

Amy and Phoenix

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Eleven-year-old Amy Pringle lives on a farm. She knows all the animals by name and can talk to them like Doctor Doolittle. Amy is looking forward to her favourite ewe, Edna, giving birth. When she sees her dad with his gun, she knows something is wrong. It is soon evident that the lamb only has three legs. Amy wants to save the lamb so must think of a way to do so. She has an idea which she puts into action. Her big sister Hannah then posts a video of Phoenix on YouTube and it goes viral. Amy is so excited by this and thinks all her problems are solved but they are not. Phoenix is stolen, and Amy must find him.

Sales and Marketing Highlights

The story features a sweet and strong-willed girl who loves animals and wants to save her favourite ewe's lamb which is born with three legs. It is a heart-warming fantasy and adventure about a disabled animal and how a girl is able to advocate for him. This theme can be generalised to people. With the YouTube video of Phoenix going viral, the story also lends itself to discussions on social media, YouTube and cyber safety. Other themes covered in the story are farm life, animal welfare and the relationship between a child and animals/pets.

Free Teachers' Notes and activity worksheets are available on the author's website:

About the Author

This is the fifth novel from Jenny Woolsey. Jenny is a children's author and blogger, teacher, motivational speaker and advocate for people living with disabilities. She lives in the Moreton Bay Region of Queensland, Australia. Jenny was born with a rare craniofacial syndrome and is visually impaired. She writes to help children and teens embrace who they are and to be their true selves.

