

# Lamont Books Standing Order

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PRIMARY FICTION TITLES

## Deadweather & Sunrise: The Chronicles of Egg

By Geoff Rodkey

ISBN 9780141342504

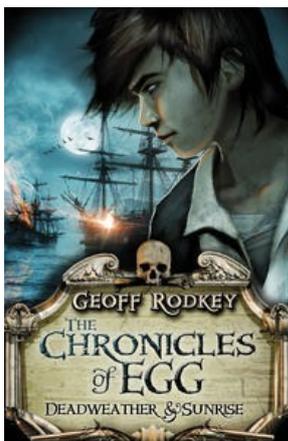
\$14.95

**DEADWEATHER**, a sweaty little pirate-infested island, is home to **EGG**, thirteen years old and prey to a pair of cruel and stupid older siblings. But when Egg's family disappears in a freak accident, he finds himself living on **SUNRISE** island with the glamorous Pembroke family and their feisty daughter Millicent. Finally, life seems perfect.

Until someone tries to throw him off a cliff.

Suddenly, Egg is lost in a world of cutthroat pirates and powerful villains. Only Millicent - and a one-handed, possibly deranged cabin boy - can help him as he hurtles into the deadliest adventure of his life . . .

Publishers Blurb.



Egbert lives a torrid life on the rotten island of Deadweather where his father owns the ugly fruit plantation.

His mother died giving birth to him and no one will ever let him forget this and he is therefore treated terribly. But when his father discovers a map to a secret treasure on their land, they all head to Sunrise to have it deciphered.

They are taken in by the rich and powerful Roger Pembroke. 'Egg' and Millicent, Roger Pembroke's daughter, quickly form a strong bond..

But when the Pembroke's own hot air balloon becomes unearthed, and Egg's family are all on board, Egg is left behind. The Pembroke's take him in and he lives in a whole new world of luxury. But all is not what it seems.

Maybe the balloon disaster was not an accident. Will Egg survive when he uncovers the truth?

A brilliant story for 8-12 year olds, full of adventure, pirates and action.

Reviewed By Rob.

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## **Nerdy Ninjas VS The Really Really Bad Guys**

By Shogun Whamhower & Illustrated by Heath McKenzie

ISBN 9781742830261

\$9.99

When jumping backwards into a tree, a ninja should check first for the presence of birds or other ninjas. A startled bird could give away your location, whereas another ninja might get annoyed if you land on him. - The Ninja Warrior's Handbook, Volume 27 Jake, Ben, Pongo and Veejay might seem like your average nerds. Yeah, Jake loves science, Ben loves playing the trumpet and Veejay loves singing opera. Yeah, Pongo has allergies and Veejay has a 27-page alphabetical list of activities he's not allowed to take part in (from aardvark acquisition and monitor lizard monitoring, to exposure to the non-specific word 'umpteen'). But when the local bully refuses to pick on them, declaring them too nerdy to bully, the four boys decide to take action. They come up with a plan-a plan that takes full advantage of their abilities to walk/wheel/twirl/hop across an open footy field without being noticed. They're about to become ninjas!

Publishers Blurp.



This is a laugh out loud adventure for all boys who would love to be ninja's. When Pongo, Jake, Ben and Veejay are told by the local bully that they are too nerdy to pick on, they decide to become ninja's.

The big question is, what do ninja's do and how do they become one?

Your good readers from Grade 4 up will love these boys.

Reviewed by Michelle.

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## **Dingo: The Dog Who Conquered a Continent**

By Jackie French

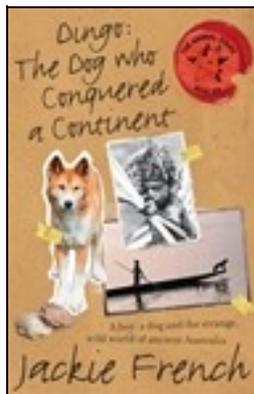
ISBN 9780732293116

\$14.99

All of Australia's dingoes may be descended from one south-east Asian 'rubbish dog' who arrived here over 5,000 years ago. This is a story about the first dingo.

It is also the story of Loa, who heads off across the sea in his canoe when the girl he loves marries another. He takes only his spears and a 'rubbish dog', one of the scavengers from around the camp to eat if he gets hungry, or to throw overboard to threatening sharks or crocodiles. But when a storm blows boy and dog out to sea, both must learn to survive in a strange new world as partners - and even as friends.

Publishers Blurb.



Jackie French has given us her own unique look at how the dingo arrived in Australia, complete with historical facts at the end of the book.

Your students will fall in love with 'Dog' as we discover why, to this day, a dog is still called man's best friend. Some passages are quite graphic, but all very well written and suit the historical content of the story.

A great book that will ideally suit your Grade 5 & 6 readers, both boys and girls.

Reviewed by Michelle.

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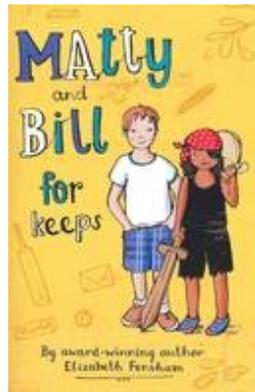
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## **Matty and Bill for Keeps**

By Elizabeth Fensham  
ISBN 9780702249273  
\$14.95

There's a new boy at Bill and Matty's school - Crispin de Floriette. He's from England and not like anyone else they've met before, with talk of castles and lands far away. Isabelle soon notices Crispin and plots to make him her new 'friend'. But Bill knows first-hand what sort of friend Isabelle can be...However, Crispin is not the only one who needs rescuing. Maggot is back in town and Bill is anxious about his dad being caught up in another crooked scheme. To make matters worse, Bill has his own worries - feelings so confusing he doesn't know how to describe them. Even Matty isn't sure how to help this time. An enchanting story of friendship, growing up and being yourself, from one of Australia's favourite storytellers.



Another fabulous instalment in the adventures of Matty & Bill. Fortunately students do not have to read the first two books to enjoy and understand this book, as all three stories stand alone.

It is a story all about unconditional friendship and the lengths you go to protect and support your friends. The new boy at school, Crispin de Floriette, is reluctantly accepted by Bill into their group. But what affect will this have on his relationship with Matty?

We follow them on their quest to save Crispin from the constant trouble maker Isabelle Farquay-Jones and their dangerous plan to trap Maggot, the bad guy who seems to constantly get his Dad in trouble.

But things are also changing for Bill. He feels different and he doesn't know why or how to deal with it. The games he and Matty have always played together now seem childish, and he is lashing out at the people who mean everything to him.

Can Matty help him and can he realise before it is too late that he needs to deal with what is happening so he doesn't throw away all that was good in his life?

A wonderful read for all students Grade 3 and up.

Reviewed by Sam.

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## **Freda the Free Range Chook: Aussie Nibbles**

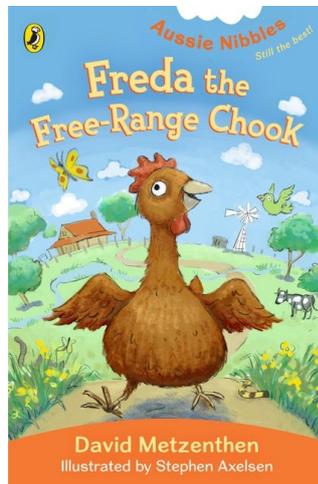
By David Metzenthen & Illustrated by Stephen Axelsen

ISBN 9780143306870

\$12.95

Freda wants to see the world! Is she a role model for other hens, or just a silly chook?

Publishers Blurb.



Freda decides she is sick of being a lazy hen and needs to do some power walking.

Freda soon has lots of adventures and discovers home is a really wonderful place to be.

A fun filled story that will delight your newly independent readers.

Reviewed by Michelle.

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## Horrible Harriet's Inheritance

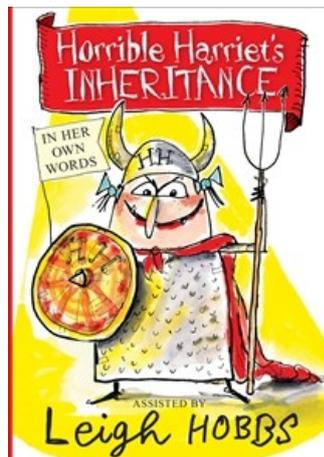
By Leigh Hobbs

ISBN 9781741149852

\$13.99

In this story you will see how Horrible Harriet obtains her rightful inheritance, and in the process learns a lot about her famous and infamous ancestors. Hilarious and subversive, this is the perfect gift for any primary-aged child.

Publishers Blurb.



Horrible Harriet is back with another adventure. This time we follow her family tree as she discovers all her many, many royal relatives!

A special visit to her stately home helps her decide where she wants to live.

Horrible Harriet fans will love this book. It is also a fantastic way to introduce your students to some famous figures of history.

Reviewed by Michelle.