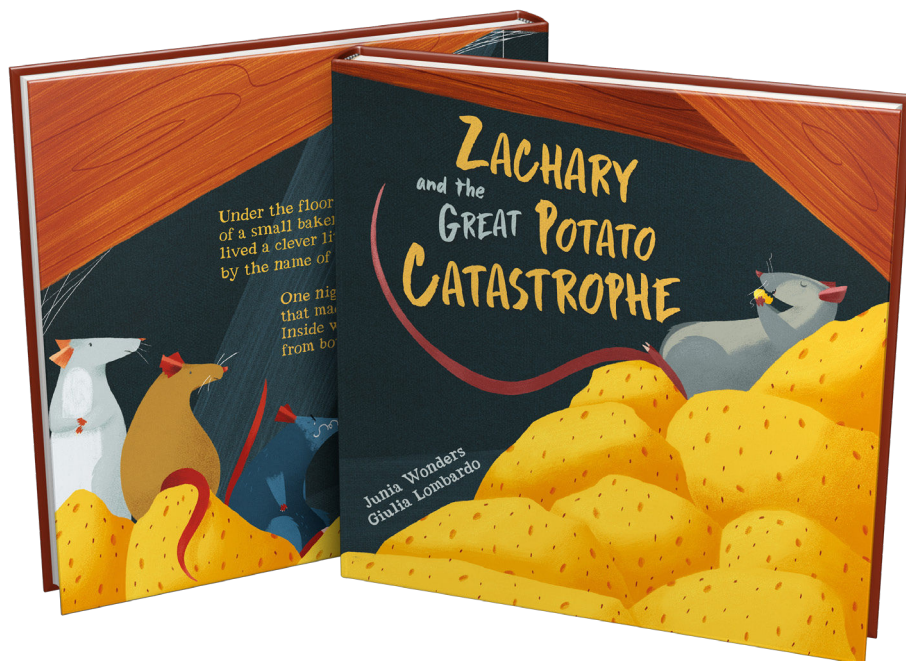


Zachary and the Great Potato Catastrophe

by Junia Wonders, illustrated by Giulia Lombardo

Recommended for readers aged 3 and up



Editorial Reviews

“A clever rat named Zachary lives a quiet life under the floorboards of a bakery — until a new delivery causes unexpected trouble! A charming rhyming tale of friendship and sharing.” **–BookBub**

“Written in rhyme and sprinkled liberally with humour, *Zachary and the Great Potato Catastrophe* is a charming and quirky tale that’s great for reading aloud. Giulia Lombardo’s original illustrations really bring the characters to life, both human and animal. I particularly like one of Zachary’s twisty-whiskered pals! And there’s a delightful ending that shows that life is indeed sweeter when you share your good fortune with your chums.” **–Nick Jones, Author, Full Media Ltd.**

3 Literary Awards



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Winner

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Finalist

2022 PAGE TURNER AWARDS
Picture Book Genre

Multi-award-winning author pens a playful rhyming story about a shrewd treat-loving rat.

Zachary is a little gourmand rat who cleverly chose his home under the floorboards of a bakery. At night when the bakery was closed, he’d select a single pastry to delight in. He knew that taking more would raise suspicion. After he’d make his way back under the floorboards with his tasty treat, his chums would beg for a nibble, but not one morsel would Zachary give up.

One night Zachary saw a different type of delicious delectable: potatoes, filling up a big sack. When Zachary takes more and more each night, he still doesn’t share with his rat friends who nevertheless are kind enough to give him a warning about hoarding so many potatoes. It’s not long before the epicurean Zachary learns the hard way that greed can be risky indeed.

*On the floor above him was a commotion so loud.
“Where are my potatoes?” cried the baker to his crowd.*

Vibrant, gem-hued and detailed illustrations are a feast for young readers to pore over and bring to life this playful rhyming story with a gentle moral by author Junia Wonders. Some of Wonders’ award-winning picture books include *I Love You Through Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall*; *Have You Ever Wondered What You Will Be?*; and *The Night the Monsters Came*.

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