

# Lamont Books Standing Order

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PRIMARY FICTION TITLES

## Thai-No-Mite

By Oliver Phommavanh

ISBN 9780143306528

\$16.99

I'm Lengy and I'm Thai. My parents run a restaurant named Thai-riffic! but I'm always craving hot chips and pizza.

Mum and Dad's idea of a holiday?

Going to Thailand to visit all our relatives.

Recipe for getting there?

- Survive Dr Needlemouse and his arsenal of needles
- Squeeze in a snappy budget trip to Dreamworld
- Catch a red-back spider for my Auntie
- Fight off a savage bat attack
- Celebrate Christmas, Thai-riffic style!

Recipe for surviving the planning?

A heap of good luck and plenty of THAI-NO-MITE!

Phew! I'll need a holiday after this . . .



A quirky laugh filled novel where Lengy and his family prepare for a 'holiday' (not Lengy's idea of a holiday) to return to Thailand to visit his family.

But will they survive the needles needed before the trip, the huge karaoke competition and a Christmas celebration Thai/Aussie style.

Lots of fun and pun's that middle to upper primary students will love.

Reviewed by Rob.

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## **Maddy West and the Tongue Taker**

By Brian Falkner and illustrated by Donovan Bixley

ISBN 9781921977671

\$19.95

Another fantastical adventure in the vein of Northwood.

Maddy West can speak every language in the world. When she is asked to translate some ancient scrolls, Maddy is excited. But the scrolls hide many secrets. Secrets that send Maddy on a wild adventure with a stowaway ninja, a mysterious monkey, a Bulgarian wrestler and a fiendish witch. And soon Maddy finds herself in deadly peril. Does Maddy have what it takes to save herself and her new friends?

Publishers Blurb.



Maddy discovers that she can speak every language in the world. But when she is tested on a television show with extremely remote languages and she can speak them perfectly, she is asked to translate some ancient scrolls in Bulgaria.

The scrolls contain darkly potent magic and when Maddy reveals some of their secrets to an evil witch, events quickly accelerate.

Can she escape the evil witches spells?

Can her friend the stowaway ninja help her?

Will the friendly giant Bulgarian wrestler and his mysterious monkey assist in defeating the witch?

A fantastical and magical adventure that will appeal to both boys and girls from Grade 3 up.

Reviewed by Rob.

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## **Figaro and Rumba and the Crocodile Café**

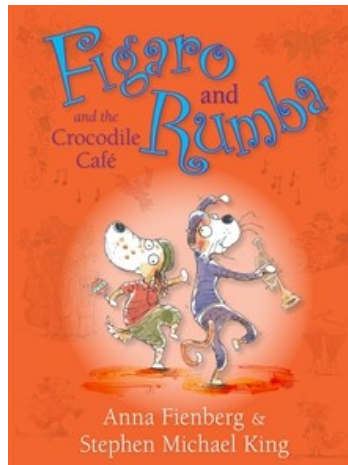
By Anna Fienberg & illustrated by Stephen Michael King

ISBN 9781742373119

\$19.99

Figaro and Rumba are best friends. Figaro is a dog who loves to run like the wind. And Rumba is a cat who once sang and danced in Cuba. When they catch the Very Fast Train that goes all the way to the beach, they meet a cunning crocodile with conga drums and an elegant satin waistcoat. Surely such a musical creature couldn't be a villain?

Publishers Blurb.



Figaro and Rumba are two likeable characters with very different personalities.

Whilst Rumba the cat likes things neat, clean and tidy, Figaro the dog is more of a free spirit who lives life for now. Together they catch the Very Fast Train in search of some adventure. But they end up getting far more than they bargained for, when they meet the mysterious crocodile on the train.

This book has been produced in a wonderful format that will appeal to your young readers. Although the presentation makes it appear to be a picture book, it is certainly a true chapter book. The teaming of Anna Fienberg and Stephen Michael King works wonderfully well.

Reviewed by Sam