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Illustration © Cathy Fisher. From *Perfect* by Nicola Davies, Graffeg.

Welcome

This season sees Graffeg publish its first children's list – and it's a rather good one too. *Perfect*, written by the award-winning Nicola Davies, is a story of anticipation, disappointment, acceptance and love. Beautifully illustrated by Cathy Fisher, it tells the story of a young boy learning to accept his baby sister's disability.

Our new children's list also features three beautifully illustrated rhyming books for younger children, again written by Nicola Davies: *The Word Bird*, *Animal Surprises* and *Into The Blue*. Each poem explores the natural world and is wonderfully illustrated by exciting new talent Abbie Cameron.

We are also entering the world of teen and young adult with the *Shadows and Light* series. This series of short story books by Nicola Davies explore the deeper, darker side of our connection with the natural world. Six new illustrators have been hand-picked by Nicola to illustrate the series.

Celestine and the Hare is another star of our children's list. Originally an online community populated by mischievous felt animals, this series of books is filled with warmth and love, as well as fun craft activities for kids and grown-ups alike.

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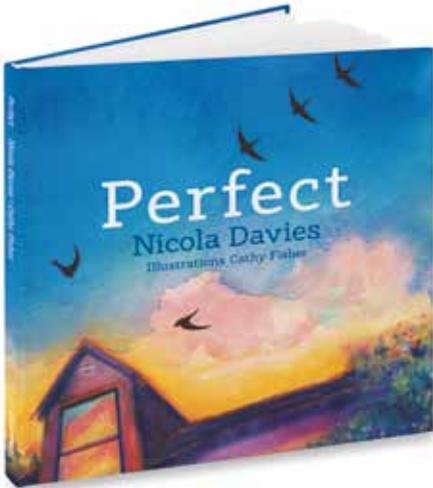
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Perfect by Nicola Davies £8.99



Perfect is a story of anticipation, disappointment, acceptance and love. Written by award-winning children's author Nicola Davies, it tells the story of a young boy who learns to accept that his baby sister has a disability but that she is still perfect in every way. This story, written from the perspective of the young boy, is suffused with natural imagery and is an ideal tool for opening up the subject of disability with children. Beautifully illustrated by Cathy Fisher, *Perfect* is a remarkable book guaranteed to bring a lump to the throat.

'I turned around and stood beside my sister's crib. Her dark eyes opened and her tiny fingers curled tightly onto mine. She smiled at me, a perfect, perfect, perfect smile.'

'One of the best picture books I have ever read.'

Jackie Morris, author and illustrator

'*Perfect* is beautifully written. It does tend to make you cry, but it also tells a very truthful and real story.' **Laura Carlin, illustrator**

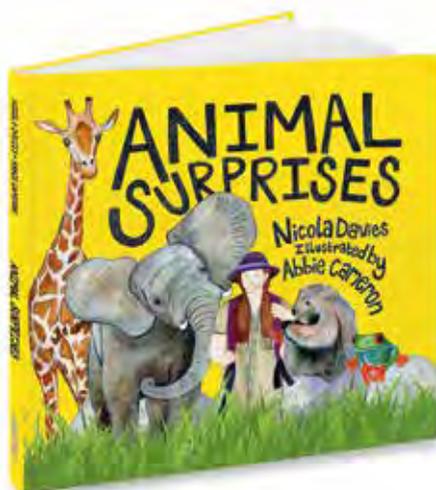
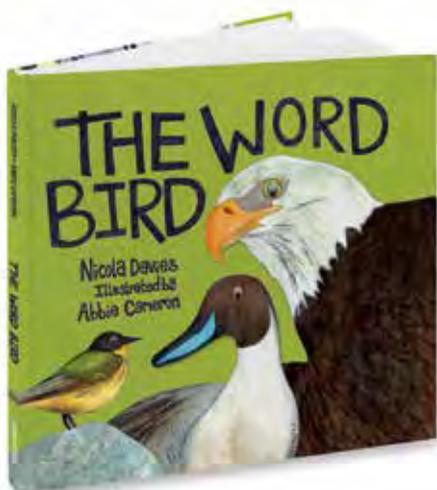
'Stories as deeply felt and as exquisitely crafted as *Perfect* are the food that nourish the soul.'

Nikki Gamble, children's literacy consultant

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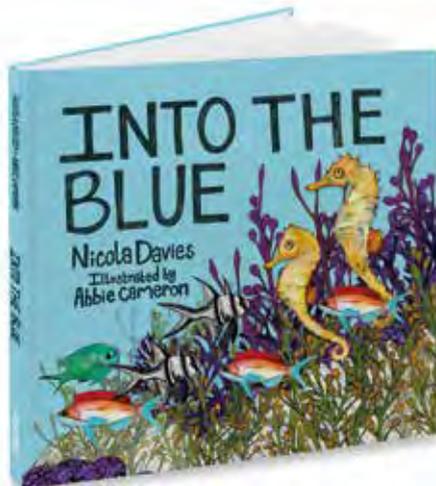
- Author Nicola Davies
 - Illustrator Cathy Fisher
 - Publication May 2016
 - Hardback, 32 pages
 - Size 250 x 250mm
 - Age 5-8+ years
 - ISBN 9781910862469
 - Price £8.99
- All rights available except UK

Rhyming books by Nicola Davies £8.99



Discover the delights of nature with zoologist, poet and top children's book author, Nicola Davies (author of *Whale Boy*, *The Promise* and *A First Book of Nature*).

Follow the young adventurer as she treks through the jungle, dives deep down into the sea and climbs high up into the trees. Featuring birds of all sizes, delightful characters from the deep blue sea and animals big, small, wide and tall. All three rhyming books are fully illustrated in colour by exciting new illustrator Abbie Cameron.

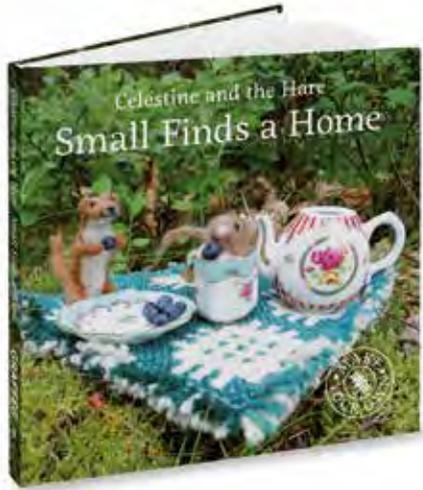
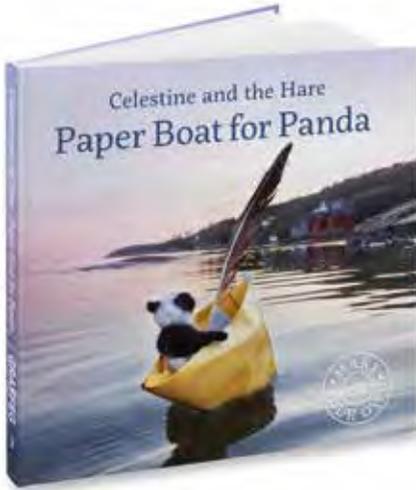


The Word Bird

- Author Nicola Davies
- Illustrator Abbie Cameron
- Publication June 2016
- Hardback, 32 pages
- Size 250 x 250mm
- Age 5-8 years
- **The Word Bird** ISBN 9781910862438
- **Animal Surprises** ISBN 9781910862445
- **Into the Blue** ISBN 9781910862452
- Price £8.99 each

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Celestine and the Hare books £6.99



Celestine and the Hare is a world where weasels are ruled by King Norty, pandas ride space hoppers and bears read stories to each other. It is a place that makes people smile and where kindness is the order of the day.

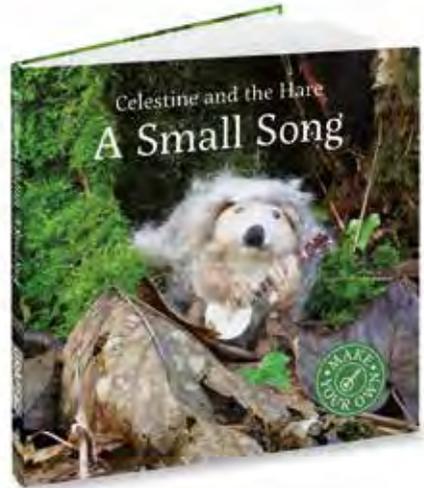
Read about a small act of kindness in each of these three books and learn a new craft along the way. Each book contains a fully illustrated story followed by detailed instructions on how to carry out the story's central craft activity.



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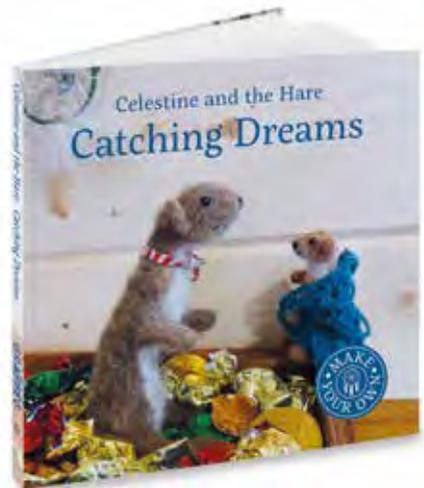
- Author Karin Celestine
 - Publication March 2016
 - Hardback, 32 pages
 - Size 150 x 150mm
 - Age 6-12 years
 - **Paper Boat for Panda** ISBN 9781910862377
 - **Small Finds a Home** ISBN 9781910862391
 - **Honey for Tea** ISBN 9781910862384
 - Price £6.99 each
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When Baby Weasus can't sleep, King Norty has just the thing to help her...

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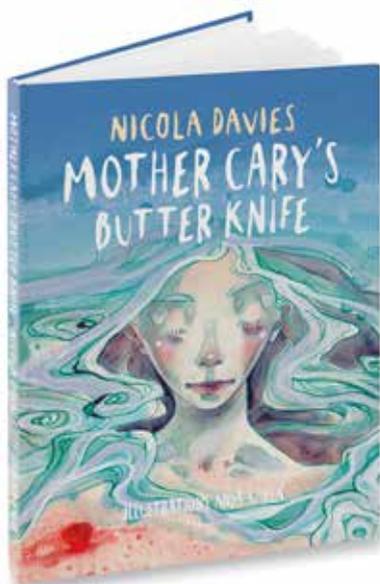


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 - Publication September 2016
 - Hardback, 32 pages
 - Size 150 x 150mm
 - Age 6-12 years
 - **A Small Song** ISBN 9781910862414
 - **Finding your Place** ISBN 9781910862421
 - **Catching Dreams** ISBN 9781910862407
 - Price £6.99 each
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Shadows and Light book series by Nicola Davies £8.99



A girl who changes into a hare to evade a cruel lover; a fisherman who loses his bride to the sea; these short stories explore the deeper, darker side of our connection with the natural world.

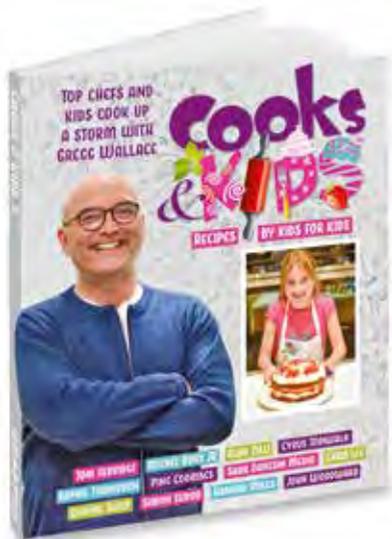
The first two in a series of six illustrated short stories for teenagers and adults, which explore the supernatural world, inspired by ancient folk tales and a love of nature. Be ready to feel a little bit of magic, and perhaps a few shivers down the spine.

Nicola Davies

Nicola is an award-winning author, whose many books for children include *The Promise* (Green Earth Book Award 2015, Greenaway Shortlist 2015), *Tiny* (AAAS Subaru Prize 2015), and *A First Book of Nature*. She graduated in zoology, studied whales and bats and then worked for the BBC Natural History Unit. Underlying all Nicola's writing is the belief that a relationship with nature is essential to every human being, and that now, more than ever, we need to renew that relationship.

- Author Nicola Davies
 - Publication September 2016
 - Hardback, 40 pages
 - Size 200 x 150mm
 - Age 9-12
 - Price £8.99 each
 - **The White Hare** ISBN 9781910862483
 - **Mother Cary's Butter Knife** ISBN 9781910862476
- All rights available except UK

Cooks & Kids 3 £20.00



A recipe book with a difference, Cooks & Kids 3 is the third in a series of cookbooks featuring children teaming up with top chefs to re-create their favourite recipes. The brainchild of the National Fostering Agency, Cooks & Kids 3 is a great way to get kids involved in the kitchen and teach them about cooking and healthy eating while at the same time making cooking fun. With easy-to-follow recipes, full instructions and colour photographs to help you on your way.

Proceed from the sales of the book will go to children's charity 'Place2Be'.

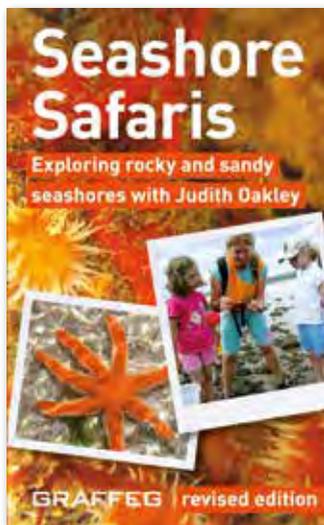
Chefs included:

Tom Kerridge, Michel Roux Jr., John Torode, Cyrus Todiwala, Aldo Zilli, John Woodward, Lisa Faulkner, Chris Lee, and several previous MasterChef winners.

Cooks & Kids 3

- Editor Gregg Wallace
- Publication October 2016
- Hardback, 160 pages
- Size 250 x 200mm
- ISBN 9781910862735
- Price £20

Seashore Safaris £11.99



Seashore Safaris is an introduction to exploring the shore with an underlying message to protect and conserve. The book is brilliantly illustrated throughout with photographs and text explaining the influences on the shore, zones of the shore, patterns of shore life, over 180 species of shore inhabitants, 10 different shore habitats, threats, the seashore code, safety on the shore, basic classification and organisations for recording findings.

Winner of the 2012 Best Design and Production award at the Welsh Books Council's Publisher Trade Awards.

Seashore Safaris

- Author Judith Oakley
- Paperback, 224 pages
- Size 200 x 125mm
- ISBN 9781905582525
- Price £11.99

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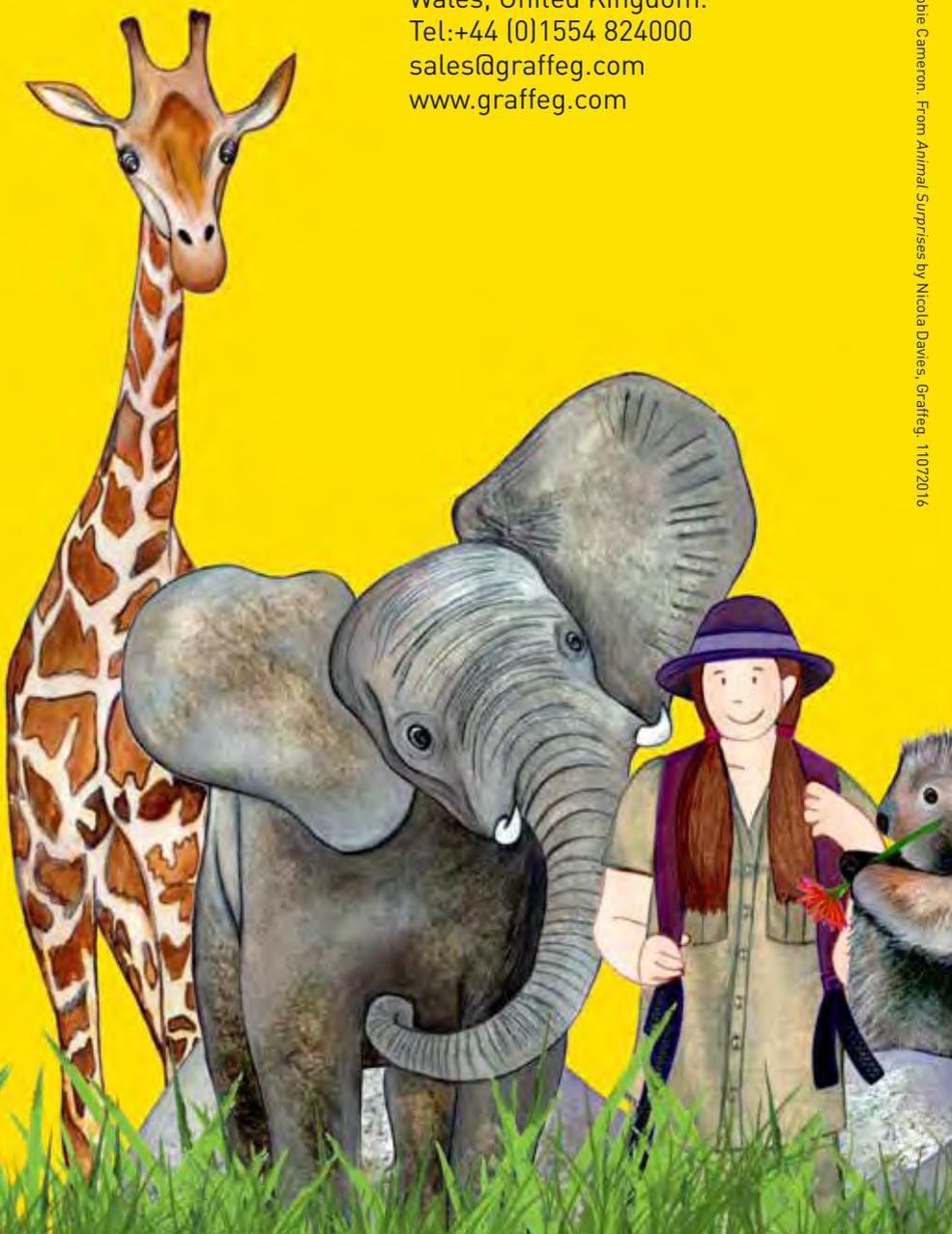
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