

# Rebecca Johnson

## Author Visit

### The Performance

Rebecca believes that writing books is like buying clothes....you never know whether something is going to suit you until you try it on. In her highly interactive presentations she will discuss a variety of strategies that she uses to write her stories and involves the students in experimenting with these styles themselves through role play and storytelling.

Rebecca believes that writing should be one of the last things that happen in the creative process, and that oral language is the key to teaching children to write well. Both reluctant and advanced writers will be inspired to extend themselves in an exciting, funny and non-threatening presentation. These presentations can be geared to students anywhere from P-6. In her presentations, Rebecca uses her books from the Steve Parish story book series as well as the first book in the 'Juliet – Nearly a Vet' series 'The Great Pet Plan'.

All of Rebecca's books are science based and link strongly with the Australian Curriculum, please refer to website for further information.

### The Performer

Rebecca Johnson is an Australian author and award-winning science teacher. Published by Penguin and illustrated by Kyla May, her latest series, **Juliet – Nearly a Vet** has received a large number of excellent reviews as well as individual books in the series winning the 2014 Wilderness Society Environment Award for Children's Literature, being twice nominated for the CBCA younger readers category (2014 and 2015), and nominated for the Adelaide Festival Awards for Literature (2014). This series will soon be published in Norwegian, Czech, Slovak and Portuguese.

Her bestselling **Steve Parish Story Book** series of page-turning adventures featuring Australian wildlife, has sold more than 3 million copies. Each book is also beautifully accompanied by full-colour photographs by award-winning photographer Steve Parish.

Rebecca also has an **Insect Series** published by Pascal Press with strong links to the Australian Curriculum, presenting facts and scientific knowledge in a fiction format with stunning photographs. This series won the 2014 Whitley Award for Best Educational Series.

Rebecca received the 2010 Peter Doherty Award for Excellence in Science Teaching and has been shortlisted for the 2015 Prime Minister's Award for Science.

### Awards

#### **Juliet - Nearly a Vet (Bush Baby Rescue - Book 4)**

Winner of the 2014 Wilderness Society Award for Children's Literature - Fiction

#### **Insect Series**

Winner of the Whitley Award for Best Children's Educational Series 2014.



<b>DURATION: 50 minutes with Q &amp; A</b>	<b>SUITABILITY: K-6</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE COST</b> \$4.50 GST N/A per student	<b>PERFORMANCE MINIMUM (130 students)*</b> Total: \$585.00 GST N/A per performance

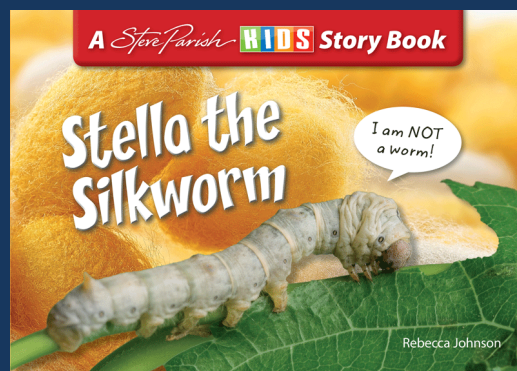
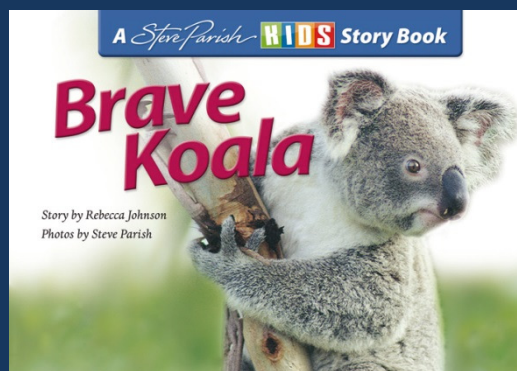
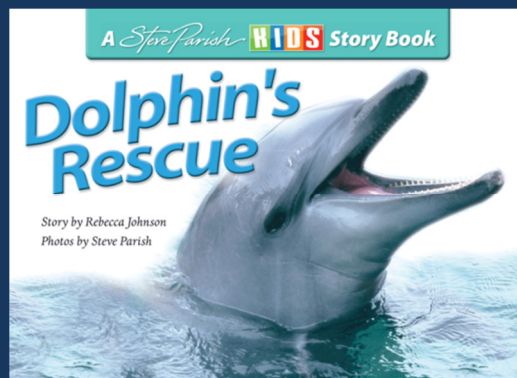
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