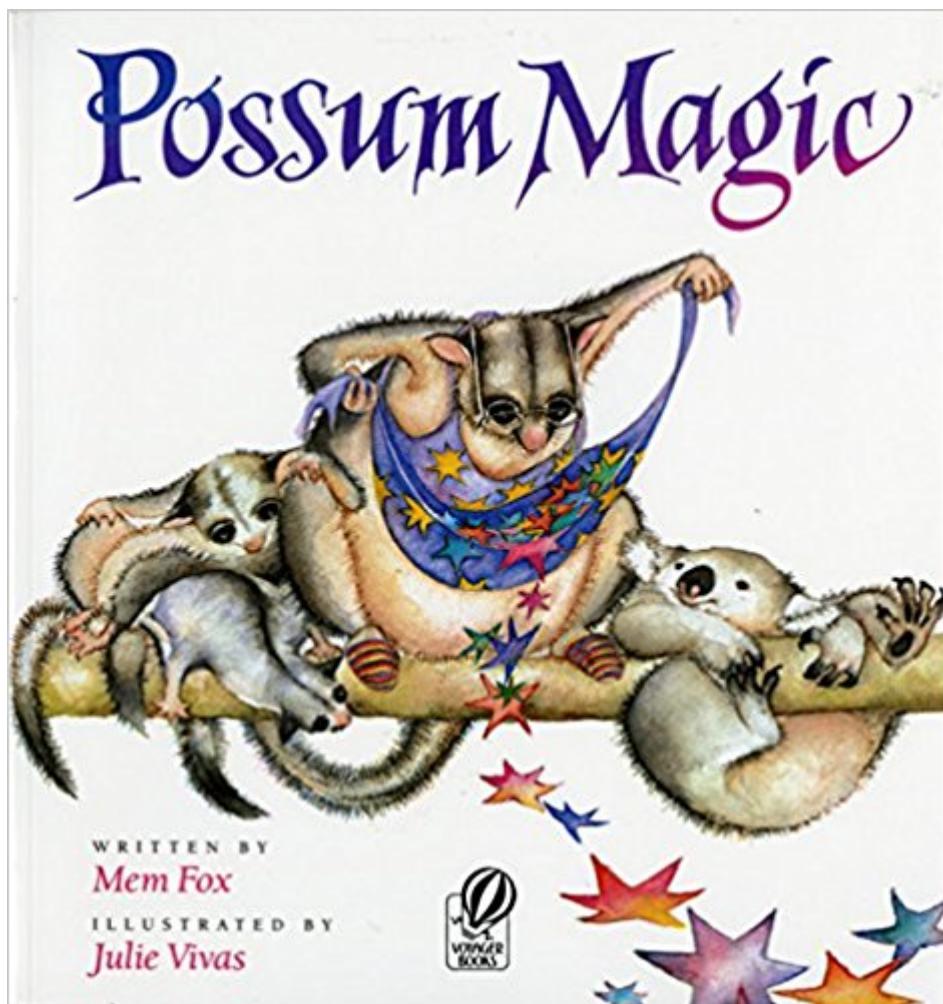


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# Possum Magic (Voyager Books)



## Synopsis

Grandma Poss uses her best bush magic to make Hush invisible. But when Hush longs to be able to see herself again, the two possums must make their way across Australia to find the magic food that will make Hush visible once more.  Another treat from Mem Fox that is sure to be treasured. The whimsical illustrations are a wonderful complement.  Children's Book Review Service

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

PreSchool-Grade 2 Grandma Poss uses bush magic to make Hush invisible, but when Hush wants to see herself again, Grandma can't remember which particular Australian food is needed to reverse the spell. Traveling around the continent in search of an antidote, Grandma and Hush sample Anzac biscuits, mornay, vegemite, and pavlova until the right delicacy is found. Although the characters, locales, and vocabulary are thoroughly Australian, Possum Magic has universal appeal. Fox chooses her words carefully, making readers believe that certain foods just might be magical. Vivas uses a variety of techniques, including splatter painting and washes to create full- and

double-page watercolor illustrations which complement the text and will entrance readers. A perfect choice for storytimes, but also useful for curriculum enrichment, thanks to a simplified map and glossary. Jeanette Larson, Mesquite Public Library, Tex. Copyright 1987 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

MEM FOX is the author of many acclaimed books, including *Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes*, *Possum Magic*, *Koala Lou*, *Time for Bed*, and, for adults, *Reading Magic: Why Reading Aloud to Our Children Will Change Their Lives Forever*. She lives in Adelaide, Australia. JULIE VIVAS is illustrator of *I Went Walking*, *Let's Go Visiting*, the Mem Fox classics *Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge* and *Possum Magic*, and several other picture book titles. She lives in Australia.

This sweet story of Grandma Poss and Hush highlights some iconic images of Australia. It had been a joyous favourite for my children when we lived in Australia and has turned out to be a magnificent gift for the children of friends here in the US. It does make us miss home terribly though.

Great kids book with some classic Australian food/places in it. My son (2 years old) loves it.

Just a beautiful story with beautiful illustrations. Every family should get to treasure this Aussie classic.

This is one of Mem Fox's classics. The rhythm of the text is mesmerizing and full of anticipation. It's also a little tour through some of the cities in Australia as well as an introduction to some of the different foods found there. Julie Vivas' illustrations are just as magical. It is a book experience that will bring a smile to your face. My grandchildren love it and we talk learn about another part of the world at the same time.

The children who visit my house love all of Mem Fox's books and *Possum Magic* is no different. We have books from all around the world and this is the first one that talks about Australia.

I've given this book to dozens of kids, including my own, and read it out loud to even more, and I'm charmed every single time.

Always a favorite and a classic!!!

I have had Possum Magic for many years and since my daughter is expecting a baby, nothing could be more appropriate than to purchase this book.

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