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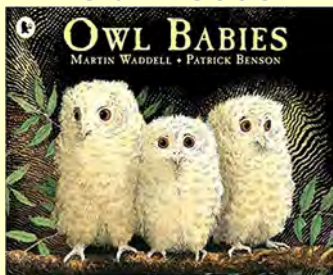
Reading for

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Owl Babies
Martin Waddell



A gentle tale of three baby owls reassures young children that Mummy will always come home. Three baby owls, Sarah, Percy and Bill, wake up one night in their hole in a tree to find that their mother has gone. So they sit on a branch and wait... Darkness gathers and the owls grow anxious, wondering when their mother will return. But, at last, she does and they bounce up and down with joy, welcoming her home.

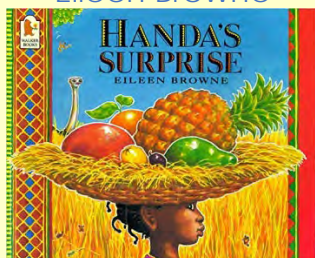
The Gruffalo
Julia Donaldson



*A mouse took a stroll through the deep dark wood.
A fox saw the mouse and the mouse looked good.*

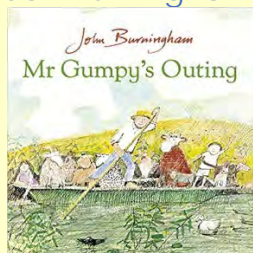
Walk further into the deep dark wood, and discover what happens when a quick-witted mouse comes face to face with an owl, a snake... and a hungry Gruffalo!

Handa's Surprise
Eileen Browne



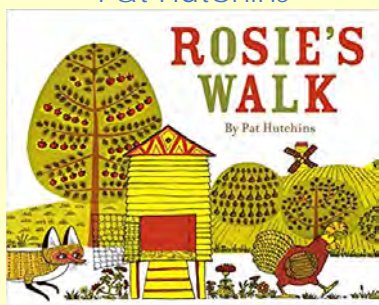
A modern classic named one of the best culturally diverse picture books in the UK, this is the story of Handa, who's part of the Luo tribe in south-west Kenya. Handa decides to take seven pieces of delicious fruit to her friend, Akeyo, who lives in the neighbouring village. But as Handa wonders, *I wonder what fruit Akeyo will like best?*, a series of sneaky animals steal something from Handa's basket, which she's carrying on her head... When Handa reaches Akeyo, will she have anything left to offer her friend?

Mr Gumpy's Outing
Jon Burningham



One day Mr Gumpy decides to take a trip along the river in his boat. But the children, the rabbit, the cat, the pig and lots more friends decide to join him. Everyone's having a lovely time until the animals start kicking, bleating, hopping and flapping and the boat starts to rock. What will happen...?

Rosie's Walk
Pat Hutchins



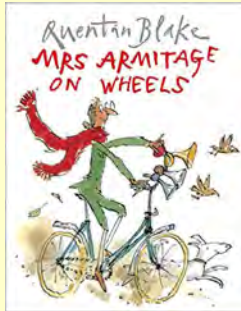
Rosie's walk around the farmyard, pursued by the hungry but clumsy fox, has become a beacon in the world of children's picture books, an ever-popular classic which generations have enjoyed. Children love the humour of this near-wordless story. One disaster after another befalls the poor fox while Rosie goes on her way, supremely unaware of the danger behind her.

Six Dinner Sid
Inga Moore



Sid is a cat who is addicted to having six meals a day and glories in this lifestyle. Manipulative, persuasive and a charmer he has wrapped everybody round his little paw - each owner believes that Sid belongs to them only . . . until the day he is found out!

Mrs Armitage on wheels
Quentin Blake



Mrs Armitage sets off for a quiet cycle with her faithful dog, Breakspear, but she just can't help thinking of ways to improve her bicycle. Before very long she has added three very loud horns, a bucket of water to wash her hands, a complete tool kit. And by the time she has also added a seat for Breakspear, two umbrellas, a cassette player and a mouth-organ, Mrs Armitage is riding a very eye-catching contraption. But it is when she finally adds the mast and sail, that Mrs Armitage really runs into trouble. . .

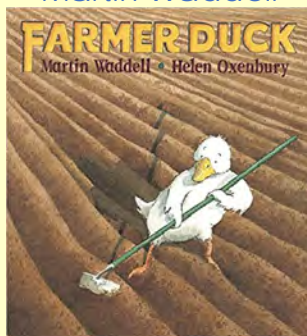
Whatever Next
Jill Murphy



The moon and back before bath time? Whatever next!

Join Baby Bear as he finds a rocket, makes friends with an owl and has a picnic on the moon

Farmer Duck
Martin Waddell



The book tells the story of a hardworking duck, who has the very bad luck of living with a lazy farmer. The duck cooks and cleans, tends the fields and cares for the other animals on the farm – and all while the farmer lies in bed! That is until the day the animals decide to take action ... and come to the rescue with a simple, but heroic plan.

SHHH!
Sally Gindley



Shhh! You are about to enter a giant's castle. Be very quiet. Can you get through the book without waking up the enormous scary giant? What will you do if he wakes up? Why shut the book of course!

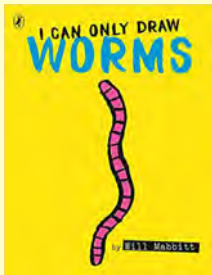
An interactive retelling of a classic fairy tale with flaps and peepholes that will keep children hooked! From the bestselling, award-winning author Sally Gindley, this is the perfect book for reading aloud and sharing together.

We're going on a bear hunt
Michael Rosen

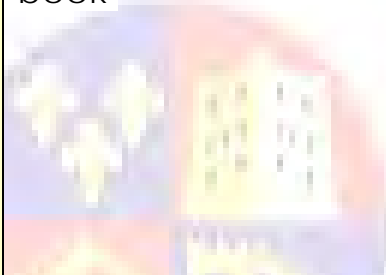


We're going on a bear hunt. We're going to catch a big one. Will you come too? For a quarter of a century, readers have been swishy-swashying and splash-splashing through this award-winning favourite. Follow and join in the family's excitement as they wade through the grass, splash through the river and squelch through the mud in search of a bear. What a surprise awaits them in the cave on the other side of the dark forest!

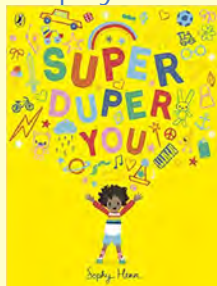
I can draw worms
Will Mabbett



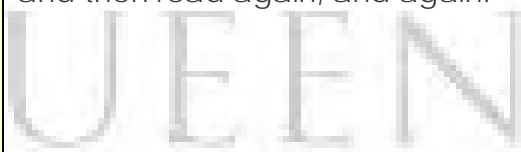
A riotously funny and ever-so-slightly bonkers book



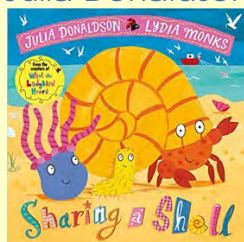
Super Duper You
Sophy Henn



Sometimes we are loud, sometimes we are quiet, sometimes bold and clanky, sometimes soft and cuddly. Sophy Henn celebrates all the different, extraordinary and sometimes contradictory things we are in this joyful and colourful rhyming picture book. Perfect to read aloud - and then read again, and again!

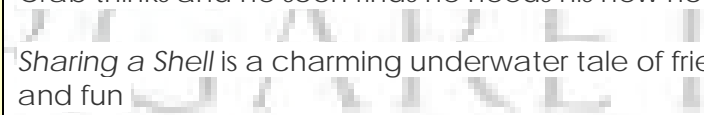


Sharing a shell
Julia Donaldson



When Crab finds a new shell, he doesn't want to share it with anyone - especially not a blobby purple anemone and a tickly bristleworm. But life in the rock pool proves tougher than Crab thinks and he soon finds he needs his new housemates.

Sharing a Shell is a charming underwater tale of friendship and fun



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Year 1	
<p>Five Minutes Peace Jill Murphy</p> 	<p>This is the story of Mrs Large the elephant – who just needs five minutes of peace and quiet away from her boisterous children! So, taking refuge in the bathroom, she fills herself a hot, foamy bubble bath and takes in a tray of her favourite breakfast and the morning paper. But there's never a dull moment with the Larges, and it soon becomes clear that mum's quiet time is to be very short-lived!</p>
<p>The Rainbow Fish Marcus Pfister</p> 	<p>The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister is a book about a unique fish with shimmering scales. Other fish admire him and request some of his scales because they want to share in his beauty. At first reluctant, Rainbow Fish eventually relents and finds he enjoys sharing his scales.</p>
<p>The Lighthouse keeps Lunch Rhonda and David Armitage</p> 	<p>Once there was a lighthouse keeper called Mr. Grinling. At night time he lived in a small white cottage perched high on the cliffs, and in the daytime he rowed out to his lighthouse to clean and polish the light. Every day Mr Grinling tucks into delicious lunch, prepared by his wife, Mrs Grinling. But Mr Grinling isn't the only one who enjoys the tasty food, so Mrs Grinling has to think of a way to stop the greedy seagulls from stealing the lighthouse keeper's lunch.</p>
<p>Fantastically great women who worked wonders Kate Pankhurst</p> 	<p>What do you want to be when you grow up? It's a BIG question that everyone is asked from an early age. Discover eye-opening facts about a collection of go-getting women who have pioneered careers in a kaleidoscope of different industries. Join scientists, doctors, athletes, hot-air balloonists and more, journey back in time with these brave, bold and brilliant women and discover that anything is possible when you make the most of YOUR talents.</p> <p>Prepare yourself for a celebration of women who opened doors and made it possible for more women to achieve amazing things today. Overflowing with beautiful illustrations and astounding facts, <i>Fantastically Great Women Who Worked Wonders</i> is the perfect introduction to just a few of the most incredible women who helped shaped the world we live in.</p>
<p>Stick Man Julia Donaldson</p> 	<p>Stick Man tells the tale of a happy-go-lucky father's epic journey to make it home in time for Christmas.</p>

Would you rather?
John Burningham



Would you rather drink snail squash or eat mashed worms?
Help a witch make stew? Tickle a monkey? Or maybe - if you could really be anyone or do anything in the world - would you rather just be . . . you?

When we were very young
AA Milne



Greatest animal stories
Michael Morpurgo



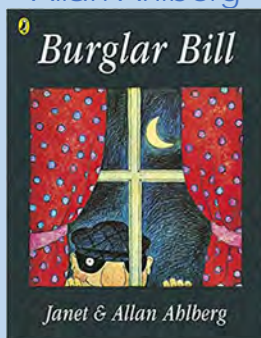
Michael Morpurgo has collected his greatest animal stories from all around the world and put them into this beautiful book. From brave mice to hungry wolves, and mischievous spiders to ingenious cats, this is a timeless collection to treasure forever. Beautifully illustrated throughout, a menagerie will come to life before your eyes. There are lots of stories to choose from, including *Puss in Boots*, *The Ugly Duckling*, and *Peter and the Wolf*, so whether you're looking for a quick read or a longer story to lose yourself in, something to read alone or a tale to share, there's a great animal story within for everyone to find.

Martins Mice
Dick King-Smith



Unlike most kittens, Martin doesn't like eating mice - let alone catching them. When he catches one by mistake he decides to keep it as a pet and soon Drusilla the mouse is established in an old bath tub in the attic. Martin is kept busy getting food, water, bedding - and then Drusilla's babies start to arrive. How can Martin cope with all his mice?







Burglar Bill
Allan Ahlberg



Who's that creeping down the street? Who's that climbing up the wall? Who's that coming through the window? Who's that? ... It's Burglar Bill.

Burglar Bill lives all by himself in a tall house full of stolen property. Every night (after eating his stolen fish and chips) he goes out to work... stealing things.

But one day, Burglar Bill steals something very unexpected indeed!

<p>Something Else Kathryn Cave</p> 	<p>A simple story, about a small creature who does his best to join in with the others. But he's different. No matter how he tries, he just doesn't belong.</p> <p>Then Something turns up and wants to be friends. But Something Else isn't sure he's like him at all...</p>
<p>Mrs Pepperpots Stories Alf Proysen</p> 	<p>Mrs Pepperpot can't choose when she will shrink to the size of a pepperpot - it just happens! But whatever she encounters, whether it be a monstrous mousetrap, a crafty fox or a gigantic mountain of ice cream, little Mrs Pepperpot will always come out on top.</p>
<p>Going Wild – Fantastic Mr Fox Roald Dahl</p> 	<p>Boggis is an enormously fat chicken farmer who only eats boiled chickens smothered in fat. Bunce is a duck-and-geese farmer whose dinner gives him a beastly temper. Bean is a turkey-and-apple farmer who only drinks gallons of strong cider. Mr Fox is so clever that every evening he creeps down into the valley and helps himself to food from their farms - and those GHASTLY farmers can't catch him! Now the farmers have hatched a plan to BANG-BANG-BANG shoot Mr Fox dead! But, just when they think Mr Fox can't possibly escape, he makes a FANTASTIC plan of his own . . .</p>
<p>Going Wild – 'Where the Wild Things Are' Maurice Sendak</p> 	<p>One night Max puts on his wolf suit and makes mischief of one kind and another, so his mother calls him 'Wild Thing' and sends him to bed without his supper. That night a forest begins to grow in Max's room and an ocean rushes by with a boat to take Max to the place where the wild things are. Max tames the wild things and crowns himself as their king, and then the wild rumpus begins! But when Max has sent the monsters to bed, and everything is quiet, he starts to feel lonely and realises it is time to sail home to the place where someone loves him best of all.</p>
<p>Happily Ever After - 'The Ugly Duckling' Ian Beck</p> 	<p>A retelling of the Hans Christian Andersen classic, suitable for sharing with very young children.</p>
<p>Happily Ever After - 'Little Red Riding Hood' Child's Play</p> 	<p>Step into the magical world of Child's Play fairy tales... Traditional tales are a well-established part of all cultures. Retold from the originals, these lively stories will captivate readers with their delightful illustrations and fun lift-up flaps which really add to the action. The 'flip-up' flaps encourage prediction and discussion, and well-known stories will give young readers confidence.</p>

Happily Ever After - 'Cinderella'



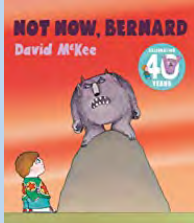
A perfect introduction to the classic story Cinderella. Find out what happens when Cinderella meets a handsome prince at the ball. Part of the Ladybird First Favourite Tales series - a perfect introduction to fairy tales for preschoolers - it contains amusing pictures and lots of funny rhythm and rhyme to delight young children.

Unity in the Community 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' Michael Rosen



Follow and join in the family's excitement as they wade through the grass, splash through the river and squelch through the mud in search of a bear. What a surprise awaits them in the cave on the other side of the dark forest!

Unity in the Community 'Not Now Bernard' David McKee

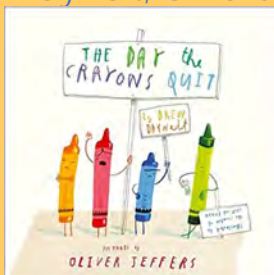


Bernard's got a problem. He's found a monster in the back garden but his mum and dad are just too busy to notice. So Bernard tries to befriend the monster ...and that doesn't go quite to plan.

QUEEN
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Year 2

The day the crayons quit Drew Daywalt, Oliver Jeffers



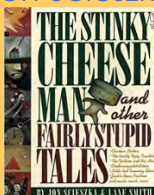
Poor Duncan just wants to color. But when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters, all saying the same thing: We quit! Beige is tired of playing second fiddle to Brown. Blue needs a break from colouring all that water, while Pink just wants to be used. Green has no complaints, but Orange and Yellow are no longer speaking to each other. What is Duncan to do? Debut author Drew Daywalt and *New York Times* bestseller Oliver Jeffers create a colourful solution in this playful, imaginative story that will have children laughing and playing with their crayons in a whole new way

Magic Faraway Tree Enid Blyton



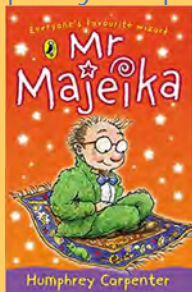
When Joe, Beth and Frannie move to the countryside, they discover that their new house lies next to the Enchanted Wood! And in that wood stands the Magic Faraway Tree. This is no ordinary tree - it is home to more magical lands full of elves, pixies, talking creatures and wonderful adventures than the children ever imagined possible!

Stinky Cheese Man Jon Scieszka



Jon Scieszka introduces some *really* stupid off-the-wall fairy tales including: 'Chicken Licken', 'The Princess and the Bowling Ball'; 'The Really Ugly Duckling', and 'Jack's Bean Problem'. Chosen by children as the Book of the Year for the Federation of Children's Book Groups, the book was described by *She* magazine as, 'The most delightful collection of stories a young cynic could hope to read

Mr Majeika Humphrey Carpenter



As a rule, magic carpets don't turn up in schools, but this is exactly what happens when Class Three's new teacher flies in through the classroom window and lands on the floor with a bump.

Mr Majeika can behave just like any ordinary teacher if he wants to, but something has to be done about Hamish Bigmore, the class nuisance, and so he uses a little magic to turn him into a frog. And to everyone's delight it looks as if Hamish will have to remain a frog because Mr Majeika can't remember the spell to turn him back again! With Mr Majeika in charge, suddenly life at school become much more exciting - there's even a magic-carpet ride to Buckingham Palace!

3 little wolves and the big bad pig Eugene Trivizas and Helen Oxenbury



The classic fight between pigs and wolves as you've never seen it before! A subversive and hilarious take on the well-loved fairy tale.

The three little wolves erect first a solid brick house. The big bad pig comes along and when huffing and puffing fails to work, he uses a sledgehammer to bring the house down. Next they build a home of concrete: The pig demolishes it with his pneumatic drill. The three little wolves choose an even stronger design next time round: They erect a house, made of steel, barbed wire, armour plates and video entry system, but the pig finds a way to demolish it too. It is only when the wolves construct a rather fragile house made of cherry blossoms, daffodils, pink roses, and marigolds that the pig has a change of heart ...

<p>Come Fly with me (Arctic Circle) The Rainbow Bear Michael Morpurgo</p> 	<p>The polar bear is bored of his white environment and his hard life. He dreams of soaking himself in all the luminous colours of the rainbow. But when his wish is granted, he realises to his cost that his arctic camouflage no longer works and he needs the advice of others to escape his prism...</p> <p>A moving tale of hopes and dreams from an award-winning picture book team. The lyrical text is complemented by beautiful watercolours in which the joy and pain of the Rainbow Bear sing out</p>
<p>The diary of a Killer Cat Anne Fine</p> 	<p>Poor Ellie is horrified when Tuffy drags a dead bird into the house. Then a mouse. But Tuffy can't understand what all the fuss is about.</p> <p>Who on earth will be the next victim to arrive through the cat-flap? Can soft-hearted Ellie manage to get her beloved pet to change his wild, wild ways before he ends up in even deeper trouble?</p> <p>The hilarious antics of Tuffy and his family as told by the killer cat himself.</p>
<p>The Way back home Oliver Jeffers</p> 	<p>Once there as a boy, and one day, he found an aeroplane in his cupboard.</p> <p>He didn't remember leaving it in there, but he thought he'd take it out for a go right away. At first, all went well and the plane flew higher and higher and higher until suddenly, with a splutter, it ran out of petrol. The boy was stuck on the moon and he was not alone.</p>
<p>Light up the World – The Enchanted wood Enid Blyton</p> 	<p>Joe, Beth and Frannie find the Enchanted Wood on the doorstep of their new home, and when they discover the Faraway Tree they fall into all sorts of adventures! Join them and their friends Moonface, Saucepan Man and Silky the fairy as they discover which new land is at the top of the Faraway Tree. Will it be the Land of Spells, the Land of Treats, or the Land of Do-As-You-Please? Come on an amazing adventure!</p>
<p>Toby and the Great Fire of London Margaret Nash</p> 	<p>Toby has forgotten a delivery for Mr Pepys, but as he sets out across London he sees the sky is full of flames!</p>

Come fly with me Arctic Circle
The Polar Bear Son: An Inuit Tale by
Lydia Dabcovich



A lonely old woman adopts, cares for, and raises a polar bear as if he were her own son, until jealous villagers threaten the bear's life, forcing him to leave his home and his "mother," in a retelling of a traditional Inuit folktale.

Light Up the World
'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark' Jill Tomlinson



lop, the Baby Barn Owl, is like every Barn Owl there ever was, except for one thing – he is afraid of the dark. "Dark is nasty" he says and so he won't go hunting with his parents. Mrs Barn Owl sends him down from his nest-hole to ask about the dark and he meets a little boy waiting for the fireworks to begin, an old lady, a scout out camping, a girl who tells him about Father Christmas, a man with a telescope and a black cat who takes him exploring. He realizes that through these encounters that dark is super after all.

Filled with gentle humour and comfort, Jill Tomlinson's animal stories have been enjoyed by children who want to snuggle down with a good read for decades. This edition of The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark is beautifully illustrated by Paul Howard.

Land Ahoy!
'The Troll' Julia Donaldson



A laugh-out-loud pirate adventure from the stellar picture-book partnership of Julia Donaldson and David Roberts.

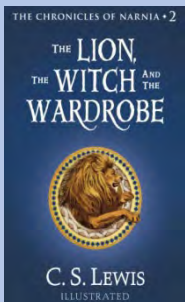
The Troll longs for a juicy goat to eat – but he's stuck with boring old fish for supper. Bother! Meanwhile, Hank Chief and his pirate crew love fish, but without a decent recipe their slimy, soggy dinner is even worse. If only they could find their buried treasure and pay for a ship's cook . . . but it seems they've sailed to the wrong island. Again.

Watch the fun unfold as two very different worlds collide in The Troll, a gloriously comic story from Julia Donaldson and David Roberts, the creators of the highly acclaimed Tyrannosaurus Drip.

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Year 3

The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe
CS Lewis



Narnia... a land frozen in eternal winter... a country waiting to be set free.

Four adventurers step through a wardrobe door and into the land of Narnia, a land 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.

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe is the second book in C.S. Lewis's The Chronicles of Narnia, a series that has become part of the canon of classic literature, drawing readers of all ages into a magical land with unforgettable characters for over fifty years. This is a stand-alone read, but if you would like to explore more of the Narnian realm, pick up The Horse and His Boy, the third book in The Chronicles of Narnia.

The Abominables
Eva Ibbotson



When Agatha Farlingham is kidnapped by a yeti on a mountain in Tibet, she soon discovers that the hairy monster is clever and noble. His children are in danger from the modern world and he needs her help. She sends them on a top-secret journey to England and the safety of her ancestral home. But first she must teach them some manners. . .

Cat Tales – Ice Cat
Linda Newbury



When Tom makes a cat of ice and snow, it comes to life at night: roaming the streets, prowling his dreams. What can it be looking for

A Paralympians Story
Ade Adeptan



A Paralympic medal winner, commentator and a successful TV presenter, Ade Adeptan has led a remarkable life. Find out Ade's story, from growing up in Nigeria with a disability, to developing his passion for sport, to receiving an MBE, in this inspirational autobiography.

The Secret of Black rock
Joe Todd-Staunton



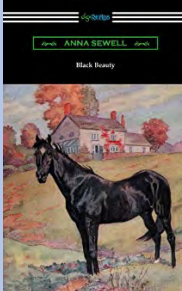
Erin loves to lie on the jetty, looking for the weirdest fish in the sea -- the weirder, the better! And she knows the best ones must be further out, where her mum won't let her go ...Out there in the deepest sea lies the Black Rock: a huge, dark and spiky mass that is said to destroy any boats that come near it! Can Erin uncover the truth behind this mysterious legend?

Come Fly with me Africa
- Too Small Tola
Atinuke



Three delightful stories about Too Small Tola, a young girl who, though small, is very determined. Tola lives in a flat in Lagos with her sister, Moji, who is very clever; her brother, Dapo, who is very fast; and Grandmummy, who is very bossy. Tola proves to be stronger than she seems when she goes to market with Grandmummy and manages to carry home a basket full of yams and vegetables, chilli peppers and fish. When the taps in the flat don't work, it's Tola who brings water from the well, and it's Tola who saves the day when Mr Abdul, the tailor, needs his goods to be delivered quickly. Too Small Tola is a wonderful new character in the world of children's books by multi-award-winning children's writer and storyteller Atinuke.

Black Beauty
Anna Sewell



"Black Beauty" is a fictional autobiography told from the perspective of the horse. This use of an anthropomorphic protagonist was ground-breaking for its time. The novel follows the story of a young colt through his life, from his early carefree days with his mother on an English farm, to his difficult life pulling cabs in London, and ultimately to his happy retirement in the countryside. Black Beauty's experiences are one of both cruelty and kindness as he passes from master to master. The novel masterfully explores the relation between men and animals and strives to impress upon the reader that all animals should be treated with kindness and compassion.

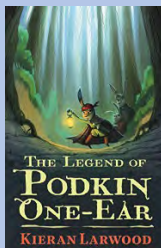
Teacup
Rebecca Young and Matt
Ottley



A boy must leave his home and find another. He brings with him a teacup full of earth from the place where he grew up, and sets off to sea. Some days, the journey is peaceful, and the skies are cloudless and bright. Some days, storms threaten to overturn his boat. And some days, the smallest amount of hope grows into something glorious. At last, the boy finds land, but it doesn't feel complete . . . until another traveler joins him, bearing the seed to build a new home.

With lyrical text and gorgeous artwork, this poignant picture book is perfect for discussing all of life's toughest challenges--a big move, a divorce, long-distance separation, or even the current refugee crisis--in a way that's reassuring and inspiring for children and adults alike.

The legend of Podkin One-Ear
Kieran Larwood



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.

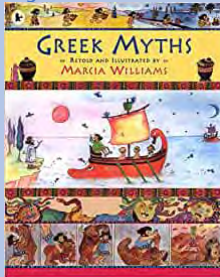
Kensukes Kingdom
Michael Morpurgo



I heard the wind above me in the sails. I remember thinking, this is silly, you haven't got your safety harness on, you haven't got your lifejacket on. You shouldn't be doing this ... I was in the cold of the sea before I could even open my mouth to scream.

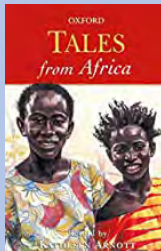
Washed up on an island in the Pacific, Michael struggles to survive on his own. With no food and no water, he curls up to die. When he wakes, there is a plate beside him of fish, of fruit, and a bowl of fresh water. He is not alone ...

Athens v Sparta –
'Greek Myths' Marcia Williams



The Greek myths are among the greatest, most exciting stories ever told and feature some of the world's best loved heroes and heroines. In this book, you'll find the stories of Theseus, conqueror of the dreaded Minotaur; the mighty Heracles and his twelve tasks; the tragic lovers Orpheus and Eurydice; Perseus, the Gorgon-slayer; the musician Arion and his rescue by the dolphins; Pandora and her little box of horrors; the feather-clad fliers Daedalus and Icarus; and the weaving contest between Arachne and the goddess Athene. Each of these tales has been retold with lively text and dramatic cartoon style, making them accessible and fun for young children.

Come Fly with me Africa!
'Tales From Africa' Kathleen Arnott



In this book of tales from Africa there are stories about an evil-hearted shark, an extremely cunning hare, a very greedy spider, and the strongest man in the world. There are also answers to such questions as why the crab has no head, why the sun and moon live in the sky, and why flies buzz.

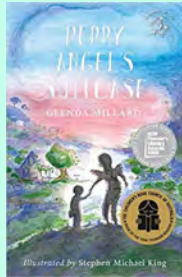
Under the Canopy
Great Kapok Tree: A Tale of the
Amazon Rain Forest



Exhausted from his labours, a man chopping down a great kapok tree in the Brazilian rain forest puts down his axe, and, as he sleeps, the animals who live in the tree plead with him not to destroy their world. The author and artist Lynne Cherry journeyed deep into the rain forests of Brazil to write and illustrate her gorgeous picture book *The Great Kapok Tree: A Tale of the Amazon Rain Forest* (1990). One day, a man exhausts himself trying to chop down a giant kapok tree. While he sleeps, the forest's residents, including a child from the Yanomamo tribe, whisper in his ear about the importance of trees and how "all living things depend on one another"... and it works. Cherry's lovingly rendered coloured pencil and watercolour drawings of all the "wondrous and rare animals" evoke the lush rain forests, as well as stunning world maps bordered by tree porcupines, emerald tree boas, and dozens more fascinating creatures.

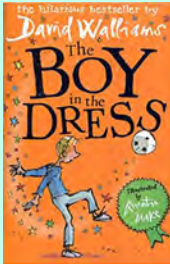
Year 4	
<p>The Miraculous tale of Edward Tulane Kate DiCamillo</p> 	<p>Abilene loves her blue china rabbit, but Edward Tulane is extremely vain and only loves himself. On a voyage from New York to London, Edward falls overboard and from there finds himself on an amazing journey. He travels with tramps, works as a scarecrow, comforts a dying child ... and finally learns what it is to truly love.</p>
<p>Krindlekrax Philip Ridley</p> 	<p>Ruskin Splinter is small and thin, with knock-knees, thick glasses and a 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.</p>
<p>Sky Hawk Gill Lewis</p> 	<p>When Callum and his friends find Iona on Callum's farm they try to chase her back into the village. But Iona runs from them up into the hills. It is late and dark and snow lies in the mountain gullies. Worried for Iona's safety, Callum follows to find her shivering with cold but refusing to leave. She is guarding a secret hidden in the forest above the dark waters of the loch. So they make a deal. Iona shares the secret and in return Callum allows her back onto the farm.</p> <p>They form a deep bond of friendship and make a promise to keep their secret safe. It is a promise that will change Callum's world forever . . .</p>
<p>The Witches Roald Dahl</p> 	<p>In fairy-tales, witches always wear silly black hats and black cloaks, and they ride on broomsticks. But this is not a fairy-tale. This is about REAL WITCHES.</p>
<p>Picture our Planet Stig of the dump Clive King</p> 	<p>Barney is a solitary little boy, given to wandering off by himself. One day he is lying on the edge of a disused chalk-pit when it gives way and he lands in a sort of cave. Here he meets 'somebody with a lot of shaggy hair and two bright black eyes' wearing a rabbit skin and speaking in grunts. He names him Stig. Of course nobody believes Barney when he tells his family all about Stig, but for Barney cave-man Stig is totally real. They become great friends, learning each others ways and embarking on a series of unforgettable adventures.</p>

Perry's Angels suitcase
Glenda Millard



It has taken Perry Angel almost seven years to find the place where he belongs. He arrives at the Kingdom of Silk one day on the ten-thirty express, carrying only a small and shabby suitcase embossed with five golden letters. What do those letters mean? And why won't Perry let go of his case? this is a gentle and moving story about finding your place in the world - and there could be no better place than with Griffin Silk, his family and his best friend, Layla.

Law and Order
Boy in a dress
David Walliams



Dennis was different.

Why was he different, you ask?

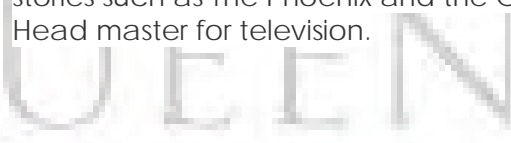
Well, a small clue might be in the title of this book.



Lizzie Dripping
Helen Cresswell



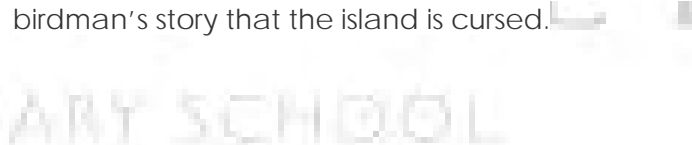
Everyone in the village where Lizzie lives thinks that she's a dreamer - so it's no wonder that they don't believe her when she says she's seen a witch. But Lizzie doesn't care because she knows it's true and having a witch for a friend makes life much more exciting. *Helen Cresswell is a well-known writer and has written more than forty books. She has adapted stories such as The Phoenix and the Carpet and The Demon Head master for television.



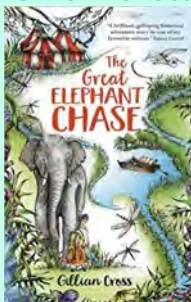
Why the Whales Came
Michael Morpurgo



Gracie and her friend Daniel have always been warned to stay away from the Birdman and his side of the island. But then they find a message in the sand and discover the Birdman is not who they thought. They build up a lovely friendship with him, but when the children get stranded on Samson Island they don't know whether to believe the birdman's story that the island is cursed.



The Great Elephant Chase
Gillian Cross



A giant Indian elephant.

A wild journey across America.

An enemy who will never stop.

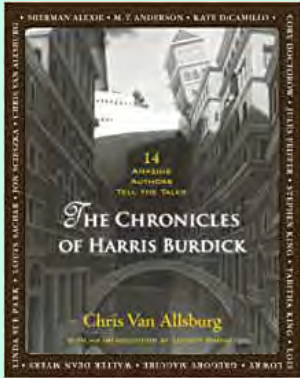
Tad and Cissie are on the run with Khush the elephant.

Clammy fingered, steely-eyed Hannibal Jackson will do anything to capture the animal.

Maybe even kill . . .

Staying ahead means being faster and smarter-but how do you hide an elephant? Especially one with a mind of its own.

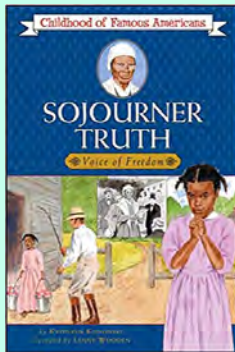
Lightning Speed
'The Chronicles of Harris
Burdick' Chris Van Allsburg



This inspired collection of short stories is based on the original illustrations of Chris Van Allsburg in his esteemed and mysterious *The Mysteries of Harris Burdick*, and features many remarkable, best-selling authors in the worlds of both adult and children's literature: Sherman Alexie, M.T. Anderson, Kate DiCamillo, Cory Doctorow, Jules Feiffer, Stephen King, Tabitha King, Lois Lowry, Gregory Maguire, Walter Dean Myers, Linda Sue Park, Louis Sachar, Jon Scieszka, Lemony Snicket, and Chris Van Allsburg himself.

Van Allsburg's Harris Burdick illustrations have evoked such wonderment and imagination since Harris Burdick's original publication in 1984; many have speculated or have woven their own stories to go with his images. More than ever, the illustrations send off their eerie call for text and continue to compel and pick at the reader's brain for a backstory - a threaded tale behind the image. In this book, we've collected some of the best storytellers to spin them.

Cry Freedom
Sojourner Truth: Voice for
Freedom



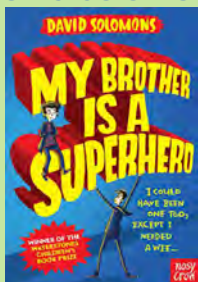
Sojourner Truth was born into slavery under the name Isabella Bomfree. As an adult she gained freedom for herself and two of her children, then began working as a minister and renamed herself Sojourner Truth. She became an active abolitionist and women's rights activists, giving many influential talks including her famous "Ain't I A Woman?" speech.

This book is laced with numerous illustrations, and the back of the book includes a timeline, questions, activities, and a glossary, making it the perfect addition to a classroom or home school setting. Perfect for emerging readers, the *Childhood of Famous Americans* series illustrates the incredible true stories of great Americans.

MARGARET
PRIMARY SCHOOL

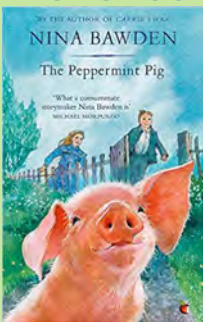
Year 5	
<p>Toms Midnight Garden Phillipa Pearce</p> 	<p>When Tom is sent to stay at his aunt and uncle's house for the summer, he resigns himself to endless weeks of boredom. As he lies awake in his bed he hears the grandfather clock downstairs strike . . . eleven . . . twelve . . . thirteen . . . Thirteen! Tom races down the stairs and out the back door, into a garden everyone told him wasn't there. In this enchanted thirteenth hour, the garden comes alive - but Tom is never sure whether the children he meets there are real or ghosts . . . This entrancing and magical story is one of the best-loved children's books ever written.</p>
<p>You're not invited Varjak Paw SF Said</p> 	<p>Varjak Paw is a Mesopotamian Blue kitten. He lives high up in an old house on a hill. He's never left home, but then his grandfather tells him about the Way - a secret martial art for cats. Now Varjak must use the Way to survive in a city full of dangerous dogs, cat gangs and, strangest of all the mysterious Vanishings.</p>
<p>Journey to Riversea Eva Ibbotson</p> 	<p>An orphaned London schoolgirl and her formidable governess's journey to South America Set at the turn of the 20th century, this is an adventure story full of magic and discovery. Maia, accompanied by the straight-backed Miss Minton, leaves the familiar comforts of her boarding school to start a new life with distant relatives who live 1000 miles from the mouth of the Amazon. Both soon discover an exotic world bursting with new experiences beyond their imagination. More importantly, they learn one of life's hardest lessons--to conquer their fears and embrace the unknown. And along the way they learn about tolerance, acceptance and trust</p>
<p>Moondial Helen Cresswell</p> 	<p>Minty is the kind of girl who notices things. Pockets of cold air on a stairway. Cries on the wind. Ghosts. On night-time jaunts from the house where she's staying while her mother recovers from an accident, Minty stumbles upon a moondial which takes her back in time. She finds Tom, a sickly kitchen boy, and Sarah, a girl with a birthmark who is only allowed out at night because her family think she has the mark of the devil . . . Can Minty save her friends, or will she get stuck in the past . . .?</p>
<p>You're not invited Scribbleboy Philip Ridley</p> 	<p>Bailey arrives in a new neighbourhood with his extraordinary family. He has no friends but receives a mysterious invitation to join the Scribbleboy Fan Club. The one and only founder member is Ziggy Fuzz. His vital mission is to spread the word about Scribbleboy and his amazing scribbles which years ago transformed the gloomy grey concrete of the neighbourhood. Swept along in plans to discover the identity of the mythical artist, Bailey carries on his work so the scribbles start again and eventually he discovers the scribbleboy is in fact a scribblegirl!</p>

My brother is a superhero
David Solomons



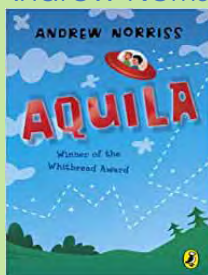
Luke is a comic-mad eleven-year old who shares a treehouse with his geeky older brother, Zack. Luke's only mistake is to go for a wee right at the wrong time. While he's gone, an alien gives his undeserving, never-read-a-comic-in-his-life brother superpowers and then tells him to save the universe. Luke 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..

Peppermint Pig
Nina Bowden



Poll looked at the milkman, thinking of sweets, but there was a real pig poking its snout out of the milkman's coat pocket. It was the tiniest pig she had ever seen. 'What's a peppermint pig?' 'Runt of the litter. Too small for the sow to raise. He'd only get trampled in in the rush.' Mother took the pig from him and held it firmly while it kicked and squealed. 'Well, he seems strong enough. And even runts grow.' 'Oh,' Poll said. 'Oh, Mother.' She stroked the small, wriggling body. 'Theo,' she shouted, 'Look what we've got!' It is a difficult year for the Greengrasses. Poll's father has lost his job and gone overseas, the family are living off the charity of two aunts, and Poll and her brother Theo just can't seem to keep out of trouble. It takes a tiny, mischievous pig to bring laughter back into their lives.

Mission Control - Aquila
Andrew Norriss



It's a spaceship from the past - can it change the future?
Aquila has been found by boys bunking off a geography field trip. They have no idea where it came from or what it does. But Geoff's discovered that when you sit in it these little coloured lights come on, and if you push one of the big blue one . . . WHOOSH!

QUEEN

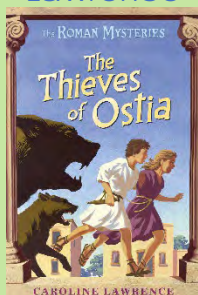
The wolves of Willoughby Chase
Joan Aiken



1832 - a period of English History that never happened. Good King James III is on the throne and the country is ravaged by wolves which have migrated through the newly-opened Channel Tunnel. When Sylvia and Bonnie (both orphans) fall into the hands of evil Miss Slighcarp, they must use all their wits to escape unscathed - for the governess is more cruel and merciless than the wolves that surround the great house of Willoughby Chase.

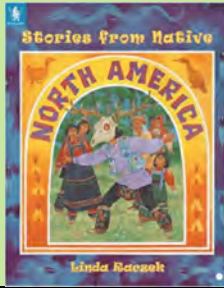
ART SCHOOL

You're not invited
'The Thieves of Ostia' Caroline Lawrence



Flavia Gemina is a natural at solving mysteries. The daughter of a ship's captain living in Ostia, the port of Rome, in AD79, she and her three friends, Jonathan, a Jewish boy (and secretly a Christian); Nubia, an African slave girl; and Lupus, a mute beggar boy, must work together to discover who is beheading the watchdogs that guard people's homes, and why. A talented storyteller, Caroline Lawrence has created a delightfully readable and accessible series that children will want to read time and time again.

Come Fly with me – America
Stories from North America



Storyteller based at the Ute Mountain Tribe reservation and immersed in Native American society.



QUEEN
MARGARET
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year 6

Clockwork
Phillip Pullman



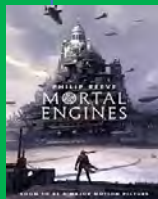
It is a cold winter's night when Karl enters the White Horse Tavern looking like he's swallowed a thundercloud. His final task as a clockmaker apprentice is to make a new figure for the great clock of Glockenheim. He has not made the figure - or got any idea of what it could be, and the unveiling is tomorrow. Fritz is also in the tavern; there to read aloud his new spooky story. Like Karl, he hasn't finished. Well, he knows how the story starts and he knows it's called *Clockwork* - so, with the snow swirling down outside, he sets his story going and just has to hope that the ending will come to him as he tells it. Suddenly, Fritz's story and real life merge in a completely sinister way - and just like clockwork it can't be stopped . .

Cogheart
Peter Bunzl



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 realises that those she holds dear may be the very ones to break her heart... Murder, mayhem and mystery meet in this gripping Victorian adventure.

Wars of the World
Mortal Engines
Philip Reeve



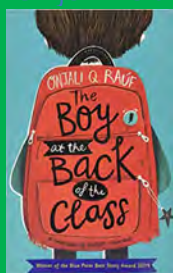
In a dangerous future, huge motorized cities hunt, attack and fight each other for survival. As London pursues a small town, young apprentice Tom is flung out into the wastelands, where a terrifying cyborg begins to hunt him down.

Wolf Brother
Michelle Paver



Thousands of years ago, a powerful and malevolent force conjured a demon: a demon so evil that it could only be contained in the body of a ferocious bear, a demon determined to destroy the world. Only one boy can stop it ... Twelve-year-old Torak sees his father murdered by the bear. With his dying breath, he asks his son to make him a promise. Alone, wounded, terrified and on the run, Torak must now lead the bear to the Mountain of the World Spirit - a mountain that no one has ever found before. But can Torak keep his promise? A terrifying quest commences in a world of wolves, tree spirits and Hidden People, a world in which trusting a friend means risking your life.

I have a dream
The boy at the back of the class
Onjali Rauf



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! 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. A real one. With bombs and fires and bullies that hurt people. And the more I find out about him, the more I want to help. That's where my best friends Josie, Michael and Tom come in. Because you see, together we've come up with a plan.

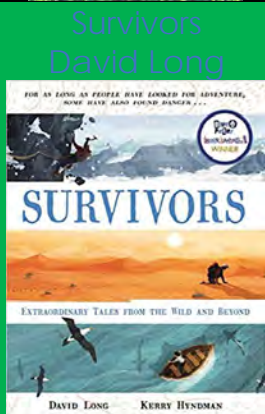


Stanley Yelnats' family has a history of bad luck, so when a miscarriage of justice sends him to Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre (which isn't green and doesn't have a lake) he is not surprised. Every day he and the other inmates are told to dig a hole, five foot wide by five foot deep, reporting 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.



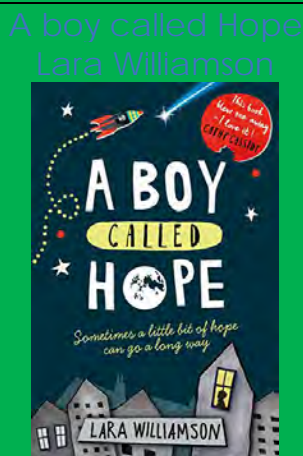
From his seat in the tiny aeroplane, Fred watches as the mysteries of the Amazon jungle pass by below him. He has always dreamed of becoming an explorer, of making history and of reading his name amongst the lists of great discoveries. If only he could land and look about him.

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. Except, it seems, someone has been there before them .



The Man Who Sucked Blood from a Shark, a sailor who survived for 133 days on a raft in the Atlantic when his ship was torpedoed, using shark's blood in place of fresh water.
The Girl Who Fell From the Sky, a teenager who fell 2 miles from an aeroplane and trekked through the Amazon jungle to safety.
The Woman Who Froze to Death - Yet Lived, a woman who was trapped under freezing water for so long her heart stopped. Four hours later, medics managed to warm her blood enough to revive her.

Combining classic tales such as Ernest Shackleton's Antarctic voyage, as well as more modern exploits such as the adventurer who inspired the movie *127 Hours*, these astonishing stories will be retold by young readers to all of their friends.



I'm Dan Hope and deep inside my head I keep a list of things I want to come true. For example, I want my sister, Ninja Grace, to go to university at the North Pole and only come back once a year. I want to help Sherlock Holmes solve his most daring mystery yet. And if it could be a zombie mystery, all the more exciting. I want my dog to stop eating the planets and throwing them up on the carpet. And finally, the biggest dream of all, I want my dad to love me.

I have a dream
Wonder
R.J. Palacio

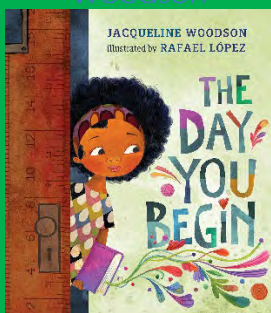


'My name is August. I won't describe what I look like. Whatever you're thinking, it's probably worse.'

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. Ordinary kids aren't stared at wherever they go.

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?

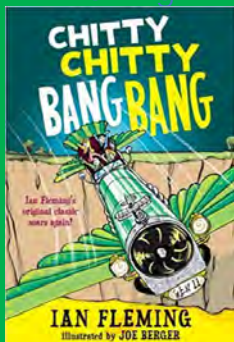
The Day You Begin - Jacqueline
Woodson



There will be times when you walk into a room and no one there is quite like you. There are many reasons to feel different. Maybe it's how you look or talk, or where you're from; maybe it's what you eat, or something just as random. It's not easy to take those first steps into a place where nobody really knows you yet, but somehow you do it.

Jacqueline Woodson's lyrical text and Rafael López's dazzling art reminds us that we all feel like outsiders sometimes and how brave it is that we go forth anyway. And that sometimes, when we reach out and begin to share our stories, others will be happy to meet us halfway.

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang – Ian
Fleming



'Crackpot' is what everybody calls the Potts family. So when they go to buy a new car and come back with a WRECK, nobody is surprised. Except for the Potts themselves.

First, the car has a name. And she tells them what it is. Then they find that she can fly . . . and swim . . .

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang is a car on a mission to stop a criminal gang in its tracks – and she is taking the Potts with her!

Jump into the world's most loved magical car, for her first adventure ever!

I have a Dream
'Mandela, the Graphic Novel' –



Freedom fighter, fugitive, celebrated prisoner, president: the hero of a nation. Nelson Mandela was called a terrorist, forced into hiding, captured, threatened with the death penalty and eventually thrown into prison for 27 years, but nothing could stop him from fighting to liberate his country from the infamous system of apartheid, which for so many years sought to separate people by race in South Africa.

A hero in the struggle, he never gave up. Even when he was a prisoner, he worked secretly with his comrades to undermine South Africa's oppressive government.

This is the exciting, true story of a young herd-boy who grew up to become a lawyer, a fighter for justice, South Africa's first democratically elected president and the beloved grandfather of a nation.