



The Little Yellow Digger

Betty and Alan Gilderdale

Sales Points

- A Platinum seller (over 60,000)
- The first title in a successful series of 4.
- Wonderfully, lilting language
- A proven best-seller

*In the next door garden
They were digging out a drain
when the weather turned quite nasty
and it poured and poured with rain.*

The little digger working next door gets stuck in the mud so the workmen bring in a bigger digger, but it too gets stuck in the mud, so they bring in a bigger, bigger digger. In the end they have to give up as the list of equipment stuck in the mud grows. The workmen wait for a fine day, when the ground has hardened and find that, in the end, it's the little digger that frees all the bigger equipment.

The story was drawn for a real event, when one of Betty and Alan's grandchildren excitedly told them about a digger getting stuck in the mud next to their house and they had to bring a 'bigger digger' to help free it. The idea stayed with Betty and *The Little Yellow Digger* was eventually born.

Betty Gilderdale A lecturer in English with numerous books behind her, Betty takes *The Little Yellow Digger* stories very seriously - giving them as much time and consideration as her more lengthy works for adults.

Alan Gilderdale A recognised artist with works hanging in London galleries, Alan also takes great care when working on *The Little Yellow Digger* images, researching all aspects to ensure accuracy.

Awards: 2002 - *The Gaelyn Gordon Award for a Much-Loved Book*

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