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'This is a Significant Book'

***Hijabi Girl* by Hazel Edwards and Ozge Alkan (BookPOD)**

Melek meets the new girl as she rushes to school, almost late. She is Tien from Vietnam, and she loves to draw and doesn't like to read much. Melek, on the other hand, loves to kick a footy – her dream is to start a girls' Aussie Rules team – and she loves to read as well.

With them on the blue table is Zac, his pet Rattus Rattus, and Lily the dress-up queen.

Together they make a fascinating easy to read chapter book. This is a significant book. As Melek says she can't find any books with people wearing hijabi in them, so how can she dress up for the book parade? She just has to write and illustrate it herself. Now there is one, which Hazel and Ozge wrote together and Serena Geddes illustrated.