

Mrs. Gourd

Anyone who's had to put children to bed knows how unpredictable the routine of bedtime can be. *Enter—Mrs. Gourd.*



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When Mom finds herself at her wits' end, Mrs. Gourd's unexpected arrival changes the course of bedtime—in a good way. Taking charge in her persnickety, silly way, Mrs. Gourd wrangles in bedtime, leaving the reader amused, and best of all, those little ones drifting off into dreamland. A cross between the iconic nanny who floats in with her black umbrella and your strict elementary school teacher, Mrs. Gourd inspires the reader to dig deep into their innate bag of tricks to create connections and memories that last a lifetime. **When all else fails, it's Mrs. Gourd to the rescue!**



Jody Bucher (Levar) learned to improv while tap dancing in her grandparents' kitchen as a child. She has loved writing for as long as she can remember, but her life experience as a mom led her to write this, her first book. A working mom of three (a daughter and twin boys), she has channeled her artistic and linguistic talents as a brand-builder, copy-writer, and creative director, but considers her children her greatest work of art. Jody hopes Mrs. Gourd will lead the reader to their own discoveries and inspire others to find beauty and opportunity in the midst of life's chaos. Originally from Ontario, Canada, Jody currently calls Richmond, Virginia, home with her husband, three children, two goldendoodles, and Mrs. Gourd.

