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The Market

- For the general market.
- For teachers - an excellent addition to early childhood libraries.
- Ideal for cultural and language studies.

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Advance Information

ORIGINAL GIRL

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Written by Michelle Witheyman-Crump

Illustrated by Vicky Duncan

Description

A little Australian preschool girl, who loves playing with sticks, looks for different ways to become an Original girl. Eventually she discovers that she already is a Gamilaroi (Ab)original girl.

The message of cultural strength and identity is reinforced by the story being told in Gamilaraay as well as English.

The Author and Illustrator

Teacher-Librarian Michelle Witheyman-Crump whose husband Des Crump is a Gamilaraay consultant and linguist, based the story on their daughter. She is fair and blonde. They live in the Ipswich area of Queensland.

Visual artist Vicky Duncan was selected as its illustrator, because she too is a Kamilaroi woman, from Inverell in northern NSW. Vicky has been doing art since a teenager, and uses and teaches a wide variety of media. In this book she uses gouache to create the bright colours.

This is a first book for both.

Promotion

Both writer and illustrator are available for author visits to schools and retailers and festivals. Review copies are available on request.

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