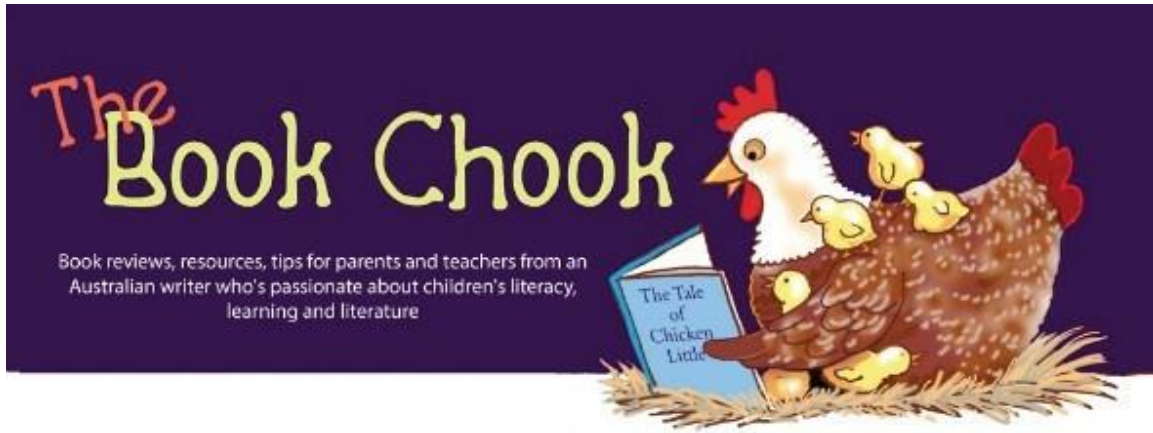


Reviews of Always Jack



I am a great fan of Susanne Gervay's books I am Jack and Super Jack. ... I love them because they're wonderful stories that grab the reader from the first page.

In Always Jack, Gervay tackles the effect of cancer on a family, and does so with her trademark warmth, insight and sensitivity. Book Chook, Susan Stephenson

The Sun-Herald

... the skill (is) in Gervay's storytelling: to encapsulate the realism of a young boy's life, yet still deal with big issues such as cancer, death, divorce, grandparents, sibling rivalry, friendships, refugees and the Vietnam War.

How does Gervay deal with so many issues in one relatively short children's book? The answer is she treads lightly. Jack is Gervay's vehicle for spreading words of wisdom, but at no time does she preach. Eternally, Jack and his story remain wholly believable. ...'Beautiful, sad, funny - Always Jack will make you laugh and make you cry. Guaranteed. Carrying the NSW Cancer Council's stamp of approval, Jack's story will stay with readers always.'

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Susanne Gervay's book is all the more poignant because it is from Jack's point of view: delving into his fears, confusion and his love for his family. ABC Radio Canberra Drive Show with Louise Maher



Susanne Gervay has written another cracker. Her prose is tight, funny and engaging. ... Gervay has a track record for tackling some difficult subject matters. This time round she delves into cancer, blended families and the Vietnam War. She does so with alacrity and sensitivity, drawing the reader into Jack's internal world, to experience his emotional ups and downs with him.

....Susanne Gervay writes about ordinary life with humour and a freshness that makes this book a delight to read.'

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Susanne's gifted writing style allows readers to appreciate the seriousness of breast cancer without allowing it to become a depressing read. Thumbs up to Susanne
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