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CURL UP WITH A FIVE QUILLS BOOK

At Five Quills we believe reading should be fun and that humour and lively illustrations are key to developing lifelong readers.

We are passionate about creating stories that open children's worlds, inspiring curiosity and wonder. This is why our high-quality picture books and young fiction titles for children aged 3–9 years have well-crafted, action-packed stories at their centre, integrated with engaging, imaginative pictures throughout.



Don't miss our new titles!



Meet Bug Belly, an intrepid and greedy frog whose quirky antics will tickle your funny bone and capture your imagination. This brand-new series of laugh-out-loud chapter book adventures is perfect for building reading confidence.



At Five Quills we also take great pride in introducing readers to the fascinating world of science from a very young age. Our new eco-adventure series *Lottie Loves Nature* and the extremely successful *Al's Awesome Science* books draw in young readers with humorous stories about friendship and family, and fun, hands-on experiments that they can easily do at home. Lottie and Al encourage children to explore the natural world and help them understand that science is not confined to the classroom – it is everywhere!



This year the environment and finding ways to inspire children to help the natural world have been greatly on our minds. We are therefore thrilled to announce the release of our new eco-adventure series *Lottie Loves Nature*. Lottie is determined to save the wildlife in her back garden, one step at a time. Her detailed scrapbook with nature observations and step-by-step activities empower young readers to do the same – because every little thing matters!

Discover more of our exciting new titles by visiting us at www.fivequills.co.uk



by Paul Morton

THE FROG IS INGENIOUS! HE'S INVENTIVE!
BUT CAN HE RESIST A SNACK ON THE FLY? NO WAY!



Bug Belly: Froggy Rescue

The froglets are having a sleepover and wishing on shooting stars with their favourite uncle. If only Uncle Bug Belly's tum hadn't gone URGLE-GURGLE-GLUMP! He wouldn't have missed Magpie swooping down on unsuspecting little Splodge...

Now Bug Belly and the froglets must go on a dangerous rescue mission. Will his cool gadgets be enough to rescue Splodge from Magpie's nest?

- March 2021
- 9781912923052 • Paperback
- £6.99 • 138 x 180mm • 96 pp
- Age 5+ • Two-tone colour
- All rights available



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Bug Belly: Babysitting Trouble

It's Uncle Bug Belly's turn to babysit! The taddies and froglets in Top Pond can count on him for lots of froggy fun, but when Uncle Bug Belly's tummy goes URGLE-GURGLE-GLUMP! everyone knows that spells one thing – TROUBLE!

Will Bug Belly's penchant for tasty snacks lead him and the taddies astray, straight into the hungry jaws of Old Pike, Heron or Sneaky Snake?

- Published
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- Age 5+ • two-tone colour
- Rights sold: Turkish



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PAUL MORTON is an exciting debut author/illustrator with lots of stories to tell. He has produced dozens of children's board games, some for Disney and Pixar, as well as artwork for educational books. He likes frogs, wild mushrooms and mountain biking and gets lots of his best ideas whilst out pedaling.

PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

Summer Reading Challenge selection 2020

"Fast-paced, funny and full of froggy frolics" – JIM FIELD

"A wonderful addition to the world of illustrated fiction"
– THE BOOK ACTIVIST

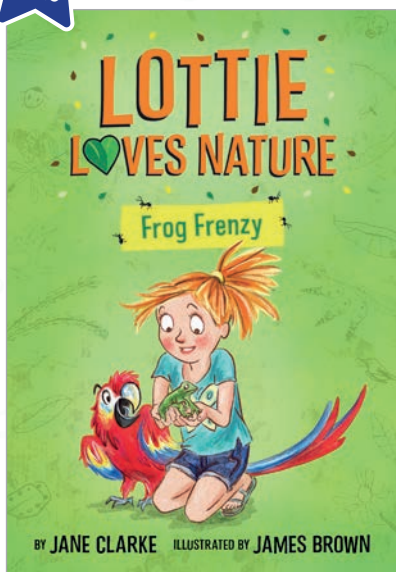
"A bouncy fun read that's perfect for new solo readers"
– READ IT DADDY

LOTTIE LOVES NATURE

by Jane Clarke, illustrated by James Brown

A BRAND-NEW ECO ADVENTURE SERIES FOR YOUNG READERS

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Lottie Loves Nature: Frog Frenzy

Lottie loves wildlife and dreams of becoming a nature show presenter like Samira, host of her favourite programme 'Every Little Thing'. Lottie decides to make a pond in her back garden to encourage local wildlife. She enlists her techy neighbor Noah's help, but is distracted by Mr. Parfitt, his neat-freak, golf-mad dad who is determined to rid his garden of ants. Suddenly his golfing green is swarming with ants and a multitude of frogs. Hopping mayhem!

Nature hooks: Frog and ant facts, life cycle of frogs, recycling, how to make a pond

- October 2020 • 9781912923076
- Paperback • £6.99
- 185 X 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 7+ • Black & white Illustrations
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Lottie Loves Nature: Bee-ware!

Lottie's neighbor Mr. Parfitt hates creepy crawlies. So when he finds a bees' nest in his garden, he wants to exterminate them. Lottie has to save the bees! Inspired by her favourite wildlife show, Lottie convinces Mr. Parfitt to call a beekeeper instead - because every little thing matters.

Nature hooks: Bee and insect facts, how to make a bug hotel and a butterfly feeder.

- January 2021 • 9781912923083
- Paperback • £6.99
- 185 X 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 7+ • Black & white Illustrations
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JAMES BROWN is the illustrator of *Al's Awesome Science* (Five Quills), *Elsbeth Hart* by Sarah Forbes (Stripes) and *Tally & Squill* by Abbie Longstaff (Little, Brown), and the author of *With My Mummy* and *With My Daddy*.

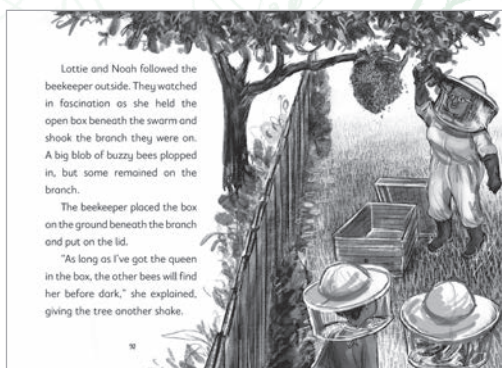


SERIES HIGHLIGHTS:

- ♥ Action-packed, funny stories perfect for emerging readers

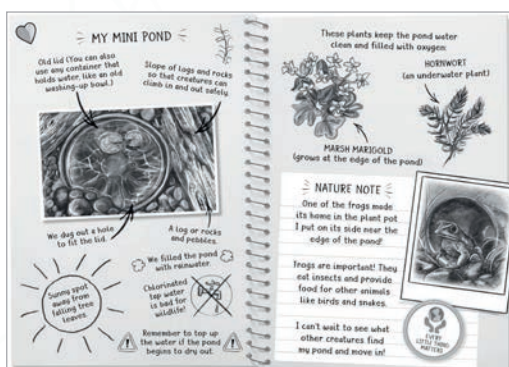


Lottie Loves Nature: Frog Frenzy © Five Quills 2020

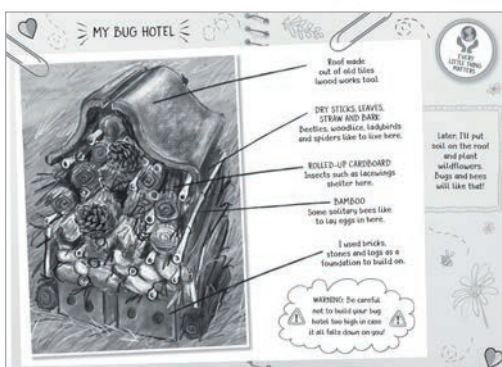


Lottie Loves Nature: Bee-ware! © Five Quills 2020

- ♥ Includes detailed wildlife scrapbook activities and tips how to save nature in your back garden or neighbourhood

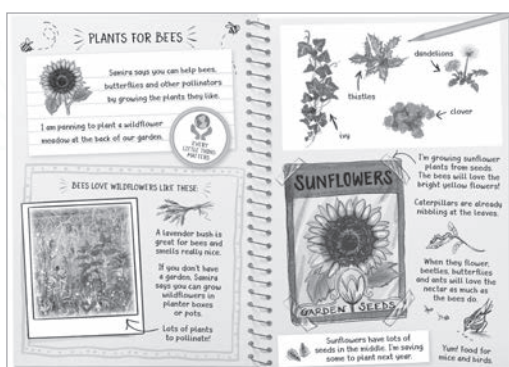


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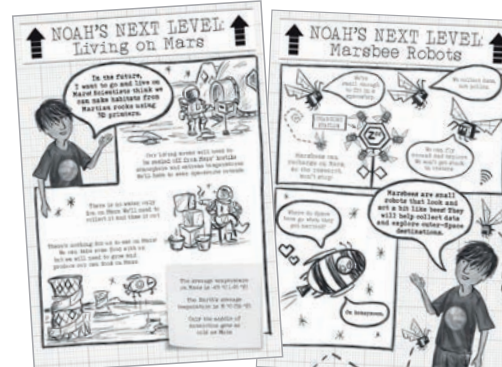


Lottie Loves Nature: Bee-ware! © Five Quills 2020

- ♥ Filled with facts about nature and the environment, and exciting insights about future innovations



Lottie Loves Nature: Bee-ware! © Five Quills 2020



AL'S AWESOME SCIENCE

by Jane Clarke, illustrated by James Brown

FUNNY, MESSY, SCIENCE-BASED ADVENTURES FOR YOUNG READERS



Al's Awesome Science: Busy Bodies

Al is researching the effects of travelling in a time machine on his body. Trouble is, it's hard to experiment without ANY mess ... especially when the Goods' cat Precious is in the same house as Al's naughty dog Einstein!

Science hook: Experiments about digestion, nutrition, facts about the body, balance, and Space travel.

- Published • 9780993553769
- Paperback • £6.99
- 185 x 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 6+ • Black & white
- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, French, Turkish



Al's Awesome Science: Blast-off!

Al and his friends are experimenting to blast off his time machine. Trouble is, fiddling with homemade rockets is messy, and adding too much baking powder to their birthday cake causes some unexpected gassy consequences ...

Science hook: Experiments with thrust and potential energy show how rockets and catapults work.

- Published • 9780993553752
- Paperback • £6.99
- 185 x 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 6+ • Black & white
- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, French, Turkish



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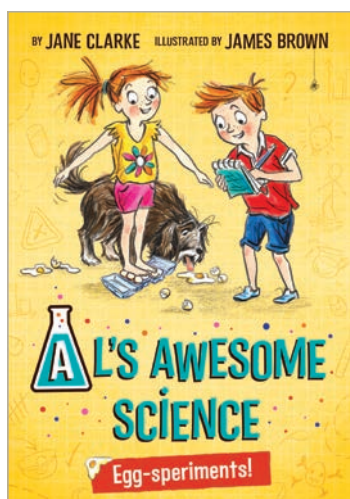


Al's Awesome Science: Splash Down!

Al is experimenting to find out what kind of covering his time-machine capsule will need to survive its **SPLASH DOWN!** back to Earth.

Science hook: Experiments with water include how to create a siphon, what happens when you spin a bucket filled with water (centripetal force), making 'ice-cream, and splash landings.

- Published • 9780993553745
- Paperback • £6.99
- 185 x 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 6+ • Black & white
- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, Dutch, French, Turkish



Al's Awesome Science: Egg-speriments!

Al is experimenting to find the best shape for his time-machine capsule. But using up all the eggs in the fridge (meant for dinner!), plus his dog's naughty escapades, land him in a very sticky situation with the neighbours . . .

Science hook: Experiments with eggs show that egg-shaped objects are the strongest shape in nature – they can withstand great force (within reason).

- Published • 9780993553738
- Paperback • £6.99
- 185 x 129mm • 128 pp
- Age 6+ • Black & white
- Rights sold: Simplified Chinese, Dutch, French, Korean, Turkish



PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

Summer Reading Challenge selection 2018, 2019 & 2020

"Packed with scientific facts, but perhaps more impressive are the examples of some key scientific methods and capabilities (close observation, investigating and problem solving, being systematic and discriminating) and scientific attitudes (curiosity, persistence, exploration, sustained thinking). Working together, the twins devise some ingenious and messy experiments."

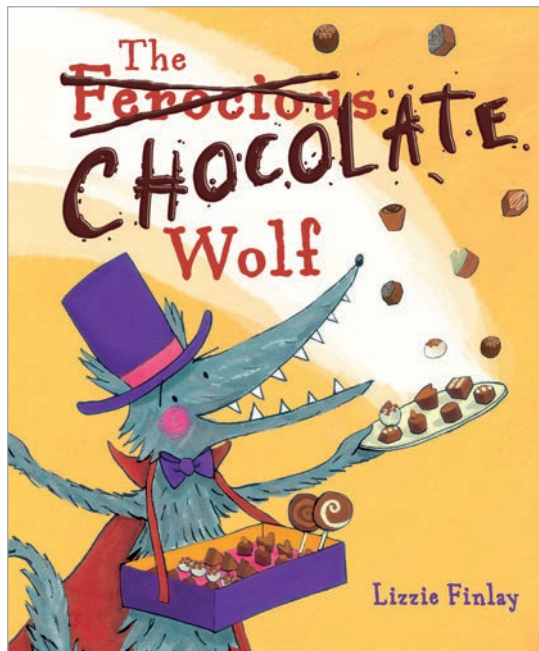
– THE SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

"The perfect book to bridge from picture books. There's plenty of fun illustrations between the pages and a simple fun story. What's great though is how likeable the twins are – there's no attempt to make them outrageously wacky – and how they are so interested in science and nature."

– TOPPSTA

The ~~Ferocious~~ CHOCOLATE Wolf

by Lizzie Finlay



FEROCIOUS is a very unusual sort of wolf. He LOVES chocolate and he can't wait to share it with the animals in town. But when he opens his new chocolate shop, nobody dares to even come near it . . . "He's surely got a dastardly plan to eat us all!" clucks Mrs Chicken. Lonely and outcast, Ferocious' dreams are dashed. Then, one brave piggy bucks the trend and is richly rewarded with delicious chocolates and a new friendship that turns the tables on everyone's expectations and prejudices.

- Published
- 9780993553790
- Paperback • £6.99
- 290 x 240mm • 32 pp
- Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights Sold: Dutch, Korean, Slovenian

LIZZIE FINLAY is the author/illustrator of the bestselling picture book *Dandy Lion*, winner of the Dundee Picture Book Award and shortlisted for the NASEN Children's Book Award, and *Little Croc's Purse*. She has also illustrated the *Compton Valance* and *Pony-Mad Princess* series (Usborne Publishing). This is her first picture book for Five Quills.



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PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

"The Ferocious Chocolate Wolf celebrates the importance of being yourself, pursuing your dreams and being a good friend."

– THE NORTH SOMERSET TEACHERS' BOOK AWARD

"An endearing story of love, acceptance and friendship, brimming with wonderfully vibrant and expressive illustrations, inspirational messages." – LANCASHIRE POST

SKY PRIVATE EYE

FAIRYTALES WITH A DETECTIVE TWIST

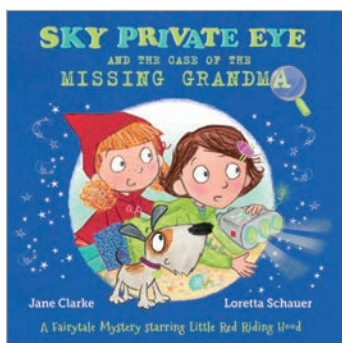
by Jane Clarke and Loretta Schauer



Sky Private Eye: and the Case of the Sparkly Slipper

The Prince is stunned – just as the clock struck midnight, the winner of the best costume competition at his fancy-dress ball vanished into thin air! All she left behind was a sparkly slipper.

- Published • 9780993553721
- Paperback • £7.99 • 250 x 250 mm
- 32 pp • Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights sold: Complex Chinese, Simplified Chinese, Denmark, Turkey, USA



Sky Private Eye: and the Case of the Missing Grandma

Little Red Riding Hood is worried – Granny has gone missing! The Big Bad Wolf has left telltale hairs at Granny's house . . . Has he gobbled her up, or did he follow her on her beachside holiday, waiting to fatten her up nicely?

- Published • 9780993553707
- Paperback • £7.99 • 250 x 250 mm
- 32 pp • Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights sold: Complex Chinese, Simplified Chinese, Denmark, Spain (world), Turkey, USA



Sky Private Eye: and the Case of the Runaway Biscuit

The Little Old Lady and the Little Old Man are bereft – the Gingerbread Boy has run away to train for the Fairytale Olympics. Is he fast enough to outrun hungry Foxy Loxy?

- Published • 9780993553714
- Paperback • £7.99 • 250 x 250 mm
- 32 pp • Age 3+ • Full-colour
- Rights sold: Complex Chinese, Simplified Chinese, Denmark, Spain (world), Turkey, USA



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JANE CLARKE is the talented author of over 80 books for young children, including the award-winning picture books *Gilbert the Great*, *Stuck in the Mud* and *Neon Leon*.

LORETTA SCHAUER has illustrated numerous children's books, including *A Very Corgi Christmas* and the *Dougal Daley* series.

PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

"A lively fairytale series." – THE BOOKSELLER

"A fun story with wonderful illustrations and a great read aloud for story time."
– NORTH SOMERSET TEACHERS' BOOK AWARD

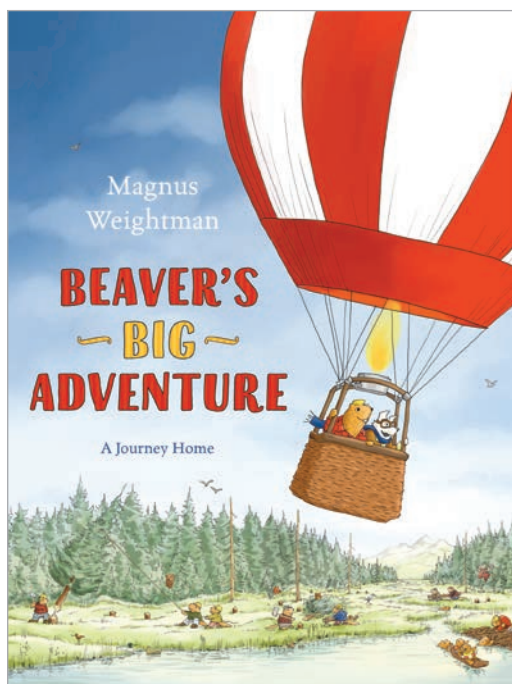
"Full of fun, with super illustrations." – PARENTS IN TOUCH

"Kids will absolutely love this fabulous re-spun classic" – READ IT DADDY

BEAVER'S BIG ADVENTURE

~ A JOURNEY HOME ~

by Magnus Weightman

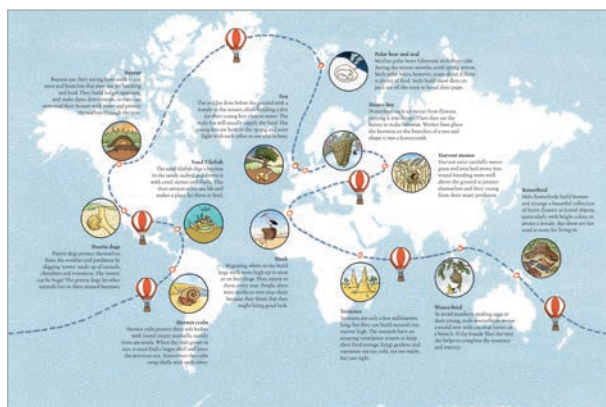


Beaver has big dreams! One day he makes himself a sturdy boat and sets off on an epic adventure to explore the world. Down the river and over rapids he goes, until he's far, far from home. Akita the dog offers Beaver a ride in his hot-air-balloon. But what does Beaver's home look like? Does he live in a nest, hanging in a tree? Or in a hiding place at the bottom of the sea?

Young explorers will love visiting all kinds of fascinating animal houses from around the world in this stunning picture book.

- Published
- 9780993553776
- Paperback • £6.99
- 210 x 280 mm • 32 pp
- Age 4+ • Full-colour
- Sales rights: Commonwealth

MAGNUS WEIGHTMAN has been passionate about drawing since his childhood. He is an architect and urban designer. This is his first picture book.



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PACKED WITH DETAILED PICTURES TO PORE OVER!

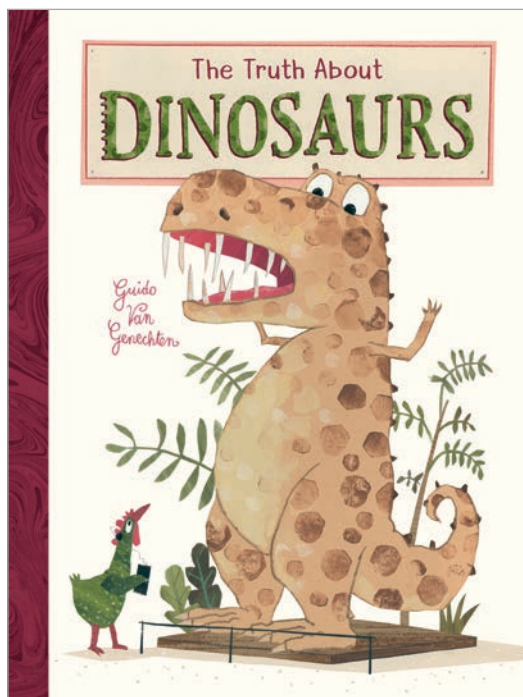
PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

"A book to be read again and again, with lots of detailed pictures which are just delightful!" – NORTH SOMERSET TEACHERS' BOOK AWARD

"This is a fantastic book to explore over and over again, each time discovering something new." – THE BOOK ACTIVIST

The Truth About DINOSAURS

by Guido Van Genechten



What do chickens and dinosaurs have in common? Open this book and find out! Almost everyone thinks that dinosaurs are extinct. But is it true? What if you were to find out they're alive and even living among us? Meet an ordinary chicken whose family photo album reveals the long withheld truth in this incredible but true story about dinosaurs!

- Published
- 9780993553783
- Paperback • £6.99
- 210 x 280 mm • 32 pp
- Age 4+ • Full-colour
- Sales rights: Commonwealth

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Summer Reading Challenge selection 2020

"Genius storyteller and illustrator." – READ IT, DADDY

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