



The Planet Rescue Club: The Black Swans

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Jens Kristensen is the winner of the Norwegian Cultural Ministry Prize 2020 for best illustrations for the first two books in *The Planet Rescue Club*



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The Planet Rescue Club is an ambitious suspense series about the environment and climate change for children (6–9 years), with factsheets included in all books. Illustrations by Jens Kristensen.

In the first book of the series, *The Black Swans*, we meet Vanja, Sivert and Mo, who live in a rural area of Western Norway. A boat has crashed into the quay outside the factory, and mysterious things start to happen.

Vanja, Sivert and Mo discover an oil spill in the fjord, and the leak has covered all the white swans with debris. Does the oil come from the boat or is somebody intentionally polluting the fjord? Could it be the wealthy factory owner dumping the oil? Or is his strange assistant, Luke, responsible?

When the adults don't believe what the children tell them, Vanja, Sivert and Mo found "The Planet Rescue Club" to take matters into their own hands.

Ruth Lillegraven

Ruth Lillegraven debuted in 2005 with a collection of poetry entitled *Big Bad Poems*. Since then, she has published a novel, six poetry collections as well as children books. Her work has been nominated for several prizes and she was awarded, among other distinctions, *The Brage Prize* and *Nynorsk Literature Prize*. Her first psychological crime thriller, *Everything is Mine (Alt er mitt)*, is the first in a series, with huge success and multiple international sales, as well as film rights sold to Nordisk film. *Blood Ties* is the second volume in the "Clara - series".