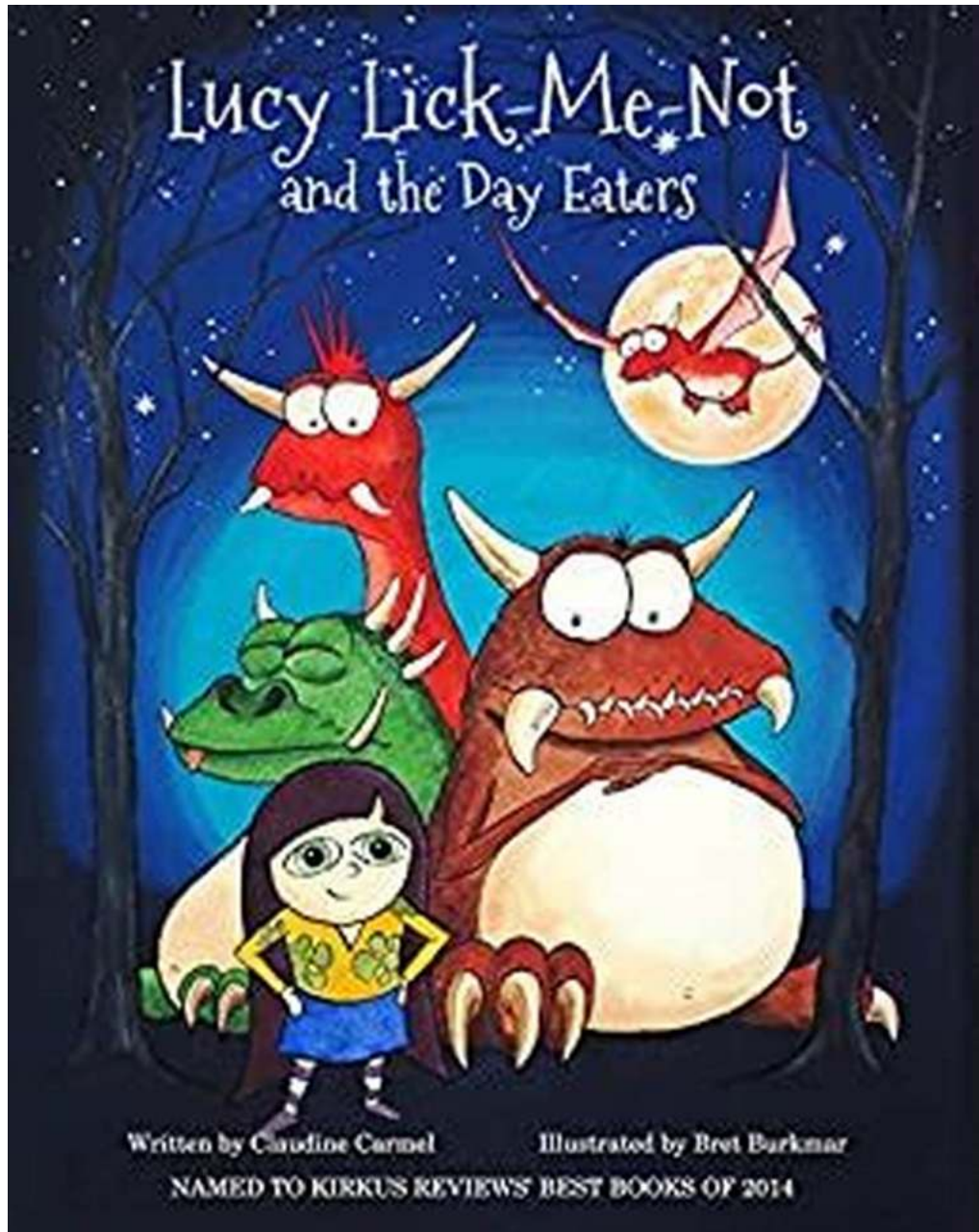


# The Enchanting Birthday Story of Lucy Lick Me Not

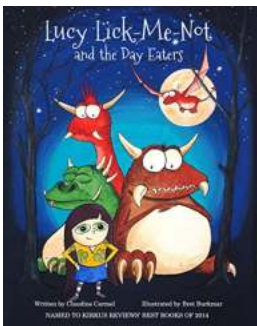


Birthdays are special occasions when we celebrate the milestones of our lives. Each year, as we blow out the candles and make a wish, we are reminded of the beautiful journey we have traveled. However, there is one particular birthday story

that stands out from the rest - the fascinating tale of Lucy Lick Me Not and her extraordinary birthday adventure.

## A Glimpse into Lucy's World

Lucy Lick Me Not is a young girl with an insatiable curiosity and a heart full of dreams. She lives in a quaint little town surrounded by lush green meadows, where flowers bloom in every corner. Lucy spends her days exploring the magical wonders of nature, carefully observing the gentle dance of butterflies and the sweet chirping of birds.



## Lucy Lick-Me-Not and the Day Eaters: A Birthday Story (The fantastic tales of Lucy Lick-Me-Not

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She possesses an extraordinary ability to communicate with animals, a gift inherited from her grandmother, who always encouraged her to embrace the mysteries of the world. Lucy's friends include an eccentric owl named Oliver, a mischievous squirrel named Sammy, and a wise rabbit named Rosie. Together, they embark on thrilling adventures that transcend the boundaries of imagination.

## Birthday Preparations Begin

As Lucy's eleventh birthday approached, the excitement in her town reached a fever pitch. The townsfolk adored Lucy for her pure heart and infectious laughter, and they couldn't wait to celebrate her special day. Friends from neighboring villages rode in on their bicycles, bringing gifts and warm wishes.

Lucy's parents meticulously planned a grand celebration in the meadow near their house. The meadow transformed into a wonderland of vibrant colors, filled with fairy lights, swings, and enticing delicacies. Lucy's eyes sparkled as she imagined the magical festivities that awaited her.

## A Mysterious Invitation

The evening before her birthday, Lucy discovered a beautifully crafted envelope tucked under her pillow. The envelope smelled of wildflowers and was sealed with an enchanting stamp. Intrigued, she opened it to discover an intricately designed card.



The card revealed a secret location deep within the mystical woods that she had never ventured into before. The words on the card read, "Join me on your birthday, Lucy, for a magical adventure where dreams come true. The forest awaits your arrival at sunrise. Follow the whispers of nature."

## **An Unforgettable Journey**

Determined to unveil the mystery, Lucy woke up before dawn and embarked on a thrilling journey towards the heart of the forest. As she ventured deeper, a gentle breeze guided her path, whispering ancient secrets and tales of forgotten magic.

The trees seemed to sway in rhythm with her footsteps, their branches reaching out to embrace her. She encountered countless magical creatures along the way, each sharing their wisdom and blessings. Lucy's heart brimmed with gratitude as she realized the immense beauty that surrounded her.

## **The Revelation**

Finally, Lucy arrived at a hidden clearing, where a breathtaking sight awaited her. A magnificent tree stood tall in the center, adorned with cascading ribbons and shimmering orbs. The tree radiated a warm glow, as if it held the essence of the entire universe within its branches.





A gentle voice echoed through the air, "Happy Birthday, Lucy Lick Me Not! I am the guardian of dreams, and I have gathered all the wishes made upon your birthdays throughout the years. Today, your dreams will come alive."

### **A Dream Come True**

Overwhelmed with awe, Lucy watched as her past birthdays unfolded before her eyes. She witnessed her childhood dreams manifest into reality - soaring through the skies on a magical unicorn, swimming with dolphins in crystal-clear waters, and wandering through enchanted forests hand in hand with her delightful animal friends.

The magical tree beamed with joy as Lucy's laughter filled the clearing. It was a moment of pure bliss, a celebration of love, dreams, and the infinite possibilities that life holds.

### **The Return to Reality**

As the sun began to set, Lucy knew that her time in the mystical forest was coming to an end. With a heart full of gratitude, she bid farewell to the enchanted realm and made her way back home.

When Lucy arrived, she found her town transformed, just as she had envisioned during her journey. The meadow was now an enchanting wonderland, mirroring the magic she had experienced in the forest. Her friends and family eagerly awaited her return, ready to celebrate her birthday in the most extraordinary way.

## **The Everlasting Magic**

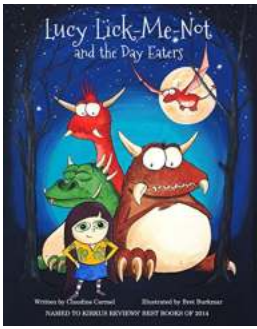
Lucy's eleventh birthday became a legend in her town. Every year, on the same day, the meadow and the forest would come alive, echoing the enchantment of that remarkable day. The townsfolk learned to cherish the beauty of dreams and the power of a pure heart.

Lucy's magical journey not only left a lasting impact on her, but it also reminded the entire town that every birthday is a celebration of the extraordinary. It is a reminder to believe in the magic of life and to embrace our dreams, for they hold the key to unlocking our true potential.

## **Celebrate Your Own Magic**

So, the next time you blow out your birthday candles, close your eyes and imagine the limitless possibilities that await you. Let the tales of Lucy Lick Me Not inspire you to chase your dreams, explore the wonders of the world, and embrace the enchanting magic that resides within each and every one of us.

For birthdays are not merely milestones on a countless journey, but rather the testimony of a life beautifully lived.



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Lucy Lick-Me-Not and the Day Eaters is the first in a series of fantastic tales about Lucy, a brave little girl with poisonous skin who overcomes strange situations with bizarre beasts, marvelous monsters and curious creatures. The stories are told in verse with beautiful, distinctive illustrations.

Lucy wakes up on her birthday expecting gifts and chocolate cake, but instead she finds the day has completely vanished. When she comes face-to-face with the Day Eaters, the monsters responsible for her birthday's disappearance, she must think fast and come up with a cunning plan to stop these greedy beasts and get her birthday back before she disappears too.

"In this fanciful picture book, a birthday disappears, and a little girl must get it back.

What if your favorite day just up and disappeared? What if that day was your birthday, never to be celebrated again? Such is Lucy's dilemma. When she was younger, a frog shot her with a venom dart—thankfully, she was immune to the frog's poison, but it turned her skin, well, poisonous. This proves to be perilous

when the little girl begins to make friends. Soon, she becomes known as Lucy Lick-Me-Not (she's lost a few kittens along the way). Like any child, Lucy loves her birthday—March 32nd—and she dreams of cake and presents. But it's not to be so: Lucy wakes up on her birthday to find not presents and balloons, but just any other day—her birthday has vanished. When she comes upon the Day Eaters—the grumpy, colorful monsters responsible for this calendar change—Lucy must think fast in order to get her birthday back. A little dark and plenty humorous, this gem of a picture book will appeal to both kids and grown-ups. Children will appreciate the vibrant illustrations and the heroine's happy-go-lucky attitude, while adults reading along will chuckle at Lucy Lick-Me-Not's weirder, darker origin. Carmel's rhyming prose is frothy and funny—a feat, considering that Carmel is telling the absurd tale of a girl whose skin is poisonous. The rhyming couplets work well, driving the story along while still keeping things lighthearted. Illustrator Burkmar's drawings are vivacious and alluring, perfectly aligning with the work's irreverent vibe; the monsters etched on the page are indeed absurd, but certainly not scary enough to frighten away younger readers. This work is the first in a planned Lucy Lick-Me-Not series, and future installments of Lucy's story will assuredly be welcomed with open arms. Bad news for kittens. A charming, wildly imaginative to a brave new girl." Kirkus Reviews (Starred Review)

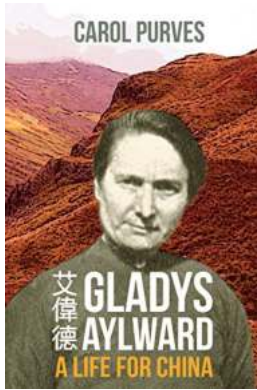
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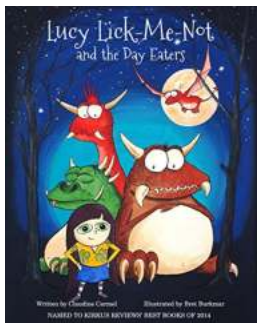
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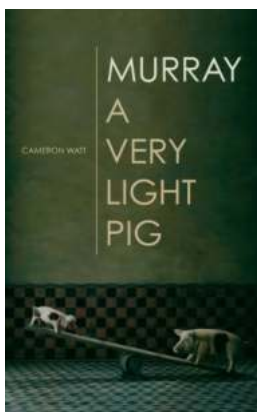
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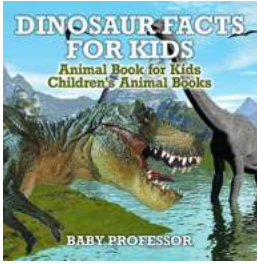
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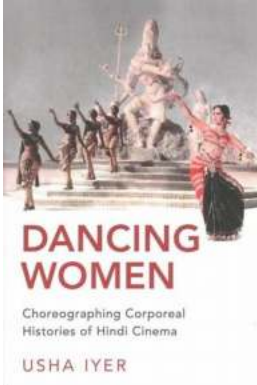
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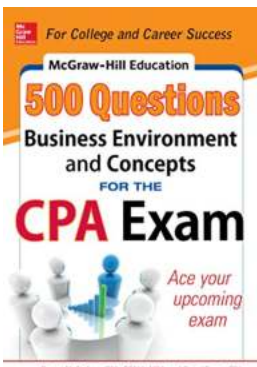
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