



Hollybee Hope wants a Prickly Coat

by Deborah Hinde

ISBN: 978-0-473-43377-2

RRP: \$19.99

A gentle story of hope and the value of being different

Hollybee Hope is a hedgehog with a problem – she has no spines! But Hollybee wants a prickly coat, and she wants it now. So, she takes matters into her own hands, with humorous, and at times, dangerous results.

Hollybee Hope Wants a Prickly Coat is a story of self-acceptance, of learning to see being different as an advantage rather than a set-back. It is also a story of friendship – the type of friendship you would sacrifice something special for.

Accompanied by gorgeous, evocative illustrations, the story will have readers second-guessing what might go wrong, as Hollybee attempts scheme after scheme to try and get the prickles she so desperately wants.



Hollybee Hope wants a Prickly Coat and the New Zealand curriculum

Hollybee Hope wants a Prickly Coat is a great story for use in the early levels of the health and physical education, and social sciences curriculums. Hollybee's quest for spines is about her desire to be a 'real' hedgehog and what she perceives that involves. She explains to her friends and family why this is important to her, and although they counsel patience, they share ideas and cooperate with her to find solutions to her dilemma. The story encourages discussion around what it means to belong, personal identity, and how we can show respect for our own and others' needs, wants and feelings. It also prefaces discussions around development, and how our bodies change as we grow up. There are themes of resilience and acceptance, and solution finding, when situations are not immediately as we would wish.

Book Details

Author/Illustrator: Deborah Hinde

Format: Softcover

Size: 240mm x 250mm (portrait) - 32 pages

Weight: 200g

Release date: October 2018

ISBN: 978-0-473-43377-2

Age Range: 2 - 5 years

RRP: \$19.99