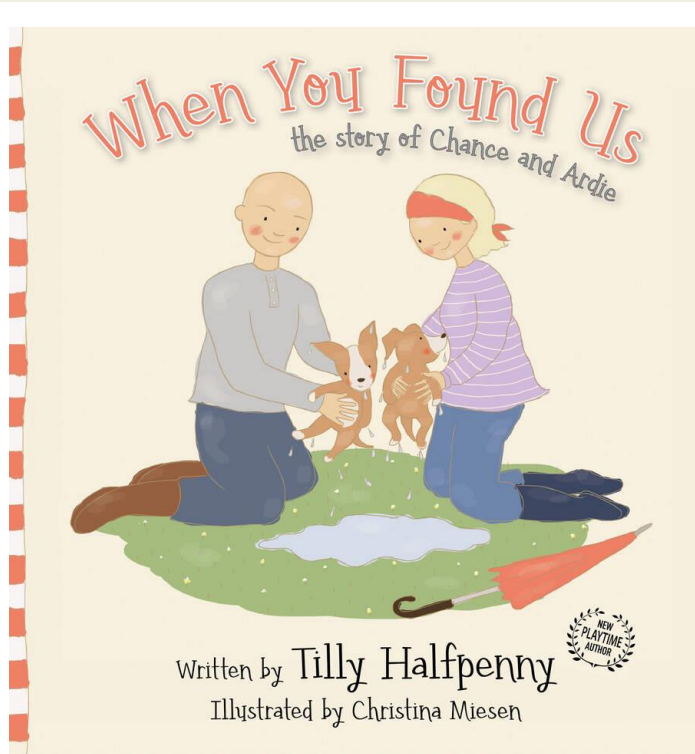


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The story of Chance and Ardie

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A LARGER THAN LIFE AND VERY TRUE STORY OF TWO BROTHER PUPPIES NAMED CHANCE AND ARDIE, WHO RESIDE IN A STRANGE PLACE WISHING FOR ANYWHERE ELSE TO CALL HOME.

What do you suppose will happen when their wishes come true?

When all the hugs they dreamed of arrive... And all the yummy food they craved for is devoured and the big, fluffy beds of cushions are worn into like a well snuggled bag of marshmallows... What will life be like for these wonderous brothers who seek what all creatures desire... Happiness!

"A bliss-bomb story of real friendships..." Connie, Indie Book reviewer

Tilly Halfpenny's magical tale of affection and companionship highlights the profound effect animals can make on people's lives and shows that dogs are important family members too.

AUTHOR BIO



Tilly Halfpenny is an adventurous, animal-loving new author from South Gippsland, Victoria. She is a primary school teacher who has a love for teaching and life-long learning. Inspired by her three dogs and the joy they bring to her life to write this children's picture fiction in the hope that it fosters a love of reading in children.

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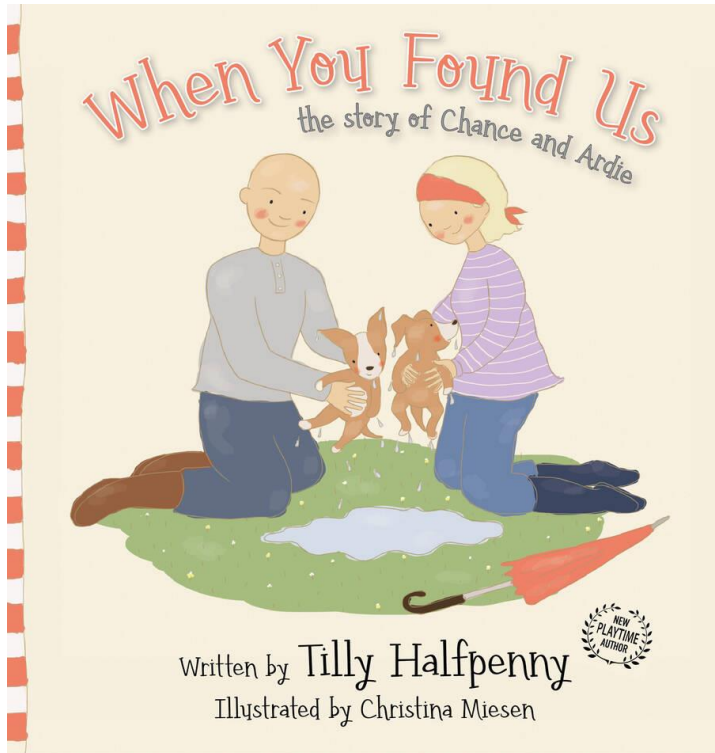
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A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR

WHY DID YOU WRITE 'WHEN YOU FOUND US: THE STORY OF CHANCE AND ARDIE? WHAT WERE YOUR INSPIRATIONS?

I wrote this book because of my love for dogs and I hoped that children would be inspired to read more through their enjoyment of my book about dogs

WHAT DREW YOU TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OR THE CHARACTERS?

My dogs are just so funny and loving, it's a subject matter that's so easy to write about. There are so many hilarious antics and heart-warming moments that they create every day that it lends itself so well to a children's book. Many children love animals and will be able to relate to this book, this will get them talking and thinking about their animals and experiences, which will hopefully, in turn help them with their literacy skills.

WHY DO YOU LIKE TO CREATE BOOKS FOR CHILDREN?

I like to create books for children because as a teacher, I know how important it is for children to be introduced to books and reading as early as possible and for kids to read every day. Many subjects can be explored through good children's literature and reading is a lifelong gift that adults should give to their children.

WHO INSPIRES YOU?

Animals and nature inspire me. Particularly dogs and their love for their humans. I've always cared for dogs; I got my first dog when I was three. To this day, no matter what country I'm in, I can't walk past a dog in the street without saying hello. My three rescue dogs are my children, my life and the greatest thing I've achieved so far. Living life to the fullest is also a constant inspiration to me. If I'm getting out there, having adventures, trying new things and visiting new places, then I can't help but be inspired.

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