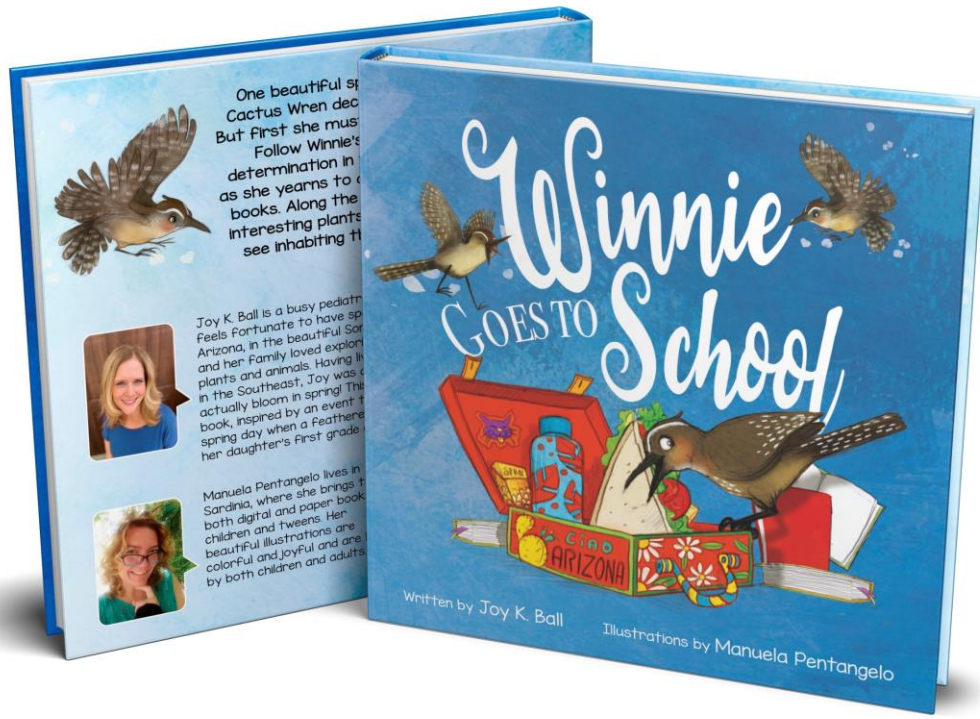


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## Author Bio

Joy K. Ball, a beloved pediatrician and dedicated wife and mother of two, brings her love of adventure and learning to life in her debut children's book, "Winnie Goes to School". Inspired by a heartwarming tale of a bird attempting to join her daughter's first-grade class, Joy takes young readers on a journey through the breathtaking Sonoran Desert, filled with discovery and delight.

Having lived most of her life in the Southeast, Joy was captivated by the beauty of the Sonoran Desert during her family's six-year stay in Scottsdale, AZ.

Joy is passionate about the health and well-being of children, and loves to travel and make memories with her family by exploring new destinations. When not working, she loves baking, reading, writing, hiking, volunteering at her church, and cheering at her kids' sporting events.

Joy hopes to inspire a new generation of young readers to follow their passions, embrace curiosity, and maintain a lifelong love of learning.

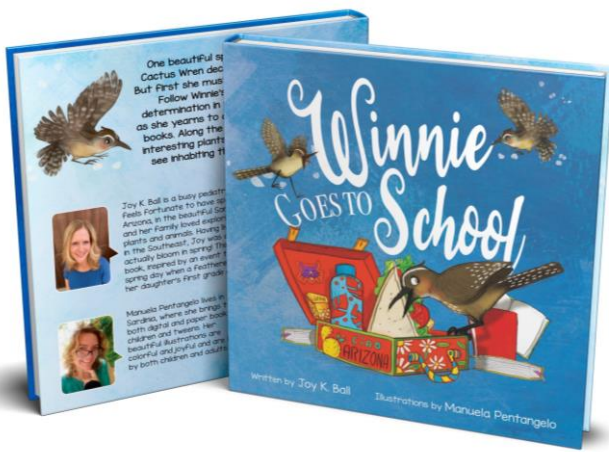


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"Winnie Goes to School" is an inspiring children's picture book that is perfect for kids who love learning, exploring, and discovering new things. The story follows the journey of a curious Cactus Wren as she sets out to discover what the children do in school. Along the way, she discovers the magic of books!

This delightful debut children's book celebrates the values of persistence, curiosity, love of learning, friendship, and acceptance. With its beautiful illustrations, this book provides a perfect way for kids to experience the joy of discovery and imagination while learning about the plants and animals of the Sonoran Desert. Whether you're a parent, teacher, or librarian, this book is sure to captivate and entertain the little ones in your life. Give the gift of learning and adventure today, and order "Winnie Goes to School" now!





# AUTHOR INTERVIEW

## AUTHOR Q & A

### 1. Q: What inspired you to write *Winnie Goes to School*?

A: I wrote the story during my family's first year living in Arizona, and I had no idea the desert bloomed in spring! My inspiration was the beauty of the Sonoran Desert and a funny story my youngest daughter told me. I was busy learning all I could about the unique plants and animals of our new home when my daughter told me the comical tale of a bird who flew into her first-grade classroom— not once, but twice! The children thought it was hilarious! I knew for my story, the bird would be a Cactus Wren. These birds are known for their curiosity and mischievous escapades! Winnie the Cactus Wren was born!

### 2. Q: How does being a pediatrician and mother affect how you write?

A: As a pediatrician, I have always been passionate about the health and well-being of children. I believe that reading is an essential part of a child's development and that books can be a powerful tool for teaching children about the world around them. As a mother, I understand the importance of finding books that are both fun and educational for children. Because I found learning about the Sonoran Desert so intriguing, I wanted to share that with my young readers. There is a "Fun Facts About the Sonoran Desert" spread at the end of the book that is meant to share extra facts for older children and inspire further reading. My goal is to write positive, engaging stories that encourage children to be curious, kind, and life-long learners.

### 3. Q: What are deeper themes adults will notice as they read the story?

A: *Winnie Goes to School* is a fast-paced and whimsical tale of a bird that wants to find out what the children do in school and discover the magic of books. But first she must find a way to get in! Children will love the beautiful illustrations and have fun imagining what it would be like for them to have a bird as a classmate and friend. Adults will appreciate deeper themes of persistence in the face of initial failure, the value of curiosity, a love for learning and books, and the importance of friendship and acceptance.

### 4. Q: Who will enjoy reading the book?

A: *Winnie Goes to School* is an inspiring children's picture book that is perfect for kids who love learning, exploring, and discovering new things. The story follows the journey of a curious Cactus Wren as she sets out to discover what the children do in school and the magic of books! Along the way, kids will encounter the amazing plants and animals of the Sonoran Desert. This delightful debut children's book celebrates the values of persistence, curiosity, love of learning, friendship, and acceptance. With its beautiful illustrations, *Winnie Goes to School* is a perfect way for kids to experience the joy of discovery and imagination while learning about the plants and animals of the Sonoran Desert. Whether you're a parent, teacher, or librarian, this book is sure to captivate and entertain the little ones in your life.

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*Bird Lovers of all ages will adore Winnie!*

Customers are saying:

"Winnie's adventure demonstrates a love of reading, curiosity for learning, and determination."

"An avid bird watcher, my daughter appreciates the detail and accuracy of the drawings paired with the whimsical storyline of a cactus wren who discovers that school is a wonderful place to learn."

"Winnie is a perfect ambassador to teach children about the Sonoran Desert and the curiosity that stimulates learning and adventure."

Quotes from Amazon listing.

