



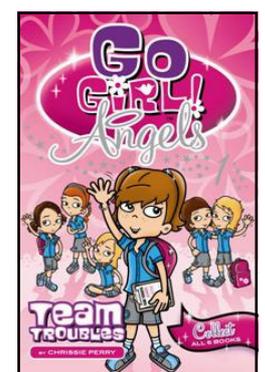
Chrissie Perry

Chrissie Keighery is the author of many successful books for children and young adults including her stories in the *Go Girl!* series.

The former high school English teacher lives down on the Great Ocean Road in Fairhaven with her husband and three children. There is an amazingly beautiful view of the coastline from the living area, so Chrissie tucks herself away in a room with shut out blinds to concentrate on her stories.

She finds that she needs a cocoon like this to dive deep inside her characters; to bring to life the physical and emotional ups and downs of teen life. Her teenage daughter has been a big part of the process, helping to build and expand the cast of *Outside In* (written under Chrissie Keighery) until the characters have become part of the family.

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Author / Illustrator Questionnaire

My earliest memory is fighting tooth and nail over a doll with my sister. But then again, we do have a great teary/raging photo to remind me...

At school I was very shy at primary, and way less shy at high

I wish I had realized much earlier that so many people are bluffing about their fabulous skills and fabulous understanding of how life works.

I wish I hadn't put a green dyna-mint up my nose in year seven to show off. It came out very publicly and it was still a kind of wet green

My happiest moment the births of my babies. Standard answer, I know, but true.

My most humiliating moment the exit of the dyna-mint was fairly traumatic

At home I cook food

When I was a child I read everything I could get my hands on

Some of the books I like are books that take me on a guided tour of other people's thoughts and feelings

It's not fashionable but I love Dr. Phil

Friends say that I am very scary when I get angry (which is, perhaps, because that's not very often)

If only I could sing loudly and strongly and beautifully. I can sing loudly and strongly...

What I don't find amusing is hypocrisy; especially very un-generous people who tell everyone how generous they are!

My favourite gadget my computer. Other than that, I'm not very gadget-y

At the moment I'm reading MJ Hyland 'How the Light Gets In'. I'm on a roll with her. Love it!

I often wonder if I'll get to be a granny some day.

