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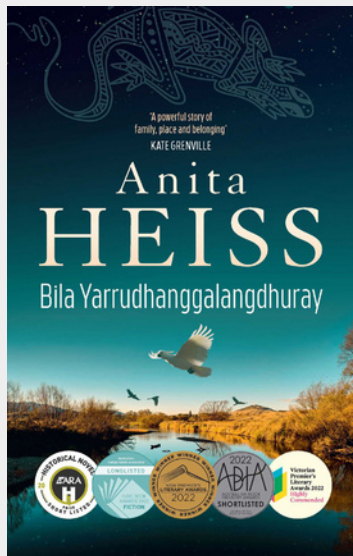
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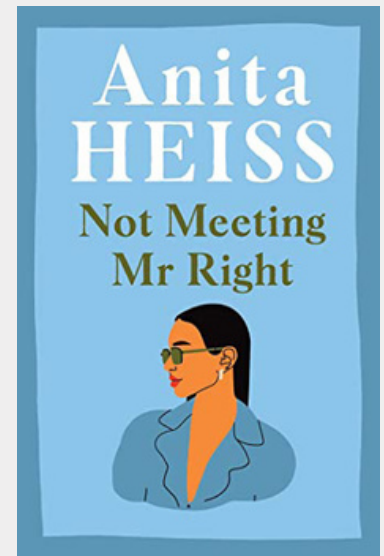
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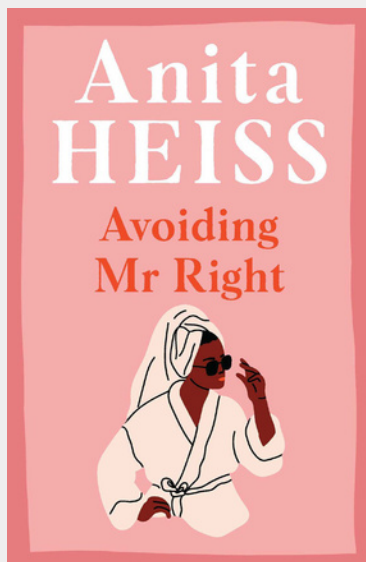
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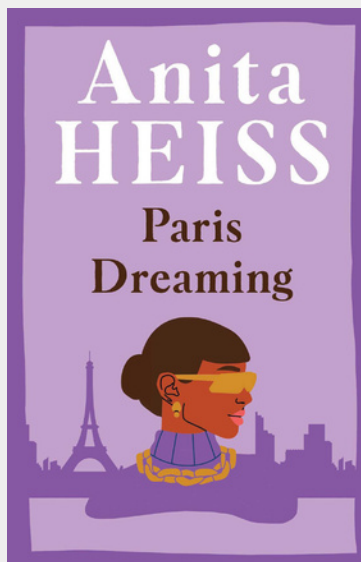
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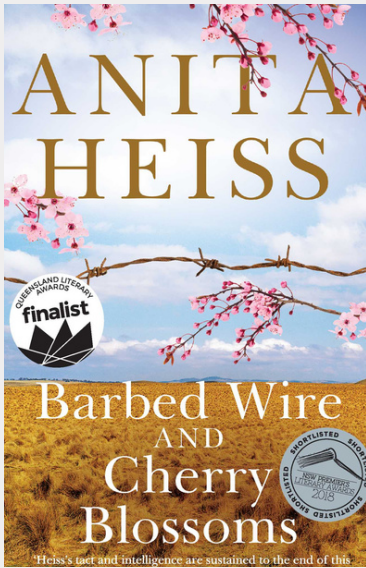
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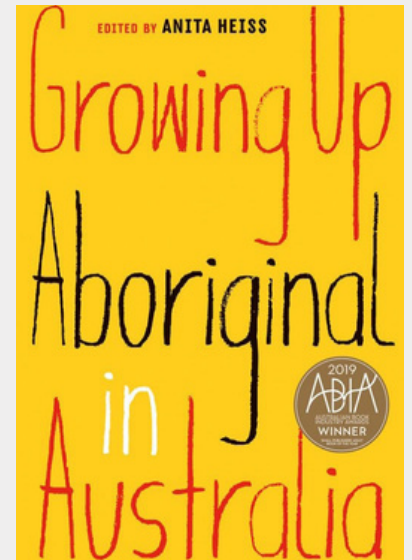
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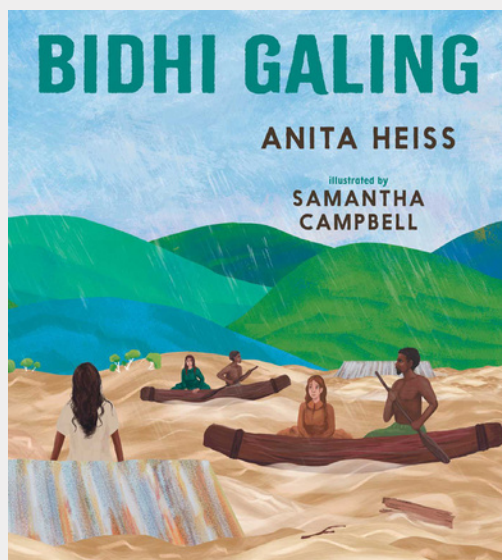
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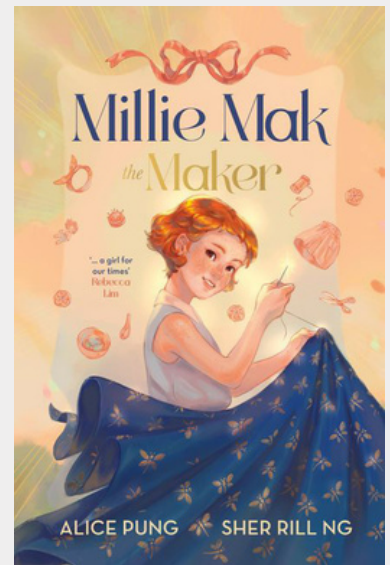
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Renowned storytellers Alice Pung and Sher Rill Ng bring to life a beautiful and tender story about learning to conquer your own fears - as a child, and as an adult.

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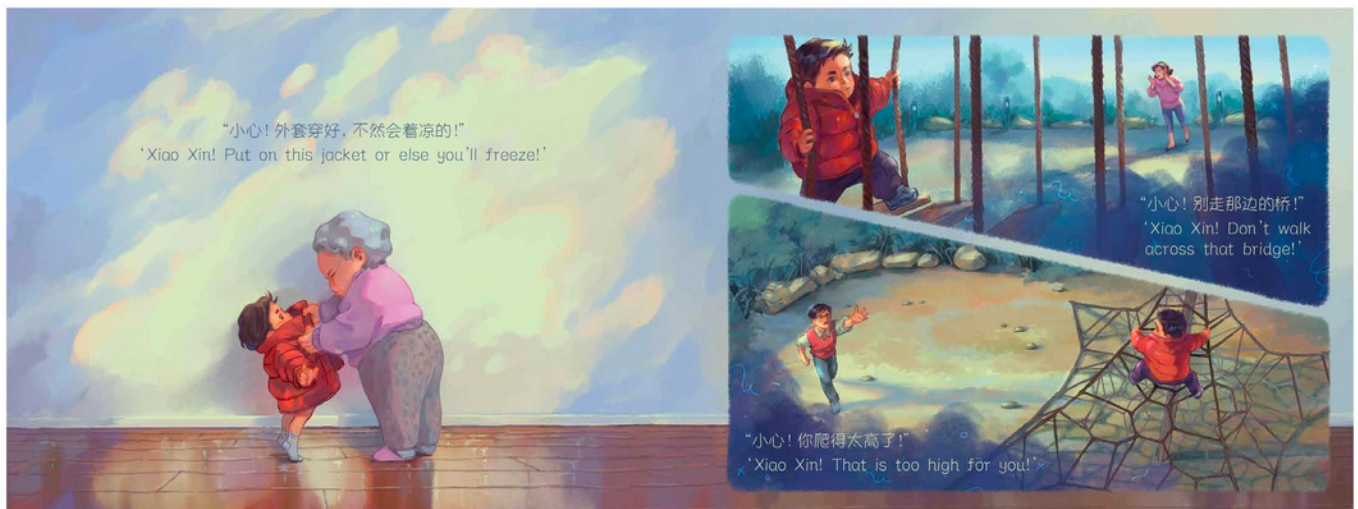
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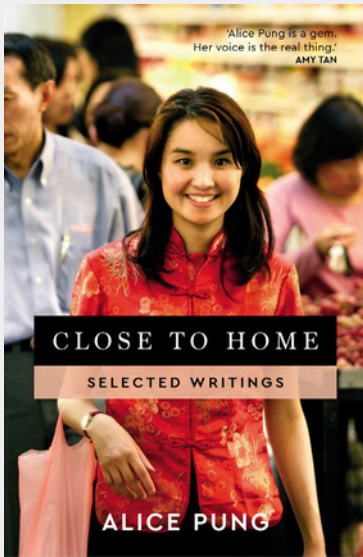


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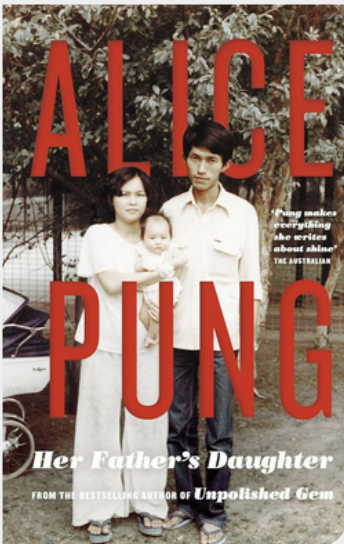
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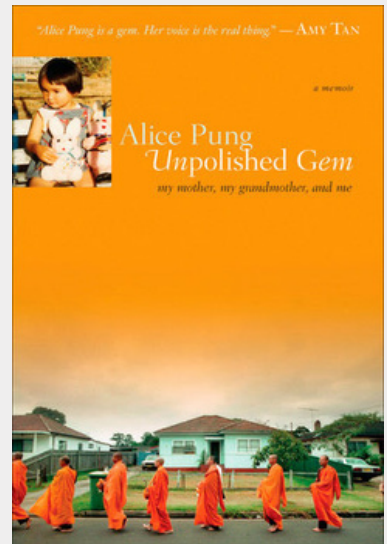
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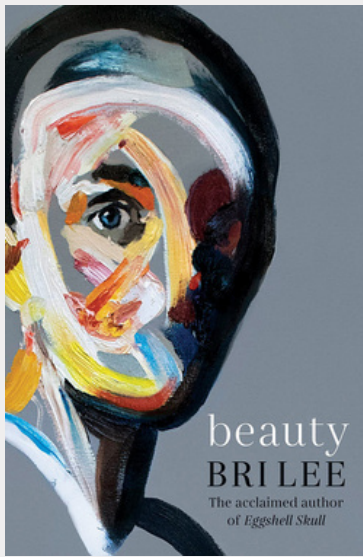


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Armed with an ocker accent, Alice dives head-first into schooling, romance and the getting of wisdom.

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# Bri Lee



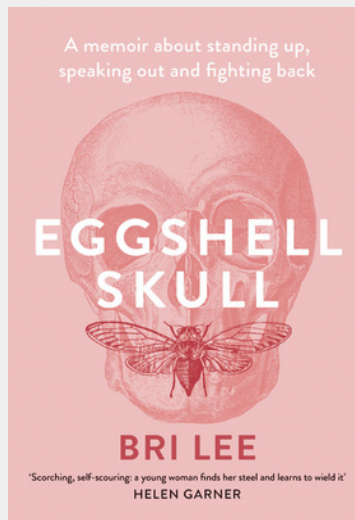
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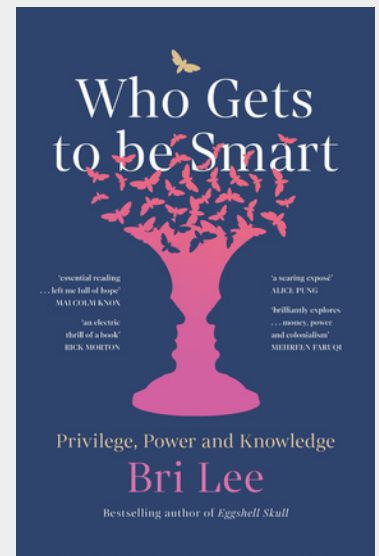
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Helen Garner, on *Eggshell Skull*

# Cath Moore



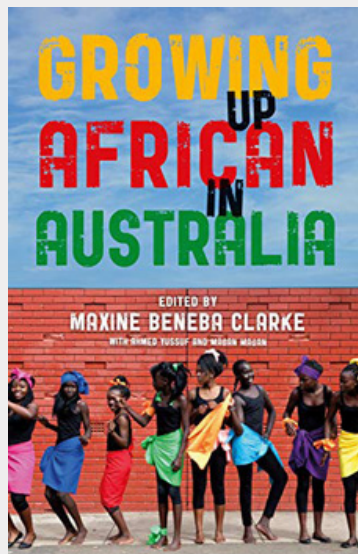
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The strengths of the novel lie in the protagonist Dylan’s fierce and uncompromised voice, and in the originality of the aesthetic. Moore writes with the technical skill and linguistic panache of an author who is in complete control of her material. Her take on the ‘road trip’ novel is replete with irony, compassion, humour and near-tragedy, and is further distinguished by Dylan’s ability to move between the known and unknown worlds, a device that allows Moore to explore the entanglements of other lives more fully.

Judges’ comments on Metal Fish, Falling Snow, Prime Minister’s Literary Awards 2021 (shortlisted).

*Metal Fish, Falling Snow* is concrete and lace, a multi-layered, poetic work which delves hard and often surgically into the hearts of its characters and allows readers significant insight into the interplay of despair and hope that characterises being human.”

# C.S. Pacat



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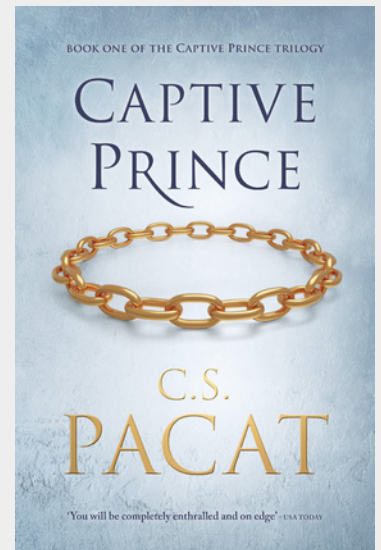
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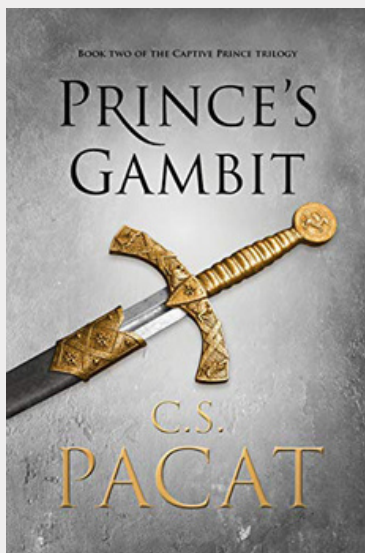
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For Damen, there is just one rule- he must never reveal his true identity. Because the one man Damen needs is the one man who has more reason to hate him than anyone else . . .

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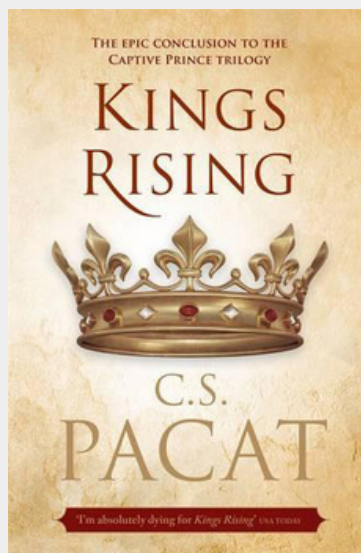
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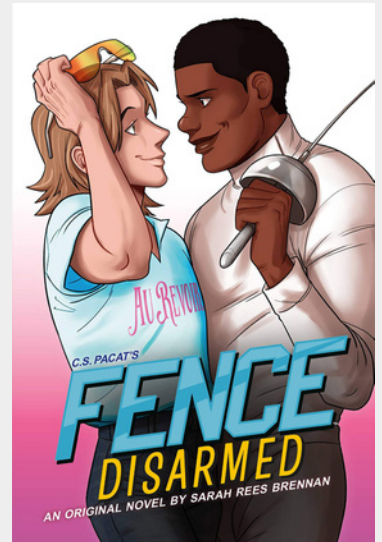
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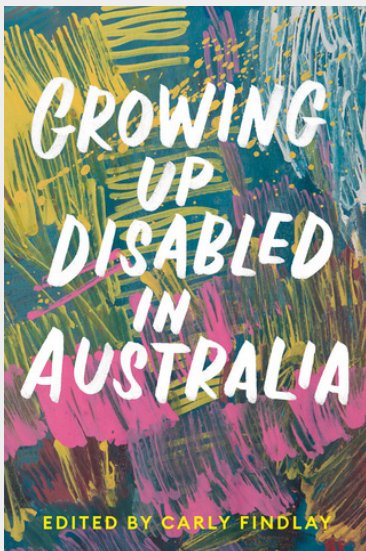
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The boys of Kings Row head to France with exes, rivalries, and secrets in this original YA novel by New York Times bestselling author Sarah Rees Brennan.



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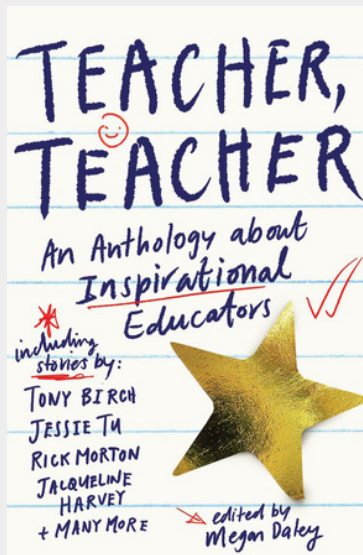
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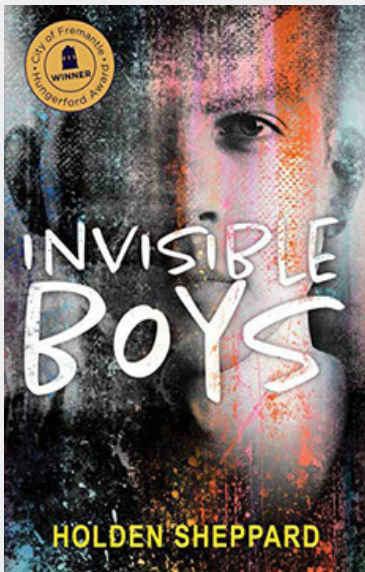
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The first major anthology by parents with disabilities



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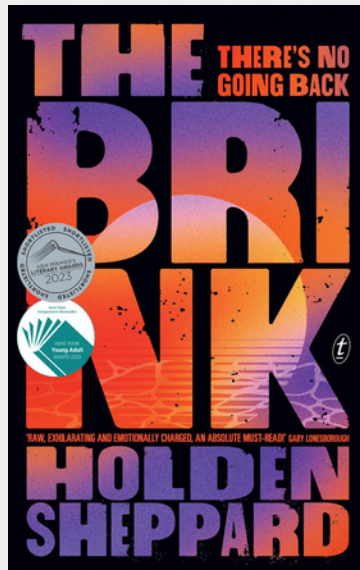
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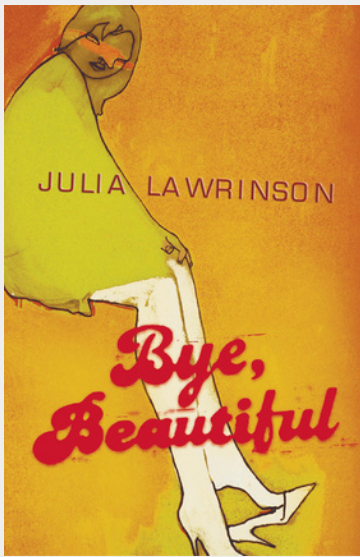
Growing Up in Country Australia is a unique and revealing snapshot of rural life. With nearly forty stories by authors from a wide range of backgrounds

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“Sheppard pulls no punches in this story, challenging expectations and taking the reader on a dark journey through each boy’s life, with only a sliver of light at the end providing hope for a brighter future.

This book feels somewhat unmoored from time, with a raw edginess ... which brings to mind books like *Puberty Blues* and the work of Tim Winton.”

# Julia Lawrinson



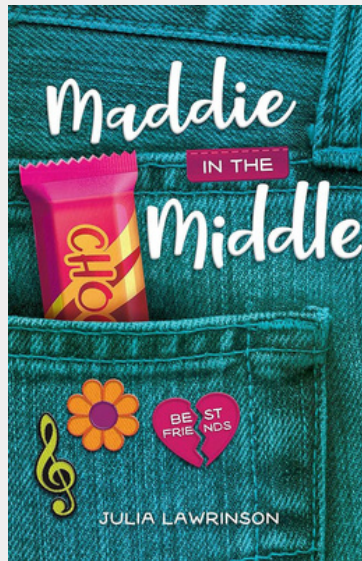
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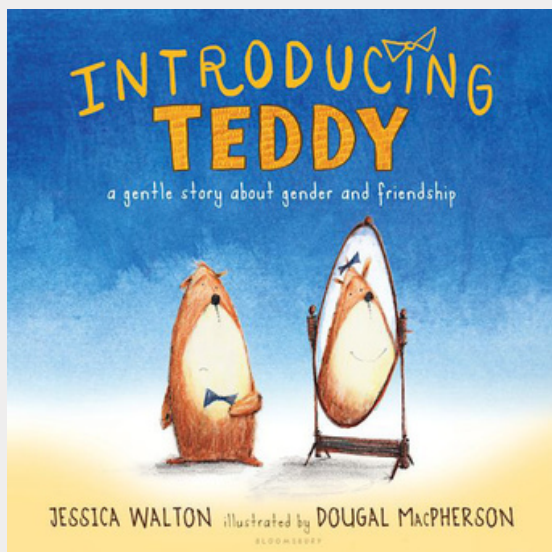
Shell and Mel are best friends, united by their love of ABBA.

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“This book is ideal for showing children a time when Australian history was told from a single perspective.”

Buzz Words Magazine, on *Mel and Shell*

# Jessica Walton



## Introducing Teddy

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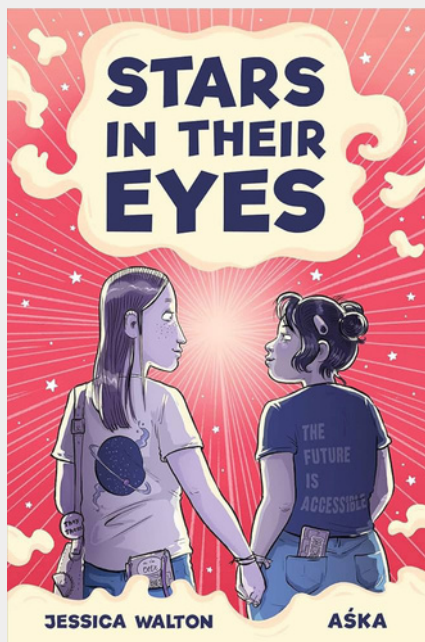
“Walton gently explains Tilly’s gender, which is a small ripple in the lives of children at play, and subtly pokes at gender roles with Errol’s tea parties and Ava’s robot building. MacPherson’s illustrations are sweet, with a sketchy, contemporary style...”

This book beautifully changes the narrative of gender and gender roles, but fair warning — the hug scene might bring a tear or two.”

Starred review, Kirkus Reviews

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# Aśka & Jessica Walton



“*Stars in Their Eyes* is a captivating graphic novel with a beautiful art style, a diverse and inclusive cast and a fluffy like-at-first-sight romance that will have fans miss conventions and meet cutes to boot.”

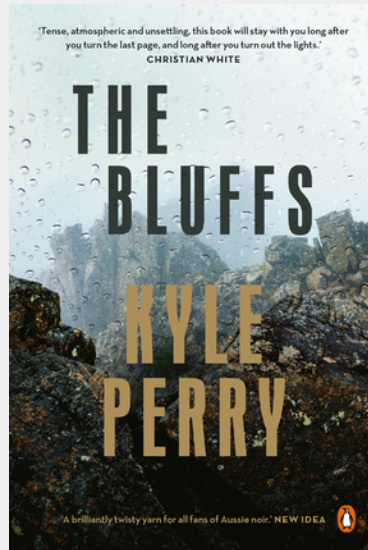
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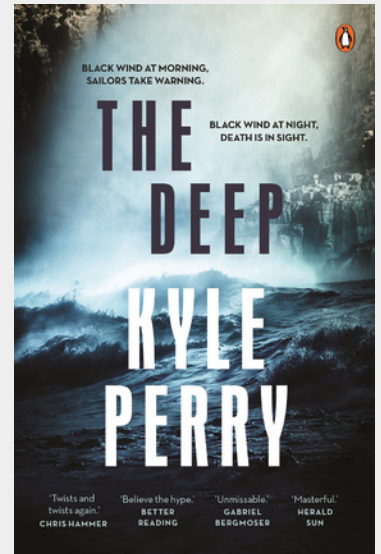
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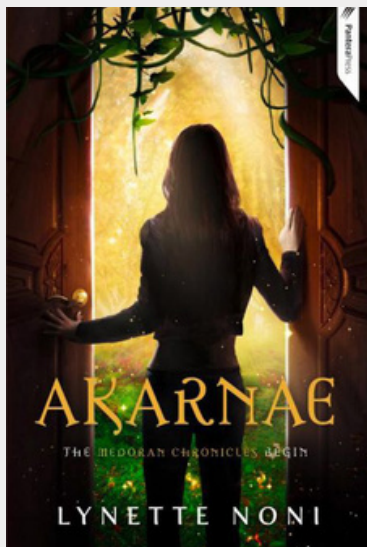
A heart-stopping new thriller set on the rugged coast of Tasmania about family bonds and betrayals, and the hidden dangers that lurk in the deep...

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Christian White, on *The Bluffs*

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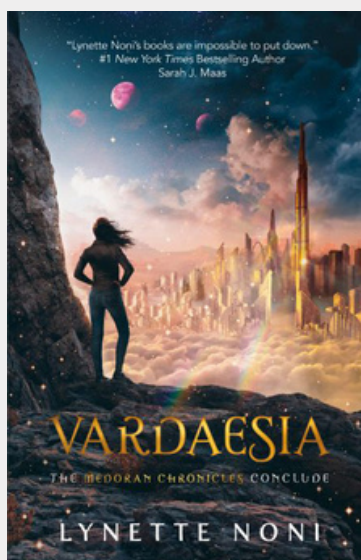
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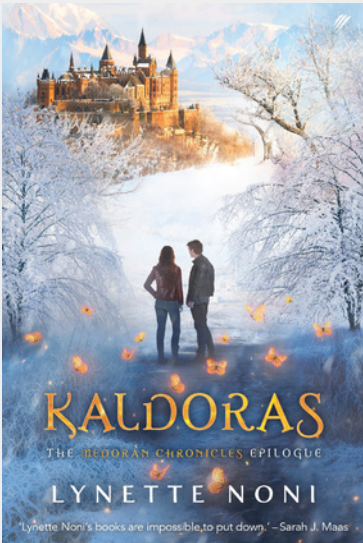
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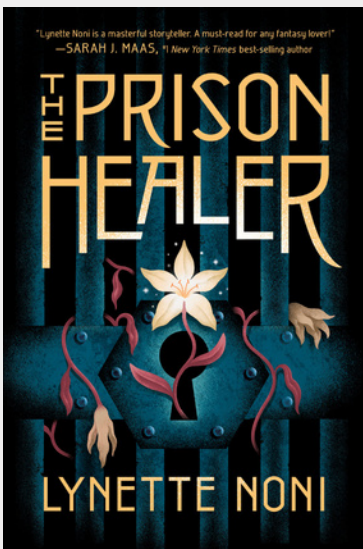
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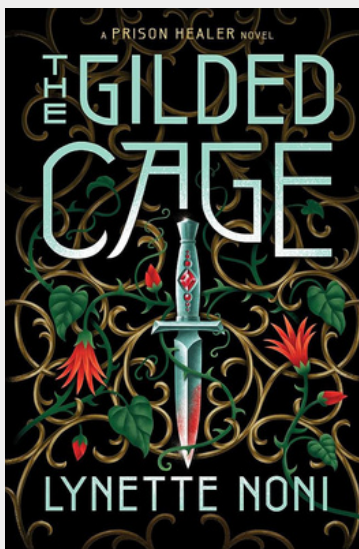
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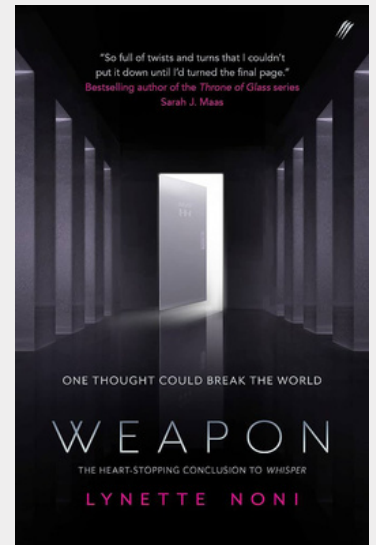
## The Gilded Cage



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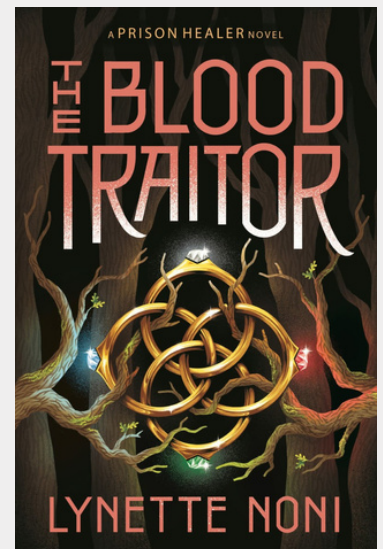
## Weapon



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I already knew he was a psychopath. But now? He's more dangerous than ever... And I have less than twenty-four hours to stop him.

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## The Blood Traitor

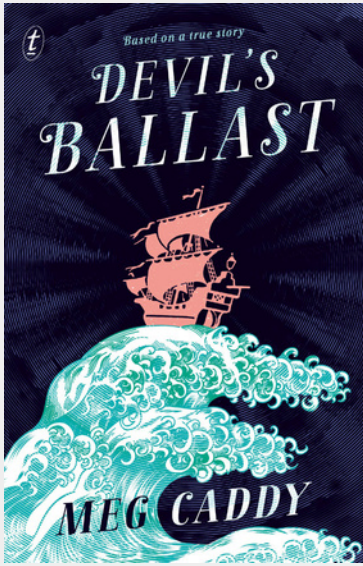


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The finale of the Prison Healer trilogy... She'd failed them. All of them. And now she was paying the price.

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# Meg Caddy



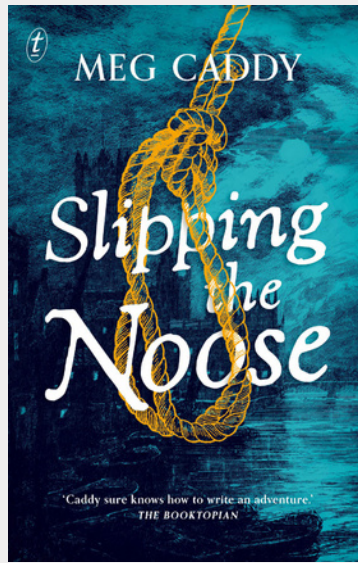
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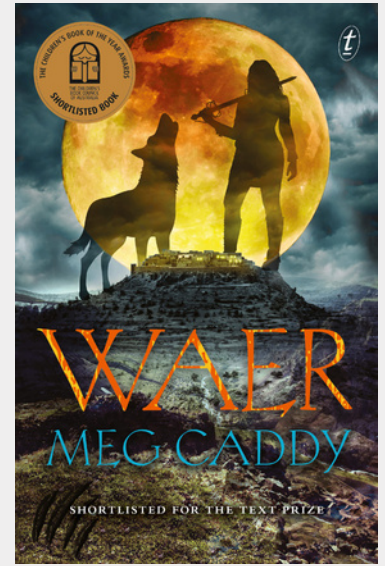
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# Meg McKinlay



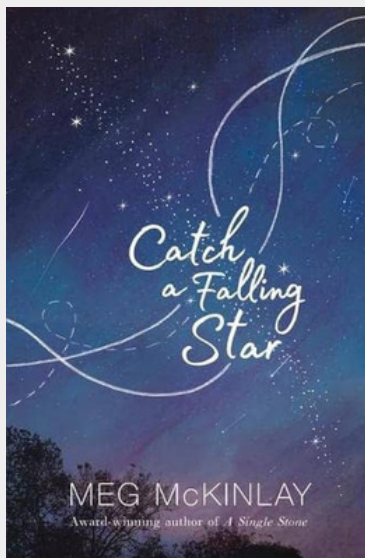
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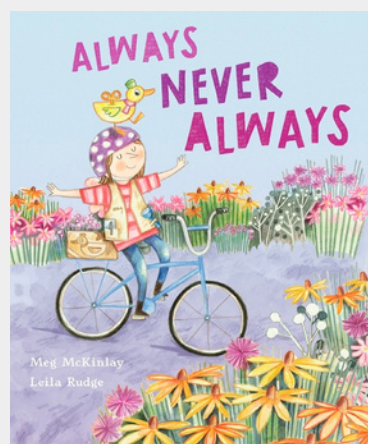
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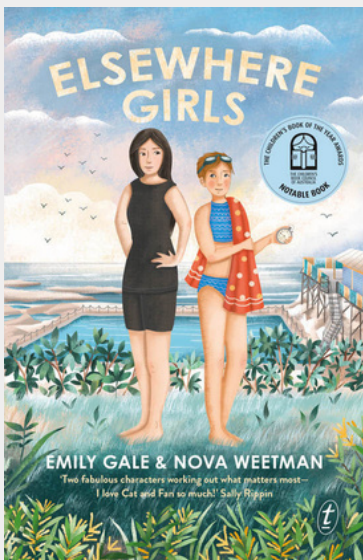
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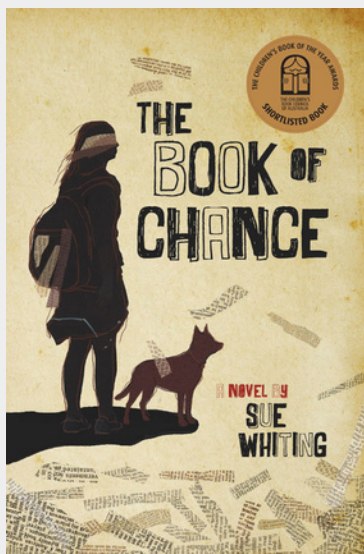
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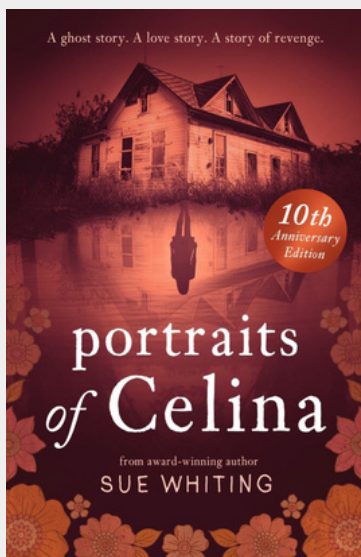
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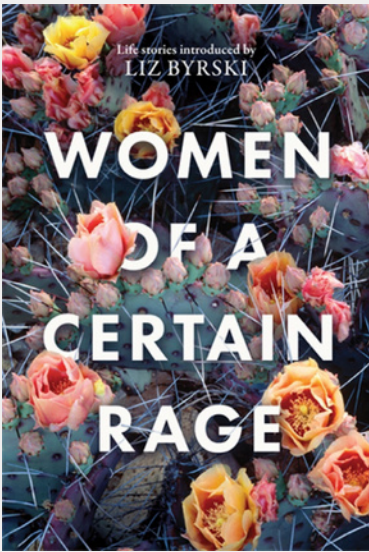
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