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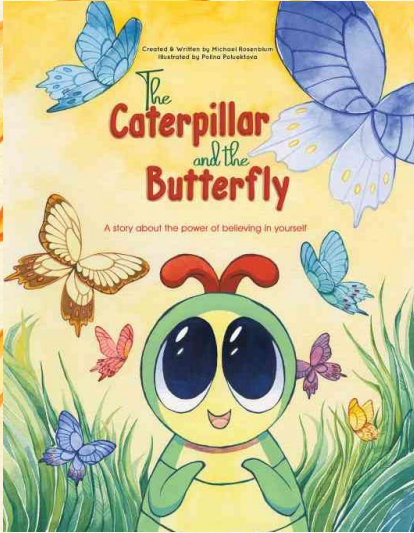
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## **The Caterpillar and the Butterfly**

**Michael Rosenblum**



From Michael Rosenblum, the bestselling author of *Happily Ever Always: A Guide to Personal Transformation, Security, Confidence, and Healthy Self*, comes a debut book for beginning readers. This ageless story introduces us to a caterpillar named “Fear”. Fear is afraid of everything – the other critters who share the garden, lightning storms, being bullied and making new friends. A chance encounter with a wise butterfly named “Faith” helps Fear find the courage within to experience the world in a bolder and more joy-filled way. Rosenblum’s message for children is simple yet profound: fear is just faith turned inside out.

“Children will realize that changing fear to faith is up to them as they explore this magical story. Bravo, Michael Rosenblum!”

Dr. Kathleen Hagstrom  
Principal  
Walt Disney Magnet School  
Chicago Public Schools

### **The Author**

A self-made man, Michael Rosenblum is a popular motivational speaker and workshop leader. Additionally, he is a sought-after guest expert on TV and radio in the US and Canada. Born in Dallas, Texas, he was raised in the Washington, D.C. area. After graduating from the University of Missouri, Rosenblum moved to Chicago, where he began a career in media sales, eventually creating and selling three travel magazines. He next set his sights on the competitive Chicago real estate market, quickly establishing himself as one of America’s most successful brokers. He is grateful to be able to share what he’s learned about fear and faith with young readers.

### **The Illustrator**

As a child, Polina Poluektova loved art and enjoyed creating imaginary worlds. Her main sources of inspiration were classic fairy tales, folklore, nature and animals, both real and mythical. She is a graduate of the prestigious Academy of Art in San Francisco and lives in Switzerland, where she is a professional illustrator.

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Age Group: 3-5

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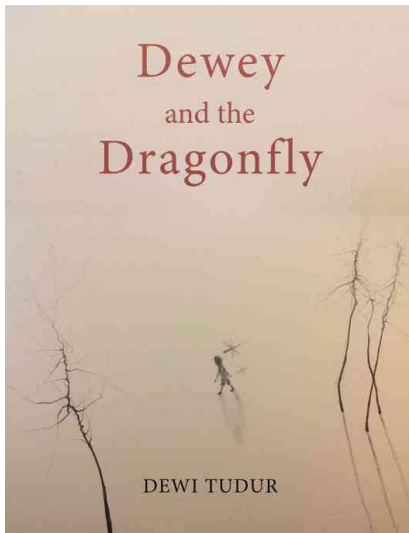
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## Dewey and the Dragonfly

Dewi Tudur



Set in 1960s Italy, on the dusty lanes between the cypresses of Tuscany, a friendship is growing between a young boy and a dragonfly.

The dragonfly has had a bad name over the centuries and Dewey is longing for a friend.

As the cypresses cast their long golden shadows the dragonfly knew that Dewey was sound asleep.

### The Author

Dewi was born in Wales in 1957. He has been a professional artist for over 30 years with collections worldwide.

The author is an artist in residence at Villa Pitiana.

He has been living in the hills of Reggello, Firenze since 2010.

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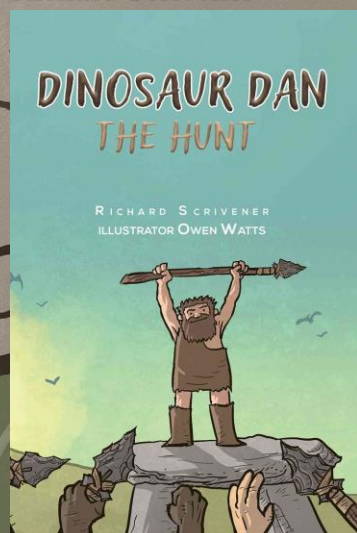
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# Dinosaur Dan

Richard Scrivener



Watch out, here comes Dinosaur Dan!

Get stuck into the life and times of our pre-historic hero with his motley tribal chums and dastardly foes. He careers through mishaps and disasters, only to rise undaunted to the next fateful adventure!

Dan is never quite the master of the occasion, but he will get you hooked. This Stone Age ne'er-do-well comes a cropper at every turn, no matter what he tries to do! His ever-patient partner, Neanderthal Nancy and his plucky chums all join in the rhyming rollicking escapades – no boring sentences here! So go hunting with Dan, and catch him if you can!

## The Author

Richard Scrivener spent much of his childhood in Africa and the Far East travelling, as an 'army kid', to far flung places. Memories of exotic settings, with their strange and sometimes alarming wildlife, left him with a love of the mysterious and the unknown. Wanderings through jungles and travels in canoes (with no time for school!) provided him with the world of *Dinosaur Dan*!

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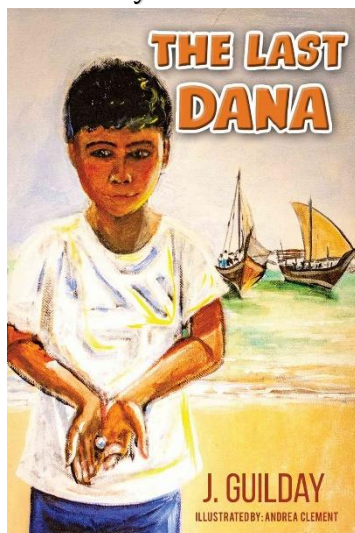
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# The Last Dana

J. Guilday



Little was known about the “Last Dana” until the day Suma captured it in his hands. Travel back to the Middle East in the days when there was no rest for the weary as the life of a pearl diver ensued much hardship and little compensation for work. This is a story about a humble family lifestyle and generational strength of character which develops into a tale of wonder, adventure and survival for a young boy.

## The Author

Jennifer Guilday is an English teacher who taught English as a Second Language in Qatar, during the years 2009-2011. There, she travelled extensively through the Middle East and experienced the the Qataris’ way of living by walking through the Souks and talking to shop owners as well as the various people in the country. One of them was a famous pearl diver in his day. He shared many of his adventures and gave her information of what it was like to live in Qatar in the early pearl diving days, before the industry was transferred to Asian market. Ms Guilday hopes to travel and continue to write. She resides in the small town of Colonial Beach, Virginia with her dog, Enos.

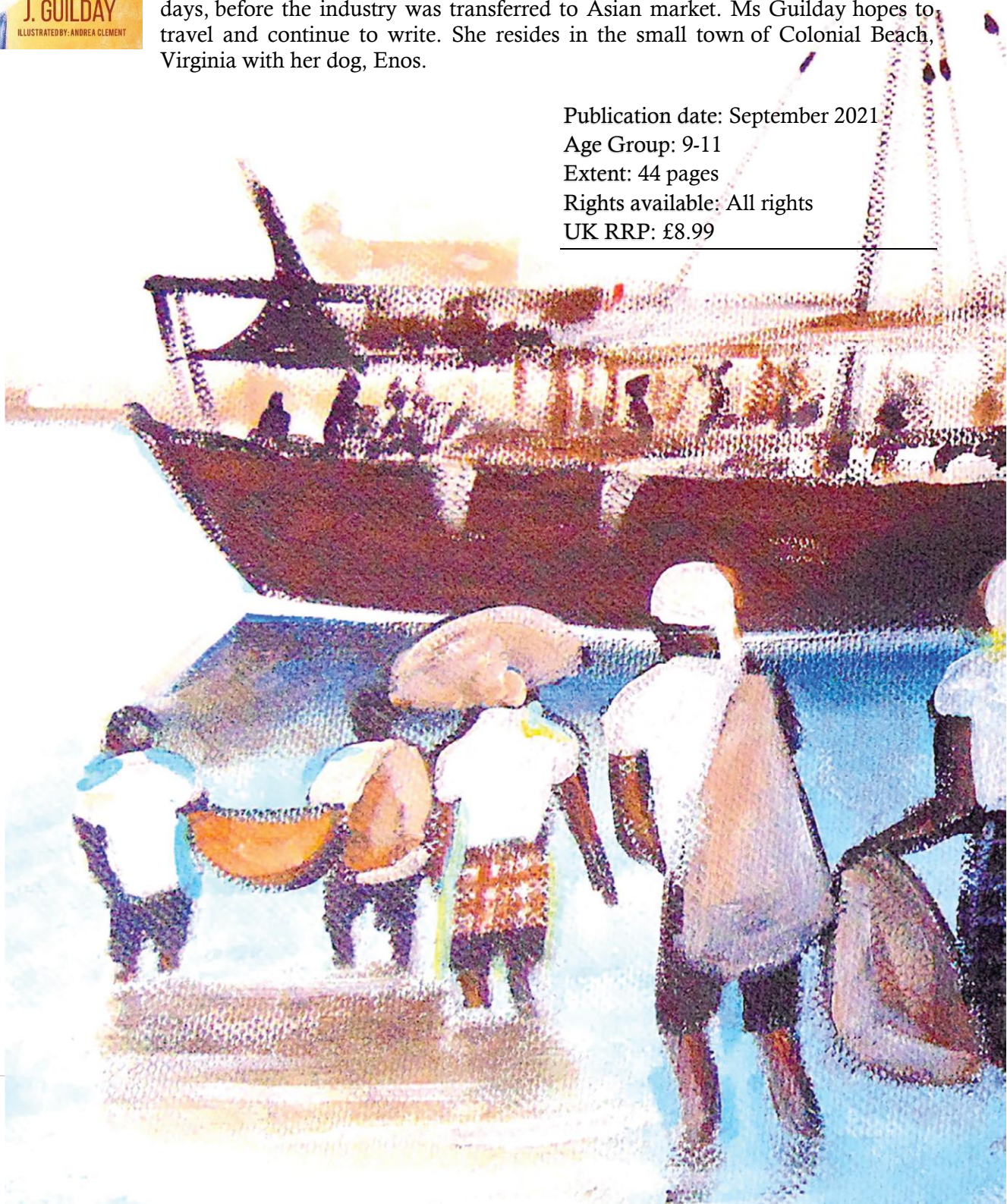
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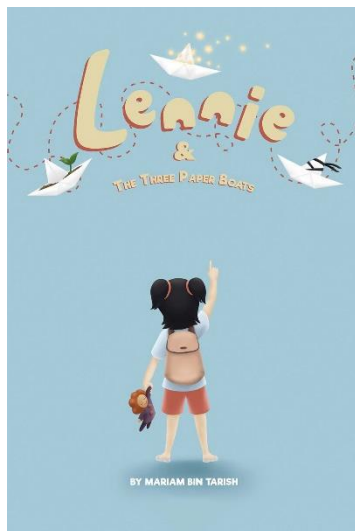
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## Lennie & The Three Paper Boats

Mariam bin Tarish



A golden ticket turns a dream into a nightmare, trapping Lennie in a stormy island. Will she have the courage and patience to reach her dream?

### The Author

Mariam Bin Tarish is an electrical and electronics engineer and an entrepreneur. An ambitious soul who thrives on challenges and constantly sets goals for herself, she is always looking for an opportunity to achieve greatness and to sail away with her dreams.

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Age Group: 9-11

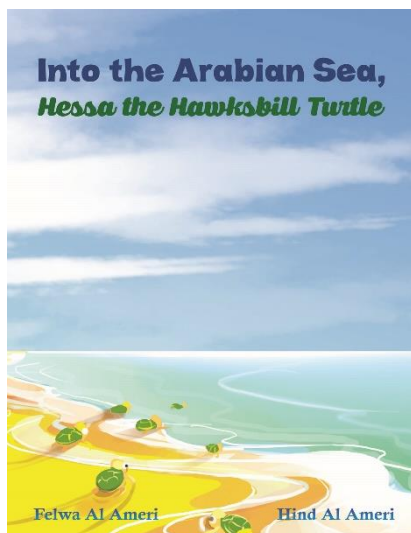
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## Into the Arabian Sea, Hessa the Hawksbill Turtle

Felwa, Hind Al Ameri, Hind Al Ameri



Let's follow Hessa, a critically endangered hawksbill turtle hatchling, as she bravely fights her way from the nest to the sea in one of Abu Dhabi's nesting beaches. This book aims to educate children, in a fun way, about the different threats hawksbill turtles face as they take their first journey to the sea. Will Hessa be able to solve all the riddles to reach her new home?

### The Author

Hind Al Ameri is a marine scientist working in marine assessment and conservation. She is passionate about all things related to the environment and hopes to be a leading figure in this field both locally and globally. Educating children has always been a goal of Hind no matter what she does, but her scientific way of thinking overtook her ability in creative writing. Her sister, Felwa, has always been passionate about reading since they were young and Hind always saw potential for Felwa in that area. Hind proposed the idea of a children's book and Felwa welcomed the idea with open arms.

Felwa Al Ameri is a mother of four and a full-time engineer in the oil & gas business. Her love for books and reading fused her conviction in reading to her children. Becoming an author was always a dream that was out of reach, but the dedication and support given by Hind Alameri, in addition to Hind's contagious passion towards the environment, has been the key needed to set things in motion.

Publication date: August 2021

Age Group: 6-8

Extent: 28 pages

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# The Dipping Dragonfly

Lanna Breetzke and Heather Larson

Lanna Breetzke - Heather Larson - Melissa Beachcroft-Shaw



*The Dipping Dragonfly* learns to focus on one thing at a time, getting twice as much done, to have double the fun. Follow along with our rhyme...

The aim of this picture book series, *The Garden Creatures of Fairfax Lane*, is to supply your children with the tools to manage their mental health. Each story provides an example of a subtle change you and your child can make to manage your thinking. It provides you with a medium to navigate developmental themes and, therefore, project the characteristics of the creatures in real-life scenarios.

## The Author

Alongside the title of 'daughter', Lanna Breetzke's background is in strategy and qualitative research. Her ambition is to help children navigate the world and

assist in better decision-making.

Alongside the title of 'mother', Heather Larson's background is in holistic health, teaching the principles of hatha yoga and the mind, body and soul connectivity.

Their stories aim to capture principles and philosophies which have helped shape their family and they hope to bring these tools to other homes.

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Age Group: 3-5

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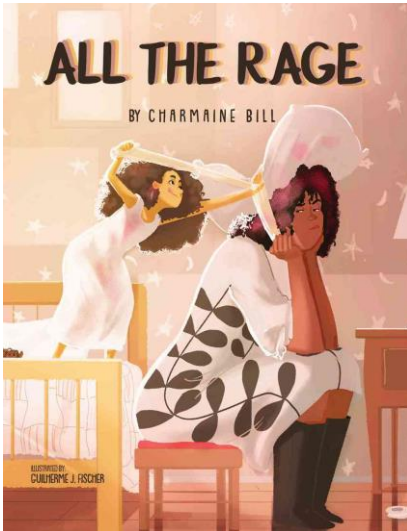
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# All The Rage

Charmaine Bill



Dust from a broom, spray from a can, a pillow from a bed, twigs from a tree and fish from a stream all combine to make the most outlandish hairstyle ever seen. Join Willow and her Mother on a 'hair-raising' afternoon full of imagination and make-believe.

## The Author

Charmaine Bill is a children's book author who also dabbles in behavioural and speech and language therapy. Charmaine is lucky enough to live in London with three wonderful people: her artist husband, Nils, an amazing little girl called Willow, who is also an artist and sometimes a cat, and Louie, a cat who is always a cat.



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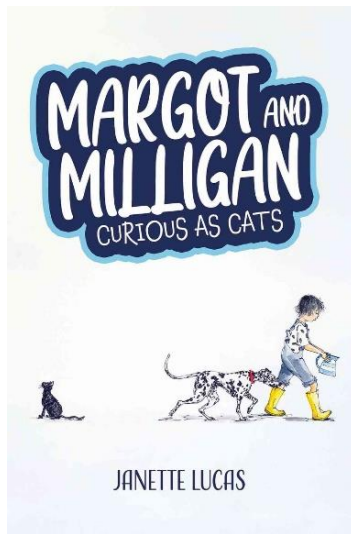
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# Margot and Milligan Curious as Cats

Janette Lucas

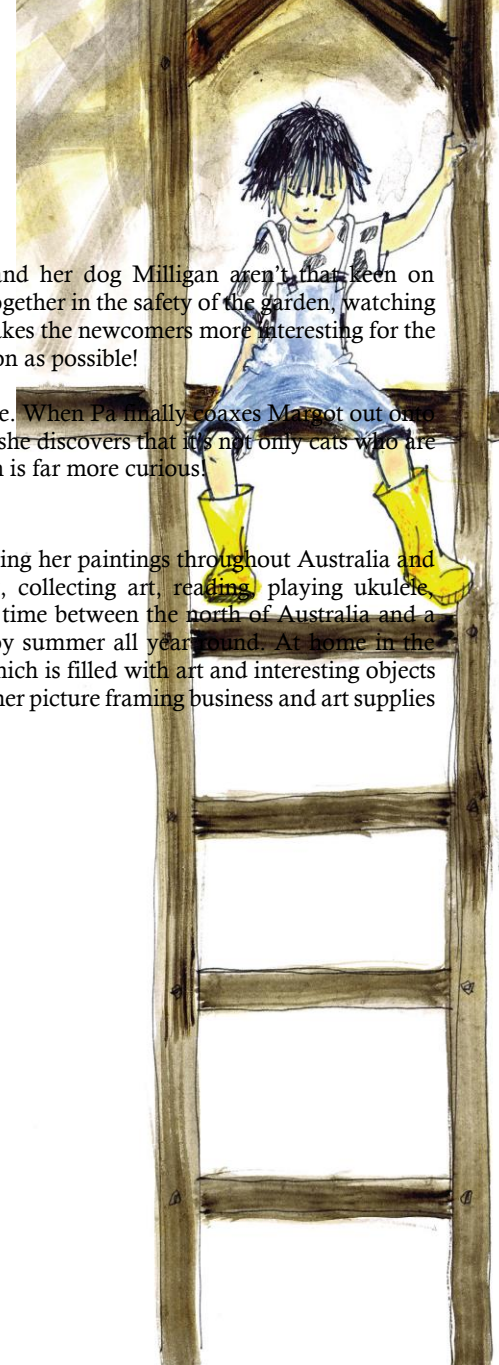


When Margot first visits her grandparent's farm, she and her dog Milligan aren't that keen on venturing out to meet all the animals. Instead, they play together in the safety of the garden, watching the animals from behind the fence. However, this only makes the newcomers more interesting for the farm animals and they want to meet these strangers as soon as possible!

Still Margot and Milligan aren't quite ready to get up close. When Pa finally coaxes Margot out onto the farm, she asks him a stream of questions. Eventually, she discovers that it's not only cats who are inquisitive creatures...there's a much bigger animal which is far more curious!

## The Author

Janette studied fine arts and has spent many years exhibiting her paintings throughout Australia and Indonesia. She has three children and loves gardening, collecting art, reading, playing ukulele, listening to French pop music and writing. Dividing her time between the north of Australia and a country town 4000 kilometres south means she can enjoy summer all year round. At home in the south, Janette lives upstairs in a two-storey former pub which is filled with art and interesting objects collected over many years. Downstairs is workspace with her picture framing business and art supplies shop which opens onto the street.



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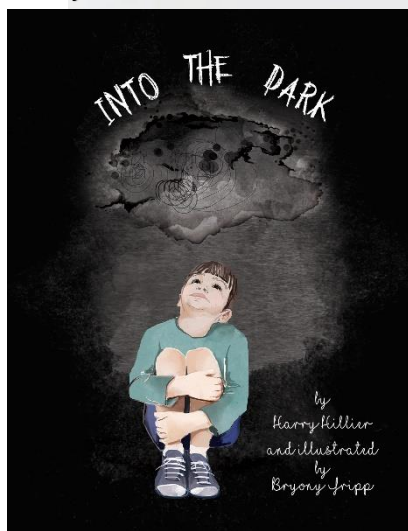
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# Into The Dark

Harry Hillier



## About the Author

Harry Hillier is a Deputy Headteacher of a primary school who is committed to helping children learn and grow as young people. Through his teaching, he wants children to know that anything is possible if they trust their own potential and believe in themselves.

Harry began writing as a teenager in his diary. Through his years of teaching, he has found how picture books can open the minds of the young and old with their hidden meanings and different structures.

After hearing that his mum's cancer had returned, Harry felt an overwhelming darkness around him and his family. A dark cloud loomed over him and it felt like it would never leave. Struggling to make sense of everything, Harry's world crumbled around him.

A heart-felt and thought-provoking true story which dives into the abstract mind of a child whose mum is dying of cancer.

Publication date: November 2020

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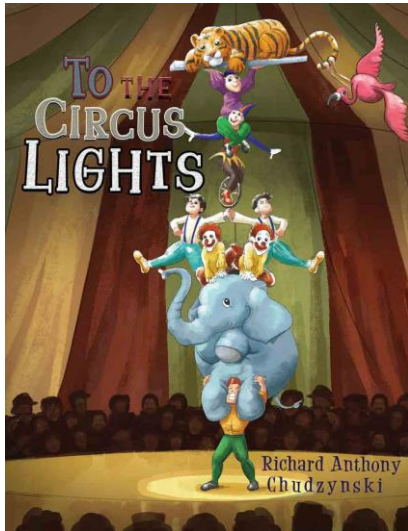
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# To The Circus Lights

Richard Anthony Chudzynski



Triplets, Marlee, Danny and George, wake up one morning to see the circus has come to town. On deciding to make a visit, an exciting adventure unravels at every turn of their journey. Mesmerised by the many circus performers and animals, the spectacle finishes, and night has fallen. With their mother expecting them back for tea how are they going to get home?

## The Author

Richard is an English international privacy lawyer, currently living and working in the UAE. He has been practising law for the last 10 years across a number of jurisdictions, having worked in the UK, Azerbaijan, Russia, Kazakhstan and now the UAE (across the Middle East). Richard is married and has four children, one of whom is at university in the UK (his stepdaughter), the other three (including twins) are all in school in the UAE (Dubai). Richard has always had a passion to write children's stories and this was reawakened on one particular evening when his oldest son, Danny (age 6) came home from school and asked him to write a story for him, and so finally he decided to do just that. Richard loves travelling, sports and arts but the most important thing in his life is his family.

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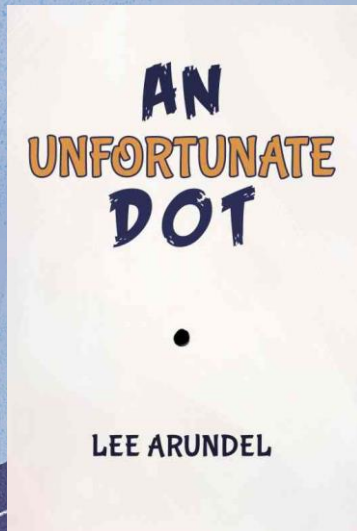
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# An Unfortunate Dot

Lee Arundel



It's not easy trying to find your place in the world, particularly when you are only a small dot. However, our intrepid dot overcomes obstacles and challenges to finally find where he belongs and take his place in the most useful of spots.

## The Author

Lee was born in the UK then moved to Australia with his family in the 1970s. His passion for reading has led to him becoming a teacher librarian in a large public school in western Sydney. He is married to Michelle and has two adult children. This is his first book.

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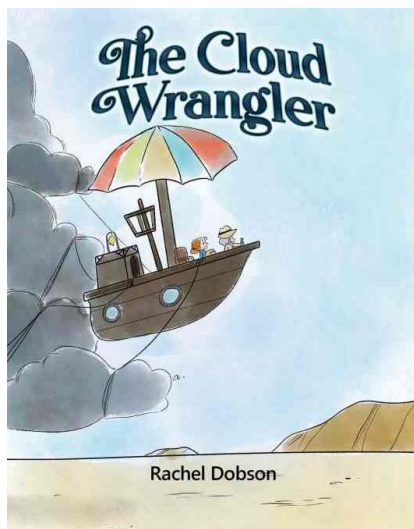
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# The Cloud Wrangler

Rachel Dobson



The rain is getting Matilda Jayne down. It seems to have been raining forever and ever! She and her adorable dog have decided that there is no more fun to be had in the wet weather and they have become very bored. Fortunately for the two of them, there's an adventure about to start! A magical dream takes Matilda on a journey that helps her to see how awesome rain really is!

Join Matilda and her best friend, Murray, on a vital mission in an extraordinary boat with a most unusual captain.

## The Author

Rachel Dobson spent her childhood living in and travelling to exciting and exotic countries. She was nurtured by parents who insisted that she pauses to notice the beauty in the natural world and that she endeavours to understand the intricacy of the human world.

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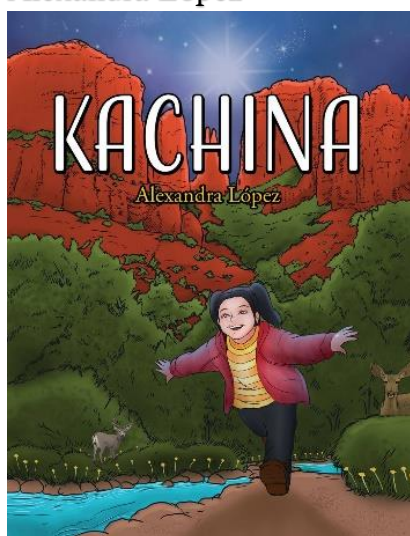
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# Kachina

Alexandra López



Imagine you are a star gazing down at Earth in wonder. For thousands of years, you see all the beauty in the world but you are not able to experience it. What would you do if you finally had the chance to become a human being and discover what you loved the most?

## The Author

Alexandra López was born in Ecuador and spent her childhood in Venezuela. After studying French in Switzerland for a year, she moved to the United States to pursue her undergraduate and master's degrees. Combining her passion for education and love for languages, she opened an English-speaking pre-school with a friend in Venezuela. The school has now been operating for 25 years. Alexandra now lives in Miami with her husband and four adult children. Writing children's books that inspire children to reach their highest potential has always been her dream.

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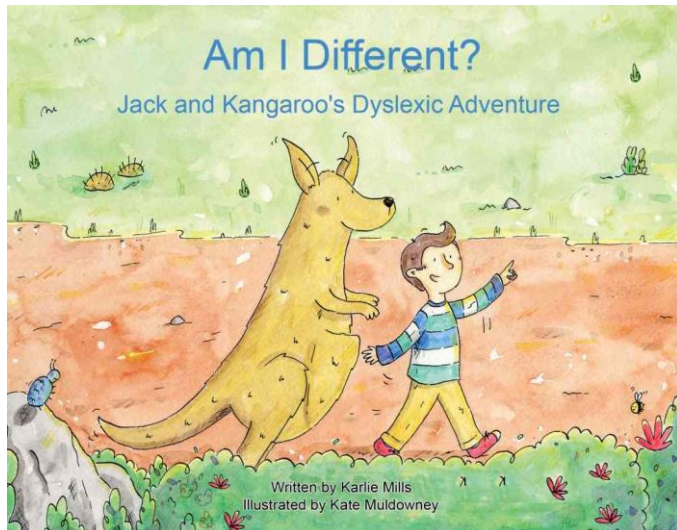
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# Am I Different?

Karlie Mills



An enchanting and uplifting tale of a little boy named Jack who is struggling with dyslexia at school. Sometimes it is difficult to understand why we are different, even though each and every one of us is unique. This story teaches us that despite the struggle and realisation of being different, just like Jack, one is still capable of fulfilling their dreams.

## The Author

Dyslexia has brought out a passion in Karlie for helping and educating others, specifically around hidden disabilities and mental health issues. The book was created to empower and educate children primarily with dyslexia but can be related to any difference/disability. Karlie has over 14 years' experience of working with both adults and children; they have been her main influence when writing this book.

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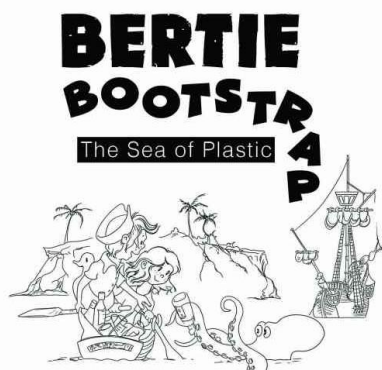
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# Bertie Bootstrap – The Sea of Plastic

Emma Harrison



EMMA HARRISON  
ILLUSTRATED BY JOHN SAMUELS

“Oh, look at that poor dolphin,” cried Gertie.

“Quick, Bertie, do something please.”

Gertie and LuLu lowered down Bertie who swiftly removed the bottle from the dolphin's nose.

Join Bertie as he sails the seas and oceans, together with his crew aboard the Merry Mallard. He searches out for treasure whilst helping his animal friends and encouraging others to look after our planet.

## The Author

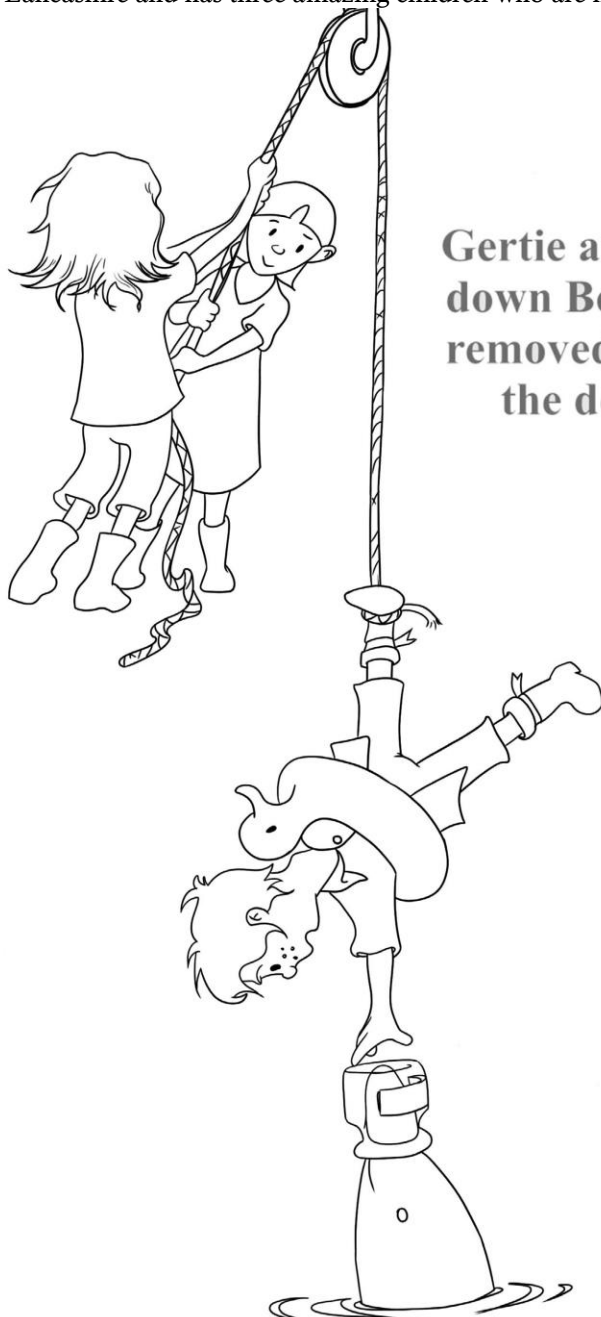
Emma was brought up in Hampshire with her parents and elder sister before relocating with the family to Devon in 1991. In 1999, Emma left the UK behind and moved to Greece to become a holiday rep and it's here that very same year that she met her future husband, Jason. After finally hanging up her clipboard in 2005, Emma returned back in 2007 to be married. Emma now lives in Lancashire and has three amazing children who are her inspiration for writing.

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**Gertie and Lulu lowered  
down Bertie who swiftly  
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