

Our Stories

TEN POUND POM

Carole and her family left England in the 1960's. My own journey to Australia was much more recent and I drew very much on my personal experiences to illustrate this book. Coincidentally Carole mentions the very town I used to live in – Market Harborough – and I also put soil from my back garden into a little bottle...so it was with a very real lump in my throat that I drew some of these pictures. You can read [The ABC](#) interview [here](#).



I even collaged in the clothes me and my family wore from old photos – can you find any of these patterns in the book?



Ten Pound Pom is a story about travelling from dark to light so I made the early illustrations drab and wintry – as contrast to the open warm landscapes of the Southern Hemisphere as the story unfolds.

