

#### ILLUSTRATION PORTFOLIO





#### Hello,

My name is Cara Ord, and I am an illustrator and designer from Sydney, Australia. I love the wonder of illustration for children and the worlds that can be created with the simple stroke of the pen.

My mediums of choice are water colour, guoache, colour pencil and digital illustration. Within this portfolio you will see a taste of everything. Character development, story telling and my creative process are shown in snap shots of my work along side a gallery of work showing some of the diversity in my work.

Thank you for your time in viewing this portfolio.

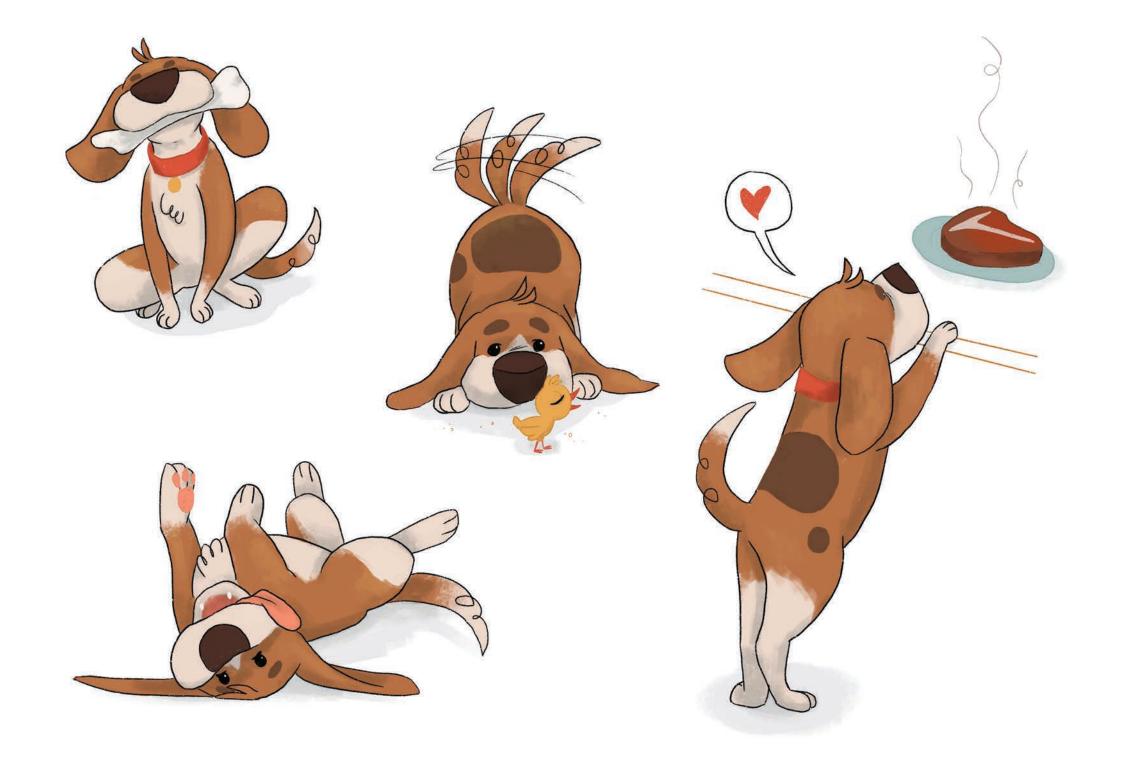
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## Character Development

Characters are a key part of story telling. They are developed through their look, expression and movement. From people to dogs everything has a personality. I have developed three characters for my original stories which you can see in the following pages













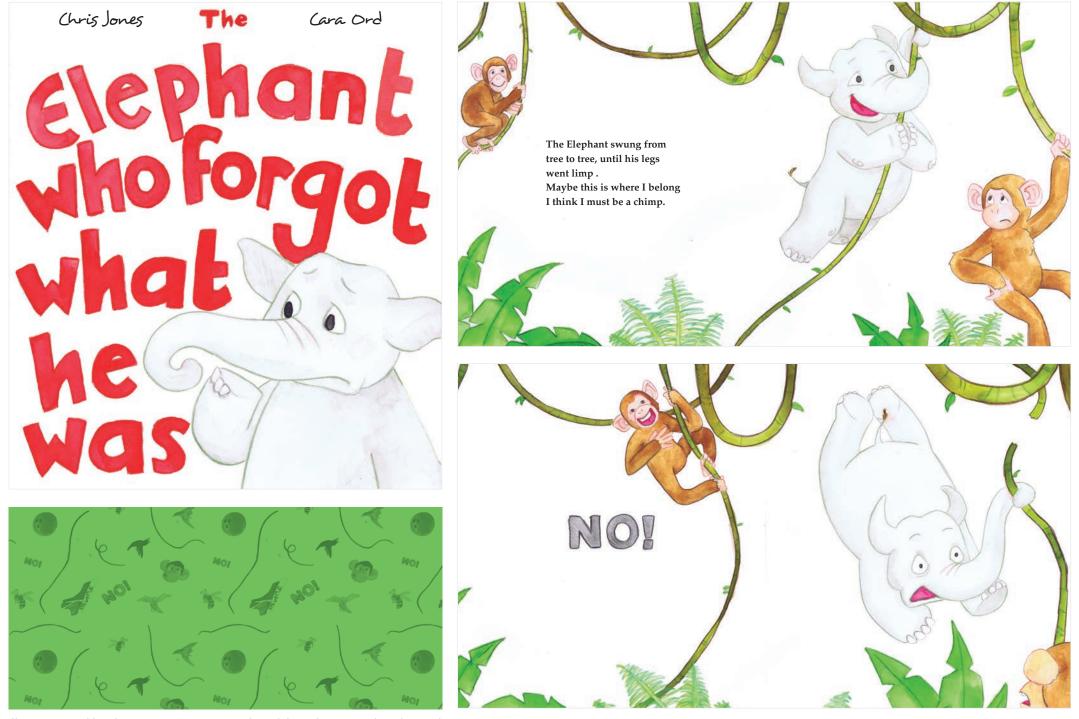




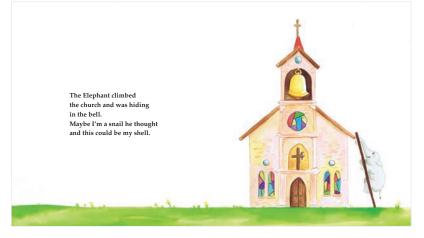


## Storytelling

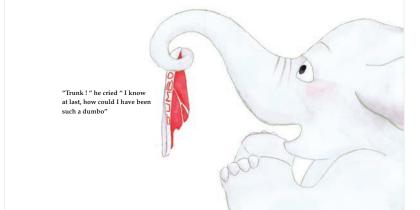
A beautiful illustration is not all that is needed in children's books. A story should be conveyed through the words and visuals creating layers and intrigue for young readers. Two examples are on the following pages, the first a story by a separate author about an elephant. The second a story of my own creation about a boy and his boat.



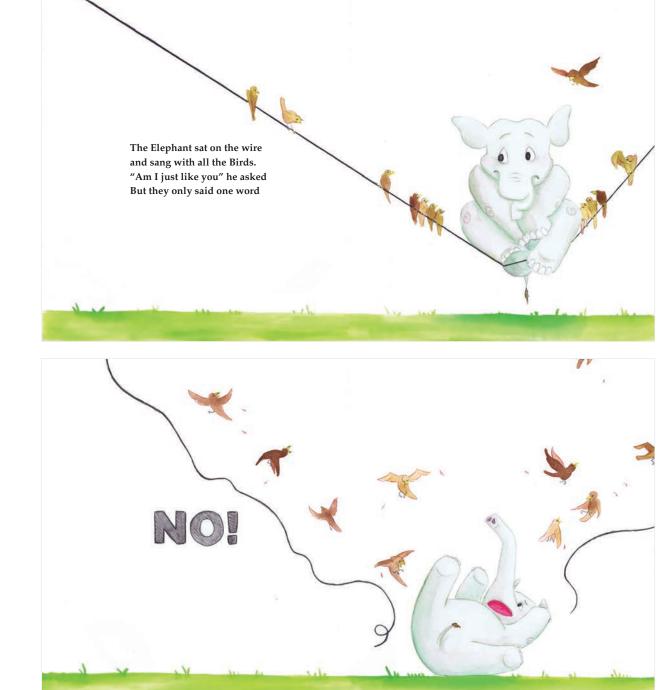
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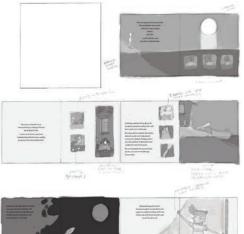






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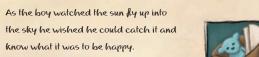






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On a day, which was better than others, where his mind was less fuzzy and muscles less sluggish, the boy made a plan. He would sail to where the sunset and find the secret to happiness.

The next day when the sun rose, he got into his boat and set sail following the suns light.











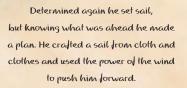
Soon he started to fall behind, breaking away from the circle of golden light. The water had become thick like mud and full of weeds which he was not strong enough to row through.



He watched as the sun again flew far away and as the light faded he headed back to shore.





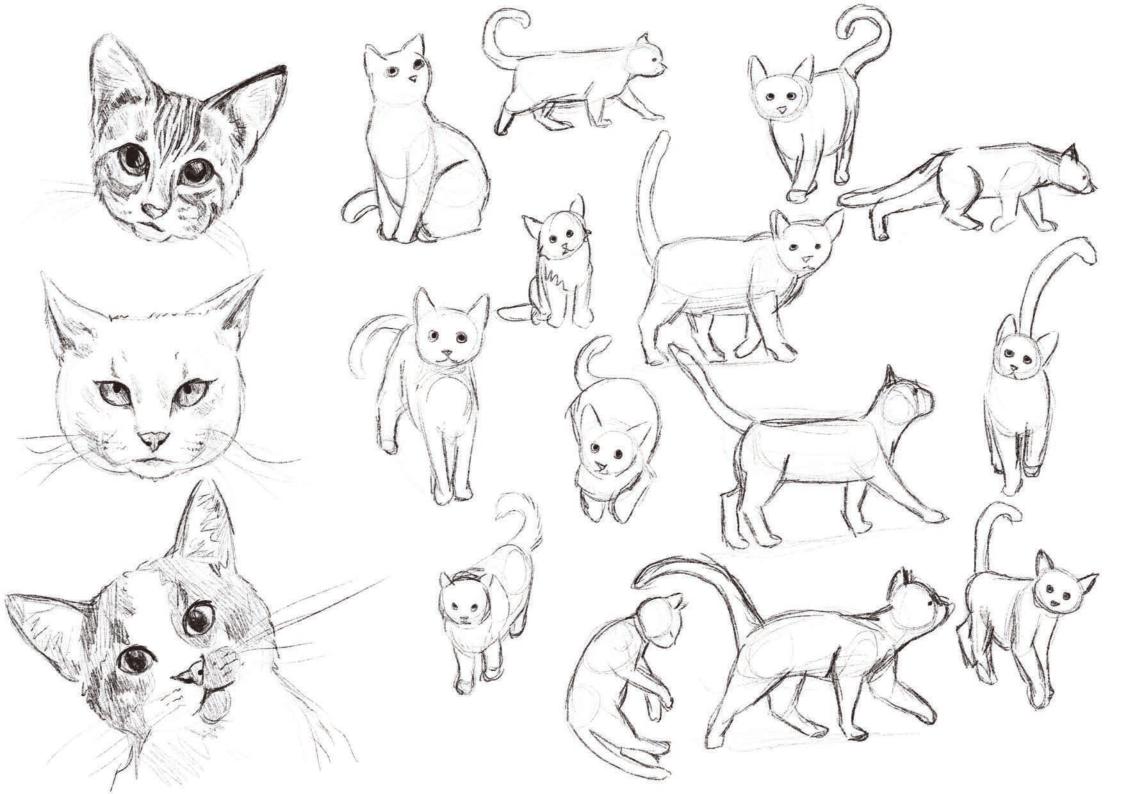




### Creative Process

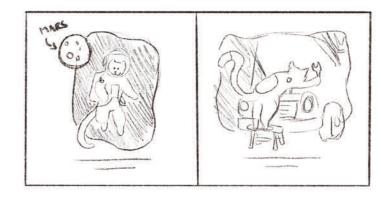
Here is my creative process shown through my current illustration project 'The Cat on the Windowsill'. It is a story I wrote based on a friendly cat who visits my bedroom window, I often wonder what he does when he isn't staring through the glass.

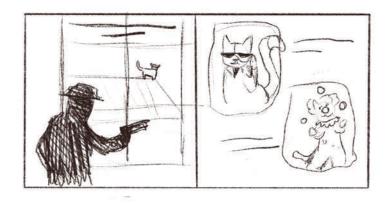
See how I take my work from research to stylisation, layout to final concept with this project.

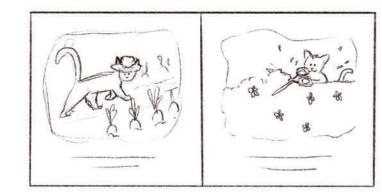


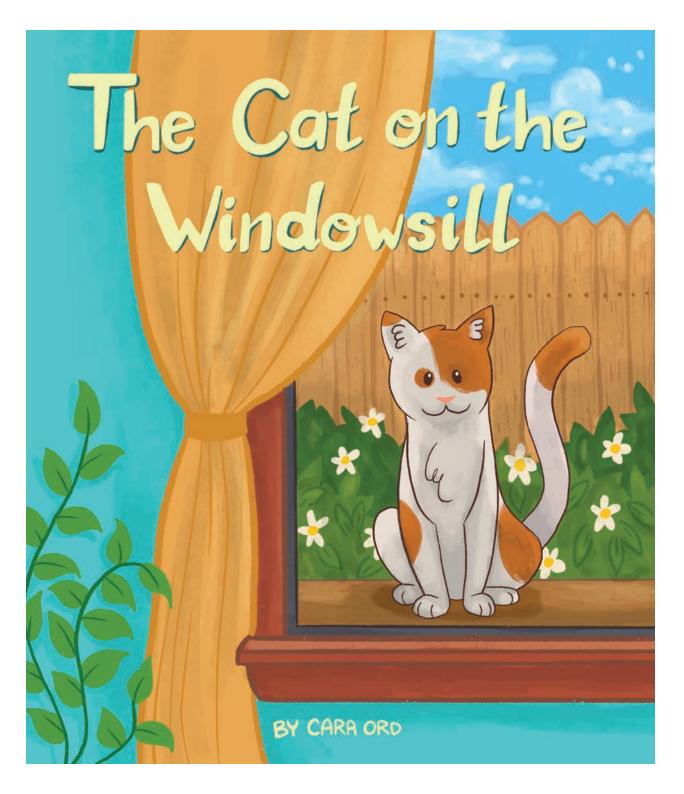






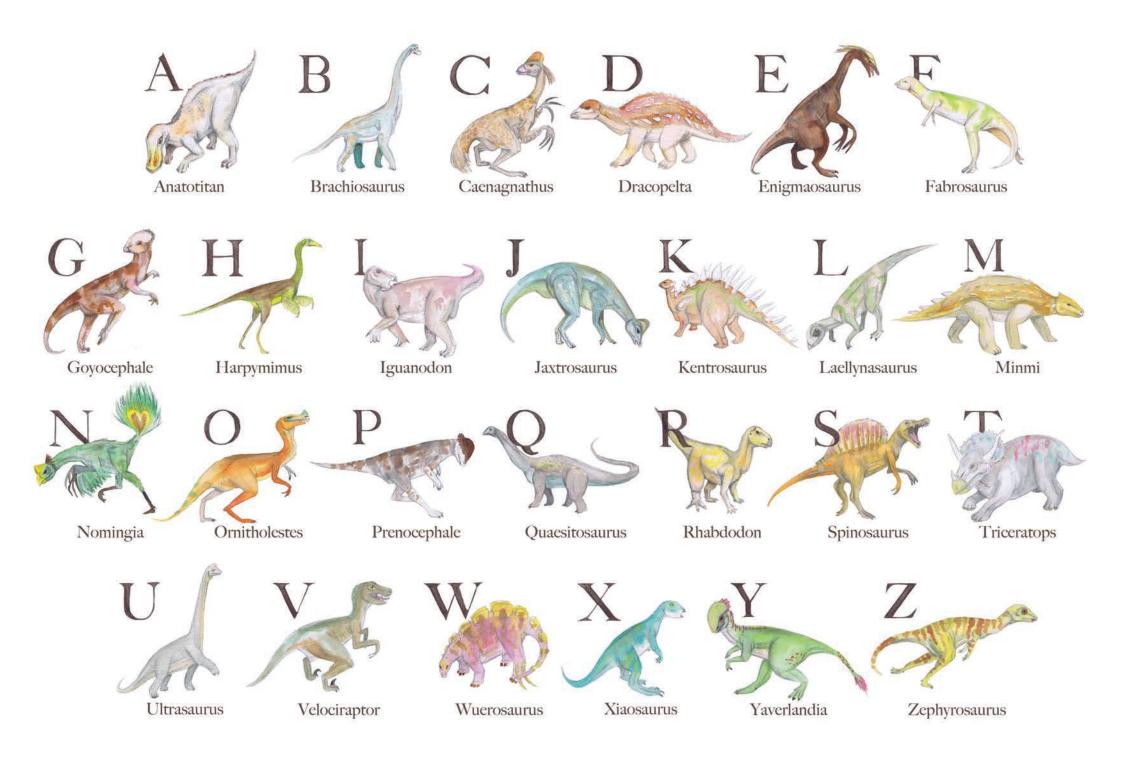




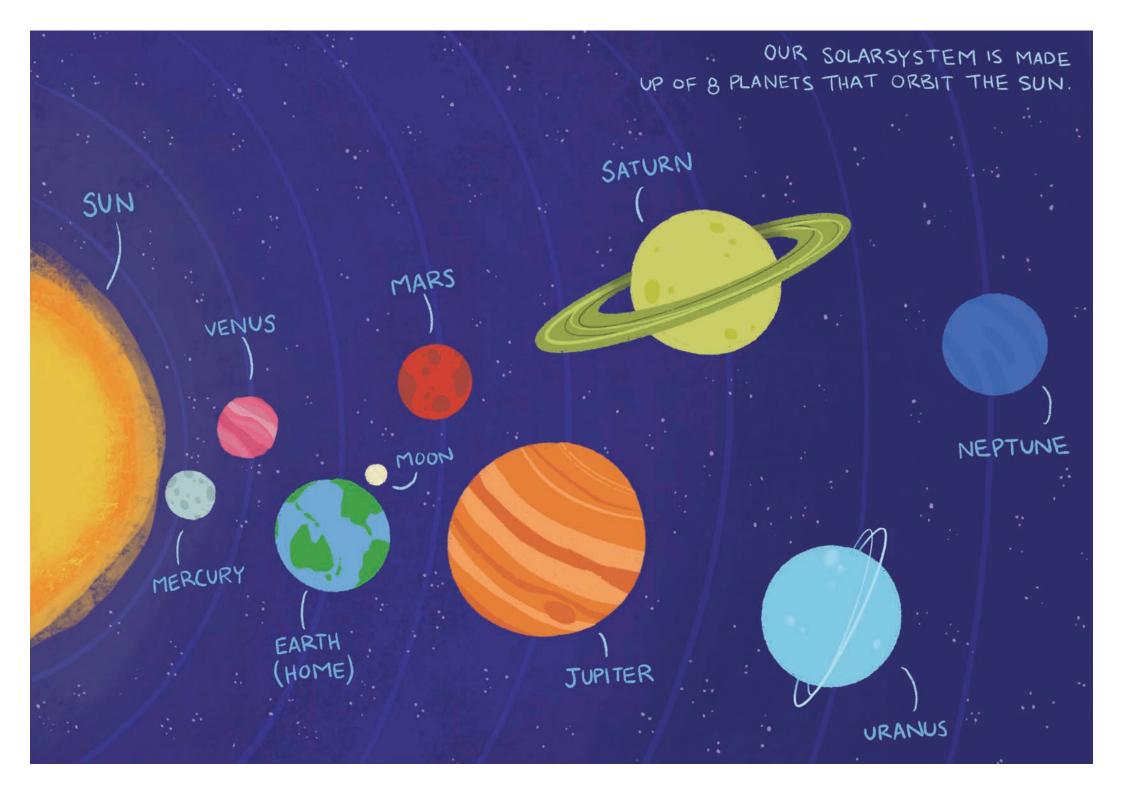


#### Education

A book should have morals or teach it's audience something new as well as being entertaining. Children's books often convey ideas in simple ways using clever visuals. I have collected a couple simple expressions of educational illustration on the following pages.



OUR BACKYARDS ARE FILLED WITH BEAUTIFUL BIRDS OF ALL SHAPES AND COLOURS.





I will leave you with a small selection of my work. The following are stepping a bit outside the current style I have shown you up until now, I am an eclectic artist, and I draw in many styles. Here is some of the personal work I have done.









Illustrations based on characters from Marvel and Doctor Who respectively.



Illustrations are based on real people and photographs owned by other parties.



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