



100+ Books for Years 5 and 6

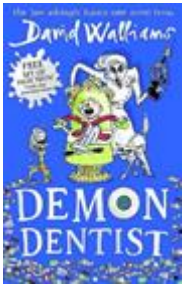


When planning your English / Guided Reading lessons this year, please refer to this book list to find texts suitable to your age group. Please also use this to suggest texts to children and families.

If you use an alternative text, please ensure that it is suitable for the age group, and not one identified as suitable for younger / older age groups.

Please feel free to add your own examples to the bottom of the grid, just give a brief synopsis of the book, age range and possible topic ideas. Please let me know when you have done this.

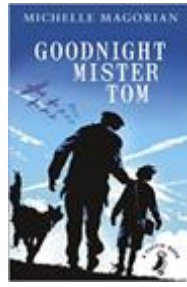
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Demon Dentist
David Walliams

Topics: Teeth / Food / Healthy Humans
Age Range: 9 - 12 years
Darkness had come to the town. Strange things were happening in the dead of night. Children would put a tooth under their pillow for the tooth fairy, but in the morning they would wake up to find... a dead slug; a live spider; hundreds of earwigs creeping and crawling beneath their pillow. Evil was at work.

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Goodnight Mister Tom
Michelle Magorian

Topics: World War II / Adoption / Away from home / Towns and Cities
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
The story of young Willie Beech, evacuated to the country as Britain stands on the brink of the Second World War. A sad, deprived child, he slowly begins to flourish under the care of old Tom Oakley - but his new-found happiness is shattered by a summons from his mother back in London.

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Inside Out and Back Again
Thomas Lai

Topics: War / Grief / Family / Travel or Escape
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
Hà has only ever known Saigon: the thrills of its markets, the joy of its traditions, and the warmth of her friends close by. But now the Vietnam War has reached her home. Hà and her family are forced to flee as Saigon falls, and they board a ship headed toward hope--toward America.

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The Suitcase Kid
Jacqueline Wilson

Topics: War / Grief / Family / Travel or Escape
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
When my parents split up they didn't know what to do with me . . . My family always lived at Mulberry Cottage. Mum, Dad, me - and Radish, my Sylvanian rabbit. But now Mum lives with Bill the Baboon and his three kids. Dad lives with Carrie and her twins. And where do I live? I live out of a suitcase. One week with Mum's new family, one week with Dad's.

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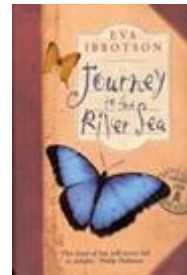
Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief
Rick Riordan

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Coraline
Neil Gaiman

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Journey to the River Sea
Eva Ibbotson

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Five on Treasure Island
Enid Blyton

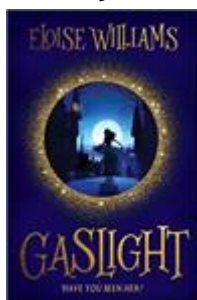
Topics: Greeks / Gods / Danger / Adventure
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
 I was just a normal kid, going to school, playing basketball, skateboarding. The usual. Until I accidentally vaporized my maths teacher. Now I spend my time battling monsters and generally trying to stay alive. This is the one where Zeus, God of the Sky, thinks I've stolen his lightning bolt - and making Zeus angry is a *very bad idea*.

Topics: Danger / Adventure / Magic
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
 There is something strange about Coraline's new home. It's not the mist, or the cat that always seems to be watching her, nor the signs of danger that Miss Spink and Miss Forcible, her new neighbours, read in the tea leaves. It's the other house - the one behind the old door in the drawing room. Another mother and father with black-button eyes and papery skin are waiting for Coraline to join them there. And they want her to stay with them. For ever.

Topics: Rivers / Sea / Water / Adventure / Amazon
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
 It is 1910 and Maia, tragically orphaned at thirteen, has been sent from England to start a new life with distant relatives in Manaus, hundreds of miles up the Amazon. She is accompanied by an eccentric and mysterious governess who has secret reasons of her own for making the journey. Both soon discover an exotic world bursting with new experiences.

Topics: Danger / Adventure / Magic
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 Meet Julian, Dick, Anne, George and Timothy. Together they are THE FAMOUS FIVE. Julian, Dick and Anne are spending the holidays with their tomboy cousin George and her dog, Timothy. One day, George takes them to explore nearby Kirrin Island, with its rocky little coast and old ruined castle on the top. Over on the island, they make a thrilling discovery, which leads them deep into the dungeons of Kirrin Castle on a dangerous adventure. Who - and what - will they find there?

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Gaslight
Eloise Williams

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Firegirl
Tony Abbott

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The Worlds of Albie Bright
Christopher Edge

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Time Travelling with a Hamster
Ross Welford

Topics: Adventure / Money / Crime

Age Range: 9 - 11 years
Brothers Damian and Anthony didn't mean to get caught up in a botched train robbery. But what would you do if a massive bag of cash dropped from the sky and you had only a few days to spend it before it became worthless? Buy a million pizzas? End world poverty? Not such an easy decision, is it? The boys soon find out that being rich is a mug's game. Not only is the clock ticking, the bank robbers want their money back . . .

Topics: Health / Friendship /

Age Range: 10 - 13 years
From the moment Jessica arrives, life is never quite the same for Tom and his seventh grade classmates. They learn that Jessica has been in a fire and will be attending St. Catherine's while getting medical treatment. Despite her startling appearance and the fear she evokes in him and most of the class, Tom slowly develops a tentative friendship with Jessica that changes his life.

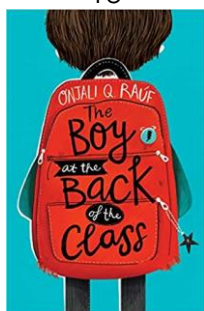
Topics: Science / Sci Fi / Universe / Grief

Age Range: 10 - 12 years
When Albie's mum dies, it's natural he should wonder where she's gone. His parents are both scientists and they usually have all the answers. Dad mutters something about Albie's mum being alive and with them in a parallel universe. So Albie finds a box, his mum's computer and a rotting banana, and sends himself through time and space to find her...

Topics: Time travel / grief / imagination

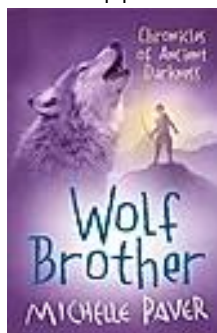
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
On Al Chaudhury's twelfth birthday his beloved Grandpa Byron gives him a letter from Al's late father. In it Al receives a mission: travel back to 1984 in a secret time machine and save his father's life. Al soon discovers that time travel requires daring and imagination. It also requires lies, theft, setting his school on fire and ignoring philosophical advice from Grandpa Byron. All without losing his pet hamster, Alan Shearer

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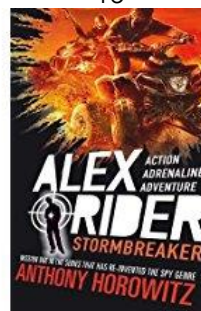
The Boy at the back of the class
Onjali Rauf

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Wolf Brother
Michelle Paver

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Stormbreaker (Alex Rider)
Anthony Horowitz

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Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets
J.K. Rowling

Topic: Prejudice / Racism / Refugees

Age Range: 9+
Told with heart and humour, *The Boy at the Back of the Class* is a child's perspective on the refugee crisis, highlighting the importance of friendship and kindness in a world that doesn't always make sense. There used to be an empty chair at the back of my class, but now a new boy called Ahmet is sitting in it. He's nine years old (just like me), but he's very strange. He never talks and never smiles and doesn't like sweets - not even lemon sherbets, which are my favourite!

Topic: Stone Age / History

Age Range: 10+
This gripping children's novel takes us back in time 6000 years as twelve year old Torak and his wolf cub journey through the prehistoric landscape.

Wolf Brother is a real page-turner that uses the structure of an adventure story and majors on the theme of good versus evil in a prehistoric setting. Highly recommended for more confident readers, this also works well as a gripping class novel to link to your Stone Age topic.

Topics: Secrets / Adventure

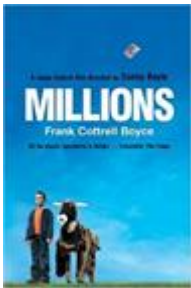
Age Range: 10 - 15 years
In the first book in the number one bestselling Alex Rider series by Anthony Horowitz, fourteen-year-old Alex is forcibly recruited into MI6. Armed with secret gadgets, he is sent to investigate Herod Sayle, a man who is offering state-of-the-art Stormbreaker computers to every school in the country. But the teenage spy soon finds himself in mortal danger.

Topics: Magic / Friendship / Secrets

Age Range: 9 - 11 years
Harry Potter's summer has included the worst birthday ever, doomy warnings from a house-elf called Dobby, and rescue from the Dursleys by his friend Ron Weasley in a magical flying car! Back at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry for his second year, Harry hears strange whispers echo through empty corridors - and then the attacks start. Students are found as though turned to stone.

But then I learned the truth: Ahmet really isn't very strange at all. He's a refugee who's run away from a War.

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Millions

Frank Cottrell Boyce

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Street Child

Berlie Doherty

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Cogheart

Peter Bunzl

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Cloud Busting

Malorie Blackman

Topics

Age Range: 8 - 11

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Topics: Victorians / London / Children / Dr Barnado

Age Range:

The unforgettable tale of an orphan in Victorian London, based on the boy whose plight inspired Dr Barnardo to found his famous children's homes. When his mother dies, Jim Jarvis is left all alone in London. He is sent to the workhouse but quickly escapes, choosing a hard life on the streets of the city over the confines of the workhouse walls. Struggling to survive, Jim finally finds some friends... only to be snatched away and made to work for the remorselessly cruel Grimy Nick.

Topics: Victorians / Adventure / Crime

Age Range: 10 - 12 years

Lily's life is in mortal peril. Her father is missing and now silver-eyed men stalk her through the shadows. What could they want from her? With her friends - Robert, the clockmaker's son, and Malkin, her mechanical fox - Lily is plunged into a murky and menacing world. Too soon Lily realizes that those she holds dear may be the very ones to break her heart... Murder, mayhem and mystery meet in this gripping Victorian adventure.

Topics: School / Friendship

Age Range:

Despite his Mum's insistence, Sam doesn't want to be friends with Davey, he thinks Davey's a first class, grade A, top of the dung heap moron. But one day Davey saves Sam's life and a bond is formed between them. Sam is still embarrassed to be seen with Davey, but little by little he has to admit, when it's just the two of them, Davey is a lot of fun. But then something terrible happens to Davey. . . Told in verse, in first person, this is the touching story of an extraordinary friendship, that changes two boys lives for ever. An uplifting tale that truly sings out.

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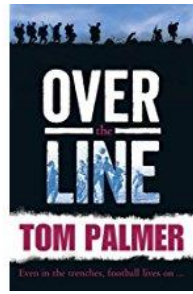


Millions
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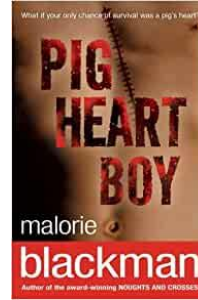


Over The Line
Tom Palmer

Topics: Football / Sports / War / WW1

Age Range: 10+ years
Powerful historical novel about one footballer's experience in World War I. It's 1914 and Jack is making his debut as a pro footballer. But his first match is marred by a demonstration demanding that the teams sign up to do their duty in France. Word of the Footballer's Battalion and a cup in Flanders provides a glimmer of hope that Jack can keep his dream of playing for England alive. But as the war drags on, Jack is thrown into a nightmare world he will be lucky to survive.

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Pig-heart Boy
Malorie Blackman

Age Range: Friendship / Health

Age Range: 9 - 12
Cameron's operation is risky. Very risky. He needs a new heart and the best match comes from an unusual source - a pig. A pig heart transplant has never been done before. It may not work out and it's controversial but Cameron and his family are prepared to give it a try. After all, it's the one chance Cameron has of leading a normal life and at thirteen that's the one thing he really wants to do.

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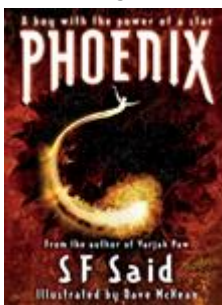


The Crossover
Kwame Alexander

Topics: Family / Sport / Baseball

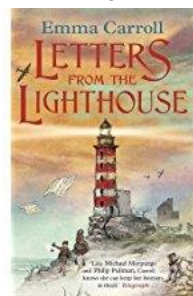
Age Range: 10+
12-year-old Josh and his twin Jordan have basketball in their blood. They're kings of the court, star players for their school team. Their father used to be a champion player and they each want nothing more than to follow in his footsteps. Both on and off the court, there is conflict and hardship which will test Josh's bond with his brother. In this heartfelt novel in verse, the boys find that life doesn't come with a play-book and it's not all about winning.

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Phoenix
S.F. Said

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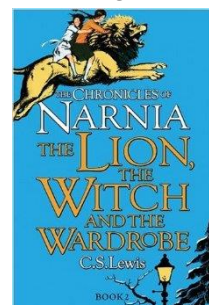
Letters from the Lighthouse
Emma Carroll

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Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
Lewis Carroll

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The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe
C.S. Lewis

Topics: Space / Sci - Fi / War

Age Range: 9 - 11 years
Lucky thinks he's an ordinary Human boy. But one night, he dreams that the stars are singing to him, and wakes to find an uncontrollable power rising inside him. Now he's on the run, racing through space, searching for answers. In a galaxy at war, where Humans and Aliens are deadly enemies, the only people who can help him are an Alien starship crew – and an Alien warrior girl, with neon needles in her hair . .

Topics: War / Family / Secrets and Codes

Age Range: 9 - 11
February, 1941. After months of bombing raids in London, twelve-year-old Olive Bradshaw and her little brother Cliff are evacuated to the Devon coast. The only person with two spare beds is Mr Ephraim, the local lighthouse keeper. But he's not used to company and he certainly doesn't want any evacuees. Desperate to be helpful, Olive becomes his post-girl, carrying secret messages (as she likes to think of the letters) to the villagers. But Olive has a secret of her own.

Topics: Adventure / Fantasy / Classics

Age Range: 8 - 14
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland is the all-time classic story of a girl named Alice falling through a rabbit hole into an unforgettable fantasy world populated by both bizarre and brilliant characters.

Topics: Fantasy / Magic / Classics

Age Range: 8 - 11
Four adventurous siblings—Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy Pevensie—step through a wardrobe door and into the land of Narnia, a land frozen in eternal winter and enslaved by the power of the White Witch. But when almost all hope is lost, the return of the Great Lion, Aslan, signals a great change . . . and a great sacrifice.

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The Arrival
Shaun Tan

PICTURE BOOK

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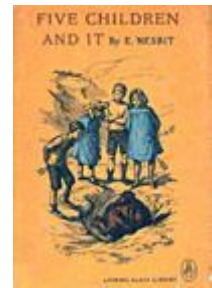
Artemis Fowl
Eoin Colfer

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The Polar Bear Explorers Club
Alex Bell

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Five Children and It
E. Nesbit

Topics:

Age Range:

The Arrival is a migrant story told as a series of wordless images that might seem to come from a long forgotten time. A man leaves his wife and child in an impoverished town, seeking better prospects in an unknown country on the other side of a vast ocean. With nothing more than a suitcase and a handful of currency, the immigrant must find a place to live, food to eat and some kind of gainful employment. He is helped along the way by sympathetic strangers, each carrying their own unspoken history.

Topics: Danger / Crime / Adventure

Age Range: 9 - 11

At just 12 years old Artemis Fowl is a criminal genius. No scheme is too dastardly, no plot too devious. And he's just discovered that fairies are real. Poor fairies. But these are not the cuddly creatures of bedtime stories. They are armed. They are dangerous. And when Artemis captures Captain Holly Short for her fairy gold, he messes with the wrong elf. Holly isn't armed but she's incredibly dangerous, and pretty annoyed with all the kidnapping. Artemis Fowl is about to find out that fairies fight back . . .

Topics: Winter / Weather / adventure / explorers / fantasy

Age Range:

It sounded like a respectable and worthy enough death for an explorer - tumbling from an ice bridge to be impaled upon a mammoth tusk - but Stella really, really didn't want that to happen, just the same.

Join Stella Starflake Pearl and her three fellow explorers as they trek across the snowy Iceland and come face-to-face with frost fairies, snow queens, outlaw hideouts, unicorns, pygmy dinosaurs and carnivorous cabbages . . .

Topics: Family / Magic / Fantasy

Age Range: 9 - 12 years

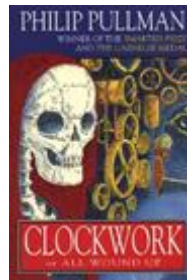
When Cyril, Anthea, Robert, Jane and their baby brother go digging in the gravel pit, the last thing they expect to find is a Psammead - an ancient Sand-fairy! Having a Sand-fairy for a pet means having one wish granted each day. But the children don't realize all the trouble wishes can cause . . .

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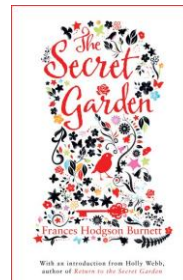
Beetle Boy
M. G. Leonard

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Philip Pullman
Clockwork

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The Secret Garden
Frances Hodgson-Burnett

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Wonder
R.J. Palacio

Topics: Science / Animals / adventure

Age Range: 8 - 10 years
Thirteen-year-old Darkus Cuttle's search for his kidnapped father leads him to discover a mountain of extraordinary beetles, and pits him against the mad-scientist of the fashion world, Lucretia Cutter, an haute couture villainess with an alarming interest in insects. A darkly hilarious adventure full of exotic beetles, daring schemes, and true friendship.

Topics: Mechanics / Science

Age Range: 9 - 11 years
It is a cold winter's night when Karl enters the White Horse Tavern looking like he's swallowed a thundercloud. His final task as a clockmaker apprentice is to make a new figure for the great clock of Glockenheim. He has not made the figure - or got any idea of what it could be, and the unveiling is tomorrow.

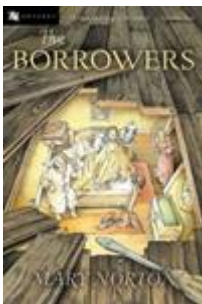
Topics: Classics / family / magic

Age Range: 9 - 11 years
When Mary Lennox is sent to Misselthwaite Manor to live with her uncle, everybody says she is the most disagreeable-looking child ever seen. It is true, too. Mary is pale, spoilt and quite contrary. But she is also horribly lonely. Then one day she hears about a garden in the grounds of the Manor that has been kept locked and hidden for years. And when a friendly robin helps Mary find the key, she discovers the most magical place anyone could imagine...

Topics: Health / Differences / Courage

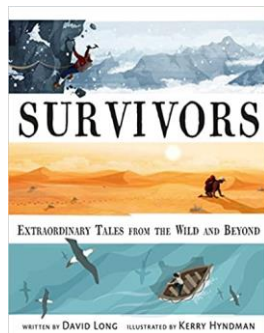
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
Auggie wants to be an ordinary ten-year-old. He does ordinary things - eating ice cream, playing on his Xbox. He *feels* ordinary - inside. But ordinary kids don't make other ordinary kids run away screaming in playgrounds. Born with a terrible facial abnormality, Auggie has been home-schooled by his parents his whole life. Now, for the first time, he's being sent to a real school - and he's dreading it. All he wants is to be accepted - but can he convince his new classmates that he's just like them, underneath it all?

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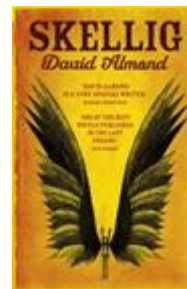
The Borrowers
Mary Norton

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Survivors
David Long and Kerry Hyndman

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Skellig
David Almond

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A Series of Unfortunate Events
Lemony Snicket

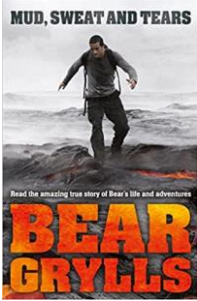
<p>Topics: Classic / magic / fantasy Age Range: 9 - 11 years The Borrowers live in the secret places of quiet old houses; behind the mantelpiece, inside the harpsichord, under the kitchen clock. They own nothing, borrow everything, and think that human beings were invented just to do the dirty work. Arrietty's father, Pod, was an expert Borrower. He could scale curtains using a hatpin, and bring back a doll's teacup without breaking it. Girls weren't supposed to go borrowing but as Arrietty was an only child her father broke the rule, and then something happened which changed their lives.</p>	<p>Topics: Danger / Adventure / Volcanoes / Tsunami / Natural Disaster Age Range: 10 - 13 years A fully illustrated (in colour) anthology. Be shocked and amazed by these incredible real-life stories of extreme survival.</p>	<p>Topics: Family / grief / magic Age Range: 10 - 12 years When a move to a new house coincides with his baby sister's illness, Michael's world seems suddenly lonely and uncertain. Then, one Sunday afternoon, he stumbles into the old, ramshackle garage of his new home, and finds something magical. A strange creature - part owl, part angel, a being who needs Michael's help if he is to survive. With his new friend Mina, Michael nourishes Skellig back to health, while his baby sister languishes in the hospital. But Skellig is far more than he at first appears, and as he helps Michael breathe life into his tiny sister, Michael's world changes for ever . .</p>	<p>Topics: Danger / family / crime Age Range: 9 - 12 years Violet, Klaus, and Sunny Baudelaire are intelligent children. They are charming, and resourceful, and have pleasant facial features. Unfortunately, they are exceptionally unlucky. In The Bad Beginning, the siblings encounter a greedy and repulsive villain, itchy clothing, a disastrous fire, a plot to steal their fortune and cold porridge for breakfast.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">41</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">The Girl of Ink and Stars Kiran Millwood Hargaves</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">42</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Anglo Saxon Boy Tony Bradman</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">43</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Once Morris Gleitzmann WW2 Topic 2019/20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">44</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Groosham Grange Anthony Horowitz</p>
<p>Topics: myth / adventure / magic / maps / explorers Age Range: 10 + Forbidden to leave her island, Isabella dreams of the faraway lands her cartographer father once mapped. When her friend disappears, she volunteers to guide the search. The world beyond the walls is a monster-filled wasteland - and beneath the dry rivers and smoking mountains, a fire demon is stirring from its sleep. Soon, following her map, her heart and an ancient myth, Isabella</p>	<p>Topics: Anglo Saxons / History / War Age Range: 10 - 12 years The story of one Anglo-Saxon boy's journey to the Battle of Hastings in 1066: Key Stage 2 History brought to life as battle-packed adventure. 1065: Magnus is the son of Harold Godwinson, lord of the Southern Saxons and ruthlessly ambitious claimant to the throne of England. Overnight, Magnus finds himself cast centre-stage in the blood-soaked family feud that</p>	<p>Topics: World War 2 / Evacuees / Danger / Age Range: 10 - 13 years Once by Morris Gleitzman is the story of a young Jewish boy who is determined to escape the orphanage he lives in to save his Jewish parents from the Nazis in the occupied Poland of the Second World War. Everybody deserves to have something good in their life. At least Once.</p>	<p>Topics: School / magic / Fantasy Age Range: 9 - 12 Sent to Groosham Grange as a last resort by his parents, David Eliot quickly discovers that his new school is a very weird place indeed. New pupils are made to sign their names in blood; the French teacher disappears every full moon; the assistant headmaster keeps something very chilling in his room... What's the meaning of the black rings everyone wears? Where do the other pupils vanish to at night?</p>

discovers the true end of her journey: to save the island itself.

led to one of history's most famous battles. This is the family tragedy behind 1066: live it with Magnus, as the wolves of history close in on his Anglo-Saxon boyhood.

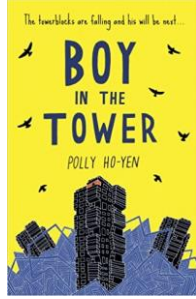
Most important of all, how on earth can David get away - alive?

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**Mud Sweat and Tears -
Junior
Bear Grylls**

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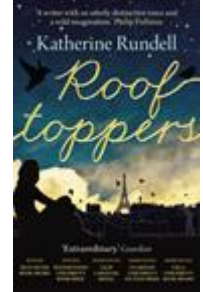
**The Boy in the Tower
Polly Ho-Yen**

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**Oranges in No Man's Land
Elizabeth Laird**

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**Roof Toppers
Katherine Rundell**

Topics: Adventure / Biography / Danger /
Age Range: 10 - 13 years
 This is the thrilling story of everyone's favourite real-life action man - from secret childhood missions to climb the town's school buildings and steeples, to starring in his own global TV series and becoming Chief Scout to the Scouting Association. Known and admired by millions, Bear Grylls has survived in dangerous environments few would dare to visit. Find out what it's like to take on mountaineering, martial arts, parachuting, life in the SAS - and all that nature can throw at you!

Topics: Health / Danger / Mystery
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 When they first arrived, they came quietly and stealthily as if they tip-toed into the world when we were all looking the other way. Ade loves living at the top of a tower block. From his window, he feels like he can see the whole world stretching out beneath him. His mum doesn't really like looking outside - but it's going outside that she hates. She's happier sleeping all day inside their tower, where it's safe. But one day, other tower blocks on the estate start falling down around them and strange, menacing plants begin to appear. Now their tower isn't safe anymore. Ade and his mum are trapped and there's no way out . .

Topics: Grief / Family / War / Danger
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 Since her father left Lebanon to find work and her mother tragically died in a shell attack, ten-year-old Ayesha has been living in the bomb-ravaged city of Beirut with her granny and her two younger brothers. The city has been torn in half by civil war and a desolate, dangerous no man's land divides the two sides. Only militiamen and tanks dare enter this deadly zone, but when Granny falls desperately ill, Ayesha sets off on a terrifying journey to reach a doctor living in enemy territory.

Topics:
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 Everyone thinks that Sophie is an orphan. True, there were no other recorded female survivors from the shipwreck which left baby Sophie floating in the English Channel in a cello case, but Sophie remembers seeing her mother wave for help. Her guardian tells her it is almost impossible that her mother is still alive, but that means still possible. You should never ignore a possible. So when the Welfare Agency writes to her guardian threatening to send Sophie to an orphanage, she takes matters into her own hands and flees to Paris to look for her mother, starting with the only clue she has - the address of the cello maker. Evading the French authorities, she meets Matteo and his network of rooftoppers - urchins who live in the sky. Together they scour the city for Sophie's mother before she is caught and sent back to London, and most importantly before she loses hope.

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A Girl Called Owl
 Amy Wilson

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Shadow Forest
 Matt Haig

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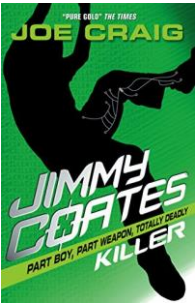

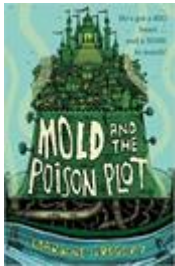



The Diamond of Drury Lane
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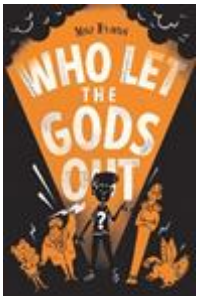


The London Eye Mystery
 Siobhan Dowd

<p>Topics: Magic / family Age Range: 9 - 11 years It's bad enough having a mum dippy enough to name you Owl, but when you've got a dad you've never met, a best friend who needs you more than ever, and a new boy at school giving you weird looks, there's not a lot of room for much else. So when Owl starts seeing strange frost patterns on her skin, she's tempted to just burrow down under the duvet and forget all about it. Could her strange new powers be linked to her mysterious father? And what will happen when she enters the magical world of winter for the first time?</p>	<p>Topics: Adventure / Mystery / Family / Age Range: 9 - 11 Samuel Blink is the hero of this story, but he doesn't know it yet. Right now, he and his sister Martha are in the back of his parents' car. He has no idea a giant log is about to fall from the sky and change his life forever. He doesn't know that he and Martha will be forced to move to Norway and eat their Aunt Eda's smelly brown cheese. He hasn't the slightest clue Martha will disappear into the Shadow Forest - a forest full of one-eyed trolls, deadly Truth Pixies, a shadow-stealing witch and the evil Changemaker.</p>	<p>Topics: History / adventure / family / theatre / London Age Range: 9 - 11 Set in 1790's Covent Garden this book whisks you back to a bygone era, and to embark on an adventure about one hidden treasure, two bare-knuckle boxers, three enemies, and four hundred and thirty-eight rioters. It is the tale of Cat Royal, an orphan, four foot four with long red hair and not a penny to call her own. She lives in the Theater Royal on Drury Lane, a place filled with dramatic characters, theatrical spectacles, and now, a secret treasure--which Cat has been asked to protect.</p>	<p>Topics: London / family / mystery Age Range: 10 - 11 years When Ted and Kat watched their cousin Salim get on board the London Eye, he turned and waved before getting on. After half an hour it landed and everyone trooped off - but no Salim. Where could he have gone? How on earth could he have disappeared into thin air?</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">53</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Jimmy Coates: Killer Joe Craig</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">54</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">The Dream Snatcher Abi Elphinstone</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">55</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Mold and the Poison Plot Lorraine Gregory</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">56</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Anne Fine Flour Babies</p>
<p>Topics: Mystery / adventure / magic Age Range: 10+ years An eleven-year-old boy discovers he has strange powers, and a future that holds mystery, adventure - and death! Bending his knees, Jimmy let go of the windowsill and slowly tipped backwards. Surely this is impossible, he thought, even as he could feel himself doing it. He pushed out with his legs and the thrust sent him flying backwards into the air. . .Then his fingers locked on to the cold wire</p>	<p>Topics: Dreams / myths / Age Range: 10+ years Twelve-year-old Moll Pecksniff wakes one night in the middle of the forest, lured there by a recurring nightmare - the one with the drums and the rattles and the masks. The Dreamsnatcher is waiting. He has already taken her dreams and now he wants her life.</p>	<p>Topics: Family / mystery / fantasy Age Range: 9 - 11 years He's got a big heart . . . and a nose to match! Mold's a bit of a freak. His nose is as big as his body is puny and his mother abandoned him in a bin when he was a mere baby. Who else but the old healer, Aggy, would have taken him in and raised him as her own? But when Aggy is accused of poisoning the King, Mold sets out to clear her name. In a thrilling race against time to save Aggy from the</p>	<p>Topics: School / health / economy Age Range: 10 - 12 years <i>Flour Babies</i> by Anne Fine, won the Carnegie Medal and the Whitbread Children's Book Award in 1992. When the annual school science fair comes round, Mr Cartwright's class don't get to work on the Soap Factory, the Maggot Farm or the Exploding Custard Tins. To their intense disgust they get the Flour Babies - sweet little six-pound bags of flour that must be cared for at all times.</p>

<p>of the fence, poised in a perfect handstand on the top. Who are the mysterious men chasing Jimmy across the city? Why are they after him? What are Jimmy's parents keeping from him and who can he trust? And how come he can suddenly do all this really cool stuff. . .?</p>		<p>hangman's noose, Mold faces hideous, deadly monsters like the Yurg and the Purple Narlo Frog. He finds true friendship in the most unusual - and smelly - of places and must pit his wits and his clever nose against the evil witch Hexaba.</p>	<p>Funny and poignant, <i>Flour Babies</i> is a brilliant depiction of secondary school life.</p>
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<p>Topics: Crime / Justice / Age Range: 10+ years Stanley Yelnats' family has a history of bad luck, so when a miscarriage of justice sends him to Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre (which isn't green and doesn't have a lake) he is not surprised. Every day he and the other inmates are told to dig a hole, five foot wide by five foot deep, reporting anything they find. Why? The evil warden claims that it's character building, but this is a lie. It's up to Stanley to dig up the truth. Witty, inventive and completely unique, this is a masterpiece of storytelling that combines sly humour with irresistible, page-turning writing.</p>	<p>Topics: Fantasy / Humour / Another World Age Range: 9 - 12 years Every town on Discworld knows the stories about rats and pipers, and Maurice - a streetwise tomcat - leads a band of educated ratty friends (and a stupid kid) on a nice little earner. Piper plus rats equals lots and lots of money. Until they run across someone playing a different tune. Now he and his rats must learn a new concept: evil .</p>	<p>Topics: Classic fiction / Adventure / England / Crime Age Range: 9 - 12 years Long ago, at a time in history that never happened, England was overrun with wolves. But as Bonnie and her cousin Sylvia discover, real danger often lies closer to home. Their new governess, Miss Slighcarp, doesn't seem at all nice. She shuts Bonnie in a cupboard, fires the faithful servants and sends the cousins far away from Willoughby Chase to a place they will never be found. Can Bonnie and Sylvia outwit the wicked Miss Slighcarp and her network of criminals, forgers and snitches?</p>	<p>Topic: Age Range:</p>

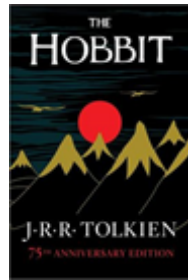
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Who Let the Gods Out?
Maz Evans
Ancient Greeks 2018/19

Topics: Greeks / History / Gods
Age Range: 10+
Elliot's mum is ill and his home is under threat, but a shooting star crashes to earth and changes his life forever. The star is Virgo - a young Zodiac goddess on a mission. But the pair accidentally release Thanatos, a wicked death daemon imprisoned beneath Stonehenge, and must then turn to the old Olympian gods for help. After centuries of cushy retirement on earth, are Zeus and his crew up to the task of saving the world - and solving Elliot's problems too?

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The Hobbit
J.R.R. Tolkien

Topics: Greed / Trust / Fellowship / Classic
Age Range: 9+
The Hobbit is the unforgettable story of Bilbo, a peace-loving hobbit, who embarks on a strange and magical adventure. A timeless classic. Bilbo Baggins enjoys a quiet and contented life, with no desire to travel far from the comforts of home; then one day the wizard Gandalf and a band of dwarves arrive unexpectedly and enlist his services – as a burglar – on a dangerous expedition to raid the treasure-hoard of Smaug the dragon.

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Black Beauty
Anna Sewell

Topics: Victorians / Animals
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
Black Beauty begins life in a loving home. But his owners are forced to sell him, and Black Beauty's fortunes change. He is moved from place to place and job to job, often suffering cruel treatment and harsh conditions - until a chance encounter leads to a new turn of events.

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The Demon Headmaster
Gillian Cross

Topics: School / Science Fiction / Fantasy
Age Range: 8+
When Dinah is fostered by the Hunters she thinks her biggest problem will be fitting in with her foster-brothers, Lloyd and Harvey. However, once she starts at her new school it's clear that there's more to worry about. All the children, apart from a handful including Lloyd and Harvey, are too well-behaved - robotic almost - and oddly keen to please the creepy headmaster. The three children set out to discover the nature of his influence over everyone . . . but then Dinah finds herself saying and doing things she has no power over.

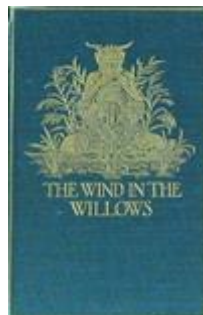
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LionBoy
Zizou Corder

Topics: Fiction / Fantasy
Age Range: 8+
LionBoy is a young boy who is born with the head of a lion. He is a brave and adventurous boy who is loved by his family and friends. He is a hero who saves the world.

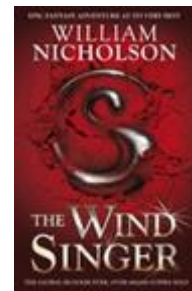
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The Wind in the Willows
Kenneth Grahame

Topics: Fiction / Classic
Age Range: 8+
The Wind in the Willows is a children's novel by Kenneth Grahame. It tells the story of four anthropomorphic animals: a mole, a toad, a water rat, and a beaver. They live in a world of their own making, a world of willows and meadows.

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The Wind Singer
William Nicholson

Topics: Fiction / Fantasy
Age Range: 10+
The Wind Singer is a children's novel by William Nicholson. It tells the story of a young girl who is born with the power to control the wind. She is a hero who saves the world.

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When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit
Judith Kerr

Topics: Fiction / History
Age Range: 8+
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit is a children's novel by Judith Kerr. It tells the story of a young girl who is forced to flee her home in Germany during the Holocaust. She is a hero who saves the world.

Topics: Animals / Quest / Travel / Sailing
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 Charlie Ashanti, the hero of LIONBOY, speaks cat - the language of all cats wild and domestic alike. His unusual talent helps him on his quest to find his kidnapped parents who have discovered a cure for asthma. The local cats of his home town (a futuristic London) start him on his search to solve the mystery of his missing parents, which leads him across the channel on board a circus ship bound for Paris. It is on this wonderful vessel that Charlie establishes a close relationship with the homesick circus lions who become his accomplices. But Charlie is in danger.

Topics: Classic / Friendship / Nature
Age Range: 7+
 The Wild Wood seems a terrifying place to Mole, until one day he pokes his nose out of his burrow and finds it's full of friends. He meets brave Ratty, kind old Badger and the rascally Mr Toad, and together they go adventuring . . . but the Wild Wood doesn't just contain friends, there are also the sinister weasels and stoats, and they capture Toad Hall when Mr Toad is in jail. How will he escape? And can the friends fight together to save Toad Hall?

Topics: Adventure / suspense / humour
Age Range: 11 - 14 years
 When Kestrel Hath dares to rebel, the Chief Examiner humiliates her father and sentences the whole family to the harshest punishment. Desperate to save them, Kestrel learns the secret of the wind singer, and she and her twin brother, Bowman, set out on a terrifying journey to the true source of evil that grips Aramant .

Topics: WW2 / Family / War / Toys
Age Range:
 Suppose your country began to change. Suppose that without your noticing, it became dangerous for some people to live in Germany any longer. Suppose you found, to your complete surprise, that your own father was one of those people. That is what happened to Anna in 1933. She was nine years old when it began, too busy to take much notice of political posters, but out of them glared the face of Adolf Hitler, the man who would soon change the whole of Europe – starting with her own small life. One day, Anna's father was missing. Then she herself and her brother Max were being rushed by their mother, in alarming secrecy, away from everything they knew – home and schoolmates and well-loved toys – right out of Germany...

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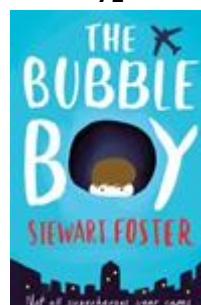
How to Train Your Dragon
 Cressida Cowell

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A Library of Lemons
 Jo Cotterill

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The Bubble Boy
 Stewart Foster

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Ned's Circus of Marvels
 Justin Fisher

Topics: Viking / Fantasy / Dragons
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 In the first *How to Train Your Dragon* book Hiccup must lead ten novices in their initiation into the Hairy Hooligan Tribe. They have to train their dragons or be BANISHED from the tribe FOR EVER! But what if Hiccup's dragon resembles an ickle brown bunny with wings? And has NO TEETH? The Seadragonus Giganticus Maximus is stirring and wants to devour every Viking on the Isle of Berk . . . Can Hiccup save the tribe - and become a Hero?

Topics: Grief / Reading / Friendship / Family
Age Range: 10+
 Calypso's mum died a few years ago and her emotionally incompetent Dad can't, or won't, talk about Mum at all. Instead he throws himself into writing his book *A History of the Lemon*. Meanwhile the house is dusty, there's never any food in the fridge, and Calypso retreats into her own world of books and fiction. When a new girl, Mae, arrives at school, the girls' shared love of reading and writing stories draws them together.

Topics: Health / Hospital / London / Illness
Age Range: 10+
 Eleven-year-old Joe can't remember a life outside of his hospital room, with its beeping machines and view of London's rooftops. His condition means he's not allowed outside, not even for a moment, and his few visitors risk bringing life-threatening germs inside his 'bubble'. But then someone new enters his world and changes it forever.

Topics: Magic / Creatures / Fantasy
Age Range: 9 - 12 years
 Ned Waddlesworth has always considered his world to be exceptionally ordinary. Until the day he discovers it ISN'T. AT ALL. Because on Ned's thirteenth birthday he discovers that everything magical he's ever read about or imagined is REAL. And without him, the world will soon be engulfed in monstrous beasts and beings. So with the help of a robot mouse, a girl witch and a flying circus unlike any other, it's up to Ned to swoop in and save the day! Roll up, roll up, and prepare to be AMAZED by Ned and the marvellous, magical, monstrous flying circus!

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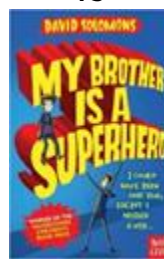
The Boy who Sailed the Ocean in an Armchair
 Lana Williamson

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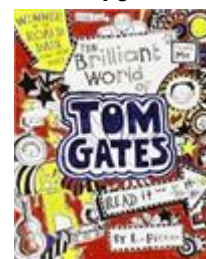
Pax
 Sara Pennypacker

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My Brother is a Superhero
 David Solomans

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The Brilliant World of Tom Gates
 Liz Pichon

Topics: Family / Water / Journey / Dreams
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
 Becket Rumsey is all at sea. His dad has run away with him and his brother Billy in the middle of the night. And they've left everything behind, including their almost-mum Pearl. Becket has no idea what's going on - it's a mystery. So with the help of Billy and a snail called Brian, Becket sets out on a journey of discovery. It's not plain sailing but then what journeys ever are? An extraordinary story of courage, dreams and finding your way, from the bestselling author of *A Boy Called Hope* (shortlisted for

Topics: War / Military / Friendship / Animals
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
 Pax and Peter have been inseparable ever since Peter rescued him as a kit. But one day, the unimaginable happens: Peter's dad enlists in the military and makes him return the fox to the wild. At his grandfather's house, three hundred miles away from home, Peter knows he isn't where he should be--with Pax. He strikes out on his own despite the encroaching war, spurred by love, loyalty, and grief, to be reunited with his fox. Meanwhile Pax, steadfastly waiting for his boy, embarks on

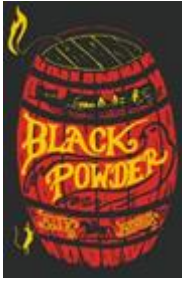
Topics: Adventure / Humour
Age Range: 8 - 12 years
 Luke is a comic-mad eleven-year old who shares a treehouse with his geeky older brother, Zack. Luke's only mistake is to go for a wee right at the wrong time. While he's gone, an alien gives his undeserving, never-read-a-comic-in-his-life brother superpowers and then tells him to save the universe. Luke is massively annoyed about this, but when Zack is kidnapped by his arch-nemesis, Luke and his friends have only five days to find him and save the world...

Topics: Diary / Humour / Informal
Age Range: 9 - 12 years
 Tom Gates is the master of excuses for late homework: dog attacks & spilt water & lightning...
 Tom's exercise book is full of his doodles, cartoons and thoughts, as well as comments from his long-suffering teacher, Mr Fullerton. After gaining five merits for his CAMPING SUCKS holiday story, Tom's work starts to go downhill - which is a pity, as he's desperate to impress Amy Porter, who sits next to him...

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adventures and discoveries of his own.

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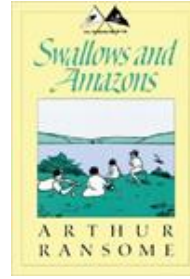
Black Powder
Anny Sherrick

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Sweet Pizza
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Swallows and Amazons
Arthur Ransome

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Strange Star
Emma Carroll

Topics: England / History / London / Crime

Age Range: 10+ years
England, 1605. 12-year-old Tom must save his father from hanging. He falls in with a mysterious stranger - the Falcon - who promises to help him in exchange for his service. But on the long journey to London, Tom discovers the Falcon's true mission - and a plot to blow up Parliament with barrels of black powder. Tom faces a terrible decision: secure his father's release, or stop the assassination of the king ...

Topics: Food / Italy / Business / Entrepreneur

Age Range:
When Joe tasted a mouthful he was amazed how delicious it was - a dense taste, better than any pasta he'd eaten before. Food was suddenly different - he felt as if his taste buds were doing the cha-cha-cha on Strictly. Joe loves his Italian heritage: the language, the opera, the lasagne! But it's hard to celebrate his Italian roots in Bryn Mawr, South Wales, where his mam is sick of running the family's tatty cafe. Just like his great-grandfather who opened the cafe in 1929, Joe is an entrepreneur. He vows to save the family business, and to spice up the tired High Street with a little Italian flavour!

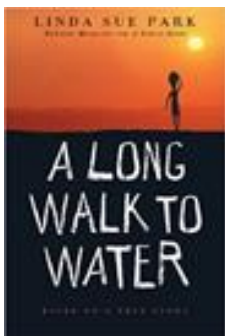
Topics: Travel / Ship / Amazon / Pirates

Age Range: 9 - 11 years
The Walker children - also known as Captain John, Mate Susan, Able-Seaman Titty, and Ship's Boy Roger - set sail on the Swallow and head for Wild Cat Island. There they camp under open skies, swim in clear water and go fishing for their dinner. But their days are disturbed by the Blackett sisters, the fierce Amazon pirates. The Swallows and Amazons decide to battle it out, and so begins a summer of unforgettable discoveries and incredible adventures.

Topics: Horror / Mystery / Family

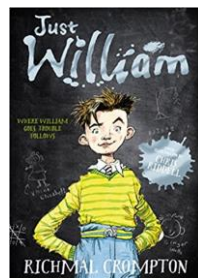
Age Range:
Switzerland, 1816. On a stormy summer night, Lord Byron and his guests are gathered round the fire. Felix, their serving boy, can't wait to hear their creepy tales. Yet real life is about to take a chilling turn- more chilling than any tale. Frantic pounding at the front door reveals a stranger, a girl covered in the most unusual scars. She claims to be looking for her sister, supposedly snatched from England by a woman called Mary Shelley. Someone else has followed her here too, she says. And the girl is terrified.

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A Long Walk to Water
Linda Sue Park

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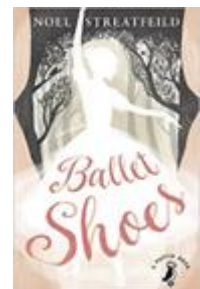
Just William
Richmal Crompton

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The Five Realms: The Legend of Podkin One Ear
Kieran Larwood

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Ballet Shoes
Noel Streatfield

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Topics: War / Africa / Water
Age Range: 10 - 14 years
 It's 1985, and southern Sudan is ravaged by war. Eleven-year-old Salva is forced to flee on foot when his village is attacked. Braving every imaginable hardship including killer lions and hungry crocodiles Salva becomes one of the 'lost boys' of Sudan, travelling the African continent on foot in search of his family and a safe place to stay. Years later, a girl named Nya walks for hours each day to fetch water for her family. The walk is gruelling and leaves no time for school. But there is unexpected hope, as Salva's story goes on to intersect with Nya's in an astonishing and moving way.

Topics: Children / Adventure
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 In Richmal Compton's *Just William* the Outlaws plan a day of non-stop adventure. The only problem is that William is meant to be babysitting. But William won't let that stop him having fun with his gang – he'll just bring the baby along! There is only one William. This touse-headed, snub-nosed, hearty, loveable imp of mischief has been harassing his unfortunate family and delighting his hundreds of thousands of admirers since 1922.

Topics: Danger / War / Warriors
Age Range: 10 - 11 years
 Podkin is the son of a warrior chieftain. He knows that one day it will be up to him to lead his warren and guard it in times of danger. But for now, he's quite happy to laze around annoying his older sister Paz, and playing with his baby brother Pook. Then Podkin's home is brutally attacked, and the young rabbits are forced to flee. The terrifying Gorm are on the rampage, and no one and nowhere is safe. With danger all around them, Podkin must protect his family, uncover his destiny, and attempt to defeat the most horrifying enemy rabbitkind has ever known.

Topics: Hobbies / Dance / Mystery
Age Range: 8 - 12 years
 Pauline longs to be an actress. Petrova is happiest playing with cars and engines. And if she could . . . Posy would dance all day! But when their benefactor Great-Uncle Matthew disappears, the Fossil girls share a future of a dazzling life on stage, where their dreams and fears will soon come true . .

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Watership Down
Richard Adams

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Swimming to the Moon
Jane Elson

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Carrie's War
Nina Bawden

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Peter Pan
J.M. Barrie

Topics: Animals / Rabbits / Death / Environment
Age Range: 8 - 12 years
 A phenomenal worldwide bestseller for over forty years, Richard Adams' spellbinding classic *Watership Down* is one of the best-loved novels of all time. Set in the beautiful English countryside of the Berkshire Downs, a once idyllic rural landscape, this stirring tale of adventure, courage, and survival follows a band of very special rabbits fleeing the destruction of their home by a developer. Led by a stout-hearted pair of brothers, they leave the safety of Sandleford Warren in search of a safe haven and a mysterious promised land, skirting danger at every turn.

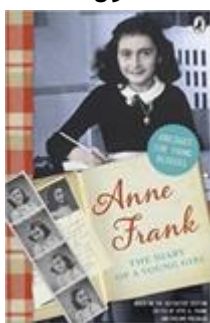
Topics: Friendship / Swimming
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 Bee stumbles through life in her stripy socks with her head in the clouds, doing her very best to keep out of the way of her bickering parents and avoid the bendy tap dancing freak Crystal Kelly - who makes her life a misery. But when Crystal double-dares her to volunteer for a sponsored swim in honour of her great grandmother Beatrix's memory, Bee can't back down. Even though she is terrified of water and cannot swim! Then new boy Moon-Star gallops to Bee's rescue on his horse and takes her to meet Old Alice, who lives in a beautiful painted wagon. As Bee enters this new world, her life is changed forever. Finally she has an ally.

Topics: War / WW2 / Friendship / Evacuee
Age Range: 9+
 It is wartime and Carrie and her little brother Nick have been evacuated from their London home to the Welsh hills. In an unfamiliar place, among strangers, the children feel alone and find little comfort with the family they are billeted with: Mr Evans, a bullying shopkeeper and Auntie Lou, his kind but timid sister. When Carrie and Nick visit Albert, another evacuee, they are welcomed into Hepzibah Green's warm kitchen. Hepzibah is rumoured to be a witch, but her cooking is delicious, her stories are enthralling and the children cannot keep away. With Albert, Hepzibah and Mister Johnny, they begin to settle into their new surroundings. But before long, their loyalties are tested: will they be persuaded to betray their new friends?

Topics: Fantasy / Magic / Classics
Age Range: 7+
 Desperate to hear bedtime stories, Peter Pan waits outside the nursery window of Wendy, John and Michael Darling. When Peter asks Wendy to fly with him to Neverland, the Darling children are whisked away to a world of adventure - of daring fairies, wondrous mermaids and The Lost Boys. But there is danger in Neverland too: the villainous Captain Hook is out for revenge and will stop at nothing to take it.

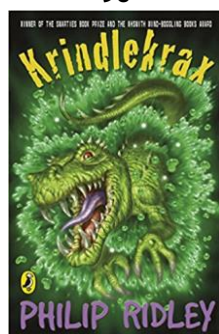
 Poignant and unforgettable, J. M. Barrie's classic tale is one of the greatest works of children's literature of the last century. Its imaginative scope, tender humour and vivid characters will enchant adults and children alike.

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Diary of a Young Girl
Anne Frank

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Krindlekrax
Philip Ridley

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The Explorer
Katherine Rundell

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The Secret of Nightingale Wood
Lucy Strange

Topics: War / WW2 / Diary / Friendship / Hiding
Age Range: 9 - 12 years
 In July 1942, thirteen-year-old Anne Frank and her family, fleeing the occupation, went into hiding in an Amsterdam warehouse. Over the next two years Anne vividly describes in her diary the

Topics: Adventure / Fantasy / School
Age Range: 9 - 11 years
 A very funny school story with weird and wonderful characters by the award-winning author, Philip Ridley. Ruskin Splinter is small and thin, with knock-knees, thick glasses and a

Topics: Transport / Explorers
Age Range: 10+
 From his seat in the tiny aeroplane, Fred watches as the mysteries of the Amazon jungle pass by below him. He has always dreamed of becoming an explorer, of making history and of reading his name

Topics: Family / Fantasy
Age Range: 10+ years
 1919. Mama is ill. Father has taken a job abroad. Nanny Jane is too busy to pay any attention to Henrietta and the things she sees - or thinks she sees - in the shadows of their new home, Hope House. All alone, with only stories for company, Henry

frustrations of living in such close quarters, and her thoughts, feelings and longings as she grows up. Her diary ends abruptly when, in August 1944, they were all betrayed.

squeaky voice, and the idea of him taming a dragon makes the whole class laugh. Big, strong Elvis is stupid but he looks like a hero. So who is more likely to get the big part in the school play? But when the mysterious beast, Krindlekrax, threatens Lizard Street and everyone who lives there, it is Ruskin who saves the day and proves he is the stuff that heroes are made of after all.

amongst the lists of great discoveries. If only he could land and look about him. As the plane crashes into the canopy, Fred is suddenly left without a choice. He and the three other children may be alive, but the jungle is a vast, untamed place. With no hope of rescue, the chance of getting home feels impossibly small.

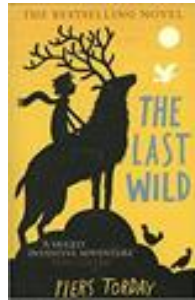
discovers that Hope House is full of strange secrets: a forgotten attic, ghostly figures, mysterious firelight that flickers in the trees beyond the garden. One night she ventures into the darkness of Nightingale Wood. What she finds there will change her whole world ...

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The Invention of Hugo Cabret
Brian Selznick

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The Last Wild
Piers Torday

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Skulduggery Pleasant
Derek Landy

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Howl's Moving Castle
Diana Wynne Jones

Topics: Crime / Magic / Mystery

Age Range: 8 - 12 years
ORPHAN, CLOCK KEEPER, AND THIEF, twelve-year-old Hugo lives in the walls of a busy Paris train station, where his survival depends on secrets and anonymity. But when his world suddenly interlocks with an eccentric girl and her grandfather, Hugo's undercover life, and his most precious secret, are put in jeopardy. A cryptic drawing, a treasured notebook, a stolen key, a mechanical man, and a hidden message from Hugo's dead father form the backbone of this intricate, tender, and spellbinding mystery.

Topics: Health / Illness / Quarantine / Isolation

Age Range: 8 - 11 years
This is a story about a boy named Kester. He is extraordinary, but he doesn't know that yet. All he knows, at this very moment, is this:

1. There is a flock of excited pigeons in his bedroom.
2. They are talking to him.
3. His life will never be quite the same again...

Kester lives in a land in quarantine. A deadly virus has killed all the animals except pests and it's expected to be equally dangerous to humans. But when Kester realises he can talk to the pests, he finds they have great hope invested in him.

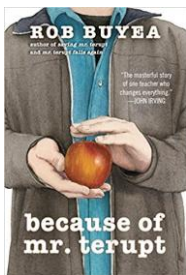
Topics: Magic /Mystery / War

Age Range: 11 - 14 years
War is coming. To avert catastrophe, Skulduggery and Valkyrie are sent on a secret mission that takes them away from everything they know, to a forsaken land of magic and grim, unrelenting terror. It is here that Valkyrie will have to fight the hardest — not only against the enemies who want her dead, but also against her own self-destructive impulses. It's only by crawling through darkness that she'll be able to once again stand in the light...

Topics: Magic / Imagination / Humour

Age Range: 9+
In this beloved modern classic, young Sophie Hatter from the land of Ingary catches the unwelcome attention of the Witch of the Waste and is put under a spell . . . Deciding she has nothing more to lose, Sophie makes her way to the moving castle that hovers on the hills above her town, Market Chipping. But the castle belongs to the dreaded Wizard Howl, whose appetite, they say, is satisfied only by the souls of young girls. There Sophie meets Michael, Howl's apprentice, and Calcifer the fire demon, with whom she agrees a pact. Her entanglements with Calcifer, Howl and Michael and her quest to break her curse come alive with Diana Wynne Jones's unique combination of magic, humour and imagination.

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Because of Mr Terupt
Rob Buyea

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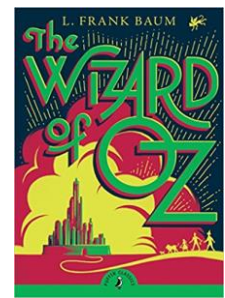
The Goldfish Boy
Lisa Thompson

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The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane
Kate DiCamillo

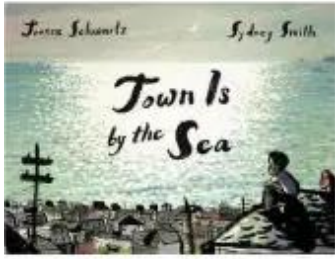
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The Wonderful Wizard of Oz
L. Frank Baum

<p>Topics: School / Teacher / Bullies / Friendship</p> <p>Age Range: 9+</p> <p>Seven students are about to have their lives changed by one amazing teacher in this school story sequel filled with unique characters every reader can relate to. It's the start of a new year at Snow Hill School, and seven students find themselves thrown together in Mr. Terupt's fifth grade class. There's . . . Jessica, the new girl, smart and perceptive, who's having a hard time fitting in; Alexia, a bully, your friend one second, your enemy the next; Peter, class prankster and troublemaker; Luke, the brain; Danielle, who never stands up for herself; shy Anna, whose home situation makes her an outcast; and Jeffrey, who hates school. They don't have much in common, and they've never gotten along. Not until a certain new teacher arrives and helps them to find strength inside themselves--and in each other.</p>	<p>Topics: Health / OCD / Home / Mystery</p> <p>Age Range: 10 - 12 years</p> <p>Twelve-year-old Matthew is trapped in his bedroom by crippling OCD, spending most of his time staring out of his window as the inhabitants of Chestnut Close go about their business. Until the day he is the last person to see his next door neighbour's toddler, Teddy, before he goes missing. Matthew must turn detective and unravel the mystery of Teddy's disappearance - with the help of a brilliant cast of supporting characters. Page-turning, heartbreaking, but ultimately life-affirming, this story is perfect for fans of <i>The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time</i> and <i>Wonder</i>.</p>	<p>Topics:</p> <p>Age Range: 8 - 11 years</p> <p>Abilene loves her blue china rabbit, but Edward Tulane is extremely vain and only loves himself. On a voyage from New York to London, Edward falls overboard and from there finds himself on an amazing journey. He travels with tramps, works as a scarecrow, comforts a dying child ... and finally learns what it is to truly love.</p>	<p>Topics:</p> <p>Age Range: 9 - 12 years</p> <p>Dorothy thinks she is lost forever when a terrifying tornado crashes through Kansas and whisks her and her dog, Toto, far away to the magical land of Oz. To get home Dorothy must follow the yellow brick road to Emerald City and find the wonderfully mysterious Wizard of Oz. Together with her companions the Tin Woodman, the Scarecrow and the Cowardly Lion whom she meets on the way, Dorothy embarks on a strange and enchanting adventure.</p>
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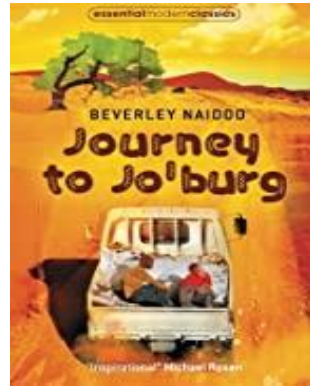
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Town is by the Sea
Joanne Schwartz

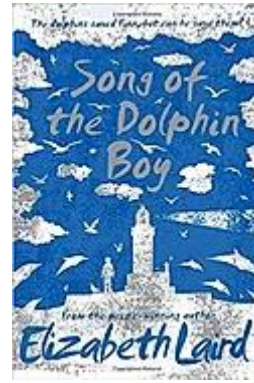
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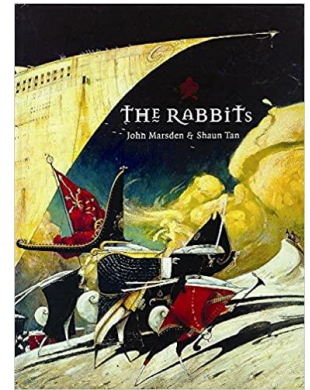


Journey to Jo'burg
Beverley Naidoo

2018/2019



Song of the Dolphin Boy
Elizabeth Laird



The Rabbits
Shaun Tan

PICTURE BOOK

Topics: Water / Mining / Grief

Age Range: 7+

This beautifully understated and haunting story brings a piece of mining history to life. The ever-present ocean and inevitable pattern of life in a mining town will enthrall children and move adult readers, as a young boy wakes up to the sound of the sea, visits his grandfather's grave after lunch and comes home to a cosy dinner with his family, but all the while his mind strays to his father digging for coal deep down under the sea.

Topics: Danger / Illness / Apartheid / Racial Inequality

Age Range: 7 - 12 years

This is the story is set against the background of South Africa's apartheid. Frightened that their baby sister Dineo will die, thirteen-year-old Naledi and her younger brother Tiro run away from their grandmother to Johannesburg to find their mother, who works there as a maid. Their journey illustrates at every turn the grim realities of apartheid - the pass laws, bantustans, racism, the breakdown of family life.

Topics: Travel / Adventure / Refugees

Age Range: 7 - 12 years

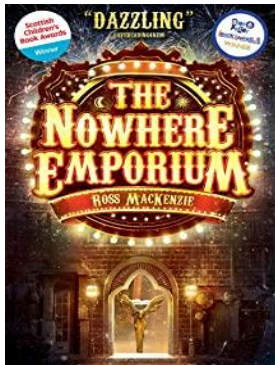
The Arrival is a migrant story told as a series of wordless images that might seem to come from a long forgotten time. A man leaves his wife and child in an impoverished town, seeking better prospects in an unknown country on the other side of a vast ocean.

Topics: Travel / Adventure / Refugees

Age Range: 7 - 12 years

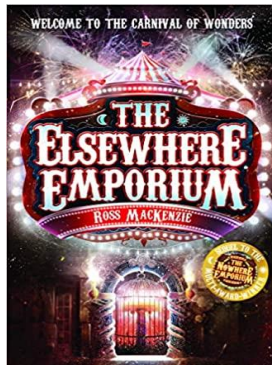
The rabbits came many grandparents ago. They built houses, made roads, had children. They cut down trees. A whole continent of rabbits... *The Rabbits* is a thought-provoking allegorical fable about colonisation and the effect of man on the environment.

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The Nowhere Emporium
Ross Mackenzie

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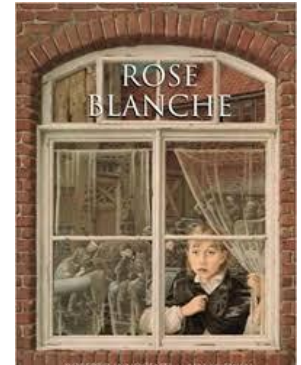
The Elsewhere Emporium
Ross Mackenzie

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Shadowsmith
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Rose Blanche
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Picture Book

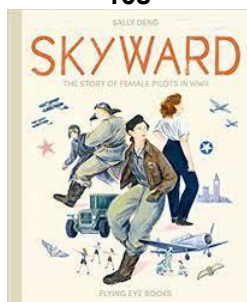
Topics: Magic / Mystery / Adventure / imagination / Orphan
Age Range: 8 - 12 years
 When the mysterious Nowhere Emporium arrives in Glasgow, orphan Daniel Holmes stumbles upon it quite by accident. Before long, the 'shop from nowhere' -- and its owner, Mr Silver -- draw Daniel into a breathtaking world of magic and enchantment. Recruited as Mr Silver's apprentice, Daniel learns the secrets of the Emporium's vast labyrinth of passageways and rooms -- rooms that contain wonders beyond anything Daniel has ever imagined. But when Mr Silver disappears, and a shadow from the past threatens everything, the Emporium and all its wonders begin to crumble.

Topics: Magic / Mystery / Adventure / imagination / Orphan
Age Range: 8 - 12 years
 The Nowhere Emporium has been stolen. The shop from nowhere has vanished without a trace. Will it ever reappear? As they search for the lost Emporium, Daniel and Ellie encounter magical bookshops, deserted islands, and an array of magicians (both dead and alive). Meanwhile a dangerous force is attacking the Emporium from the inside, waiting for a chance to break free. In this highly anticipated sequel to the award-winning The Nowhere Emporium, readers will once again be transported into a magical realm where imagination is power and anything is possible.

Topics: : Magic / Mystery / Adventure / imagination
Age Range: 10 - 12 years
 'Are you brave?' When the mysterious Amelia Pigeon turns up at Kirby's bedroom window in the dead of night, this is the question she asks him -- right before they tumble into a world of ancient malevolent spirits who have torn their way into Kirby's quiet seaside village. Kirby isn't feeling brave at all. His mother is in a coma following a freak (or was it?) accident, and he's hardly talking to his dad. He's convinced a spider is spying on him, and now a weird girl in a yellow raincoat -- who claims to be a powerful, evil-banishing Shadowsmith -- is dragging him into unknown danger. How brave is he really?

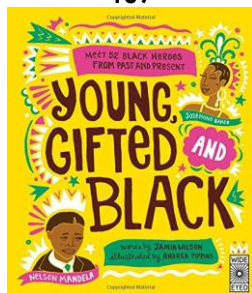
Topic: War / WW2 / Childhood / Friendship
Age Range: 9+
 Rose Blanche is a young girl living in Nazi Germany who is confused by the sudden change in her town during World War II. Her streets become filled with trucks full of soldiers and tanks. One day, she sees a little boy trying to escape from the back of a truck, but he is caught.

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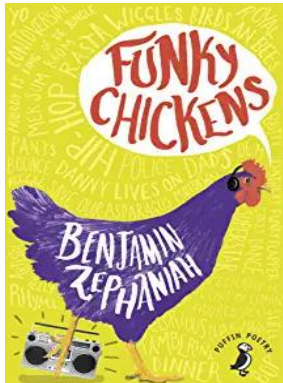
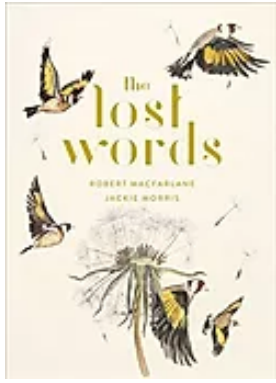
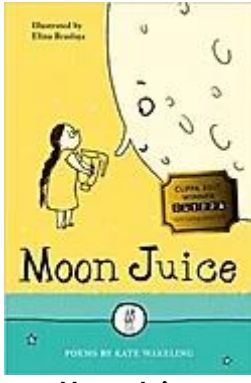
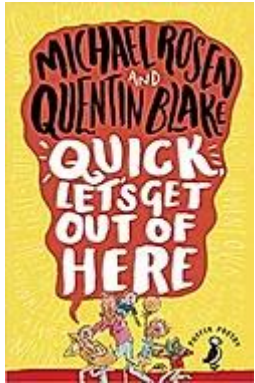


Skyward: The Story of Female Pilots in WWII

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Young, Gifted and Black
 Jamia Wilson

<p>Topics: WWII / Women / Biography Age Range: 7 - 11 The year is 1927, and in America, England and Russia, three young girls share the dream of becoming pilots. Against the odds, these ambitious young trailblazers follow their hearts, enrolling in pilot school (some in secret) and eventually flying for their countries in World War II.</p>	<p>Topics: Important figures / Diversity / Heroes Age Range: 7 - 11 A collection of stories about changemakers to encourage, inspire and empower the next generation of changemakers.</p>		
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<p>Topics: Mixed Poetry Age Range: 9 - 11 years Enter the crazy world of rap poet Benjamin Zephaniah! A reissue of the wonderfully irreverent collection of poetry for young people, touching on anything from vegetables to the Queen and from sewage to the sun. There's plenty of humour as well as poems on racism, pollution and the murder of a cat.</p>	<p>Topic: Mixed Poetry Age Range: UKS2 A collaboration seeking to 'summon what has vanished' and celebrate a host of disappearing words relating to the natural world. This is a poetry book about preservation - of nature, of language and of childhood – and the beautifully illustrated over-sized hardback volume is in itself a book to preserve and treasure. Inside the book, readers will find acrostic 'poem-spells', with each one intending to preserve a nature word that has</p>	<p>Topic: Mixed Poetry Age Range: UKS2 This collection of witty and intriguing poems that stir the imagination was the winner of the 2017 CLIPPA poetry award. The poems are lively, thought-provoking and are likely to be enjoyed for their humour, language play and rich variety of themes that appeal to upper KS2, including magic, space, relationships, family life and human emotion.</p>	<p>Topic: Mixed Poetry Age Range: UKS2 Michael Rosen's poetry books are a must-have in primary classrooms and this one - illustrated by Quentin Blake - has a hugely entertaining appeal in KS2. The poems zoom in on small moments from growing up, from sibling squabbles to best friends to the feeling of trying to avoid being told off by mum and dad (even when you've sneaked downstairs in the night to eat some chocolate cake...). Young readers may also enjoy the fact that they can see many of the poems being performed on the poet's</p>

	<p>disappeared from the dictionary as well as to evoke the unique sounds, sensations and moods associated with the experiences of encountering wildlife firsthand.</p>		
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