



THINGS IN THE SEA ARE TOUCHING ME!

By Linda Jane Keegan & Minky Stapleton

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Lexile	Read aloud

Discover a world of playful surprises in the sea ...

This light-hearted rhyming story follows the experience of a little girl's day at the beach with her two mums, as she unexpectedly encounters a range of sea life – with a fun twist at the end!

We all know that breath-catching feeling of something brushing past our shins as we wade out to the waves, or stepping on something slimy in the sea ... this story uses humour to tackle the fear.

Author Linda Jane Keegan loves to spend time outdoors. She has hiked long distances, tries to identify everything she finds, and takes ocean dips in the winter. Her background is in ecology and outdoor education. (Legend has it that she can build fires underwater!)

Linda Jane was born in Singapore and grew up in Auckland, New Zealand, where she currently lives with her partner and child.

Illustrator Minky Stapleton is a multi-faceted illustrator with a range of styles. Originally from South Africa, she now resides with her husband and two sons in Auckland, NZ, where she balances a number of illustration projects with running classes for kids on how to design scary monsters.

Minky's first book with Scholastic NZ is the highly acclaimed *Kia Ora, You Can Be a Kiwi Too*, the perfect match for a book about immigrants to New Zealand.

- The faultless rhyme and catchy refrain is fun to read aloud, and will be a hit with young children
- The perfect introduction to 'things in the sea' that some kids do find a little bit scary!
- Minky Stapleton's vibrant and expressive illustrations will be enjoyed by all ages
- Covers themes of diversity, ocean ecosystems, holidays, and fear of the unknown
- Keegan is an authority on environmental education for youth
- ALSO AVAILABLE IN TE REO MĀORI EDITION: *Ngā mea kei rō Moana e whakapā mai ana!*

Praise for *Kia Ora You Can Be a Kiwi Too* illustrated by Minky Stapleton

"Minky Stapleton [...] has formed a fun collaborative team [with the author]. Every page exudes positivity and cheerfulness. Well done!" — *Bookrapt*



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