

# Jack's ISLAND

by **NORMAN JORGENSEN**

## ABOUT THE BOOK

When war comes to Australia, Jack's family moves to Rottne Island while his father helps the military build an airfield. Jack is left to explore his new home with his best friend Banjo ... and the pair have a knack for getting into trouble. Trouble that's exacerbated when their new classmate Dafty seeks revenge against the local schoolmaster for a punishment inflicted on Banjo. Will Dafty's loyalty lead to things suddenly becoming more serious?

Written in short, engaging chapters, this poignant and accessible story for younger readers offers valuable insights into wartime Australia.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Multi-award-winning writer Norman Jorgensen is one of WA's most versatile writers for young people with a dozen books published to date. He specialises in quests, escapades and thrilling stories for the reluctant reader. His books include the CBCA-winning picture book *In Flanders Fields*.



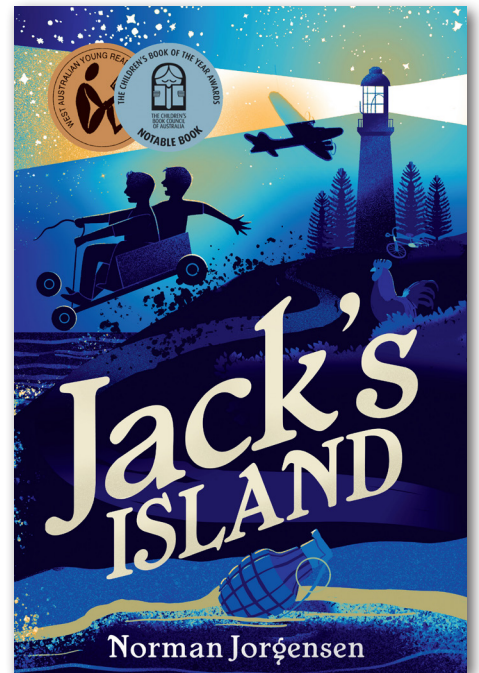
## MEDIA NOTES

- This is a new edition of a modern Australian classic that's sold almost 8,000 copies to date.
- *Jack's Island* is a middle grade adventure about cheeky boys making the most of their childhood during wartime while living on an island off the coast of Western Australia.
- The poignant, multi-layered text is in short, extractable chapters perfect for reading in the classroom, it is excellent learning material for teaching curriculums about history, culture and general English studies.
- Norman began writing in primary school and had a story read on the ABC Radio Argonaut's Club, but it took many years before his first picture book was published. That book was the CBCA-winning picture book, *In Flanders Fields*.

## PRAISE FOR THE BOOK

'The cheeky but lovable characters are woven well into a riveting storyline with an Australian setting.' *Good Reading Magazine*

'An insightful perspective of life on the Australian home front as seen through the eyes of its unruly narrator.' *Canberra Times*



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