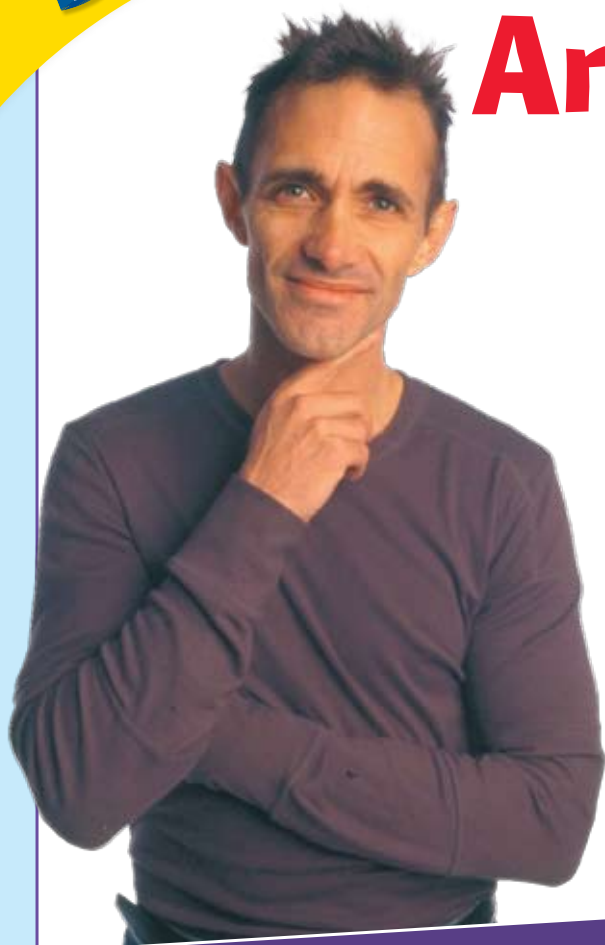
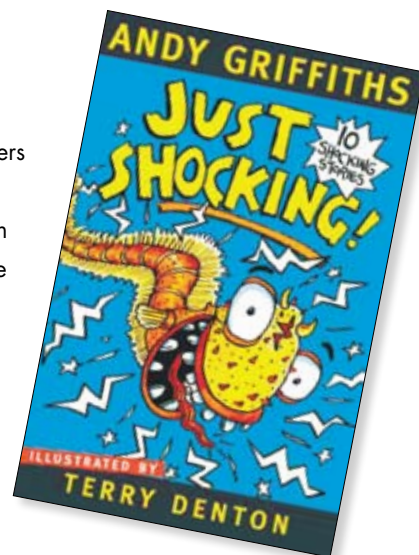


Andy Griffiths



Andy Griffiths is one of Australia's funniest writers for children. His books have sold over 4 million copies worldwide, have featured on the *New York Times* bestseller lists, and have won over 40 Australian Children's Choice awards.



In 2008 *Just Shocking!* became the first book to win all six Children's Choice awards in one year. Andy has also been a singer in a punk band, a high school teacher of English and an editor and publisher of educational books focusing on English and writing.

Andy Griffith's Biography: The exploding version

Once upon a time there was nothing.
Nothing,
nothing,
nothing,
nothing
and still more nothing...
until all of a sudden,
there was a big explosion
and out came the universe...
and the galaxy
and the sun
and the planets
and the moon
and the Earth
and every living creature on Earth
including a little boy called Andy Griffiths
who wrote funny little stories and grew up to
become one of Australia's funniest writers for
children. His books sold over 4 million copies
worldwide, featured on the *New York Times*
bestseller lists, and won over 40 Australian
Children's Choice awards.
One day the
funny children's author was
sitting in a sunny meadow
writing
a funny story

about exploding
pretty pink
butterflies.
A beautiful little bluebird sang
sweetly in the willow tree.
Fluffy white lambs frolicked
in the soft green grass.
Then,
all of a sudden,
one of the pretty pink butterflies
in the writer's story exploded.
Then another pretty pink
butterfly exploded.
Then all the pretty pink
butterflies exploded.
The blue bird exploded.
The willow tree exploded.
The fluffy white lambs stopped frolicking
and exploded.
The soft
green grass
exploded.
The meadow exploded.
A man walking past the
meadow exploded.
The man's wife exploded.
The Australian children's author
put down his pen,

said, 'This is not a funny story!'
and exploded.
Every living creature on Earth
exploded.
Then the Earth exploded.
The Moon
and
the planets
and
the Sun exploded.
The galaxy exploded.
The universe exploded.
Then the explosion
exploded.
Then the explosion
of the explosion
exploded.
Then the explosion
of the explosion
exploded
and that
was the
end because
all that was left
was nothing.



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