

# Trent Dalton manuscripts for Boy Swallows Universe

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**Abstract** Six digital manuscripts of Trent Dalton's award winning debut novel, Boy Swallows Universe. The collection comprises an original unpublished manuscript, publisher's structural notes, revised versions with editor's notes, a marked up proof and the final proof. The semi-autobiographical novel Boy Swallows Universe tells the coming of age story of Eli Bell in the outer suburbs of Brisbane in the 1980s.

**Description** 6 digital manuscripts

**Administrative / Biographical history** Trent Dalton is a Queensland journalist and author. He is a staff writer for The Weekend Australian Magazine and a former assistant editor of The Courier-Mail. Trent is a two-time winner of a Walkley Award for Excellence in Journalism, a three-time winner of a Kennedy Award for Excellence in NSW Journalism and a four-time winner of the national News Awards Features Journalist of the Year.

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# Series 1: Manuscripts

**Series number** 1

**Series title** Manuscripts

**Scope and content**

Six digital manuscripts of Trent Dalton's first novel *Boy Swallows Universe*. The manuscripts show the progression of the work from original first draft through the editing process; including notes and markups from editors on the manuscripts, to the final typeset manuscript in preparation for publication. ***Only first the six pages of each manuscript are available to be viewed.***

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Items in this series:

**Original manuscript (October 2017)**



**Date** October 2017

The first draft, unedited manuscript of Trent Dalton's debut novel *Boy Swallows Universe*. **First six pages only available to view.**

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## Date 2017

## Scope and content

Notes from Dalton's editor who provides structural notes and edits after reading the first draft of the manuscript of *Boy Swallows Universe*.

#### Description

**Description** 0 1 (digital manuscript)

5 pages

#### Revised manuscript - reading copy (November 2017)

A small, low-resolution thumbnail image of the book cover for 'Boy Swallows Universe'. The cover is dark with the title in white text. The image is partially obscured by a large grey rectangle.

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**Date** November 2017

#### Scope and content

Reading copy of the revised manuscript of *Boy Swallows Universe* following the initial round of editing. The manuscript contains markups and includes comments from Dalton's editor and responses from Dalton. ***First six pages only available to view.***

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#### Copy edited manuscript (2018)



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**Date** 2018

**Scope and content**

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**First typeset proof with corrections (23 February 2018)**



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**Date** 23 February 2018

## Scope and content

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## Final typeset manuscript (27 April 2018)



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