

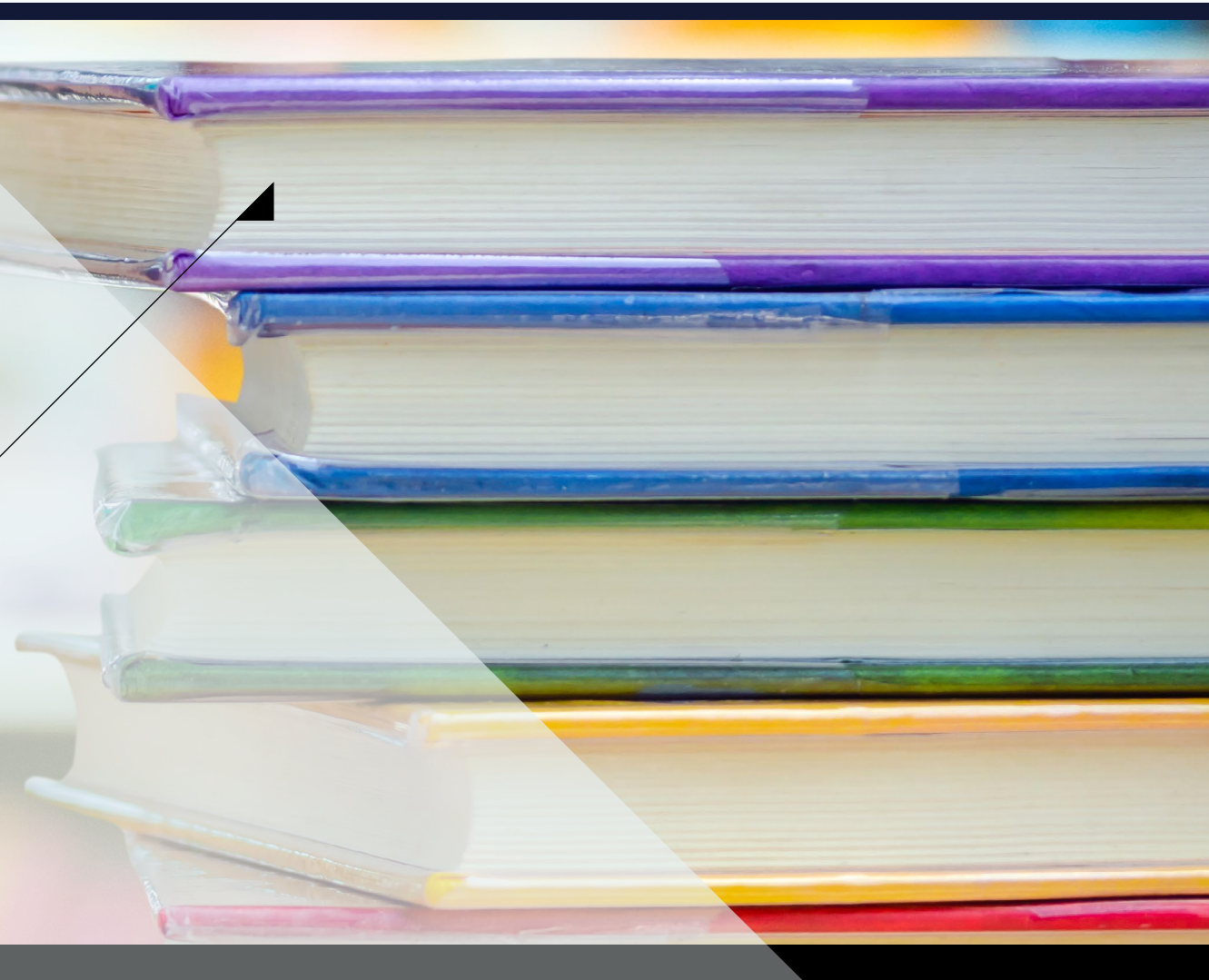


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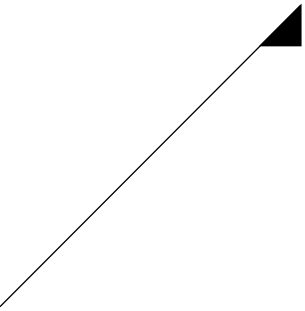
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The Hon Tony Burke MP  
Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations and Minister for the Arts  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

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 2021–22 financial year and is the 35th 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 annual support provided by the PLR and ELR schemes to Australian creators and publishers is of particular importance due to the impact of COVID-19. As a result of ongoing restrictions on libraries, bookshops and gatherings, creators and publishers have been limited in their options to earn income from other activities such as author talks and book clubs.

As a consequence, the distribution of \$10,023,772 in PLR payments to 6,695 individual eligible Australian creators and publishers, together with the distribution of \$12,739,246 in ELR payments to 10,813 individual eligible creators and publishers, has assisted significantly in supporting creators and publishers through this challenging time. Payments for both schemes were made in June 2022.

The number of claimants utilising Lending Rights Online to manage their contact and banking details, submit title claims and view their payment history continues to increase annually. Claimants continue to report their satisfaction with the service and support they are provided through the lending right schemes.

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.

Yours sincerely



Evelyn Woodberry



As someone with about 18 books on the survey list now, lending rights makes up about 25% of my annual income. It is hugely important and I probably wouldn't have been able to sustain a career without it.

**Meg McKinlay**  
*Author*



## Public Lending Right scheme

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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 2021–22

#### Chair

Ms Evelyn Woodberry (NSW)

Appointed 20 May 2020 for a three-year term.

#### Representatives of Australian authors

Dr Lisa Gorton (VIC)

Appointed 18 June 2020 for a three-year term.

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)

Appointed 18 June 2020 for a three-year term.

#### National Library of Australia representative

Ms Elizabeth Cass (ACT)

Appointed 21 August 2019.

#### Copyright representative

Ms Kirsti Haipola (ACT)

Appointed 14 May 2015 – 12 August 2021.

Mr Steven Zorzi

Appointed 29 September 2021.

## Administration of the scheme

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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](https://arts.gov.au/funding-and-support/lending-rights).

## New claimants

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During 2021–22, 904 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
2017–18	814
2018–19	1,301
2019–20	673
2020–21	1,033
2021–22	904

## New claims registered

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The number of new claims registered for the 2021–22 program was 12,376. 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
2017–18	6,749	5,297	<b>12,046</b>
2018–19	5,672	5,065	<b>10,737</b>
2019–20	5,566	4,312	<b>9,878</b>
2020–21	6,681	4,665	<b>11,346</b>
2021–22	5,503	6,873	<b>12,376</b>

## New books registered

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The number of new books registered for the 2021–22 program was 4,429. 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
2017–18	4,125
2018–19	4,306
2019–20	4,329
2020–21	5,165
2021–22	4,429

## Library survey

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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 2021–22, 27 Australian public library networks were selected to participate in the PLR survey, representing a total book stock of over 12.5 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 47 per cent of the total book stock of Australian public libraries.

Appendix 1: lists the 100 highest scoring books: 2019–20 survey to 2021–22 survey.

Appendix 2: lists the 100 highest scoring books: 1974–75 survey to 2021–22 survey.

## Payments

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In March 2022 the former Minister for Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts, the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, approved the PLR payment rates for 2021–22. The current rate per copy of each eligible book is \$2.19 for creators and 54.75 cents for publishers.

Payments totalling \$10.023 million for 2021–22 were made to 6,695 claimants of which 6,489 were creators and 206 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

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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 2021–22 program\*

Item	Amount
Annual payments approved	\$10,023,772.58
Adjusting/deferred payments made for previous programs	\$12,010.48
Administration/operational costs	\$94,733.29
Total	<b>\$10,130,516.35</b>

\* 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

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During the 2021–22 financial year no requests were received pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.

## Educational Lending Right

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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 2011*, available from [arts.gov.au/funding-and-support/lending-rights](https://arts.gov.au/funding-and-support/lending-rights).

In the 2021–22 financial year the ELR scheme made payments totalling \$12.739 million to 10,813 claimants of whom 10,445 were creators and 368 were publishers whose books are held in educational libraries, including school, Technical and Further Education (TAFE) and university libraries.

Appendix 7: lists the 100 highest scoring books 2019–20 to 2021–22.

## Lending Rights Online

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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 2021 and 30 June 2022, 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 2021–22 over 17,500 payments totalling \$22.763 million were made.

## Appendix 1: PLR—100 highest scoring books 2019–20 to 2021–22

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 2019–20, 2020–21 and 2021–22.

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

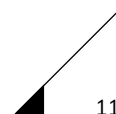
Number	Author	Title
1	Harper, Jane	The survivors
2	Moriarty, Liane	Nine perfect strangers
3	Harper, Jane	The dry
4	Harper, Jane	The lost man
5	Dalton, Trent	Boy swallows universe
6	Dalton, Trent	All our shimmering skies
7	Harper, Jane	Force of nature
8	Sales, Leigh	Any ordinary day
9	Williams, Pip	The dictionary of lost words
10	Morris, Heather	The tattooist of Auschwitz
11	Zusak, Markus	Bridge of Clay
12	Griffiths, Andy	The 91-storey treehouse
13	Cosgrove, Matt	Alpacas with maracas
14	Pape, Scott	The barefoot investor : the only money guide you'll ever need
15	Griffiths, Andy	The 117-storey treehouse
16	Winton, Tim	The shepherd's hut
17	McTiernan, Dervla	The good turn
18	Winch, Tara June	The yield
19	Nunn, Judy	Khaki town
20	Flanagan, Richard	The narrow road to the deep north
21	Gifford, Lucinda	Whitney and Britney chicken divas
22	Grenville, Kate	A room made of leaves : a novel
23	Morrissey, Di	The last paradise
24	Moriarty, Liane	Truly madly guilty
25	Wood, Charlotte	The weekend



Number	Author	Title
26	Morton, Kate	The clockmaker's daughter
27	Silvey, Craig	Honeybee
28	Griffiths, Andy	The 104-storey treehouse
29	Bunting, Philip	Give me some space!
30	Griffiths, Andy	The 130-storey treehouse
31	White, Christian	The wife and the widow
32	Ham, Rosalie	The dressmaker's secret
33	Kent, Hannah	The good people
34	Robotham, Michael	The other wife
35	Lester, Alison	Noni the pony rescues a joey
36	White, Christian	The nowhere child
37	McTiernan, Dervla	The scholar
38	Griffiths, Andy	The 78-storey treehouse
39	Robotham, Michael	When she was good
40	Fox, Mem	Possum magic
41	Griffiths, Andy	The 52-storey treehouse
42	Morrissey, Di	Arcadia
43	Fox, Mem	Where is the green sheep?
44	Robotham, Michael	Good girl, bad girl
45	Hammer, Chris	Scrublands
46	Jaku, Eddie	The happiest man on earth
47	McInerney, Monica	The godmothers
48	Morrissey, Di	Before the storm
49	Nunn, Judy	Sanctuary
50	Patterson, James	The inn
51	Griffiths, Andy	The 65-storey treehouse
52	Pape, Scott	Barefoot investor for families : the only kids' money guide you'll ever need
53	McIntosh, Fiona	The diamond hunter
54	Morrissey, Di	The red coast

Number	Author	Title
55	McIntosh, Fiona	The pearl thief
56	Flanagan, Richard	The living sea of waking dreams
57	Rose, Heather	Bruny
58	Morris, Heather	Cilka's journey
59	Do, Anh	Weirdomania!
60	Blabey, Aaron	Pig the pug
61	Mcintosh, Fiona	The champagne war
62	Hammer, Chris	Trust
63	Lester, Alison	My dog Bigsy
64	Griffiths, Andy	The 39-storey treehouse
65	McTiernan, Dervla	The ruin
66	Baird, Julia	Phosphorescence : on awe, wonder and things that sustain you when the world goes dark
67	Simsion, Graeme C	The Rosie result
68	Do, Anh	WeirDo
69	Kinney, Jeff	The getaway
70	Reilly, Matthew	The three secret cities
71	Patterson, James	Hush hush
72	Fox, Mem	Ducks away!
73	Fox, Mem	I'm Australian too
74	McIntosh, Fiona	The tea gardens
75	Lucashenko, Melissa	Too much lip
76	Fox, Mem	Baby bedtime
77	Robotham, Michael	The secrets she keeps
78	Wilson, Tony	Hickory dickory dash
79	Machin, Susan	I went walking
80	Do, Anh	Into the wild
81	Fox, Mem	Ten little fingers and ten little toes
82	Do, Anh	Crazy weird!

Number	Author	Title
83	Do, Anh	Vote Weirdo!
84	Do, Anh	Hopping weird
85	Moriarty, Liane	Big little lies
86	Bland, Nicholas	The very cranky bear
87	Smith, Dominic	The last painting of Sara de Vos
88	Reilly, Matthew	The two lost mountains
89	Hammer, Chris	Silver
90	Morrissey, Di	A distant journey
91	Do, Anh	The traitor
92	Lester, Alison	The very noisy baby
93	Do, Anh	The great escape
94	Blabey, Aaron	The baddest day ever
95	Do, Anh	Mega weird!
96	Pippos, Andrew	Lucky's
97	Blabey, Aaron	The big bad wolf
98	Blabey, Aaron	Pig the star
99	Do, Anh	Ninja switch!
100	Do, Anh	Show time!



## Appendix 2: PLR—100 highest scoring books 1974–75 to 2021–22

This table lists in order the 100 books that have achieved the highest single-year PLR scores over the last 47 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 47 years

Number	Author	Title
1	Moriarty, Liane	Nine perfect strangers
2	Harper, Jane	The survivors
3	Zusak, Markus	The book thief
4	Courtenay, Bryce	Tommo & Hawk
5	Courtenay, Bryce	The potato factory : a novel
6	Harper, Jane	Force of nature
7	Jennings, Paul	Unbelievable! : more surprising stories
8	Harper, Jane	The dry
9	McCullough, Colleen	The thorn birds
10	Harper, Jane	The lost man
11	Simsion, Graeme	The Rosie project
12	Jennings, Paul	Quirky tails : more oddball stories
13	Jennings, Paul	Uncanny! : even more surprising stories
14	Dalton, Trent	Boy swallows universe
15	McCullough, Colleen	An indecent obsession
16	Courtenay, Bryce	Jessica
17	Flanagan, Richard	The narrow road to the deep north
18	Zusak, Markus	Bridge of Clay
19	Courtenay, Bryce	Solomon's song
20	Moriarty, Liane	Big little lies
21	Jennings, Paul	Unmentionable! : more amazing stories
22	Kent, Hannah	Burial rites
23	Dalton, Trent	All our shimmering skies
24	Winton, Tim	The shepherd's hut

Number	Author	Title
25	Marsden, John	The night is for hunting
26	Kent, Hannah	The good people
27	Courtenay, Bryce	Sylvia
28	Fox, Mem	Possum magic
29	Base, Graeme	The eleventh hour : a curious mystery
30	Jennings, Paul	Unreal! : eight surprising stories
31	Sales, Leigh	Any ordinary day
32	Hammer, Chris	Scrublands
33	Moriarty, Liane	Truly madly guilty
34	Williams, Pip	The dictionary of lost words
35	Marsden, John	So much to tell you
36	McInerney, Monica	Those Faraday girls
37	Jennings, Paul	The paw thing
38	Henderson, Sara	The strength in us all
39	Reilly, Matthew	The six sacred stones
40	Jennings, Paul	Undone! : more mad endings
41	Morris, Heather	The tattooist of Auschwitz
42	Park, Ruth	The harp in the south
43	Simsion, Graeme	The Rosie effect
44	Jennings, Paul	Unbearable : more bizarre stories
45	Griffiths, Andy	The 91-storey treehouse
46	Jennings, Paul	Round the twist
47	Courtenay, Bryce	Four fires
48	Cosgrove, Matt	Alpacas with maracas
49	Courtenay, Bryce	Matthew Flinders' cat
50	Griffiths, Andy	The 117-storey treehouse
51	Winton, Tim	Eyrie
52	Pape, Scott	The barefoot investor : the only money guide you'll ever need
53	Base, Graeme	Animalia

Number	Author	Title
54	Grenville, Kate	The secret river
55	Morton, Kate	The clockmaker's daughter
56	Marsden, John	The other side of dawn
57	Facey, Albert	A fortunate life
58	Courtenay, Bryce	Brother fish
59	Courtenay, Bryce	Smoky Joe's cafe
60	Jennings, Paul	Uncovered! : weird, weird stories
61	Reilly, Matthew	The five greatest warriors
62	Fox, Kathryn	Skin and bone
63	Courtenay, Bryce	The Persimmon tree
64	McTiernan, Dervla	The good turn
65	Marsden, John	Tomorrow, when the war began
66	Li, Cunxin	Mao's last dancer
67	Winch, Tara June	The yield
68	Courtenay, Bryce	The power of one
69	Fox, Mem	Where is the green sheep?
70	Nunn, Judy	Khaki town
71	Lester, Alison	Are we there yet? : a journey around Australia
72	Reilly, Matthew	Scarecrow and the army of thieves
73	McTiernan, Dervla	The scholar
74	Henderson, Sara	From strength to strength : an autobiography
75	Gleitzman, Morris	Blabber mouth
76	Tsiolkas, Christos	The slap
77	Griffiths, Andy	The 104-storey treehouse
78	Gifford, Lucinda	Whitney and Britney chicken divas
79	Robotham, Michael	Good girl, bad girl
80	Szubanski, Magda	Reckoning : a memoir
81	Grenville, Kate	A room made of leaves : a novel
82	Park, Ruth	Playing Beatie Bow

Number	Author	Title
83	Winton, Tim	Dirt music
84	Jennings, Paul	The gizmo
85	Brooks, Geraldine	People of the book
86	Courtenay, Bryce	Whitethorn
87	Nunn, Judy	Floodtide
88	McCullough, Colleen	A creed for the third millennium
89	Erasmus, Karen	The night before Christmas
90	Winton, Tim	Breath
91	Morrissey, Di	The silent country
92	Reilly, Matthew	Seven ancient wonders
93	Morrissey, Di	The last paradise
94	Wood, Charlotte	The weekend
95	Silvey, Craig	Honeybee
96	White, Christian	The nowhere child
97	Morrissey, Di	The plantation
98	McCullough, Colleen	The ladies of Missalonghi
99	White, Christian	The wife and the widow
100	Hammer, Chris	Silver

## Appendix 3: PLR—Range of payments by number of claimants 2021–22

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

Range	Authors	Publishers	Count
\$100–\$149	937	29	966
\$150–\$199	675	19	694
\$200–\$249	486	12	498
\$250–\$299	384	10	394
\$300–\$399	686	17	703
\$400–\$499	506	13	519
\$500–\$599	378	10	388
\$600–\$699	292	7	299
\$700–\$799	232	4	236
\$800–\$899	172	4	176
\$900–\$999	171	5	176
\$1000–\$1999	737	16	753
\$2000–\$2999	287	10	297
\$3000–\$3999	139	4	143
\$4000–\$4999	92	4	96
\$5000–\$5999	56	7	63
\$6000–\$6999	54	4	58
\$7000–\$7999	40	2	42
\$8000–\$8999	33	1	34
\$9000–\$9999	19	3	22
\$10,000–\$10,999	10	1	11
\$11,000–\$11,999	10	1	11
\$12,000–\$12,999	12	0	12
\$13,000–\$13,999	5	0	5
\$14,000–\$14,999	7	0	7



Range	Authors	Publishers	Count
\$15,000–\$15,999	10	6	16
\$16,000–\$16,999	3	0	3
\$17,000–\$17,999	4	2	6
\$18,000–\$18,999	10	1	11
\$19,000–\$19,999	5	1	6
\$20,000–\$24,999	15	0	15
\$25,000–\$29,999	5	2	7
\$30,000–\$39,999	7	1	8
\$40,000–\$49,999	4	1	5
\$50,000–\$59,999	2	1	3
\$60,000–\$69,999	4	1	5
\$70,000–\$79,999	0	1	1
\$80,000–\$89,999	0	1	1
\$90,000–\$99,999	0	0	0
\$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
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,489</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>6,695</b>

## Appendix 4: PLR—Range of payments by amount of payment (\$) 2021–22

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

Range	Authors	Publishers	Count	Amount
\$100–\$149	\$117,519.78	\$3,697.87	966	\$121,217.65
\$150–\$199	\$117,351.15	\$3,150.34	694	\$120,501.49
\$200–\$249	\$109,239.39	\$2,662.52	498	\$111,901.91
\$250–\$299	\$105,214.17	\$2,790.07	394	\$108,004.24
\$300–\$399	\$239,012.22	\$5,978.15	703	\$244,990.37
\$400–\$499	\$226,461.33	\$5,830.89	519	\$232,292.22
\$500–\$599	\$206,584.89	\$5,563.14	388	\$212,148.03
\$600–\$699	\$189,905.85	\$4,611.61	299	\$194,517.46
\$700–\$799	\$174,094.05	\$2,957.60	236	\$177,051.65
\$800–\$899	\$145,748.88	\$3,445.42	176	\$149,194.30
\$900–\$999	\$162,208.92	\$4,783.51	176	\$166,992.43
\$1000–\$1999	\$1,031,533.80	\$23,636.70	753	\$1,055,170.50
\$2000–\$2999	\$698,592.48	\$25,420.98	297	\$724,013.46
\$3000–\$3999	\$482,275.23	\$14,635.77	143	\$496,911.00
\$4000–\$4999	\$413,655.96	\$18,211.50	96	\$431,867.46
\$5000–\$5999	\$306,600.00	\$38,606.97	63	\$345,206.97
\$6000–\$6999	\$350,675.94	\$25,956.98	58	\$376,632.92
\$7000–\$7999	\$297,356.01	\$14,902.40	42	\$312,258.41
\$8000–\$8999	\$283,445.13	\$8,124.35	34	\$291,569.48
\$9000–\$9999	\$180,326.79	\$27,511.87	22	\$207,838.66
\$10,000–\$10,999	\$103,008.84	\$10,050.46	11	\$113,059.30
\$11,000–\$11,999	\$113,435.43	\$11,622.33	11	\$125,057.76
\$12,000–\$12,999	\$150,544.98	\$0	12	\$150,544.98
\$13,000–\$13,999	\$66,473.07	\$0	5	\$66,473.07

Range	Authors	Publishers	Count	Amount
\$14,000–\$14,999	\$102,369.36	\$0	7	\$102,369.36
\$15,000–\$15,999	\$155,073.90	\$93,626.89	16	\$248,700.79
\$16,000–\$16,999	\$49,715.19	\$0	3	\$49,715.19
\$17,000–\$17,999	\$69,685.80	\$34,601.46	6	\$104,287.26
\$18,000–\$18,999	\$185,867.49	\$18,025.34	11	\$203,892.83
\$19,000–\$19,999	\$98,083.53	\$19,277.48	6	\$117,361.01
\$20,000–\$24,999	\$326,025.30	\$0	15	\$326,025.30
\$25,000–\$29,999	\$142,939.11	\$51,518.11	7	\$194,457.22
\$30,000–\$39,999	\$235,475.37	\$31,571.04	8	\$267,046.41
\$40,000–\$49,999	\$170,346.96	\$47,890.92	5	\$218,237.88
\$50,000–\$59,999	\$117,311.73	\$57,805.60	3	\$175,117.33
\$60,000–\$69,999	\$254,160.45	\$66,694.81	5	\$320,855.26
\$70,000–\$79,999	\$0	\$74,704.73	1	\$74,704.73
\$80,000–\$89,999	\$0	\$84,995.00	1	\$84,995.00
\$90,000–\$99,999	\$0	\$0	0	\$0
\$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	\$134,058.66	1	\$134,058.66
\$140,000–\$149,999	\$0	\$0	0	\$0
ABOVE \$150,000	\$0	\$866,532.63	4	\$866,532.63
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,178,318.48</b>	<b>\$1,845,454.10</b>	<b>6,420</b>	<b>\$10,023,772.58</b>

## Appendix 5: PLR—Creators who have received the largest payments in 2021–22 (listed alphabetically)

Table 9 — PLR—Creators who received the largest payments

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

Number	Creator name
47	Heath, Jack
48	Hobbs, Leigh
49	Hope, Charles
50	Humphrey, Belinda
51	Ivanoff, George
52	Jacobs, Sherry-Anne
53	Jellett, Tom
54	Jennings, Paul
55	Johnson, Rebecca
56	Joyner, Andrew
57	Keneally, Thomas
58	Kettle, Phil
59	King, Stephen
60	Lester, Alison
61	Lord, Gabrielle
62	Magro, Mandy
63	Marsden, John
64	McCallum, Fiona
65	McCartney, Tania
66	McDonald, Danielle
67	McDonald, Fleur
68	McFarlane, Susannah
69	McInerney, Monica
70	McIntosh, Fiona
71	McKenzie, Heath
72	Morgan, Sally
73	Moriarty, Liane

Number	Creator name
74	Morrissey, Di
75	Nix, Garth
76	Nunn, Judy
77	Palmer, Fiona
78	Park, Tony
79	Park, Louise
80	Phelan, James
81	Pignataro, Anna
82	Prior, Ted
83	Pyers, Greg
84	Reilly, Matthew
85	Rippin, Sally
86	Robaard, Jedda
87	Robotham, Michael
88	Rowe, Jennifer
89	Shanks, Matthew
90	Spratt, Rachel
91	Stanton, Matt
92	Stringer, Tricia
93	Thompson, Lisa
94	Vivas, Julie
95	Walker, Anna
96	Watt, Peter
97	Whatley, Bruce
98	Wild, Margaret
99	Wilkinson, Carole
100	Winton, Tim

## Appendix 6: PLR—Publishers who have received the largest payments in 2021–22 (listed alphabetically)

Table 10 — PLR—Publishers who received the largest payments

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

Number	Publisher
50	Magabala Books
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	Murray David Publishing/M2D Publishing
62	New Frontier Publishing Pty Ltd
63	New Holland Publishers Pty Ltd
64	NewSouth Publishing
65	Oxford University Press
66	Pan Macmillan Australia Pty Ltd
67	Pantera Press
68	Pascal Press
69	Pearson Education Australia Pty Ltd
70	Penguin Group Australia
71	Preston Reservoir Adult Community Education
72	Publishing & Data
73	Raising Literacy Australia
74	Random House Australia Pty Ltd
75	Rockpool Publishing

Number	Publisher
76	Rosenberg Publishing Pty Ltd
77	Savdek Management Pty Ltd
78	Scholastic Australia Pty Ltd
79	Schwartz Publishing (Black Inc)
80	Scribe Publications Pty Ltd
81	Sherry-Anne Jacobs
82	Simon & Schuster (Australia) Pty Ltd
83	Slattery Publishing Pty Ltd
84	Smith Street Books
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 2019–20 to 2021–22

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 2019–20, 2020–21 and 2021–22.

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

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



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

Number	Author	Title
52	Bland, Nicholas	The very itchy bear
53	Gleitzman, Morris	Two weeks with the Queen
54	Winton, Tim	Blueback
55	Gleeson, Libby	Queen of the universe
56	Bland, Nicholas	The wrong book
57	Fox, Mem	Koala Lou
58	Do, Anh	The little refugee
59	Rodda, Emily	Green fingers
60	Jennings, Paul	Unmentionable! : more amazing stories
61	Rodda, Emily	City of the rats
62	Marchetta, Melina	Looking for Alibrandi
63	Griffiths, Andy	Just crazy!
64	French, Jackie	Hitler's daughter
65	Griffiths, Andy	Just disgusting!
66	Rodda, Emily	Dread mountain
67	Rodda, Emily	The maze of the beast
68	Griffiths, Andy	Just stupid!
69	Tan, Shaun	The arrival
70	Fox, Mem	Where is the green sheep?
71	Crumble, Paul	There was an old lady who swallowed a mozzie
72	Clark, Margaret	Hot stuff
73	Rodda, Emily	Rowan and the travellers
74	Rodda, Emily	Rowan and the keeper of the crystal
75	Knowles, Sheena	Edward the emu
76	Blabey, Aaron	Mission unpluckable
77	Wilkinson, Carole	Dragonkeeper
78	Jennings, Paul	Undone! : more mad endings

Number	Author	Title
79	Rodda, Emily	Rowan and the Zebak
80	Rodda, Emily	The golden door
81	Wild, Margaret	Puffling
82	Germein, Katrina	Big rain coming
83	Brian, Janeen	Silly galah!
84	Gleitzman, Morris	Then
85	Blabey, Aaron	Thelma the unicorn
86	Matthews, P E	The sea dog
87	French, Jackie	Fire
88	Jennings, Paul	Unreall : eight surprising stories
89	Griffiths, Andy	Just tricking
90	Gleitzman, Morris	Toad rage
91	Blabey, Aaron	The bad guys : episode one
92	Blabey, Aaron	Pig the fibber
93	Bland, Nicholas	The very hungry bear
94	Flanagan, John	The ruins of Gorlan
95	Jennings, Paul	Unbearable : more bizarre stories
96	Rodda, Emily	The shifting sands
97	Rodda, Emily	The key to Rondo
98	Fox, Mem	Sail away : the ballad of Skip and Nell
99	Do, Anh	Extra weird!
100	Gleitzman, Morris	Blabber mouth



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*Author*



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