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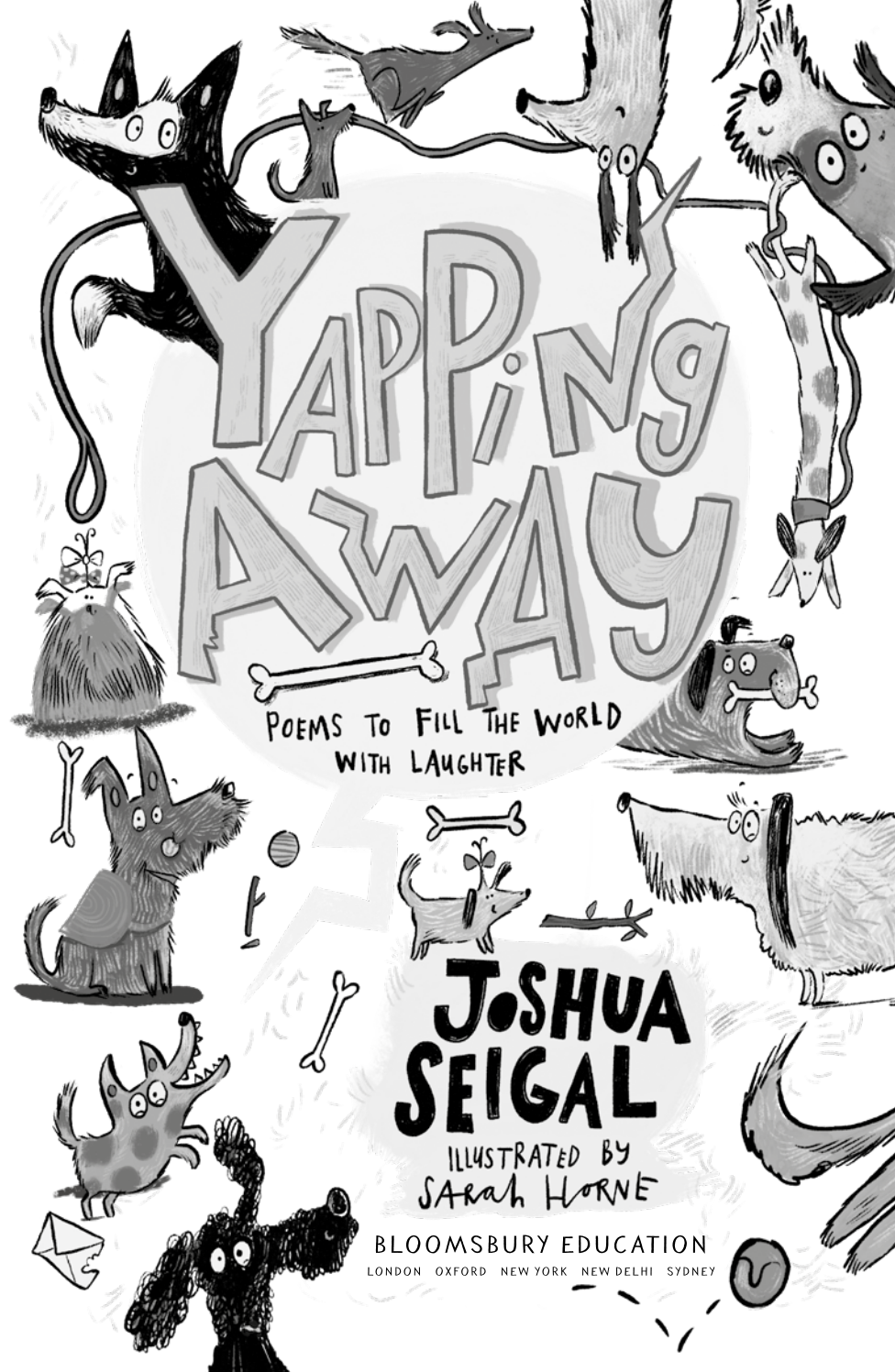
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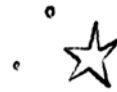
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The Reading Journey

Embark in the dark
on a sparkling adventure.
Glide on the tide
to the rhythm of words.
Wait at the gates
of a towering castle.
Fly in the sky
on the wings of a bird.

Fight in the night
with the dragons and demons.
Flee to the sea
where the mermaids reside.
Dash to the clash
and the crash of a tempest.
Unlock the box
with its secret inside.

Lunch with a bunch
of baboons in the jungle.
Zoom through the gloom
where the fireflies glow.
Jump to the thump
of the language of letters.
A book is your ticket
to life. Off you go.



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Looking Up!



Lots

There's lots of stuff
I cannot do,
like name all the animals
in the zoo,
or dive to the depths
of the deepest sea,

but I'm happy being me.

There's lots of stuff
I'll never know,
like why a stone
will never grow,
or why you can't
eat traffic jam,

but I'm happy as I am.

There's lots of stuff
I haven't got:
a lion's strength,
a horse's trot,
an owl's flight,
a cheetah's stealth,

but I'm happy being myself.





Magic!



A newborn baby in a cot:
that's magic.

A baked potato, piping hot:
that's magic.

A cartoon on a Saturday,
a muffin on a baker's tray,
a tabby cat that wants to play:
that's magic.

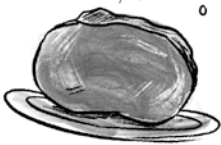


A rainbow peeking through the rain:
that's magic.



A multicoloured candy cane:
that's magic.

A puppy learning how to bark,
a chocolate eaten in the dark,
a game of football in the park:
that's magic.



A lion waking from a nap:
that's magic.

Your uncle doing his 'cool rap':
that's... tragic.

The engine in a motor boat,
the buttons on your winter coat,
the beard on a billy goat:
that's magic.



A dolphin diving in the deep:
that's magic.

A brand-new watch that's yours to keep:
that's magic.

Just have a look round where you dwell,
the sea, the sky, the land as well –
you don't need wands or magic spells
for magic.

