

CHILDREN'S LAUREATE 2019-2022.

The author and illustrator **Cressida Cowell** is the **Waterstone's Children's Laureate for 2019-2022.**

The role of Children's Laureate is awarded once every 2 years to an eminent writer or illustrator of children's books, to celebrate outstanding achievement in their field.



Cressida Cowell is the number 1 bestselling author-illustrator of the **How To Train Your Dragon and The Wizards of Once** book series. She is also the author of the **Emily Brown** picture

books, illustrated by Neal Layton. She has sold over 11 million books worldwide in 38 languages.

The word 'Laureate' means one who deserves to be surrounded by laurels, surrounded by praise.

Read on to find out more about Cressida Cowell.

“Reading is magic, and magic is for everyone.”

Cressida Cowell.

Born.	15 th April 1966.
Nationality.	English.
Education.	Oxford University.
Children.	3.
Favourite Smell.	Babies, roses and wind by the sea.

Cressida Cowell has written her own Children's Charter you can see it below. These are the things she believes every child has a right to experience. We agree!

GRESSIDA COWELL'S

Waterstones Children's Laureate Charter

Every child has
the right to...



1. Read for the joy of it
2. Access NEW books in schools, libraries and bookshops
3. Have advice from a trained librarian or bookseller
4. Own their OWN book
5. See themselves reflected in a book
6. Be read aloud to
7. Have some choice in what they read
8. Be creative for at least fifteen minutes a week
9. See an author event at least ONCE
10. Have a planet to read on

