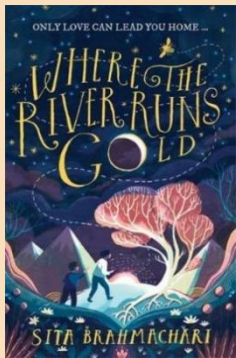
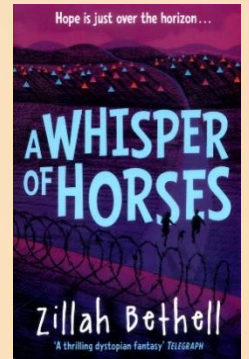


## Girl of Ink and Stars Booklist

### Zillah Bethel – A whisper of horses

Serendipity loves horses. No-one in Lahn Dan has ever seen one, apparently they died out before the Gases - but there are statues of them around the city, paintings and drawings too if you know where to look. And there's the little lost wooden horse Mama gave Serendipity when she was little. When Mama dies, Seren is taken under the wing of Professor Nimbus, a storyteller. Nimbus is kind and knowledgeable, but Seren has started to question the Minister's rule and life beyond the high, impenetrable Emm Twenty-Five wall. Hidden among Mama's few possessions was a map which suggests there is life outside of Lahn Dahn, and a place where horses live and roam freely - out beyond the wall and the Minister's grip. So, with the help of a trader boy called Tab and his little dog Mouse, Serendipity heads into the unknown.

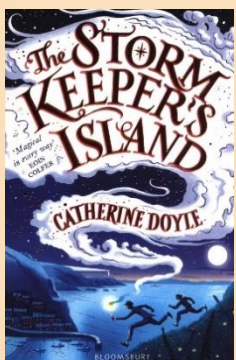
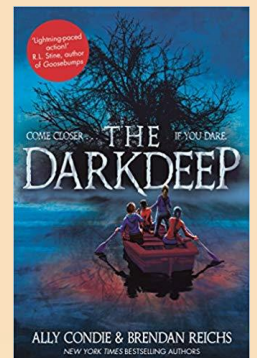


### Sita Brahmachari – Where the river runs gold

Shifa and her brother, Themba, live in Kairos City with their father, Nabil. The few live in luxury, whilst the millions like them crowd together in compounds, surviving on meagre rations and governed by Freedom Fields - the organisation that looks after you, as long as you opt in. The bees have long disappeared; instead children must labour on farms, pollinating crops so that the nation can eat. But Nabil remembers Before and he knows that the soul needs to be nourished as much as the body so, despite the risk, he teaches his children how to grow flowers on a secret piece of land hidden beneath the train tracks. The farm Shifa and Themba are sent to is hard and cruel. Themba won't survive there and Shifa comes up with a plan to break them out. But they have no idea where they are - their only guide is a map drawn from the ramblings of a stranger.

### Allyson Braithwaite Condie – The Darkdeep

When a bullying incident sends 12 year-old Nico Holland over the edge of a cliff into the icy waters of Still Cove, where no one ever goes, friends Tyler and Ella - and even 'cool kid' Opal - rush to his rescue. They discover an island hidden in the swirling mists below. Shrouded by dense trees and murky tides, the island appears uninhabited, although the kids can't quite shake the feeling that something about it is off. Their suspicions grow when they stumble upon an abandoned houseboat with an array of curiosities inside: odd-looking weapons, unnerving portraits, maps to places they've never heard of, and a glass jar containing something completely unidentifiable. As the group delves deeper into the unknown, their discoveries - and their lives - begin to intertwine in weird and spooky ways. Something ancient has awakened and it knows their wishes and dreams - and their deepest secrets.

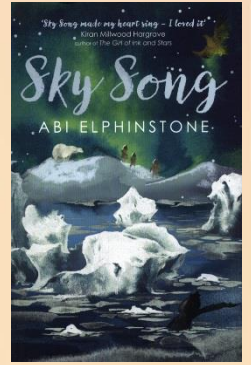


### Catherine Doyle – The storm keeper's island

Fionn Boyle and his older sister Tara have been sent to stay with their grandfather on the remote island of Arranmore for the summer. Though Fionn has never met his grandfather before - an eccentric old man who lives in a tiny cottage filled to the brim with candles - he knows he comes from a long line of brave lifeboat men, who wear the sea behind their eyes. Fionn is scared of the sea. He has no interest in adventure or shipwrecks or the restless wind that rustles through the island, as though in search of something. But an old magic is stirring deep inside the layers of Arranmore, and it is calling out to Fionn.

### Abi Elphinstone – Sky song

In the snowy kingdom of Erkenwald, whales glide between icebergs, wolves hunt on the tundra and polar bears roam the glaciers. But the people of this land aren't so easy to find. Because Erkenwald is ruled by the cruel Ice Queen and the tribes must stay hidden; if they are caught in the open they risk capture and imprisonment by the evil sorceress. Join Eska, a girl who breaks free from a cursed music box, and Flint, a boy whose inventions could change the fate of Erkenwald forever, as they journey to the Never Cliffs and beyond in search of an ancient, almost forgotten, song with the power to force the Ice Queen back.

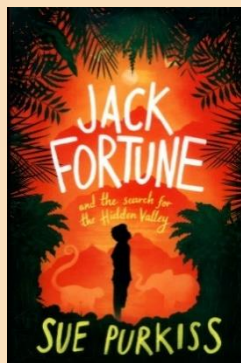
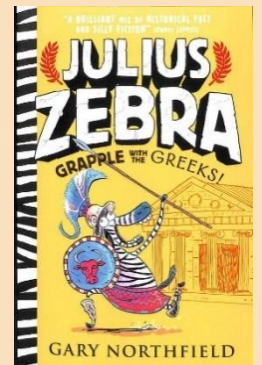


### Rob Lloyd Jones – Jake Atlas and the tomb of the emerald snake

The Atlas family is in trouble: Jake hides an addiction to stealing; his twin sister, Pan, has to conceal her genius, for fear of bullies. The siblings can't stop fighting - with each other and with their parents, stuffy professors of ancient history. But Jake's and Pan's lives take a dramatic turn the day they discover the truth about their boring mum and dad. When the family go to Cairo on holiday, Jake and Pan's parents mysteriously vanish and it's up to the twins to find them. They must team up with shady tomb robbers, master high-tech gadgets and locate a lost tomb in this story of a family that finds itself in the deserts of Egypt

### Gary Northfield – Grapple with the Greeks

Demi-god Heracles promises Julius and his chums a great reward if they can help him to find the lost Golden Apple. On this madcap adventure, our unlikely heroes will confront the Minotaur in the labyrinth, trick a one hundred-headed dragon at the Garden of Hesperides and rescue Julius's brother Brutus from the Underworld after he has been struck by King Midas' Golden Touch. But what will the ever-watchful gods on Mount Olympus have to say about their antics?

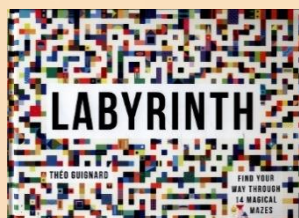
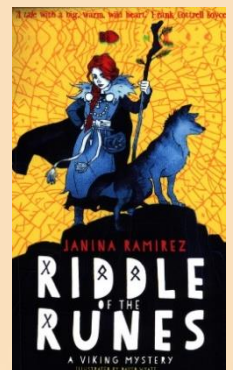


### Sue Purkiss – Jack Fortune and the search for the hidden valley

An orphan child full of mischief, Jack lives with his crotchety widow aunt in eighteenth-century England. His naughtiness knows no limits, and when one day he goes a step too far, Aunt Constance decides that she's had enough: from now on, his bachelor uncle can take care of him. Uncle Edmund is in no way prepared for a boy with boundless energy and an impish streak and anyway, he's off to the Himalayas to search for rare plants. But Aunt Constance is absolutely determined, and Jack's uncle has no choice he will have to take the boy with him. What follows is a terrific adventure that will see Jack and his uncle the most unlikely of all expedition teams sail to India, cross the jungle and reach their mountainous destination, before returning to London to present their findings to the Royal Society.

### Janina Ramirez: Riddle of the runes

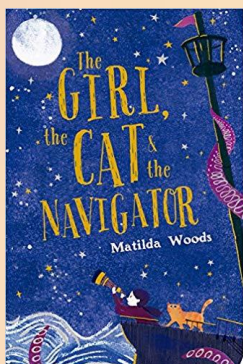
The Viking town of Kilsgard has its fair share of mysteries and in this exciting new series, young investigator and shield maiden Alva follows the clues to solve them. Fierce, stubborn, and curious-Alva's bound to get in trouble along the way, but all that matters is being first to the crime scene



### Theo Guignard – Labyrinth

Explore worlds made of plants, giant skyscrapers, wild habitats, and futuristic cities in this book that asks you to trace your way through 14 magical mazes. With things to spot along the way, each maze grows in complexity with every turn of the page.



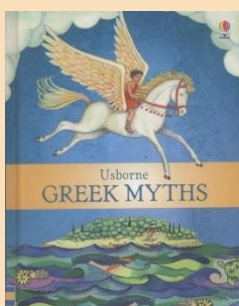
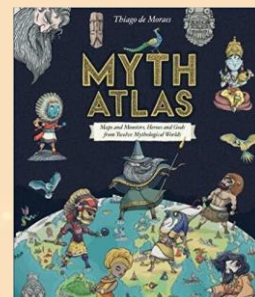


### **Matilda Woods – The girl, the cat and the navigator**

Curious, pin-bright Oona Britt dreams of setting sail with her ship's captain father for a life of excitement on the wild waves. She has read stories of a magical creature - the Nardoo - who swims through the stars at night, and stows away on whaling boat the Plucky Leopard for an adventure full of myths and marvel among the ice-caps.

### **Thiago D.E. Moraes - Myth atlas: maps and monsters, heroes and gods from twelve mythological worlds**

Prepare to enter twelve magical mythological worlds! Meet gods, heroes, villains, and fantastical beasts from Greece to Egypt, and Japan to Native North America. With brilliantly imagined 'maps' of each mythological world, plus a wealth of stories, facts, detail and humour,

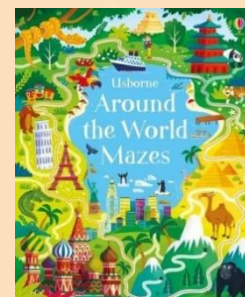


### **Usborne Greek Myths**

This book contains a collection of some of the best-known Greek myths, full of brave heroes, terrifying monsters, powerful gods and great adventures. The vibrant illustrations and careful retellings bring the myths to life for children of all ages.

### **Sam Smith – Around the world mazes**

Travel from the Amazon and the Antarctic to the Himalayas and Hollywood with this entertaining selection of mazes from across the globe. Each maze is more challenging than the last, from taking a ramble in Rio de Janeiro to touring the Norwegian fjords or finding your way in a Moroccan market.



### **Levison Wood – Incredible journey: discovery, adventure, danger, endurance**

Alongside real-life explorer Levison Wood, travel around the world, meet some of history's most daring pioneers, and be inspired to go on your very own adventures! Embark on 20 epic expeditions alongside Levison Wood, from the Silk Road and medieval pilgrimages to the Holy Land to Nellie Bly's trip around the world, and recent missions to the Moon and the Mariana Trench. Along the way, Levison Wood shares his own insights into adventuring, telling you what it's really like to follow in the footsteps of Alexander the Great.

### **Claire Hibbert – Around the world in 80 maps**

Sumptuously illustrated with eighty maps from the British Library's unrivalled collection, this book whisks its reader around the globe. Like that of Jules Verne's famous hero, the journey begins and ends in London, plotting an eastwards route with stop-offs at some of the world's most fascinating places. There are extraordinary details to pore over, as well as stories about how and why these maps were made, and by whom.

