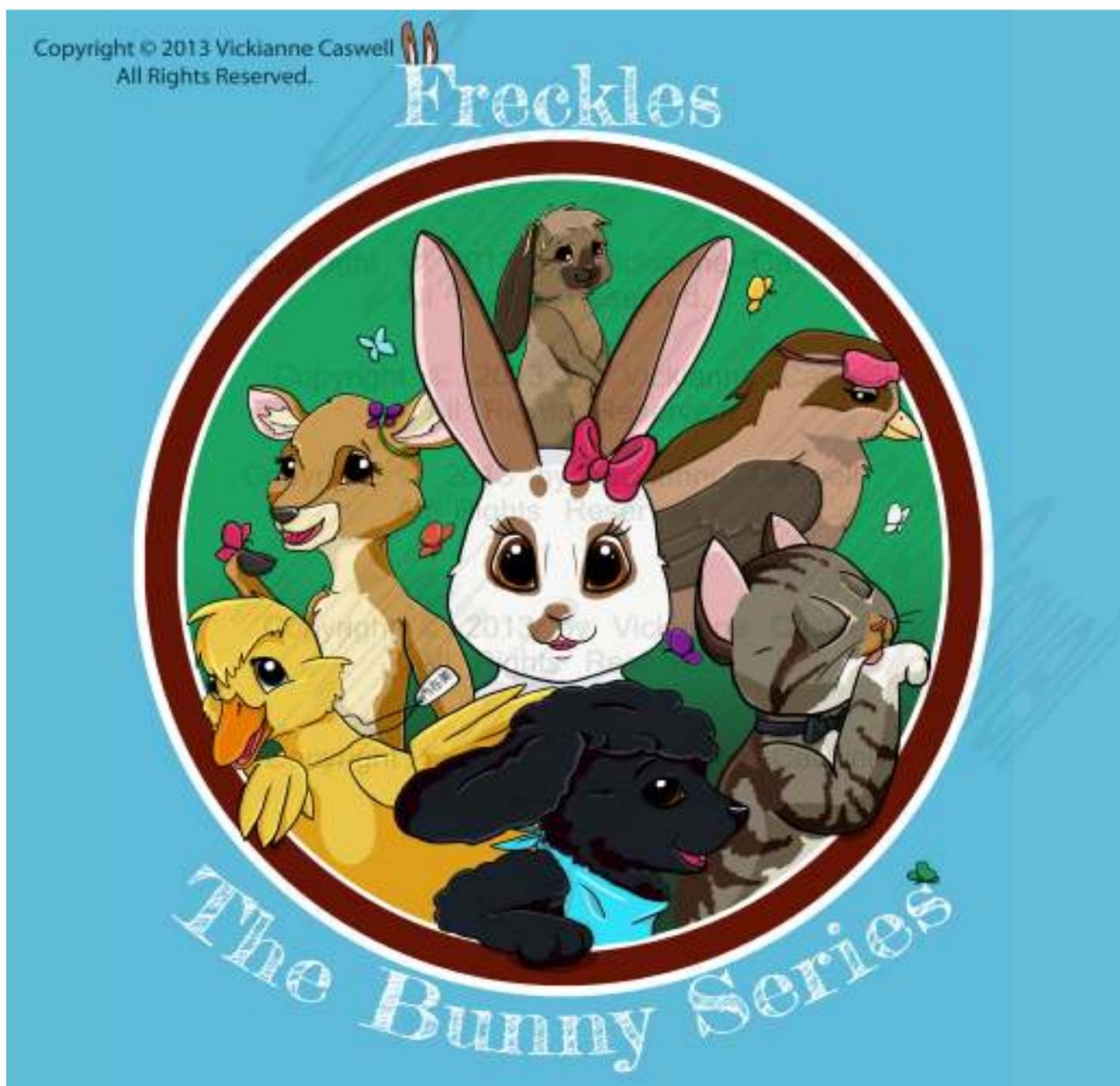


Freckles the Bunny Series  
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Vickianne Caswell, Saskatchewan Writers' Guild member  
and 5 Star award winning author would love to read at  
your school!



## MEET THE CHARACTERS

Freckles – She is the life lesson learner of the stories and a Mini Rex bunny.

Dreamy – She is an Old English Game chick who loves to nap.

Boots – He is a Tabby kitten who loves to keep clean.

Tiger – He is a Poodle puppy who loves to growl and pounce like a tiger when he plays.

Donut – He is a Peking duckling who loves everything in circles and is a bit different.

Norma – A White-tailed fawn who is shy and can run fast.

Stew – She is a Mini Lop bunny who appears in book # 2. She is gentle and kind.

## ABOUT THE BOOKS

- The characters are based on real pets with the same unique personalities.
- Each book comes with a life lesson or moral in the stories.
- The books contain “Fun Facts” information, and short stories about the pets and where ideas for the stories came from.
- The books are written in a humorous way for both parents and children to enjoy.
- The age range for the books varies between pre-kindergarten and up. Some older children have liked the books as well because of the humour in them and the fact that they are based on real pets. It has not been unusual to be invited to read to a grade 3 and 4 classroom.

## ABOUT THE STORY READINGS

### PRESENTATION COST

- This is all done **FREE**.
- It is asked that the teachers photocopy the order form to send home for any parents interested in purchasing a book for their child. The teacher is to then send them back as arranged, either by mail or pick up depending upon location.
- Vickianne can send an e-book to you privately should you wish to peruse it ahead of time.

### WHO ATTENDS

- The author and her daughter attend the presentations. Vickianne's daughter is a great help and has co-authored Freckles the Bunny Series, Book # 6: The Freckle Monster.
- Depending on the school's decision, the real Freckles usually comes in with me to meet the children. This gives them a chance to meet her and pet her if they would like. Stew usually attends with her.

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### TIME LENGTH

- The presentation takes roughly an hour.
- It is recommended that the Christmas book not be chosen unless the whole classroom has

already had the presentation before with the introduction to characters. The story is much longer and would be hard to fit in the short time frame.

### WHAT IS INVOLVED IN THE PRESENTATION

- A display board is brought along as part of the presentation and the characters and their personalities are introduced.
- The story of choice is then read to the children and questions can be asked after. As the story is read, the author usually tells the children a little bit about the story and why certain parts were written in (from something the pet really did). The children usually interact partly through as well, sharing their pet stories.
- Before leaving, stickers and bookmarks are dispersed to the children.
- The teacher can choose which book is to be read, the students or the author.

### WHAT VICKIANNE WILL NEED TO KNOW

- Most schools divide the reading between two grades at a time and I stay for the day. I will need to know how you plan to split the time.
- What grades and how many students?
- Can Freckles and Stew attend at your school?
- Do you have a Smart Board?
- Do the groups have a specific book picked out?
- If you are planning on a Sherlock reading as well (see his pdf for more details).

### WHAT I NEED

- A table or two to place the display board and a carrier.
- A Smart Board if you have one as I can show the pictures on the screen. If you do not, we can walk around with the book.
- A large enough room for the children to sit lined up and for us to be able to walk down the middle of each row with the rabbits for the children to pet.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Vickianne Caswell is married and has one daughter, who has an amazing gift with animals (all animals, wild or tame seem to love her). Vickianne was raised an animal lover, in the cities of Saskatoon and Regina. She has been writing at home since she was a teenager, after her father got her interested in writing when he published a poem. She has done a few articles for a small paper on animal care and continues to experience the joys of pet ownership on an acreage where the family now

lives.

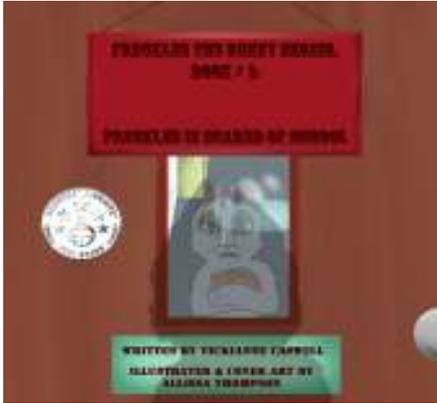
Vickianne began writing again in 2012 after the quiet life and animals on an acreage inspired her and is now a proud member of the Saskatchewan Writers' Guild. She had wanted to create a set of children's stories in memory of her rabbit Freckles and the desire to teach morals that are sometimes forgotten. She published her first book in the series entitled, "Freckles the Bunny Series" in 2012. Since that time, she has published 4 more books in the series and a companion book that shares information about the real animals from the stories. Vickianne is currently on her second series as well. "Sherlock the Remarkable Cat Series," was published in January of 2014. She has won a Readers Favourite 5 Star Review Award for most of her stories.

Vickianne's children's books are based on her real pets with the same unique personalities. Many were unwanted, strays or rescues and each special in their own way. Every book in each series comes with "Fun Facts" and a "Behind the Story" at the back of every book. She is always more than happy to visit a school with Freckles III and put on a presentation/story hour for children.

## BOOKS

### **Freckles the Bunny Series, Book # 1: Freckles is Scared of School**

Freckles loves being at home with her mom. The day her mom tells her that she must go to school, Freckles is both scared and upset. At school, she learns that things are not as scary as they seem and even makes a few friends. Meet Boots the kitten, he can't stop grooming his paws. Dreamy the chick, she loves to nap. Tiger the puppy, thinks he's a cat. Norma the fawn, she is shy and can move fast. Lastly, there is Donut the duckling, he loves to do everything in a circle.

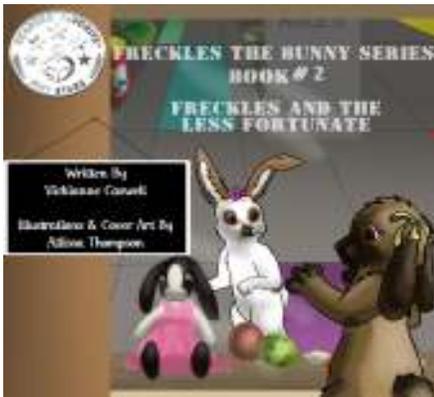


#### MORALS/LIFE LESSONS:

- \* Overcoming fear.
- \* Making friends.
- \* Trying new things.

### **Freckles the Bunny Series, Book # 2: Freckles and the Less Fortunate**

Freckles the bunny wants everything she sees in the stores until one day, she meets another bunny named Stew and learns just how lucky she is to have what she does. Stew's family can't afford to buy everything new or shop very often. Freckles soon begins to think of ways to help her new friend. Join Freckles and her friends in another funny story for you and your child to enjoy. Children will learn just how lucky they are to have what they do and get a better understanding of those that don't.



#### MORALS/LIFE LESSONS:

- \* Appreciate what you have.
- \* Not everyone is as fortunate as others.
- \* Share.
- \* Donate what you no longer use or need.

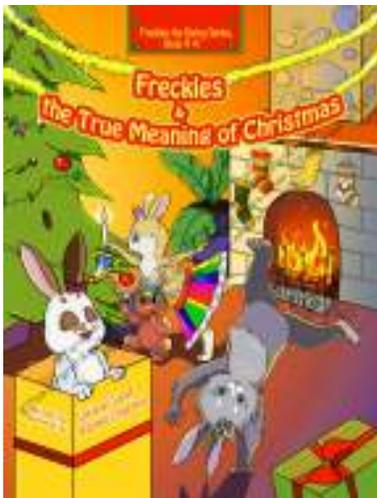


### **Freckles the Bunny Series, Book # 3: Freckles Lends a Paw**

Freckles and her friends have always been scared of that one house. The house where a mean, old rabbit, Mr. Loppity lives. Children have always avoided him but one day, Freckles learns that everyone must over-come their fears and sometimes they can't be avoided. She learns that sometimes the thing that you fear most, isn't so scary after all. Freckles and her friends soon begin helping him and also learn that appearances can be deceiving. Join Freckles and her friends in another funny adventure, this time with their siblings.

#### **MORALS/LESSONS LEARNED:**

- \* Helping others makes you feel good inside.
- \* Don't believe everything you hear, don't.
- \* Listen to rumours, caring for others
- \* Helping the elderly.
- \* Treat others' property with respect.



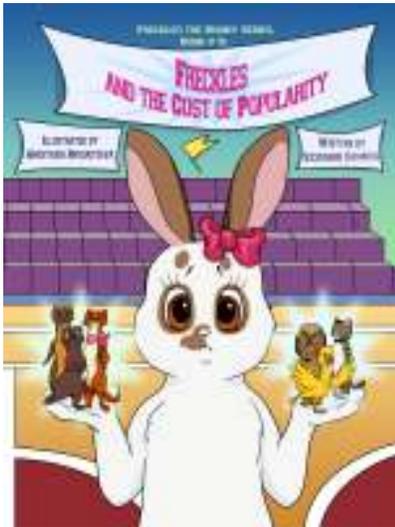
### **Freckles the Bunny Series, Book # 4:**

#### **Freckles and the True Meaning of Christmas**

Freckles and her friends believe that Christmas is all about presents until their families decide to show them the true meaning of Christmas. Each family embarks on a magical Christmas journey, when they show their children that Christmas is about the love we have for each other. For the first time ever, meet the full family of each of the characters.

#### **MORALS/LESSONS LEARNED:**

- \* Donate or volunteer time.
- \* Helping others, caring and sharing.
- \* Christmas is about the love and caring for each other, not about presents.
- \* Helping makes you feel good inside.



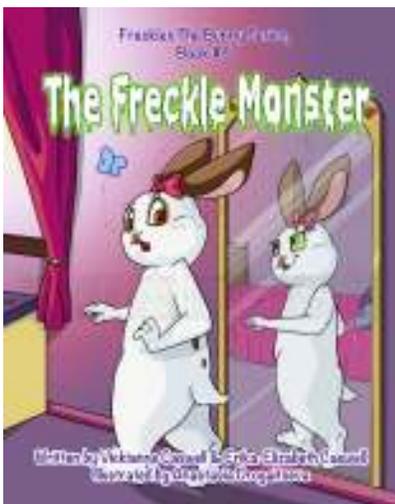
## Freckles the Bunny Series, Book # 5: Freckles and the Cost of Popularity

Freckles has always been a good little bunny that was taught to be nice and caring towards others. The opportunity to be popular arises and Freckles soon finds herself choosing popularity over friends. Two classes get to go on a field trip to the local bakery where Boots' brother Sherlock works. Freckles has been told that Boots' family is not cool and weird. Freckles and her new friends are soon laughing at the bakery owner and Boots' family, costing Freckles her old friends. Join Freckles as she learns that being different is alright and that being popular doesn't mean you have to be mean, in another funny adventure. Guest appearances by Sherlock, a popular real animal and Purrsia, a character that will have your child looking to see what is stuck in her fur, in

every illustration.

### MORALS/LESSONS LEARNED:

- \* Peer pressure.
- \* Do what is right and not what others tell you.
- \* Being popular is not always as good as it seems.
- \* Treat others the way you want to be treated.
- \* It is not nice to laugh or make fun of others' misfortunes.



## Freckles the Bunny Series, Book # 6: The Freckle Monster

Freckles is sure she is going to win the anti-bullying poster contest. Freckles is very disappointed when she learns Stew wins and with the help of the snobby weasel girls, she begins to show Stew how mad and jealous she is. Can Freckles turn things around and fix the hurt feelings she has caused by bullying or will the Freckle Monster keep controlling her? Meanwhile, Freckles' lies has caused a lot of other fighting. Lying, name calling, hitting and much more happens between the classmates and someone gets hurt. Will the children remember why they drew these posters or will they remain bullies themselves? **COMING LATE 2014!**

### MORALS/LESSONS LEARNED:

- \* Hitting is wrong.
- \* It is not nice to be jealous of others.
- \* Consequences of actions.
- \* Don't run at the pool.
- \* Jealousy can lead to bad things.
- \* How to treat friends.
- \* How to overcome jealousy and anger.
- \* Bullying is wrong and the different forms (except cyber bullying) of bullying.
- \* Revenge is wrong and leads to bad things.

*I am currently looking to set up visits in select areas at this time. I am always more than happy to return to a school. I love getting feedback from the teachers and students. If you are interested in setting up a visit to your school then please contact me via email as we are still in the works of moving into our home after a house fire and have yet to set up a telephone. I would prefer if possible to make this a day visit whether it be all Freckles books or a mix between the two as we will be driving out to some areas. I will be available throughout the year and look forward to hearing from you!*

*Sincerely,*

*Vickianne Caswell*

*If you no longer wish to receive mail from me, kindly contact me and it will stop. Thank you for your time!*

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