

PRIMARY RESOURCE LIST (F–6)

October 2025

LEGEND

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures
- Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia
- Sustainability
- ✚ Suits multiple years
- ◆ Identifies as Indigenous

FOUNDATION	Author	Illustrator
<i>All Through the Year</i> ●	Jane Godwin	Anna Walker
UPDATED! <i>Bamboozled</i>	David Legge	
<i>Banjo and Ruby Red</i> ●	Libby Gleeson	Freya Blackwood
<i>Be Careful, Xiao Xin!</i> ●	Alice Pung	Sher Rill Ng
<i>Benny Bungarra's Big Bush Clean-Up</i> ●	Sally Morgan ◆	Ambelin Kwaymullina ◆
<i>Big Rain Coming</i> ●	Katrina Germein	Bronwyn Bancroft ◆
<i>Crocodile Beat</i>	Gail Jorgensen	Patricia Mullins
<i>Don't Let a Spoonbill in the Kitchen!</i>	Narelle Oliver	
UPDATED! <i>DUCK!</i> ●	Meg McKinlay	Nathaniel Eckstrom
UPDATED! <i>Going to the Footy</i> ●	Debbie Coombes ◆	
UPDATED! <i>Goodbye House, Hello House</i>	Margaret Wild	Ann James
<i>Isabella's Garden</i>	Glenda Millard	Rebecca Cool
<i>Lizard Gang, The</i> ●	Kirra Somerville ◆	Grace Fielding ◆
UPDATED! <i>Mr Chicken All Over Australia</i>	Leigh Hobbs	
<i>One Dragon's Dream</i>	Peter Pavey	
UPDATED! <i>One Little Goat</i>	Ursula Dubosarsky	Andrew Joyner
<i>Scaly-tailed Possum and Echidna</i> ●	Cathy Goonack ◆	Marlene, Myron and Katrina Goonack ◆
<i>Speak Chinese, Fang Fang!</i>	Sally Rippin	
<i>Terrible Plop, The</i>	Ursula Dubosarsky	Andrew Joyner
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> ✚	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
UPDATED! <i>Who Sank the Boat?</i>	Pamela Allen	
YEAR 1	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>Amy and Louis</i>	Libby Gleeson	Freya Blackwood
<i>Bunyip of Berkeley's Creek, The</i>	Jenny Wagner	Ron Brooks
<i>Come Down, Cat!</i>	Sonya Hartnett	Lucia Masciullo
UPDATED! <i>Cunning Crow</i> ●	Gregg Dreise ◆	
<i>Eleventh Hour, The</i>	Graeme Base	
UPDATED! <i>Family Forest</i>	Kim Kane	Lucia Masciullo
UPDATED! <i>Introducing Teddy</i>	Jessica Walton	Dougal MacPherson
NEW! <i>Just One Bee</i> ●	Margrete Lamond, Anthony Bertini	Christopher Nielsen
<i>Little Bird's Day</i> ●	Sally Morgan ◆	Johnny Warrkatja Malibirr ◆
<i>Little Corroboree Frog, The</i> ●	Tracey Holton-Ramirez ◆	Angela Ramirez ◆
<i>Milli, Jack and the Dancing Cat</i> ●	Stephen Michael King	

New Year Surprise! ●
Patchwork Bike, The ●
Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley
NEW! *Truck Cat, The* +
Two Mates ●
UPDATED! *Where Happiness Hides*
Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge
Yirruwa Yirrilikenuma-langwa (When We Go Walkabout) ● ●

Christopher Cheng
 Maxine Beneba Clarke
 Aaron Blabey
 Deborah Frenkel
 Melanie Prewett ◆
 Anthony Bertini
 Mem Fox
 Rhoda Dugururu Lalara ◆

Di Wu

 Danny Snell
 Maggie Prewett ◆
 Jennifer Goldsmith
 Julie Vivas
 Alfred Lalara ◆

YEAR 2	Author	Illustrator
<i>A Walk in the Bush</i>	Gwyn Perkins	
<i>Big Book of Old Tom, The</i>	Leigh Hobbs	
UPDATED! <i>Bully on the Bus</i>	Kathryn Apel	
UPDATED! <i>Eagle Inside, The</i> ●	Jack Manning Bancroft ◆	Bronwyn Bancroft ◆
UPDATED! <i>Fashionista</i>	Maxine Beneba Clarke	
UPDATED! <i>Finding François</i>	Gus Gordon	
UPDATED! <i>Flood</i> ●	Jackie French	Bruce Whatley
NEW! <i>Frank's Red Hat</i>	Sean E. Avery	
<i>How to Heal a Broken Wing</i>	Bob Graham	
<i>John Brown, Rose and the Midnight Cat</i>	Jenny Wagner	Ron Brooks
UPDATED! <i>Littlelight</i> ●	Kelly Canby	
UPDATED! <i>Mad Magpie</i> ●	Gregg Dreise ◆	
<i>Mrs White and the Red Desert</i> ●	Josie Wowolla Boyle ◆	Maggie Prewett ◆
<i>Mulga Bill's Bicycle</i>	A.B. Paterson	Deborah Niland
UPDATED! <i>My Two Blankets</i>	Irena Kobald	Freya Blackwood
UPDATED! <i>Our Little Inventor</i> ●	Sher Rill Ng	
<i>Our Village in the Sky</i> ●	Janeen Brian	Anne Spudvilas
<i>Rainbow Serpent, The</i> ●	Dick Goobalathaldin Roughsey ◆	
<i>Treasure Box, The</i> +	Margaret Wild	Freya Blackwood
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> +	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
<i>Where the Forest Meets the Sea</i> ● ●	Jeannie Baker	

YEAR 3	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>All New Must Have Orange 430, The</i> ●	Michael Speechley	
UPDATED! <i>Are We There Yet?</i>	Alison Lester	
<i>Baby Business</i> ●	Jasmine Seymour ◆	
<i>Bear and Rat</i>	Christopher Cheng	Stephen Michael King
NEW! <i>Come Over to My House</i> ●	Eliza Hull, Sally Rippin	Daniel Gray-Barnett
<i>Do Not Go Around the Edges</i> ● +	Daisy Utemorrah ◆	Pat Torres ◆
<i>Five Times Dizzy</i> +	Nadia Wheatley	

Great Bear, The ● ● ● +

UPDATED! *Jelly-Boy* ●

UPDATED! *Little Refugee, The* ●

UPDATED! *My Place* ●

Once There Was A Boy

One Tree ● ●

Our World: Bardi Jaawi Life at Ardiyooloon ●

Pearl Verses the World

Peasant Prince, The ● ● ● +

UPDATED! *Remembering Lionsville* ●

UPDATED! *Room On Our Rock*

UPDATED! *Sonam and the Silence* ●

UPDATED! *Suri's Wall*

Treasure Box, The +

NEW! *Truck Cat, The* +

Two Bullies, The ●

UPDATED! *Welcome to Country* ● ●

NEW! *Wilam: A Birrarung Story* ●

Libby Gleeson

Nicole Godwin

Anh and Suzanne Do

Nadia Wheatley

Dub Leffler ◆

Christopher Cheng

One Arm Point Remote
Community School ◆

Sally Murphy

Li Cunxin

Bronwyn Bancroft ◆

Kate and Jol Temple

Eddie Ayres

Lucy Estela

Margaret Wild

Deborah Frenkel

Junko Morimoto

Aunty Joy Murphy ◆

Aunty Joy Murphy ◆, Andrew
Kelly

Armin Greder

Christopher Nielsen

Bruce Whatley

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Heather Potter

Anne Spudvilas

Terri Rose Baynton

Ronak Taher

Matt Ottley

Freya Blackwood

Danny Snell

Lisa Kennedy ◆

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YEAR 4	Author	Illustrator
<i>Clever Crow</i> ●	Nina Lawrence ◆	Bronwyn Bancroft ◆
<i>Cooee Mittigar</i> ●	Jasmine Seymour ◆	Leanne Mulgo Watson ◆
<i>Do Not Go Around the Edges</i> ● +	Daisy Utemorrah ◆	Pat Torres ◆
UPDATED! <i>Feather, The</i> ●	Margaret Wild	Freya Blackwood
<i>Five Times Dizzy</i> +	Nadia Wheatley	
<i>Great Bear, The</i> ● ● ● +	Libby Gleeson	Armin Greder
UPDATED! <i>Happiness Box, The</i>	Mark Greenwood	Andrew McLean
NEW! <i>Little Wave, The</i> ●	Pip Harry	
<i>Mrs Whitlam</i> ●	Bruce Pascoe ◆	
NEW! <i>Other Brother</i>	Simon French	
UPDATED! <i>Paperboy</i>	Danny Parker	Bethany Macdonald
<i>Peasant Prince, The</i> ● ● ● +	Li Cunxin	Anne Spudvilas
<i>Shake A Leg</i> ●	Boori Monty Pryor ◆	Jan Ormerod
UPDATED! <i>Sister Heart</i> ●	Sally Morgan ◆	
<i>Stolen Girl</i> ●	Trina Saffioti ◆	Norma MacDonald ◆
UPDATED! <i>Teacup</i>	Rebecca Young	Matt Ottley
UPDATED! <i>This is Home: Essential Australian Poems for Children</i> ● ●	Jackie French (ed.)	Tania McCartney
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> +	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
UPDATED! <i>Waves</i>	Donna Rawlins	Mark Jackson, Heather Potter

YEAR 5	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>Aster's Good, Right Things</i>	Kate Gordon	
<i>Desert Lake</i> ● ●	Pamela Freeman	Liz Anelli
<i>Dot and the Kangaroo</i> ● +	Ethel Charlotte Pedley	Frank Mahony
UPDATED! <i>Duck and the Darklings, The</i> ●	Glenda Millard	Stephen Michael King
<i>Free Diving</i> ●	Lorrae Coffin ◆	Bronwyn Houston ◆
<i>Girl from the Great Sandy Desert, The</i> ●	Jukuna Mona Chuguna ◆, Pat Lowe	Mervyn Street ◆
UPDATED! <i>Girl on Wire</i>	Lucy Estela	Elise Hurst
<i>I Own the Racecourse!</i> +	Patricia Wrightson	
UPDATED! <i>Incredible Freedom Machines, The</i> ●	Kirli Saunders ◆	Matt Ottley
<i>Little Brother</i> +	Allan Baillie	
<i>Loyal Creatures</i> ●	Morris Gleitzman	
<i>My Girragundji</i> ● +	Meme McDonald, Boori Monty Prior ◆	
<i>Ned Kelly and the Green Sash</i>	Mark Greenwood	Frane Lessac
UPDATED! <i>One Minute's Silence</i>	David Metzenthen	Michael Camilleri
<i>Red Tree, The</i> +	Shaun Tan	
NEW! <i>Runt</i>	Craig Silvey	
<i>Seven Little Australians</i> +	Ethel Turner	
<i>Silver Donkey, The</i> +	Sonya Hartnett	
NEW! <i>Truck Cat, The</i> +	Deborah Frenkel	Danny Snell
YEAR 6	Author	Illustrator
UPDATED! <i>A Ghost in my Suitcase</i> ●	Gabrielle Wang	
<i>Alfred's War</i> ●	Rachel Bin Salleh ◆	Samantha Fry ◆
<i>Ash Road</i>	Ivan Southall	
UPDATED! <i>Bindi</i> ● ●	Kirli Saunders ◆	Dub Leffler ◆
UPDATED! <i>Black Cockatoo</i> ●	Carl Merrison ◆, Hakea Hustler	
<i>Dot and the Kangaroo</i> ● +	Ethel Charlotte Pedley	Frank Mahony
<i>Fog a Dox</i>	Bruce Pascoe ◆	
UPDATED! <i>His Name Was Walter</i>	Emily Rodda	
<i>I Own the Racecourse!</i> +	Patricia Wrightson	
UPDATED! <i>Limelight</i>	Solli Raphael	
<i>Little Brother</i> +	Allan Baillie	
<i>My Girragundji</i> ● +	Meme McDonald, Boori Monty Prior ◆	
<i>Once</i>	Morris Gleitzman	
<i>Red Tree, The</i> +	Shaun Tan	
<i>Refugees</i> ●	David Miller	
<i>Seven Little Australians</i> +	Ethel Turner	
<i>Silver Donkey, The</i> +	Sonya Hartnett	

Songbird ●

Sorry Day ●

Storm Boy

Taronga ●

Tjarany Roughtail ●

UPDATED! *Took the Children Away* ●

NEW! *Truck Cat, The* +

Way Home

William Bligh: A Stormy Story of Tempestuous Times ●

UPDATED! *Yinti, Desert Child* ●

UPDATED! *Young Dark Emu* ● ●

Ingrid Laguna

Coral Vass

Colin Thiele

Victor Kelleher

Gracie Greene ◆, Joe Tramacchi

Archie Roach ◆

Deborah Frenkel

Libby Hathorn

Michael Sedunary

Pat Lowe, Jimmy Pike ◆

Bruce Pascoe ◆

Dub Leffler ◆

Lucille Gill ◆

Ruby Hunter ◆

Danny Snell

Gregory Rogers

Bern Emmerichs