

# ELLA AT EDEN

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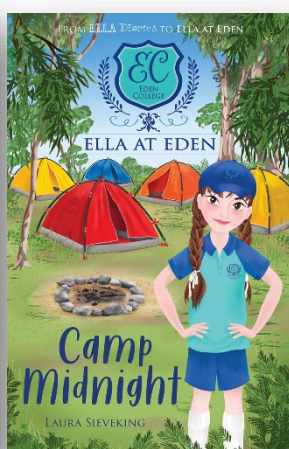
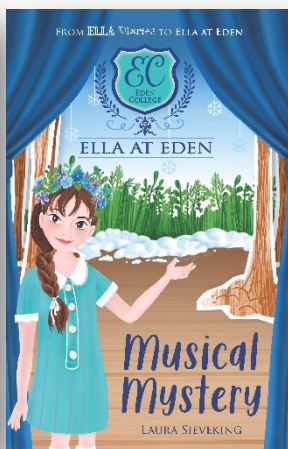
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Ella has turned 12 and is at boarding school. What adventures await her now?



- Feature the beloved Ella of the ever-popular *Ella Diaries* series.
- For older Ella fans, readers who enjoy a “boarding school” setting, and those who relish a bit of mystery in friendship stories.
- Address typical issues of everyday life for this age group.

I continued to read, marveling with the poet at the thought of a majestic bird, hovering on the wind. When I finished, I looked up. Mr. Withers had cupped his hands under his chin and his eyes were sparkling. “Beautiful,” he said simply.

I smiled, feeling a bit shy, and walked back down to my seat.

“That was amazing,” Violet whispered.

“Really?” I asked.

“Yes! You sung so beautifully and your poem was like nothing I’ve heard before,” she said, squeezing my hand.

By the end of the afternoon, we were all exhausted. We had sat through over 50 auditions.

“Thank you, everyone, for auditioning,” Mrs. Lodge said. “We will have the names of the cast pinned to the bulletin board by the end of the school week. Then, rehearsals begin Monday!”

I sighed a deep, relieved breath. I’d done my best and there was nothing more I could do. It was all in the hands of the teachers now. But as I walked out of the auditorium, I still had my fingers crossed on both hands.

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## Chapter 5

From: Ella  
Sent: Friday, 8:15 AM  
To: Olivia  
Subject: Cross your fingers!!

Hi Olivia!  
Did you make the soccer team? I bet you did. How's Bob? Is he still wearing the cone of shame over his head? That photo Mum sent was sooooo funny! It should stop him from licking his leg wound, at least. How's Max?

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# Additional Information

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*Personality and voice of the older Ella is consistent with her younger self in the best-selling Ella Diaries.*

*Well-developed characters and plot appeal to both Ella fans and those new to the character.*

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