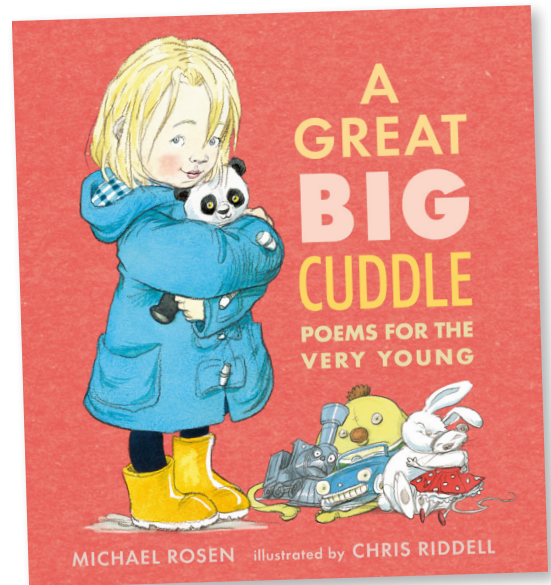


A GREAT BIG CUDDLE

by Chris Riddell (illustration)
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Walker Books

Shortlisted for the 2017 Kate Greenaway Medal
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'Bold and engaging illustrations underline the nonsense of the poetry making this a satisfying and distinctive experience. Two people at the height of their powers combine' – Judging panel



UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Article 1: We are all born free and equal in dignity and rights.

ABOUT THIS BOOK

This book of rhymes celebrates the right to be a child, including the rights to play, experience different feelings and to be looked after by adults. The illustrations explore children's feelings and encourage young readers to think about and express their own.

All children have the right to be cared for. As well as food, a home and medical care, the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child protects every child's right to live with a family who cares for them. This means affection, attention and opportunities to play.

Children also have the right to choose friends like Gruff and Dave (page 52). They have a right to give their opinion and to be listened to – this includes expressing emotions like the mice in Lost (page 16) and I Am Angry (page 38). Most importantly, like everyone, children have the right to be treated with dignity, respect and fairness.

HUMAN RIGHTS THEMES IN THIS STORY

Children's rights; right to play and learn; friendship; right to be looked after; right to a home.

QUESTIONS TO EXPLORE HUMAN RIGHTS

- Who can you see helping each other?
- Which pictures make you laugh? Are there any that make you sad?
- What would you do or say to make Doris in Don't Squash (page 28) feel better and to help the mouse in Lost (page 16)? What makes us feel like that?
- What makes you angry? Is being angry a bad thing?

ACTIVITY

Write and illustrate a poem for Doris, the lost mouse or the angry mouse. Can you make some words up? Can you make it rhyme?

RESEARCH

Find out why the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child was written at www.ohchr.org

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We are all born free and equal

The atrocities of World War II sparked a determination to protect the rights of all human beings, everywhere. On 10 December 1948, the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The preamble says it must be shared, learned by children and be a part of all our lives.

For a simplified version of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights go to www.amnesty.org.uk/udhr

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