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## **A Book is a Book by Jenny Bornholdt** illustrated by Sarah Wilkins

**Publisher: Gecko Press**

**RRP \$24.99**

Book lovers who like to hold, smell, and savour a printed, hardback book with an inviting dustjacket will be delighted by this small, but perfectly-formed, tribute to a real book.

Written by the award-winning Kiwi poet, Jenny Bornholdt, her succinct phrases evoke the pleasures to be found within the traditional turn of a page.

“Reading a book of pictures is still reading.”

“Some books are small  
because some writers are very tired.”

The softly-coloured, nostalgic illustrations hark back to the days when readers could be found enjoying a book while lying on the lawn, in a tree, in the bath, and tucked up in bed beside a glowing lamp.

“If you read late at night, deep down  
in your bed, you will wish you had a  
glow-in-the-dark book because that  
would make secret reading as easy as pie.

Whatever that means.”

Readers young, and not-so-young, will smile while  
reading this compact treasure.

“If you really don't like a book  
you can put it in the compost.”

**Reviewed by children's author Jean Bennett**

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