

**9780281084692****Paperback | 144 pages | £9.99****Poetry (Children's / Teenage)**

Roger McGough CBE, FRSL is one of our most popular poets, having published over fifty books of poetry for both adults and children, including Penguin Classic *The Mersey Sound*. The winner of two BAFTAs for his film work, and a Royal Television Society award, McGough has also won a Cholmondeley Award from the Society of Authors and is twice winner of both the Signal and CLPE Awards for the best children's poetry book. He presents *Poetry Please* on Radio 4 and is President of the Poetry Society. He was honoured with the Freedom of the City of Liverpool in 2001 and with a CBE in 2005 for services to literature.

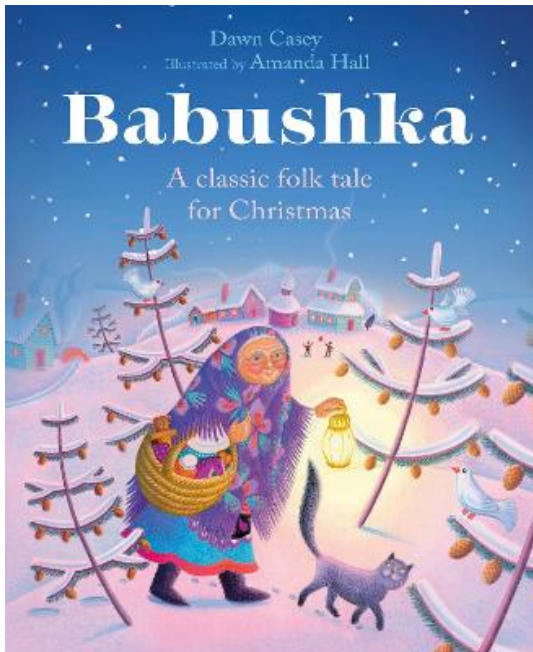
100 Best Christmas Poems for Children

SPCK Publishing (John Wiley & Sons Ltd)

19 August 2021

This delightful children's poetry anthology brings together the 100 Best Christmas Poems for Children, edited and introduced by Roger McGough.

From traditional verses by Christina Rossetti and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow to modern classics by Carol Ann Duffy, Steve Turner and Benjamin Zephaniah, this dazzling anthology of Christmas poems will delight children and adults of all ages. All the wonders of the season are captured in *100 Best Christmas Poems for Children*. Perfect for reading aloud with all the family, there are verses that will encourage children to reflect on the Christmas themes of joy, hope and peace for all the world, while also savouring the festive fun of everything else that Christmas brings - from the opening of the first Advent window to the tidying away of all the decorations on Twelfth Night. Edited and introduced by beloved poet Roger McGough, this enchanting children's poetry book make a wonderful gift and keepsake and will be cherished by all who read it. Children will gain an appreciation for language and storytelling as the magic of Christmas is brought to life by this anthology that they'll return to over and over again each year.



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Paperback | 32 pages | £6.99

Illustrations, colour

Traditional stories
(Children's / Teenage)

Amanda Hall is an award-winning international illustrator, noted for her stylish illustrations of folk tales and legends. With a lush and decorative style which demonstrates a love of colour, her children's books are often mythical and timeless. Amanda studied Graphic Art at what is now the Anglia Polytechnic University in Cambridge. Having travelled Amanda finds herself drawn to illustrating ethnic tales and legends in a style that uses watercolours and crayon to build layers of colour and texture.

Babushka

A Classic Folk Tale for Christmas

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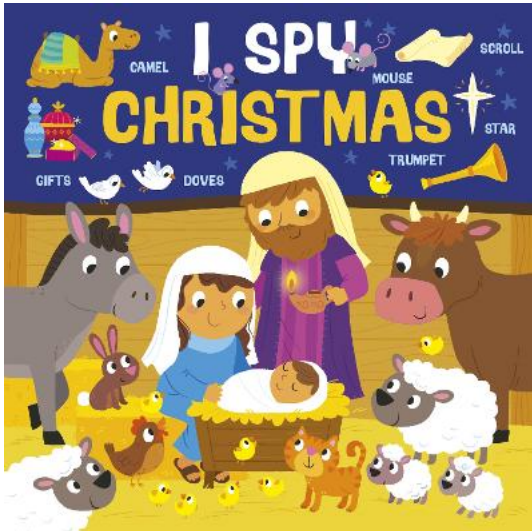
A traditional Russian folk tale with glowing illustrations from an award-winning artist will warm your heart and fill you up with the joyful, generous spirit of Christmas.

A heart-warming and timeless retelling of a traditional Russian folk tale filled with beautiful illustrations from an award-winning artist. Babushka is busy tidying her house when three unexpected guests arrive telling her they are looking for a baby, a new born king. When they leave Babushka stays behind cleaning and tidying, and preparing a gift for the baby. Next morning when she starts to follow the men she finds that the snow has covered their tracks and she doesn't know which way to go. But she keeps on searching, and as she goes she gives a gift from her basket to every child she passes who is hungry, or cold, or has no toys. With beautiful illustrations evoking folk art traditions and sensitive storytelling, Babushka reminds us that nothing is more important during the Christmas season than taking the time to show love for one another.

I Spy Christmas

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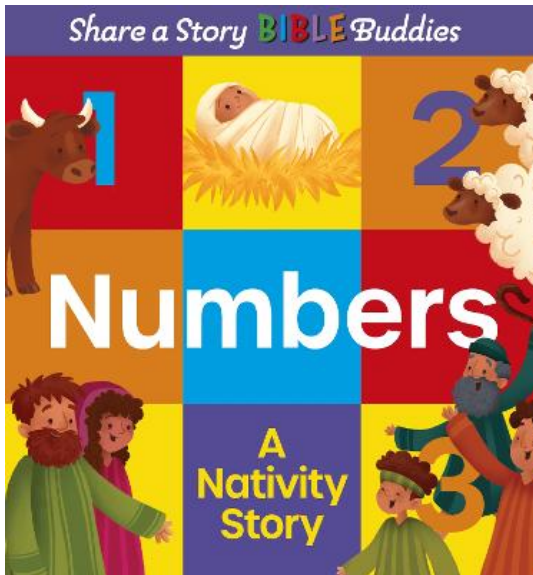
Illustrations, colour

Bibles & bible stories
(Children's / Teenage)

Deborah Lock has been writing and editing children's non-fiction, fiction and educational titles for more than 20 years. She is a licensed lay minister at her local parish church, leading worship and actively involved with children and youth work, and enjoys singing, drama and dance (which comes in very useful when co-ordinating the children-led Nativity service each year). Samantha Meredith went to Loughborough University and has a BA (Hons) in Illustration. She mostly designs and illustrates children's books, but her work has included surface pattern design, greetings cards and gift wrap, craft projects, toy packaging, and branding for sushi and tea companies.

Eleven bright and beautiful scenes from the first Christmas story for young children to delight over and solve the picture puzzles.

I-Spy Christmas has eleven bright and beautiful scenes from the first Christmas story for young children to delight over and find things to spot. Children notice all kinds of interesting things in pictures: children, animals, characters doing fun things. For each scene in I-Spy Christmas, there is a panel down the side with things to spot with visual prompt and labelled. Can your little ones solve the picture puzzle and find all the objects, people, and animals to spot? Of course, they can! Young children will find everything in these bright and cheery Christmas story scenes and lots of little extras to find as well. Enjoy reading aloud the first Christmas story with young children, too! I-Spy Christmas is a keep-busy book and a faithful retelling to turn to again and again. Fun to share and also to look at alone.



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Illustrations, colour

Bibles & bible stories
(Children's / Teenage)
Early learning / early
learning concepts
Early learning: numbers &
counting

Karen RosarioIngerslev has published several books for children and young adults through her own imprint, Pure & Fire. Since recently becoming a mother, she has taken more of an interest in books for very small children, particularly those that combine faith and humour and successfully maintain interest through multiple retellings. Karen is trained in performing arts and has experience as a drama teacher, youth leader and conference speaker. Jennifer Davison is a children's book illustrator. She lives in Northern Ireland and works in her little studio, surrounded by

Share a Story Bible Buddies Numbers

A Nativity Story

SPCK Publishing (John Wiley & Sons Ltd)

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Introduce, recognise, and count numbers while sharing the Christmas story. Part of the Share a Story Bible Buddies series.

Share a Story Bible Buddies series introduces important early learning concepts and builds essential skills while having fun sharing Bible stories with very young children. Numbers: A Nativity Story helps foster image, counting and word recognition of numbers, while children delight in the bold and bright illustrations of the events of the first Christmas. From one special baby asleep in the hay to ten twinkling stars shining bright, children can count along and make connections between the number and number word.

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Christmas

10 Pack

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A Christmas book in the popular Tiny Tots Bible range. Retold with no more than 50 words per double page, and fun, jolly artwork from Kay Widdowson. The clear text is easy to read aloud and the swirly, bright art style will capture the attention of any young child, with lots of smiley animals and characters and little details to spot. A great introduction to the story of the Nativity to share with little tots. PACK OF 10

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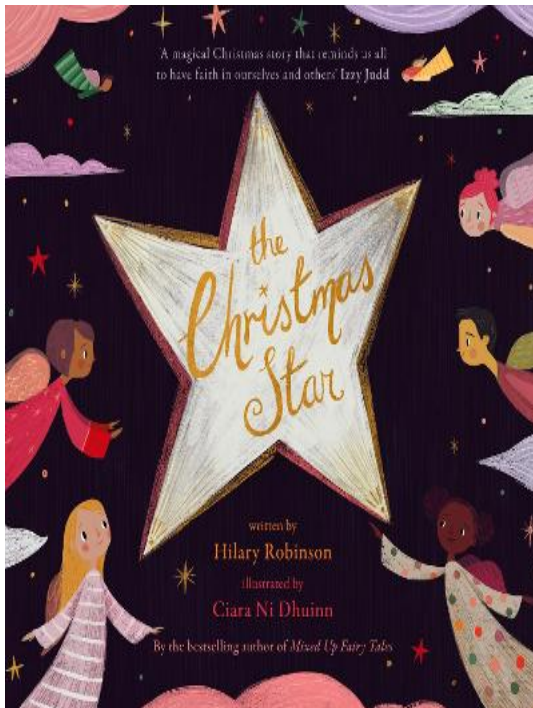
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Paperback | 32 pages | £25.00
colour illustrations

Bibles & bible stories
(Children's / Teenage)

LOIS ROCK has established an international reputation as a children's writer. Specialising in Bible stories, prayer books, and information books, her books have been translated into over 30 languages with sales of 4 million copies. Kay Widdowson studied at Chesterfield College of Art and Design and then went on to work as an animator in children's television for five years. She then became a freelance illustrator of children's books and still works in this field, as well as designing for greetings cards and gift wraps. Kay's style is bold and bursting with luscious colours and unexpected shapes which fit together into her playful animal compositions - full of movement and energy. Recently, Kay has been licensing her

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**9780281084333****Paperback | 32 pages | £7.99****Religion & beliefs:
general interest
(Children's / Teenage)**

Hilary Robynson is a network radio producer for the BBC Religion and Ethics department and has written over 40 books and picture books for children, including *Mixed Up Fairy Tales*. Her books have been translated into many languages and are sold across the world. She has also won several awards and been nominated for major children's medals including the Carnegie Award.

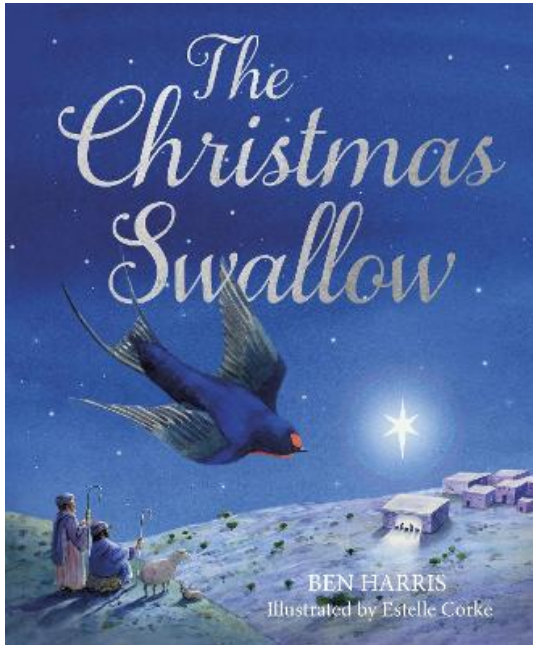
The Christmas Star

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The Christmas Star is a fresh, heart-warming retelling of the story of Christmas for 3-5 year olds, written by award-winning children's author Hilary Robynson.

It's a very special night for the angels of heaven. An incredibly important baby has been born, and they need to find the best and brightest star to lead travellers to him. So what will they do when very smallest star in the sky asks to play the part? This delightful full-colour picture book for children from award-winning author Hilary Robynson is a wonderful new retelling of the first Christmas story. A heart-warming tale of creating space for even the smallest and most humble of characters to shine, children and adults alike will be enchanted by the story of *The Christmas Star*. The characters and story are brought to life in stunning illustrations by Ciara Ni Dhuinn, and the clear, simple text is perfect for 3-5 year olds just starting to read and for adults to read aloud. *The Christmas Star* is an ideal book for family story-time, but is also useful for KS1 teachers looking for a fresh, original way to introduce children to the story of Christmas in the Bible. Children will love the story of the small, plucky star that becomes the Christmas star, and will learn that everyone can play a part in God's story, no matter how small they are, and that everyone should be given a chance to shine.



The Christmas Swallow

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A classic retelling of the Christmas story from a bird's eye viewpoint.

A swallow flits from here to there seeing the events of the Christmas story unfold. This captivating picture book has a well-written narrative that uses repetitive phrases to engage young readers, introducing Biblical truths about the birth of Jesus, as rescuer and born from God. The excitement of the shepherds and the heart-warming visit of the wise men are brought to life with the vibrant colours and radiance of the illustrations by Estelle Corke. Ideal for sharing with young children aged 3+ years during the Christmas season.

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Hardback | 32 pages | £9.99

Illustrations, colour

Bibles & bible stories
(Children's / Teenage)
Educational: Religious
studies: Christianity

Ben Harris is the translator of the Latin edition of Julia Donaldson's award-winning story of *The Gruffalo*, which draws on the language and style of the classical poets to brilliantly capture the rhythm and mischievous spirit of the original story. He is editorial consultant for the University of Cambridge School Classics Project and as a freelance writer publishes reviews and articles in the *Evangelical Quarterly*. **Estelle Corke** has a degree in Graphic Design from Bath College of Higher Education 1992. She works as a freelance illustrator for advertising agencies, packaging and magazine publishers, and can illustrate in all types of media. but since 2001 has

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The Story of Christmas

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A timeless retelling of the story of Christmas, from award-winning children's author Alexa Tewkesbury.

What a special visitor Mary has! It's the Angel Gabriel, and he has a very important message from God. Award-winning author Alexa Tewkesbury retells the first Christmas story in timeless fashion in this delightful picture book for 3-5 year olds. From Gabriel's visit to Mary to the arrival of the shepherds and the magi to welcome to new-born Jesus, The Story of Christmas is the perfect way to introduce kids to the nativity story and the true meaning behind the holiday season. Bright, colourful illustrations from Dani Padron bring the book to life, and kids will love spotting the many different animals that are dotted on every page. The clear, simple text is ideal for young ones just starting to read and for adults to read aloud. The Story of Christmas is a picture book that will charm children and parents alike, and is also a brilliant story time resource for KS1 teachers and children's workers. Kids will learn about the story of Christmas in the Bible in a memorable, engaging way, and gain a new understanding of why we celebrate it each year.

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Picture books

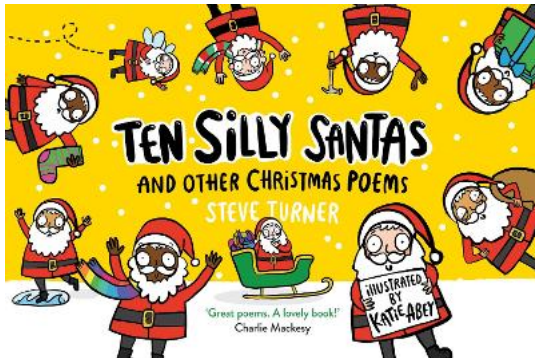
Alexa Tewkesbury is the award-winning author of the Pens and TOPZ Secret Diaries series (CWR). She has written several Bible story picture books for kids, including The Story of Easter (2021), Noah and His Ark (2017), Daniel in the Lions' Den (2017) and Jonah and the Whale (2017). Her other titles include It's a Boy! and It's Christmas.

Ten Silly Santas: And Other Christmas Poems

And Other Christmas Poems

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Poetry (Children's / Teenage)

Steve Turner is a performance poet, journalist, biographer and author of critically acclaimed anthologies of children's verse. Among his bestselling books for children are *The Day I Fell Down the Toilet* (1997), *Dad, You're Not Funny* (2000) and *Don't Take Your Elephant to School* (2006). Steve makes frequent guest appearances on radio and television and was visiting lecturer on music journalism at Leeds College of Music 2008-2011. He has been interviewed on *Today* (BBC Radio 4), *Front Row* (BBC Radio 4), *Breakfast* (BBC1), *Live Drive* (BBC Radio 5), *Steve Wright Show* (BBC Radio 2), *Diane Rehm Show* (NPR), *Laura Ingraham Show*, *Entertainment USA*, *Muse* (Bloomberg TV), *CBC*, *CBS*, *CNN*, and *MTV*.

A sideways look at the magic and mayhem of Christmas by one of the nation's best-loved children's poets.

Ten silly Santas At the north North Pole One Santa cracked the ice And fell down through a hole. Find out what happened to the nine other silly Santas in this brand-new, fun-filled collection of Christmas poems for children. Written by one of the nation's favourite children's poets, *Ten Silly Santas* captures both the joy and the angst of the Christmas season - making you laugh out loud while also prompting you to quietly reflect on the mystery that lies at the heart of it all.

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