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NEW RELEASE SPECIALS (1-10)

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1. Animalia Big Book (Graeme Base) \$45.00 \$36.95
 Finally published in Big Book, with amazing detail and funny characters and situations, new generations of children and adults have been poring over this book again and again since it was first released in 1986.

2. Doubting Thomas (Morris Gleitzman) \$16.95 \$14.95
 Thomas was a pretty normal kid until two weeks ago when he discovered he had developed a startling new ability. Every time anyone tells a lie, Thomas' develops a violent itch in his nipples. But it's uncomfortable and embarrassing, so with the help of his friends Holly and Kevin, he sets out to find a cure.

3. Kingfisher Motorsports Encyclopedia (Clive Gifford) \$29.99 \$25.95
 The Kingfisher Motorsports Encyclopedia is a treasure trove of information about sport that captivates huge numbers of live spectators, avid enthusiasts and television audiences in almost every country of the world. Packed with stunning action photographs and state-of-the-art digital illustrations, this book truly captures the heady thrills of motor racing.

4. My Wobbly Tooth Must Never Ever Fall Out (Lauren Child) \$19.95 \$16.95
 Lola is determined to hang on to her first ever wobbly tooth. She really does not want it to fall out. That is until she finds out about the tooth fairy - which means money to buy new animals for her farm. Suddenly the race is on to wobble that tooth out of her mouth and under her pillow. But disaster strikes when she loses it before bedtime. How will the tooth fairy know to visit her?

5. Paige the Pantomime Fairy (Daisy Meadows and Georgie Ripper) \$14.95 \$12.95
 Paige the Pantomime Fairy needs three magic shoes to keep every pantomime full of Christmas fun and sparkle! But Jack Frost wants the ballet shoe, golden horseshoe and glass slipper for himself. The show must go on...it's up to Rachael and Kirsty to help.

6. Pirate Treasure Map A Fairytale Adventure, The (Colin Hawkins) \$27.95 \$24.95
 Ha har, me hearties! Jack's gone looking for adventure -- and gold. But where on the treasure island could it be? Along the treasure trail Jack meets with all sorts of fairytale characters and together they find their way around some well loved storybook locations.

7. Rangers Apprentice: The Sorcerer in the North (John Flanagan) \$14.95 \$12.95
 Will and his old friend Alyss are thrown into a terrifying new adventure, investigating the truth behind rumours of sorcery in a remote northern fief. In Grimsdell Forest, hearing eerie voices and seeing the horrific figure of the Night Warrior looming in the fog, Will must ask himself one question: is there a rational explanation ... or does sorcery really exist?

8. Watchmaker Who Saved Christmas, The (Bruce Whatley) \$24.95 \$21.95
 This is a classically magical Christmas book based on the wonderful idea that Santa has a special watch that slows down time so he can deliver all his presents around the world. It has everything from the pathos of Charles Dickens's Tiny Tim (in this case the deaf boy who sacrifices his precious hearing aid to help fix Santa's watch), the intrigue of the watchmaker racing to meet a special Christmas deadline, and the snow-filled Christmas world of books like THE POLAR EXPRESS.

9. When a Monster is Born (Sean Taylor and Nick Sharratt) \$28.95 \$24.95
 When a monster is born there are two possibilities-either it's a Faraway-In-The-Forests monster, or...it's an Under-Your-Bed monster. If it's a Faraway-In-The-Forests monster; that's that. But if it's an Under-Your-Bed monster... A great witty story covering all different types of monsters and the consequences of each one, that is, if the author allows it to exist!

10. Whoops! But It Wasn't Me (Lauren Child) \$19.95 \$16.95
 Charlie has built a fabulous prize-winning rocket and has forbidden Lola to touch it. But the temptation is just too great and she goes to get the rocket, knocking it on the floor and destroying it. When Charlie finds out he is distraught and wants to know who is to blame. Lola vehemently denies it until she realises the only way to win back Charlie's trust and respect is to own up, apologise and really mean it.



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AUSTRALIAN PICTURE BOOKS (11-25)

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11. Amy and Louis (Libby Gleeson and Freya Blackwood)

\$24.99 \$22.50

Amy and Louis live next door to each other, and their lives are closely intertwined. But when Amy's family move to another country, the children are separated and the colour drains out of their lives — until Louis discovers how to rebuild their special bond. This is a loving, moving, goose-bumping tale of deep friendship.

12. Annie's Chair (Deborah Niland)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Today, Annie was boiling mad. Someone was sleeping in her chair! 'No one is allowed on my chair!' Annie tells everyone. But who has broken the rule? And what will Annie do to get her favourite chair back? From the much-loved illustrator of *There's a Hippopotamus on Our Roof Eating Cake*, comes a delightful character - a little girl with a determined streak and an adorable personality! Winner of the 2006 CBCA Early Childhood Category.

13. Arrival, The (Shaun Tan)

\$39.95 \$34.95

What drives so many to leave everything behind and journey to a mysterious country; a place without family or friends, where everything is nameless and the future is unknown? This silent graphic novel is the story of every migrant, every refugee, every displaced person, and a tribute to those who have made the journey. Ages 10+.

14. Billycart Ride, The (Bruce Atherton and Keith McEwan)

\$24.95 \$22.46

Michael's dad builds a billycart from dusty wooden crates, four-be-two and rusty little rocket parts that fell from outer space. They christen it Lightning Runner, and haul it right up to the top of Widow's Peak, high above the market place. Michael bravely takes his seat and hurtles down the hill...

15. Dougal and Bumble and the Long Walk Home (Matt Dray)

\$19.95 \$17.96

When Dougal and Bumble get left behind at the Teddy Bears' Picnic they befriend a pig called Trevor. Trevor's lost as well and it's up to them to find their way back to their pretty pink house on the beach where all the other toys are waiting. But it's a long walk home...

16. Faust in Space (Matt Ottley)

\$28.95 \$26.06

Bad luck could be Faust's middle name. Faust's family decide to go on a holiday and leave poor Faust behind. Then, out of the blue, Faust's friends (the troublesome aliens) come to visit him and take him to their planet. Find out what sort of trouble Faust manages to get himself into in outer space!

17. Fiona the Pig's Big Day (Leigh Hobbs)

\$24.95 \$22.46

'I just know I'm going to miss her,' sniffed Mr Pig. 'Me too,' whispered Mrs Pig. Fiona the pig is leaving home. Afternoon tea with her dollies has been cancelled, and Mr and Mrs Pig haven't been able to sleep for days. Where is Fiona going? How will her parents cope without her? Find out in this second heartwarming story about Fiona and her adoring parents.

18. Grandpa and Thomas and the Green Umbrella (Pamela Allen)

\$24.95 \$22.46

When Grandpa and Thomas go to the beach they swim, picnic, slide down the sand-dunes and build a sand-car. Then the weather turns stormy and the two shelter in the car, under the green umbrella, until the storm passes.

19. Josephine Wants to Dance (Jackie French and Bruce Whatley)

\$24.99 \$22.50

Josephine is a kangaroo – who loves to dance. Her little brother, Joey, tells her that kangaroos don't dance, they hop – but Josephine continues to point her toes and leap through the air. When a ballet troupe comes to town and both the lead ballerina and understudy are injured, Josephine's talents are called upon to help save the day.

20. Little Jingle Says No! (Kerrie O'Connor and Craig Smith)

\$24.95 \$22.46

All the Jingles are thinking of names for the new baby, but little Jingle is not co-operating. 'We'll call him Al,' says Mama Jingle. 'We'll call him Adrian,' says Papa Jingle. 'We'll call him Atticus,' says taller smaller Jingle. But little Jingle says NO! A warm and exuberant family story, perfect for alphabet play and reading aloud.

21. Midsummer Night (Gregory Rogers)

\$27.95 \$25.16

The sequel to *The Boy, the Bear, the Baron, the Bard*, *Midsummer Knight* follows the Bear after his parting from the Boy. This book shows us why the bear is a legendary hero appearing on the plaque in the theatre in *The Boy, the Bear, the Baron, the Bard*. Drawing on *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, the story will involve faeries, Puck, lovers and the brave Bear coming to the Queen's rescue.

22. Pete the Sheep (Jackie French)

\$14.99 \$13.50

Sean is a shearer and instead of a sheepdog to help him, he's got a sheep - Pete. After being rejected by the other shearers and their dogs, Sean and Pete have set up a sheep salon in town. Sheep from everywhere arrive to have their wool shorn in the latest style and even the shearers' dogs start coming...Ages 4+.

23. Rainbirds, The (David Metzenthén and Sally Rippin)

\$28.95 \$26.06

A stunningly illustrated story about a city child's relationship with nature and the natural world, the trust that children place in their parents and the responsibility adults have in looking after them and the environment they will inherit. Ages 4-8.

24. Short and Incredibly Happy Life of Riley, The (Colin Thompson and Amy Lissiat)

\$15.95 \$14.36

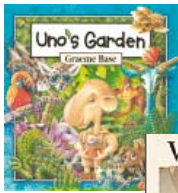
Human beings live for quite a long time and for a lot of that time we are not happy. We want to be taller, shorter, fatter, thinner. We want our straight hair to be curly, our curly hair to be straight, and our brown eyes to be blue. Rats live for quite a short time and for most of that time they are very, very happy... and we think we are better than rats! Ages 5+

25. Snap! Went Chester (Tania Cox and David Miller)

\$15.95 \$14.36

Chester is a baby Nile crocodile who is a bit bored. Then he discovers it's lots of fun snapping his big jaws at the creatures around him. He snaps until there's nothing left to snap. He finally finds another animal to snap at—until it snaps back at him! Chester swims home to his mother as fast as he can! REPRINT

AUSTRALIAN PICTURE BOOKS (26-27)



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26. Uno's Garden (Graham Base)

\$29.95 \$26.96

This is Graham Base's stunning new picture book. When Uno arrives in the forest one beautiful day, there are many fascinating and extraordinary animals there to greet him. And one entirely unexceptional Snortlepig. Uno loves the forest so much, he decides to live there. But, in time, a little village grows up around his house. Then a town, then a city. . .

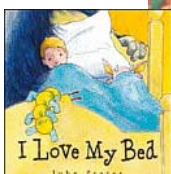
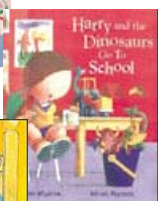
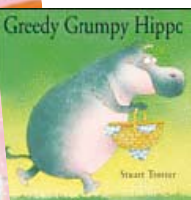
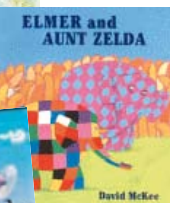
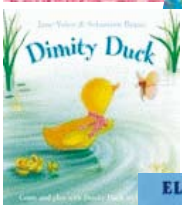
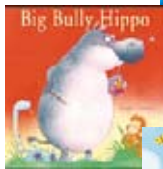
27. Waltzing Matilda Book and CD (Banjo Paterson and Freya Blackwood)

\$24.99 \$22.50

This ballad of the sheep-stealing swagman is known the world over. Here, with 'Banjo' Paterson's original lyrics and Freya Blackwood's stunning ochre-toned paintings, we are treated not just to the swagman's story, but to the story of the shearers' strikes of the time, of the squatter's family, and of the dangers of nineteenth-century travel in the outback.

OVERSEAS PICTURE BOOKS (28-40)

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28. 006 And A Bit (Kes Gray and Nick Sharratt)

\$32.95 \$27.95

Daisy is back and this time she's not just Daisy, she's 006 and a Bit, spy extraordinaire. There's just one problem, nobody can understand a word she's saying! Mrs Pike the neighbour, Tiptoes the cat and even Gabby, Daisy's best friend, are all baffled by her spy language. Will 006 and a bit have to abandon her mission?

29. All Afloat in Noah's Boat (Tony Mitton and Guy Parker-Rees)

\$28.95 \$26.06

A great rhyming text and a beautifully illustrated version of the well-known bible story, Noah's Ark with a hilarious twist. Life aboard Noah's Ark is busy and noisy, and soon the animals begin to get grumpy. So clever Noah hatches a plan for an incredible creature cabaret to get the ark swinging again. But what amazing act will appear for the finale?

30. Big Bully Hippo (Stuart Trotter)

\$11.99 \$10.80

Hippo throws his weight around and bullies the other animals in the jungle. His unwillingness to listen or say sorry results in his undoing, with hilarious results.

31. Big Sister, Little Sister (Gillian Shields and Georgie Birkett)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Whilst Big Sister roller skates, Little Sister hesitates, and whilst Big Sister plays princess, Little Sister holds her dress. Nevertheless, Big Sister and Little Sister can't help but have fun together. With thoroughly appealing central characters and a simple rhythmic text, this is a delightful book to share with the very young.

32. But Excuse Me, That is My Book (Lauren Child)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Beetles, Bugs and Butterflies is Lola's absolute favourite book ever in the whole wide world. So naturally she is distraught when it's not at the library. Someone else has borrowed it! Charlie tries everything he can think of to placate her but nothing is ever going to beat Beetles, Bugs and Butterflies. **Now in Paperback.**

33. Chimpanzees of Happytown, The (Giles Andreae and Guy Parker-Rees)

\$28.95 \$26.06

Life is no fun for the chimps in Drabsville—the mayor demands that all their houses look the same and that no one should have a good time. But things take a more colourful turn when Chutney arrives, carrying a tiny seed in a box... Beautifully written and brilliantly illustrated, a fable of how happiness, joy and kindness can overcome all obstacles.

34. Dimity Duck (Jane Yolen and Sebastian Braun)

\$24.99 \$22.50

Splash-splash, it's time for fun at the pond! Make friends with Dimity Duck and her poolside buddies in their first frithy-frothy picture book. 'Dimity Duck waddles, she toddles and she sings. Giggle-gaggle goes her tail and whoosh go her wings!'

35. Elmer and Aunt Zelda (David McKee)

\$29.95 \$26.96

Elmer and Wilbur visit their Aunt Zelda. She may be getting old and deaf, but she is fun and has lots of interesting things to show the two young elephants. A warm and funny book extolling the virtues of cross-generational relationships.

36. Giddy the Great (Jamie Rix and Lyn Chapman)

\$28.95 \$26.06

Giddy finds out what really makes him truly great in this hilarious follow-up to *Giddy Goat*. Giddy the Goat wants to be the greatest climber in the world, but one day he is forced to make a choice between winning the biggest climbing race ever, or winning back his best friend. A tale about the importance of friendship and admitting wrong-doings.

37. Greedy Grumpy Hippo (Stuart Trotter)

\$10.99 \$9.90

Hippo prepares a delicious picnic, but has no intention of sharing it with anyone. However his friends in the jungle are aware of this and have other plans. It is only when Hippo's intentions are thwarted that he realizes the error of his ways. Simple half-page flaps animate this fun picture book.

38. Happy Birthday To You, Blue Kangaroo (Emma Chichester Clark)

\$32.95 \$27.95

Lily and Blue Kangaroo share everything, even birthdays. And for her next one, Lily has decided that everything must be pink. Even Blue Kangaroo gets a pink ribbon to wear. He isn't sure that he likes it, he gets so miserable, that he creeps away. "I love blue, and I love you!" she says, and she changes into a completely blue outfit, to show him she means it.

39. Harry and the Dinosaurs Go To School (Ian Whybrow and Adrian Reynolds)

\$12.99 \$11.70

It's Harry's first day at school. Harry and his dinosaurs are very excited. Harry isn't sure he's going to like it. Someone else is unhappy too — maybe Harry and his dinosaurs can help him, but what will the teacher say?

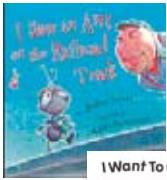
40. I Love My Bed (John Prater)

\$28.95 \$26.06

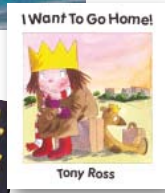
This little boy loves his bed! Sometimes it's a dark cave, sometimes it's a pirate ship, or a jungle or a rainforest. Whatever it is, it's always the beginning of an exciting new adventure! This wonderful book is all about the power of the imagination to transform the most every day objects into real life experiences.

OVERSEAS PICTURE BOOKS (41-55)

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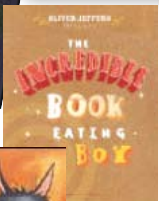
41. I Saw an Ant on the Railway Track (Joshua Prince and Macky Pamintuan) \$14.99 \$13.50
Well, I saw an ant on the railroad track. The rail was bright. The ant was black. He was walking along, tickety-tack. Jack sees the ant, and diverts the oncoming train in time! The ant and Jack share lunch together. Very well-written rhyme creates the sound of the oncoming train and the tension of not knowing whether this ant will be saved.



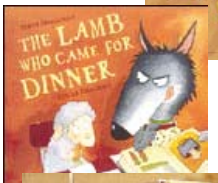
42. I Want to Go Home! (Tony Ross) \$32.95 \$27.95
A wonderfully funny and reassuring book that will ring true with anyone who has ever moved house with a toddler. The Little Princess has been moved to a new castle. There is lots more room! But she does not see why they can't go back to the old place. Surely it is still the same? A wonderfully funny and reassuring book that will ring true with anyone who has ever moved house with a toddler.



43. I'm Special, I'm Me (Ann Meek and Sarah Massini) \$14.99 \$13.50
Milo is fed up. He wants to be a pirate captain, but the other kids in the playground tell him he's too short. But with a little help from his mum and his imagination, Milo manages to turn rejection into triumph. An inspirational tale for children and their parents.



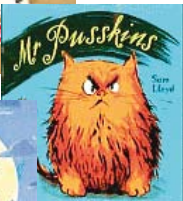
44. Incredible Book Eating Boy, The (Oliver Jeffers) \$24.99 \$22.50
This is the mouth-wateringly irresistible tale of a boy's insatiable hunger! Henry loves books...but not like you and I. He loves to Eat books! This exciting new story follows the trials and tribulations of a boy with a voracious appetite for books. Henry discovers his unusual taste by mistake one day, and is soon swept up in his new-found passion.



45. Lamb Who Came for Dinner (Steve Smallman and Joelle Dreidemy) \$14.99 \$13.50
When a hungry old wolf gets an unexpected visit from a little lamb, he starts planning a delicious hotpot. But the lamb doesn't want to be the wolf's dinner, she wants to be his friend...



46. Meerkat Mail (Emily Gravett) \$24.95 \$22.46
Sunny the meerkat lives with his enormous family in the Kalahari desert. They are all very close... So close, in fact, that one day Sunny decides he's had enough and packs his bags. He's off to visit his mongoose cousins. But from the watery world of the Marsh Mongoose to the nocturnal lifestyle of the Malagasy Mongoose, Sunny just doesn't fit in. And who's following him around?



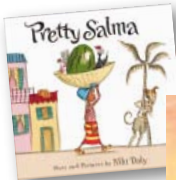
47. Mr Pusskins A Love Story (Sam Lloyd) \$28.95 \$26.06
Mr Pusskins has got it all... an owner who adores him, who brushes his fur, who reads him a bedtime story every night, and tells him how much she loves him. But Mr Pusskins is bored. What Mr Pusskins really wants is an 'adventure', and so one night, he goes off in search of it. But is Mr Pusskins' new lifestyle all that he hoped it would be?



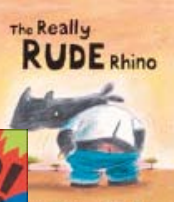
48. My Name is Mr Fox (Shen Roddie and Paula Metcalf) \$14.95 \$13.46
It's the night of the hens fancy dress ball, and Mr Fox has a cunning plan... Will the hens work out his true identity before they become chicken pie?



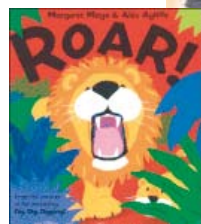
49. Not Old Enough (Charlotte Middleton) \$14.95 \$13.46
Eva's the youngest and smallest in her family. She longs to have so many grown-up things, but Mum always says 'no'. Her brother, Billy, just laughs and laughs at her. So she decides to move out - to the very end of the back garden! After a few scary moments, she realises that being an adult on her own isn't as fun as she thought it would be!



50. Pretty Salma (Niki Daly) \$27.95 \$25.16
This up-to-the-minute Red Riding Hood story is set in a South African township with market traders, a crazy-eyed rooster, Anansi the storyteller and a no-good, slick, sly stranger calling himself Mr Dog. The comedy, thrills and shivers of the familiar story lead to a reassuring ending.



51. Really Rude Rhino (Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross) \$17.95 \$16.16
Little Rhino is rude to everyone, and has been since the day he was born. He sticks his tongue out, he makes rude noises and he waves his bottom at anyone in front of him, with no respect for person or place. Until, that is, he meets his match with someone who is prepared to treat him the same way! **Now in Paperback.**



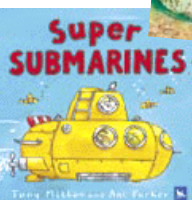
52. Roar! (Margaret Mayo and Alex Ayliffe) \$28.95 \$26.06
From the creators of the bestselling *Dig, Dig, Digging*, comes *Roar!* Full of playful creatures and roaring, hopping, prowling, swinging animals; this book has all the right ingredients to help young children learn about animal sounds and the actions they make. Featuring colourful, collaged illustrations to accompany the lively text.



53. Small (Jessica Meserve) \$32.95 \$27.95
A little girl finds that no matter what she tries to do, she is always overshadowed by her older, bigger sister. But then Small comes into her own one landmark day when her sister's parrot is caught up a tree and her sister is afraid to climb up to save it. This makes her realize that she doesn't have to live in anyone's shadow any more.



54. Snails Legs (Damian Harvey and Corky Paul) \$27.95 \$25.16
When the king's chef arrives in search of the strongest legs to help him prepare a special birthday treat for the king, Frog and Snail argue over who will have the great honour. They decide to settle the matter on a race, but Snail looks back to see the determination on old Frog's face and decides to hide away and let him win. But what is the chef going to DO with Frog's legs?



55. Super Submarines (Tony Mitton and Ant Parker) \$8.99 \$8.10
Submerge yourself in the latest title in the best-selling *Amazing Machines* series! Take a trip underwater and investigate how submarines go down, travel along, and then come up again! See what it's like to live inside one, all the things they can do and what they discover on the deep sea bed. Full of rhyming fun and wacky animal artwork, this book is guaranteed to intrigue and delight all machine-mad children.

OVERSEAS PICTURE BOOKS (56-64)



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56. That's Why (Babette Cole)

\$32.95 \$27.95

There's bad news in the paper and war on the TV. Ziggi, an aspiring rockstar, is wondering why he was ever born at all, when the answer to his question miraculously appears in the form of a spectacular, all-flying, all-singing little stallion! Ziggi is whisked away for the ride of his life, but will he come back singing a different tune...?

57. Tim, Ted and the Pirates (Ian Whybrow and Russell Ayto)

\$14.99 \$13.50

It's story time at school, when all of a sudden... SPLASH!... the classroom fills with water and Tim and Ted find themselves taking part in a swashbuckling nautical adventure. Can they rescue stolen treasure from the pirates before Tim's mum comes to collect him at home time?

58. Together (Jane Simmons)

\$28.95 \$26.06

Have you noticed how being with your best friend makes your day that little bit brighter? Mousse and Nut love playing together—but can they really be friends when they're so different? Of course they can! This delightful story goes to show, it's the 'being together' and the friendship that counts.

59. Trumpet, the Little Elephant With a Big Temper (Jane Clarke and Charles Fuge)

\$14.99 \$13.50

Uh-oh! Here we go again... It's not easy being a little elephant with a big temper. And if you think Elvis needs to take it easy, you should meet his mum!

60. We Honestly Can Look After Your Dog (Lauren Child)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Lola loves dogs. So when Charlie takes Lola and her friend Lotta to the park with his friend Marv and Marv's dog Sizzles, Lola is thrilled. Marv lets her and Lotta look after Sizzles on the promise that they don't let him off the lead. But Lola and Lotta are so over-excited that, of course, they let Sizzles go and then have a panicky search for him all round the park. **Now in Paperback.**

61. Whale (David Lucas)

\$32.95 \$27.95

A Whale descends on Joe's town, and flattens everything. "I'm truly sorry," he says. But how can everything be repaired? The townsfolk ask the wisest old bird they know, and the results are truly surprising!

62. Who's In the Loo? (Jeanne Willis and Adrian Reynolds)

\$29.95 \$26.96

'Who's in the loo? There's a very long queue. Is it an elephant doing a poo?' If your house has many occupants, then this witty rhyme from the irreverent and observant pen of Jeanne Willis will resonate profoundly. Adrian Reynolds's exuberant illustrations highlight the fun!

63. Who's Laughing? (David Bedford and Leonie Worthington)

\$14.99 \$13.50

Poor Hippo is trying to sleep, but someone is making a terrible racket: who's laughing?

64. Yes! (Jez Alborough)

\$27.95 \$25.16

"YES!" Bobo loves bath time. But when Mummy comes to put him into bed, Bobo says, "NO!" Will the naughty little chimp ever get out of the bath and snuggle down to sleep?

AUSTRALIAN NOVELS (65-70)

(RRP) (SCHOOL)

65. 2nd Big Big Big Book of Tashi (Anna Fienberg and Kim Gamble)

\$24.95 \$22.46

Another five fabulous Tashi books all together in one big, fat volume. Ten terrific Tashi stories! This second Tashi compendium brings you all 10 stories from books 8-12.

66. Beastly Tales (Richard Tulloch and Terry Denton)

\$12.95 \$11.66

A vulture who doesn't like leftovers, a chameleon who saves her fickle, fashionable friends from a volcano, a skunk who wants a quiet, unstressful job (for reasons that will become obvious), a heroic boa constrictor, and a rhino who wants to dance. Quirky, funny, and full of rhyming, alliteration and word play that will captivate beginner readers.

67. Cairo Jim at the Crossroads of Orpheus (Geoffrey McSkimming)

\$14.95 \$13.46

In the dusty ruins of the ancient House of the Perfumer at Pompeii, astonishing discoveries are taking place! Forgotten perfumes, long thought to have been lost, are being re-invented and given new life. But when one of these whiffs of wonderment goes missing, it is up to Cairo Jim, and his friends to try and stop a rush of evil!

68. Cat on the Mat is Flat (Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton)

\$14.95 \$13.46

How did the cat on the mat get flat? Why did Ed and Ted and Ted's dog Fred get spat out of the head of a whale called Ned? Where was Harry Black when Jack the Yak stole the snack from his sack? The answers to these stupid questions – and many other stupid questions—are contained in this deeply stupid book... Well, what are you waiting for?

69. Ellie Chronicles – Circle of Flight (John Marsden)

\$29.95 \$24.95

It is a time of profound change for Ellie Linton. Enemies are everywhere. Some come crawling over the hills; others drive in and knock on the front door. Sometimes her friends are there and sometimes they are not. Ellie fights every inch of the way. But when courage and imagination are not enough, when she is trapped and helpless, Ellie must face the end of life as she knows it... standing alone, sustained only by her own strength

70. Faster Than Lightning (Michael Panckridge)

\$14.99 \$13.50

Twelve year old Angus lives and breathes horses. His father is a horse trainer, and on most mornings before school, Angus is helping him. However, Angus discovers illegal goings-on at the local stud farm, and with the help of his friends, investigates the possibility that they are cloning famous racehorses. Ages 9+.



AUSTRALIAN NOVELS (71-86)

(RRP) (SCHOOL)

71. Go Girls - Hay Fever (Thalia Kalkipsakis)

\$9.95 \$8.96

Cassie and her sister are being sent to their cousin's farm for a holiday. What are they going to do for a whole week in the country without cable TV, fast internet or airconditioned movie theatres? Will this be the worst holiday ever? Or maybe Cassie will find a way to make a bit of fun!

72. Goat Who Sailed the World, The (Jackie French)

\$14.99 \$13.50

Captain Cook's goat had already sailed around the world before it went on its first voyage with Cook, and helped save everyone on board the ship from scurvy. As well as telling the story of this less-than-famous goat, the book looks at the great sea explorations of the eighteenth century, including Cook's voyage to Australia. Age 9+.

73. Gold Fever (Susan Coleridge)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Other kids were looking forward to the excursion to Sovereign Hill, the gold mining town in Ballarat, but not Bert. In fact ever since his father died, Bert didn't look forward to anything much. But when he gets there, Bert changes his mind. Sovereign Hill seems fun. What Bert doesn't realise is that for him it will be a time warp experience like no other.

74. Gypsy Crown, The (Kate Forsyth)

\$16.95 \$15.26

Once there was a gypsy queen who gave each of her six children one of the charms from her bracelet as their lucky talisman, but the gypsies have been thrown into gaol with only three weeks to live. The only members of the family to escape are thirteen-year-old Emilia and her cousin Luka, who have been entrusted to find the six charms and bring them together again.

75. Harsh Cry of the Heron - Tales of the Otori (Lian Hearn)

\$39.95 \$34.95

The world of the Otori has entranced readers since 2002, and Lian Hearn again takes us back to a land that might be feudal Japan or may be another place altogether in this epic conclusion. Find out who lives and dies, who conquers, and who is still loved.

76. Home and Away - The Floods (Colin Thompson)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Travel back in time with the Floods to find out what happened when Nerlin and Mordonna eloped together to escape Mordonna's money-hungry dad, King Quatorze, and his network of bumbling spies from faraway Transylvania Waters. Was baby Satanella really turned into a dog because of an accident with a faulty wand?

77. Jango (William Nicolson)

\$16.95 \$15.26

In the sequel to *Seeker* the friends discover that the mysterious warrior sect they had been so desperate to join is not quite what it appears from the outside. At least they have now acquired the remarkable physical skills of the Nomana ... and they are certainly going to need them: the mighty warlord of the Orlan nation is gathering forces...

78. Maximum Maxx (Michael Wagner and Terry Denton)

\$24.95 \$22.46

A bind-up of the eight cricket stories from Maxx Rumble — when one Maxx Rumble cricket book just isn't enough!

79. Mokie and Bik (Wendy Orr and Beth Norling)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Mokie and Bik live on a boat with Laddie the dog, Slow the sleepy turtle, and Ruby who sings all day. Dad is on his ship-at-sea, Mum is busy arting, so, underfoot or overboard, the twins have twice as much fun as anyone else. Come aboard!

80. Muffin Top (Andrew Daddo)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Kylie Stumple and her brother Ashton are in the middle of their rhumba practice when things start to go wrong, at the exact moment she notices her brother's muffin-top and it's hanging over the top of his pants! The dancing hots up as rhumba turns into rumble and it's their mum who threatens to sort things out, just as she always does.

81. Octavius O'Malley and the Mystery of the Exploding Cheese (Alan Sunderland and Ben Redlich)

\$14.99 \$13.50

Someone has just blown up the biggest cheese factory in town and Inspector Octavius O'Malley is on the case. All the clues point to a notorious gang of mice, but something doesn't quite fit. And Inspector O'Malley is strange because he has fur, and a tail, and long whiskers.

82. Operation Loki (Sophie Masson)

\$16.95 \$15.26

Nicky Flamel, a motorbike racing ace, Andromeda Frost, a beautiful English socialite and Otis Falcon, a young American ex-boxer find themselves on a mysterious island, which is actually a top-secret institution that trains talented young psychics to battle a secret army - the evil Nazis and their associates. A brilliant graphic novel for teenagers.

83. Paul Jennings Weirdest Stories (Paul Jennings)

\$24.95 \$22.46

Since *Unreal* was published in 1985, Paul Jennings has written over 100 stories and sold over 7 million copies of his books. To celebrate 20 years of stories by Paul Jennings, Penguin has put together collections of his work and Paul Jennings' Weirdest Stories will definitely be the weirdest anthology yet!

84. Pirates Eat Porridge (Christopher Morgan and Neil Curtis)

\$12.95 \$11.66

Short, illustrated and outrageously funny! When a pirate arrives at Billy and Heidi's door, it's the start of a crazy and unpredictable adventure as they sail their 'fish-finger' house to Itchy Ear Island, and learn all sorts of quirky facts about pirates, parrots and cabbages along the way.

85. Secret Life of Maeve Lee Kwong, The (Kirsty Murray)

\$15.95 \$14.36

Where do you turn when your family is tragically torn apart, your close friends fall away, and your long-lost father is out of reach? Where do you fit when you're part Irish, part Chinese, part Australian? A warm-hearted story about teenage life in Australia now.

86. Selby Shattered (Duncan Ball)

\$12.99 \$11.70

Selby, the only talking dog in Australia, and perhaps the world, is off on another series of mind-shattering adventures. The Search for Selby Society is hot on his trail and eager to tell the world his secret. And, as if that isn't bad enough, there are shipwrecks, evil curses, ghostly gagsters and - worst of all - the Triple Terror out to get him. Oh woe woe woe - what is a dog to do?



AUSTRALIAN NOVELS (87-90)

(RRP) (SCHOOL)



87. Star of the Show (Nette Hilton)

\$16.95 \$15.26

Serena Sweetmay is perfect – she's beautiful and clever; she's good at school, is always chosen for the best parts in any activity, and so when Aimee's class is selected to perform the school's Christmas play, everyone knows exactly who's going to be the star of the show. But for once, just once, Aimee wants to shine. Can she out-angel Serena Sweetmay?

88. Ten Things I Hate About Me (Randa Abdel-Fattah)

\$16.95 \$15.26

There are a lot of things Jamie hates about her life: her dark hair, her dad's Stone Age Charter of Curfew Rights, her real name – Jamilah Towfeek. For the past three years Jamie has hidden her Lebanese background from everyone at school. It's only with her email friend John that she can really be herself. But now things are getting complicated...Can Jamie let her real self shine through?

89. Toby Jones and the Timeless Cricket Match (Michael Panckridge)

\$14.99 \$13.50

Just as Toby thought his time-travel adventures were all over, he has to make another journey, and this time it's going to be dangerous. With the help of his friend Jim Oldfield, Toby must travel to Lords to visit Father Time so he can save his friend Ally, who is fading away since she met herself on a previous time-travel trip. Ages 9+.

90. Tuckshop Kid, The (Pat Flynn)

\$16.95 \$15.26

Hungry? Need Lunch? Mum's packed you curried banana and pickle sandwiches again? Only got a \$1.25 to your name? Then you need to see Matt, because Matt has an amazing talent... Some kids are good at footy, or handball, or tennis. Not Matt, though. Matt is an expert at Tuckshop. (\$1.25 = sausage roll and small choc milk, by the way...)

MIDDLE NOVELS (91-103)

(RRP) (SCHOOL)

91. Artemis Fowl and the Lost Colony (Eoin Colfer)

\$22.95 \$20.66

Ten millennia ago, the fairy people were defeated in a great battle with mankind - only the 8th family of fairies remained undefeated: the demons. But now one demon has discovered the secrets of the fairy world, and if humans get hold of this information, the fairies are in BIG trouble. Only one person can prevent this disaster - teenage criminal mastermind Artemis Fowl.

92. Beatrice Letters, The (Lemony Snicket)

\$24.99 \$22.50

Suspiciously linked to Book the Thirteenth, this compendium of correspondence between the mysterious Beatrice and the mysterious author give the readers some clues about what's going to happen in The End. A must have for all fans of A Series of Unfortunate Events... this will be pored over by eager sleuths.

93. Blade of Fire (Stuart Hill)

\$19.99 \$18.00

Twenty years have passed since the Icemark last defended itself from invasion. Now Scipio Bellorum is back – joined by his hideous twin sons and a terrifying fleet of sky ships. The Icemark's fate lies with Thirrin and Oskan, and their extraordinary allies, the Wolf-folk and giant Snow Leopards – and now their five children.

94. Captain Underpants and the Preposterous Plight (Dav Pilkey)

\$9.99 \$9.00

Dav Pilkey's beloved Captain Underpants returns to face his nemesis--the evil Captain Blunderpants--with the help of two new superheroes, Great-Granny Girdle and Boxer Boy!

95. Clarice Bean, Don't Look Now! (Lauren Child)

\$27.95 \$24.95

The wait is over for the new Clarice Bean. In this next exciting installment we find out about all of Clarice's worst worries... Always remember: it's the worry you haven't even thought to worry about that should worry you the most...

96. Eldest (Christopher Paolini)

\$19.95 \$17.96

Darkness falls... Despair abounds... Evil reigns... Eragon and his dragon, Saphira, have just saved the rebel state from destruction by the mighty forces of King Galbatorix, cruel ruler of the Empire. Now Eragon must travel to Ellesmra, land of the elves, for further training in magic and swordsmanship, the vital skills of the Dragon Rider.

97. H.I.V.E. Higher Institute for Villainous Education (Mark Walden)

\$16.95 \$15.26

Villains have the best lines and wear the best costumes but children cannot leave this top secret school of applied villainy until training is complete, which takes six years. Every year one student in particular will show exceptional talent but this year there are two students: Otto Malpense and his new friend Wing Fanchu. And they don't want to stay at H.I.V.E...

98-101. Jack Stalwart (Elizabeth Singer Hunt)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Join bold adventurer Jack Stalwart on his many missions around the world – and see how he always saves the day!

98. Escape of the Deadly Dinosaur USA

100. Search for the Sunken Treasure: AUSTRALIA

99. Mystery of the Mona Lisa: FRANCE

101. Secret of the Sacred Temple: CAMBODIA

102. Jane Blonde Spies Trouble (Jill Marshall)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Janey Brown just completed her first mission as Jane Blonde, Sensational Spylet. Now the kitty-napping of her spy-cat, Trouble, launches her into another incredible investigation! A group of crazed scientists believe they have discovered the secret to a cat's nine lives – but they need Trouble for their experiments. With chewing gum that lets her breathe underwater, as well her natural code-cracking expertise – Jane Blonde is ready for action...

103. Lily B on the Brink of Paris (Elizabeth Cody Kimmell)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Be on the brink of Lily B's world with her third and fantastically funny diary! Lily Blennerhasset is VERY excited. She is on a school trip with her classmates to Paris (nay, Pareee) - a city of sophistication and culture. Here is real material for a future famous novelist such as herself.



MIDDLE NOVELS (104-115)

(RRP) (SCHOOL)



104-109. Mermaid SOS (Gillian Shields and Heather Turner)

\$9.95 \$8.96

Mermaid S.O.S is a sparkly series for young readers about underwater magic and adventure. Coral Kingdom is protected by six powerful crystals which fade each year and have to be replaced. Queen Neptuna sends six young mermaids on a mission to fetch the new crystals. Can they battle the wicked-natured Mantora, help the sea life and make it back in time?

104. Ellie and the Secret Unicorn

105. Holly Takes a Risk

106. Lucy and the Magic Crystal

107. Misty to the Rescue

108. Scarlett's New Friend

109. Sophie Makes a Splash

110-112. Midnight Library (Nick Shadow)

\$14.95 \$13.46

Another three installments of the Midnight Library collection, compiled from the darkest, most dusty shelves of Nick Shadow's bookroom... Scariest than Goosebumps, these are strictly not for the faint-hearted! Once they've read one of these books, children will be keen to read and collect them all—to create their own Midnight Library!

110. Cat Lady, The

111. Liar

112. Shut Your Mouth

113. Operation Typhoon Shore (Joshua Mowll)

\$24.95 \$22.46

Celebes Sea, May 1920: Battered by a typhoon, the Expedient is shipwrecked on a volcanic island. Doug and Becca MacKenzie's search for their missing parents must wait; but what part did the mysterious Guild play in their disappearance? And what is their uncle, Captain MacKenzie, really searching for? The powerful follow up to Red Jericho.

114. Twilight in the Land of Nowhen (Nury Vittachi)

\$15.95 \$14.36

This funny, mind-twisting, adventure for 10-14 year-olds tells you exactly what that's like - and plays with Einstein's theory of relativity along the way. Simon has an embarrassing problem: he lives three seconds ahead of everyone else. Then he meets a Stitcher, whose job is to fix up glitches in the universe.

115. Worst Witch Saves the Day (Jill Murphy)

\$14.95 \$13.46

It's the start of a new term at Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches and everything starts so well... but then the new form teacher starts acting fishy and Mildred has a very bad hair day. To top it all, her beloved cat Tabby is having a nervous breakdown and refuses to fly.

ACTIVITY AND PUZZLE (116-126)



(RRP) (SCHOOL)

116. Amazing Journey Through Time (Anna Nilsen)

\$12.99 \$11.70

Discover key moments in history in this superbly illustrated puzzle and maze book! History comes alive in Hysterical Historics — join pyramid builders in Ancient Egypt, go dragon boat racing in 14th Century China and try your hand at star gazing with Galileo in 17th Century Italy.

117. Can You See What I See? Once Upon a Time (Walter Wick)

\$25.99 \$22.95

From the photographer of the best-selling I Spy books, Can You See What I See? Once Upon a Time is a rhyming, search-and-find picture book — especially for preschoolers! Twelve fascinating compositions depict favourite fairytales, folktales and classic stories where readers can use the picture clues to search for dozens of intriguing hidden objects.

118. Chess: Easy Steps to Play Your Best Game (Claire and Aaron Summerscale)

\$24.95 \$22.46

Play Chess is an exciting and very visual guide to chess designed specifically for children learning to play at home, at school, or in clubs. The comprehensive step-by-step course has been put together by a chess teacher with years of experience and is suitable for the beginner through to intermediate level.

119. Dazzling Disguises and Clever Costumes (Angela Wilkes)

\$16.95 \$15.26

Off to the Oscars? A pirate party? Gather up your bits and bobs and transform yourself into wizards, giants, and other colossally creative characters.

120. Dressing Up Book, The (Jane Bull)

\$19.95 \$17.96

Off to the Oscars? A pirate party? Gather up your bits and bobs and transform yourself into wizards, giants, and other colossally creative characters.

121. Knights and Castles Things to Make and Do (Usborne)

\$12.99 \$11.70

Seventeen activities to occupy even the bravest, cleverest and most daring of young knights. Projects to make include everything the young knight could need, from a gleaming helmet to a shiny sword as well as a stained glass window, dancing knights, a castle tower and more. Every activity is clearly illustrated with step-by-step instructions. Also contains fascinating facts about knights and castles. With over 100 stickers to add to the finished creations.

122. Making Cards (Usborne)

\$19.99 \$18.00

Packed with ideas for cards to make for every occasion. Includes cards for birthdays, Christmas, Valentine's Day and Easter, as well as thank you cards and get well soon cards. Handy hints, techniques and tips are included to make sure the cards look their best. Every card is clearly illustrated with easy-to-follow step-by-step instructions.

123. Rolf's Corny Copia (Rolf Heimann)

\$14.99 \$13.50

The latest collection of all-new perplexing puzzles and muddling mazes from Rolf Heimann! Bust your brain with this bumper collection of mazes, puzzles, conundrums, quizzes, teasers, stumpers and bafflers.

124. Take Two (Philip Blythe)

\$24.99 \$22.50

Have you ever watched a movie only to realise there were a number of continuity errors between scenes? Here's your chance to play movie editor and rescue a movie destined for the can!

ACTIVITY AND PUZZLE (125-126)

(RRP) (SCHOOL)



125-126. Who Dun It? (Paul Holper and Simon Torok)

\$12.95 \$11.66

An exciting new series for 8-12 year olds that uses real forensics to solve fictional mysteries. Two child detectives lead the reader through the clues all the forensic science methods used, such as DNA, fingerprint plotting, ultraviolet light trails, ballistic identification, forensic anthropology (bones!), forensic phonetics (voices) and all the grisly stuff, such as blood trails. It's CSI for kids!

125. Famous Horse Snatched

126. Priceless Painting Pinched

INFORMATION (127-150)

(RRP) (SCHOOL)



127. A is For Astronaut (Traci N Todd)

\$26.95 \$24.26

A colourful alphabet and vocabulary book that explores space.

128. Actual Size (Steve Jenkins)

\$27.95 \$25.16

Just how big is a crocodile? What about a tiger, or the world's largest spider? Can you imagine a tongue that is two feet long or an eye that is bigger than your head? Sometimes facts and figures don't tell the whole story. In this visually stunning book, seeing is believing as Steve Jenkins illustrates animals both large and small at their actual size.

129-130. Around the World (Kate Petty)

\$24.95 \$22.46

This series aims to draw parallels with children from many different cultures. Illustrated with stunning photographs from India, Vietnam, Ghana and many more countries, this series is perfect for use in the classroom or at home.

129. Home

130. Playtime

131. Australian and World Records 2007 (Various)

\$14.99 \$13.50

What is Australia's tallest theme park ride? Where was the world's most intense earthquake? What country eats the most chocolate? Which country has the most TVs? Discover the answers to these questions and many more!

132. Can You Feel the Force? (Richard Hammond)

\$29.95 \$26.96

Can You Feel the Force? is a physics book unlike any you've seen before. Most physics books are packed with jargon and equations, but *Can You Feel the Force?* is completely different. This book is all about the weird and wonderful side of physics, with the hard bits left out.

133. Guinness World Records 2007 (Compilation)

\$46.00 \$34.95

What's new? 100% new photographs, with a fantastic eye catching electric blue "pillars of light" holographic cover featuring revolutionary customised mirror ball foil, as well as over 1500 new and fully updated records. Get your order in early to secure your copy!!

134. Harriet, the Life of a Real Galapagos Tortoise (Anthony Hill)

\$17.95 \$16.16

Harriet is a famous tortoise who lived in Queensland. She lived until about 175 years of age, and so scientists think she was the world's oldest known living land animal! Harriet was hatched on an island in the Galápagos where she enjoyed an enchanted life, as generations of tortoises had before her. Then someone took her away... In this entertaining, exciting and informative story, Tony Hill recreates the fascinating life of Harriet from her earliest years to the present. You have never met a character like this before. Meet Harriet: the ultimate survivor.

135-137. It's True! (Various)

\$11.95 \$10.76

Get all the fascinating facts and terrible true stories about Australia's famous bushrangers and just why sport stinks!! The worst thing about it is It's True!!

135. Bushrangers Lost Their Heads!

136. Everest Kills!

137. Sport Stinks!

138. Japanese Celebrations (Betty Reynolds)

\$24.95 \$22.46

The people of Japan love to celebrate! In fact, they love it so much they have a day of celebration, whether it's a change in season, a religious observance, or just a special moment in life, every month of the year. Brimming with ancient traditions, exotic decorations, and delicious, seasonal foods, Japanese Celebrations will take you on a month-by-month tour of some of Japan's best-loved festivals.

139. Kitchen Garden Cooking For Kids (Stephanie Alexander)

\$39.95 \$34.95

In 2001 Stephanie Alexander set up a kitchen garden in an inner-city school in Melbourne to introduce young children to the joys of real food. This book is a fully illustrated chronicle of the project, charting its history and driving philosophy, as well as providing practical information on how to make such a garden, along with recipes the whole family can cook.

140-149. Steve Parish Fact File (Steve Parish)

\$10.95 \$9.86

Children can have all the facts at their fingertips with the Steve Parish Fact File collection! All ten titles are packed with detailed animal profiles and full-colour photographs to help children easily discover more about some of Australia's favourite animals. These simple-to-understand, well-designed fact files are perfect for school project work.

140. Australian Birds

145. Australian Sea Fish

141. Australian Frogs

146. Australian Sea Mammals

142. Australian Mammals

147. Australian Sharks and Rays

143. Australian Reptiles

148. Australian Snakes

144. Australian Sea Critters

149. Australian Spiders and Insects

150. Unversaurus (Aidan Potts)

\$24.95 \$22.46

No human has ever seen a dinosaur... and no human has ever seen a dinosaur book like this one! We all think we know what dinosaurs looked like, but how can we be sure? From fossils to fur, skeletons to skin colour, this fabulous new book is a colourful investigation into what we know and what we can only guess at.

CHRISTMAS BOOKS (151-168)

(RRP) (SCHOOL)



151. An Aussie Night Before Christmas (Yvonne Morrison and Kilmeny Niland) \$14.99 \$13.50

'Twas the night before Christmas; there wasn't a sound. Not a possum was stirring; no one was around. We'd left on the table some tucker and beer, hoping that Santa Claus soon would be here.' Christmas in the middle of an Australian summer means Santa has to find new ways to deliver his presents.

152. Angel in a Gum Tree (Diana Chase and Heather Hummell) \$14.95 \$13.46

The littlest angel has been sent to Australia to see first hand what happens at Christmas time. In his travels around the continent he finds out that the traditions of many countries have found their way to Australia and he reaches the conclusion that, despite its isolation, Australia celebrates Christmas the same way other countries do.

153. Animals Christmas Carol (Helen Ward) \$24.95 \$22.46

Inspired by a French Carol that can be traced back to the 12th century, and written in the spirit of a traditional nativity play, each lyrical verse retains all the resonance of its medieval origins. Drawn in painstaking detail, and with the addition of gold printing throughout, prize winning artist Helen Ward has created a visual feast for the festive season.

154. Aussie Jingle Bells (Colin Buchanan and Nick Bland) \$19.99 \$18.00

"Dashing through the bush, in a rusty Holden ute, Kicking up the dust, esky in the boot. Kelpie by my side, singing Christmas songs, it's summertime and I am in my singlet, shorts and thongs". One of the world's best-loved Christmas carols is given an hilarious Aussie twist.

155. Australian Twelve Days of Christmas, The (Heath McKenzie) \$14.95 \$13.46

The author's witty version of this Christmas classic. Twelve possums playing, eleven lizards leaping, six sharks a-surfing, and a kookaburra in a gum tree. Ages 4+.

156. Away in a Manger (Debbie Mackinnon) \$14.95 \$13.46

Alena, Marlon, Patrick and their friends are getting ready for the Nativity play. All the angels are putting on their wings. Then the play begins. Simply narrated, and strikingly illustrated with vibrant, natural photographs, the familiar story unfolds showing the wonder of the birth of Jesus.

157. Baby Christmas (Michael Lawrence and Arthur Robins) \$28.95 \$25.95

It's Christmas eve and there are lots of presents for father Christmas to deliver down lots of chimneys... But when Rudolf Junior decides that he is big enough to fly, he takes Baby Christmas on a magical night-time adventure over the snowy roof-tops to do a little present delivering of their own...

158. Cat on the Hill (Michael Foreman) \$18.95 \$17.06

Winter is a cold, lonely time for the cat who lives on the hill above the bay - a time of danger and constant hunger. And as the Christmas lights twinkle in the town below, and the warm smells from the kitchens drift upwards on the icy air, who will remember the cat on the hill?

159. Christmas is Coming (Dorling Kindersley) \$29.95 \$26.96

Help Father Christmas get ready for the big day with the most amazing pop-up, pull-out story book ever! Find out how you can help Santa at this busy time. There's loads to do - create a magical Christmas tree and decorate it with press-out toys, make a postbox then fill it with Christmas cards.

160. Christmas Mouse, The (Toby Forward and Ruth Brown) \$17.95 \$16.16

Ben is a wealthy mouse who is not interested in Christmas, or the gift that Tim, a poor mouse, brings him on Christmas Eve. That night, Ben cannot sleep and a stranger appears who takes him on a quest to find three people who agree with Ben that a candied plum is the best thing in the world. By morning, Ben, like Scrooge, has learnt the true meaning of Christmas and the value of friendship and he invites Tim to celebrate Christmas with him.

161. Christmas Tree Fairy, The (Marion Rose and Jason Cockroft) \$14.95 \$13.46

When Meredith wakes up on Christmas Eve and hears a voice calling her for help, she willingly goes to help. But as she embarks on her task, she meets three other characters, all harboring their own Christmas wishes. This is a Christmas book offering a special message.

162. First Christmas, The (Jan Pienkowski) \$29.95 \$26.96

Experience the true spirit of Christmas with this rich celebration of the Christmas story. With words from the King James Bible, the nativity story is brought gloriously to life with illuminated pages of silhouettes set against glowing colours. The beautiful design and gold highlights throughout make this a true classic and the perfect Christmas gift.

163. Fourth King, The Story of the Other Wise Man, The (Ted Sieger) \$27.95 \$25.16

Once upon a time, three kings came out of a distant land and followed a star to a little known town across the desert. They brought with them gold, frankincense and myrrh, presents for a newborn child. But there was another king who set out on the long and difficult journey -- the fourth king. Unlike the others he arrived too late and empty handed...

164. How the Grinch Stole Christmas (Dr Seuss) \$8.95 \$8.06

This classic Seussian tale tells the story of the disgruntled Grinch and his fiendish attempts to steal Christmas from the citizens of Who-ville. With wacky rhymes and zany illustrations from the master himself, it has been a seasonal favourite with young readers for over 40 years.

165. It's Christmas! (Tina Burke) \$19.95 \$17.96

Could it be that time of year again? Gifts are being wrapped, carols are being sung and the tree is being trimmed. Yes, it is that time again. That special time of year when magic happens and we wait for a very special guest to arrive . . . From the unique talent of Tina Burke come a delightful tale about the joy that surrounds Christmas.

166. Kingfisher Book of Classic Christmas Stories (Ian Whybrow) \$24.99 \$22.50

Traditional favourites, legends from around the world and modern retellings of classic Christmas stories feature in this sparkling collection. Charming stories, whether familiar or less well known, will entertain readers of all ages, and get them into a festive mood. This beautiful book has been carefully compiled to appeal to both boys and girls.

167. Little One, We Knew You'd Come (Sally Lloyd Jones and Jackie Morris) \$27.95 \$25.16

The birth of a child is an occasion for joy, and when Jesus was born, the whole world rejoiced. This unique Christmas story lyrically evokes for children the excitement of the day they were born, and the wonder of the miraculous birth at the centre of the nativity story.

168. Little Reindeer, The (Michael Foreman) \$17.95 \$16.16

The smallest reindeer is exploring Santa's workshop when he accidentally falls into the giftwrapping machine, and finds himself being delivered as a present! The little boy who receives him is overjoyed and cares for him with devotion. One day he discovers that his reindeer is special - he can fly!

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169. Maisy's Christmas Eve (Lucy Cousins)

\$9.95 \$8.96

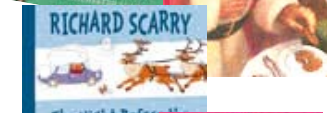
It's Christmas Eve and Maisy has invited all her friends round to celebrate. Cyril, Tallulah and Charley are soon busy getting everything ready for Christmas ... But where's Eddie? There's only one thing to do – go out into the snow to look for him!



170. Merry Christmas, Blue Kangaroo (Emma Chichester Clark)

\$14.99 \$13.50

It's Christmas Eve, and Lily is excitedly wondering if Father Christmas will come. She has made cards for everyone, helped to decorate the house and put presents under the tree. "This one is just for you, Blue Kangaroo!" she says. "Just for me!" thinks Blue Kangaroo. But Blue Kangaroo doesn't have a present for Lily, and he lies awake worrying.



171. Night Before Christmas, The (Clement Clarke Moore)

\$14.95 \$13.46

The glorious publication of Clement C. Moore's timeless verse sees it brought to new life by the beautiful illustrations of Christian Birmingham. Children and adults alike will be entranced by this depiction of the most magical night of the year. Birmingham's illustrations convey perfectly the warmth and the wonder of Christmas, providing an exquisite backdrop to this classic tale.



172. Night Before the Night Before Christmas, The (Richard Scarry)

\$15.95 \$13.36

Mr. Frumble is so full of Christmas cheer that he decides to go straight to the North Pole to offer Santa some help. And what a helper he is! When Santa mistakenly takes off the night before the night before Christmas, it looks as if Christmas in Busytown may not be able to go ahead at all. But Santa Frumble can be trusted to save the day.

173. Pearlie and the Christmas Angel (Wendy Harmer)

\$12.95 \$11.66

Pearlie, Opal and Jasper are so excited because Carols by Candlelight will be celebrated under the giant Christmas tree in Jubilee Park, which is topped by the most beautiful Christmas angel ever! But a summer storm hits the park, and the angel is toppled from her branch! Can Pearlie and her friends weave their magic and save Carols by Candlelight?



174. Polar Express (Chris Van Allsburg)

\$24.95 \$22.46

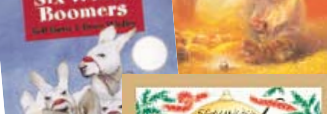
A mysterious train. An amazing journey. A night you'll never forget. Believing in Father Christmas isn't easy when all of your friends and family insist he's just make-believe. A boy's faith is rewarded one Christmas Eve when he's awakened by a steam train that pulls up in front of his house and takes him and other children to the North Pole.



175. Room For a Little One (Martin Waddell)

\$16.95 \$15.26

On a cold winter night there is always room for a little one in Kind Ox's stable. One by one the weary animals are welcomed into the warmth to share in the miracle of the first Christmas. This beautifully written story from a favourite author is exquisitely illustrated and will be treasured.



176. Six White Boomers Book and CD (Rolf Harris and Bruce Whatley)

\$17.99 \$16.20

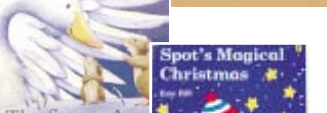
This classic Australian Christmas song was re-released in 2001 as a result of there being little that really captured the difference between Christmas in the Australian conditions and those of the northern hemisphere. Swapping reindeers for big, old man kangaroo made this story an instant success, combined with the uniquely humorous illustrations of Bruce Whatley.



177. Slinky Malinki's Christmas Crackers (Lynley Dodd)

\$21.95 \$19.76

The Christmas tree looks splendid, with trinkets and tinsel, baubles and bows. But what happens when Slinky Malinki comes onto the scene? Mischievous illustrations and rhythmical text by award-winning Lynley Dodd and with a holographic foil cover, this story will have lasting appeal for all!



178. Snow Angel, The (Christine Leeson and Jane Chapman)

\$14.99 \$13.50

Two little mice are playing in the snow one Christmas morning when they see an angel, soaring through the sky. But as they watch, the angel swoops, flutters, and tumbles to the ground. Is there anything two little mice can do to help a lost and lonely angel, before it is too late?



179. Spot's Magical Christmas Book and CD (Eric Hill)

\$19.95 \$17.96

On Christmas Eve Spot meets two reindeer who are looking for Santa's missing sleigh. This bestselling Christmas story has now been brilliantly adapted for audio CD and there are two readings - the first is a straight reading with music, and the second has a 'special sound' to indicate where to turn each page as you read along in the book.



180. Tickly Christmas Wibbly Pig! (Mick Inkpen)

\$15.95 \$14.36

A sure-fire Christmas classic. Big Aunt Larlie is coming to stay and she's brought her knitting needles and lots of balls of wool. She has already given Wibbly a scarf and some gloves and now Wibbly is worried that there is another tickly Christmas present on the way...



181. Usborne Big Book of Christmas Things to Make and Do (Usborne)

\$24.99 \$22.50

The perfect companion in the run-up to the festive season, this book is packed with imaginative, inspiring and practical Christmas ideas for children to enjoy. Includes exciting ideas for creating stunning Christmas cards, sparkling decorations and mouth-watering seasonal recipes. Contains over 1,000 stickers for use with the projects included in the book or for creating original Christmas ideas.



182. Usborne Book of Christmas Art Ideas, The (Usborne)

\$19.95 \$17.96

A fantastically festive addition to the outstanding Art Ideas series, this book will be an invaluable source of inspiration to teachers and parents. Christmassy projects include Sparkling Baubles, Mosaic Snowflakes, Mini Lantern Decorations and Winter Watercolour Paintings.



183. Very Snowy Christmas, The (Diana Hendrie and Jane Chapman)

\$14.99 \$13.50

It's the night before Christmas and Big Mouse and Little Mouse are putting up decorations. Little Mouse scampers out to search for holly but finds big white flakes falling from the sky. "Goodness me!" he cries. "The sky is coming undone!" And as Little Mouse's world is covered in snow he discovers strange things all around him.



184. Wenceslas (Geraldine McCaughrean and Christian Birmingham)

\$32.95 \$27.95

Good King Wenceslas looked out on the Feast of Stephen, When the snow lay round about, deep and crisp and even... A beautiful telling of the age-old carol of Good King Wenceslas and his page, who set out on a bitter winter night to deliver the spirit of Christmas.



185. When Santa Fell to Earth (Cornelia Funke and Paul Howard)

\$19.99 \$18.00

When Twinklestar bolts, the mischievous reindeer leaves Nicholas, his Santa Claus, to fall from the sky. Luckily, Nicholas crash-lands his caravan in a neighbourhood where he makes friends with two local children called Ben and Charlotte. But he is still in terrible danger. For on his trail, is greedy Gerold Goblynch and his motor-sledge-riding bad Santa's, a treacherous bunch from Yule Land, who will stop at nothing to steal Christmas!

