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### ABOUT THE BOOK

Pygmy Possum wants to climb far, far up into the trees to taste the sweet blossom nectar. But everyone keeps telling her the same thing: 'It's very high. You're too little. You might fall.' Are they right, or will she find a way?

This is a gentle tale of believing in yourself in the face of others' doubt and recognising your own strengths. Beautifully illustrated in Katie's signature style, the Australian animals in this book are sure to delight little readers.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Katie Stewart is an author and illustrator. Born in the north of England, she came to Australia at the age of nine. She started her working life as an archaeologist and ethnohistorian, went on to teaching, then to being a mother. She later worked in a school library, but her lifelong dream was to be what she is now.



### NOTES

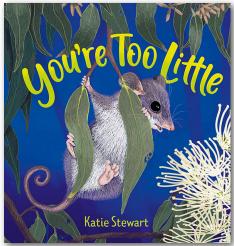
- Features much-loved Australian animals while teaching readers aged 2–5 the value of everyone's differences.
- The Australian animals in this book include the adorable Western Pygmy Possum, a gecko and a numbat.
- Katie's books have been shortlisted for the Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards (2020 and 2021) and shortlisted for the WA Premier's Book Awards (2022).

### PRAISE FOR THE AUTHOR

'Superb and beautifully crafted with so much wisdom suffused throughout the pages, and suitable for all family members, no matter their age.' *Jenni Woodroffe, Life Member of IBBY Australia* 

'Katie Stewart has created a most beautifully crafted book. The text is delightful ... I loved this book.' *ReadPlus* 

'The illustrations are sure to captivate and delight readers and the story really lends itself to reading aloud. Highly recommended.' *IC3* 



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