

Australian titles and the United Nations sustainable development goals

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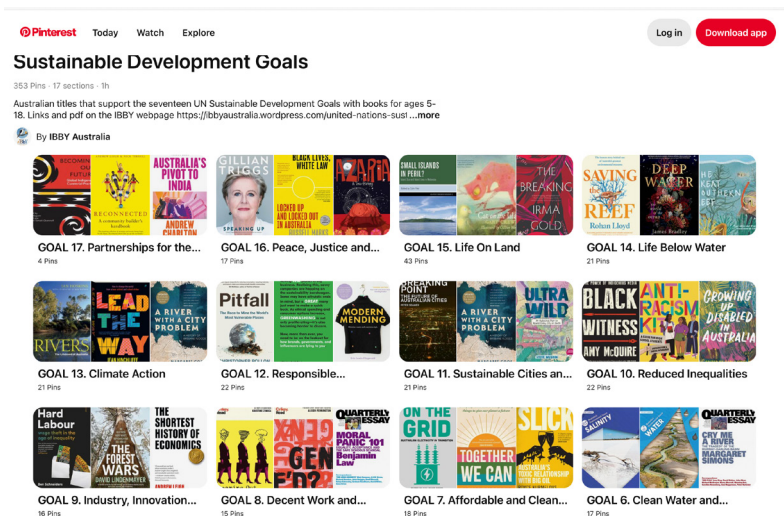
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Claire Stuckey, the (International Board on Books for Young People (IBBY) Australia Sustainable Development Goal Project coordinator, introduces a new IBBY Australia web resource. This resource details Australian titles that support each of the 17 sustainable development goals. This is an invaluable resource for educators and school libraries..

The [United Nations Sustainable Development Goals \(SDGs\)](#) are a universal call to action. [IBBY Australia](#), one of the eighty-six national sections of the International Board on Books for Young People (IBBY), is committed to the Sustainable Development Goals and is promoting Australian titles that support these goals to a wide audience in the education and children's literature fields.

Established in 1966, [IBBY Australia's](#) Purpose and goals include:

- To promote international understanding through children's books
- To give children everywhere the opportunity to have access to books with high literary and artistic standards
- To encourage the publication and distribution of quality children's books, including those in their own languages (eg the Indigenous languages across Australia)
- To provide support and training for those involved with children and children's literature
- IBBY Australia is therefore pleased to share their new webpage featuring quality Australian fiction and non-fiction books for all ages on all 17 SDGs.



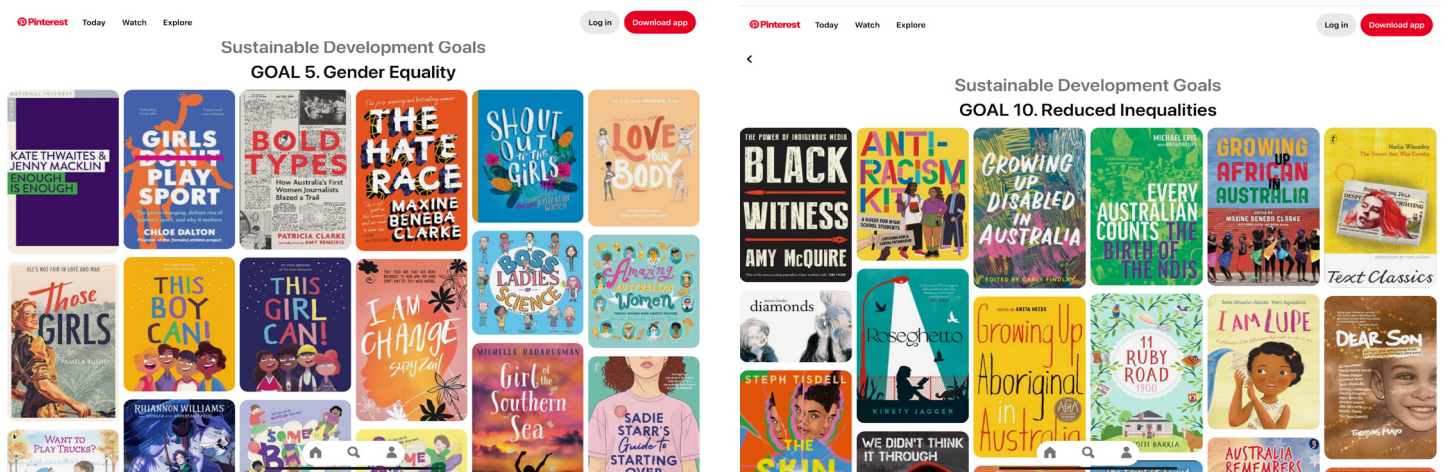
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Lists of titles can be reached through this [directory](#) or via the [IBBY website](#).

Each of the goals can be quickly accessed by downloading a PDF. Each document contains the publication information, hyperlinks to the publisher's website and WorldCat records. These links

assist in either purchase of the titles or locating libraries through the WorldCat search. Some titles also have a link to Teacher Notes.

All books within each goal can also be browsed with a short paragraph describing the content. First Nations titles that speak to the goals are placed at the beginning of each list to assist teachers with this important Key Learning Area in the Australian curriculum.



The lists have been well received:

Books for young people are produced all over the world. Magical books, wonderful books, and informative books; but without [IBBY Australia](#) bringing the world of books and children together many of these titles on important subjects may be missed. The Sustainable Development Goal lists developed by the IBBY committee are an invaluable resource for educators and families.

Christopher Cheng, Award winning children's author. DipTeach, Master of Arts Children's Literature

I applaud IBBY Australia for creating this invaluable list of quality children's literature to support the UN Sustainable Development Goals. This carefully curated online catalogue shares literature with important environmental, social, health and economic messages for teachers and families with children of all ages. Story is one of the most powerful ways for children to learn about global goals for peace and prosperity for people and the planet. This collection is a go-to list for teachers in early childhood education right through to secondary school.

Linda T Harrison, Early Childhood Education Specialist Learn. Play. Thrive

[IBBY Australia](#) invites you to browse and utilise this new and exciting free online resource!

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