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1. Alfred's War (Rachel Bin Sallah)

Alfred's War is a powerful story that unmasks the lack of recognition given to Australian Indigenous servicemen who returned from the WWI battlelines. Alfred was just a young man when he was injured and shipped home from France. Neither honoured as a returned soldier or offered government support afforded to non-Indigenous servicemen, Alfred took up a solitary life walking the back roads – billy tied to his swag, finding work where he could. [Aboriginal Studies-War-Remembrance Day-Courage-Sacrifice-Anzac Day](#)

2. Ancient Wonders (Mark Greenwood & Frané Lessac)

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Our home is an ancient land. In every corner of Australia, wonders are waiting for curious explorers.

With each vibrant fact-filled page of this unique book, readers will visit different natural wonders across all states and territories. See the prehistoric beasts that roamed the land in Winton, venture through the lava-formed caves at Undara, experience the fiery glow of Uluru and Kata Tjuta, and more! [Australia-Geology-Geography](#)

3. Breathe In and Out (Jan Stradling & Jedda Robaard)

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Big Ted is having one of those days ... His feelings are dark and stormy. Luckily, his friends are around to help him remember to breathe in and out. Soon he'll feel like his happy self again. The Play School *Mindfully Me* series helps children and their carers tackle life's challenges together — big or small. [Mindfulness-Feelings/Emotions](#)

4. Caroline (Mark Wilson)

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Caroline is the true story of Caroline Chisholm. All who went before her did their part in helping shape Australia into a confident, progressive and vibrant society. But when Caroline arrived in Australia, she thrived on the challenges facing her to help the many orphans, migrants and destitute girls she found living on the streets of Sydney. Mark Wilson's book gives the reader an insight into her life of service which was evident from when she was a young girl. [Volunteer Work-Poverty-Immigrants-Challenge-Orphans-Homelessness-Australian History-History](#)

5. Day We Built the Bridge, The (Samantha Tidy & Fiona Burrows)

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There are moments in history that connect us and define a country. In our hearts and minds, some moments rely on us to hold onto a dream, face tough challenges, and put in a great deal of effort. Big dreams can take generations. It can also take six million hand-driven rivets and 53,000 tonnes of steel. *The Day We Built the Bridge* celebrates our connection with one another, and declares that despite the greatest of challenges, together we can make history. [Australian History-STEAM-Engineering-Connectivity-Construction-Building](#)

6. Desert Lake: The Story of Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre (Pamela Freeman & Liz Anelli)

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The dry salt bed of Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre shimmers in the desert heat. But far up north, the rains have come. Water is flooding into empty riverbeds and swirling down towards the lake. Soon everything will change. [Environment-Habitats](#)

7. Dry to Dry: Seasons of Kakadu (Pamela Freeman & Liz Anelli)

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In the tropical wetlands and escarpments of Kakadu National Park, the seasons move from dry to wet to dry again. Those seasons have shaped the astonishing variety of plants, animals, birds, insects: migratory birds by the thousands, grasshoppers and owls, lizards and turtles, fruit bats and spear grass. And, gliding past them all in the rivers and waterholes, the long, sinuous shapes of crocodiles... [Seasons-Australian Animals-Habitats-Kakadu-Aboriginal Studies](#)

8. Dung Beetle on a Roll (Sandra Severgnini)

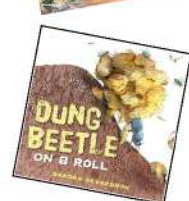
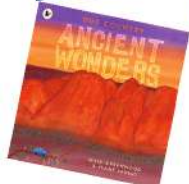
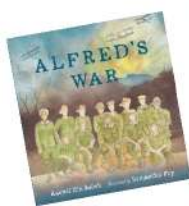
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Explore the fascinating and incredibly important role that tiny dung beetles play in our environment. From pushing dung balls that can weigh up to 50 times more than they do, to recycling nutrients in our soil, these beetles are really quite exceptional! [Environment-Nature-Habitat-Insects](#)

9. Echidna Near My Place, The (Sue Whiting & Cate James)

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Nana and I walk through the paddock most days. And you know what? An echidna lives here. As a young child and their nana go for walks together, they follow a short-beaked echidna keenly observing and discussing what its life might be like. Learn with them about what echidnas eat, where they live, and how they protect themselves. [Australia-Australian Animals-Echidnas-Animals Body Parts-Habitats-Narrative Non Fiction](#)



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10. Emperor of the Ice (Nicola Davies & Catherine Rayner)

It's April in Antarctica and, in places so remote that they can only be seen by satellites, lines of Emperor Penguins appear in search of the perfect ice for raising their chicks. A wise old Empress has returned to the ice at Halley Bay year after year; with the help of her mate, she works to protect her newly-laid egg against the bitter winter. But a changing climate is making the Antarctic Ocean warmer – winds are stronger and storms are fiercer... [Narrative Non Fiction-Penguins-Emperor](#)

[Penguins-Habitat-Climate Change](#)

11. Eureka! A Story of the Goldfields (Mark Wilson)

\$26.99 \$24.30

Molly and her father have emigrated to Australia to try their luck as gold prospectors in Ballarat. Life on the diggings is hard and Molly misses her mother, who died before they left England. A Chinese teenager, Chen, shows Molly and her Papa how to pan for gold and helps them when their food and money run out. Not everyone on the goldfields is friendly though, and before long, Molly, Papa and Chen are caught up in a protest that will become known as the Eureka Rebellion - a legendary battle that will profoundly affect them all. [Australian History-Eureka Stockade-Goldfields-Eureka Rebellion-Multicultural](#)

12. Finding Home (Sandra Markle & Alan Marks)

\$16.99 \$15.30

Sandra Markle and Alan Marks team up to chronicle the challenges faced by a mother koala: protecting herself and her joey from a raging bushfire and finding food and a new home after their home range is destroyed. Based on a true story. [Bushfire](#)

13. Green: Story of Life on our Planet (Nicola Davies & Emily Sutton)

\$27.99 \$22.39

This tree doesn't look like it's doing very much: it just stands there in the sunlight, big and GREEN. But this tree is busy... Starting with the secret workings of a tree, this book transports readers billions of years into the past; back to the moment when plant life first appeared on our planet. Covering its evolution, the steady emergence of fossil fuels and the extraordinary communities of plants around the world today, Nicola Davies and Emily Sutton combine essential biology with a powerful message – a call to protect the most precious colour on Earth... GREEN. [Environment-Planet Earth-Evolution-Ecosystems-Biology-Photosynthesis](#)

14. How to Move a Zoo (Kate Simpson & Owen Swan)

\$24.99 \$19.99

It was still dark when Mr Miller opened the gates of the old zoo, but he wasn't scared because he wasn't alone. He was with Jessie the elephant and together they were going to walk from Moore Park, through the city streets, to the ferry at Fort Macquarie. Jessie was moving to her spacious new home in the soon-to-be-opened Taronga Zoological Park.

Jessie's surprising journey was unlike any other and it brought a little warmth to the city on that brisk September morning in 1916. [Animal Welfare-Animal Stories-Zoos-Elephants-Australian History](#)

15. Ice Journey of the Polar Bear (Martin Jenkins & Lou Baker-Smith)

\$27.99 \$25.20

It snowed last night. The first fall of the season. More is on its way. For this polar bear, this is a sign it's time to make a den, a safe place to sleep through the harsh Arctic winter and to give birth to her cubs. But the Arctic is changing; familiar landscapes are melting. What kind of world will her cubs grow up in? This beautifully illustrated picture book gently explores the effects of climate change on polar bears, along with information on how we can all make a difference and protect the planet for these majestic animals. [Environmental Issues-Climate Change-Habitats-Conservation](#)

16. Iceberg (Claire Saxby & Jess Rackleyft)

\$24.99 \$22.50

In the final freeze of an Antarctic winter, green tails wave across a star-full sky, as if to farewell endless nights. If this world looks empty, look closer ... Penguins trek across the ice to their winter homes. As the temperature warms, birds fly above on their long migrations. And with the advent of summer, beneath an iceberg, the sea is teeming with life. Ocean, sky, snow and ice - minute greens and giant blues - dance a delicate dance in this evocative portrayal of the life cycle of an iceberg.

[Narrative Non Fiction-Environmental Issues-Climate Change-Icebergs-Antarctica-Nature](#)

17. Looking After Country With Fire (Victor Steffensen & Sandra Steffensen)

\$26.99 \$24.30

Mother Nature has a language. If we listen, and read the signs in the land, we can understand it. For thousands of years, First Nations people have listened and responded to the land and made friends with fire, using this knowledge to encourage plants and seeds to flourish, and creating beautiful places for both animals and people to live. Join Uncle Kuu as he takes us out on Country and explains cultural burning. Featuring stunning artwork by Sandra Steffensen, this is a powerful and timely story of understanding Australia's ecosystems through Indigenous fire management, and a respectful way forward for future generations to help manage our landscapes. [Aboriginal Studies-Culture-Fire](#)

18. My Teeth (Danny Snell)

\$24.99 \$19.99

My Teeth takes young readers on an extraordinary journey through the science, history and wonders of teeth. Discover curious facts, such as what teeth are made of, why beavers have bright orange front teeth and how many litres of saliva we make over a lifetime. *My Teeth* also cleverly weaves in information on how to best look after our pearly whites. [Narrative Non Fiction-Teeth-Hygiene-Health-History](#)

19. Ned Kelly and the Green Sash (Mark Greenwood & Frané Lessac)

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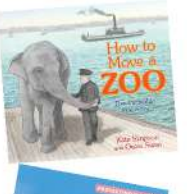
As a young boy, Ned Kelly saved a classmate from drowning in a flooded creek. He was rewarded with a green silk sash for his heroism. Yet, within a few years, he became an outlaw who was eventually hanged for murder. Ned Kelly and the Green Sash is a window into the character of a poor boy, once honoured for his bravery, who grew up to become Australia's most notorious bushranger. [Australian History-Bushrangers](#)

20. Nightlife (Sandra Kendall)

\$29.99 \$23.99

As daylight fades and twilight reaches, here creep and flutter hidden creatures.

Australia is home to more nocturnal animals than most other countries, come on a journey across our landscapes and discover the vibrancy and diversity of the nightlife! [Australian Animals-Narrative Non Fiction-Nocturnal](#)





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21. One Small Island (Alison Lester & Coral Tulloch)

Macquarie Island lies in the Southern Ocean, between Antarctica and New Zealand. A speck of green in the vast, windswept sea, it is a haven for many creatures that live above and below the waves. In *One Small Island*, Alison Lester and Coral Tulloch bring us the story of this remote and precious World Heritage Site. Together they explore the island's unique geological beginnings, discovery and degradation at the hands of humans, and the battle to restore it today. [Australian History](#)

22. Opal and Dart (Vianne Brian & Clare Bradley)

\$24.95 \$19.96

Opal and Dart are two beautiful swallows who met as fledglings learning to fly. Together they travel great distances to build their nest. Illustrated by Clare Bradley, this book will inspire children with a fascination for the birds of Tasmania. [Birds-Migration-Habitats](#)

23. Our Flag, Our Story (Thomas Mayo & Tori-Jay Mordey)

\$27.99 \$22.39

'We are many different people in Australia, and we all live in one big country. What may seem like a simple flag to some people, has given all Torres Strait Islanders an identity and a sense of pride...'. Bernard Namok Jnr was just a little boy when his dad designed the Torres Strait Islander Flag, a symbol of unity, shared identity and pride for all Torres Strait Islanders. This is the story of a flag and what it represents. [Aboriginal Studies-Torres Strait Islands-First Nations-Culture-Belonging](#)

24. Rachel's War (Mark Wilson)

\$26.99 \$24.30

Growing up on a farm in country Victoria, all Rachel wants is to help people. When war comes, she travels to distant Europe and the Middle East, working tirelessly to care for wounded and sick soldiers from the battlefields of Gallipoli and the Western Front. Inspired by the life of Rachel Pratt, a World War I Australian army nurse who was awarded the Military Medal for bravery, this is an incredible story of bravery and sacrifice. [Anzac Day-Australian History-War-World War 1](#)

25. Season of Giraffes, The (Nicola Davies & Emily Sutton)

\$27.99 \$25.20

Once, this season of rains was the season of giraffes...

In this powerful picture-book, bestselling children's author Nicola Davies writes in collaboration with conservationist Kisilu Musya to explain how one of the world's best-loved animals has dealt with the challenges of climate change. Giraffes were once a part of daily life in Niger - but after severe droughts one year, when the rains eventually return, the giraffes are nowhere to be seen. [Narrative Non Fiction-Giraffes-Climate Change](#)

26. Secrets of the Saltmarsh (Claire Saxby & Alicia Rogerson)

\$24.99 \$19.99

Saltmarshes are full of energy and life. They protect our coastlines, and provide food and shelter for migratory birds and microscopic plants and animals. Most of all, saltmarshes are places of discovery and wonder. With lyrical text and captivating illustrations *Secrets of the Saltmarsh* offers a close-up look at the fascinating world of saltmarsh wetlands. [Water Cycle-Lifecycles-Migration-Habitats-Conservation](#)

27. Seed to Sky: Life in the Daintree (Pamela Freeman & Liz Anelli)

\$26.99 \$21.59

In the oldest rainforest on Earth, on the oldest continent, a seed falls to the ground. Over hundreds of years, the seed will grow into a sapling reaching for the sunlight, to become a tree towering above the rainforest canopy. Generations of insects, butterflies, bird, lizards, snakes and an abundance of native wildlife will bear witness to the magnificent Bull Kauri pine. [Narrative Non Fiction-Environment-Ecosystems-Rainforest](#)

28. Sophie Scott Goes South (Alison Lester)

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29. Sorry Day (Coral Vass & Dub Leffler)

\$17.99 \$16.20

Maggie holds tight to her mother as they await the long anticipated apology to show a willingness to reconcile the past for future generations. In the excitement of the crowd Maggie loses touch of her mother's hand as is lost. As the Prime Minister's speech unfolds Maggie is reunited with her mother. But the faces and memories of the stolen generation are all around them. [Aboriginal Studies-Stolen Generation-Apology-Harmony Day-Reconciliation](#)

30. South with the Seabirds (Jess McGeachin)

\$29.99 \$23.99

In 1959, four scientists travelled to an island at the edge of the world. They were greeted by giant seabirds, snorting seals and penguins as far as the eye could see. Their names were Hope Black, Mary Gilham, Susan Ingham and Isobel Bennett, and they were the first female scientists to join an Australian National Antarctic Research Expedition. [Narrative Non Fiction-Conservation-Environment-Exploration-Ecosystems-Marine Biology-Antarctica-Gender Equality-Women's Rights](#)



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31. Tomfoolery! (Michelle Markle & Barbara McClintock)

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Quick! If you don't move fast, you'll miss him—there he goes—Randolph Caldecott, future famous illustrator. His sketchbook is full of hurly-burly: wild weather, frisky animals, and people so sprightly they can barely hold onto the pages. But in the 1850s, there were no children's books like that. Not yet. Many books are published, but their pictures look stiff, full of pretty poses and cluttered scenery. No one has imagined how much fun an illustrated book could be because the future hero of children's book illustration is still just a lad. [Narrative Non Fiction-Books-Illustrators-Authors-Drawing-Art](#)

32. Tree (Claire Saxby & Jess Rackleyft)

\$24.99 \$19.99

Can you see the forest on this misty-morning mountain? Can you see where the tree stands? It is the tallest in this forest of tall trees. This tree is older than those who find it, younger than the land it grows from. Between sapwood and heartwood, water rises and energy flows. Listen to the leaves bustle. Smell the forest air. This is the world of the tree. [Narrative Non Fiction-Ecosystems-Trees-Nature-Habitats-Environment](#)

33. Under the Southern Cross (Frané Lessac)

\$17.99 \$16.20

Night-time in Australia, animals are waking, people are exploring, discoveries are being made – under the Southern Cross. What makes ribbons of colour swirl in the sky? What are the spooky balls of light that bounce across the outback? What animal lays eggs that look like squishy ping-pong balls? Discover the answers to these questions and more in this fact-astic picture book tour of Australia after dark. [Australia-Australian Animals-Australian Cities](#)

34. Votes for Women! (Mark Wilson)

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In 1890, Rose Birks and her stepdaughter, Nellie, two strong-willed and determined women, began writing letters and attending meetings to help improve the lives of women and children in their home city of Adelaide. They soon found themselves part of a movement that would change the lives of women everywhere. Through their friendship with the famous female suffragist Mary Lee, they petitioned politicians and lawmakers - and in 1896 they became the first women in Australia to vote in an election. [Australian History-South Australian History-Suffragette Movement-Women's Rights](#)

35. Walking on Rock Country in Kakadu (Diane Lucas & Emma Long)

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A breathtaking encounter with the magnificent rock country of Australia's iconic Kakadu National Park, from the highly acclaimed creators of Walking in Gagudju Country: Exploring the Monsoon Forest. [Aboriginal Studies-First Nations-Dual Language-Kundjeyhmi-Language-Environment-Ecosystems-Culture](#)

36. Wedge-tailed Eagle (Claire Saxby & Christina Booth)

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Wedge-tailed Eagle explores the family life of these remarkable birds. The largest raptor in Australia, wedge-tailed eagles are powerful hunters, who mate for life, bringing many new clutches of chicks into the world in their lifetime. [Narrative Non Fiction-Nature-Birds-Environment-Habitats](#)

37. When Dinosaurs Roamed Australia (Sarah Jane Lightfoot)

\$24.99 \$22.50

Millions of years before you and me, living in wetlands and by the sea, lurking in lakes and green forest floors, Australia was home to DINOSAURS! Journey back in time to the Cretaceous period and meet the dinosaurs that roamed Australia millions of years ago. [Dinosaurs-Rhyming Text-Narrative Nonfiction](#)

38. Where History Happened (Mark Greenwood & Frané Lessac)

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In every corner of Australia, history happened. The pages of this book are a journey through tens of thousands of years. Our history is recorded in ancient rock art, in the flag flown at the Eureka Stockade, by Burke and Wills' tree. Sometimes tragic, often regrettable, always formative, history is commemorated from Tasmania and throughout the mainland at the sites of prisons and massacres. From the birthplace of a new federated nation at the beginning of the twentieth century in Sydney's Centennial Park to Eddie Mabo's struggle for acknowledgement of land rights in the 1990s, history happened all around Our Country. [Australian History](#)

39. Wollemi: Saving a Dinosaur Tree (Samantha Tidy & Rachel Gyan)

\$24.99 \$19.99

Deep in the forest, an ancient wonder is about to be found. Descended from a family of trees going back 200 million years, the Wollemi pine has survived ice, fire and the passing of many generations. Will a bushfire be the final threat to this living fossil? And how will we protect it, now that everyone wants a dinosaur tree [Conservation-Climate Change-Bushfire-Trees-Endangered](#)

40. Worms Are Our Friends (Toni D'Alia & Mimi Purnell)

\$24.99 \$19.99

Worms Are Our Friends invites preschool readers into a stunning garden to admire the hard work of one tiny worm, and to marvel at the essential role it plays in nature. Discover how earthworms help our soil, plants and environment thrive, and encourage your kids to love nature exploration and outdoor learning. [Narrative Non Fiction-Worms-Compost-Nature-Soil-Rhyming Text](#)

