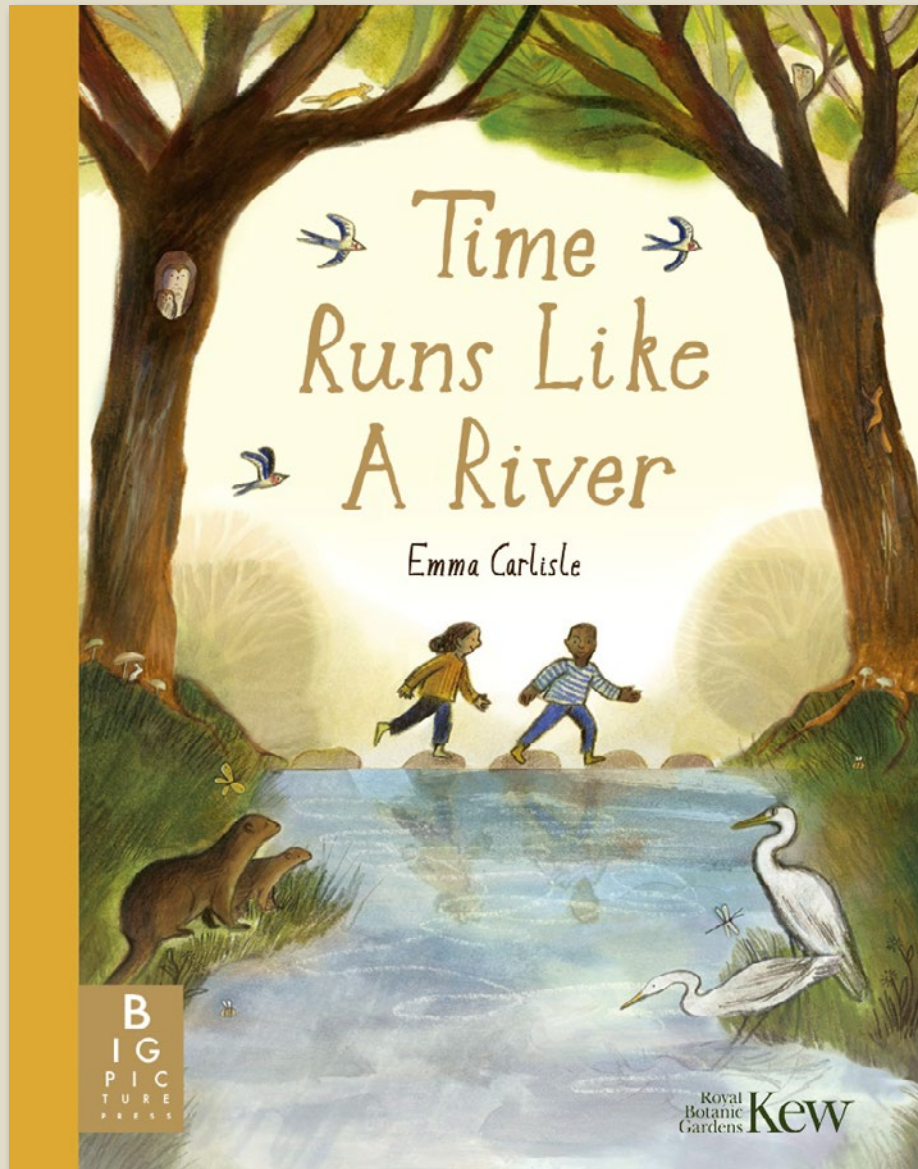




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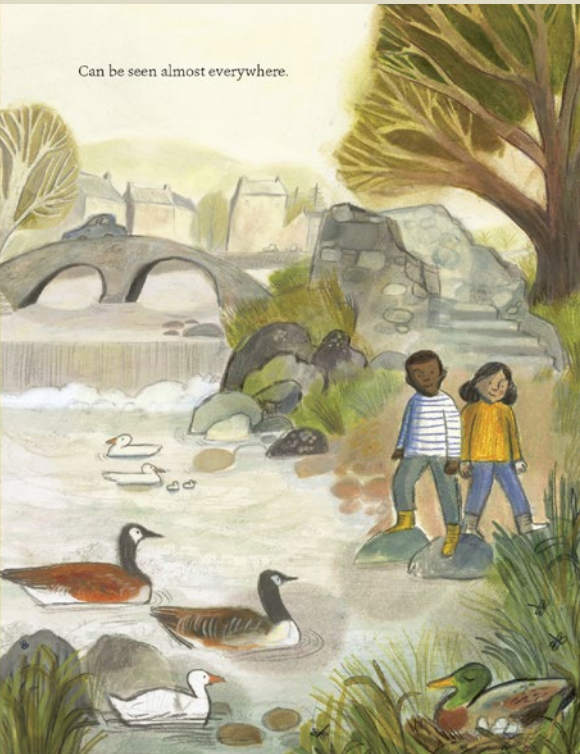
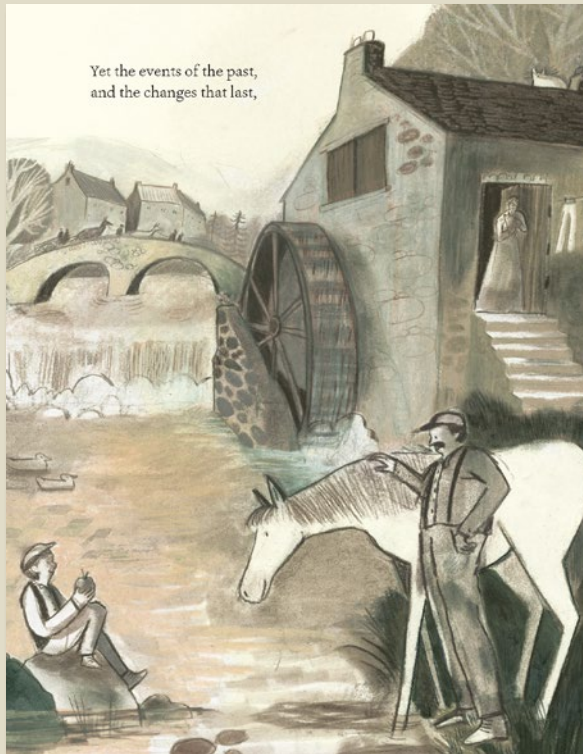
Time Runs Like A River



This lyrical picture book by award-winning artist Emma Carlisle explores the passage of time and change through the metaphor of a river, combining beautiful illustrations and themes of mindfulness.

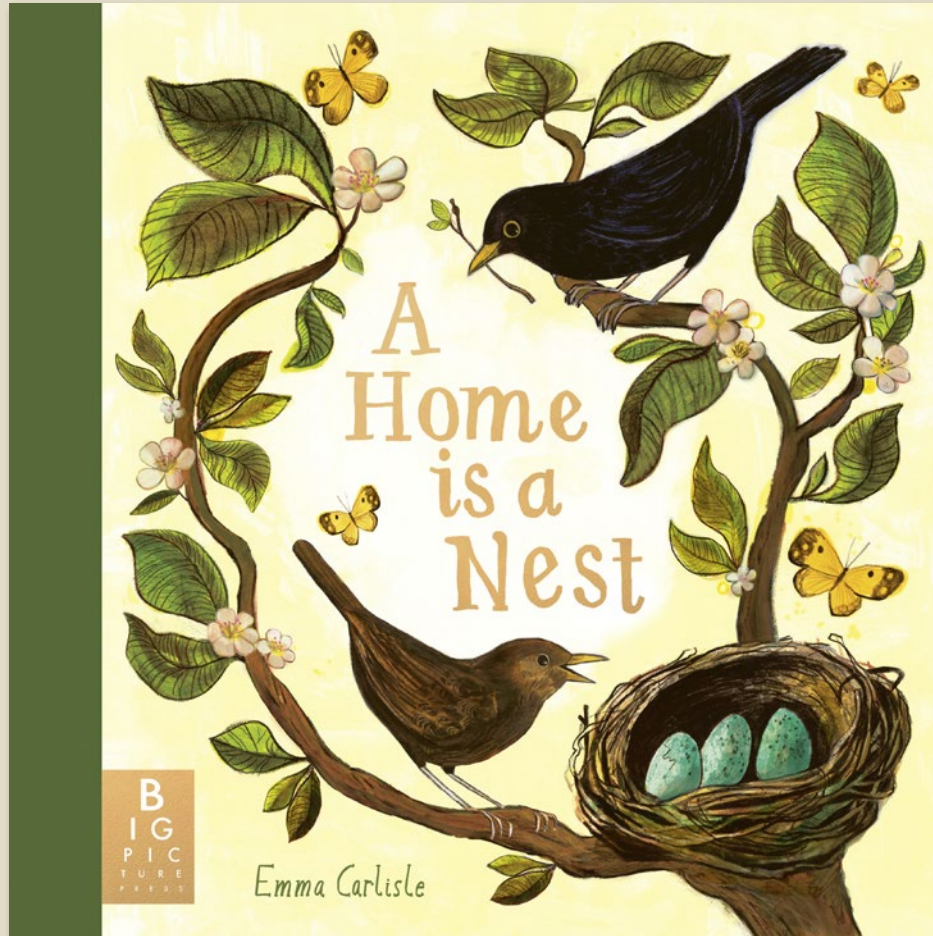
- **Winner of the Award of Excellence in Literature for Children from the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries and The Margaret Mallett Award for Children's Non-Fiction from the English 4-11 Picture Book Awards**

Time Runs Like A River



Pub Date	03/07/2025
Pub Price	£8.99
ISBN	9781800785953
H x W	300 x 235mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	5-7 years
Author	Emma Carlisle
Illustrator	Emma Carlisle
Extent	40pp
Word Count	1812 words
Freight On Board	01/05/2025
Rights Available	World

A Home is a Nest



The perfect gift for anyone welcoming a new child into the family, this comforting picture book explores the idea of 'home' through nature's lens.

- Emma's previous books have garnered critical acclaim: *What Do You See When You Look At A Tree?* was selected as a 2023 Empathy Labs title and shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Prize 2023, while *Time Runs Like a River* won the Award of Excellence in Literature for Children from the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries
- With its tender story and stunning illustrations, this book is ideal for snuggling up and reading aloud, making it a cherished addition to any nursery or family library

A Home is a Nest



Pub Date	13/03/2025
Pub Price	£12.99
ISBN	9781800786103
H x W	270 x 270mm
Binding	Hardback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Emma Carlisle
Illustrator	Emma Carlisle
Extent	32pp
Word Count	500 words
Rights Available	World

Jay Runs Away



A pirate-packed picture book about the arrival of a new sibling – with real lift-the-flap letters!

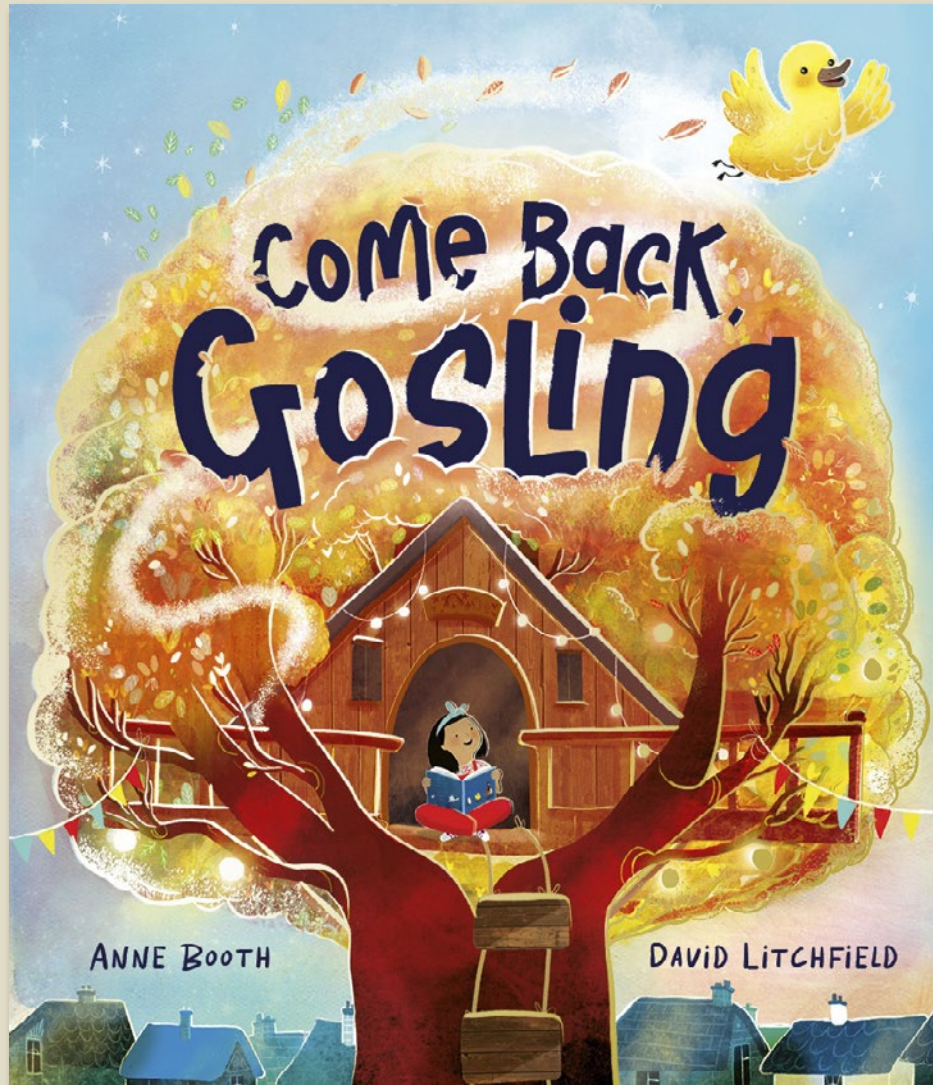
- Using clever paper-engineering, there are six differently-shaped, fold-out letters for little hands to open and peek inside – from postcards to pirate party hats!
- Humorous and light-hearted storytelling from Dawn McNiff (*Smiley Eyes, Smiley Faces*) is accompanied by hilarious and stylish artwork from Nicola Slater (*The Leaf Thief, Charlie Chooses, Jonathan the Magic Pony*).
- The perfect picture book for anyone welcoming a new baby into the family.
- With focus on letter-writing and a 'write a letter to the pirate captain' activity at the back of the book, this makes the perfect classroom companion.
- Cover treatment: matt lam and spot UV.

Jay Runs Away



Pub Date	17/07/2025
Pub Price	£8.99
ISBN	9781800784543
H x W	250 x 250mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Dawn McNiff
Illustrator	Nicola Slater
Extent	36pp
Word Count	700 words
Freight On Board	14/05/2025
Rights Available	World

Come Back, Gosling



- The incredible duo are back - Anne Booth and award-winning illustrator, David Litchfield join forces again for another touching, heartwarming picture book.
- *A Shelter for Sadness* has sold almost 65,000 copies worldwide and has sold in 11 territories, and *The Boy, the Troll and the Chalk* has sold in 6 territories.
- A focus on reading for pleasure, the joy of sharing books and the power of libraries.
- A reassuring tale that teaches children confidence and independence as well as that honesty and trust are what allow friendships to fly.
- Cover treatment: matt lam, SPUV and foil.

Come Back, Gosling



Pub Date	05/06/2025
Pub Price	£12.99
ISBN	9781800783072
H x W	287 x 247mm
Binding	Hardback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Anne Booth
Illustrator	David Litchfield
Extent	40pp
Word Count	750 words
Rights Available	World

The Bear Who Stared



Nobody likes being stared at - as Bear soon finds out!

- Appealing bear character who learns an important lesson
- Fresh, charming artwork
- Shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize.
- Over 40,000 copies sold worldwide (as of July 2022)

The Bear Who Stared



Pub Date	01/02/2016
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781783703753
H x W	287 x 247mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Duncan Beedie
Illustrator	Duncan Beedie
Extent	40pp
Rights Available	World

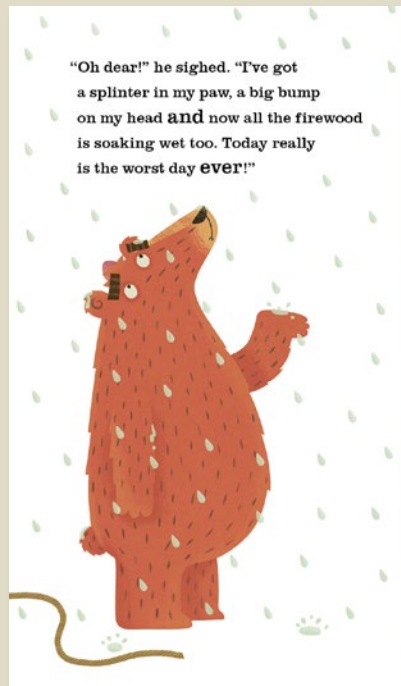
A Bad Day for Bear



The lovable bear is back – this time he’s having a VERY bad day indeed!

- Duncan’s Waterstones Children’s Book Prize shortlisted *The Bear Who Stared* has sold over 40,000 copies worldwide
- Children will engage with the lovable bear who is having a bad day!
- Universal theme which will strike a chord with all parents
- Illustrated with Duncan’s trademark vibrant and quirky art style

A Bad Day for Bear



Pub Date	14/09/2023
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781800786219
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Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Duncan Beedie
Extent	40pp
Rights Available	World

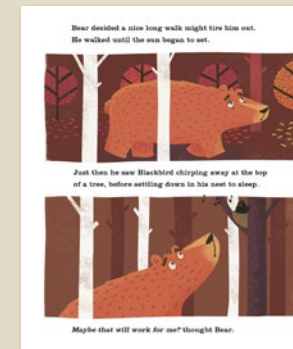
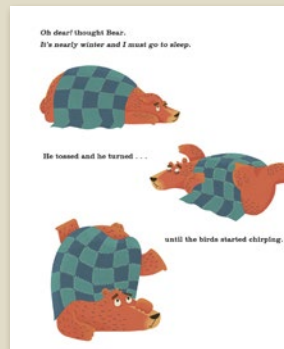
No Sleep for Bear



Bear is back in this sequel to *The Bear who Stared*.

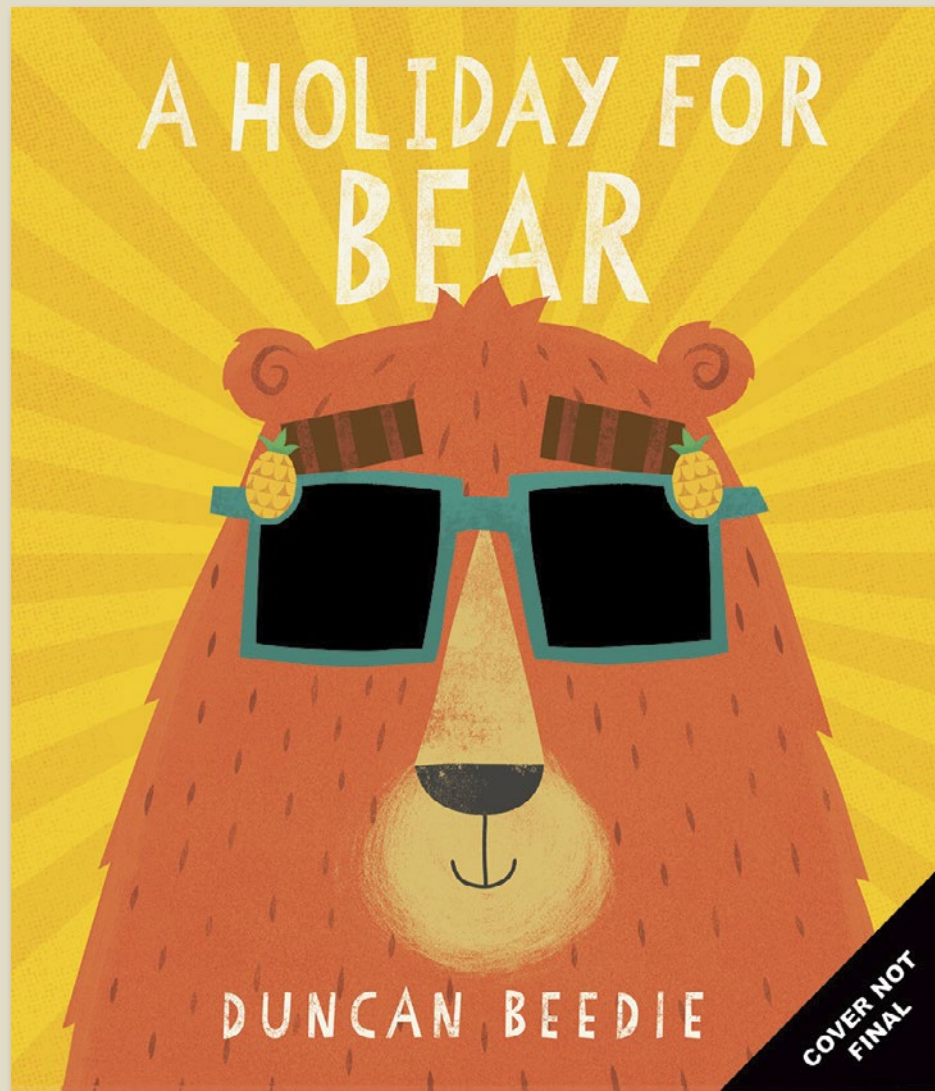
- A follow-up to the bestselling Waterstones Children's Book Prize shortlisted *The Bear Who Stared*, which has sold over 40,000 copies worldwide (as of July 2022)
- Children will engage with the lovable bear who doesn't quite get things right
- Universal theme which will strike a chord with all parents
- A funny take on hibernation, a topic which is covered in the National Curriculum
- Illustrated with Duncan's trademark vibrant and quirky art style
- A perfect bedtime story

No Sleep for Bear



Pub Date	07/07/2022
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781787419865
H x W	287 x 247mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Duncan Beedie
Illustrator	Duncan Beedie
Extent	40pp
Rights Available	World

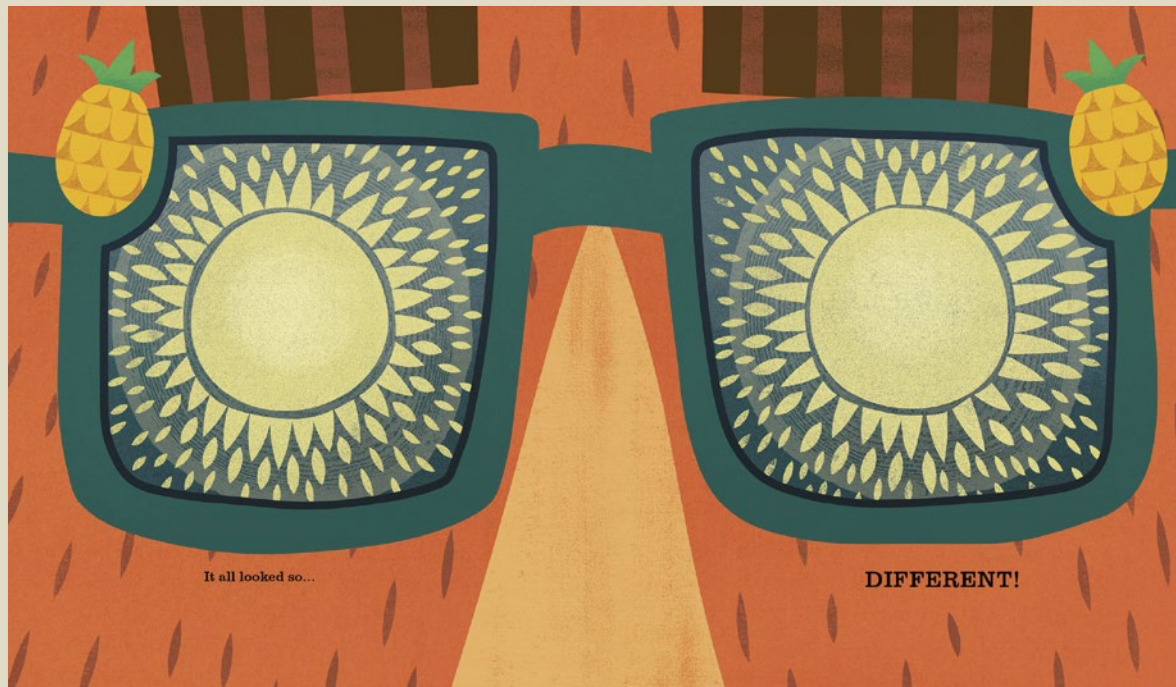
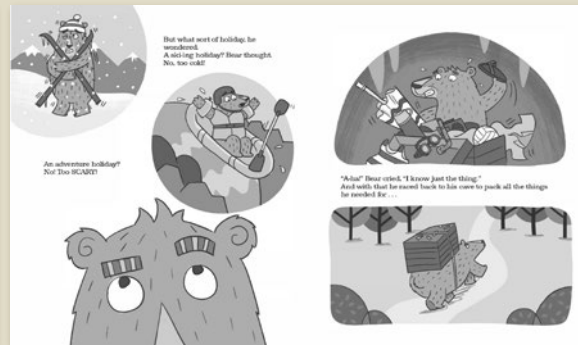
A Holiday for Bear



The brilliant Bear is back – this time he’s off on. . . HOLIDAY!

- The first book in the series, *The Bear Who Stared*, has sold over 50,000 copies worldwide and the series has sold across more than 8 territories.
- Ideal summer holiday reading, and Bear makes the perfect companion for children who are heading off on their first holiday and aren’t sure what to expect!
- Perfectly encapsulates the excitement of going on holiday but also the joy and comfort in coming home again!
- Fantastically illustrated with Duncan’s trademark hand - exploring a bright and zingy palette, which is a new direction for this series.
- Cover treatment: matt lam, SPUV and holographic foil.

A Holiday for Bear



Pub Date	04/06/2026
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781835872215
H x W	287 x 247mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Duncan Beedie
Illustrator	Duncan Beedie
Extent	40pp
Translation Files	20/10/2025
Files To Printer	12/01/2026
Freight On Board	19/03/2026
Rights Available	World

Time for Bed, Animals



A gentle non-fiction book full of sleepy animals

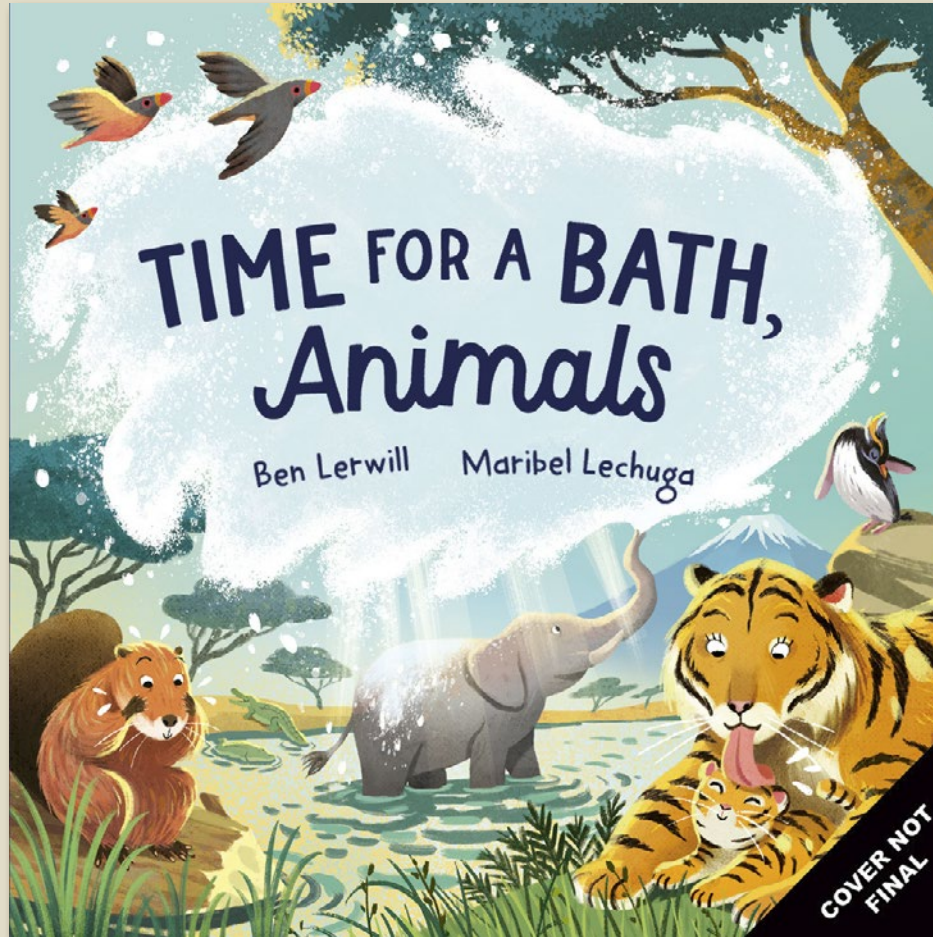
- Gentle non-fiction picture book, perfect for readers aged 3-7.
- Written in accessible language, packed with amazing facts and questions to consider, with text by award-winning author and travel-writer Ben Lerwill.
- With lush illustrations full of adorable animals by Spanish illustrator Maribel Lechuga. Maribel has illustrated books for the Usborne Beginners and Look Inside series and Oxford Reading Tree among others.
- A page of information at the back of the book includes sleep-tips for families.
- CONTENTS: Dogs, chimpanzees, dolphins, sea otters, cats, ants, kangaroos, bats, birds, fish (Great Barrier Reef), giraffes, tortoises

Time for Bed, Animals



Pub Date	12/09/2024
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781800785038
H x W	250 x 250mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	5-7 years
Author	Ben Lerwill
Illustrator	Maribel Lechuga
Extent	32pp
Word Count	900 words
Rights Available	World

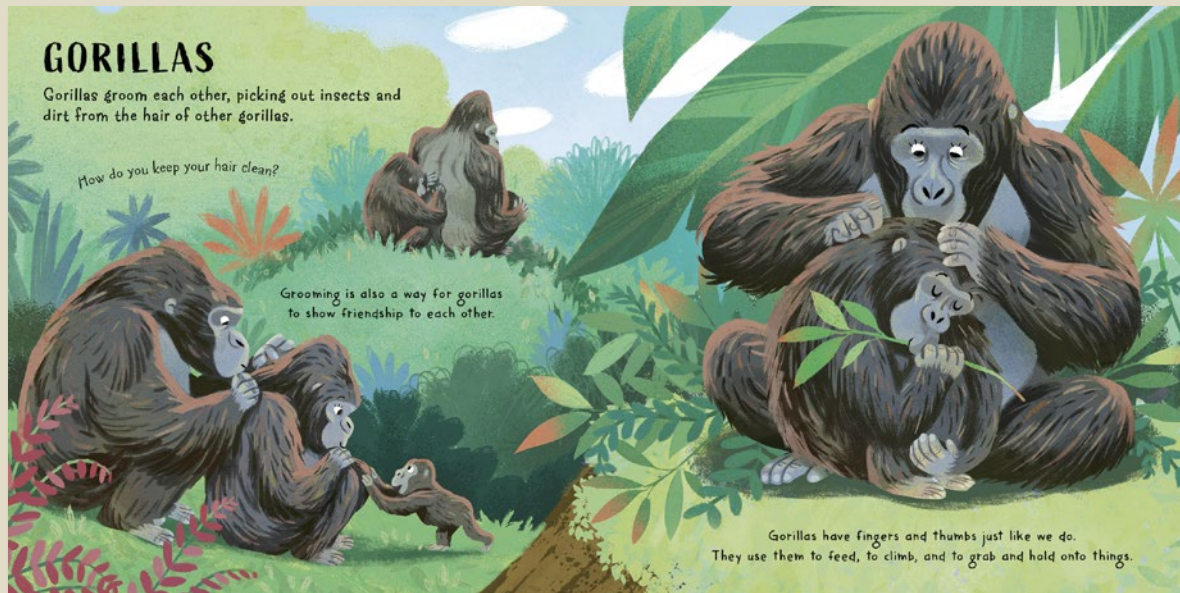
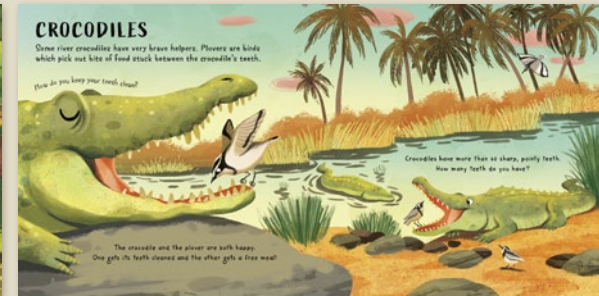
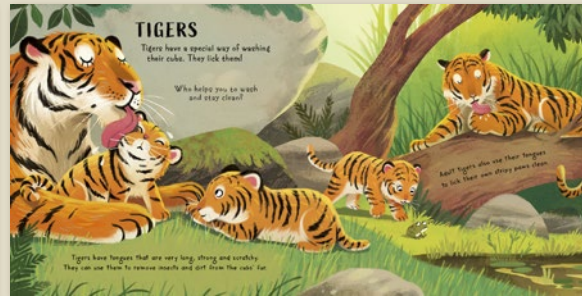
Time for a Bath, Animals



A gentle non-fiction book full of squeaky clean animals and splash-tastic facts.

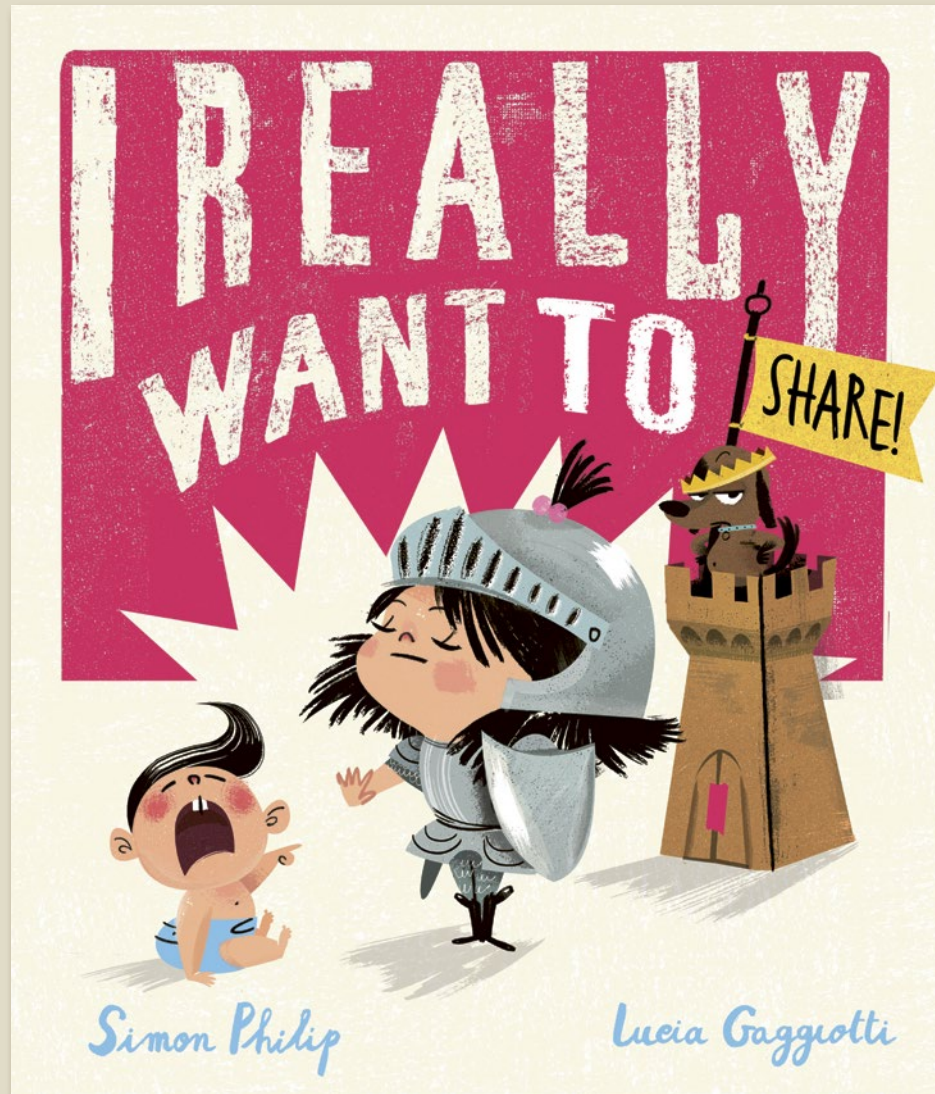
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- Written in accessible language, packed with amazing facts and questions to consider, with text by award-winning author and travel-writer Ben Lerwill.
- Beautiful illustrations of adorable animals and their habitats by Spanish illustrator Maribel Lechuga.
- A page of information at the back of the book includes fun bathtime tips for families.
- The perfect companion to *Time for Bed, Animals*, also by Ben Lerwill and Maribel Lechuga.

Time for a Bath, Animals



Pub Date	09/10/2025
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781800789838
H x W	250 x 250mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Ben Lerwill
Illustrator	Maribel Lechuga
Extent	32pp
Word Count	900 words
Files To Printer	26/05/2025
Freight On Board	07/08/2025
Rights Available	World

I Really Want to Share



A brilliantly funny take on growing families and introducing new siblings.

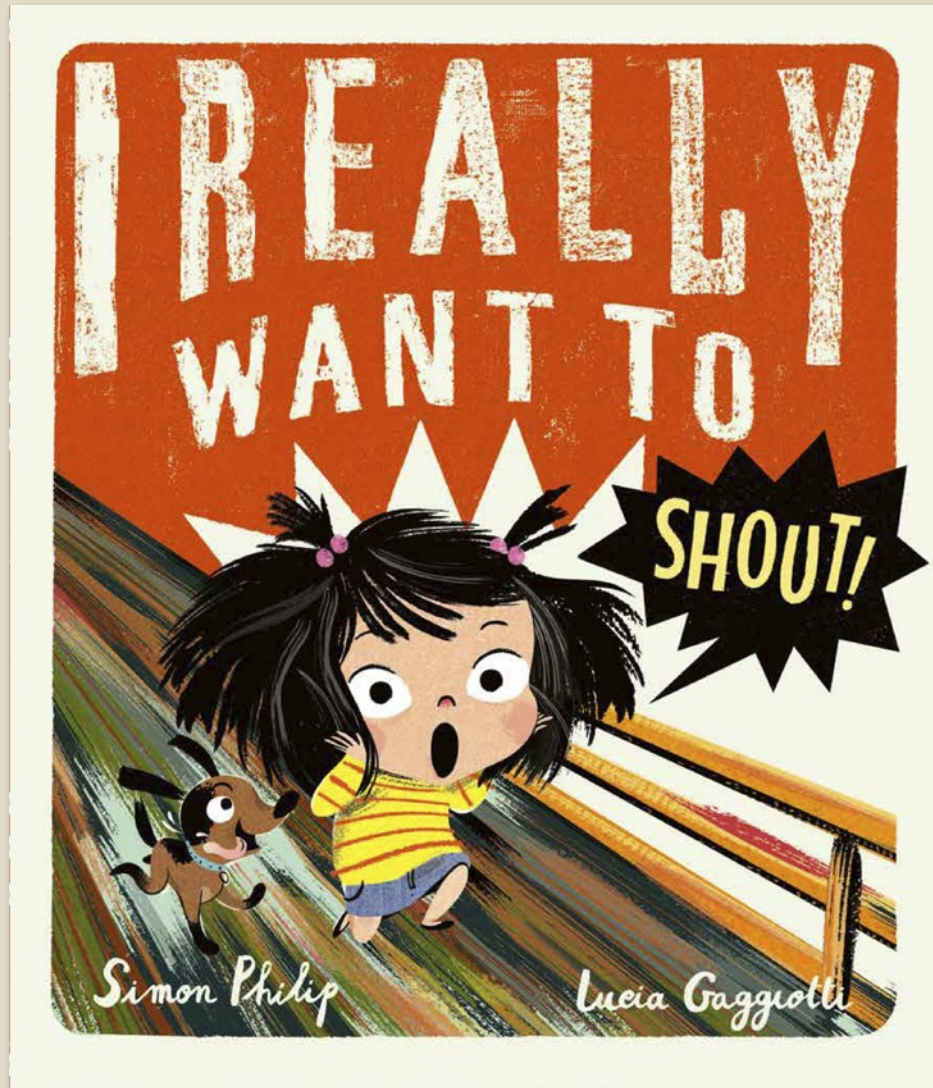
- The fourth book in the Waterstones Prize shortlisted series that began with *I Really Want the Cake*.
- The *I Really Want...* series has sold a combined total of over 100,000 copies worldwide (as of July 2022)
- Simon Philip's first book *You Must Bring a Hat* (Simon and Schuster) was Sainsbury's Children's Book of the Year in 2016.
- This picture book explores how children can learn to accept a new sibling
- Lucia Gaggiotti's expressive artwork combined with Simon Philip's galloping rhyming text combine to make the perfect comic picture book - with a serious message at its heart.

I Really Want to Share



Pub Date	29/09/2022
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781800781726
H x W	265 x 228mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Simon Philip
Illustrator	Lucia Gaggiotti
Extent	40pp
Word Count	800 words
Rights Available	World

I Really Want to Shout



The determined heroine of *I Really want the Cake* learns big lessons about managing anger.

- Simon Philip's first book *You Must Bring a Hat* (Simon and Schuster) was Sainsbury's Children's Book of the Year in 2016.
- This picture book explores how children can learn to deal with anger in a light-hearted way.
- Lucia Gaggiotti's expressive artwork combined with Simon Philip's galloping rhyming text combine to make the perfect comic picture book - with a serious message at its heart.
- The *I Really Want...* series has sold a combined total of over 100,000 copies worldwide (as of July 2022)
- *I Really Want the Cake* was shortlisted for the Waterstones Prize.

I Really Want to Shout



Pub Date	03/09/2020
Pub Price	£6.99
ISBN	9781787416802
H x W	265 x 228mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Simon Philip
Illustrator	Lucia Gaggiotti
Extent	40pp
Word Count	800 words
Rights Available	World

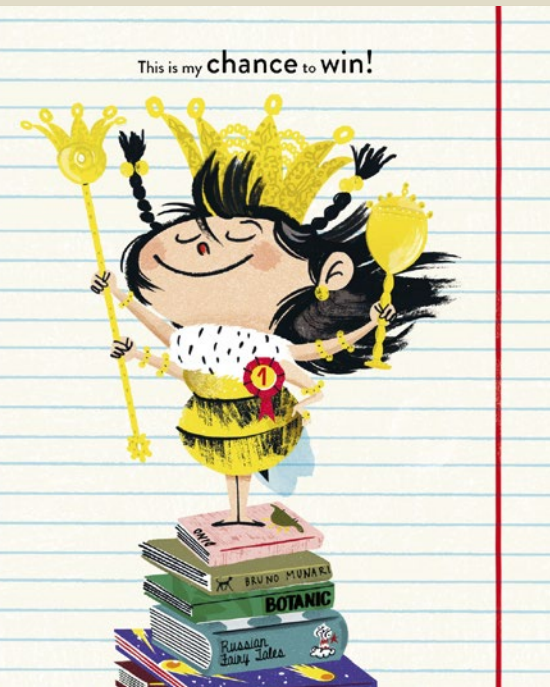
I Really Want to Win



The determined heroine of *I Really want the Cake* learns how to cope with competition.

- An important story about competition and how to have a healthy attitude to it.
- Lucia Gaggiotti's expressive artwork combined with Simon Philip's galloping rhyming text combine to make the perfect comic picture book - with a serious message at its heart.
- The *I Really Want...* series has sold a combined total of over 100,000 copies worldwide (as of July 2022)
- *I Really Want the Cake* was shortlisted for the Waterstones Prize.
- Simon Philip's first book *You Must Bring a Hat* (Simon and Schuster) was Sainsbury's Children's Book of the Year in 2016.

I Really Want to Win



Pub Date	13/06/2019
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781787414112
H x W	265 x 228mm
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Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Simon Philip
Illustrator	Lucia Gaggiotti
Extent	40pp
Word Count	700 words
Rights Available	World

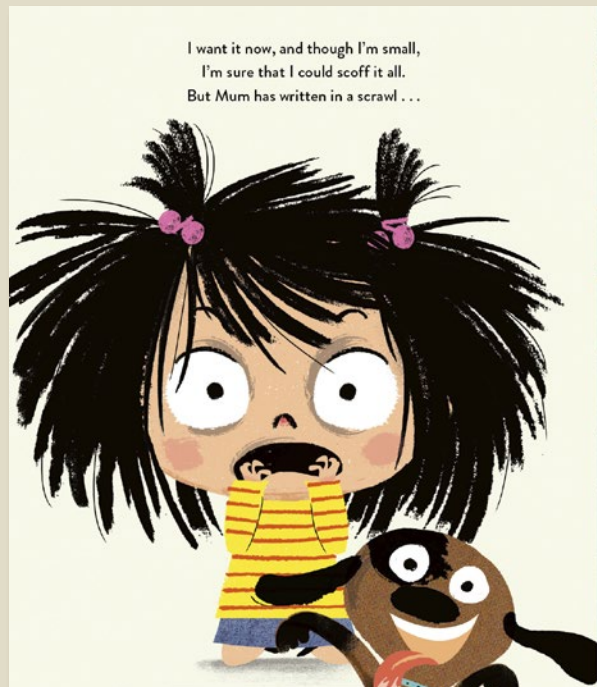
I Really Want the Cake



In this energetic picture book, a little girl tries to resist an amazing cake.

- A humorous rhyming story from picture book author, Simon Philip
- Delightful illustrations from Lucia Gaggiotti create a wonderfully mischievous book
- The *I Really Want...* series has sold a combined total of over 100,000 copies worldwide (as of July 2022)
- Shortlisted for the Waterstones Prize.

I Really Want the Cake



Pub Date	10/08/2017
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781783708017
H x W	265 x 228mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Simon Philip
Illustrator	Lucia Gaggiotti
Extent	40pp
Word Count	500 words
Rights Available	World

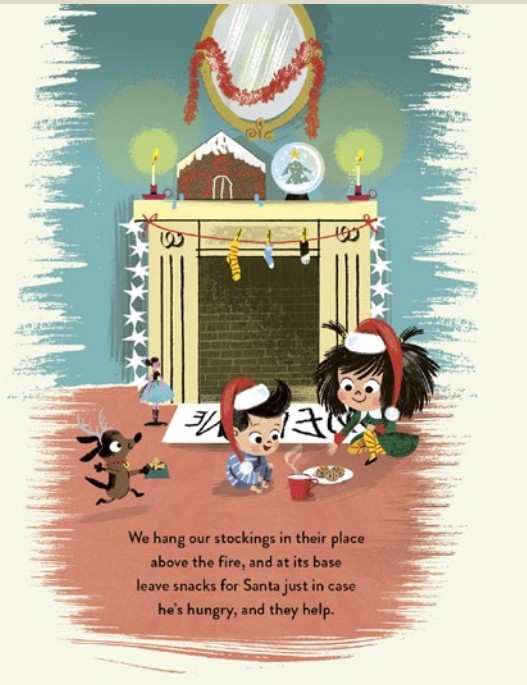
I Really Want to Help



A funny festive take on the thrilling but hectic lead-up to Christmas!

- The fifth book in the Waterstones Prize shortlisted series that began with *I Really Want the Cake*.
- The *I Really Want . . .* series has sold a combined total of over 66,000 copies worldwide (as of September 2023).
- Simon Philip's first book *You Must Bring a Hat* (Simon and Schuster) was Sainsbury's Children's Book of the year in 2016.
- This wonderfully festive book is filled with the thrills and spills of Christmas.
- Lucia Gaggiotti's expressive artwork combined with Simon Philip's romping rhyming text make this a perfect comic picture book.

I Really Want to Help



Pub Date	11/09/2025
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781800782617
H x W	265 x 228mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Simon Philip
Illustrator	Lucia Gaggiotti
Extent	40pp
Word Count	650 words
Files To Printer	23/04/2025
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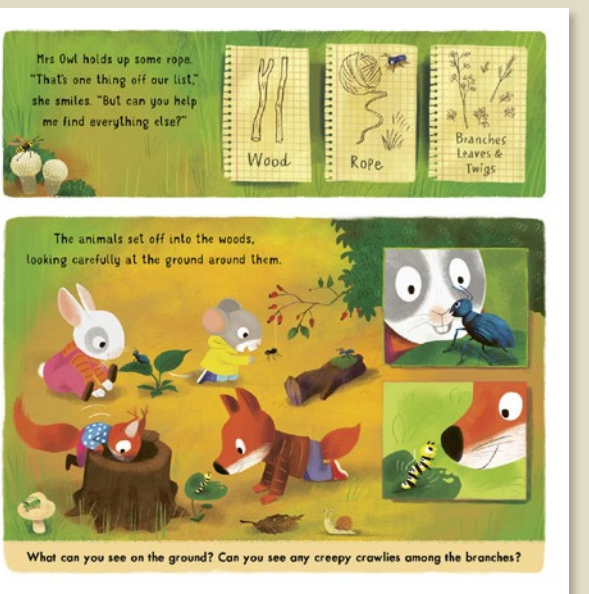
Mrs Owl's Forest School: The Very Big Den



Discover forest school in this gentle story packed with facts

- A perfect mix of picture book and non-fiction - ideal for curious explorers or Forest School pupils
- Forest schools are growing in popularity in the UK and internationally, and sessions are now widely incorporated into the school curriculum at primary level
- Includes kit lists, how-tos and campfire recipes you can try at home with an adult
- With a page of tips at the end for bringing forest school activities into your own home, garden or park
- Written in consultation with outstanding certified forest childcare provider Lizzie Noble

Mrs Owl's Forest School: The Very Big Den



Pub Date	03/08/2023
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781800785755
H x W	250 x 250mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Ruth Symons
Illustrator	Sebastien Braun
Extent	32pp
Word Count	1640 words
Rights Available	World

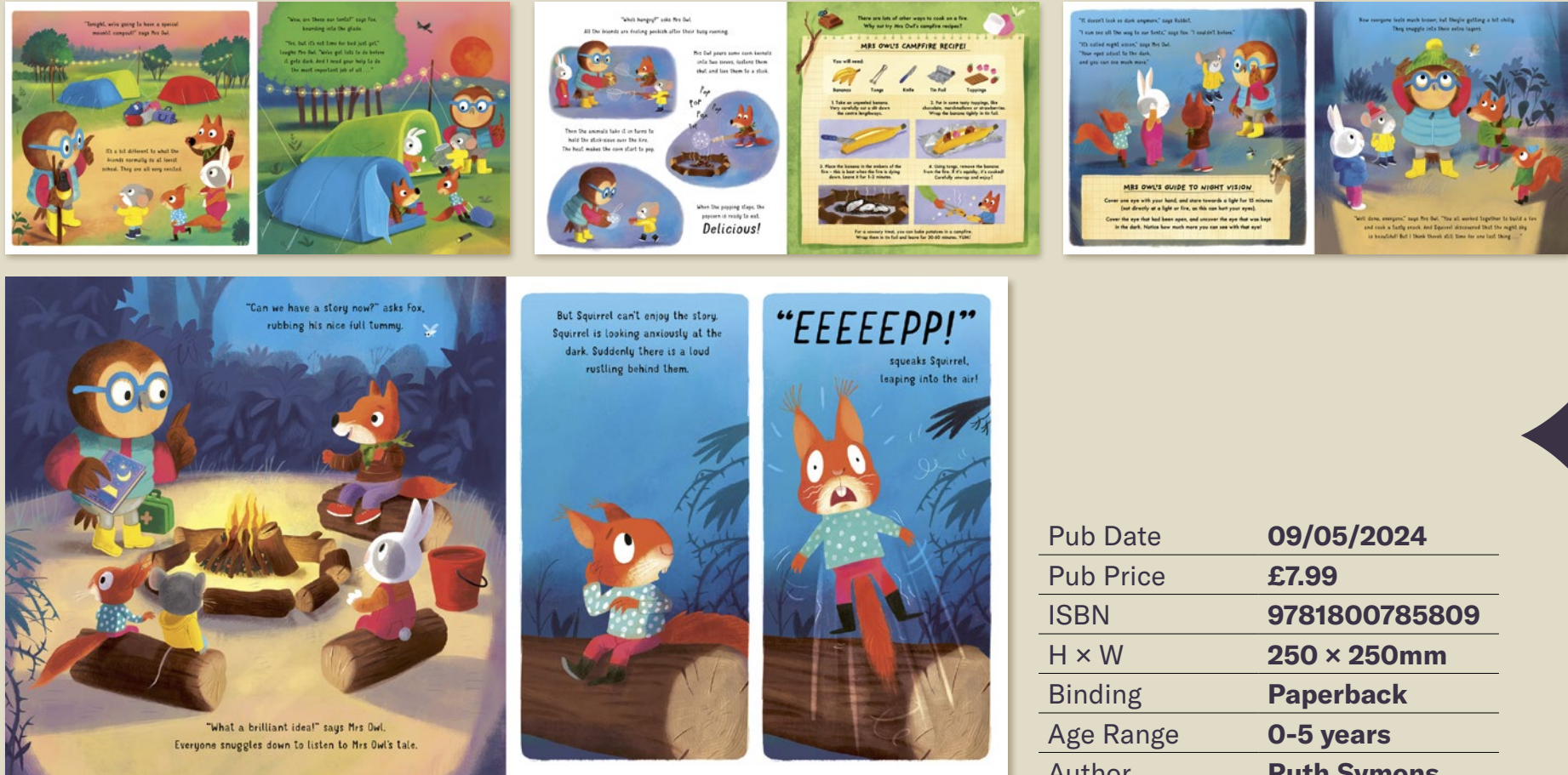
Mrs Owl's Forest School: The Moonlit Campout



A non-fiction picture book series set in a forest school.

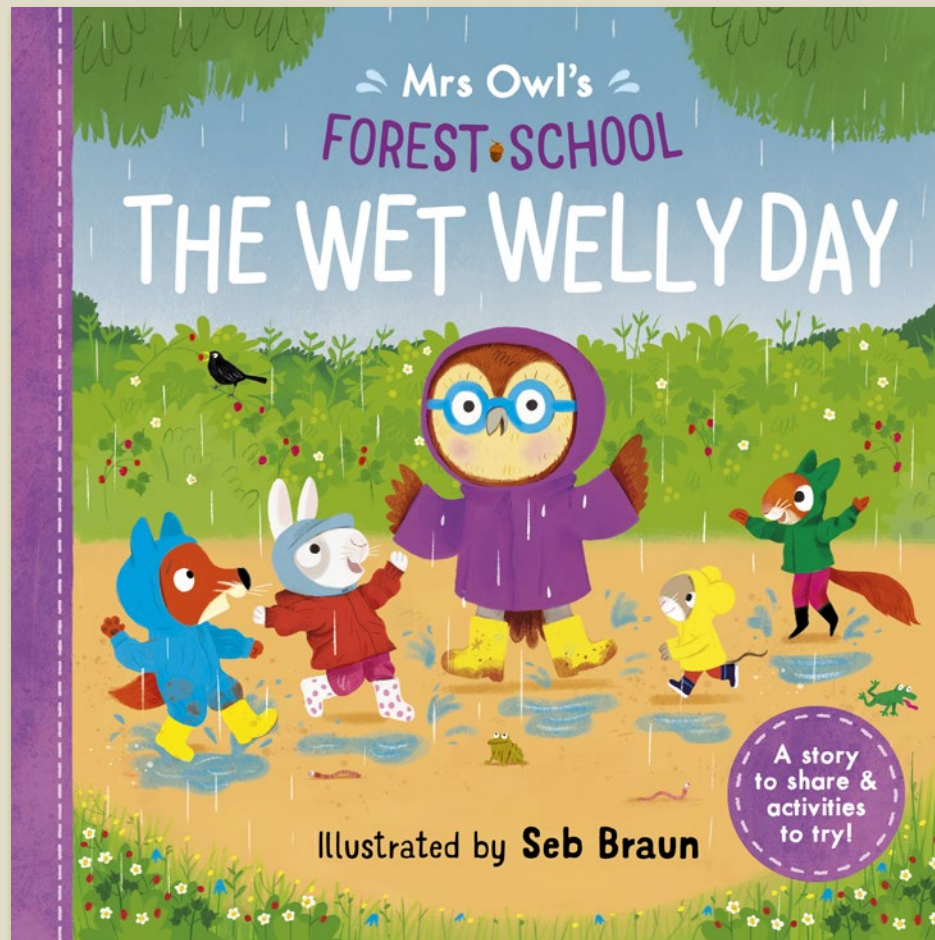
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Illustrator	Sebastien Braun
Extent	32pp
Word Count	1650 words
Rights Available	World

Mrs Owl's Forest School: The Wet Welly Day



A non-fiction picture book series set in a forest school

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Mrs Owl's Forest School: The Wet Welly Day



Pub Date	02/01/2025
Pub Price	£7.99
ISBN	9781800786134
H x W	250 x 250mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Ruth Symons
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Extent	32pp
Word Count	1700 words
Rights Available	World

Mrs Owl's Forest School: A Treasure Hunt Surprise



A non-fiction picture book series set in a forest school

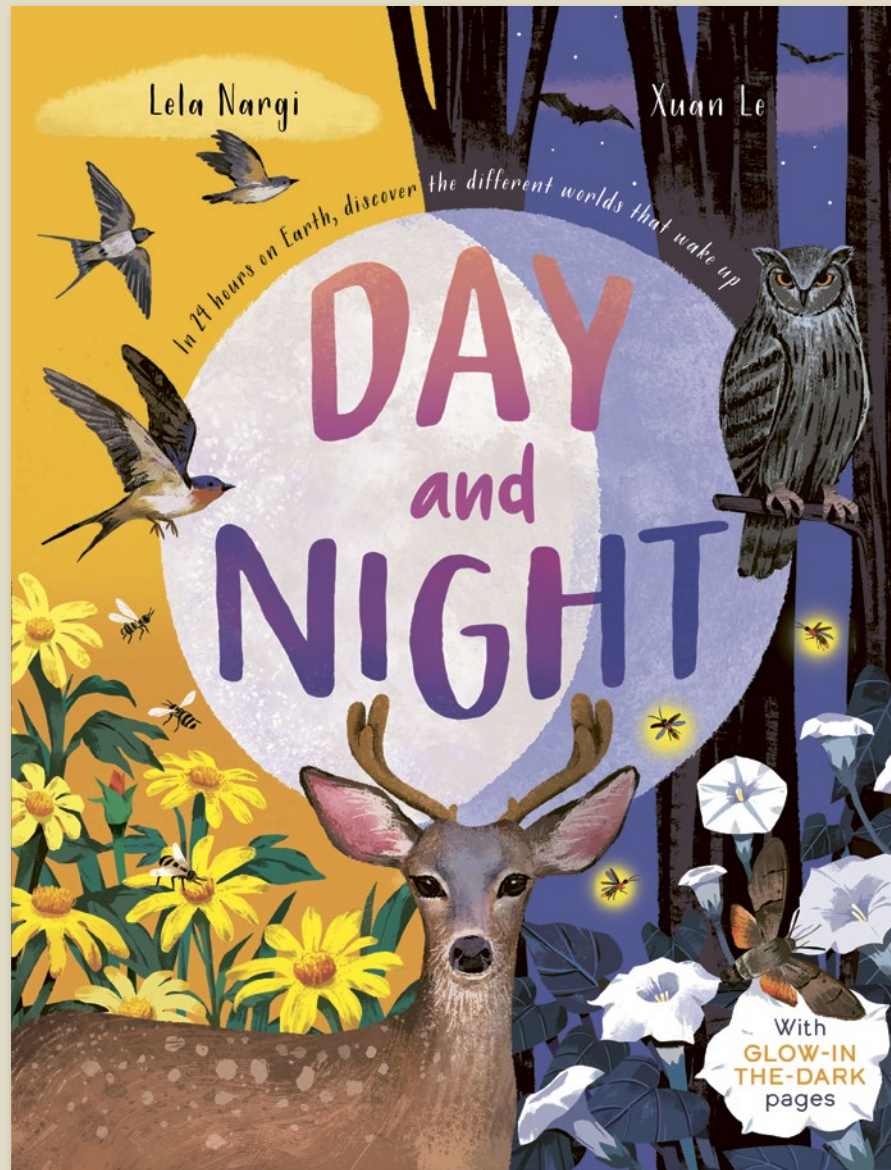
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Mrs Owl's Forest School: A Treasure Hunt Surprise



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H x W	250 x 250mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	0-5 years
Author	Ruth Symons
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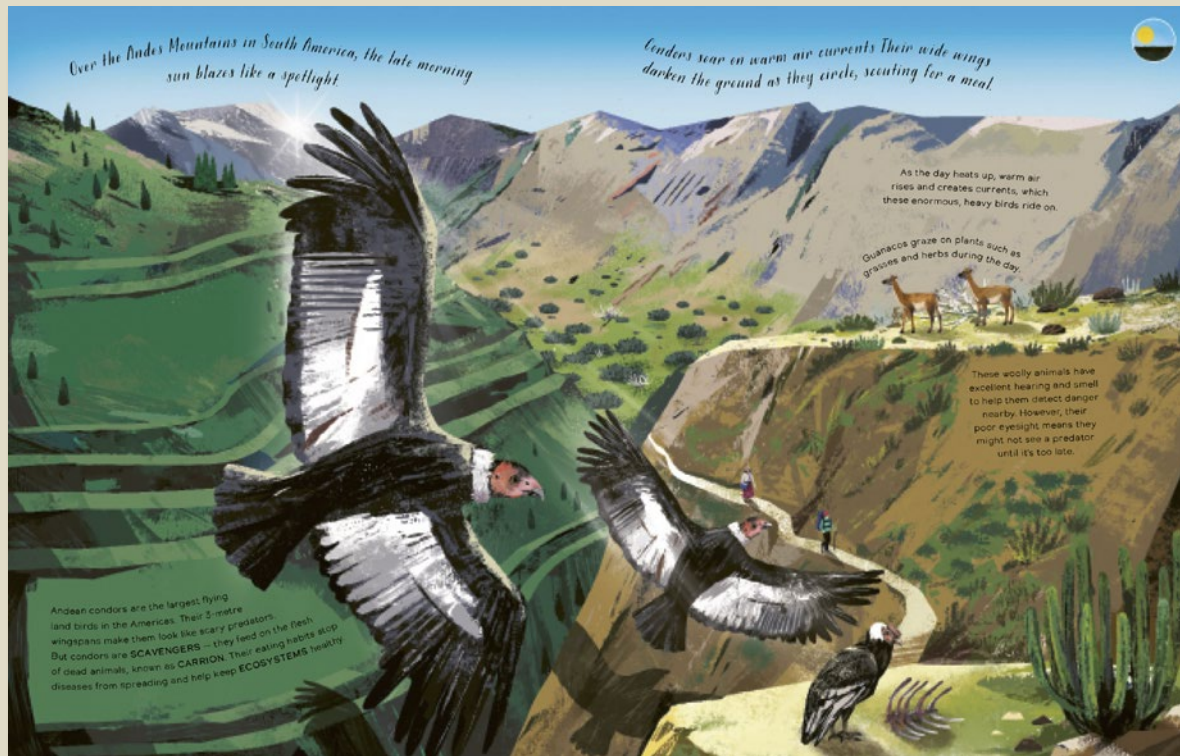
Day and Night



A narrative non-fiction story of a day on Earth

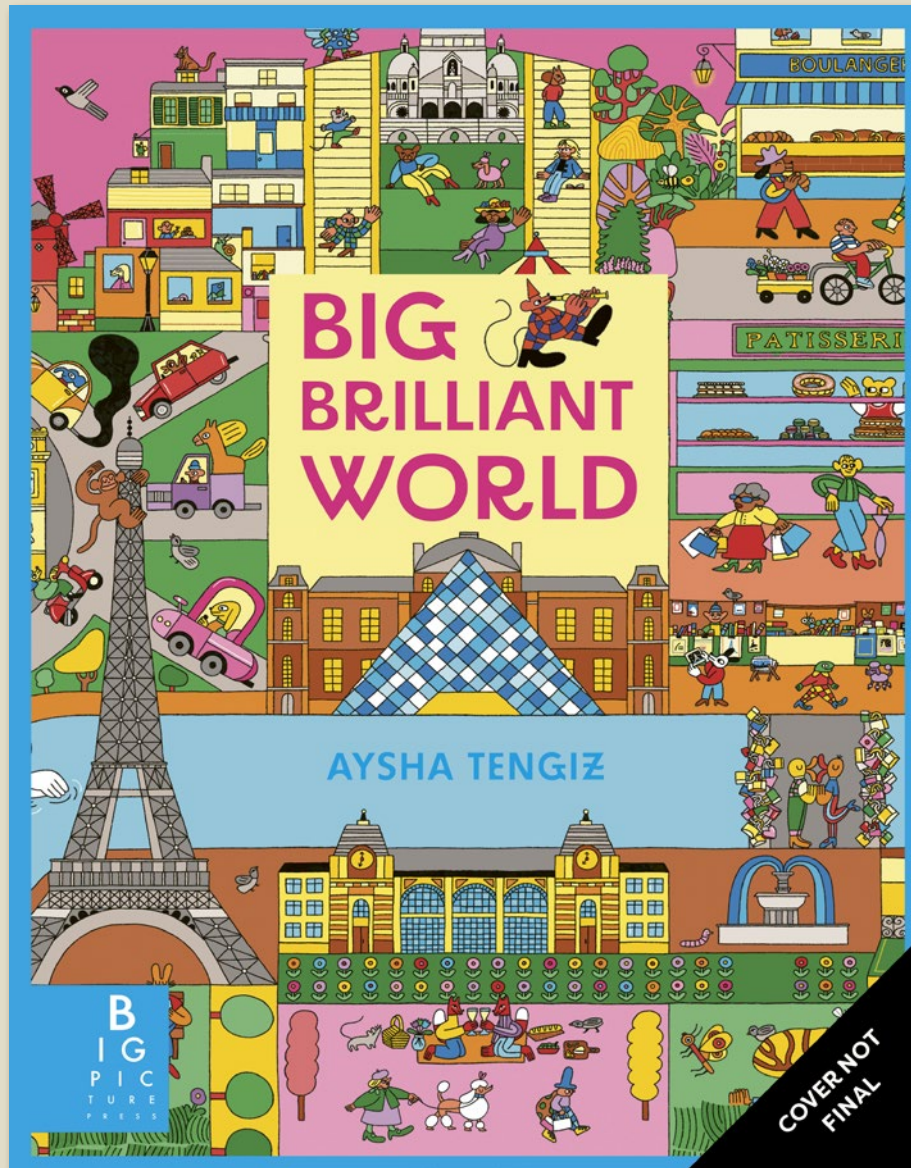
- Sample contents: TWILIGHT Mule deer and mountain lion (North America); DAWN Spiders weaving webs (Australia); EARLY MORNING Hummingbirds & sweat bees (Mexico); LATE MORNING Andean condor (South America); NOON Cicadas (Western Europe); EARLY AFTERNOON Caracal, python (Africa); EARLY EVENING coral reef (Fiji); DUSK Moonflowers & sphinx moth (South Asia)
- Glow-in-the-dark ink on the nighttime pages
- This book can be read as a gentle story at bed time or to learn more about the world
- Cover treatment: matt lam + spot UV + glow-in-the-dark-ink (cover and nighttime pages)

Day and Night



Pub Date	27/04/2023
Pub Price	£12.99
ISBN	9781787419346
H x W	300 x 235mm
Binding	Hardback
Age Range	5-7 years
Author	Lela Nargi
Illustrator	Xuan Le
Extent	48pp
Word Count	3000 words
Rights Available	World

Big Brilliant World



Big Brilliant World

- A fun and educational way to encourage children to learn new vocabulary and discover 12 cities from around the world
- A vibrant, fun and engaging book that will appeal to design-conscious parents looking to keep children busy
- The opportunity to work with an exciting up-and-coming award-winning artist, who we would like to market as a 'new Mizielinski' for the Big Picture Press list
- Chic paperback format with flaps and spot UV makes this the ideal gift

Big Brilliant World



Pub Date	05/03/2026
Pub Price	£12.99
ISBN	9781835870952
H x W	300 x 235mm
Binding	Paperback
Age Range	5-7 years
Author	Matt Ralphs
Illustrator	Aysha Tengiz
Extent	32pp
Translation Files	23/06/2025
Files To Printer	18/09/2025
Freight On Board	18/12/2025
Rights Available	World



Discover the rich history, vibrant culture and unique identity of each nation through its flag!

- A vibrant exploration of our world's marvellous flags! Take a fact-filled and fun journey across the contents to discover all that lies in our national flags.
- Content is split into 5 chapters based on the continents: Europe, Asia, the Americas, Africa and Oceania. Each section features a chapter opener, 4-5 spreads looking at specific flags in detail, and a theme spread which looks at the world more broadly.
- Feature spreads look at an individual flag's history, symbolism and meaning, and also include 2 or more other flags which share a similarity in some way, whether that be a symbol, geographical location or a shared history.



Pub Date	31/07/2025
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ISBN	9781787415065
H x W	280 x 215mm
Binding	Hardback
Age Range	7-9 years
Author	Jonathan Litton Laura Knowles
Illustrator	Natalia Rojas Castro
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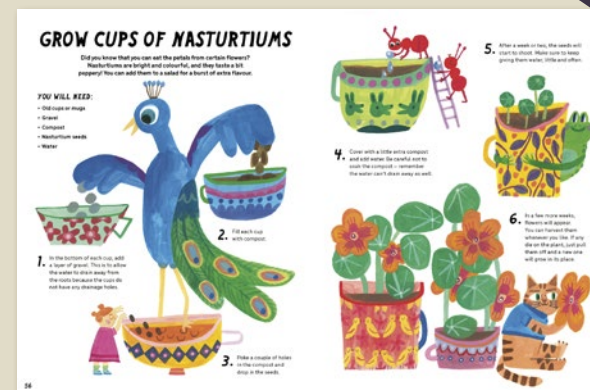
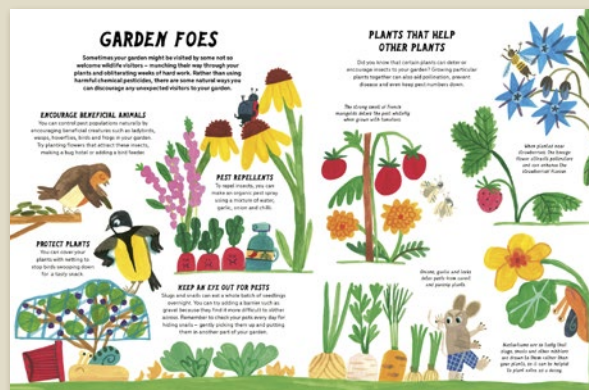
The Little Gardener's Handbook



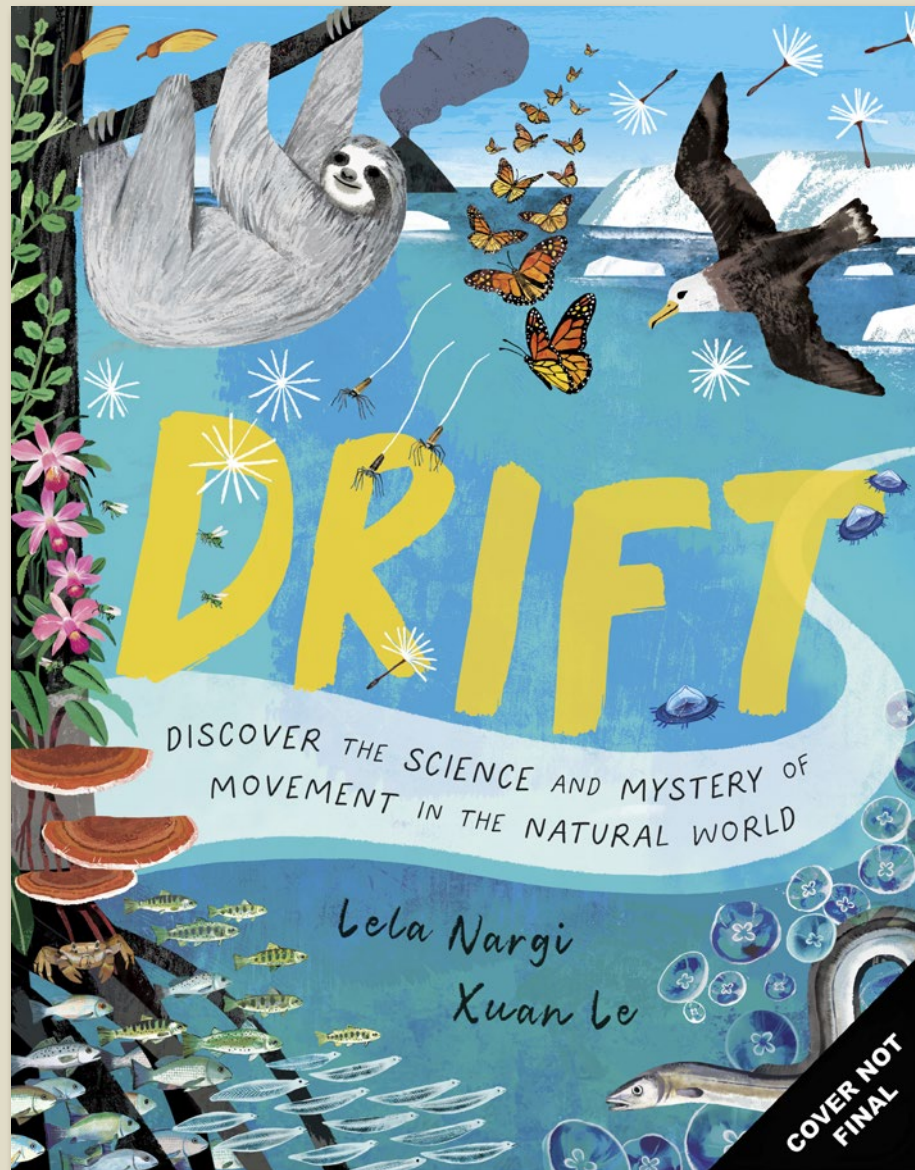
A vibrant introduction to gardening.

- A vibrant first introduction to gardening for ages 6+
- Includes DIY activities to try at home.
- Text by expert ecologist and educator, Michael Holland.
- Colourful, charming artwork by illustrator Maria Dek.
- Expanding the younger side of the Big Picture Press list.
- Gardening is a subject only growing in popularity.
- Arlin quarter binding and matt lam cover finishes.

The Little Gardener's Handbook

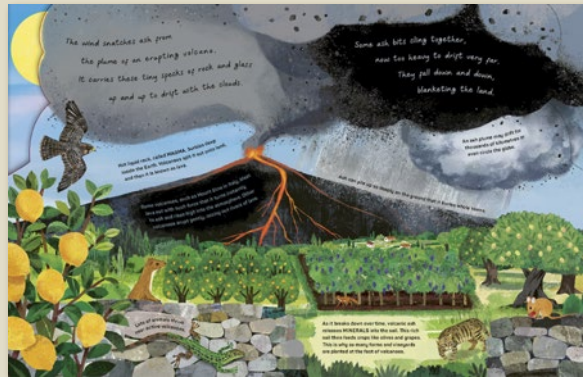


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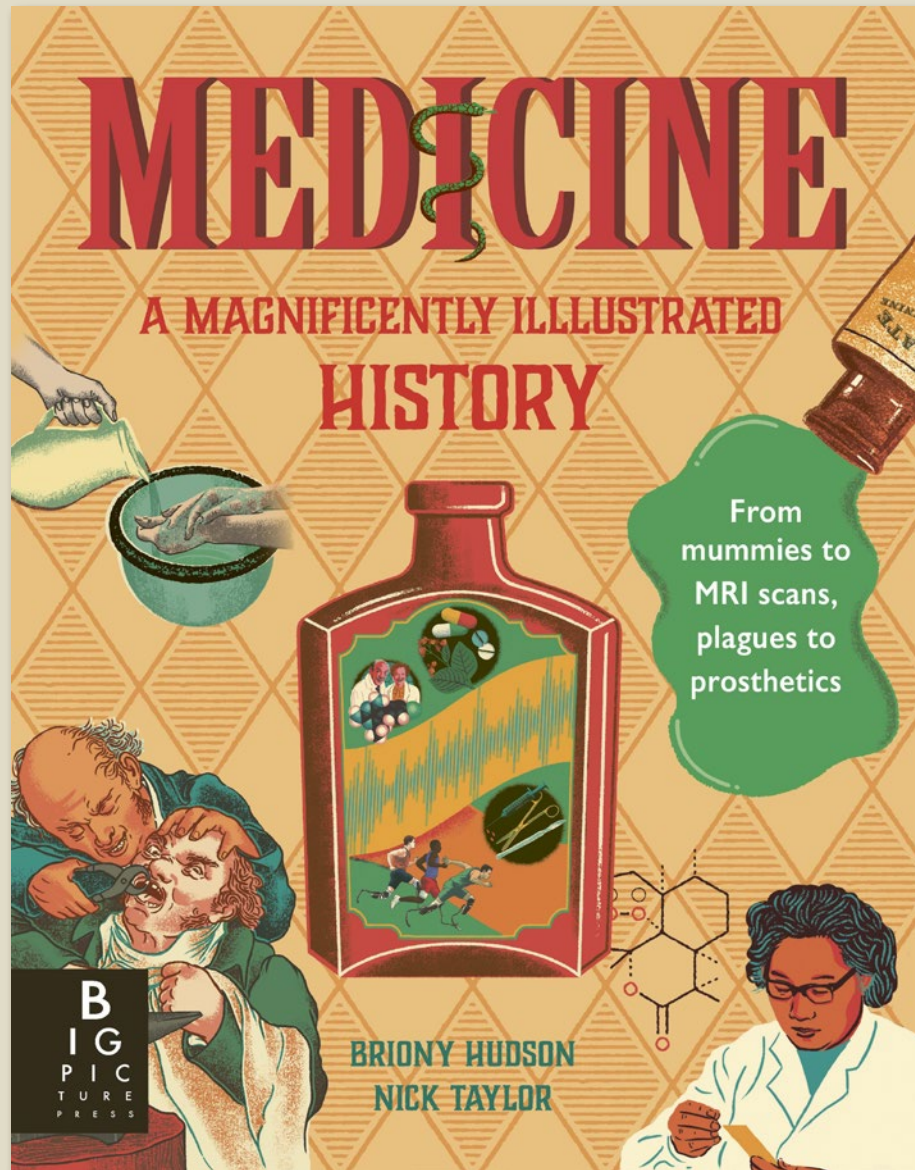


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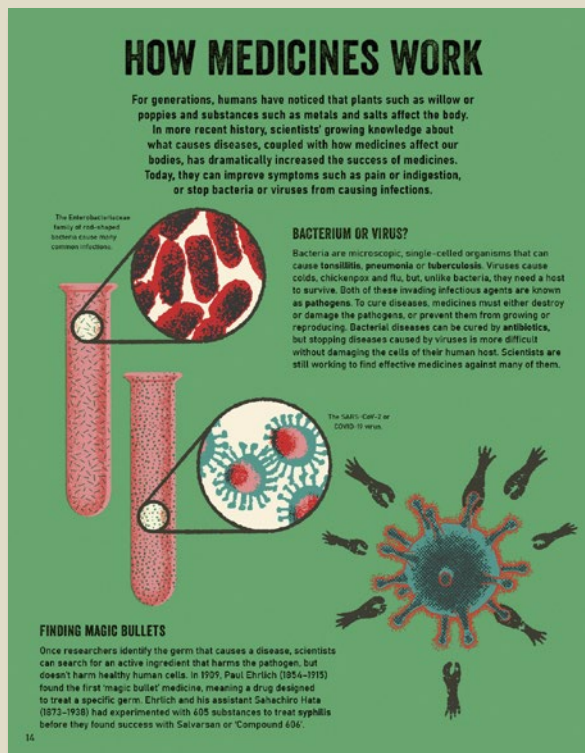


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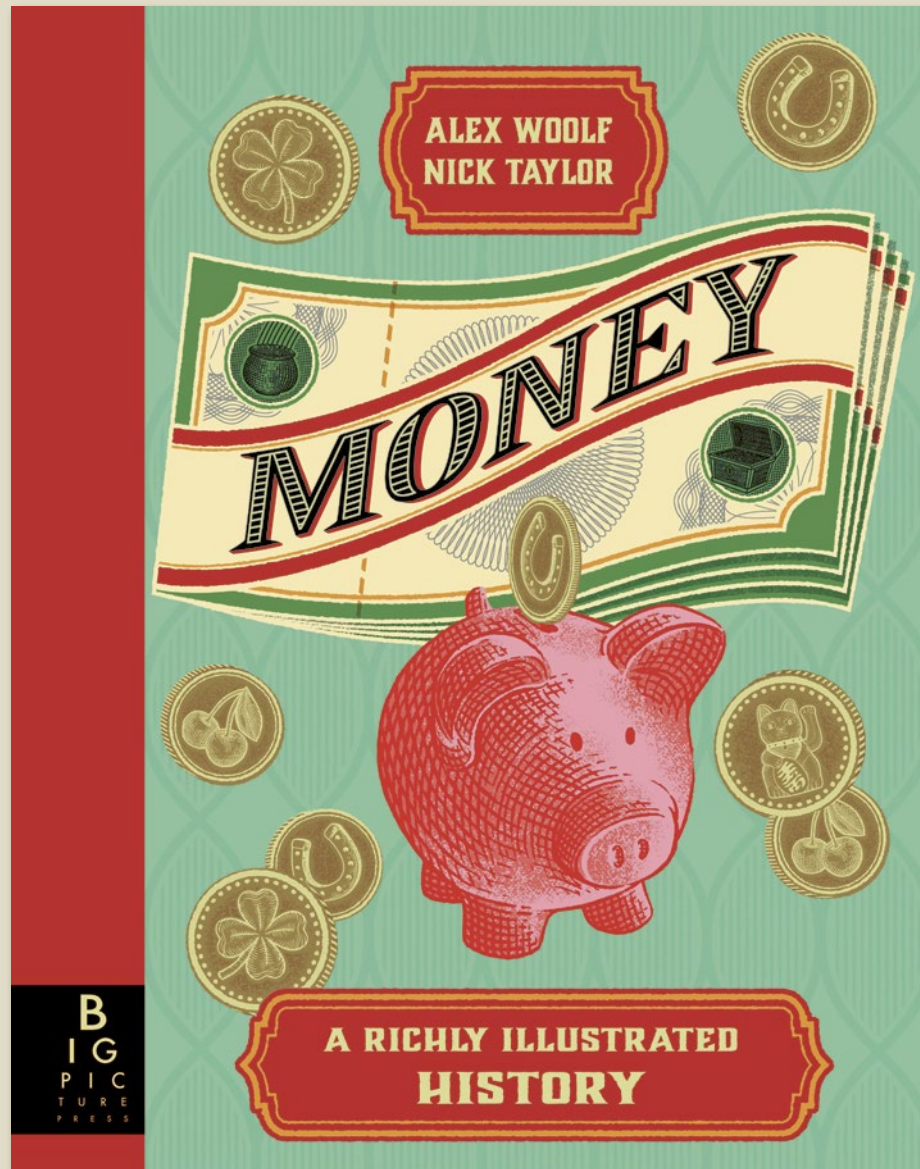


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This visually extraordinary book presents the history of money as it has never been seen before – from coins to contactless, bankruptcy to billionaires

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RICH AND POOR

THE HISTORY OF WEALTH

Wealth is the difference in wealth between the richest and the poorest. It has been around since the first humans lived. In the early days, wealth was measured in terms of land and livestock. As time went on, it became more complex, including money, art, and technology. Today, wealth is often measured in terms of money and assets.

WEALTH CONCENTRATION

One of the biggest reasons for inequality is the way that wealth tends to get concentrated in the hands of a few. This is often due to the fact that wealthy people have more resources and can invest their money more effectively than the poor. This leads to a cycle where the rich get richer and the poor get poorer.

CAUSES OF INEQUALITY

There are many reasons for wealth inequality. Some people have more resources than others, while others have fewer. Some people are born into wealth, while others are born into poverty. Some people work harder than others, while others do not. All of these factors can contribute to wealth inequality.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH WEALTH INEQUALITY?

When a small number of people own most of the wealth in a country, it can lead to a number of problems. For example, the rich can use their money to influence politics and the economy, while the poor have less say. This can lead to a society where the interests of the poor are not being met.

GOLDEN YEARS

AN INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

In the 1920s, the gold standard was a system where the value of a country's currency was linked to the amount of gold it held. This was a way of ensuring that currencies were stable and that trade between countries was easy. However, it also meant that countries with a lot of gold had more power than those with less.

THE COST OF WAR

After World War I, the gold standard was abandoned. This was because the war had caused so much damage to the economies of the world that it was no longer possible to maintain the gold standard. This led to a period of economic instability and inflation.

THE GOLD DUCK

In 1933, the US President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed an executive order that required all gold coins and gold certificates to be turned in to the government. This was done to prevent the hoarding of gold, which was thought to be causing inflation. The gold was then melted down and used to make new coins.

FROM COUNTERFEIT COINS TO FALSE NOTES

ALVES dos REIS
MASTER COUNTERFEITER

For as long as money has existed, people have tried to forge it. Counterfeiting is the act of creating fake money that is indistinguishable from the real thing. It has been around since the first coins were made. In the past, counterfeiters were often caught and punished, but today it is much harder to catch them.

FIRST COUNTERFEITS

The first counterfeit coins were made in ancient times. They were often made of a different metal than the real coins, but they looked exactly the same. This was a way of getting rich without working hard.

THE FIRST FALSE NOTES

The first false banknotes were made in the 17th century. They were made of paper and looked like real banknotes, but they were not worth anything. This was a way of getting rich without working hard.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

At regular markets people buy and sell things like food and clothing. At financial markets, people trade money-related assets. These include stocks and bonds. Stocks are shares in a company that the company sells to raise capital. Shareholders are paid dividends (regular sums paid out of the company's profits). Bonds are certificates issued by a government or corporation, promising to repay borrowed money at a fixed rate of interest. Financial markets can be physical places, like the New York Stock Exchange, or they can take place online.

THE FIRST BONDS

In the twelfth century, the government of Venice came up with a new way of raising money to fight a war. It offered its citizens certificates, known as prestii, in exchange for a loan, promising to pay them back by a certain time, plus 5 per cent interest. These were the first government bonds. Before long they became a popular investment, and a market developed for the buying and selling of prestii.

THE FIRST STOCKS

Founded in 1602, the Dutch East India Company was the first company to sell shares to the public. The money it raised from this funded its voyages to the East Indies, and it paid its shareholders out of the profits from its trade in enslaved people and spices. The shares were traded in the Amsterdam Stock Exchange, also established that year.

THE DAILY NEWS

OCTOBER 1929 NEW YORK CITY

THE WALL STREET CRASH

FINANCIAL MARKETS CAN BE VOLATILE. A RUMOUR OR A MINOR PIECE OF ECONOMIC NEWS CAN CAUSE BIG SWINGS IN PRICES. THE DESIRE TO MAKE MONEY OR AVOID LOSING IT IS A POWERFUL ONE, AND A HERD INSTINCT CAN SOMETIMES TAKE OVER WITH PEOPLE STAMPEDING TO BUY OR SELL. THE MOST SPECTACULAR EXAMPLE OF THIS WAS THE WALL STREET CRASH OF 1929.

THE ROARING TWENTIES

The 1920s was boom time in the United States. There was a spirit of optimism in the country and it became fashionable to play the stock market. Share prices soon rocketed to a point where they represented a value far greater than the total worth of their companies' assets. This was now a mania – a period when everyone, from wealthy financiers to common investors, lost touch with reality and seemed to believe that prices could keep rising forever.

AFTER EFFECTS

As a result of the crash, businesses were bankrupted, banks closed, millions lost their jobs and the world plunged into a deep and lasting economic depression. This had a big political impact. In Europe, extreme right-wing parties exploited the misery of mass unemployment, blaming 'foreigners' such as Jews. Germany's Nazi Party rose to power in 1933. The consequences for the world would be devastating.

DISASTER

The crash occurred at the end of October 1929, during three calamitous days of trading at the New York Stock Exchange on Wall Street, when huge numbers of people decided collectively it was time to sell. With so many sellers, there were few buyers, and share prices plummeted. In those three days, billions of dollars were wiped off the value of American companies. And over the following years the market kept on falling. By 1932, stocks had lost nearly 90 per cent of their pre-crash value.

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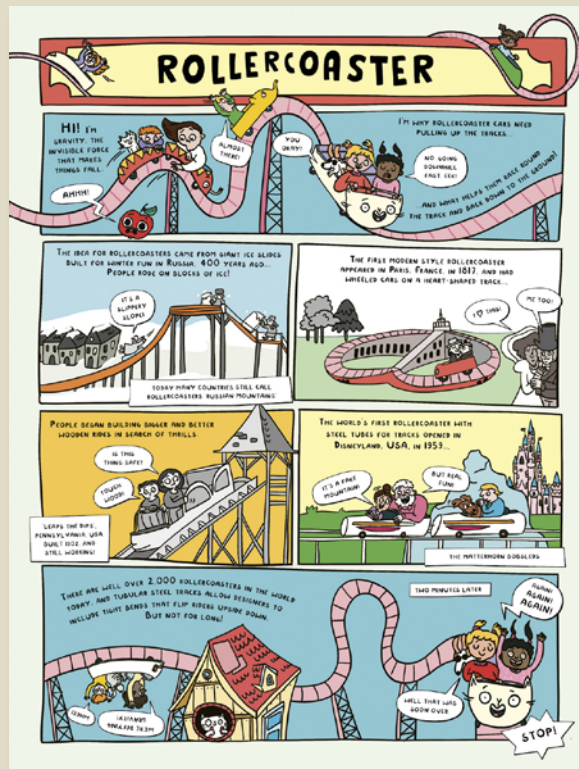
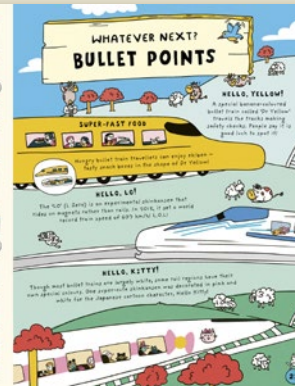
The World's First Rollercoaster



Amazing inventions stories in comic-book form by Blue Peter Award-winner Mike Barfield.

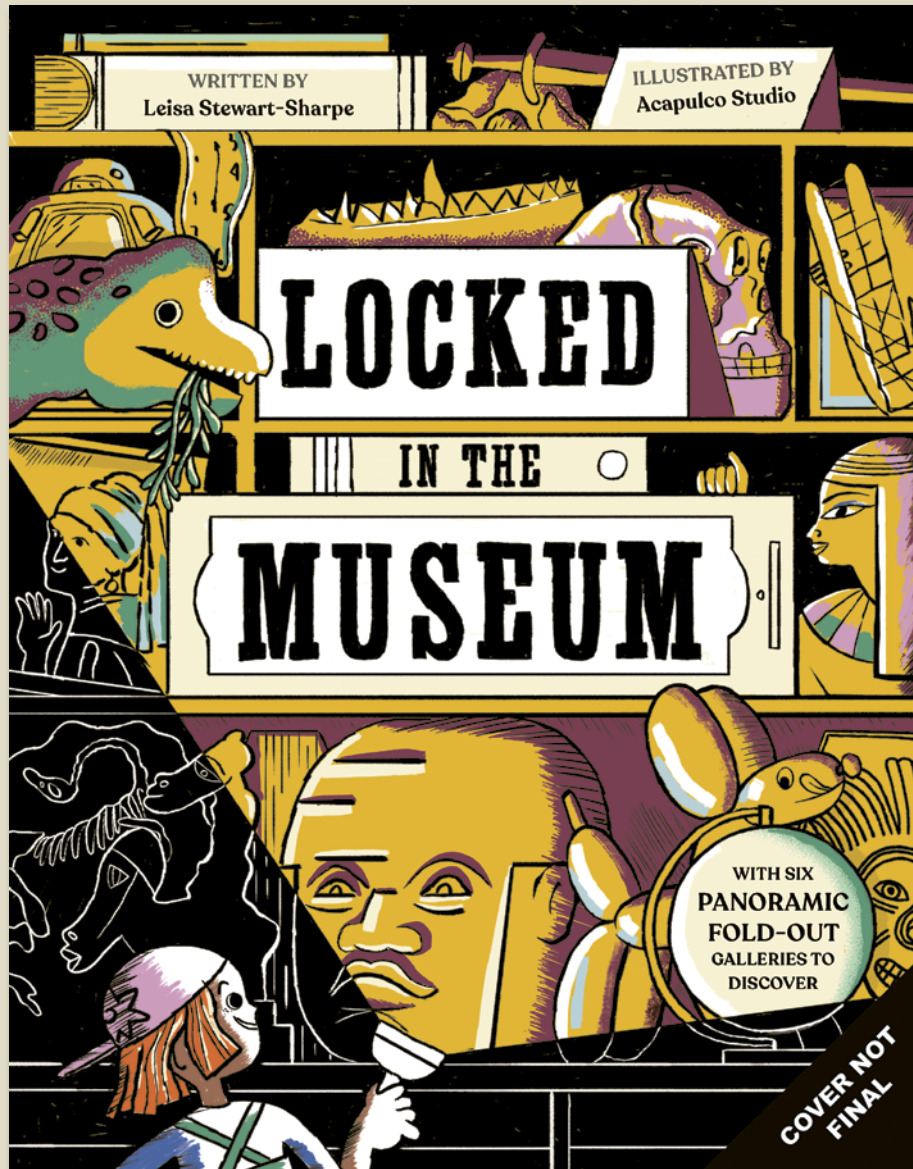
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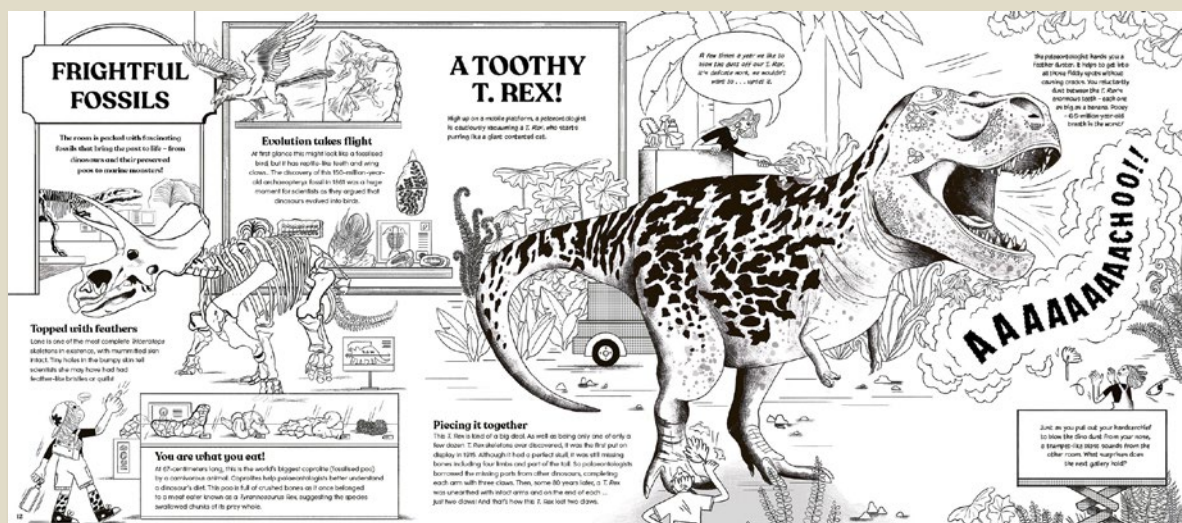
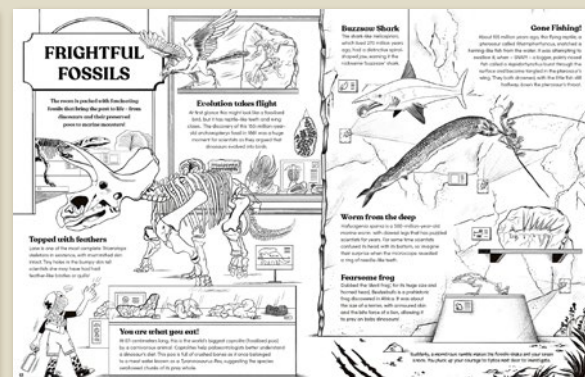
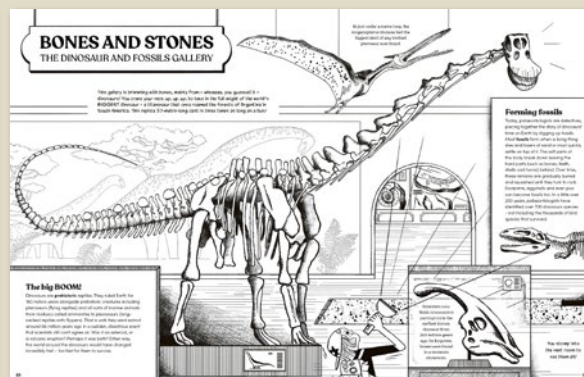
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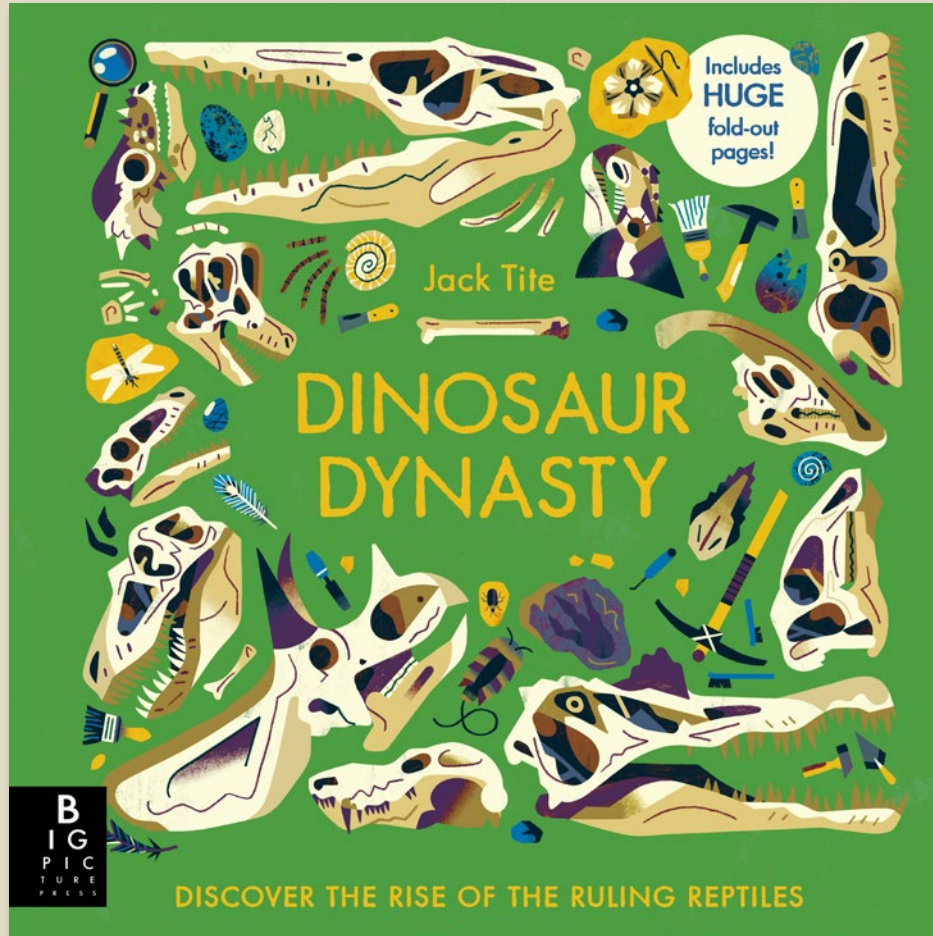
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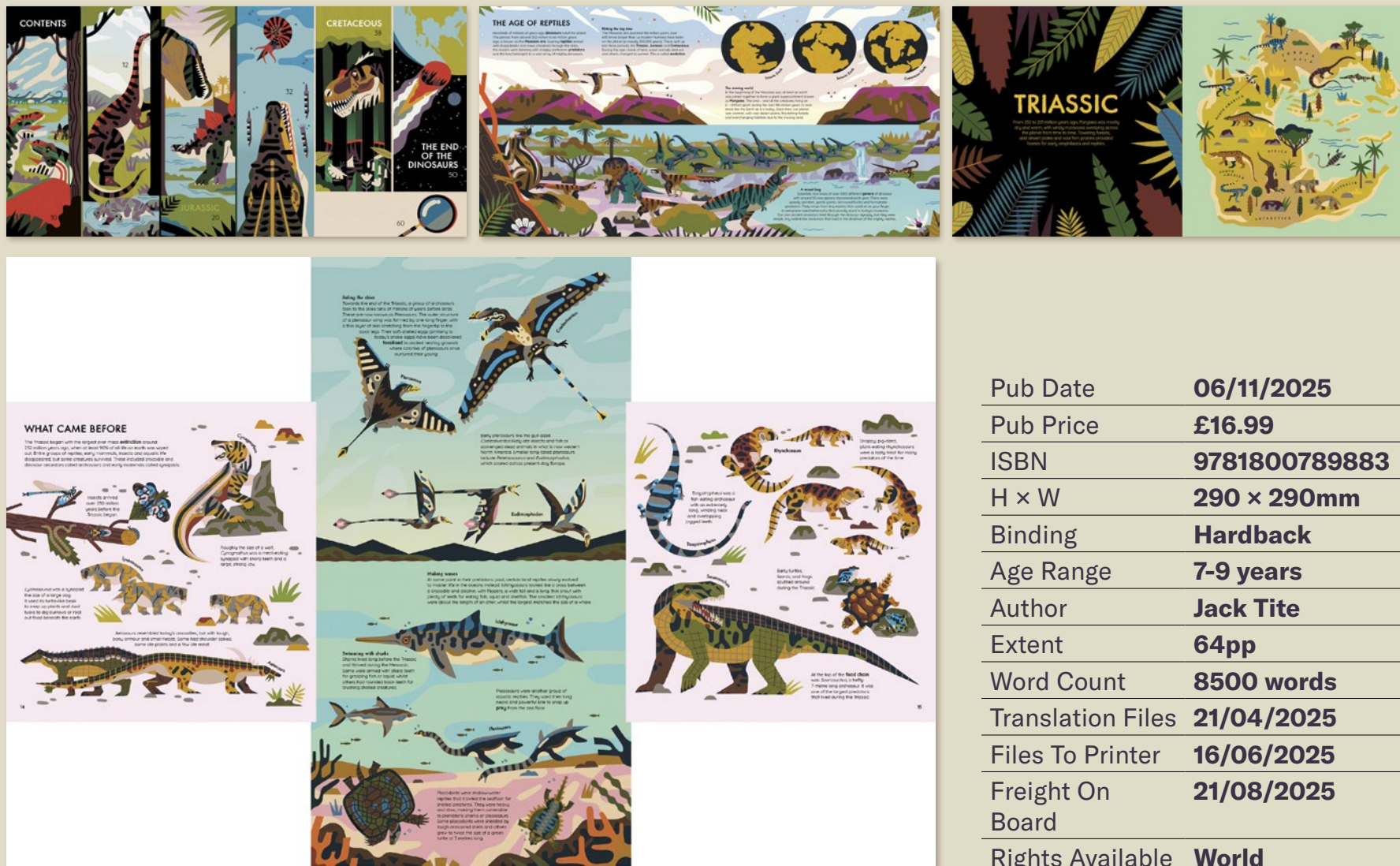
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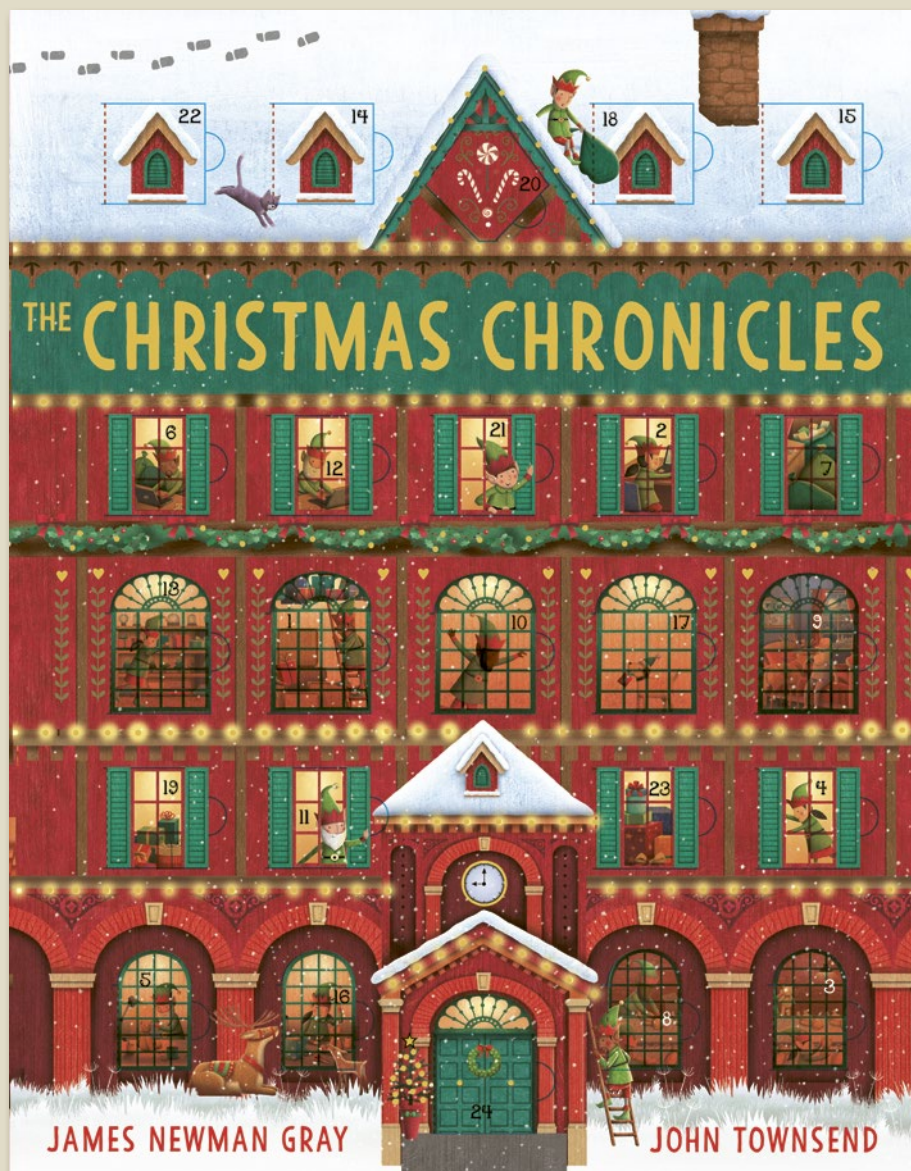
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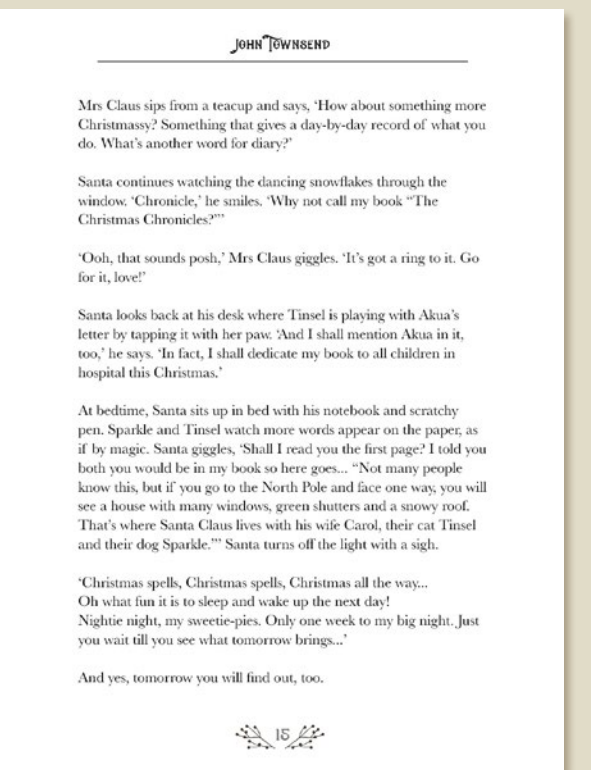
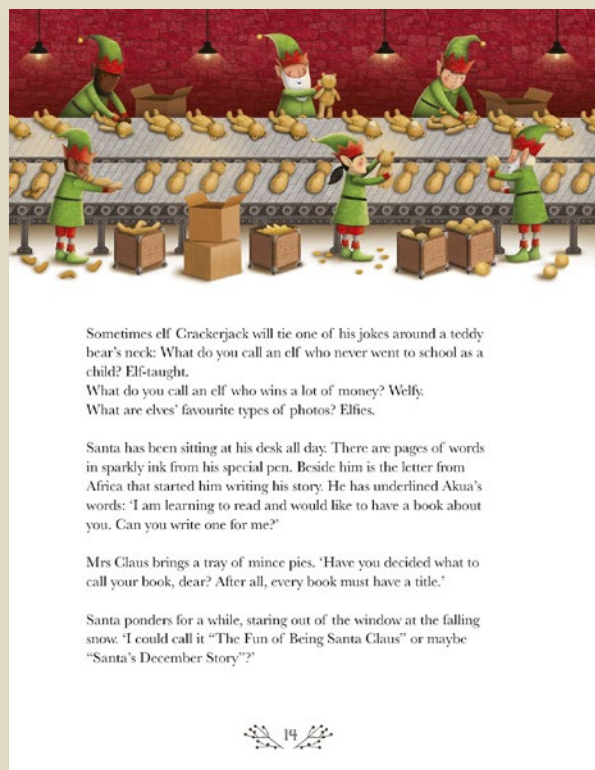
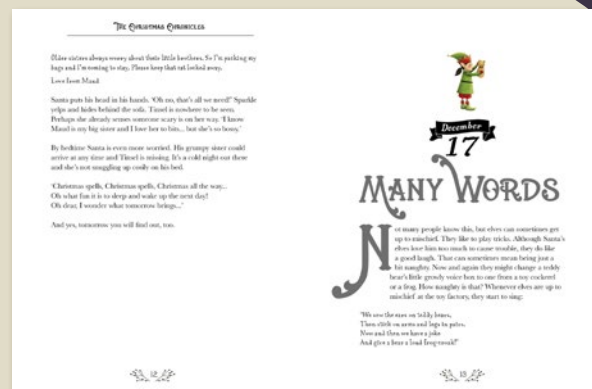
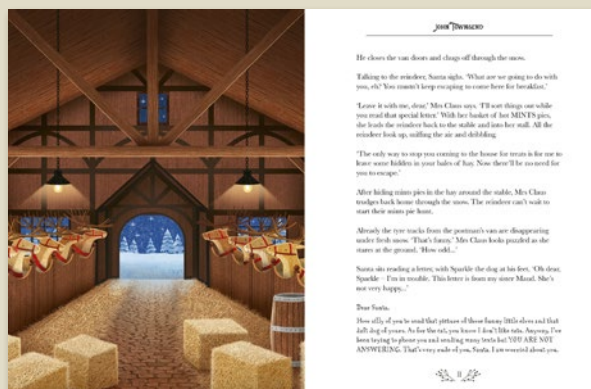
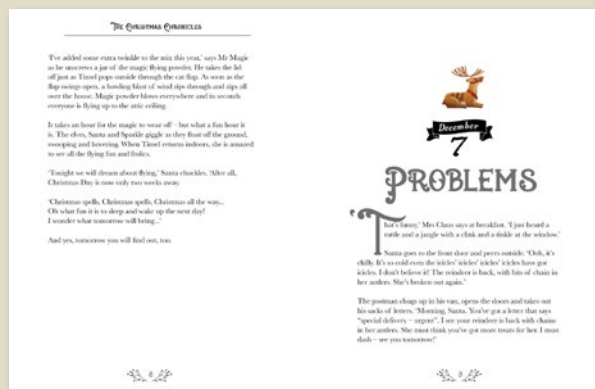
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