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An iridescent cover attracts attention, with what appears to be a large thumbprint of a little being centred within a conglomerate of sparkling colourful stars. Readers learn this is Ori, living in the depths of space, in darkness. We recognise her loneliness. Amazingly, by chance, when rubbing together her hands, she discovers how to make a star. Delighted, she soon creates hundreds of them, these stars attracting figures from far and wide, lots of friendly little beings to ease her loneliness. They all want to make stars, just like Ori did. Such fun follows in the depths of space, created by Ori, Vega, Nova, Bella and Luna. These beings are beautifully crafted in glorious colours, each having their own characterful faces within their 'thumbprint'. Each page-turn creates a gasp as colours bounce about in space, the star constellations randomly scattered about, often in a black background, within explosions of blue, green, pink and purple. Readers can explore the wonderfully imaginative creations made? bicycles, train trucks, a helter-skelter, a big wheel, all giving such pleasure. When all five friends are plunged into outer darkness once again, they realise there might well be other beings far out there, as lonely as they had all been. Spread the light! The five decide they must split up, *whizzing east, whooshing west, zooming north and darting off south* until the new stars they make attract beings from deep in space, each making new stars until the sky is filled to brimming with stars. No-one feels lonely again. Those readers keen on star gazing will be searching the pages for Orion the hunter, Ursa Major and the Big Dipper. A remarkable book showing just how powerful can be the bonds of friendship.

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