



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Jo Kemp is a British author who primarily writes children's fiction. She became known for writing the original series of 'Chorlton and the Wheelies' and 'Jamie and the Magic Torch' for Cosgrove Hall Films.

She went on to write 'Boodle Books' published by Thurman of Mr. Men fame before setting up her own production company which produced the popular children's TV series 'The Raggy Dolls' as well as countless TV commercials and brand films over 25 years.

Jo is a fully fledged member of the Writers' Guild and will complete the first in a fantasy trilogy for publication in 2019.

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Children's author Jo Kemp believes not. When she wrote the original scripts for **Chorlton and the Wheelies** and **Jamie and the Magic Torch** in the late 70's she adopted a gentle, narrative style with little regard for political correctness and both series attracted a cult following. She continued in this style when she wrote Boodle Books published by Thurman who were responsible for **Mr Men**.

Fast and furious programmes then took the market and the more traditional approach to storytelling took a back seat other than timeless classics and well-marketed formulaic concepts but there was a need for something different.

Boodle Books had a temporary reprise when they were re-launched as **Hoo Ha House** but the time and circumstances still weren't right. Together with the Writers' Guild, Jo reclaimed the rights along with some **23,000 residual books** which she distributed at her own cost free of charge to local schools, hospitals and Barnados.

At her son Luke's insistence, due to his belief in the stories he'd grown up with, he convinced Jo not to leave it there and that the best vehicle to get the stories out would be via Social Media.

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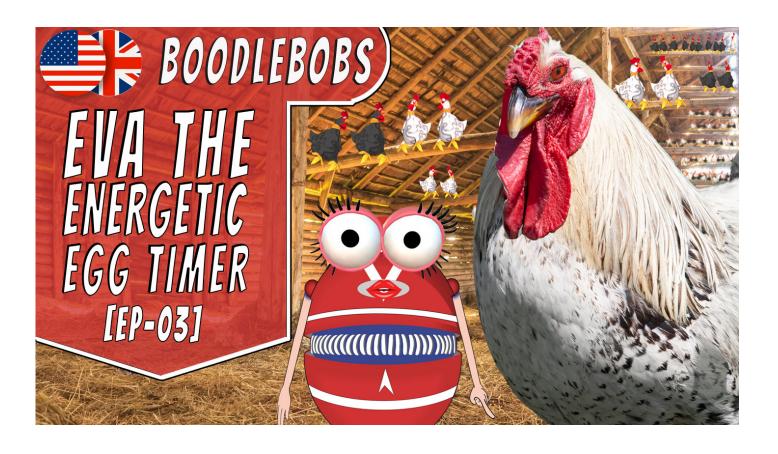
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THE BOODLEBOBS first published in 1980 have been re-released following a digital makeover.





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This is a story all about Eva and yes, she's an egg timer.

Because timing eggs only takes minutes, Eva had a lot of time on her hands. It gave her time to think so she thought a lot about chocolate.

Bars of chocolate, boxes of chocolates, chocolate biscuits, chocolate cake – anything so long as it was chocolate.

But there had to be more to life than chocolate?

Just then, Freddie scratched his nose and this gave Eva an idea. "I wonder how many times he does that in a minute?"



"In fact, I wonder who does what, how often and when...?"

So she started timing everyone and everyone got very fed up.





"STOP!!!" said Ivy putting her hands over her ears. "Everyone is tired of being timed and told about it..."

"PLEASE go back to timing eggs!"

"In fact, why don't you go and find out how long it takes to LAY an egg?"

Eva thought this was a BRILLIANT idea.

In no time at all, she arrived at the henhouse where two lovely soft hens were chattering about what hens always chatter about...

...eggs.

They laughed when they saw Eva. "Oh my word and glory be! Now's there's a funny thing to see in a henhouse!"

"Can I time how long it takes you to lay an egg?" asked Eva.

"Yes, but we can't be hurried," they clucked. "You can't hurry an egg, Oh dearie me no!"





So Eva set her timer and settled down but then suddenly something TERRIBLE happened! A black shiny nose poked into the Henhouse.

And under that nose were BIG sharp teeth! It was Ferdinand THE FOX!!!

"Good afternoon ladies," he said slyly, "I've come FOR MY TEA!." And he slavered and licked his lips.

"OH CLUCK!!!" It's f.. f...f....fox!" flapped Henrietta.

And in a flash of foxy red fur, Ferdinand pounced into the henhouse but much to his surprise, there was Eva.

"Oh no you don't!" she said angrily just as her alarm went off. "BRINGGGGGGGGGG!!!!!!!"

"What the f..f...f...flipping heck was that?!" exclaimed Ferdinand.

And he tripped over his tail and landed at the feet of Cornelius, a large and magnificent cockerel who gave him a well placed PECK! "YE-OWW!" squealed Ferdinand as he high-tailed it out of the Henhouse.





"AND WHOM, MAY I ASK, ARE YOU?" Cornelius enquired, looking down at Eva.

Eva was TERRIFIED. Never before had she seen such a huge magnificent cockerel.

"You leave her be!" said Henrietta, "Eva just saved us from being eaten by that wicked old fox!"

"I'm an egg timer," Eva whispered.

"A FOX SCARER more like!"

Boomed Cornelius, lowering his magnificent head. "How would you like to come here more often?"

"I'd like that very much," whispered Eva.

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Back in the kitchen, Eva told Ivy all about her adventure. "Well I never!" she said just as Cornelius strutted in and it was Ivy's turn to tremble.

Ivy had seen many cockerels in her time but never one as big and magnificent as Cornelius.

"This is to say thank you," he said gently and presented Eva with a large brown egg.

It was a most beautiful large brown egg. It was the most beautiful egg she'd ever seen because as Eva was soon to find out...

...it was an egg made entirely of

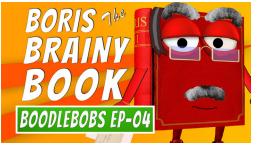
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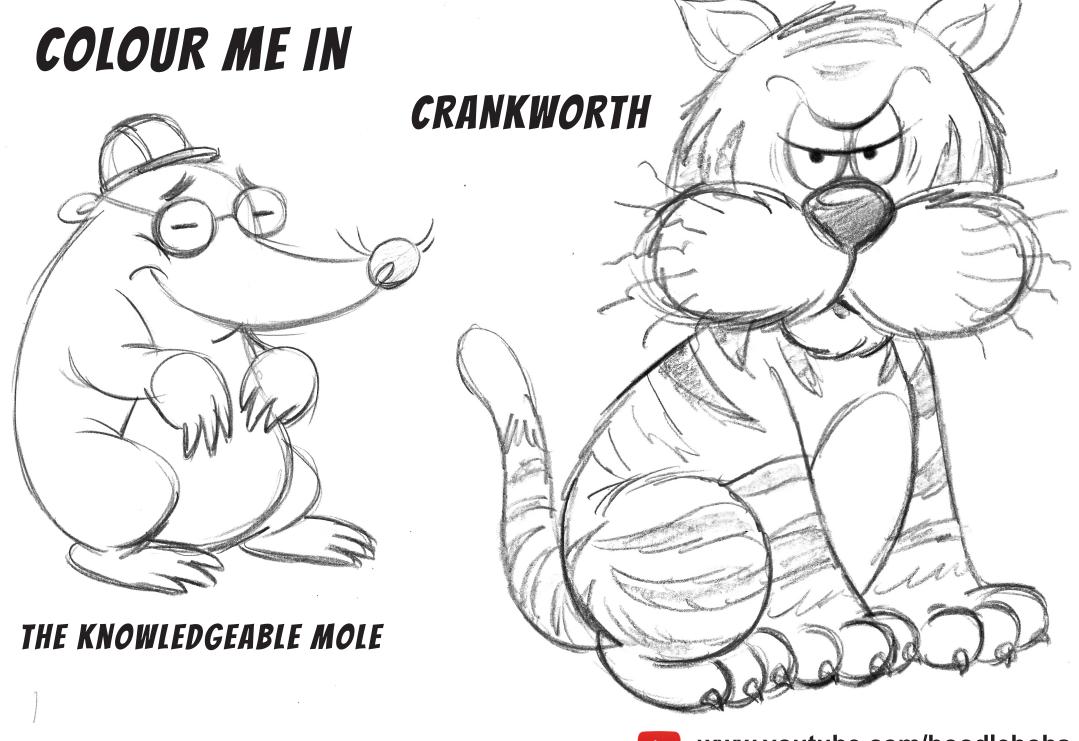




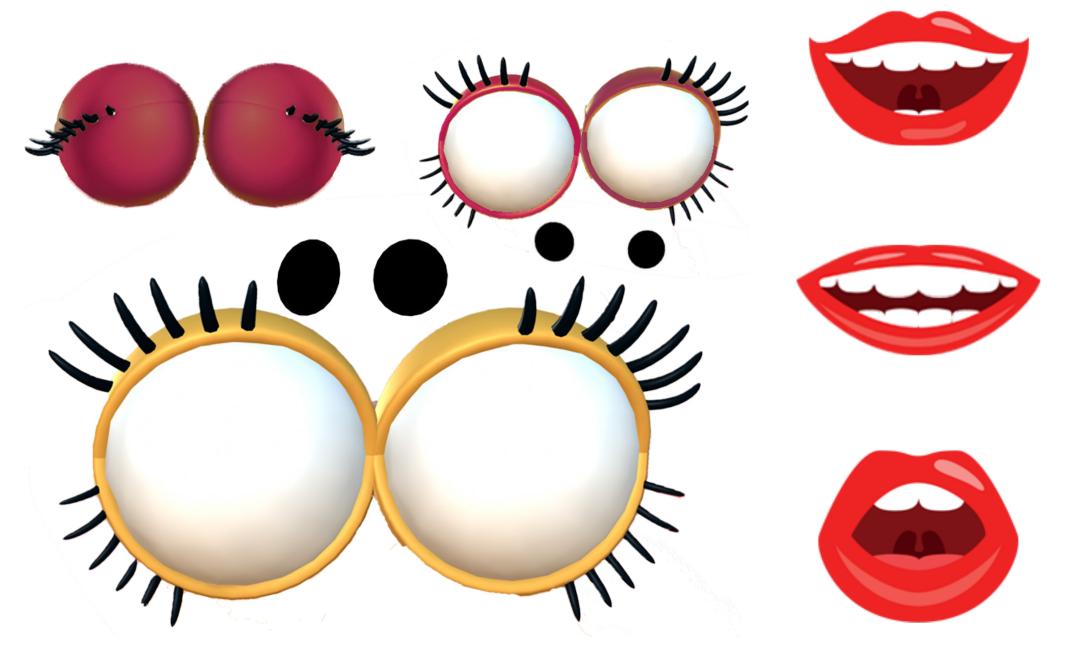


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