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To Annabelle and Phoebe,
my creative little co-authors. **SS**

To the cutest, littlest Queenslander: Asa!
With love from Auntie Sophie. **SB**



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A

ants admiring in Augathella.



B

bandicoots barbecuing in Brisbane.

C
crocodiles camping in Cairns.



D
dingoes dancing in the Daintree.

E

chidnas exercising in Emerald.



F

rogs frolicking on Fraser.

G

oannas gold panning in Gympie.



H

umpbacks hula hooping in Hervey Bay.



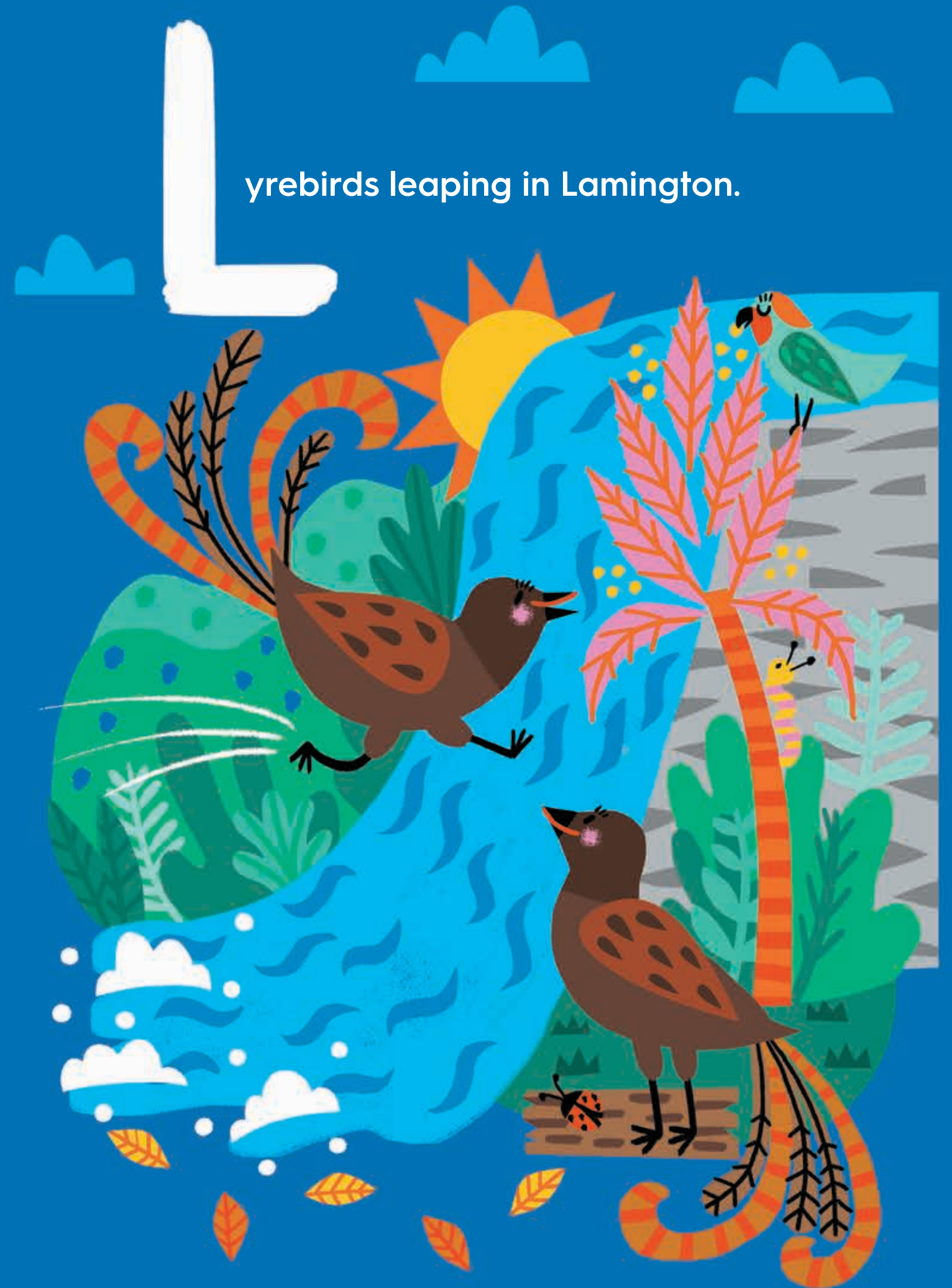
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oeys juggling in Julia Creek.



koalas kayaking in Kingaroy.

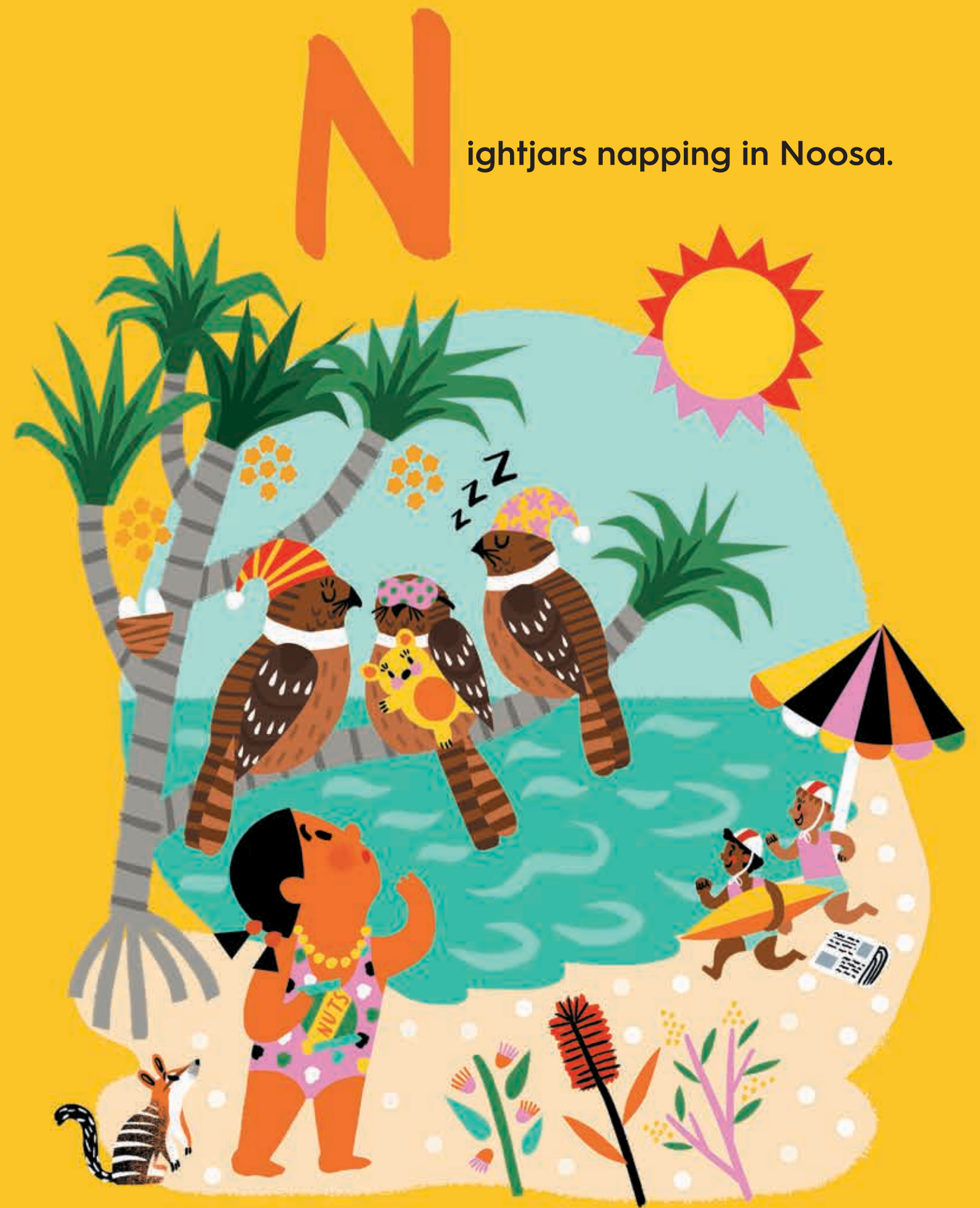


lyrebirds leaping in Lamington.



M

Marching band marching in Mount Isa.



N

Nightjars napping in Noosa.



ctopuses operating on Orpheus.

P

ossums peeping in Peachester.



Q

uolls quad biking in Queensland.



R

edbacks racing in Rockhampton.

S



Sea snakes sneezing at Surfers.



T

Turtles tiptoeing in Toowoomba.

U

Ulysses unicycling in Umagico.



V

Variagated fairy-wrens vaulting in Vergemont.



W

allabies waltzing in Winton.



X

Extinct animals X-raying in Oxley.



abbies yakking in Yeppoon.

Z

ebra finches zooming in Zillmere.





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ABOUT FIRST 5 FOREVER

In the first five years, little moments make a big difference.

Children learn best from those closest to them – and by talking, reading, singing and playing together every day, families support their child's brain development and help them build a lifelong love of learning and discovery.

First 5 Forever is an early literacy program supporting families to make the most of this time. The program offers free sessions for children 0–5 and their families throughout Queensland's public library and Indigenous Knowledge Centre network, and provides fun, informative and hands-on tips and advice online.

First 5 Forever is an initiative of the Queensland Government, coordinated by State Library of Queensland and delivered in partnership with local government. Each year, public libraries and Indigenous Knowledge Centres across Queensland welcome thousands of families to First 5 Forever activities.

To find out more about First 5 Forever, visit www.slq.qld.gov.au/first5forever

ABOUT THIS SERIES

State Library of Queensland has published twelve new children's picture books for Queensland's littlest readers as part of First 5 Forever. The books promote strong early literacy foundations through a range of subjects and styles: the amusing antics of Queensland's faunal emblem, the koala; educational aids such as counting and alphabet books; stories of belonging; journeys of discovery; true-life tales; and much more.

Produced exclusively for State Library of Queensland and First 5 Forever, this series reflects the diversity of Queensland, celebrates the uniqueness of our state, and aims to inspire a love of reading and discovery in a new generation of little Queenslanders.

The books also showcase writers and artists with a Queensland connection who are based throughout the state. They feature emerging and established talent, as well as First Nations writers and artists whose books were developed with State Library of Queensland's black&write! editorial team.



A fun and fantastical
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of **QUEENSLAND.**

