



Avis and the Call of the Kraken

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'*Avis and the Call of the Kraken* is both a sweet, thoughtful story about family and friendship, and a sparkling magical adventure. It also shows kids who care about justice and the environment that they have agency to make a difference.'

— **Rachael King**

'I really enjoyed reading about Avis and her amazing adventures ... I wish I had a life-size dragon to go on adventures with.'

— **Maddie Newport, age 9½**

'A fast-paced action adventure that kids are going to love: Avis is so likeable and relatable, the writing is beautiful, and I was swept along with the story like Humbert soaring low over the ocean. This is exactly the kind of book I would have been recommending to my classmates when at intermediate.'

— **Tania Roxborough**

- Sequel to *Avis and the Promise of Dragons*, a Storylines Notable Book 2020
- Kiwi fantasy with a brave girl, dragon humour and environmental themes

Keeping Humbert the dragon a secret is getting harder for Avis. He is growing and wants to test his wings.

One day flying over the ocean they see a disturbance near an oil rig, and the dragon's tear they use to communicate receives a strange signal. Someone is using their frequency. Dolphins? Mermaids? The monster of Mako Cove? Then the words come: *Stop them*. The creatures of the deep need Avis and Humbert's help.

A fantasy adventure bristling with Kiwi courage and can-do, by the author of 2020 Storylines Notable Book *Avis and the Promise of Dragons*.



Heather McQuillan used to be a teacher who wrote. Now she's a writer who teaches. If she's not writing in the room at the top of a spiral staircase, Heather can be found at Write On School for Young Writers in Christchurch, where she is a tutor and director.



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