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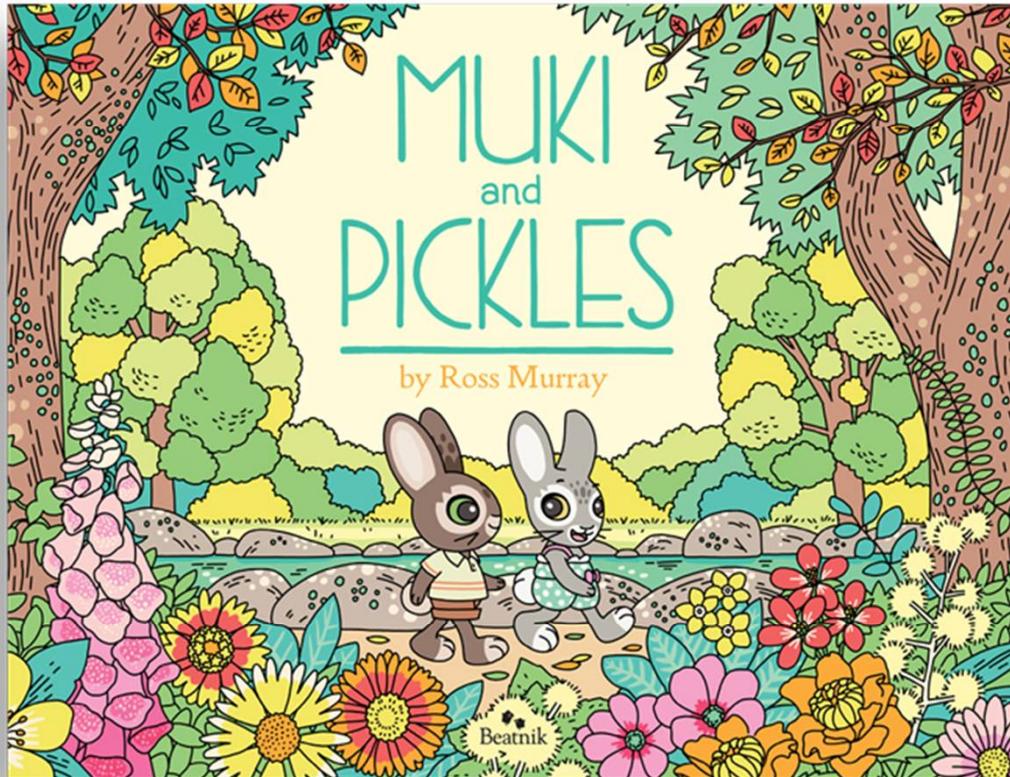
Muki and Pickles

Author: Ross Murray

Pages: 32

Format: 280 x 210 mm

A book about friendship, mutual help, and adventure alongside the creative activities of cooking and learning to tie different knots



One morning while exploring the woods, Muki and Pickles spot one last peach on the tree across the stream. How will they get across the water to pick it? Muki & Pickles is a beautiful story about friendship, resourcefulness and the quest for one delicious peach.

- A highly original and captivating book from an award-winning author.
- A tale of friendship and resourcefulness, told with a quirky sense of humour.
- The illustrations use an appealing colour palette and style that enhances the charm of this engaging story.
- Includes a fun appendix with information of how to tie knots and to bake an upside-down peach cake.
- A humorous picture book for children and the young at heart.

Thank you

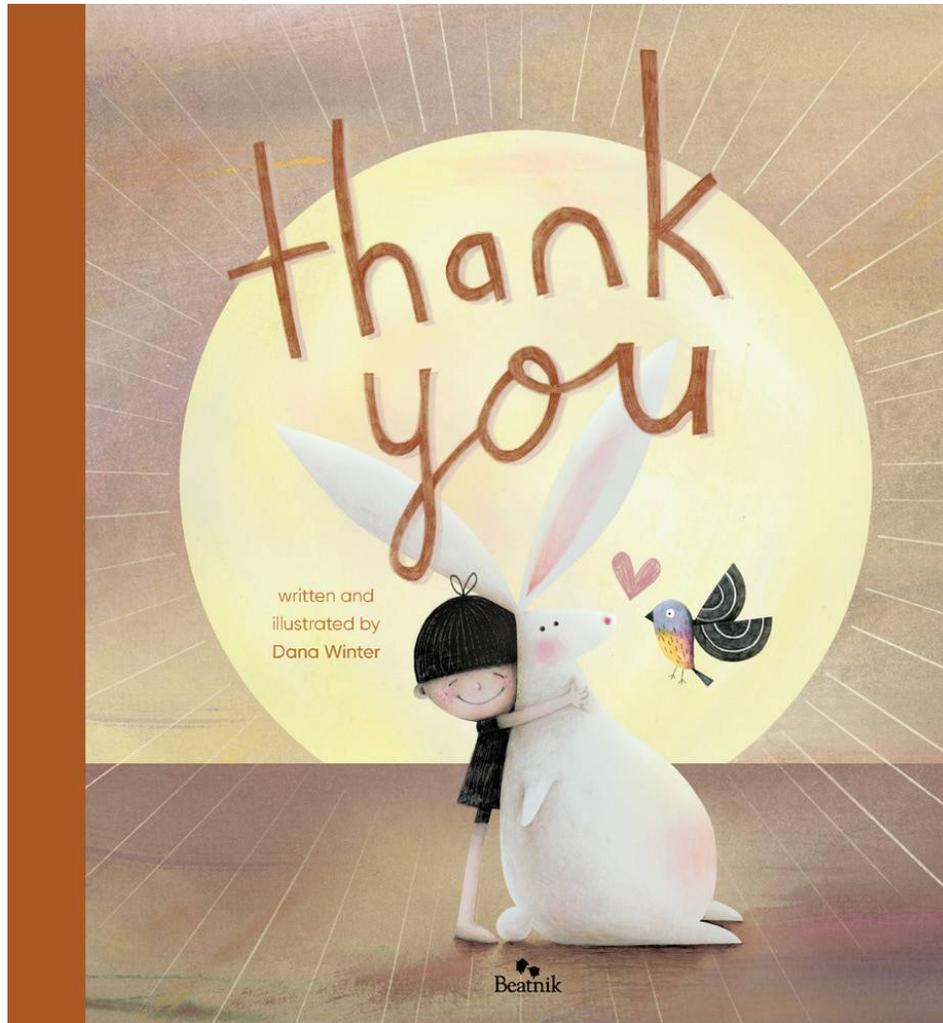
Author: Dana Winter
Pages: 32
Format: 220 x 229 mm

An invitation to experience the wonder, vibrancy and generosity of our natural world

Felix discovers the magic of nature in Thank You, when the moon beckons him from his bed. He dances off into the night making friends with a parade of creatures (and even the elements) who help him in their different ways, to find his own way back home.

Dana Winter showcases beautiful illustrations and a gentle story of gratitude.

- Conversation-starting teaching notes are included.
- Children are encouraged to daydream, make a rainbow and be a caretaker of nature.
- They can also make a wish, be like a bee or make friends with a tree!
- Thank You is a celebration of nature for our young tamariki.



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What Colour Is The Sky?



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Author: Laura Shallcrass

Pages: 38

Format: 205 x 290 mm

A beautiful picture book that shows the importance of listening and respecting other opinions

Hare and Pihoihoi enjoy a beautiful dawn breaking over the meadow when Pihoihoi wonders aloud, 'What colour is the sky?' Hare thinks it is blue, but when they talk to Hedgehog, Snail, Mouse, Frog and Ruru, the other creatures each say the sky is a different colour.

Why do the characters see things differently?

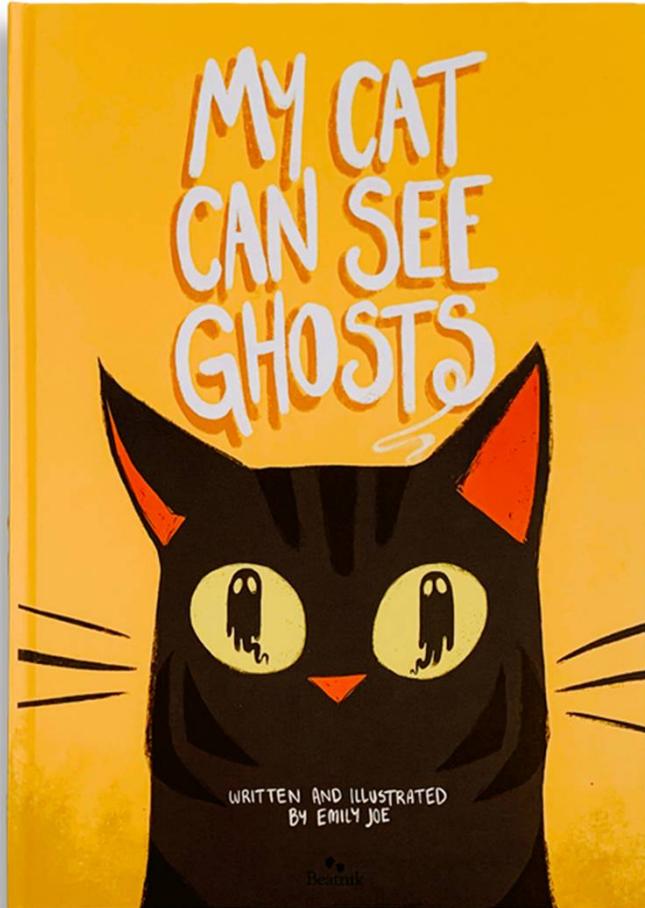
What Colour is the Sky? explores the idea that all of us have different perspectives and opinions in life. This beautifully illustrated picture book for young children explores the wonder of nature and shows the importance of listening and respecting other opinions, even when we see things differently.

- The latest picture book from award-winning author Laura Shallcrass.
- Beautifully written and illustrated in an appealing palette that compliments the gentle charm of this unique story.
- Includes an educational notes section about why the animals see things differently.

My Cat Can See Ghosts

Author: Emily Joe
Pages: 16
Format: 205 x 290 mm

A delightful tale that celebrates our feline friends



*Sometimes my cat
appears to stare,
At something more
than just thin air.
It's recently become clear to me, She's
watching something
I can't see.*

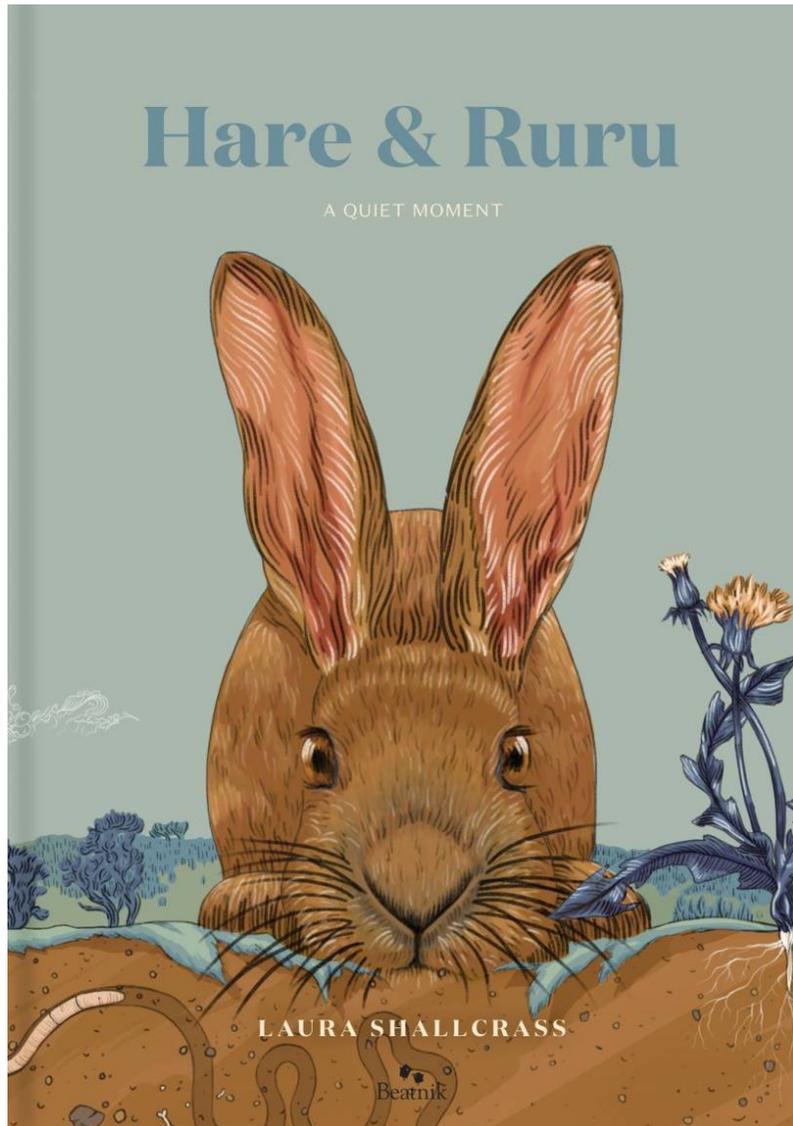
What on earth is causing the cat to zoom,
skitter and kung-fu kick the air?
Could it be a ghost?

A delightful tale that celebrates our feline
friends in all their quirks, and why they deserve
a warm spot on the bed after a busy day spent
keeping all the ghosts away.

*"The illustrations and prose perfectly capture
the many strange positions and actions that
cats run through on a daily basis. Their
behaviour is sometimes inexplicable, so the
idea that they might be chasing ghosts from the
house is utterly delightful."
– Cassie Hart, The Sapling*

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Hare & Ruru – A Quiet Moment



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Author: Laura Challcrass

Pages: 38

Format: 205 x 290 mm

A story that safely addresses anxiety and helps children identify stress

This is the story of Hare, who struggles with an un-named mental malady self described as 'noise'. Noise could be runaway thoughts, voices in Hare's head, or loud feelings and general anxiety. Hare goes on a journey to try and find a solution. Just when Hare thinks there's no hope a friend, Ruru, flies calmly down and gives a suggestion.

Hare ultimately feels better after doing three things:

- Talking to someone
- Focusing on breathing
- Connecting to nature

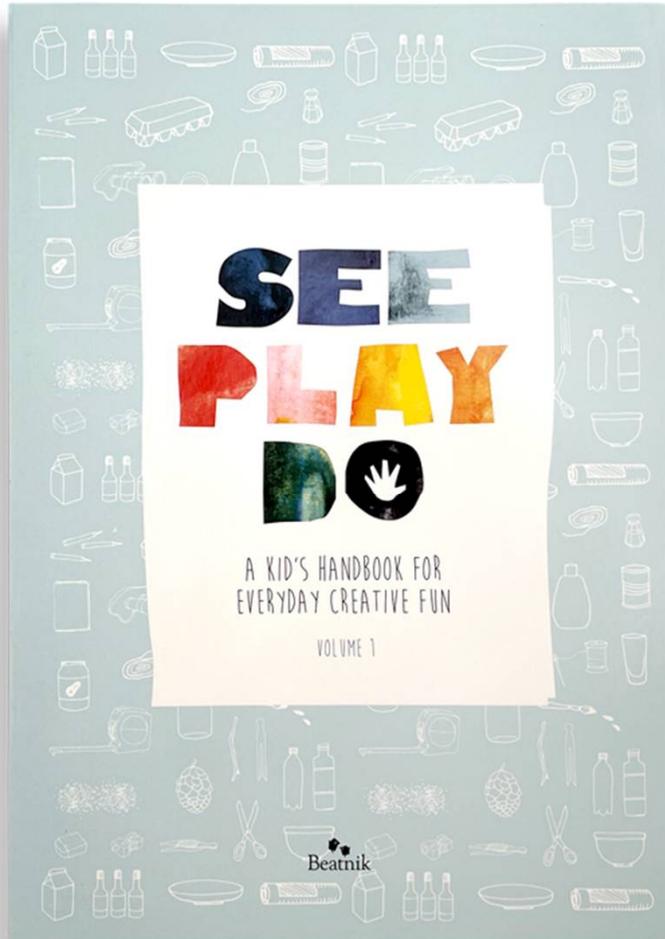
This gentle story is for anybody who suffers from noises, anxiety or loud feelings.

Awards Russell Clark Award for Best Illustrated Book at the 2021 New Zealand

Book Awards for Children and Young Adults.

Storylines Notable Book Award 2021

See, Play, Do



Author: Louise Cuckow
Pages: 164
Format: 210 x 210 mm
Age: 3 to 9

A kid's handbook for everyday creative fun

An incredibly stylish, engaging book with wonderfully varied contributions from artists, a musician, a chef, a landscape gardener and a scientist. Playfully and thoughtfully designed by Louise Cuckow to stimulate kids' curiosity and creative confidence.

See Play Do offers fun ideas whether you've got five minutes to spare or a whole afternoon to fill: make glitter playdough, feed the birds, draw clothes on a dinosaur – then celebrate your unique creation.

- Focuses on familiar everyday home rituals and activities to inspire uninhibited creativity - draw portraits with your toothbrush; make a feeder for the birds.
- Introduces children to the work of numerous creative professionals: artists to photographers to musicians and gardeners.
- Colourful and beautifully produced with lots of space for children to add their own drawing and writing to the book.
- Shifts kids' attention away from the ideal 'final product', in favour of open-ended play and exploration, lessening anxiety and increasing fun.



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