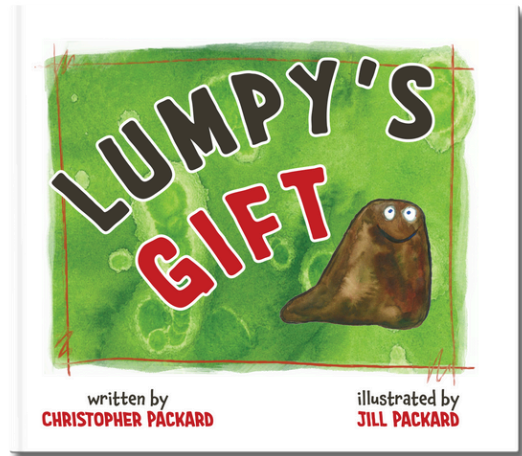


# Lumpy's Gift

## FROM CLAY TO CUP: A CHILDREN'S BOOK ABOUT GROWTH, CHANGE, AND CREATIVITY

*Lumpy's Gift* follows a lump of clay on a transformative journey into a ceramic cup—teaching kids about pottery, resilience, and personal growth. With engaging illustrations and a relatable story, this picture book is perfect for ages 4 to 8, and a great fit for classrooms, art programs, and SEL reading lists.



Finally the door opened.  
“What a nice cup you turned out to be!  
You’ll make such a fine gift.”  
said the person as they set him back on the shelf.



**LUMPY** didn't feel very *lumpy* anymore.  
He felt **STRONG** and **SOLID**.

If readers like *The Most Magnificent Thing* or *What Do You Do With a Problem?*, they'll love *Lumpy's Gift*. This heartfelt picture book weaves creativity and emotional growth into a story that teaches children the value of change, perseverance, and finding their unique purpose through the unexpected journey of a lump of clay.

**Christopher and Jill Packard** live on a small farm near Bangor, Maine, where they garden, raise chickens, and create together. Christopher is a storyteller, teacher, and author of *Mythical Creatures of Maine*. Jill is a nonprofit leader, artist, and musician who dreams of more time at the pottery wheel. They make, grow, and try to make the world a little better—sometimes with a bit of mischief.

“A fun and educational read that kids and adults alike will enjoy. *Lumpy's Gift* is for the whole family and teachers in and outside the classroom.”  
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