



BARKING MAD

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Look out! Everyone's gone barking mad!

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Tom Moffatt

Once upon a time Tom E. Moffatt was an international primary school teacher surrounded by creative minds and interesting characters. He was bombarded with potential story ideas on a daily basis, yet there were never enough hours in the day to get anything down on paper. Now that Tom has become a telephone technician he has more time for both his family and his writing. But don't hang up yet ... he still has plenty of story ideas tucked away safely under his pillow.

Tom is originally from Uxbridge, the kind of suburban London town that makes you want to travel. As a result, Japan, Italy, the United Arab Emirates and Colombia have all featured on the bottom line of Tom's mailing address over the years. Since meeting a like-minded Kiwi girl in an airport seven years ago Tom has settled down and had two delightful daughters. He now lives in Rotorua, New Zealand; a town that he very happily calls home.

At first, Finn refuses to believe that his Granddad has gone barking mad! But what straight-thinking grownup goes around licking the postman, growling like a dog and chasing hospital security guards up a tree? But when Finn and his sister Sally discover a bizarre machine in Granddad's workshop, mix-ups turn into mind-swapping madness – one look at Granddad's dog DaVinci is proof of that!

- Chaos reigns in this laugh-out-loud story of mind-swapping genius by new author and former school teacher Tom E. Moffatt
- Tom Fitzgibbon award winner
- For fans of Andy Griffiths and David Walliams
- With hilarious, quirky illustrations by Paul Beavis

Praise for Tom Moffatt

Barking Mad is the winner of the 2015 Tom Fitzgibbon Award for a previously unpublished writer.



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