

# MIDNIGHT

## The story of a light horse

by Mark Greenwood & Frané Lessac

### ABOUT THE BOOK

A foal is born at midnight, on the homestead side of the river. Coal black. Star ablaze. Moonlight in her eyes.

On October 31, 1917, the 4th and 12th regiments of the Australian Light Horse took part in one of the last great cavalry charges in history. Among the first to leap the enemy trenches was Lieutenant Guy Haydon riding his beloved mare, Midnight. This is their story.

### ABOUT THE CREATORS

**Mark Greenwood** is a history hunter. His award-winning books examining history and multicultural themes have been honoured internationally.

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### NOTES

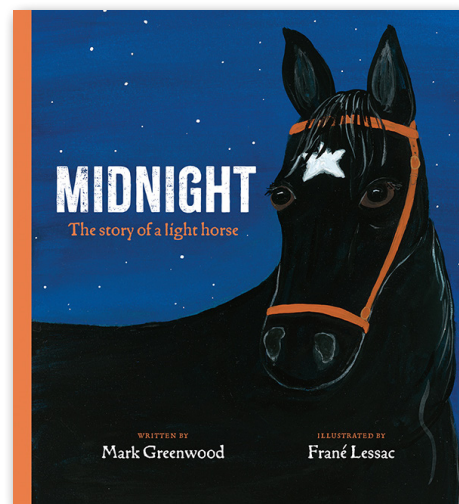
- *Midnight* is perfect for readers aged 3+ to learn about important Anzac stories.
- Featuring Australian WWI history, *Midnight* is suitable for classroom learning about Australia's involvement in the war, particularly the capture of Beersheba and one of the last great cavalry charges in history. *Midnight* captures the story of one of the last great cavalry charges in history.
- The book was a Children's Book Council Book of the Year Notables and shortlisted for a WAYRBA Award

### PRAISE FOR THE BOOK

'Chilling, moving, this narrative non-fiction picture book will enchant readers of all ages--for its simple yet beautifully-written content, and for the vibrant, child-friendly imagery Lessac does so well.' *Kids Book Review*

'Dedicated to the Light Horsemen and their horses is this moving, colourful yet factual account of Australian mounted soldiers in World War I' *Reading Time*

'All in all a very well researched, written and illustrated picture book.' *Booksellers NZ*



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