

# Secret World Of Wombats

## Secret World Of Wombats Book Review: Unveiling the Magic of Language

In an electronic digital era where connections and knowledge reign supreme, the enchanting power of language has been apparent than ever. Its ability to stir emotions, provoke thought, and instigate transformation is truly remarkable. This extraordinary book, aptly titled "**Secret World Of Wombats**," published by a very acclaimed author, immerses readers in a captivating exploration of the significance of language and its profound effect on our existence. Throughout this critique, we shall delve to the book's central themes, evaluate its unique writing style, and assess its overall influence on its readership.

*Pennies for Hitler* Jackie French 2012-06-01 'HISTORICAL FICTION AT ITS BEST' -- Bookseller & Publisher It's 1939, and for Georg, son of an English academic living in Germany, life is full of cream cakes and loving parents. It is also a time when his teacher measures the pupils' heads to see which of them have the most 'Aryan'- shaped heads. But when a university graduation ceremony turns into a pro-Nazi demonstration, Georg is smuggled out of Germany to war-torn London and then across enemy seas to Australia where he must forget his past and who he is in order to survive. Hatred is contagious, but Georg finds that kindness can be, too. A companion piece to the best-selling *Hitler's Daughter*, this is a story of war-torn Europe during WWII, as seen through the eyes of a young German boy Georg, who loses his family and must forget his past and who he is in order to survive. MORE PRAISE FOR PENNIES FOR HITLER 'Jackie French's research and subsequent feeling for the era is superb the descriptions of wartime Australia alone are fascinating. This is historical fiction at its best and thoroughly recommended for upper primary children and beyond.' -- Bookseller & Publisher, 5 Star Review 'From its dramatic opening sequence to its one word conclusion 300 pages later, this is an absorbing story rich with details of everyday life' -- Canberra Times 'This striking fiction for school age readers gives an unflinching view of war and a close-up human perspective on asylum seekers.' -- Saturday Age

**Animals Go Vroom!** Abi Cushman 2021-08-24 With a nod to Richard Scarry, this inventive picture book surprises readers with every turn of the page! Hiss! Screech! Roar! It's a noisy day in Bumperville! But are the sounds what you think they are? That Honk! must surely be a goose. But turn the page and it's the taxi that a goose is driving! Using cleverly placed die-cuts, this inventive book hints at what is making the sound, but with each turn of the page, it's an eye-opening surprise and part of an unfolding story that is part guessing game and part giggle-inducing caper. Abi Cushman is the master of surprise and silliness in this absolutely delightful picture book.

**Wait! No Paint!** Bruce Whatley 2005-06-14 The three little pigs go off to build their separate houses one out of straw, one out of sticks, and one out of bricks. But wait! Who just spilled juice on the first little pig's house? Why are the pigs turning green? And what is that mysterious voice the pigs keep hearing? Ages 4 - 8

**Christmas Wombat** Bruce Whatley 2012-12-15 It's Christmas - from a wombat's point of view. It's Christmas! And it's Christmas for Mothball the Wombat, too. She eats, she sleeps, she scratches, but on Christmas Eve ... Created by writer Jackie French and illustrator Bruce Whatley, CHRISTMAS WOMBAT is another irresistible picture book by this extraordinary award-winning pair. Ages 3+

**The Fire Wombat** Jackie French 2021-12 As the bushfire swallowed up the world they knew, a wombat shared her burrow with other animals. Longlisted in the 2021 Australian Book Industry Awards and a 2021 Children's Book Council Notable Book. As the flames of a bushfire approach, one small wombat shelters with other animals in her burrow. But that is just the beginning of their journey to safety. Based on events witnessed by Australian Children's Laureate Jackie French during the 2020 fires, and co-created with award-winning illustrator Danny Snell, this is a story of courage, compassion and survival, which saw people across Australia come together to save our wildlife from devastation.

**The Secret World Of Wombats** Bruce Whatley 2010-05-01 Companion non fiction title for the bestselling *Diary of a Wombat* that explores everything you've ever wanted to know about wombats. Jackie French loves wombats. She's been living with and studying them for over 30 years, and they have been featured characters in many of her books. Now her beloved wombats take center stage, as Jackie reveals everything you have ever wanted to know about them - from their zoological history to habitation and habits. Jackie also shares some personal stories from her experiences living with these wonderful

creatures. There are also wombat Q&As and wombat jokes sprinkled throughout the book.

**Wombat Warriors** Samantha Wheeler 2017-03-29 From the beloved author of *Mister Cassowary*, *Smooch & Rose* and *Spud & Charli* comes another thrilling adventure about Australia's endangered animals. Mouse is not prepared for her last-minute stay at Aunt Evie's. How will she cope at a new school without her parents around? But before Mouse has even unpacked her suitcase, she makes a new friend - a wombat called Miss Pearl! Suddenly, being in a strange cottage doesn't seem so bad, especially when she can snuggle up with a wombat. Mouse soon learns that not everyone in the area loves wombats, including Aunt Evie's landlord, a sheep farmer who destroys them on sight. Can Mouse find her voice in time to keep her furry friends safe?

**Real Dirt** James Woodford 2008-09-29 *Real Dirt* is the true story of a sea-change, the life that led there, and what you have to do to get where you want to be. When James Woodford realised the greasy pole of big-city ambition was not for him, he focused on rediscovering the environmentalist within, and getting his family out of the city. How hard could it be?

**The Wollemi Pine** James Woodford 2012-01-30 In mid-1994 a National Parks & Wildlife ranger abseiling in the Wollemi Wilderness outside Sydney, came upon an extraordinary sight: a canyon filled with massive pines. What he accidentally discovered has become one of the century's most important botanical finds. The ancient pines were thought to have become extinct millions of years ago.

**Diary of a Wombat** Bruce Whatley 2011-04-01 A delightful and entertaining peek into the life of one very busy wombat! Ages: 3-7  
Monday Morning: Slept. Afternoon: Slept. Evening: Ate. Scratched. Night: Ate. A typical day. Don't be fooled. This wombat leads a very busy and demanding life. She wrestles unknown creatures, runs her own digging business, and most difficult of all - trains her humans. She teaches them when she would like carrots, when she would like oats and when she would like both at the same time. But these humans are slow learners. Find out how one wombat - between scratching, sleeping and eating - manages to fit the difficult job of training humans into her busy schedule.

**Hitler's Daughter** Jackie French 2010-07-01 Winner of the CBCA Book of the Year for Young Readers Did Hitler's daughter, Heidi, really exist? - What if she did? The bombs were falling and the smoke rising from the concentration camps, but all Hitler's daughter knew was the world of lessons with Fraulein Gelber and the hedgehogs she rescued from the cold. Was it just a story or did Hitler's daughter really exist? And if you were Hitler's daughter, would all the horror that occurred be your fault, too? Do things that happened a long time ago still matter? MORE ACCLAIM FOR HITLER'S DAUGHTER First published in 1999, *Hitler's Daughter* has sold over 100,000 copies in Australia alone and has received great critical acclaim, both in Australia and the twelve countries where it has been published. *Hitler's Daughter* has also won or been shortlisted for 23 awards, both in Australia and internationally, including winner of the 2000 Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year for Younger Readers. *Hitler's Daughter* has also been adapted into an award-winning play by the MonkeyBaa theatre.

**Wombat** Christopher Cheng 2022-04 Learn all about the "bulldozer of the bush" in a fascinating introduction to the wombat -- an exciting addition to the award-winning Nature Storybook Series. Far underground, where dirt and tree roots mesh, are tunnels that lead to a burrow, and in this burrow Wombat's day begins. Wombats may look soft and cuddly, but they are determined and tough, with sharp teeth that never stop growing, limbs that they use to shovel dirt like bulldozers, and bony bottoms they use to defend their burrows. They can live for years without drinking water, getting all of their moisture from the plants they eat - and they deposit their cube-shaped poop on rocks or stumps as a warning to other wombats. Follow one of these powerful marsupials

through a suspenseful day in Christopher Cheng's engaging narration, paired with endearing illustrations by Liz Duthie and interspersed with intriguing facts. An endnote provides additional information about wombats for readers curious to learn more.

#### **Literacy in Australia: Pedagogies for Engagement, 3rd Edition**

Amy Seely Flint 2019-09-30 Infused with our authors' personal experiences teaching, *Literacy in Australia, 3rd Edition* is delivered as a full colour printed textbook with an interactive eBook code included. This enables students to master concepts and succeed in assessment by taking the roadblocks out of self-study, with features designed to get the most out of learning such as animations, interactivities, concept check questions and videos. With a prioritised focus on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures featured throughout the text, pre-service teachers will be well-equipped with the knowledge of what kinds of activities they can include in and out of the classroom for an enriching learning experience for their students.

**King Coo** Adam Stower 2017-05-04 Meet our hero, Ben Pole - he's on the run from Monty Grabbe when he discovers a forest with rope swings, water slides, a wombat called Herbert and best of all KING COO! But watch out - Cow-pat-a-pults to the ready! Monty and his gang have a dastardly plan and Ben and Coo need to come up with their best invention yet . . .

*A Pandemic Is Worldwide* Sarah L. Thomson 2022-02-22 Read and find out the science behind a pandemic and how to stay safe in this illustrated, informative nonfiction picture book. Everybody gets sick now and then—maybe with a runny nose or a sore throat. But sometimes, a lot of people get sick at once. If a disease spreads all over the world, that's a pandemic. The current COVID-19 pandemic has upended the lives of kids across the world and has caused fear and confusion as people in charge have given conflicting orders. Read to discover the answers to some of your biggest questions, including: What is a pandemic? How are they created and spread? Has anything like this ever happened before? What is a coronavirus? What can we do to stay safe and healthy? While pandemics are rare, several have happened throughout the world's history, such as the bubonic plague and smallpox, and our scientists have observed and learned some important lessons, such as the importance of vaccines. This Level 2 Let's-Read-and-Find-Out shares important facts about past and current pandemics, taking readers from the origin of the word "quarantine" and through history's many pandemics, to milestones such as the first vaccine that helped end smallpox. This book also comes with a handwashing diagram, a glossary, and a timeline of past pandemics and their impact on the world. This is a clear and appealing science book for early elementary age kids, both at home and in the classroom. It's a Level 2 Let's-Read-and-Find-Out, which means the book explores more challenging concepts for children in the primary grades. The 100+ titles in this leading nonfiction series are: hands-on and visual acclaimed and trusted great for classrooms Top 10 reasons to love LRFOS: Entertain and educate at the same time Have appealing, child-centered topics Developmentally appropriate for emerging readers Focused; answering questions instead of using survey approach Employ engaging picture book quality illustrations Use simple charts and graphics to improve visual literacy skills Feature hands-on activities to engage young scientists Meet national science education standards Written/illustrated by award-winning authors/illustrators & vetted by an expert in the field Over 130 titles in print, meeting a wide range of kids' scientific interests Books in this series support the Common Core Learning Standards, Next Generation Science Standards, and the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) standards. Let's-Read-and-Find-Out is the winner of the American Association for the Advancement of Science/Subaru Science Books & Films Prize for Outstanding Science Series.

*My Pa The Polar Bear* Jackie French 2010-02-01 Find out just how wacky some families can be in the eighth book of this hilarious series. Fuzz and his family live at the zoo. Fuzz's dad is a blood-thirsty tiger, his mum a mud-cake-making rhinoceros, his sister a tap-dancing giraffe and his brothers a pair of somersaulting monkeys. Fuzz makes great pocket-money pretending to be a polar bear, and at the end of each day his family take off their costumes. Well, most of the time, anyway. Fuzz's pa loves being a polar bear so much he wants to be one! And when he wins two tickets for a cruise to the Arctic, things don't quite turn out as planned! Who is the mysterious girl with pointed ears? What are those strange jingle bells Fuzz keeps hearing? How can two part-time polar bears cope with real ones? Will Fuzz and Pa have to eat raw fish forever? And do reindeer really fly ... Find out what happens at the North Pole with Fuzz and his pa on this amazing Arctic adventure in the Wacky

Families series. Ages 7-10

**Walking The Boundaries** Jackie French 2016-04-01 'French knows how to conjure [an] imagined past, full of detail about how people lived during particular periods and within particular cultures' -- Viewpoint Martin lives in the city with his mum. He's come to walk the boundaries of the farm that's been in his family for generations. It sounds easy, especially as he'll own the land when he gets back. Martin's great-grandfather, Ted, doesn't even want him to walk around the farm's fences, just up the gorge and along the hills. But up in the gorge Martin meets Meg from almost a century ago and Wullamudulla from thousands of years in the past. Despite their differences they discover that they're all on the same journey ... and that walking the boundaries means more than following lines on a map. PRAISE FOR NANBERRY: BLACK BROTHER WHITE 'For really, really good Australian young-adult (and middle-grade) historical fiction, Jackie French has always been a winner ... With Nanberry: Black Brother White she delivers an excellent fictionalised account of the First Fleet's settlement at Sydney Cove ... a powerful novel' -- Australian Bookseller & Publisher, 5 stars 'She is one of few masters who can embed historic characters in rattling good tales, and her meticulous research is seamlessly inserted so that you live the detail rather than learn it. Even if you are not into history, Nanberry will hook you in ... Irresistible for history buffs of any age' -- Good Reading Magazine, 5 stars 'I've been telling all my friends to read this book, and to give it to their kids to read. It's absolutely engrossing' -- Herald Sun

*The Ring of Winter* James Lowder 2012-06-12 One of the Harpers (a secret organization fighting for good) searches the jungle for a missing explorer and happens on a lost civilization--complete with dinosaurs--and the evil Cult of Frost, which tries to steal his magic ring.

*Inventing Ourselves* Sarah-Jayne Blakemore 2018-05-15 A tour through the groundbreaking science behind the enigmatic, but crucial, brain developments of adolescence and how those translate into teenage behavior The brain creates every feeling, emotion, and desire we experience, and stores every one of our memories. And yet, until very recently, scientists believed our brains were fully developed from childhood on. Now, thanks to imaging technology that enables us to look inside the living human brain at all ages, we know that this isn't so. Professor Sarah-Jayne Blakemore, one of the world's leading researchers into adolescent neurology, explains precisely what is going on in the complex and fascinating brains of teenagers--namely that the brain goes on developing and changing right through adolescence--with profound implications for the adults these young people will become. Drawing from cutting-edge research, including her own, Blakemore shows: How an adolescent brain differs from those of children and adults Why problem-free kids can turn into challenging teens What drives the excessive risk-taking and all-consuming relationships common among teenagers And why many mental illnesses--depression, addiction, schizophrenia--present during these formative years Blakemore's discoveries have transformed our understanding of the teenage mind, with consequences for law, education policy and practice, and, most of all, parents.

*Great White* James Woodford 2014-12-01 I remember thinking two things at the time. Firstly, if it had wanted to eat us we wouldn't have stood a chance and second, it didn't want to eat us. When James Woodford was confronted by half a dozen sharks swimming at full speed, he froze in shock. But he was even more surprised when they swan right past, completely ignoring him. He couldn't reconcile this experience with the mindless eating-machines that dominate the discussion of sharks in Australia. Interviewing world-renowned experts and joining research teams at Neptune Islands, one of the most famous shark aggregation locations in the world - and consequently one of the most dangerous dive sites - James investigates these intriguing creatures at close range and discovers their fascinating world.

*The Secret Life of Wombats* James Woodford 2012-01-30 Whitley Award winner for Best Popular Zoology Book. With his usual brilliance James Woodford explores the wombat's bizarre evolutionary history and perilous future. This is popular science writing at its best: an irresistible subject in the hands of an irrepressible author.

**Rossetti's Wombat** John Simons 2008 Rossetti's Wombat tells the story of Top, a wombat who belonged to the Pre-Raphaelite painter Dante Gabriel Rossetti for a few months in 1869. The book also describes the strange history of the European fascination with the wildlife of Australia, from the late 18th century onwards. By 1860, most well-to-do people could buy a pet kangaroo from a London pet shop - and many of them did. Wombats were rarer and more expensive but the tradition of wombat owning was well established by the turn of the 19th century.

Napoleon had a pet wombat, as did the Duke of Edinburgh. Rossetti's *Wombat* is a light-hearted account of an improbable side of Victorian England. It examines the way a wombat participated in the delicate relationships between the men and women in the Pre-Raphaelite circle - particularly Rossetti's emotional affair with Jane Morris, wife of his friend and colleague William Morris. Fully illustrated with drawings and etchings of the period, Rossetti's *Wombat* will appeal to those with an interest in Victorian England and the Pre-Raphaelites - and to wombat lovers everywhere. John Simons is Professor of English and Dean of the Faculty of Media, Humanities and Technology at the University of Lincoln. He has published widely on subjects ranging from medieval chivalric romance to Andy Warhol, and from editions of medieval and early modern texts to a history of Hampshire cricket.

*The Dog Fence* James Woodford 2013-06-18 An extraordinary and absorbing book about travel, history and one of the loneliest environments in the world.

**Baby Wombat's Week** Jackie French 2011-04-01 He sleeps. He eats. He gets bored. He creates havoc wherever he goes! He's Mothball's baby - and he's even cuter, naughtier and more determined than his mum. Created by writer Jackie French and illustrator Bruce Whatley, *Baby Wombat's Week* is an irresistible new picture book by the award-winning duo of the international bestseller *Diary of a Wombat*.

**I Spy a Great Reader** Jackie French 2014-08-01 Australian Children's Laureate, book lover and dyslexia sufferer Jackie French gives a wonderful insight into how you can help your child discover a world of books. Does your child love books, but can't stay still long enough to focus on reading one? Would you like to improve your child's reading ability? Don't know where to begin to stimulate a greater love of reading in your child? Award-winning author Jackie French knows what it is to struggle with reading and literacy. Drawing on her own experience with dyslexia, Jackie has written this book to help parents identify the possible reading difficulties their children may have. All children learn differently, and Jackie offers many fun and rewarding ways to help launch your child into literacy. These include games for coordination, concentration and focus as well as helpful steps to kickstart your child into reading and to foster a life-long love of books. *I SPY A GREAT READER* is filled with a wealth of advice, anecdotes and activities - it's a book every parent should own.

*Wombat Underground* Sarah L. Thomson 2022 During the fire season in Australia, a wombat allows its underground shelter to become a place of refuge for other vulnerable animals in need. Discusses Australia's devastating 2019-2020 fire season, in which many animals lost their lives or their habitats.

**Welcome, Wombat** Kama Einhorn 2018 Photo-packed series explores the stories and science behind animal sanctuaries. An up-close look at what life is like at a real wombat sanctuary in Australia--straight from a wombat herself in a nonfiction chapter book for elementary-aged readers. Includes full-color photos, graphics, and maps. When a new baby wombat shows up at Sleepy Burrows Sanctuary in Australia, Chance, the veteran wombat, is excited to show the new gal the ropes. Before any animal can be successfully released, many things have to happen. After rescue comes recovery, then rehabilitation, and finally, release. Those are animal-sanctuary tenets--an animal will remain safe until release or until it dies. For Chance and the new wombat, Panzer, this means learning how to find food, dig, and find a lifelong companion. Readers will love Chance, Panzer, and the crew of wombats. Other books in the photo-packed *Sanctuary Stories* series include *Sweet Senior Pups*. *The Goat Who Sailed The World* Jackie French 2010-04-01 Captain Cook's goat is the first of many historical animals to bring the past to life. The HM Bark Endeavour is sailing to Tahiti to map the transit of Venus, but there are rumours that once the task is completed, Lieutenant James Cook has a set of secret orders - orders that command him to search for the Great South Land. Isaac is twelve and has joined the crew of the Endeavour as a master's servant, good for scrubbing decks and not much else. He's certainly not considered good enough to fetch hay for the Goat who will provide fresh milk for Cook and his officers. And this goat even has more experience at sea than Isaac - she has already sailed around the world once, watching the ocean and lands slip by from her spot on the quarterdeck. Over the months on board the Endeavour, a friendship grows between the Goat and Isaac, one that will last through shipwreck, bushfire and illness. A friendship that helps in the discovery of exotic new lands ... Ages 9 - 13

**How to Scratch a Wombat** Jackie French 2009 What's the best way to scratch a wombat? In this cross between memoir and natural history, French shares her often hilarious adventures with her wombat neighbors

in Australia and describes their physiology, history, and habits. Illustrations.

*Reconfiguring the Natures of Childhood* Affrica Taylor 2013-03-05 In this fascinating new book, Affrica Taylor encourages an exciting paradigmatic shift in the ways in which childhood and nature are conceived and pedagogically deployed, and invites readers to critically reassess the naturalist childhood discourses that are rife within popular culture and early years education. Through adopting a common world framework, *Reconfiguring the Natures of Childhood* generates a number of complex and inclusive ways of seeing and representing the early years. It recasts childhood as: messy and implicated rather than pure and innocent; situated and differentiated rather than decontextualized and universal; entangled within real world relations rather than protected in a separate space. Throughout the book, the author follows an intelligent and innovative line of thought which challenges many pre-existing ideas about childhood. Drawing upon cross-disciplinary perspectives, and with international relevance, this book makes an important contribution to the field of childhood studies and early childhood education, and will be a valuable resource for scholars, postgraduate students and higher education teachers.

**Found You, Little Wombat!** Angela McAllister 2003 Little wombat is very excited. He's playing hide and seek with his friends Rabbit and Koala today!

**The Hairy-Nosed Wombats Find a New Home** Jackie French 2015-05-01 Once upon a time, deep underground, there was a colony of wonderfully whiskery wombats who all had hairy noses. They lived in the only home for Hairy-nosed Wombats in the world. Could there ever be another home for Hairy-noses? Created by wombat-loving and award-winning duo, author and Australian Children's Laureate Jackie French and illustrator Sue deGennaro, this is the (almost) true story of how finding a happy new home for Hairy-nosed Wombats helped one of the world's most endangered species to breed and thrive again. All author royalties are being donated towards wombat research and care.

*The Doll Factory* Elizabeth Macneal 2019-08-13 In this "sharp, scary, gorgeously evocative tale of love, art, and obsession" (Paula Hawkins, bestselling author of *The Girl on the Train*), a beautiful young woman aspires to be an artist, while a man's dark obsession may destroy her world forever. *The Doll Factory* is a sweeping tale of curiosity, love, and possession set among all the sordidness and soaring ambition of 1850s London. The greatest spectacle London has ever seen is being erected in Hyde Park and, among the crowd watching, two people meet. For Iris, an aspiring artist of unique beauty, it is the encounter of a moment—forgotten seconds later—but for Silas, a curiosity collector enchanted by the strange and beautiful, the meeting marks a new beginning. When Iris is asked to model for Pre-Raphaelite artist Louis Frost, she agrees on the condition that he will also teach her to paint, and suddenly her world expands beyond anything she ever dreamed of. But she has no idea that evil stalks her. Silas, it seems, has thought of only one thing since that chance meeting, and his obsession is darkening by the day...

**Wombat Goes to School** Jackie French 2020-06-16 She eats. She sleeps. She scratches. She goes to school... She sleeps. She eats. She scratches - and finds a hole. When Mothball discovers a new hole, it unexpectedly leads her to the local school. The children learn that wombats love carrots and grass, while Mothball learns that lunch boxes contain very few carrots, that sports sheds can be a good place to have a nap, and that when you're brown and round, it's not a good idea to get too close to a ball ... Ages 3 years plus

**My Mum the Pirate** Jackie French 2014-08-01 Whoever said having a pirate for a mum was fun? Cecil's mum wears long black boots and an even longer sword, and she makes her enemies walk the plank. Putrid Percival serves sea monster soup for dinner when Cecil would rather eat pizza. And Filthy Frederick stinks - but hey, he's good at maths, and nobody's perfect! Cecil gets seasick and all he wants is a normal life. With parent-teacher night looming, Cecil is worried. Will the crazy crew of the good ship Mermaid and his pirate mum ruin his street cred? But when flood waters strike and Bandicoot Flats Central School is in danger, who will save the students and teachers from the perils of the rising waters? The wacky talents of Jackie French and Stephen Michael King will delight younger readers as way-out and wild adventures unfold in the *Wacky Family* series. Ages 7+

**Soaked!** Abi Cushman 2020-07-14 A Hula-Hooping moose, a badger with a bumblebee umbrella, a rabbit in a cashmere sweater, and a very wet bear star in this unpredictable and laugh-out-loud picture book in which having fun gets the best of a grumpy bear. It looks like a wet and dreary

day for Bear and his trio of friends. How could he possibly have fun when he is soaked? But Badger, Rabbit, and Moose don't seem to mind. In fact, Moose can still hula hoop! And it looks like so much fun. Might Bear like to try? Here is a story that shows that fun is not dependent on sunshine and blue skies. In fact, it might be more fun to be soaked!

**The Little Refugee** Anh Do 2011-11-01 Anh Do's inspirational story about his family's incredible escape from war-torn Vietnam and his childhood in Australia, told especially for children.

**Braver** Suzanne Selfors 2020-06-23 For fans of the Warrior series and Redwall, *Braver: A Wombat's Tale* is an exciting new fantasy adventure novel for young readers from Suzanne Selfors and Walker Ranson. A 2021 Charlotte Huck Recommended Book *Lola Budge* isn't your average bare-nosed wombat. While her parents and neighbors in the Northern Forest want nothing more than peace and quiet, Lola loves to talk. Bored by the quiet routine of wombat life, Lola desperately wants something, anything, interesting to happen. But when Lola follows the terrifying sound of unfamiliar screeching, she discovers a predator who has been kept in exile for many generations. And this creature has captured the peaceful wombats and carted them away—including Lola's parents. To save her family, Lola will need help from the Queen of Tassie Island herself. But the road to the golden city of Dore is long and treacherous for a young wombat, especially with predators on the loose. To save the ones she loves, Lola will have to brave infested swamps, rushing rivers, and soaring heights, while encountering all sorts of strange critters, both friend and foe. At times exciting, at times heart-warming, this is the story of a wombat who is much braver than anyone imagined. An Imprint Book *Miss Lily's Lovely Ladies (Miss Lily, #1)* Jackie French 2017-04-01 THE STORY IS EQUAL PARTS DOWNTOWN ABBEY AND WARTIME ACTION , WITH ENOUGH ROMANCE AND INTRIGUE TO MAKE IT 100% NOT-PUT-DOWN-ABLE. Australian Woman's Weekly A tale of espionage, love and passionate heroism. Inspired by true events, this is the story of how society's 'lovely ladies' won a war. Each year at secluded Shillings Hall, in the snow-crisped English countryside, the mysterious Miss Lily draws around her young women selected from Europe's royal and most influential families. Her girls are taught how to captivate a man - and find a potential husband - at a dinner, in a salon, or at a grouse shoot, and in ways that would surprise outsiders. For in 1914, persuading and charming men is the only true power a woman has. Sophie Higgs is the daughter of Australia's king of corned beef and the only 'colonial' brought to Shillings Hall. Of all Miss Lily's lovely ladies, however, she is also the only one who suspects Miss Lily's true purpose. As the chaos of war spreads, women across Europe shrug off etiquette. The lovely ladies and their less privileged sisters become the unacknowledged backbone of the war, creating hospitals, canteens and transport systems where bungling officials fail to cope. And when tens of thousands can die in a single day's battle, Sophie must use the skills Miss Lily taught her to prevent war's most devastating weapon yet. But is Miss Lily heroine or traitor? And who, exactly, is she?

*Somewhere Around the Corner* Jackie French 1994 Historical fiction for young readers. Barbara meets an old man at a wild demonstration who tells her to walk around the corner and arrive at a better place. The place is 1934, the height of Depression in Australia. Young Jim takes Barbara home to meet his family, where Barbara finds the love, security and peace missing from her life. But will she be forced to return to her own time? Author is winner of the 2000 Children's Book Council Book of the Year for Younger Readers. Her other titles include 'The Soldier on the Hill' and 'Hitler's Daughter'.

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