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#### **ABOUT THE BOOK**

Pete is hoping – desperately hoping – for a telescope. There's nothing he wants more for his birthday. But when a mysterious card arrives in the mail, what Pete wants is turned upside down.

#### **ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

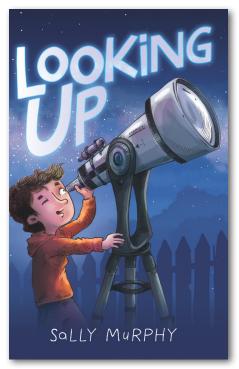
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### **NOTES**

- Sally Murphy is best known for *Pearl Verses the World*,
  which won an Indie Book of the Year award in 2009, was
  made a Children's Book Council of Australia Honour Book
  in 2010, and won a Speech Pathology Australia Book of the
  Year Award (Best Book for Language Development, Upper
  Primary) in 2010.
- Sally's book *Toppling* won a Queensland Premier's Literary Award and a Western Australian Premier's Book Award in 2010. It was also shortlisted for a Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Award in 2010 and was made a Children's Book Council of Australia Notable Book in 2011.
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