

Chapter One

No-one wanted the orphaned Fishbone kids, so Billy, the biggest most bossy-britches brother, formed a bushranger gang that snatched and stole (mostly food, sometimes gold).



As well as Billy, there was

his wee sister
Matilda,



his always-dirty
brother Nugget,



and his not-so-bright
brother Candle.

Bushranging, as you know, is hard and hot work, so after weeks of waylaying coaches Billy Fishbone and the wild kid bushrangers went on a well-earned holiday.

From the moment they arrived on the Buttibotti goldfield, the gang ran wild.

