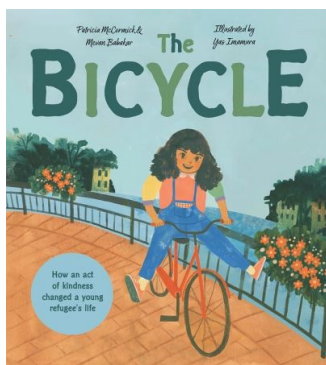


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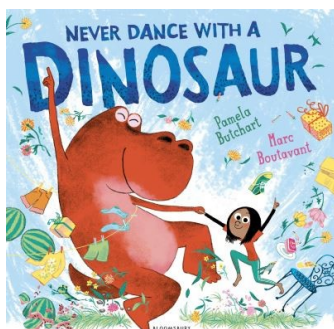


Babakar, Mevan

The bicycle

Farshore	Pbk	7.99	9780008720391
Interest	5+	Reading age:	6+

age:
Mevan and her family lived in Kurdistan. But when they are forced to flee, Mevan must leave everything behind. Her family travels from country to country in search of safety; and with each stop, Mevan feels more and more alone. Until a stranger's gift changes everything. A lovely story showing how powerful one small act of kindness can be.

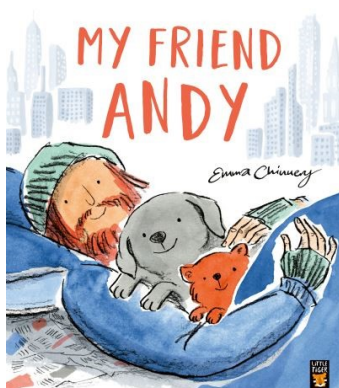


Butchart, Pamela

Never dance with a dinosaur

Bloomsbury	Pbk	7.99	9781408855881
Interest	3+	Reading age:	6+

age:
Peri loves to dance and is so happy to join an actual dance class. But when the teacher asks the children to imagine they are dancing with a beautiful creature, Peri imagines stomping around with a dinosaur. But then a dinosaur actually appears. Total mayhem ensues as Peri and the dinosaur dance all over town. Great fun story with bright illustrations. Children will enjoy the mayhem caused.

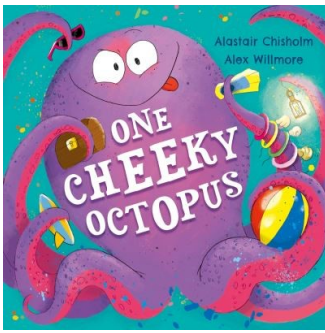


Chinnery, Emma

My friend Andy

Little Tiger	Pbk	7.99	9781801045810
Interest	3+	Reading age:	6+

age:
Everyday, little dog Fluffy walks through the city with Mum and Lilly. And everyday, they walk past Andy. But then one day Fluffy gets lost, and Andy and his dog search high and low for Lilly. Will they ever be reunited? Poignant and gentle tale looking at homelessness and the friendship of dogs.

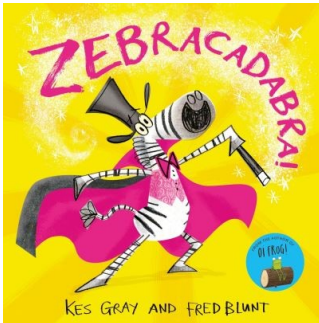


Chisholm, Alastair One cheeky octopus

Hachette	Pbk	7.99	9781444966671
Interest	3+		Reading age: 6+

age:

Here comes Sylvester the very cheeky octopus, with long grabbing tentacles taking away other creatures' belongings. Will he ever learn to share? Amusing counting story with bright illustrations to amuse children.

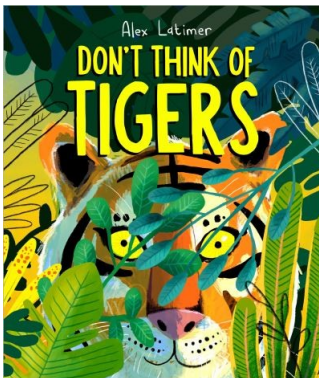


Gray, Kes Zebacadabra!

Hachette	Pbk	7.99	9781444951837
Interest	3+		Reading age: 6+

age:

How does Zebacadabra manage to change various animals and give them black and white stripes? By being the best magician in the world, of course! But, wait and see what happens when they want to be changed back. Hilarious story which would read aloud well.

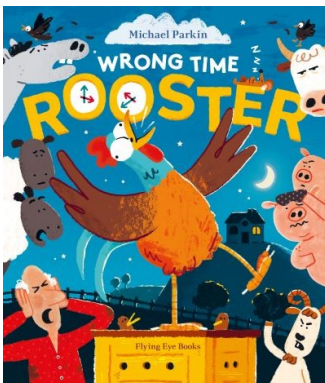


Latimer, Alex Don't think of tigers

Andersen Press	Hbk	12.99	9781839133268
Interest	3+		Reading age: 6+

age:

This book is magical. Whatever you think of, the narrator will draw it on the next page. There's just one problem: they're really bad at drawing tigers. Hilariously bad. So please, don't think of tigers. Very humorous book which children will enjoy and would read aloud well.

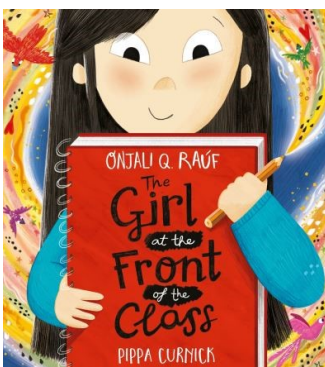


Parkin, Michael Wrong time rooster

Flying Eye	Hbk	12.99	9781838742249
Interest	3+		Reading age: 6+

age:

Ronnie the rooster arrives at Farmer Tony's farm to help wake up the animals. But something isn't right. Ronnie keeps crowing at all the wrong times of day. So Farmer Tony discovers that he needs to teach Ronnie how to tell the time. Entertaining introduction to telling the time for young children, with plenty of audience participation encouraged in the text.

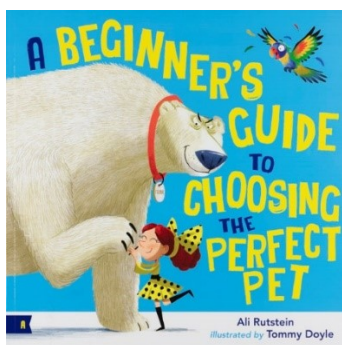


Rauf, Onjali Q The girl at the front of the class

Hachette	Hbk	12.99	9781526364654
Interest	3+		Reading age: 6+

age:

One day a new girl appears in a classroom and one young boy tries various different ways to be her friend. But nothing works. So, he asks the advice of the cleverest adults he knows, and then puts his plan in to action, with wonderful results. Lovely heartfelt story about the power of friendship and kindness helping to make refugee children feel welcome.



Rutstein, Ali

A beginner's guide to choosing the perfect pet

Allen & Unwin Pbk 7.99 9781761181436

Interest 3+ Reading age: 6+ age:

Every family should have a pet. A faithful friend to welcome into your home and hearts. This guide is a must have to help you decide which pet is the perfect fit for your family. What could possibly go wrong? Very amusing sideways look at pets with very bright illustrations which children will enjoy.

THE HARE WHO WOULDN'T SHARE
STEVE SMALL



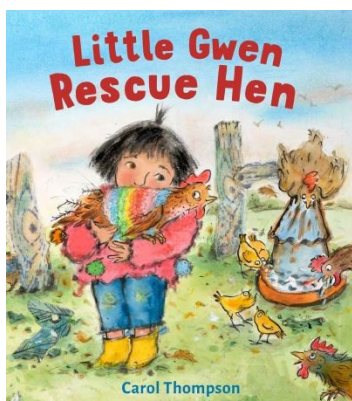
Small, Steve

The hare who wouldn't share

Simon & Schuster Pbk 7.99 9781398522275

Interest 5+ Reading age: 6+ age:

In a wood lived a hare who was determined not to share his possessions with his new neighbours the rabbits. For he believed that giving away things means having less for yourself. But then along comes a new, large and slightly frightening animal. What will Hare do now? Superb picture book about sharing and living in community with surprising depth to the narrative that could work on more than one level.



Thompson, Carol

Little Gwen, rescue hen

Otter-Barry Hbk 12.99 9781915659354

Interest 3+ Reading age: 6+ age:

A little brown hen lives in a small crowded cage until she becomes too tired to lay eggs. But, then what's this? A new home with grass, insects to eat, new friends to make, and a soft rainbow vest to keep her warm while her feather grow back. Delightful gentle story looking at animal rights and welfare with a very uplifting message of children being able to make a difference.

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