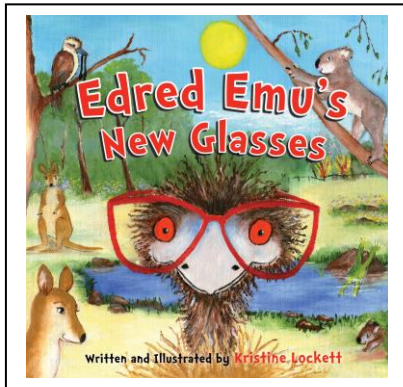




Edred Emu's New Glasses

Written and illustrated by Kristine Lockett

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“Edred was a happy young emu who lived in the bush. He liked to explore and go running. Running was his favourite thing to do, but he was always bumping into things and tripping over.”

One day, after crashing into Kevin Kangaroo and then splashing into Frankie Frog's pond, Edred has his eyes tested. When a bushfire hits, Edred relies on his new glasses and long legs to lead his friends and family to safety, becoming the unlikely hero of the story.

As well as teaching children about native Australian animals, “Edred Emu's New Glasses” encourages children not to laugh at someone who has an imperfection. With its brilliant storyline and colourful illustrations bringing the characters to life, this book will appeal to 3 to 8 year olds.

This book captures the same charm as its prequel “Kevin's Very First Adventure” and we are able to catch up with all our favourite characters including Kevin Kangaroo, Kalinda Kookaburra and more.

“It was interesting, I liked it” – Tristan, aged 5

“When Edred fell in the water...it was funny!” Skye, aged 4

Additional features in *Edred Emu's New Glasses* include:

- A simple yet informative quiz at the end of the book about the characters in the story
- A ‘grown-ups’ glossary to help adults explain and describe key Australian animals
- Children can count the number of times they see Edred wearing his red glasses to focus their attention, actively engage them in the story and improve numeracy skills in a fun and enjoyable way.

Kristine Lockett was born in Gosford, NSW. Since retiring in 2007, Kristine and her husband have travelled thousands of kilometres around central Australia. Kristine was inspired to write this story when they encountered a group of 10 emus trotting alongside their caravan in the outback. When they spotted the leader of the pack helping the emus to cross the road, Edred Emu was born.

Kristine Lockett is available for commissions and interviews

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