YA Historical Fiction

RRP: \$24.95

One Paris shop, four women, four decades of intrigue...

Spring, 1909

When Delphine Altrain purchases a date with Paris' most eligible bachelor, Gabriel LaPouge, she has one thing on her mind...hats. When her latest design becomes the talk of the Grand Prix, it seems everything she has dreamed of is within her reach, but when the past arrives to destroy her present, Delphine needs to decide, stay and risk heartbreak, or run and always wonder what could have been.

Summer, 1924

Beautiful Edith Carrow appears to have it all. As Coco Chanel's mannequin her life is full of parties and the adoration of a rich man. But Edith holds a deep secret from her past. When she meets toymaker, Henri, her heart threatens to unravel all she has worked hard to achieve. She must choose, follow her head or listen to her heart and risk losing everything.

Autumn, 1935

Genevieve Dupuis is forbidden from doing two things; painting and falling in love. So when she meets handsome Sebastian on a forbidden painting trip her life becomes ever so slightly complicated. Can a girl who has learned to survive by lies and illusions face up to the truth in time to realise that sometimes surrender is the bravest act of all?

Winter, 1944

SOE agent Therese Lambert is about to risk everything to help free Canadian airman Will – a man hiding his own covert activities beneath an identity she knows isn't his. Fleeing from the German occupiers and the collaborating French, they escape Paris. Can their budding attraction survive a perilous journey or will a betrayal put both their lives on the line?

### Why you need it?

- From the authors that brought you, *Easter Promises*
- "All so different in writing styles yet I connected with each and every story, not wanting to see the dreaded 'The end' as I fall in love with the characters, always wanting to know what will happen to them next. I look forward to reading more stories from these wonderful Australian authors"





## Echoes Between Us

Author: [Katie McGarry](#)

Published: Late July 2021

Age: Middle + Senior

Genre: Romance & relationships stories

RRP: \$19.99

A girl with nothing to live for and a boy with everything to lose: Veronica sees ghosts—more specifically, her mother's ghost. Afterimages of blinding migraines have consumed her whole life and kept Veronica on the fringes. But the haunting makes her wonder if there is something more going on.... Golden boy Sawyer is handsome and popular, a state champion swimmer, but this All-American is hiding an adrenaline addiction that could kill him. Drawn to each other after a chance meeting, can they help each other battle the demons that haunt their every step or will they push their luck too far and risk losing it all... including their lives?

### Why you need it?

- Acclaimed author Katie McGarry's breakout teen novel about a girl with everything to lose and the boy who will do anything to save her.
- 'Powerful, emotional, and ultimately hopeful.'
- Fantastic reviews, many saying how this book has left a mark on their hearts.
- 'Katie McGarry just knows how to write characters who'll make you want to reach inside the book, pull them out and hug them forever.'
- KATIE MCGARRY is an award winning and critically acclaimed young adult novelist. She knows how to appeal to her YA market.

## Strange Exit

Author: [Parker Peevyhouse](#)

Published: July 2021

Age: Middle + Senior

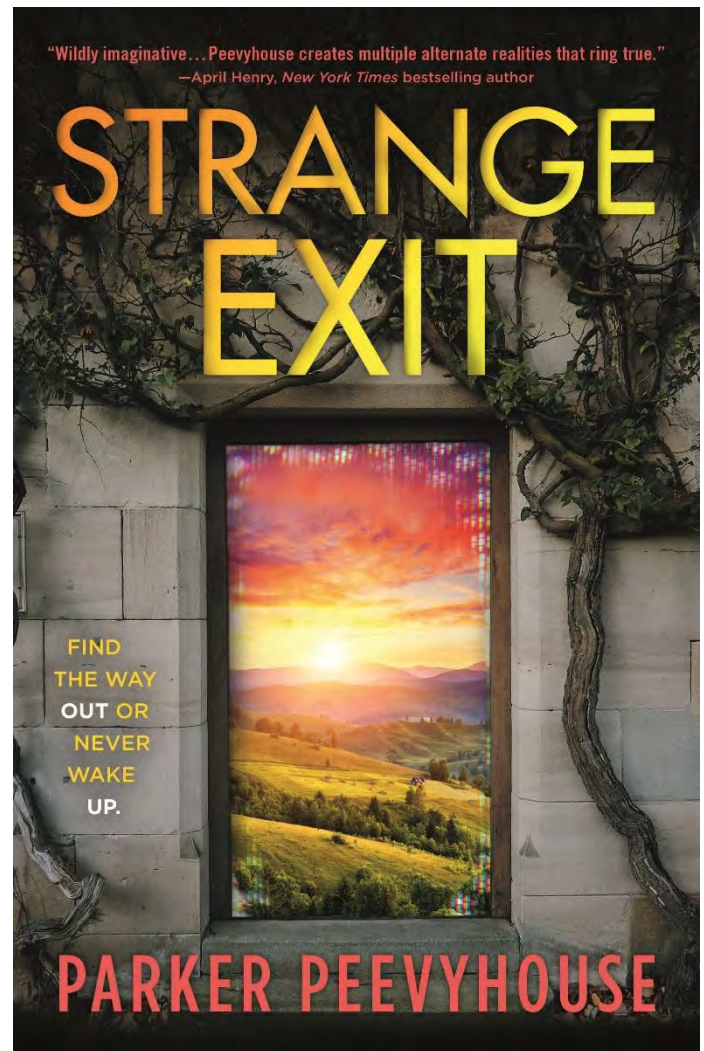
Genre: Science fiction

RRP: \$19.99

Seventeen-year-old Lake spends her days searching a strange, post-apocalyptic landscape for people who have forgotten one very important thing: this isn't reality. Everyone she meets is a passenger aboard a ship that's been orbiting Earth since a nuclear event. The simulation that was supposed to prepare them all for life after the apocalypse has trapped their minds in a shared virtual reality and their bodies in stasis chambers. No one can get off the ship until all of the passengers are out of the sim, and no one can get out of the sim unless they believe it's a simulation. It's up to Lake to help them remember. When Lake reveals the truth to a fellow passenger, seventeen-year-old Taren, he joins her mission to find everyone, persuade them that they've forgotten reality, and wake them up. But time's running out before the simulation completely deconstructs, and soon Taren's deciding who's worth saving and who must be sacrificed for the greater good. Now, Lake has no choice but to pit herself against Taren in a race to find the secret heart of the sim, where something waits that will either save them or destroy them all.

### Why you need it?

- A suspenseful, near-future, stand-alone thriller for fans of Kass Morgan's *The 100* and Patrick Ness's *More Than This*
- PARKER PEEVYHOUSE is the author of *The Echo Room* and a critically acclaimed collection of novellas for young adults, *Where Futures End*, which was named a best book for teens by the New York Public Library.
- A captivating plot taking place in space after a nuclear event on Earth.





## Underground

Author: [Mirranda Burton](#)

Published: August 2021

Age: Junior + Middle + Senior

Genre: Graphic novels: true stories & non-fiction

RRP: \$29.99

Why would a wombat be registered for war?

It's 1965, and an old Tattersalls barrel starts rolling marbles to randomly conscript young Australian men to fight in the war in Vietnam. Melbourne housewife Jean McLean is outraged, as are her artist friends Clif and Marlene Pugh, who live in the country with their wombat, Hooper.

Determined to wreck the system, Jean forms the Save Our Sons movement's Victorian branch, and she and her supporters take to the streets to protest. Meanwhile, in the small country town of Katunga, Bill Cantwell joins the Australian Army, and in Saigon, young Mai Ho is writing letters to South Vietnamese soldiers from her school desk. And when Hooper's call-up papers arrive, he mysteriously goes underground...

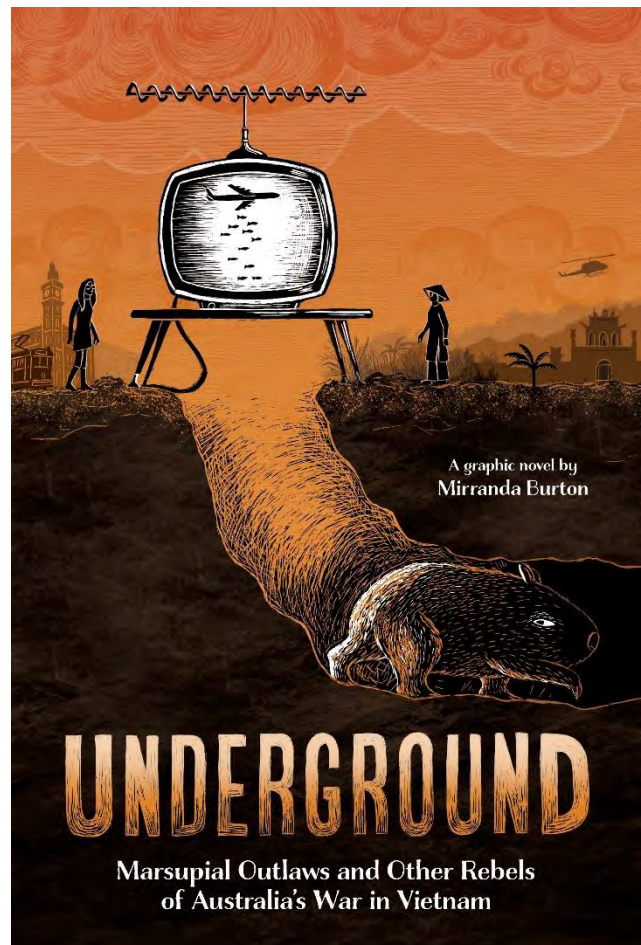
As these stories intersect in unexpected ways and destinies entwine, a new world gradually emerges - a world in which bridges of understanding make more sense than war. This stunning graphic novel, full of empathy, courage and resistance, is based on true events.

'Every drawing reflects a Vietnamese history era in which I grew up and witnessed the war. I cannot thank you enough for this memory.' MAI HO

'I wish I had this growing up. It's incredibly informative. Stories like this are severely lacking, and for an Australian audience, I think it will be revelatory.' MATT HUYNH

### Why you need it?

- Fantastic concept of the retelling of Australia's involvement in the Vietnam war.
- The character stories are real, based on interviews and historical records.
- Led by an unconscientiously objecting wombat registered for military service during Australia's war in Vietnam, *Underground* digs tunnels through a chapter of Australian history that many have attempted to bury.
- Mirranda Burton lives in Victoria, and the book was completed in a little shack in bushland north-east of Melbourne.
- Teacher notes available [HERE](#)



## The Age of Dinosaurs

Author: [Steve Brusatte](#)

Published: Late June 2021

Age: Reluctant reader + Junior

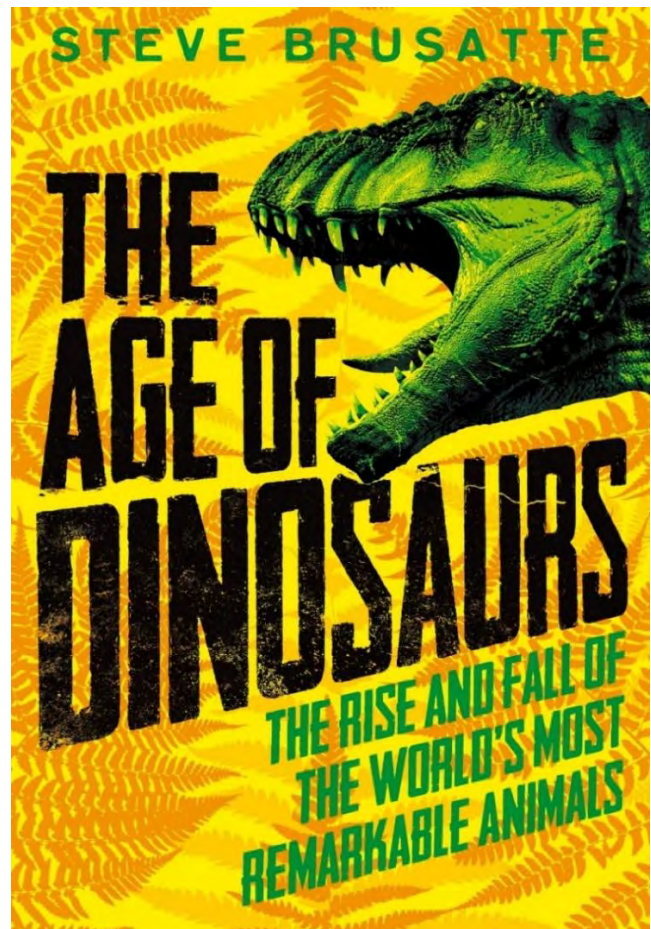
Genre: Dinosaurs & prehistoric world

RRP: \$17.99

Think you know about dinosaurs? THINK AGAIN! Discover the mind-blowing truth behind their REAL prehistoric story, told to you by the world's ultimate dinosaur professor. The Age of the Dinosaurs is a must-have for any dinosaur-enthusiast! Join modern-day dinosaur hunter Dr Steve Brusatte as he takes you on a brilliant prehistoric journey – armed with cutting edge technology, he is piecing together the complete story of how the dinosaurs ruled the earth for 150 million years.

### Why you need it?

- A thrilling and fun-filled introduction to the incredible creatures that ruled the earth for 150 million years.
- Dr Steve Brusatte is a young palaeontologist who relates well to the next generation of dinosaur-enthusiasts.
- Brusatte hits a perfect note for young readers, infusing the text with his enthusiasm while making sophisticated vocabulary and concepts readily accessible.
- Updated and modern Dinosaur book for your library for the next generation of junior palaeontologists.



 **HOW TO DRAW  
MANGA ANIMALS**



A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO CREATING CHARACTERS **J.C. AMBERLYN**

## How to Draw Manga Animals, A Beginner's Guide to Creating Characters

Author: [J.C. Amberlyn](#)

Published: August 2021

Age: Junior + Middle + Senior

Genre: Animals & nature in art

RRP: \$37.99

The popularity of manga among young people who love to draw continues to grow.

How to Draw Manga Animals takes readers through all the step-by-step drawing instructions they need to learn how to successfully create their own super-cute manga animal characters as well as the worlds they live in.

This book looks at elements in creating a manga-style animal character with appeal, exploring archetypes and other familiar types of characters as well as how to add unexpected or unique elements that give characters a memorable twist.

### Why you need it?

- J.C. Amberlyn is an award-winning artist, animator, graphic novelist, photographer, naturalist, and animal lover.
- Fans of Manga will love this!
- Fun and easy instructions to follow.



## Wolfstongue

Author: Sam Thompson, [Anna Tromop](#)  
Published: Late June 2021  
Age: Junior + Middle  
Genre: Fantasy Adventure  
RRP: \$19.95

Deep in the Forest, the foxes live in an underground city built by their wolf slaves. The foxes' leader Reynard controls everything with his clever talk.

Silas is bullied at school because his words will not come. He wishes he could live in silence as animals do.

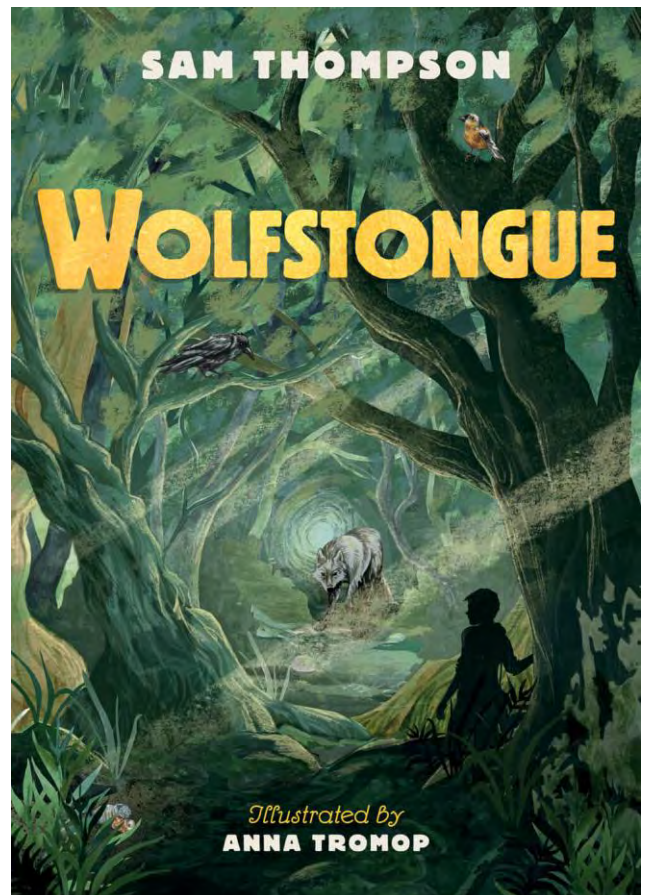
One day Silas helps an injured wolf. Then he enters the secret world of the Forest, where the last remaining wolves fight to survive. But even there, language is power.

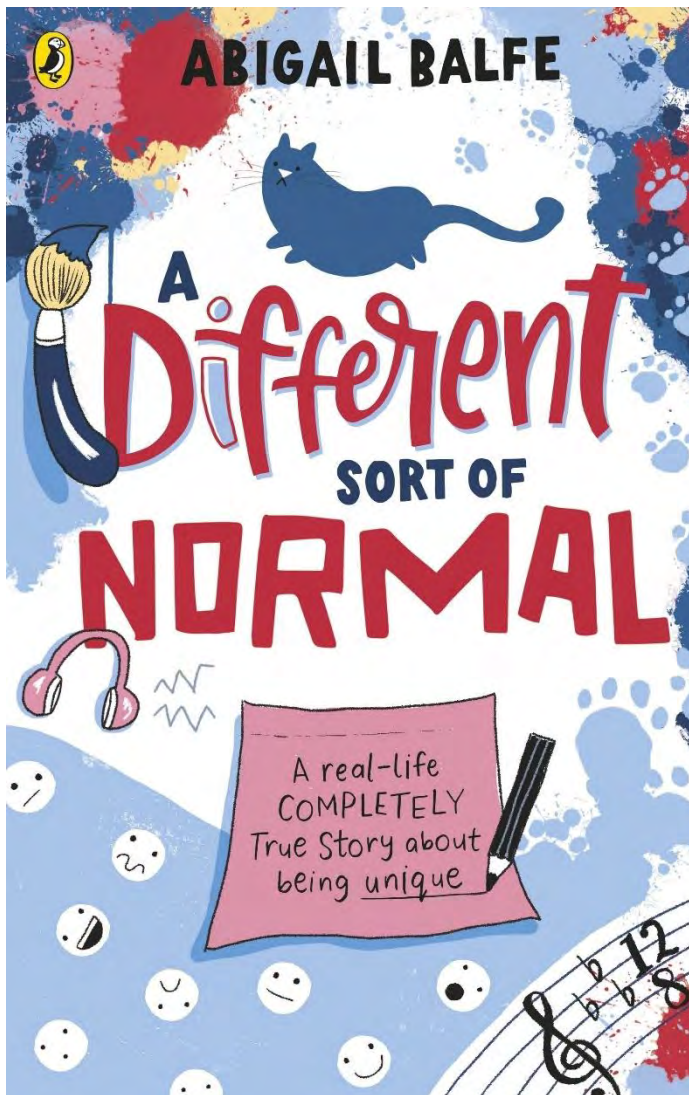
Can Silas find his voice in time to help his wolf friends - can he become the Wolfstongue?

Wolfstongue tells the story of a boy with speech problems who enters a hidden world of talking animals. When he befriends a family of wolves who have been enslaved by scheming, articulate foxes, the boy must face his own struggle with words to help the wolves win back their freedom.

### Why you need it?

- Fantasy adventure with cast of animal characters.
- Themes of neurodiversity and inclusion, the power of language and voice.
- Beautifully illustrated gift edition with soft-touch varnish and French flaps.





## A Different Sort of Normal

Author: [Abigail Balfe](#)

Published: July 2021

Age: Reluctant reader + EAL + Junior

Genre: Personal & social issues: self-awareness & self-esteem

RRP: \$19.99

Hi! My name is Abigail, and I'm autistic. But I didn't know I was autistic until I was an adult-sort-of-person.

This is my true story of growing up in the confusing 'normal' world, all the while missing some Very Important Information about myself.

There'll be scary moments involving toilets and crowded trains, heart-warming tales of cats and pianos, and funny memories including my dad and a mysterious tub of ice cream. Along the way you'll also find some Very Crucial Information about autism.

If you've ever felt different, out of place, like you don't fit in . . . this book is for you.

### Why you need it?

- Told through the author's remarkable words, and just as remarkable illustrations, this is the book for those who've never felt quite right in the 'normal' world.
- Very important, very funny, and very informative. This is the book the world needs right now.
- The beautiful, and beautifully illustrated, true story of one girl's journey growing up autistic, and the challenges of navigating the 'normal' world around her.
- Readers come away from the book feeling proud to be themselves, less alone and even excited about the years they have in front of them.