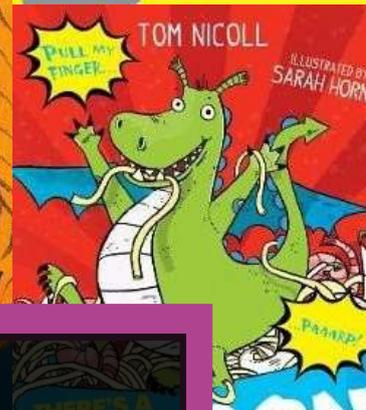
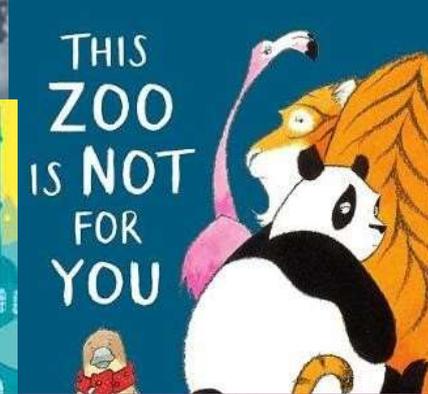
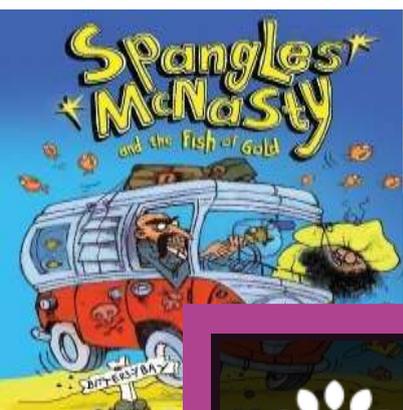


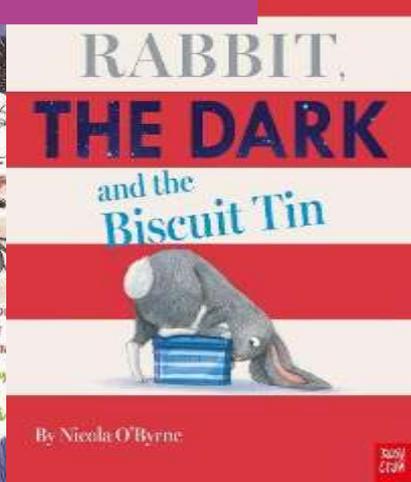
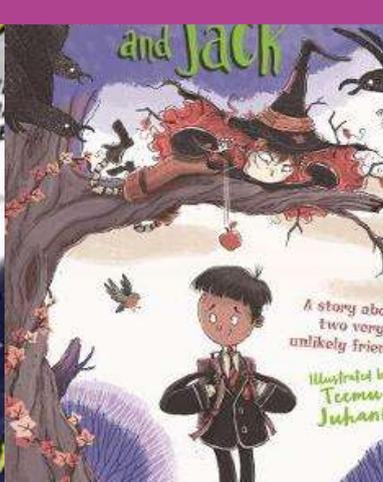
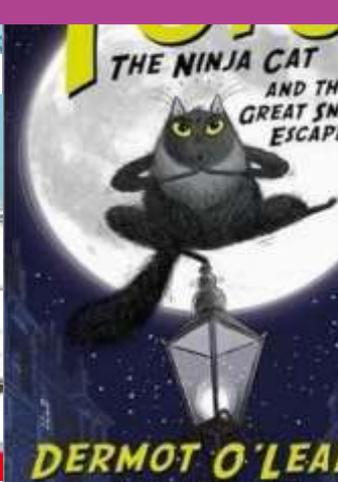
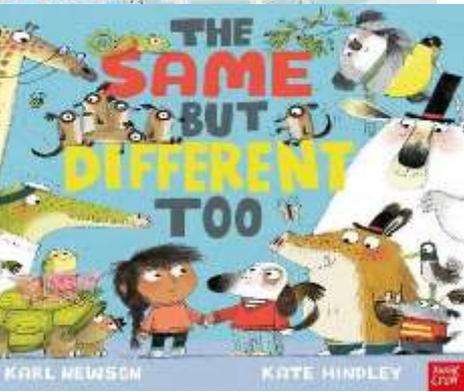
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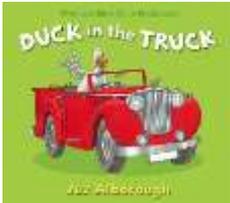
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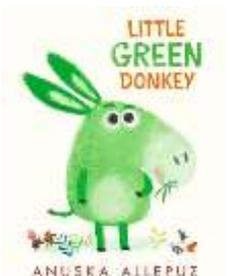
## Top 90+ Fiction

### Key Stage 1



**Alborough, Jez**      **Duck in the truck**  
 Harper Collins    Pbk    5.99    9780007302628  
 Interest age:    3+                      Reading age:    6+

Duck's truck is stuck in the muck. Can anyone help get him moving? A classic with plenty of humour and wonderful use of rhyme and repetition.



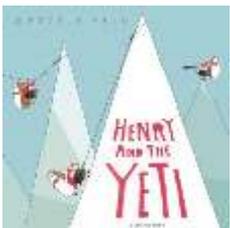
**Allepuz, Anuska**      **Little green donkey**  
 Walker                      Hbk    11.99    9781406384666  
 Interest age:    4+                      Reading age:    6+

Little Donkey loves eating grass until he turns green. He is still not easily tempted by different foods until he discovers carrots. Can the reader tell what is going to happen next? Very amusing tale with an engaging character.



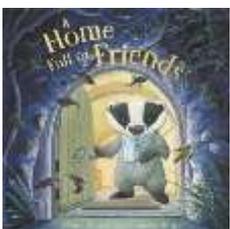
**Andreae, Giles**      **Sir Scallywag and the battle of Stinky Bottom**  
 Puffin                      Pbk    6.99    9780723270478  
 Interest age:    5+                      Reading age:    7+

King Colin wants the Golden Sausage that will make him live for ever and sends Sir Scallywag to battle the trolls who guard it. Fun rhyming tale with detailed illustrations.



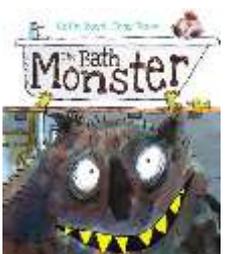
**Ayto, Russell**      **Henry and the yeti**  
 Bloomsbury            Pbk    6.99    9781408876619  
 Interest age:    5+                      Reading age:    6+

Henry is sure yetis exist and plans and perseveres on an expedition to find one.



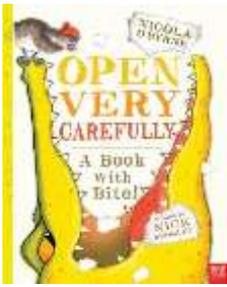
**Bently, Peter**      **A home full of friends**  
 Hodder                      Pbk    6.99    9781444920567  
 Interest age:    4+                      Reading age:    6+

Badger kindly offers various woodland creatures his home after a storm, but gets a little more than he bargained for. A lovely story of friendship and kindness, with beautiful illustrations.



**Boyd, Colin**      **The bath monster**  
 Andersen                      Pbk    6.99    9781783444724  
 press  
 Interest age:    4+                      Reading age:    6+

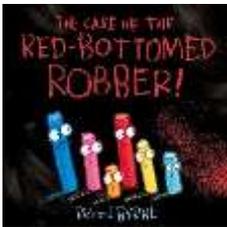
That slurping sound in your bath's plughole is the Bath Monster. Find out what happens if you refuse to have a bath and feed him.



**Bromley, Nick                      Open very carefully**

Nosy crow                      Pbk    6.99                      9780857630841  
Interest age:                      3+                      Reading age:                      6+

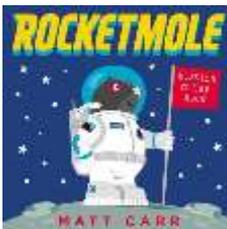
There is a crocodile trapped inside a picture book causing all sorts of chaos trying to get out. Bright attractive and colourful.



**Byrne, Richard                      The case of the red-bottomed robber**

OUP                      Pbk    6.99                      9780192749772  
Interest age:                      4+                      Reading age:                      6+

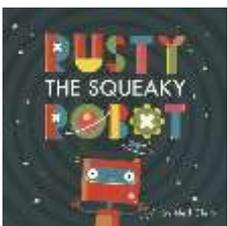
The young chalks have been drawing flowers, but after lunch the flowers have been stolen. Who will be caught in the trap they set?



**Carr, Matt                      Rocketmole**

Scholastic                      Pbk    6.99                      9781407187860  
Interest age:                      4+                      Reading age:                      6+

Armstrong the star-nosed mole is determined to build a rocket to go to the moon. But when he gets there he misses his friends. Can a mole with big dreams have adventure and friendship? A very humorous story & reads aloud well too.



**Clark, Neil                      Rusty the squeaky robot**

Words &                      Pbk    6.99                      9780711244085  
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Interest age:                      3+                      Reading age:                      6+

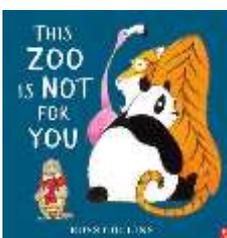
Rusty the robot is sad about the way he squeaks, but he soon meets other odd sounding robots. Amusing story with bright colourful illustrations.



**Clarke, Jane                      Leap frog**

Nosy Crow                      Hbk    11.99                      9781788003117  
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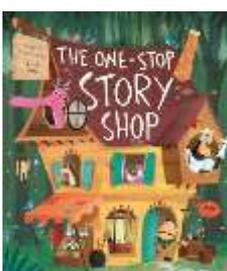
Felix the tiny tree frog is lost in the noisy jungle and tries to find someone special to snuggle him down safely for sleep. Engaging and very colourful story which would read aloud well.



**Collins, Ross                      This zoo is not for you**

Nosy crow                      Pbk    6.99                      9781788002523  
Interest age:                      3+                      Reading age:                      6+

Playpus visits the zoo but doesn't get a very warm reception from the other animals. Children will love getting their tongues around the rhymes.



**Corderoy, Tracey                      The one-stop story shop**

Little tiger                      Hbk    11.99                      9781788811002  
press  
Interest age:                      5+                      Reading age:                      6+

The dragon has gone away on holiday and the fearless knight doesn't have anyone to fight. He goes to the story shop where he is given a ferret who proves very useful in a variety of stories with different foes. Will the knight keep the ferret when the dragon comes home?



**Donaldson, Julia      The cook and the king**

Macmillan      Pbk    6.99      9781509813780  
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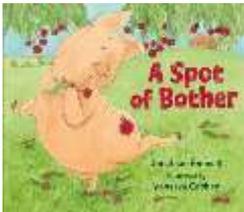
A king is looking for the perfect cook but chooses a nervous chef who is scared of everything. The king then lends a hand in order to get his fish and chips. Very humorous rhyming tale, and not too long.



**Duddle, Jonny      Pirate-cruncher**

Templar      Pbk    6.99      9781848773769  
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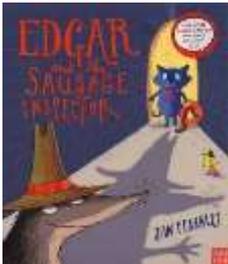
Some greedy pirates are lured to an island with the promise of treasure. Clues to the trap can be spotted by the keen-eyed readers.



**Emmett, Jonathan      A spot of bother**

Walker      Pbk    6.99      9781406365498  
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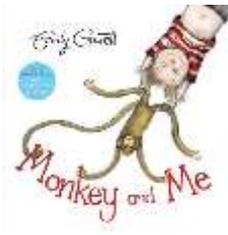
Pig finds a spot on himself and when his friends try to help clean him, things go from bad to worse. Very funny farmyard tale.



**Fearnley, Jan      Edgar and the sausage inspector**

Nosy crow      Pbk    6.99      9780857638236  
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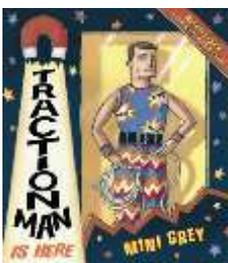
Edgar keeps being stopped each day by a suspicious food inspector, and having tasty treats confiscated. Can Edgar get to the bottom of this mystery? Can the reader deduce what is going on?



**Gravett, Emily      Monkey and me**

Two hoots      Pbk    6.99      9781509841288  
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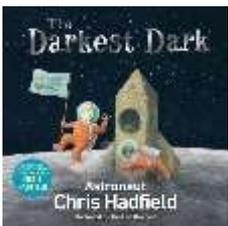
A little girl and her toy monkey enjoy immitating the animals at the zoo. Children will love to join in the actions and make some noise.



**Grey, Mini      Traction man is here**

Red Fox      Pbk    6.99      9780099451099  
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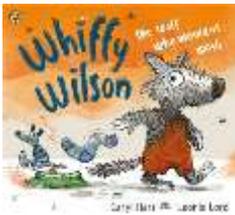
A boy is given Traction Man for Christmas and together they go on dangerous missions and defeat evil. Exciting adventure story with very detailed illustrations. A classic.



**Hadfield, Chris      The darkest dark**

Macmillan      Pbk    6.99      9781509824090  
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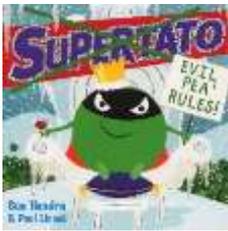
A young boy is scared of the dark, but soon discovers that space is the darkest thing there is and it is exciting and wonderful. He grows up to be an astronaut.



**Hart, Caryl Whiffy Wilson the wolf who wouldn't wash**

Orchard Pbk 6.99 9781408309193  
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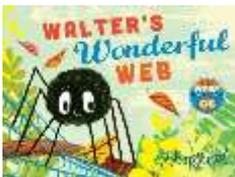
Wilson the wolf won't wash so becomes very smelly. He runs away next door where his friend Dotty finally washes him.



**Hendra, Sue Supertato: evil pea rules!**

Simon & Schuster Pbk 6.99 9781471144066  
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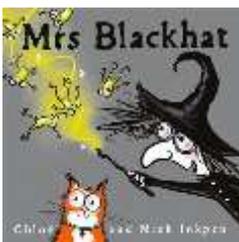
Supertato must come to the rescue when Evil Pea escapes from the freezer section and takes over the rest of the supermarket, turning it into a land of snow and ice.



**Hopgood, Tim Walter's wonderful web**

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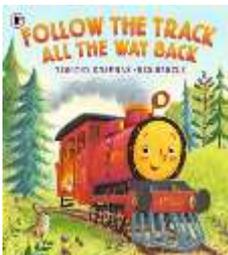
Walter the spider tries lots of different web shapes, until he finally finds one that looks wonderful, and the wind doesn't manage to blow it away.



**Inkpen, Chloe & Mrs Blackhat Mick**

Hodder Pbk 6.99 9781444940107  
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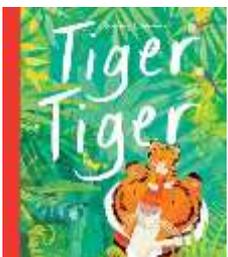
Mrs Blackhat the witch loves the colour black. But her cat is ginger. She tries every possible spell to turn the cat black with a surprising final result. Fun story which would read aloud well because of its repetition and rhyming spells.



**Knapman, Timothy Follow the track all the way back**

Walker Pbk 7.99 9781406379860  
Interest age: 3+ Reading age: 6+

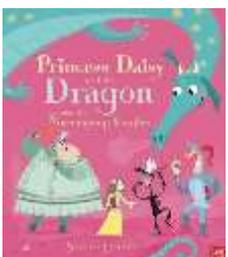
A little train takes a journey through different countryside to the sea. Simple tale with some good onomatopoeic text.



**Lambert, Jonny Tiger, tiger**

Little tiger press Pbk 6.99 9781848694446  
Interest age: 4+ Reading age: 6+

Old Tiger's jungle is dull and grey, but the sights, sounds and colours come to life when he follows an inquisitive young cub. Lots of details for children to spot.



**Lenton, Steven Princess Daisy and the dragon and the nincompoop knights**

Nosy crow Pbk 6.99 9780857632883  
Interest age: 4 Reading age: 6

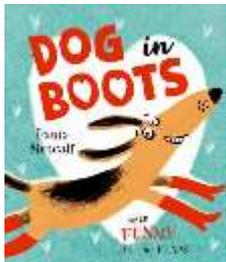
Princess Daisy's kingdom has a dragon problem, but all the knights are scaredy-cats. But who is this brave new mystery knight? Fun rhyming alternative fairy tale.



**MacKenzie, Emily**      **Wanted! Ralfy Rabbit, book burglar**

Bloomsbury      Pbk    6.99      9781408843130  
Interest age:    4                      Reading age:    6

Ralfy loves reading books so much he starts to steal them. But a book-loving small boy might just be able to save Ralfy from jail. Humorous tale with fun illustrations.



**Metcalf, Paula**      **Dog in boots**

OUP                      Pbk    6.99      9780192758842  
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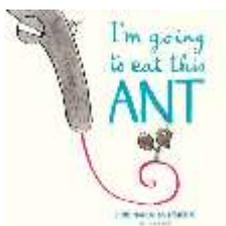
Philip the dachshund loves Penelope, but because he is so much shorter than her, he goes to all sorts of hilarious lengths to win her. With lift-the-flaps and a valuing yourself message.



**Murray, Lily**      **Hello hot dog!**

Lincoln                Pbk    6.99      9781786032669  
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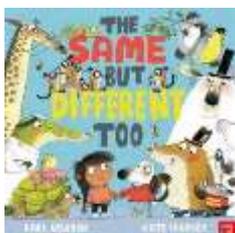
A hot dog sausage is happily languishing on a bun with fries until he discovers the awful truth. Very simple funny story.



**Naylor-Ballesteros, Chris**      **I'm going to eat this ant**

Bloomsbury      Pbk    6.99      9781408869901  
Interest age:    4+                      Reading age:    6+

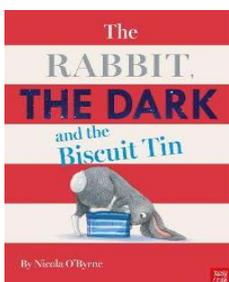
A very hungry anteater imagines a variety of interesting ways to eat a very ordinary ant, but the ant has other ideas. Fun tale with good alliterative language.



**Newson, Karl**      **The same but different too**

Nosy crow          Pbk    6.99      9781788004008  
Interest age:    3+                      Reading age:    5+

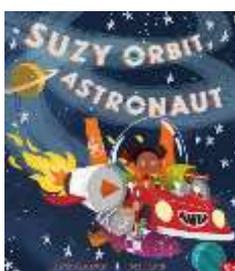
A celebration of all the wonderfully funny things that make us similar and different. Very simple text with amusing illustrations. Really good for sharing.



**O'Byrne, Nicola**      **The rabbit, the dark and the biscuit tin**

Nosy Crow          Pbk    6.99      9781788005395  
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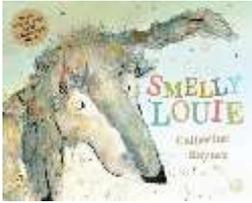
When it starts to get dark, Rabbit doesn't want to go to bed so he traps The Dark in a biscuit tin, so it stays light. However, when he begins to discover the consequences he releases The Dark and goes to bed. Lovely illustrations with a fold-out page as well.



**Quayle, Ruth**      **Suzy Orbit, astronaut**

Nosy crow          Pbk    6.99      9781788004619  
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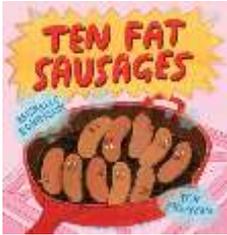
When Suzy Orbit finds out aliens are on their way to the Moon, she decides to build various useful equipment, but each time her boss won't let her. That is until there is a dangerous meteor shower and suddenly her inventions are perfect. Super girl-power tale.



**Rayner, Catherine Smelly Louie**

Macmillan Pbk 6.99 9781447271802  
Interest age: 4+ Reading age: 6+

Louie the dog has had a bath and has lost his smell. He goes in search of pongy things to put this right. Simple amusing tale with lovely illustrations.



**Robinson, Michelle Ten fat sausages**

Andersen Pbk 6.99 9781783447510  
press  
Interest age: 5+ Reading age: 6+

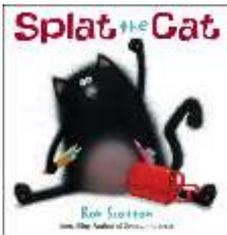
Based on the famous rhyme. Can the sausages escape their fate and escape through the kitchen avoiding various hazards? Boys will love this mildly gruesome rhyming story.



**Rowland, Lucy Little red reading hood**

Macmillan Pbk 6.99 9781509825226  
Interest age: 5+ Reading age: 7+

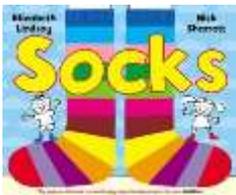
Red loves reading books, but on the way to the library she meets a wolf. He decides to pose as a Librarian to eat Red. But, the Librarian and Red have other plans. Super illustrations and humorous rhyming text.



**Scotton, Rob Splat the cat**

Harper Collins Pbk 6.99 9780007284542  
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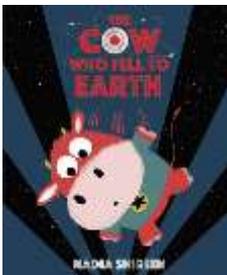
It's Splat's first day at school, and he's worried he'll have no friends, so he takes his pet mouse, Seymour. This leads to a lot of trouble until Seymour saves snack time.



**Sharratt, Nick Socks**

Random Pbk 6.99 9780552572217  
House  
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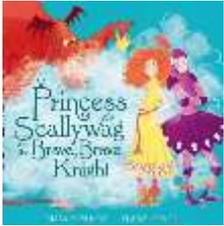
Very simple wordplay on a socky theme which will set children giggling with its silliness. Typical bold colourful illustrations.



**Shireen, Nadia The cow who fell to earth**

Jonathan Pbk 6.99 9781780080673  
Cape  
Interest age: 4+ Reading age: 6+

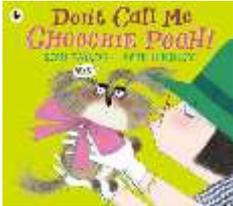
One night a flock of sheep discover a mysterious cow who they cannot understand. How will she ever get back to her home? Amusing tale with a subtle diversity message.



**Sperring, Mark**      **Princess Scallywag and the brave, brave knight**

Harper Collins    Pbk    6.99      9780008212728  
Interest age:    5+                      Reading age:    6+

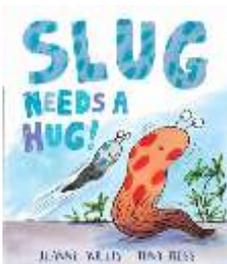
A queen offers a brave knight the princess if he can get rid of a bothersome dragon. But, Princess Scallywag has shocking habits, so why would he want her? Super alternative traditional tale where the girls take charge.



**Taylor, Sean**      **Don't call me Choochie Pooh!**

Walker              Pbk    6.99      9781406373103  
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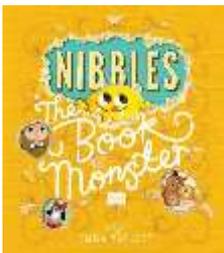
A little dog is very embarrassed at how his owner treats him, until he meets some big dogs at the park and discovers that he is not alone. Super witty pet tale. Children will love the doggy names.



**Willis, Jeanne**      **Slug needs a hug**

Andersen          Pbk    6.99      9781783442096  
press  
Interest age:    5+                      Reading age:    7+

A little slug wonders why his mother won't hug him so tries out all sorts of crazy advice from other animals with very funny consequences.



**Yarlett, Emma**      **Nibbles the book monster**

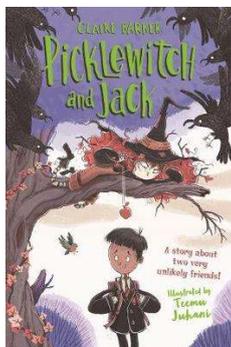
Little tiger        Pbk    7.99      9781848692879  
press  
Interest age:    6+                      Reading age:    7+

A little monster escapes from his own book and causes mayhem in various fairy tale stories. Superb witty book with lots of detail and paper engineering that children will love to pore over.

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## Top 90+ Fiction

### Lower Key Stage 2

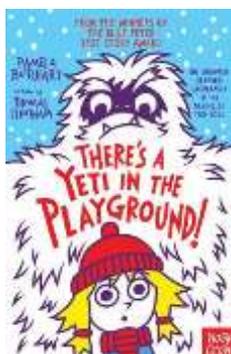


#### Barker, Claire

#### Picklewitch and Jack

Faber & Faber Pbk 6.99 9780571335183  
 Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+  
 age:

Picklewitch lives at the bottom of Jack's garden and tries so hard for Jack to be her friend, that she unintentionally gets him into a lot of magical trouble.



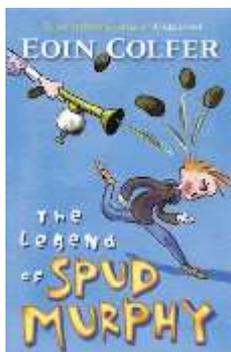
#### Butchart, Pamela

#### There's a Yeti in the Playground

Nosy Crow Pbk 6.99 9781788001168  
 Interest 7+ Reading age: 8+  
 age:

Izzy and her Year 4 friends fear there is a yeti in their playground when they are snowed in at school by the Beast from the East.

A fast paced easy to read humorous story, great for early readers.

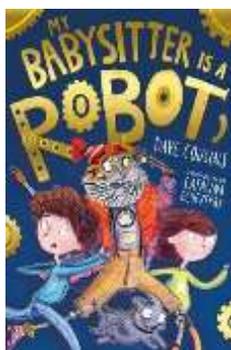


#### Colfer, Eoin

#### The legend of Spud Murphy

Puffin Pbk 4.99 9780141317083  
 Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+  
 age:

Two young brothers are sent to spend each day of the summer holidays in the library with the dreaded librarian, Spud Murphy with surprising results.

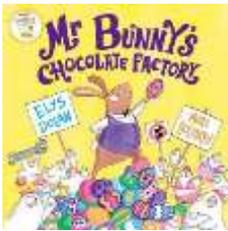


#### Cousins, Dave

#### My babysitter is a robot

Stripes Pbk 5.99 9781788950749  
 Interest 8+ Reading age: 8+  
 age:

Jake and his sister are given a robot to babysit them but he doesn't turn out to be as much fun as they hoped. However, when he is robotnapped they are determined to get him back. A romp of a story with black and white line drawings throughout.

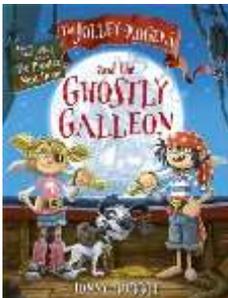


**Dolan, Elys**

**Mr Bunny's Chocolate Factory**

OUP Pbk 6.99 9780192746207  
Interest 6+ Reading age: 6+  
age:

When Mr Bunny decides he could sell more eggs by working everyone harder, his staff all became ill and go on strike. What will he do? Detailed illustrations that deserve a closer look.

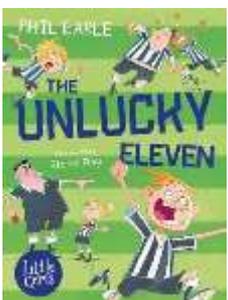


**Duddle, Jonny**

**The Jolley-Rogers and the ghostly galleon**

Templar Pbk 9781848772403  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

Fun pirate tale with plenty of silly antics and amusing word-play. Great illustrations as well.

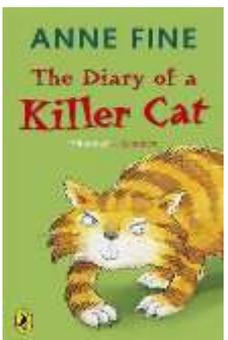


**Earle, Phil**

**The Unlucky Eleven**

Barrington Pbk 6.99 9781781128503  
Stoke  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

Everything's going wrong for the Saints this season, and Stanley's team-mates believe that they have been cursed! But their attempts to break the curse make things worse. Time for Stanley to take the most important free-kick of his life.

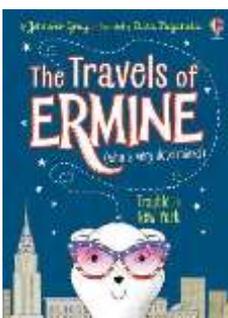


**Fine, Anne**

**The killer cat**

Walker Pbk 5.99 9780140369311  
Interest 6+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

Tuffy the cat is in big trouble. On Monday he left a dead bird on the carpet. On Wednesday he brought in a dead mouse, but, worst of all, on Thursday Ellie and her family find the body of next door's rabbit. So they hatch a plan to cover up the murder.

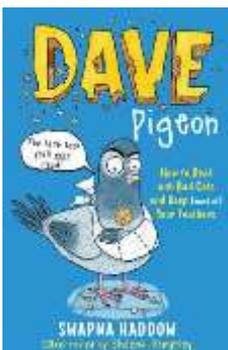


**Gray, Jennifer**

**Trouble in New York**

Usborne Pbk 5.99 9781471927253  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

Ermine the globe-trotting stoat outwits bungling diamond thieves in a New York caper. A story of adventure and derring-do with great characters.

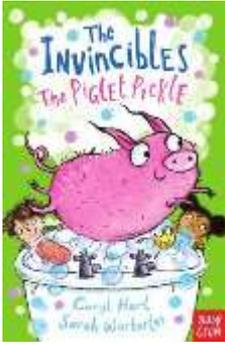


**Haddow, Swapna**

**Dave Pigeon**

Faber & Pbk 5.99 9780571323302  
Faber  
Interest 8+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

Very silly tale of two pigeons trying to find a safe home and some tasty food. But there's danger everywhere, especially cats! Lots of jokes and illustrations.



**Hart, Caryl**

**The piglet pickle**

Nosy crow Pbk 5.99 9780857636256  
Interest 6+ Reading age: 6+  
age:

Best friends Nell and Freddie return home from a school trip with a pig to save it from becoming sausages which then accidentally helps them stop a gang of thieves



**Kuenzler, Lou**

**Bella Broomstick**

Scholastic Pbk 5.99 9781407157955  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

Bella is a hopeless young witch, banished to the human world, but she can't resist doing magic and that means trouble. One for the girls.

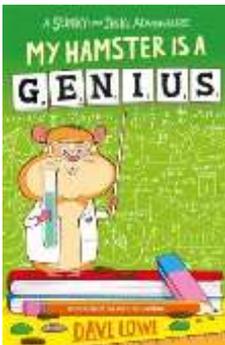


**Lacey, Josh**

**The Dragonsitter**

Andersen Pbk 4.99 9781849394192  
press  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

Edward's family are looking after a pet dragon for a week while their uncle is on holiday. However, the dragon causes all sorts of chaos. Highly amusing story told in e-mail format throughout.

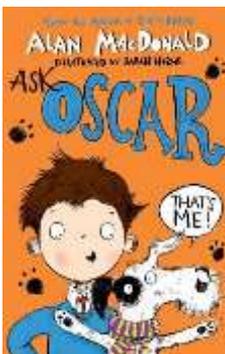


**Lowe, Dave**

**My hamster is a genius**

Templar Pbk 5.99 9781848772939  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

A talking hamster with a genius IQ helps his owner get the better of his evil maths teacher. Great fun.

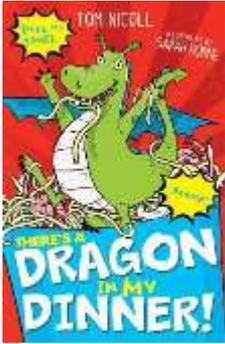


**MacDonald, Alan**

**Ask Oscar**

Egmont Pbk 5.99 9781405287227  
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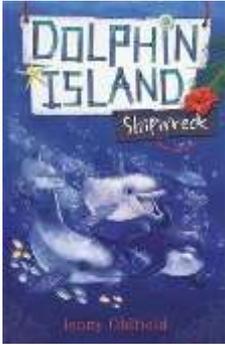
Sam has wanted a dog for ages, so when Oscar turns up on this doorstep he can't believe his luck especially when he finds out Oscar can talk. Suover slapstick humour.



**Nicoll, Tom**                      **There's a dragon in my dinner**

Stripes            Pbk            5.99            9781847156716  
Interest           7+                                      Reading age:       8+  
age:

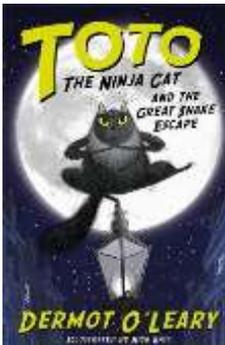
Can Tom keep a mischievous mini pet dragon a secret from his family? Daft humour with endearing dragon characters.



**Oldfield, Jenny**                      **Shipwreck**

Hodder            Pbk            6.99            9781444928273  
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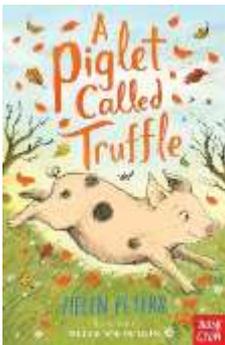
A family are befriended by dolphins when they are shipwrecked on a desert island. Survival adventure tale for boys and girls.



**O'Leary, Dermot**                      **Toto the ninja cat**

Hodder            Pbk            6.99            9781444939453  
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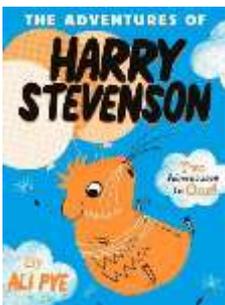
A cat and his friends try to capture an escaped king-cobra before he eats all small creatures in town. Plenty of humour and likeable characters.



**Peters, Helen**                      **A piglet called truffle**

Nosy crow       Pbk            5.99            9780857637734  
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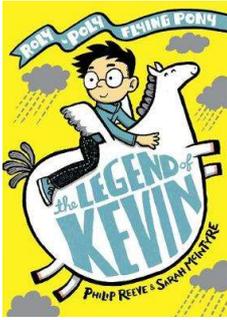
Heartwarming animal tale of a young girl who tries to save the life of an unloved piglet.



**Pye, Ali**                                      **The Adventures of Harry Stevenson**

Simon &       Pbk            5.99            9781471170232  
Schuster  
Interest           6+                                      Reading age:       7+  
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Two fun stories about Harry Stevenson the guinea pig. These involve Harry missing the removal van when his family move house, and taking a daring flight with some birthday balloons which lands him on a football pitch during a game. Retro coloured illustrations throughout.

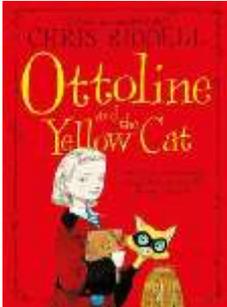


**Reeve, Philip**

**The Legend of Kevin**

OUP Pbk 6.99 9780192766090  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

Kevin the flying pony is blown out of his nest in a storm and lands on a high rise balcony belonging to a boy called Max. Will they be able to help the townspeople as the flood waters rise? Brilliant humorous adventure with very engaging characters and super illustrations by Sarah McIntyre. A winner!

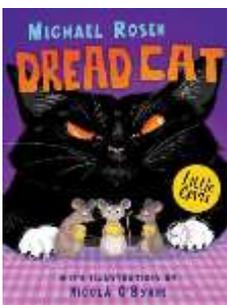


**Riddell, Chris**

**Ottoline and the yellow cat**

Pan Pbk 5.99 9780330450287  
macmillan  
Interest 6+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

Ottoline Brown is an exceptionally inquisitive Mistress of Disguise, and with her partner in crime, Mr Munroe no puzzle is ever too tricky for them to solve. Imaginative tale full of amazing line drawings.



**Rosen, Michael**

**Dread Cat**

Barrington Pbk 6.99 9781781125885  
Stoke  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

A group of mice outwit a mean cat who is trying to eat them all. Good HiLo text with pleasant colour illustrations that is also a super story for KS1 children becoming proficient readers.

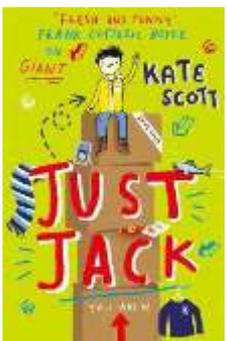


**Scott, Hayley**

**Meet the Twitches**

Usborne Pbk 5.99 9781474928120  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

Stevie is given a miniature toy rabbit family when she has to move house. But there is something magical happening when her back is turned. Cute story for girls.

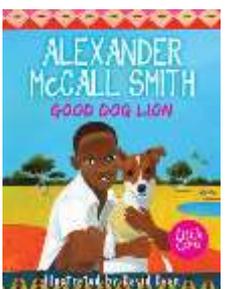


**Scott, Kate**

**Just Jack**

Piccadilly Pbk 5.99 9781848126244  
Interest 8+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

Jack knows lots about moving house, starting a new school and how to fit in, but it's hard work. A warm and funny story about making new friends and being yourself.



**Smith, Alexander  
McCall**

**Good dog Lion**

Barrington Pbk 6.99 9781781123720  
Stoke  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

What Timo wants most in the world is a dog of his own. Lovely story set in rural Africa with colour illustrations.

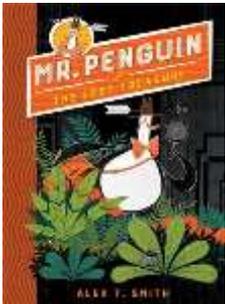


**Shepherd, Andy**

**The Boy who grew Dragons**

Piccadilly Pbk 5.99 9781848126497  
Interest 8+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

When Tomas takes home a strange fruit from his grandad's garden, it bursts open and a baby dragon pops out. Tomas decides to keep it, hopefully without his parents finding out. This proves quite challenging as the dragon learns to fly, and deposits exploding poo as it does so. Good characterisation, particularly Tomas's younger sister and the dragon.

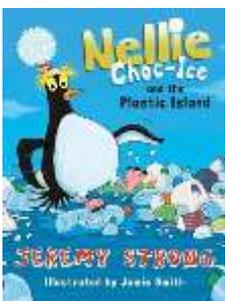


**Smith, Alex T.**

**Mr Penguin and the Lost Treasure**

Hodder Pbk 6.99 9781444932072  
Interest 7+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

Mr Penguin and his colleague Colin the giant spider, are asked to find some buried treasure at the museum. Can an old woman with a pigeon on her head and a dinosaur skeleton help them succeed in their mission? An amusing romp with some coloured pages and illustrations by the author.

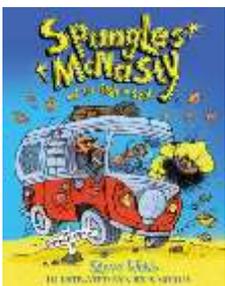


**Strong, Jeremy**

**Nellie Choc-Ice and the Plastic island**

Barrington Pbk 6.99 9781781128770  
Stoke Interest 6+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

Nellie is travelling on a submarine when it is ensnared by some floating plastic debris. Nellie to the rescue! But what about persuading people to help get rid of the plastic? Amusing story with a clear environmental message. Colour illustrations throughout.

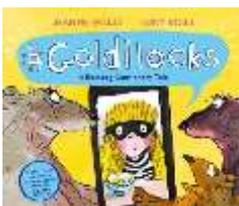


**Webb, Steve**

**Spangles McNasty and the fish of gold**

Andersen Pbk 6.99 9781783444007  
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Marvellous mad-cap and humorous seaside romp with a bald-headed baddie, and a boy determined to foil his dastardly plans.

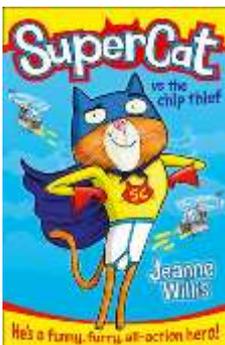


**Willis, Jeanne**

**#Goldilocks**

Andersen HB 11.99 9781783447176  
Interest 6+ Reading age: 7+  
age:

Everyone loves Goldilocks' hilarious online videos, but in her quest to get more likes she steals porridge, breaks chairs, and sleeps in someone else's bed. What will Daddy Bear do when he sees that online? A cautionary tale looking at the dangers of social media.



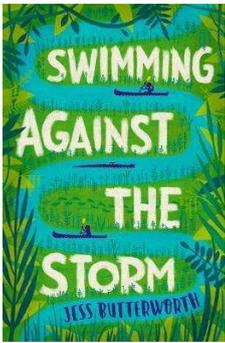
**Willis, Jeanne**

**Supercat vs the chip thief**

Harper Pbk 5.99 9780007518630  
Collins Interest 8+ Reading age: 8+  
age:

Meet Tiger - an ordinary, tubby tabby cat. But Tiger has a secret! Just one lick of a toxic sock and he transforms into... Supercat!

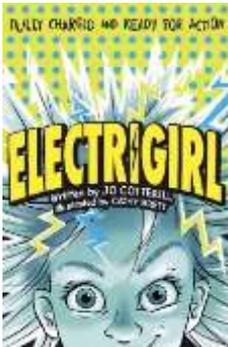




**Butterworth, Jess      Swimming Against the Storm**

Orion              Pbk              6.99              9781510105485  
Interest          10+              Reading age:      10+  
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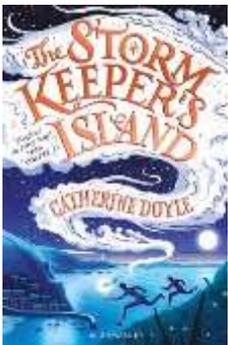
Exciting fast paced adventure story with an enviromental theme set in the swamp lands of South Louisiana. A story of courage and hope.



**Cotterill, Jo              Electrigril**

OUP              Pbk              6.99              9780192743558  
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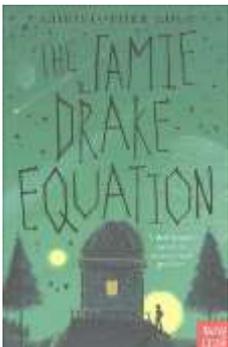
Being struck by lightning and getting an amazing superpower wasn't how Holly thought that her day would go. But now it's happened, she might as well make the most of it - if only she could work out how to stop blowing everything up!



**Doyle, Catherine              The Storm Keepers Island**

Bloomsbury      Pbk              6.99              9781408896884  
Interest          9+              Reading age:      10+  
age:

A magical fantasy story based on Celtic mythology. It is time for a new Storm Keeper to be chosen. But this causes a deeper more sinister magic to be awoken and the rekindling of an ancient war.



**Edge, Christopher              The Jamie Drake equation**

Nosy Crow      Pbk              6.99              9780857638403  
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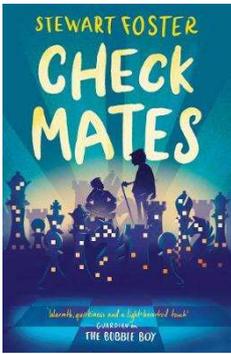
Jamie's dad is an astronaut. Jamie himself is fascinated by Space and the universe and he sets out to explore what he thinks is a disused Observatory. However, it is there he meets Professor Forster and his adventures begin.



**Elson, J                      How to fly with broken wings**

Hodder              Pbk              6.99              9781444916768  
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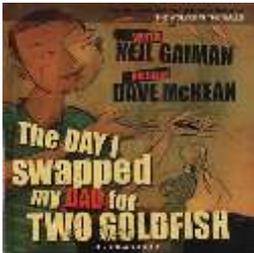
A heart-warming tale about a boy who just wants to make friends, and the girl who shows him how.



**Foster, Stewart      Check Mates**

Simon & Schuster      Pbk      6.99      9781471172236  
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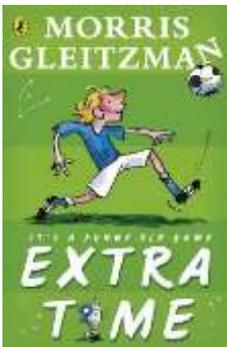
Felix has ADHD. Playing chess with his grandfather helps to focus his mind and find out more about his family history. A very sensitively written story which draws out the relationship between Felix and his friend. A mystery and an adventure with great touches of humour too!



**Gaiman, Neil      The day I swapped my dad for two goldfish**

Bloomsbury      Pbk      8.99      9780747578406  
Interest      9+      Reading age:      9+  
age:

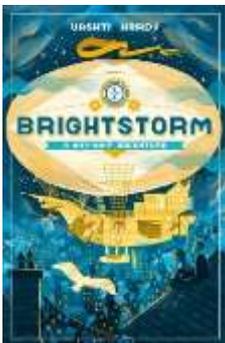
When a boy swaps his Dad for two goldfish he does not really think through the consequences. When the boy tries to get his father back it is not so easily done. It seems that the father has a pretty high value. Picture book for older children.



**Gleitzman, Morris      Extra time**

Puffin      Pbk      6.99      9780141352985  
Interest      9+      Reading age:      9+  
age:

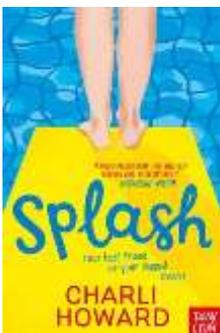
Matt and Bridie fly from Australia to show footballers how to enjoy the game again.



**Hardy, Vashti      Brightstorm**

Scholastic      Pbk      6.99      9781407181707  
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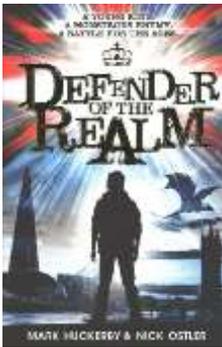
Fantastical fantasy adventure with twins Arthur and Maudie joining the crew of the winged explorer ship Aurora in an attempt to find their father who has disappeared.



**Howard, Charli      Splash**

Nosy Crow      Pbk      6.99      9781788001700  
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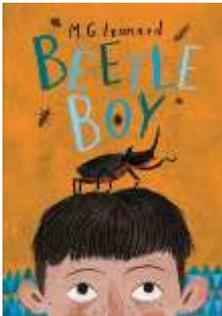
A great read for pre-teen girls. Real life story dealing with the issues of friendships, family and body image. Useful for transition Year 6/7.



**Huckerby, Mark & Ostler, Nick**      **Defender of the realm**

Scholastic      Pbk      6.99      9781407180465  
Interest      10+      Reading age:      10+  
age:

Alfie did not expect to be made king and Defender of the Realm, a legendary superhero, fighting a secret, centuries-long battle to protect the nation. Exciting story with a likeable hero and plenty of monsters and arch villains thrown in..



**Leonard, M.G.**      **Beetle boy**

Chicken      Pbk      6.99      9781910002704  
House  
Interest      9+      Reading age:      10+  
age:

A boy and a beetle set out to solve the mystery of his father's disappearance hampered by Lucretia Cutter, a fashion designer with a liking for beetle jewellery.



**Lewis, Gill**      **Closest Thing To Flying**

OUP      Pbk      6.99      9780192749482  
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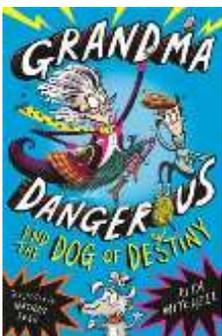
The worlds of two young people come together; Samira an Eritrean refugee and Hen who lived over 100 Years ago. Through reading Hen's diary Samira finds friendship, inspiration and resilience. An intense and compelling read.



**McNab, Andy & Earle, Philip**      **Get Me Out of Here**

Scholastic      Pbk      6.99      9781407195681  
Interest      8+      Reading age:      8+  
age:

A fabulously funny read, with laugh out loud moments. Find out what Danny and his friends get up to on a school trip to an Outdoor Adventure Centre.



**Mitchell, Pipa**      **Grandma Dangerous and the Dog of Destiny**

Orchard      Pbk      6.99      9781408355060  
Books  
Interest      8+      Reading age:      8+  
age:

Enjoy the mad cap adventures of Grandma Dangerous. A wacky fast paced adventure story with some humorous twists and turns.



**Morpurgo, Michael Shadow**

Harper Collins Pbk 6.99 9780007339617  
Interest 10+ Reading age: 10+  
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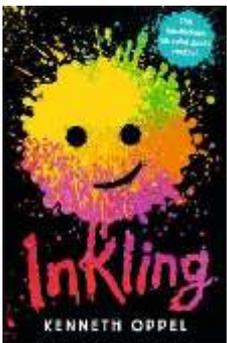
When a Western dog befriends an Afghan boy, Aman and his mother, the three start a perilous journey to escape war-torn Afganistan to go to relatives in England. A well composed read that packs an emotional punch.



**Nix, Garth Have Sword Will Travel**

Picadilly Press Pbk 6.99 9781848126527  
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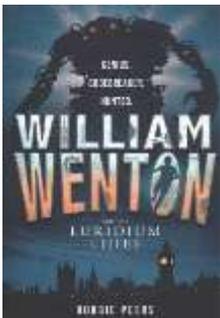
Great adventure story with a touch of humour. Get to know Eleanor and her best friend Odo in their quest to defeat the dragon, and find out what it means to be a real knight!



**Opel, Kenneth Inkling**

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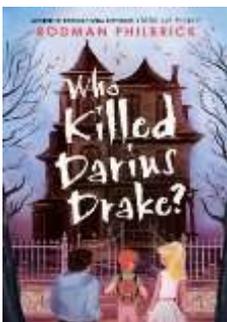
Highly original, imaginative and quirky story. Find out what happens when an ink blot comes to life and starts devouring pages of books!



**Peers, B William Wenton and the luridium thief**

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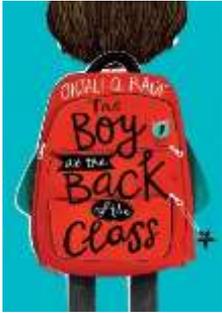
Exciting sci-fi adventure which would particularly suit boys, but the addition of a female character part way through broadens it's appeal. A good romp.



**Philbrick, Rodman Who killed Darius Drake?**

Usbourne Pbk 6.99 9781474946728  
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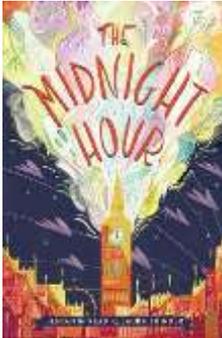
Darius and the school bully get involved in the hunt for a missing diamond necklace but find tons of trouble.



**Rauf. Onjali Q                      The boy at the back of the class**

Orion                      Pbk                      6.99                      9781510105010  
Interest                      9+                      Reading age:                      10+  
age:

Told with humour and empathy this is a 9-year-old child's perspective on the refugee crisis, highlighting the importance of friendship and kindness.



**Read, Benjamin Trinder,                      Laura                      The Midnight Hour**

Chicken House                      Pbk                      6.99                      9781911490906  
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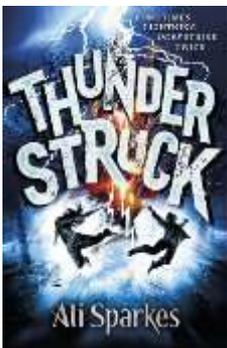
Enter the world of an alternative Victorian London. Find out what happens to 11 Year old Emily in her quest to find her parents. Magical creatures and monsters are on her tail.



**Riddell, Chris                      Goth Girl and the ghost of a mouse**

Macmillan                      Pbk                      6.99                      9781447201748  
Interest                      9+                      Reading age:                      9+  
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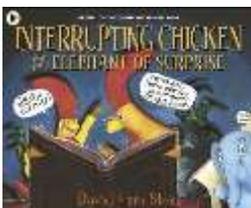
Witty and stylish yarn with an endearing heroine and plenty of oddball characters. Full of subtle humour, a fun read



**Sparkes, Ali                      Thunderstruck**

OUP                      Pbk                      6.99                      9780192739360  
Interest                      10+                      Reading age:                      10+  
age:

After ten-year-old Theo and Alisha are struck by lightning, their lives change forever - they can see ghosts! However, things start to get even more strange with further disturbing and ghostly happenings from the distant past.



**Stein,D                      Ezra                      The Interrupting Chicken and the Elephant of Surprise**

Walker Books                      Pbk                      7.99                      9781406383072  
Interest                      7+                      Reading age:                      7+  
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An interesting and entertaining picture book that will appeal to older readers. The story centres round traditional fairy stories with an unusual and humorous twist.

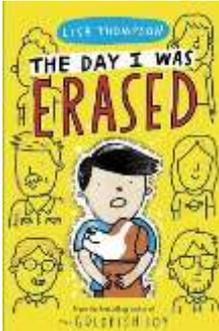


**Taylor, Thomas**

**Malamander**

Walker Books  
Interest 9+  
Pbk 7.99 9781406386288  
Reading age: 10+  
age:

Will the secret of the Malamander be uncovered? Will Herbert Lemon and Violet Parma find out the truth? Fast paced fantasy adventure story with lots of twists and turns.



**Thompson, Lisa**

**The Day I was Erased**

Scholastic Interest 10+  
Pbk 6.99 9781407185125  
Reading age: 10+  
age:

An interesting concept with a lively and appealing main character and some very humorous moments too! Will be enjoyed by both girls and boys.

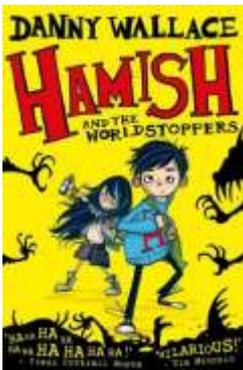


**Walker, Dan**

**Sky thieves**

OUP Interest  
Pbk 6.99 9780192747013  
Reading age:  
age:

Zoya Delarose has no idea her life is about to change forever when a band of sky thieves 'steal' her away from her orphanage, landing up in the clouds, on board a sky ship.

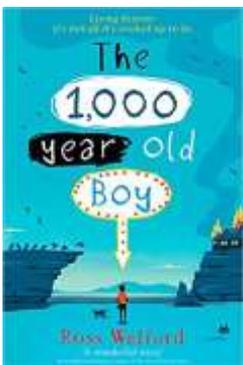


**Wallace, Danny**

**Hamish and the worldstoppers**

Simon & Schuster Interest 9+  
Pbk 6.99 9781471123887  
Reading age: 10+  
age:

10-year-old Hamish has to save the world after time is stopped by evil creatures. Great fun adventure story.



**Welford, Ross**

**1,000 year old boy**

Harper Collins Interest 10+  
Pbk 6.99 9780008256944  
Reading age: 10+  
age:

A boy who has lived for a thousand years, stuck at the age of 11, strives to find a place in the world where he belongs.