

Recommended Primary Books Summer Term 2025



Bond, Ash

Peregrine Quinn and the cosmic realm

Piccadilly Pbk 7.99 9781800786837
Interest 9+ Reading age: 9+
age:

Peregrine Quinn has always loved hearing her godfather Daedalus Bloom's stories about his life as an immortal, but that's all they were - stories. That is, until the portals that connect the Terran Realm with the Cosmic Realm mysteriously shut down and Daedalus, the only one who can fix them, is kidnapped. Peregrine is then swept into a nail-biting adventure, helped by a dryad and a faun, who must fix the portals and rescue Daedalus before an ancient evil rises and chaos takes over. Great fun fantasy adventure with feisty characters and plenty of jeopardy to keep readers interested right through to the end. Great start to a new series.



Coelho, Joseph

Relic Hamilton, genie hunter

Walker Pbk 7.99 9781529509595
Interest 9+ Reading age: 9+
age:

Relic Hamilton lives a quiet life with his grandfather above their old antiques shop in London. Until one day, while polishing some mysterious brass lamps in the basement, something extraordinary happens. Relic comes face-to-face with a real, live genie. But this is no kind, benevolent genie. This genie is evil. Relic immediately finds himself catapulted to the centre of a fast-paced underground community of genie hunters, secretly chasing rogue genies before they can wreak havoc on the world. This is a rollercoaster of a quest adventure tale with an engaging central character. There is plenty of mystery, twists and turns in the plot, and jeopardy to keep reader's turning the pages. Easy to read with a satisfying ending, First in a new series.

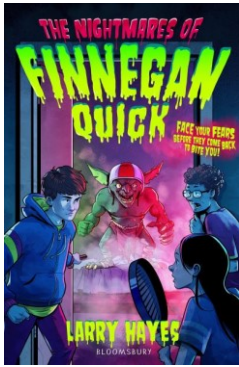


Davis, James

Scarlet, defender of the universe

Harper Pbk 7.99 9780008653620
Collins
Interest 8+ Reading age: 8+
age:

Scarlet only responds to the advert at the back of the Beano for the role of Defender of the Universe to prove to her annoying brother that it's not a real thing. So she's a little surprised to be told that she's got the job and is now responsible for the safety of the entire galaxy. Along with her co-Defender Jasper, Pom-Pom, a very cute alien, and Bot, the cleverest AI robot that's ever been invented, Scarlet is thrown into a whirlwind adventure that takes her to the furthest reaches of the cosmos and back again, on a mission to prevent the destruction of planet Earth by a hideous alien species. Fantastic adventure space romp with plenty of humour and jeopardy to keep reader's attention, and very engaging central characters. Super leisure read.



Hayes, Larry

The nightmares of Finnegan Quick

Bloomsbury Pbk 7.99 9781526677785
Interest 10+ Reading age: 10+
age:

Finnegan Quick is haunted by nightmares. So much so, that he's terrified of going to sleep. Because Finn's dreams actually change the waking world with horrific consequences. He has already lost his mum, his dad, his dog, and now the monsters are coming for his gran. Then a mysterious girl starts appearing in his dreams, helping Finn to fight back against the creatures. But, then Cass appears at Finn's school in real life and tells him she can help him solve the mystery of his missing parents. Together with Finn's best friend Squid, they set about battling the monsters of nightmare. Fast paced horror adventure with engaging central characters and plenty of plot twists, jeopardy and monster battles to keep readers turning the pages. Some blood and gore, but nothing too graphically described. Good start to a new horror series

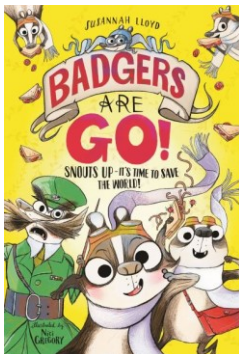


Leonard, M G

Hunt for the golden scarab

Macmillan Pbk 7.99 9781035005963
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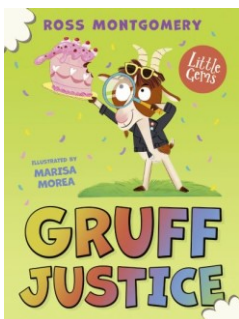
Sim lives with his mum in a flat above a museum where she is a cleaner. Sim's mum is also a martial arts expert, and teaches Sim these special skills. One evening, whilst they are in the museum, dangerous strangers appear and Sim discovers his mum has the power to open doors in time. So begins an exciting time travel adventure, where Sim and his friends must outwit the sinister Council of Keys and piece clues together to find the golden heart scarab and Nefertiti's lost tomb. A romp of an adventure which is easy to read and would appeal to young readers fascinated by Ancient Egypt. Strong engaging characters and an excellent reading for pleasure book First in a new series.



Lloyd, Susannah **Badgers are go!**

David Pbk 7.99 9781788453196
Fickling
Interest 7+ Reading age: 8+
age:

When Lulu the badger discovers that important humans are actually operated by badgers, she is thrust into the world of the Rumpington Academy of Badgering. Lulu soon finds herself involved in saving the world. A witty, quirky and entertaining romp of an adventure story which grabs the reader from the start. Great illustrations with the message that unlikely heroes can make a difference.

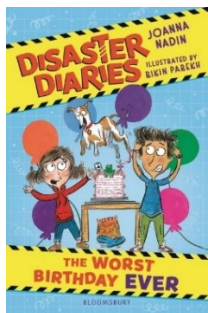


Montgomery, Ross

Gruff justice

Barrington Pbk 6.99 9781800902527
Stoke
Interest 6+ Reading age: 6+
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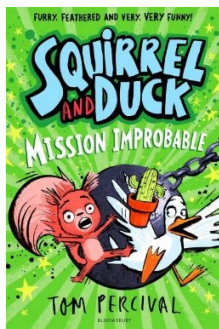
Big Goat Gruff is always in trouble for eating things on the farm. When the farmer discovers that the birthday cake he made for his wife has had a huge bite taken out of it, Gruff is naturally the first suspect. So Gruff and his younger sister become detectives in order to discover the real culprit and save Gruff from being made in to pie! Fun alternative fairy tale for emergent free readers. Colour illustrations throughout.



Nadin, Joanna The worst birthday ever

Bloomsbury Pbk 6.99 9781526675583
Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+
age:

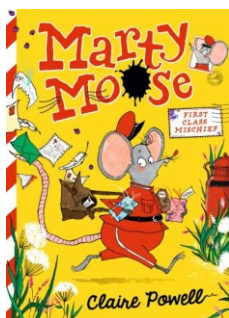
Daffodil is small and the youngest in her family and feels she gets overlooked. She wants the best birthday party ever, but has to contend with Colin the greyhound's eating habits, a lack of party guests and her brother's band not turning up to do the entertainment. Amusing story told in diary format with familiar settings and everyday relatable characters. Good read for newly confident readers.



Percival, Tom Mission Improbable

Bloomsbury Pbk 7.99 9781526665638
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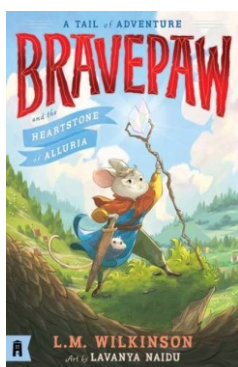
Squirrel and Duck are the only two talking animals in the world. When bulldozers arrive to redevelop their theme park home, they leave with Duck's 'pet' cactus. They then overhear some art thieves chatting, which puts them on the trail of untold riches or a great deed to help the nation, depending on your view. A zany story about friendship with black and white illustrations throughout, which children will love for its madcap humour.



Powell, Claire First class mischief

Walker Pbk 6.99 9781529524031
Interest 7+ Reading age: 7+
age:

Marty Mouse is starting a job as Postmouse. He's keen to make a good impression but things take a tricky turn when he gets caught in neighbourhood disputes, and gets lost in Whisker Warren and needs rescuing. Daft story with entertaining characters and humour perfect for newly confident readers. Illustrations throughout help break up the text and add extra interest.



Wilkinson, L M Bravepaw and the heartstone of Alluria

Allen & Pbk 7.99 9781761180552
Unwin
Interest 7+ Reading age: 8+
age:

Brought up on tales of the gallant mouse hero Bravepaw, Titch has always dreamed of adventure, but she never thought it would actually happen to her, living quietly on top of the isolated Plateau. That is until a brave warrior hare pursued by deadly curseworms suddenly erupts into Titch's world, and needs her help to save the whole of Alluria. Can Titch ever hope to live up to the legend of Bravepaw? Super easy readable quest adventure full of magic and heroism. The central character of Titch is very engaging and this is a perfect shorter read for newly fluent young readers. Black and white illustrations throughout.

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