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TRAPPED!

by Julia Lawrinson

ABOUT THE BOOK

In 1907, the mining town of Bonnie Vale experiences a sudden deluge of rain that floods a gold mine while miners are still at work down the shaft.

Joe's dad is one of them. And it soon becomes clear that he's the only one who hasn't made it out. Where is he? Why didn't he escape with the others? And more importantly, how will they rescue him?

Inspired by the true story of the trapped miner of Bonnie Vale and told in verse, Julia Lawrinson weaves a tale that will beckon readers down into the gold mine to find out how the daring rescue unfolded.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Julia Lawrinson is an award-winning writer of books for children and young adults.
Julia has worked in a range of organisations, from the arts to parliament to health.
She has presented at schools, workshops and conferences across Australia, and in Singapore, Indonesia and the USA, and loves meeting her audience and encouraging reading, learning and curiosity. Her books are



about friendship, family and the occasional Jack Russell.

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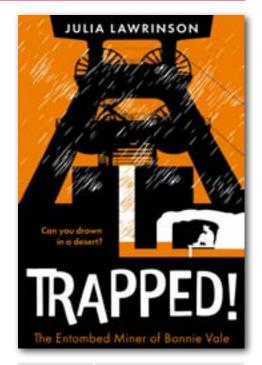
- Trapped is both a tale of survival and a snapshot of history that
 offers great educational potential for primary school students
 and teachers.
- Perfect for readers aged 8+, it is an accessible verse novel.
- *Trapped* is a great fit for the Australian curriculum as it covers an important historical event in our country's gold-mining history.

PRAISE FOR THE AUTHOR

'The writing style is tight, and characterisation strong. Lawrinson positions the reader well to view the narrative from various characters' viewpoints.' *Magpies*

'Julia Lawrinson is that rarest of things: a true original voice.'

Howard Norman



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