

Ke Barna

Water Creatures

by Jayden Boundry & Tyrown Waigana

ABOUT THE BOOK

Discover water creatures big and small, and learn their names in Noongar and English.

Babies and toddlers will love interacting with engaging illustrations of Maali (Black Swan), Kwilena (Dolphin) and Maamoong (Whale). With a free, comprehensive pronunciation guide available online, families can learn to appreciate and connect with an Indigenous language.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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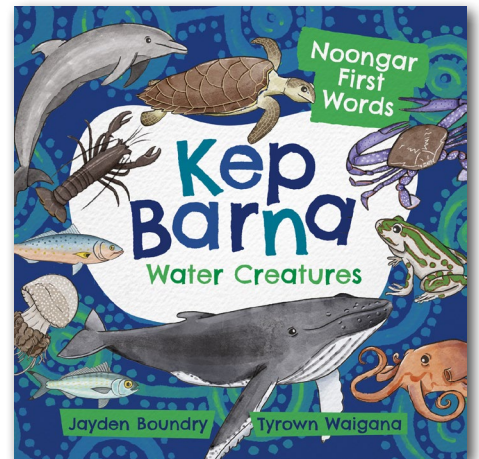
ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

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NOTES

- Written in Noongar and English, this illustrated collection of first Noongar words focuses on Australian water animals, such as dolphins, sharks and whales.
- Language is intrinsic to understanding and expressing culture. For Indigenous children, being able to connect in early childhood with an Indigenous language helps strengthen their sense of belonging and identity. Non-Indigenous children gain a broader understanding and appreciation of cultural identity and a greater sense of connection to their local area.
- Noongar is the language of the Noongar nation and is spoken by 14 different groups across the south-west corner of Western Australia.
- This is the second board book in the new Barna series, and the third book by Jayden Boundry and Tyrown Waigana.
- Jayden is a qualified Noongar language LOTE teacher.
- An audio recording is available online, that can be accessed through the QR code in the back of the book.



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