

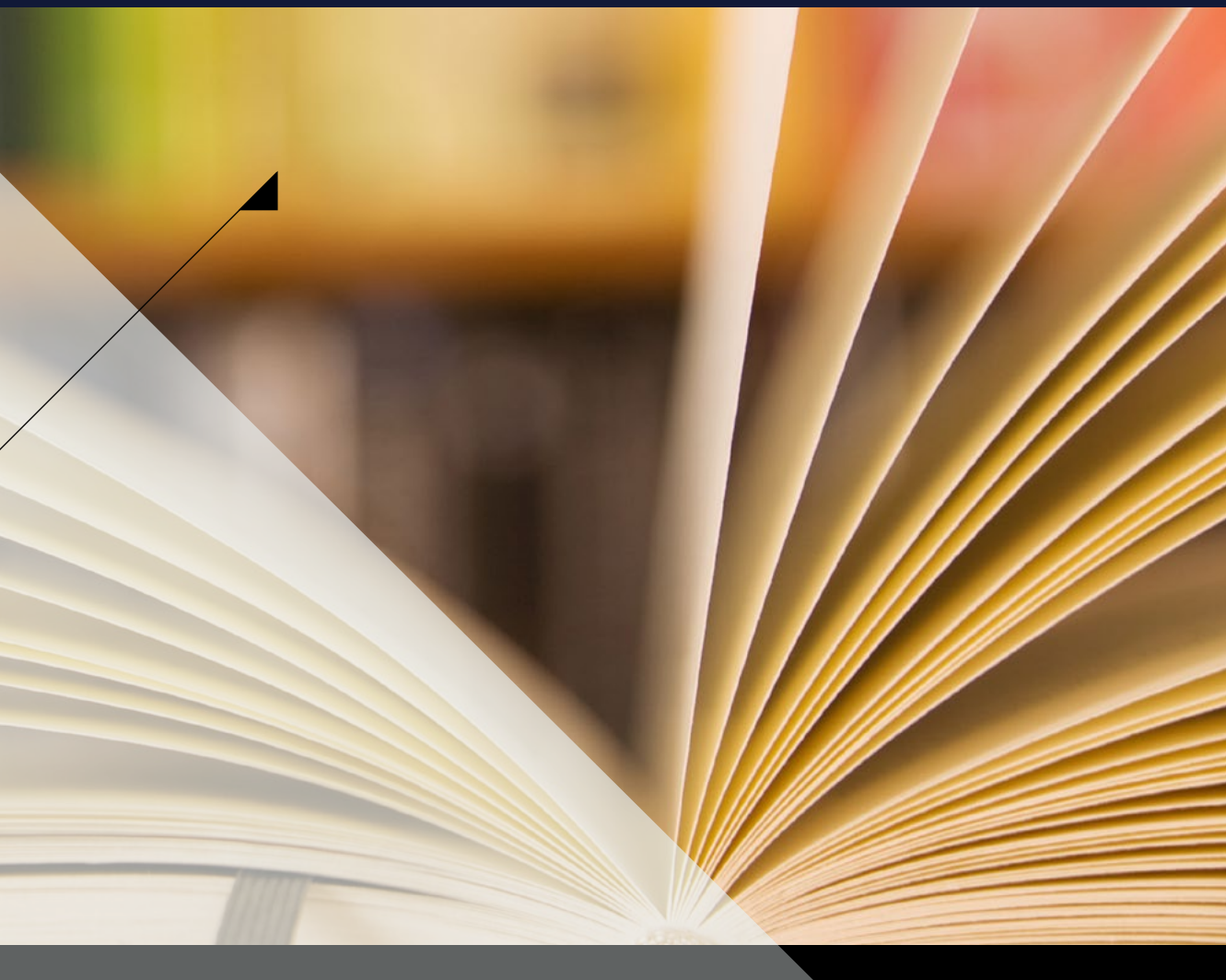


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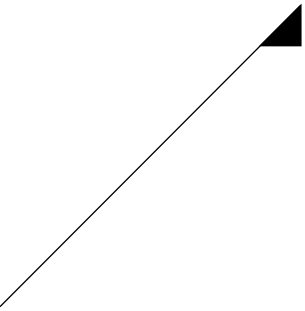


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The Hon Tony Burke MP
Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations and Minister for the Arts
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

I am pleased to submit this report in accordance with Section 19 of the *Public Lending Right Act 1985*. The report covers the 2022–23 financial year and is the 36th annual report of the Public Lending Right Committee.

From its commencement in 1974 to present, the Public Lending Right (PLR) has recompensed eligible Australian creators and publishers for their books being available in public lending libraries and supported the enrichment of Australian culture by encouraging the creation and publication of Australian books.

The Committee is also pleased to assist with, and advise on, the Educational Lending Right (ELR) scheme, a complementary administrative program introduced in 2000–01 that provides Australian authors and publishers recompense for works available in educational libraries.

The distribution of \$10,550,906 in PLR payments to 6,724 individual eligible Australian creators and publishers, together with the distribution of \$12,710,090 in ELR payments to 11,027 individual eligible creators and publishers, has assisted significantly in supporting creators and publishers. Payments for both schemes were made in June 2023.

The coming reporting period will see the PLR and ELR schemes implement a major modernisation to include e-books and audiobooks. I am delighted to have been part of this change which will provide further support for creators and publishers in an ever-changing and challenging literary landscape.

On behalf of the Committee I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the contribution made by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts, the libraries that assist in the annual surveys and the many others involved in the operation of the PLR and ELR schemes.

This reporting period signifies the end of my term as chair of the Public Lending Right Committee. It has been an honour to contribute to supporting Australian authors, illustrators and publishers, as well as playing a small part in the enhancement of the broader literary landscape. I look forward to following the implementation of the proposed changes and the inclusion of e-books and audiobooks into the scheme.

Yours sincerely



Evelyn Woodberry



Just wanted to say thank you all so much for this service! It helps so many writers and often comes just when it's needed most!

I truly appreciate all that goes into this scheme.

Frances Whiting

Author

Public Lending Right scheme

Public Lending Right (PLR) is a scheme established by the Australian Government to make payments to eligible creators and publishers for the potential loss of sales from the availability of their books in public lending libraries.

The scheme aims to enrich Australian culture by encouraging the growth and development of Australian writing and publishing.

The *Public Lending Right Act 1985* (the Act) provides that the Minister may 'approve or modify a scheme for and in relation to the making of payments to persons in respect of books'. The *Public Lending Right Scheme 2016* provides the basis for the administration of the scheme. The PLR Committee is appointed under the Act by the Minister for the Arts to administer the PLR scheme.

Public Lending Right Committee membership 2022–23

Chair

Ms Evelyn Woodberry (NSW)
20 May 2020 – 19 May 2023

Representatives of Australian authors

Dr Lisa Gorton (VIC)
18 June 2020 – 17 June 2023

Mr Steven Carroll (VIC)
Appointed 16 March 2021 for a three-year term.

Representative of Australian publishers

Mr Michael Bollen (SA)
Appointed 16 March 2021 for a three-year term.

Representative of Australian libraries

Ms Margaret Allen (WA)
18 June 2020 – 17 June 2023

National Library of Australia representative

Ms Elizabeth Cass (ACT)
Appointed 21 August 2019.

Copyright representative

Mr Steven Zorzi
Appointed 29 September 2021.

Administration of the scheme

While the PLR Committee administers the scheme, its day-to-day operation is undertaken by staff in the Creative Industries Branch in the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (the department), under delegation from the Committee.

The Committee wishes to record its appreciation for the support provided by the department.

How the scheme operates

Australian creators and publishers are invited to submit claims for their books to the department. PLR payments to eligible creators and publishers are determined by the number of copies of their books estimated to be held in public lending libraries in Australia.

This information is extrapolated from an annual survey of the books held in a sample of public lending libraries. If the survey results indicate that 50 or more copies of an eligible book are held in public libraries across Australia, a payment may be made.

Books are surveyed annually for two consecutive financial years following the year of publication. If, following the second year, a book is still held in sufficient numbers in public lending libraries, it will be re-surveyed every three years. Books scoring less than 50 copies in the second or for two subsequent surveys are removed from the survey cycle.

The following eligibility criteria apply to the PLR scheme:

- Eligible creators must be Australian citizens (living in Australia or overseas) or permanent residents of Australia.
- Eligible creators (maximum of five per book) may include authors, editors, illustrators, translators or compilers.
- Eligible publishers may include publishers whose business consists wholly or substantially of the publication of books and who regularly publish in Australia (i.e. at least one new book or revised edition in the preceding three-year period); self-publishing creators; and non-profit organisations that publish to further their aims and objectives.

More information about how the scheme operates can be found at arts.gov.au/funding-and-support/lending-rights.

New claimants

During 2022–23, 1,503 new claimants registered for the program. Table 1 lists the number of new claimants registered in each of the last five program years.

Table 1 — Number of new claimants registered by program year

Year	Number of new claimants
2018–19	1,301
2019–20	673
2020–21	1,033
2021–22	904
2022–23	1,053

New claims registered

The number of new claims registered for the 2022–23 program was 11,007. Table 2 lists the number of new claims registered in each of the last five program years.

Table 2 — Number of new claims registered by program year

Year	Creators	Publishers	Total
2018–19	5,672	5,065	10,737
2019–20	5,566	4,312	9,878
2020–21	6,681	4,665	11,346
2021–22	5,503	6,873	12,376
2022–23	6,215	4,792	11,007

New books registered

The number of new books registered for the 2022–23 program was 5,264. Table 3 lists the number of new books registered in each of the last five program years.

Table 3 — Number of new books registered by program year

Year	Number of books
2018–19	4,306
2019–20	4,329
2020–21	5,165
2021–22	4,429
2022–23	5,264

Library survey

A statistical consultant engaged by the department has designed sampling and survey procedures for the collection of data on public library book stocks and the subsequent estimation of copies held for payment purposes.

In 2022–23, 27 Australian public library networks were selected to participate in the PLR survey, representing a total book stock of over 12.4 million. The networks included catalogues of public libraries administered by four state governments, many large regional library networks, and a small number of individual libraries. These represent 44 per cent of the total book stock of Australian public libraries.

Appendix 1: the 100 highest scoring books: 2020–21 survey to 2022–23 survey.

Appendix 2: the 100 highest scoring books: 1974–75 survey to 2022–23 survey.

Payments

In April 2023 the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations and Minister for the Arts, the Hon Tony Burke MP, approved the PLR payment rates for 2022–23. The current rate per copy of each eligible book is \$2.19 for creators and 54.75 cents for publishers.

Payments totalling \$10.551 million for 2022–23 were made to 6,724 claimants of which 6,513 were creators and 211 were publishers.

Appendix 3: lists the range of payments by number of claimants.

Appendix 4: lists the range of payments by amount of payment.

Appendix 5: lists the creators who received the largest payments.

Appendix 6: lists the publishers who received the largest payments.

Program expenses

Administrative/operational costs incurred in the annual operation of the PLR scheme included:

- advertising and promotion
- Committee expenses
- IT costs
- payments to libraries and library system vendors for technical costs associated with participation in the annual survey
- statistical advice on the annual survey, and
- production and distribution of payment advice letters.

Other operational costs, including salaries of departmental officers, were met from departmental funds.

Table 4 — PLR expenditure for the 2022–23 program*

Item	Amount
Annual payments approved	\$10,550,906
Adjusting/deferred payments made for previous programs	\$6,843
Administration/operational costs	\$100,937
Total	\$10,658,686

* This information has not been audited. Audit details concerning the financial and staffing matters relating to the administration of the PLR scheme are published in the consolidated financial statements in the annual report of the department.

Freedom of information

During the 2022–23 financial year no requests were received pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.

Educational Lending Right

Educational Lending Right (ELR) is an Australian Government cultural program introduced in 2000–01 and administered by the department. The eligibility criteria applying to the PLR scheme also apply to the ELR scheme. Full details on ELR are in the *Educational Lending Right Policies and Procedures 2023*, available from arts.gov.au/funding-and-support/lending-rights.

In the 2022–23 financial year the ELR scheme made payments totalling \$12.710 million to 11,027 claimants of whom 10,655 were creators and 372 were publishers whose books are held in educational libraries, including school, Technical and Further Education (TAFE) and university libraries.

Appendix 7: the 100 highest scoring books 2020–21 to 2022–23.

Lending Rights Online

The Lending Rights Online service provides claimants with convenient access at any time to:

- register as creators or publishers
- submit title claims for books
- update their contact and banking details, and
- view their payment history.

Between 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023, over 90% of claims were lodged via Lending Rights Online.



PLR and ELR payments to eligible creators and publishers are determined by the estimated number of copies of their books held in lending libraries in Australia.

In 2022–23 over 17,750 payments totalling \$23.261 million were made.

Appendix 1: PLR—100 highest scoring books 2020–21 to 2022–23

This table lists in order the 100 books that have achieved the highest single-year PLR scores over the three most recent PLR surveys conducted during 2020–21, 2021–22 and 2022–23.

Table 5 — PLR—100 highest scoring books for the last three years

Number	Author	Title
1	Moriarty, Liane	Apples never fall
2	Harper, Jane	The survivors
3	Moriarty, Liane	Nine perfect strangers
4	Harper, Jane	The dry
5	Dalton, Trent	All our shimmering skies
6	Grenville, Kate	A room made of leaves: a novel
7	Harper, Jane	The lost man
8	Kent, Hannah	Devotion
9	Dalton, Trent	Boy swallows universe
10	Robotham, Michael	When you are mine
11	Williams, Pip	The dictionary of lost words
12	Sales, Leigh	Any ordinary day
13	Fox, Mem	Where is the green sheep?
14	Silvey, Craig	Honeybee
15	Hammer, Chris	Treasure and dirt
16	Griffiths, Andy	The 143-storey treehouse
17	Morris, Heather	The tattooist of Auschwitz
18	Zusak, Markus	Bridge of Clay
19	Cosgrove, Matt	Alpacas with maracas
20	Griffiths, Andy	The 117-storey treehouse
21	Winton, Tim	The shepherd's hut
22	Griffiths, Andy	The 91-storey treehouse
23	Winch, Tara June	The yield
24	Nunn, Judy	Khaki town
25	Griffiths, Andy	The 130-storey treehouse

Number	Author	Title
26	McInerney, Monica	The godmothers
27	White, Christian	Wild place
28	Gifford, Lucinda	Whitney and Britney chicken divas
29	Dalton, Trent	Love stories
30	Wood, Charlotte	The weekend
31	Fox, Mem	Possum magic
32	McTiernan, Dervla	The good turn
33	Morrissey, Di	The last paradise
34	Moriarty, Liane	Truly madly guilty
35	Griffiths, Andy	The 13-story treehouse
36	Morton, Kate	The clockmaker's daughter
37	Morrissey, Di	Before the storm
38	Griffiths, Andy	The 104-storey treehouse
39	McIntosh, Fiona	The spy's wife
40	Lohrey, Amanda	The labyrinth: a pastoral
41	Blabey, Aaron	Dawn of the Underlord
42	Do, Anh	Tasty weird!
43	Mcintosh, Fiona	The champagne war
44	Blabey, Aaron	The bad guys. Episode one
45	Do, Anh	Weirdomania!
46	White, Christian	The wife and the widow
47	Harper, Jane	Force of nature
48	Nunn, Judy	Showtime!
49	Bunting, Philip	Give me some space!
50	Kent, Hannah	The good people
51	Robotham, Michael	The other wife
52	Lester, Alison	Noni the pony rescues a joey
53	Fox, Candice	The chase
54	Blabey, Aaron	The one

Number	Author	Title
55	White, Christian	The nowhere child
56	Hammer, Chris	Trust
57	McTiernan, Dervla	The scholar
58	Do, Anh	Spooky weird
59	Griffiths, Andy	The 78-storey treehouse
60	Pape, Scott	The barefoot investor: the only money guide you'll ever need
61	Robotham, Michael	When she was good
62	Do, Anh	Planet weird
63	Do, Anh	Vote Weirdo!
64	Swan, Norman	So you think you know what's good for you?
65	Griffiths, Andy	The 52-storey treehouse
66	Morrissey, Di	Arcadia
67	Blabey, Aaron	Cut to the chase
68	Do, Anh	Animal train
69	Robotham, Michael	Good girl, bad girl
70	Hammer, Chris	Scrublands
71	Jaku, Eddie	The happiest man on earth
72	Ham, Rosalie	The dressmaker's secret
73	Do, Anh	WeirDo
74	Do, Anh	Spinning weird!
75	Nunn, Judy	Sanctuary
76	Griffiths, Andy	The 26-storey treehouse
77	Griffiths, Andy	The 39-storey treehouse
78	Blabey, Aaron	Alien vs bad guys
79	Flanagan, Richard	The living sea of waking dreams
80	Patterson, James	The inn
81	Do, Anh	Really weird!
82	Griffiths, Andy	The 65-storey treehouse
83	Pape, Scott	Barefoot investor for families: the only kids' money guide you'll ever need.

Number	Author	Title
84	Morris, Heather	Cilka's journey
85	Blabey, Aaron	They're bee-hind you!
86	McIntosh, Fiona	The diamond hunter
87	Do, Anh	Extra weird!
88	Morris, Heather	Three sisters
89	McIntosh, Fiona	The pearl thief
90	McIntosh, Fiona	Mirror man
91	Hepworth, Sally	The good sister
92	Do, Anh	The traitor
93	Rose, Heather	Bruny
94	Hepworth, Sally	The younger wife
95	Do, Anh	WeirDo 2: even weirder!
96	Do, Anh	Across the sea
97	McTiernan, Dervla	The ruin
98	Blabey, Aaron	Intergalactic gas
99	Baird, Julia	Phosphorescence: on awe, wonder and things that sustain you when the world goes dark
100	Simsion, Graeme	The Rosie result

Appendix 2: PLR—100 highest scoring books 1974–75 to 2022–23

This table lists in order the 100 books that have achieved the highest single-year PLR scores over the last 48 years. It is based on the results of the annual surveys of public lending libraries conducted since the PLR scheme began in 1974.

Table 6 — PLR—100 highest scoring books over the last 48 years

Number	Author	Title
1	Moriarty, Liane	Apples never fall
2	Moriarty, Liane,	Nine perfect strangers
3	Harper, Jane	The survivors
4	Zusak, Markus	The book thief
5	Courtenay, Bryce	Tommo & Hawk
6	Courtenay, Bryce	The potato factory: a novel
7	Harper, Jane	Force of nature
8	Jennings, Paul	Unbelievable! more surprising stories
9	Harper, Jane	The dry
10	McCullough, Colleen	The thorn birds
11	Harper, Jane	The lost man
12	Simsion, Graeme	The Rosie project
13	Jennings, Paul	Quirky tails: more oddball stories
14	Dalton, Trent	All our shimmering skies
15	Jennings, Paul	Uncanny!: even more surprising stories
16	Dalton, Trent	Boy swallows universe
17	Grenville, Kate	A room made of leaves: a novel
18	McCullough, Colleen	An indecent obsession
19	Courtenay, Bryce	Jessica
20	Flanagan, Richard	The narrow road to the deep north
21	Zusak, Markus,	Bridge of Clay
22	Kent, Hannah	Devotion
23	Courtenay, Bryce	Solomon's song
24	Moriarty, Liane	Big little lies

Number	Author	Title
25	Jennings, Paul	Unmentionable!: more amazing stories
26	Kent, Hannah	Burial rites
27	Winton, Tim	The shepherd's hut
28	Robotham, Michael	When you are mine
29	Marsden, John	The night is for hunting
30	Williams, Pip	The dictionary of lost words
31	Kent, Hannah	The good people
32	Courtenay, Bryce	Sylvia
33	Fox, Mem	Possum magic
34	Base, Graeme	The eleventh hour: a curious mystery
35	Jennings, Paul	Unreal! Eight surprising stories
36	Sales, Leigh	Any ordinary day
37	Hammer, Chris	Scrublands
38	Fox, Mem	Where is the green sheep?
39	Moriarty, Liane	Truly madly guilty
40	Silvey, Craig	Honeybee
41	Hammer, Chris	Treasure and dirt
42	Marsden, John	So much to tell you
43	McInerney, Monica	Those Faraday girls
44	Jennings, Paul	The paw thing
45	Henderson, Sara	The strength in us all
46	Reilly, Matthew	The six sacred stones
47	Jennings, Paul	Undone!: more mad endings
48	Morris, Heather	The tattooist of Auschwitz
49	Park, Ruth	The harp in the south
50	Simsion, Graeme	The Rosie effect
51	Griffiths, Andy	The 143-storey treehouse
52	Jennings, Paul	Unbearable: more bizarre stories
53	Griffiths, Andy	The 91-storey treehouse

Number	Author	Title
54	Jennings, Paul	Round the twist
55	Courtenay, Bryce	Four fires
56	Cosgrove, Matt	Alpacas with maracas
57	Courtenay, Bryce	Matthew Flinders' cat
58	Griffiths, Andy	The 117-storey treehouse
59	Winton, Tim	Eyrie
60	Pape, Scott	The barefoot investor: the only money guide you'll ever need
61	Base, Graeme	Animalia
62	Grenville, Kate	The secret river
63	Morton, Kate	The clockmaker's daughter
64	Marsden, John	The other side of dawn
65	Facey, Albert	A fortunate life
66	Courtenay, Bryce	Brother fish
67	Courtenay, Bryce	Smoky Joe's cafe
68	Jennings, Paul	Uncovered!: weird weird stories
69	Reilly, Matthew	The five greatest warriors
70	Fox, Kathryn	Skin and bone
71	Courtenay, Bryce	The persimmon tree
72	McTiernan, Dervla	The good turn
73	Marsden, John	Tomorrow, when the war began
74	Li, Cunxin	Mao's last dancer
75	Winch, Tara June	The yield
76	Courtenay, Bryce	The power of one
77	Nunn, Judy	Khaki town
78	Griffiths, Andy	The 130-storey treehouse
79	McInerney, Monica	The godmothers
80	Lester, Alison	Are we there yet?: a journey around Australia
81	Reilly, Matthew	Scarecrow and the army of thieves
82	McTiernan, Dervla	The scholar

Number	Author	Title
83	Henderson, Sara	From strength to strength: an autobiography
84	Gleitzman, Morris	Blabber mouth
85	White, Christian	Wild place
86	Tsiolkas, Christos	The slap
87	Griffiths, Andy	The 104-storey treehouse
88	Gifford, Lucinda	Whitney and Britney chicken divas
89	Robotham, Michael	Good girl, bad girl
90	Szubanski, Magda	Reckoning: a memoir
91	Park, Ruth	Playing Beatie Bow
92	Dalton, Trent	Love stories
93	Wood, Charlotte	The weekend
94	Winton, Tim	Dirt music
95	Jennings, Paul	The gizmo
96	Brooks, Geraldine	People of the book
97	Courtenay, Bryce	Whitethorn
98	Nunn, Judy	Floodtide
99	McCullough, Colleen	A Creed for the third millennium
100	Erasmus, Karen	The night before Christmas

Appendix 3: PLR—Range of payments by number of claimants 2022–23

Table 7 — PLR—Range of payments by number of claimants

Range	Authors	Publishers	Count
\$100–\$149	907	35	942
\$150–\$199	650	21	671
\$200–\$249	497	10	507
\$250–\$299	393	15	408
\$300–\$399	611	18	629
\$400–\$499	482	8	490
\$500–\$599	389	12	401
\$600–\$699	320	4	324
\$700–\$799	228	4	232
\$800–\$899	202	1	203
\$900–\$999	145	4	149
\$1000–\$1999	816	15	831
\$2000–\$2999	290	11	301
\$3000–\$3999	149	3	152
\$4000–\$4999	97	6	103
\$5000–\$5999	73	7	80
\$6000–\$6999	47	4	51
\$7000–\$7999	40	3	43
\$8000–\$8999	36	3	39
\$9000–\$9999	22	1	23
\$10,000–\$10,999	12	1	13
\$11,000–\$11,999	12	3	15
\$12,000–\$12,999	11	0	11
\$13,000–\$13,999	10	2	12
\$14,000–\$14,999	7	0	7
\$15,000–\$15,999	1	0	1

Range	Authors	Publishers	Count
\$16,000–\$16,999	6	0	6
\$17,000–\$17,999	6	3	9
\$18,000–\$18,999	7	0	7
\$19,000–\$19,999	8	2	10
\$20,000–\$24,999	14	3	17
\$25,000–\$29,999	8	0	8
\$30,000–\$39,999	6	2	8
\$40,000–\$49,999	5	0	5
\$50,000–\$59,999	1	3	4
\$60,000–\$69,999	2	0	2
\$70,000–\$79,999	2	1	3
\$80,000–\$89,999	0	0	0
\$90,000–\$99,999	1	1	2
\$100,000–\$109,999	0	0	0
\$110,000–\$119,999	0	0	0
\$120,000–\$129,999	0	0	0
\$130,000–\$139,999	0	1	1
\$140,000–\$149,999	0	0	0
ABOVE \$150,000	0	4	4
Total	6,513	211	6,724



Appendix 4: PLR—Range of payments by amount of payment (\$) 2022–23

Table 8 — PLR—Range of payments by amount of payment

Range	Authors	Publishers	Count	Amount
\$100–\$149	\$113,477.04	\$4,383.89	942	\$117,860.93
\$150–\$199	\$112,817.85	\$3,582.34	671	\$116,400.19
\$200–\$249	\$111,394.35	\$2,274.87	507	\$113,669.22
\$250–\$299	\$107,653.83	\$4,051.52	408	\$111,705.35
\$300–\$399	\$212,121.21	\$6,164.87	629	\$218,286.08
\$400–\$499	\$214,976.97	\$3,637.05	490	\$218,614.02
\$500–\$599	\$213,244.68	\$6,588.08	401	\$219,832.76
\$600–\$699	\$207,682.08	\$2,576.53	324	\$210,258.61
\$700–\$799	\$170,467.41	\$2,907.23	232	\$173,374.64
\$800–\$899	\$170,892.27	\$849.72	203	\$171,741.99
\$900–\$999	\$137,748.81	\$3,793.09	149	\$141,541.90
\$1000–\$1999	\$1,140,812.61	\$19,437.37	831	\$1,160,249.98
\$2000–\$2999	\$710,153.49	\$25,762.09	301	\$735,915.58
\$3000–\$3999	\$518,289.78	\$10,663.66	152	\$528,953.44
\$4000–\$4999	\$427,829.64	\$27,370.63	103	\$455,200.27
\$5000–\$5999	\$402,162.84	\$38,695.66	80	\$440,858.50
\$6000–\$6999	\$305,846.64	\$25,610.96	51	\$331,457.60
\$7000–\$7999	\$305,848.83	\$22,720.15	43	\$328,568.98
\$8000–\$8999	\$303,687.3	\$25,429.19	39	\$329,116.49
\$9000–\$9999	\$207,907.65	\$9,964.5	23	\$217,872.15
\$10,000–\$10,999	\$125,635.92	\$10,801.63	13	\$136,437.55
\$11,000–\$11,999	\$138,515.31	\$34,553.27	15	\$173,068.58
\$12,000–\$12,999	\$137,628.36	\$0	11	\$137,628.36
\$13,000–\$13,999	\$135,464.64	\$27,314.23	12	\$162,778.87
\$14,000–\$14,999	\$101,574.39	\$0	7	\$101,574.39
\$15,000–\$15,999	\$15,428.55	\$0	1	\$15,428.55

Range	Authors	Publishers	Count	Amount
\$16,000–\$16,999	\$97,750.65	\$0	6	\$97,750.65
\$17,000–\$17,999	\$105,593.04	\$53,262.99	9	\$158,856.03
\$18,000–\$18,999	\$129,974.31	\$0	7	\$129,974.31
\$19,000–\$19,999	\$155,479.05	\$38,546.74	10	\$194,025.79
\$20,000–\$24,999	\$310,675.59	\$66,196.58	17	\$376,872.17
\$25,000–\$29,999	\$214,267.41	\$0	8	\$214,267.41
\$30,000–\$39,999	\$197,321.19	\$66,971.85	8	\$264,293.04
\$40,000–\$49,999	\$217,975.08	\$0	5	\$217,975.08
\$50,000–\$59,999	\$53,442.57	\$160,050.68	4	\$213,493.25
\$60,000–\$69,999	\$128,940.63	\$0	2	\$128,940.63
\$70,000–\$79,999	\$148,834.59	\$77,021.21	3	\$225,855.80
\$80,000–\$89,999	\$0	\$0	0	\$0
\$90,000–\$99,999	\$96,408.18	\$95,747.9	2	\$192,156.08
\$100,000–\$109,999	\$0	\$0	0	\$0
\$110,000–\$119,999	\$0	\$0	0	\$0
\$120,000–\$129,999	\$0	\$0	0	\$0
\$130,000–\$139,999	\$0	\$132,960.92	1	\$132,960.92
\$140,000–\$149,999	\$0	\$0	0	\$0
ABOVE \$150,000	\$0	\$935,089.49	4	\$935,089.49
Total	\$8,605,924.74	\$1,944,980.89	6,724	\$10,550,905.63

Appendix 5: PLR—Creators who have received the largest payments in 2022–23 (listed alphabetically)

Table 9 — PLR—Creators who received the largest payments

Number	Creator name	Number	Creator name
1	Alexander, Nicole	26	Faber, Jules
2	Allen, Pamela	27	Fienberg, Anna
3	Arena, Felice	28	FitzSimons, Peter
4	Arnot, Suzannah	29	Flanagan, John
5	Bancroft, Bronwyn	30	Flanagan, Richard
6	Base, Graeme	31	Forsyth, Kate
7	Bentley, Jonathan	32	Fox, Candice
8	Blabey, Aaron	33	Fox, Mem
9	Blackwood, Freya	34	French, Jackie
10	Blair, Rachael	35	Garner, Helen
11	Bland, Nick	36	Gifford, Lucinda
12	Brodie, Scott	37	Gleitzman, Morris
13	Bunting, Philip	38	Godwin, Jane
14	Byrski, Elizabeth	39	Graham, Bob
15	Carnavas, Peter	40	Greenberg, Nicki
16	Cosgrove, Matt	41	Greenwood, Kerry
17	Costain, Meredith	42	Grenville, Kate
18	De Kretser, Theonne	43	Griffiths, Andy
19	Degennaro, Sue	44	Hammer, Chris
20	Denton, Terry	45	Hannay, Barbara
21	Disher, Garry	46	Harper, Jane
22	Do, Anh	47	Harvey, Jacqueline
23	Dubosarsky, Ursula	48	Healey, Justin
24	Dumble, Paul	49	Heath, Jack
25	Evans, Pete	50	Hobbs, Leigh

Number	Creator name
51	Humphrey, Belinda
52	Ivanoff, George
53	Jacobs, Sherry-Anne
54	Jellett, Tom
55	Jennings, Paul
56	Joyner, Andrew
57	Keneally, Thomas
58	Kettle, Phil
59	King, Stephen
60	Lane, Karlene
61	Lester, Alison
62	Lord, Gabrielle
63	Magro, Mandy
64	Marchetta, Melina
65	Marsden, John
66	McCallum, Fiona
67	McCartney, Tania
68	McDonald, Danielle
69	McDonald, Fleur
70	McFarlane, Susannah
71	McInerney, Monica
72	McIntosh, Fiona
73	McKenzie, Heath
74	Morgan, Sally
75	Moriarty, Liane
76	Morrissey, Di
77	Nix, Garth
78	Nunn, Judy
79	Palmer, Fiona

Number	Creator name
80	Park, Tony
81	Park, Louise
82	Pignataro, Anna
83	Prior, Ted
84	Pyers, Greg
85	Reilly, Matthew
86	Rippin, Sally
87	Robaard, Jedda
88	Robotham, Michael
89	Rowe, Jennifer
90	Shanks, Matt
91	Spratt, Rachel
92	Stanton, Matt
93	Stringer, Tricia
94	Thompson, Lisa
95	Treml, Renee
96	Walker, Anna
97	Watt, Peter
98	Whatley, Bruce
99	Wild, Margaret
100	Winton, Tim

Appendix 6: PLR—Publishers who have received the largest payments in 2022–23 (listed alphabetically)

Table 10 — PLR—Publishers who received the largest payments

Number	Publisher	Number	Publisher
1	Acer Press	26	Explore Australia Publishing Pty Ltd
2	Affirm Press	27	Five Mile
3	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	28	Five Senses Education Pty Ltd
4	Anne Smith	29	Flannel Flower Press
5	Australian Geographic Holdings Pty Ltd	30	Floradale Publications
6	Bad Apple Press	31	For Pity Sake Publishing
7	Berbay Publishing	32	Ford Street Publishing
8	Big Sky Publishing Pty Ltd	33	Fremantle Press
9	Blake Publishing	34	Giramondo Publishing Company
10	Boolarong Press	35	Go Direct Publishing Pty Ltd
11	Borghesi & Adam Publishers Pty Ltd	36	Hachette Livre Australia Pty Ltd
12	Brio Books	37	Harbour Publishing House
13	Brolga Publishing Pty Ltd	38	Hardie Grant Books
14	Cambridge University Press	39	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
15	Cathryn Hein	40	HarperCollins Publishers
16	Christmas Press	41	Honey Ant Readers
17	Clan Destine Press	42	Hybrid Publishers Pty Ltd
18	Currency Press Pty Ltd	43	Hyland House Publishing
19	Daydream Press	44	John Wiley & Sons Australia Ltd
20	Duffy & Snellgrove	45	Larrikin House
21	Echo Publishing	46	Learning Logic Pty Ltd
22	Eion Pty Ltd T/A Wild Dog Books	47	Lemonfizz Media
23	Electra Media Group Pty Ltd	48	Little Pink Dog Books
24	Empowering Resources	49	Little Steps Publishing
25	Exisle Publishing Pty Ltd	50	Magabala Books

Number	Publisher
51	Major Street Publishing
52	Manna Trading Pty Ltd
53	Margaret River Press
54	Meanwhile Education Pty Ltd, trading as Matilda Education
55	Melbourne Books
56	Melbourne University Publishing Ltd
57	Melbournestyle Books (Incl Gingerbread Books)
58	MidnightSun Publishing
59	Monash University Publishing
60	Murdoch Books
61	New Frontier Publishing Pty Ltd
62	New Holland Publishers Pty Ltd
63	NewSouth Publishing
64	Oxford University Press
65	Pan Macmillan Australia Pty Ltd
66	Pantera Press
67	Pascal Press
68	Pearson Education Australia Pty Ltd
69	Penguin Random House Australia
70	Prace Inc
71	Raising Literacy Australia
72	Rockpool Publishing
73	Rosenberg Publishing Pty Ltd
74	Savdek Management Pty Ltd
75	Scholastic Australia Pty Ltd
76	Schwartz Publishing (Black Inc)
77	Scribe Publications Pty Ltd
78	Sherry-Anne Jacobs

Number	Publisher
79	Sid Harta Publishers
80	Simon & Schuster (Australia) Pty Ltd
81	Smith Street Books
82	Spinifex Press
83	Sportzbooks
84	Storytime PODs Pty Ltd
85	Thames & Hudson (Australia)
86	The Federation Press Pty Ltd
87	The Spinney Press
88	The Text Publishing Company
89	Transit Lounge Publishing
90	University of Queensland Press
91	UWA Publishing
92	Ventura Press
93	Wakefield Press Pty Ltd
94	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd
95	WestWords
96	Wild Dingo Press
97	Windy Hollow Books
98	Wombat Books
99	Woodslane Press
100	Yellow Brick Books

Appendix 7: ELR—100 highest scoring books 2020–21 to 2022–23

This table lists in order the 100 books that have achieved the highest single-year ELR scores over the three most recent ELR surveys conducted during 2020–21, 2021–22 and 2022–23.

Table 11 — ELR—100 highest scoring books for the last three years

Number	Author	Title
1	Fox, Mem	Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge
2	Fox, Mem	Possum magic
3	Bland, Nicholas	The very cranky bear
4	Gleitzman, Morris	Boy overboard
5	Gleitzman, Morris	Once
6	Allen, Pamela	Who sank the boat?
7	Blabey, Aaron	Pig the pug
8	Rodda, Emily	Rowan of Rin
9	Marsden, John	Tomorrow, when the war began
10	Baker, Jeannie	Where the forest meets the sea
11	Wild, Margaret	Our granny
12	Do, Anh	WeirDo
13	Fox, Mem	Wombat divine
14	Griffiths, Andy	The 13-story treehouse
15	Rodda, Emily	The forests of silence
16	Fox, Mem	Shoes from Grandpa
17	Griffiths, Andy	The 39-storey treehouse
18	Fox, Mem	Hattie and the fox
19	Fox, Mem	Time for bed
20	Arena, Felice	Specky Magee
21	Blabey, Aaron	The bad guys. Episode one
22	Laguna, Sofie	Too loud Lily
23	Griffiths, Andy	The 26-storey treehouse
24	King, Stephen Michael	Mutt dog!
25	Griffiths, Andy	The 52-storey treehouse

Number	Author	Title
26	Matthews, Penny	A year on our farm
27	Allen, Pamela	Alexander's outing
28	Griffiths, Andy	The 65-storey treehouse
29	Newton, Gina	Blossom possum: the sky is falling down-under
30	Griffiths, Andy	The 78-storey treehouse
31	Norrington, Leonie	The Barrumbi kids
32	Baker, Jeannie	Window
33	Heiss, Anita	Who am I?: the diary of Mary Talence, Sydney, 1937
34	Wheatley, Nadia	My place
35	Klein, Robin	Hating Alison Ashley
36	Blabey, Aaron	The furball strikes back
37	Jennings, Paul	Uncanny!: even more surprising stories
38	Base, Graeme	Animalia
39	French, Jackie	Flood
40	Wild, Margaret	Fox
41	Catterwell, Thelma	Sebastian lives in a hat
42	Gleeson, Libby	Amy & Louis
43	Do, Anh	Hotdog!
44	Allen, Pamela	Mr McGee
45	Fienberg, Anna	Tashi
46	Paterson, A.B.	Waltzing Matilda
47	Marsden, John	The rabbits
48	Rodda, Emily	The lake of tears
49	Bland, Nicholas	The very itchy bear
50	French, Jackie	Diary of a wombat
51	Gleitzman, Morris	Girl underground
52	Lester, Alison	Are we there yet?: a journey around Australia
53	Baker, Jeannie	Belonging
54	Griffiths, Andy	The 91-storey treehouse

Number	Author	Title
55	Gleitzman, Morris	Two weeks with the Queen
56	Winton, Tim	Blueback
57	Gleeson, Libby	Queen of the universe
58	Bland, Nicholas	The wrong book
59	Fox, Mem	Koala Lou
60	Do, Anh	The little refugee
61	Jennings, Paul	Unmentionable!: more amazing stories
62	Rodda, Emily	City of the rats
63	Lester, Alison	Magic beach
64	Griffiths, Andy	Just crazy!
65	French, Jackie	Hitler's daughter
66	Griffiths, Andy	Just disgusting!
67	Rodda, Emily	Dread mountain
68	Bland, Nicholas	The very brave bear
69	Rodda, Emily	The maze of the beast
70	Griffiths, Andy	Just stupid!
71	Tan, Shaun	The arrival
72	Crumble, Paul	There was an old lady who swallowed a mozzie
73	Fox, Mem	Where is the green sheep?
74	Knowles, Sheena	Edward the emu
75	Blabey, Aaron	Mission unpluckable
76	Wilkinson, Carole	Dragonkeeper
77	Jennings, Paul	Undone!: more mad endings
78	Rodda, Emily	The golden door
79	Do, Anh	Crazy weird!
80	Wild, Margaret	Puffling
81	Germein, Katrina	Big rain coming
82	Baker, Jeannie	Mirror
83	Gleitzman, Morris	Then

Number	Author	Title
84	Blabey, Aaron	Thelma the unicorn
85	French, Jackie	Fire
86	Jennings, Paul	Unreal! Eight surprising stories
87	Griffiths, Andy	Just tricking!
88	Gleitzman, Morris	Toad rage
89	Blabey, Aaron	Pig the fibber
90	Bland, Nicholas	The very hungry bear
91	Jennings, Paul	Unbearable: more bizarre stories
92	Rodda, Emily	The shifting sands
93	Griffiths, Andy	Just shocking!
94	Do, Anh	Extra weird!
95	Li, Cunxin	The peasant prince
96	Tan, Shaun	The lost thing
97	Gleitzman, Morris	After
98	Lester, Alison	Ernie dances to the didgeridoo
99	Do, Anh	Super weird!
100	Jennings, Paul	Unbelievable! more surprising stories



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