

Margaret Wild



Margaret Wild was born in South Africa. She came to Australia in 1972 and now lives in Sydney.

Margaret has worked as a journalist for newspapers and magazines. She also worked as a book editor in children's publishing for sixteen years.

Margaret says, 'I feel very lucky to be a writer. As long as I have pen and paper, I can write anywhere, anytime — for me, it's the best job in the world.

'Although I do most of my work on a computer, I always carry a small notebook wherever I go. I jot down ideas, images, bits of stories. I hardly ever refer back to my notebooks but writing things down helps to fix them in my memory.'



Margaret Talks to Book Club...

What was it like working with Julie Vivas?

Julie Vivas and I have published a few books together. I love working with Julie because her pictures are always beautiful and just right for each story.

As she lives close by, we would often meet to discuss any problems, and she would show me what she'd been doing, from the first pencil roughs to the finished artwork.