

MORE and MORE Just for FUN!! Children's Picture Books

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We have a collection of many “JUST FOR FUN” titles at A 2 Z Press. Moira Andres has created more of the delightful titles we want to present this week.

Thoroughly Modern Grandmama, The Silver Balloon, Nessie’s Baby, and Creepy-Crawlies are Fun, are heart-warming and entertaining children’s stories that are whimsical and clever - entertaining and fun for children of all ages.

Come see the stories!

A THOROUGHLY MODERN GRANDMAMA

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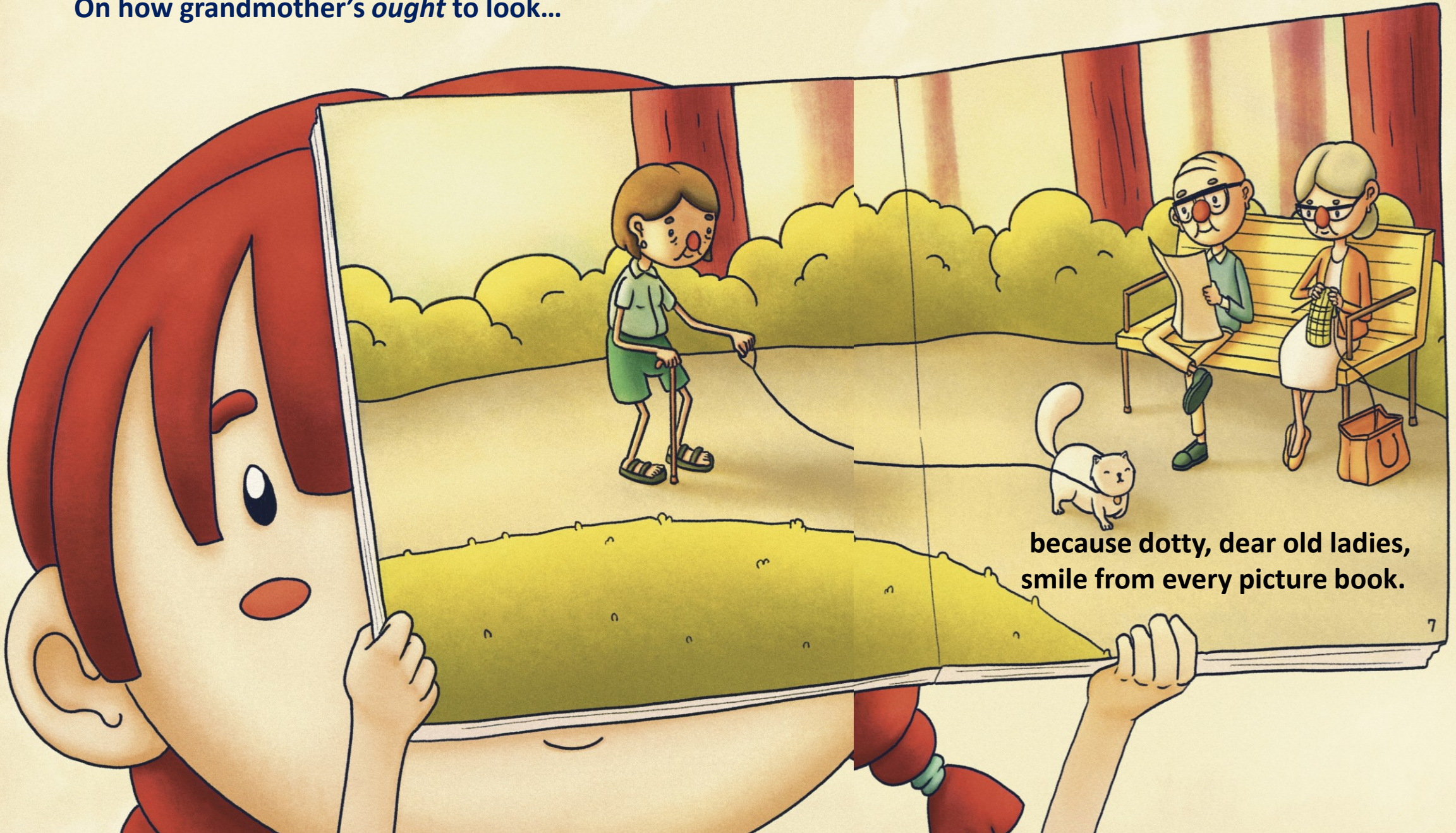
illustrated by: Naomi Peña

Thoroughly Modern Grandmama is filled with colorful and FUN things about this young-at-heart Grandmama!

I 've become a word's
authority



On how grandmother's *ought* to look...



because dotty, dear old ladies,
smile from every picture book.

They're usually round and cuddly,

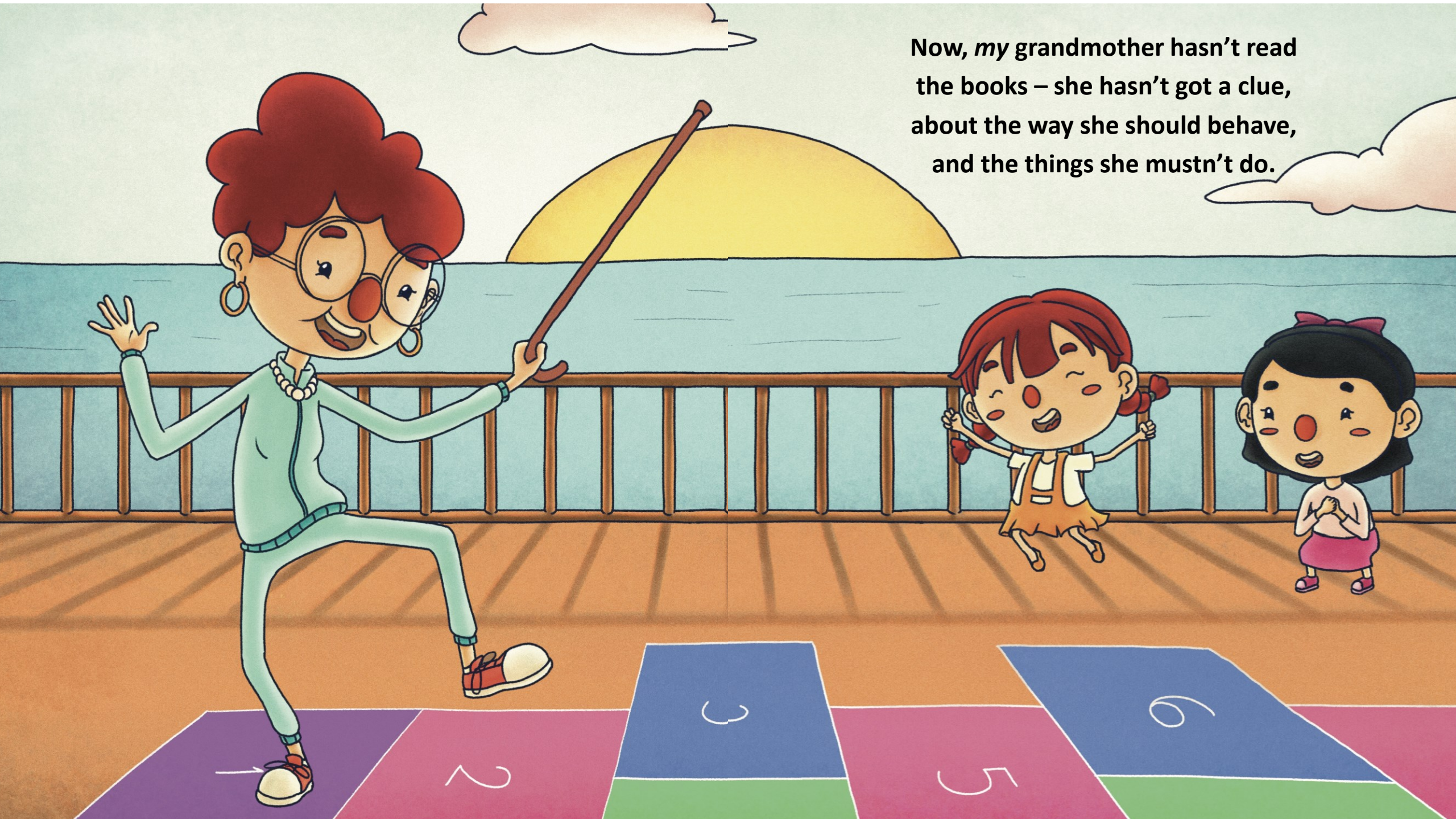


with grey hair and a hat.

They drink endless
cups of milky tea,



and always, always have a cat!

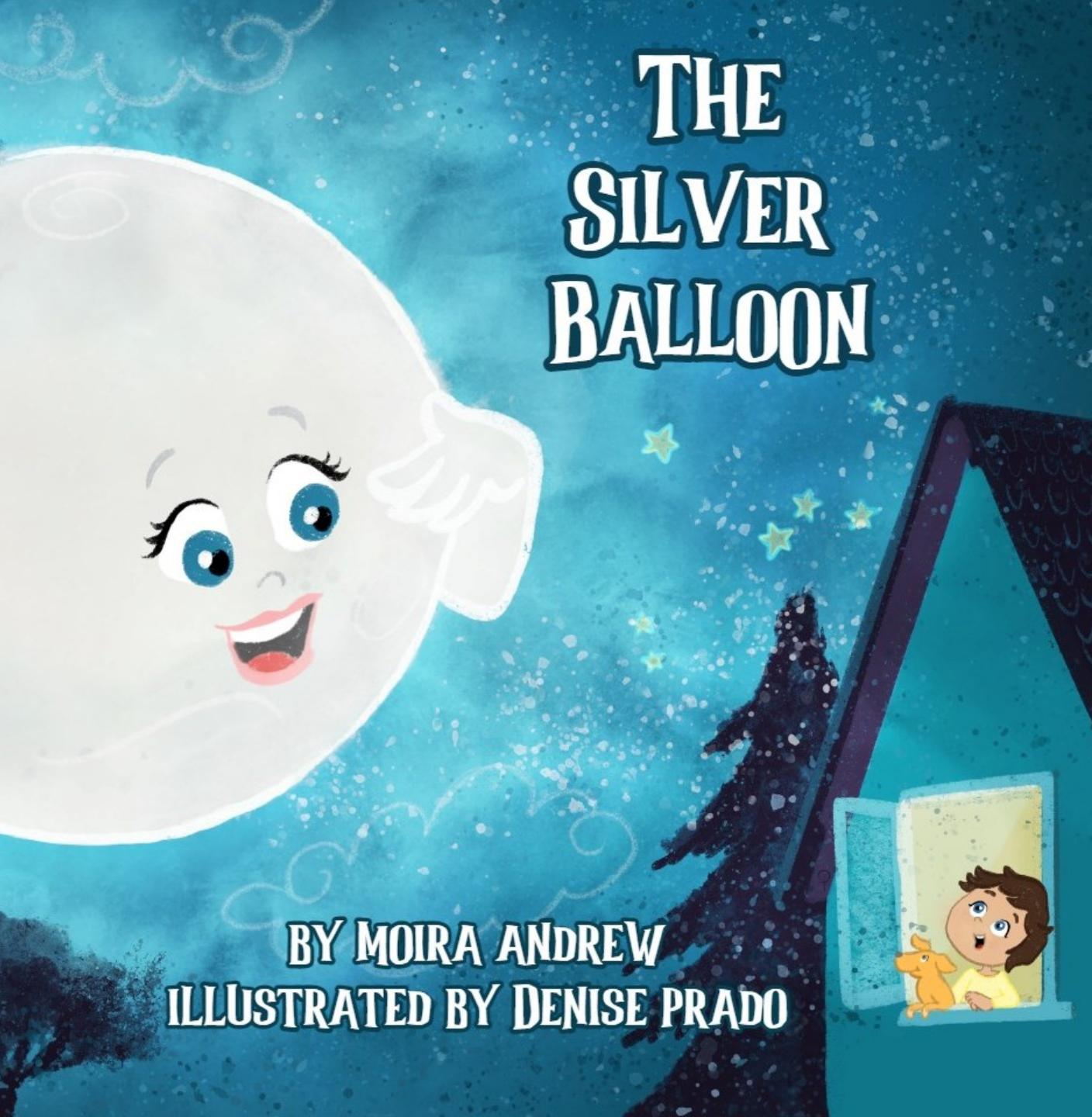


Now, my grandmother hasn't read the books – she hasn't got a clue, about the way she should behave, and the things she mustn't do.

THE SILVER BALLOON

BY MOIRA ANDREW
ILLUSTRATED BY DENISE PRADO

The Silver Balloon is a fave! This balloon is vain and looking for a mirror. When no one in the sky will get her one, she falls to earth and needs help from a young boy!



The Moon was
very vain





**She was brighter than the brightest star,
whiter than the whitest cloud,
and flew higher than the highest bird.**



**And she knew that she was beautiful, so
she spent a lot of time admiring herself.**





One winter's night, she called out,
'Stars, bring me my mirror!'

'No,' they said. 'We're too cold.'
It was true. They were so cold that they
shivered in the sky. 'Get it for yourself,'
they added.






She gazed down on the winter earth. It was
glittering with ice and feathered with snow
—



and there, sparkling in a
snow-covered garden,
she saw a mirror!

A colorful illustration of a winter scene. In the foreground, a boy with a red beanie, blue jacket, and yellow pants is sliding on a frozen pond. A small yellow dog with a grey scarf and a blue hat is also on the ice. In the background, there are snow-covered evergreen trees under a twilight sky. A large, anthropomorphic white moon with blue eyes and a pink mouth is on the right side of the image, looking surprised.

He slid right across the pond, making
a wet patch on the seat of his pajamas.

**'Please throw
me into the
air.
Throw me as
high as you
can!'
pleaded the
voice.**

NESSIE'S BABY



Nessie's Baby is about
the creature in Loch
Ness!

Nessie is seen by people now and then. She has a baby that no one wants to play with at first because she looks like her mum and everyone is afraid of her! But not forever....



Nessie was a very famous monster who lived beneath the dark and dangerous waters of Loch Ness where purple mountains loomed high into the sky.



As monsters go, she was beautiful! She had a great green head and a very, very, very long strong tail.



But she looked so ferocious that the underwater creatures were frightened and kept out of her way.



This made Nessie very sad because she wanted to be friends!



But the silver fish were frightened of her sharp white teeth.
The wriggling eels were frightened of her great wild eyes and the water snails were frightened of her long strong tail.



Nessie tried hard to make friends with every underwater creature, but they all swam away.



While it is true that Nessie had no friends and that made her feel sad, she didn't know she was a celebrity. She didn't know that people came from far beyond the purple mountains to catch a glimpse of her great green head and her long strong tail. Day and night, she hid herself away in the shadowed depths beneath the dark waters.



But Nessie had a wonderful secret. Nessie had a baby. She called her baby Nancy, a beautiful name for a beautiful baby Nessie thought. She didn't know that babies were not supposed to be green, green as water weed.



She sang happy and wonderful songs to her baby and rocked her to sleep beneath the waves.

CREEPLY-CRAWLIES ARE FUN



BY MOIRA ANDREW

Creepy-Crawlies are
Fun is a just for fun
book about all kinds of
insects that fly or crawl
or jump and MORE!

I like every kind of
insect ...





I like the ones that
crawl



I like the ones that tickle me....





And those that are
very small!

I love every creepy-
crawlie! Indeed, I love.
Love them all!





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Moira taught creative writing part-time at the University of Glamorgan. She has written seven books on the creative arts for teachers, (*Belair*). She also writes stories and poems for children, *Wish a Wish*, (Poetry Space), is the most recent. She has ten poetry collections for adults in publication, *Geese and Daughters* (IDP) and *Imagine a Kiss*, (Dempsey & Windle) are her most recent. Moira also has a very special book, *Looking through Water*, (Poetry Space) that is a sensitive and thoughtful collection of poetry documenting her failing sight that is being recorded by the RNIB as a Talking Book for the blind.

Moira has over 100 titles to her credit!