

All About **BOOKS** KIDS

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Hi Everyone,

Welcome to our
special June
edition of All
About Books Kids!

Well, it has certainly been an interesting couple of months. It felt like the moment we received print copies of our gorgeous Mar-May issue of All About Kids Books, after-school programs were cancelled, story time was cancelled and finally, the library network shut its doors. The library fell into a kind of stunned-silence, as did we all.

Like everyone else, we have had to quickly learn to navigate our way through this 'new normal'. We've been running online story time and craft sessions, and while they could never replace seeing you all each week, catching up on funny stories and seeing your little ones grow, they do allow us to connect with you a little, and maybe ease the burden you all face as your routines change rapidly during this time.

We have also planned a great new online competition for our Winter Challenge. It's open to all library members and you can read a little more about it on page 27. We hope you send in your videos for June, we've been missing you and want to see how you're all going! If you're having any difficulties with them (or anything else), as always, get in touch.

We've also boosted our eBook and eAudiobook collections. We have an extensive range, incorporating PRC books - which is what this little mini-issue is about! You only need your library card number to access a wide range across our different platforms. The best place to start with this is our catalogue. Go to:

<https://parralibrary.wheelers.co/>

We hope you enjoy this special mini-issue of All About Kids Books, we're keeping them short and sweet this quarter to make them easier for you to access. In June we are focussing on PRC books, July will be our special Anna Walker edition and August will be all about Science! We can't wait to bring them to you and hope you enjoy them.

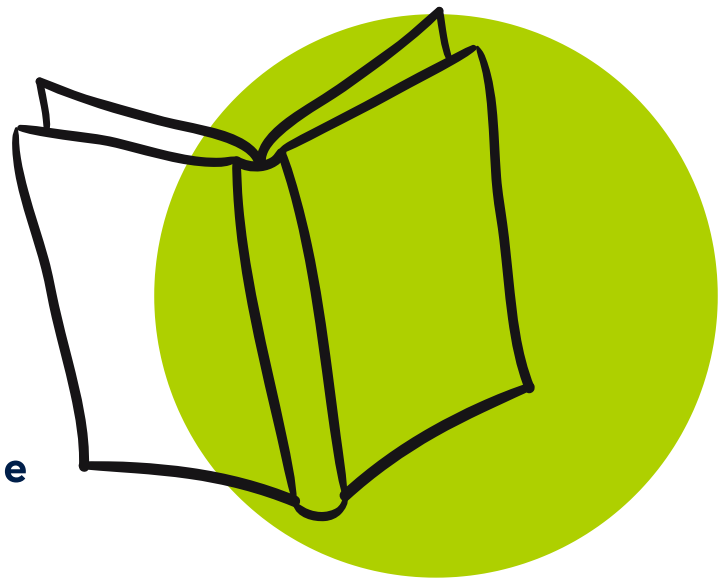
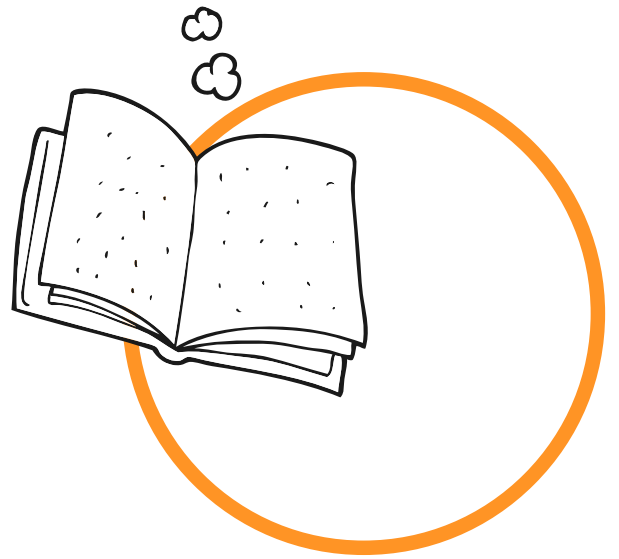
Stay well, stay safe and as always, keep reading.

The CYS Team

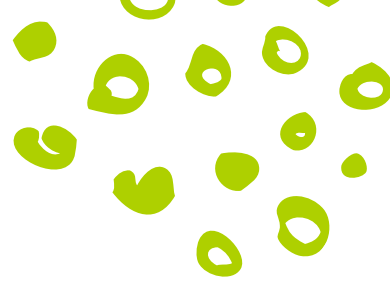


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Premier's Reading Challenge



Do you know what 'Premier's Reading Challenge' is?

It is a wonderful program organised by the Premier's Department of NSW that aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

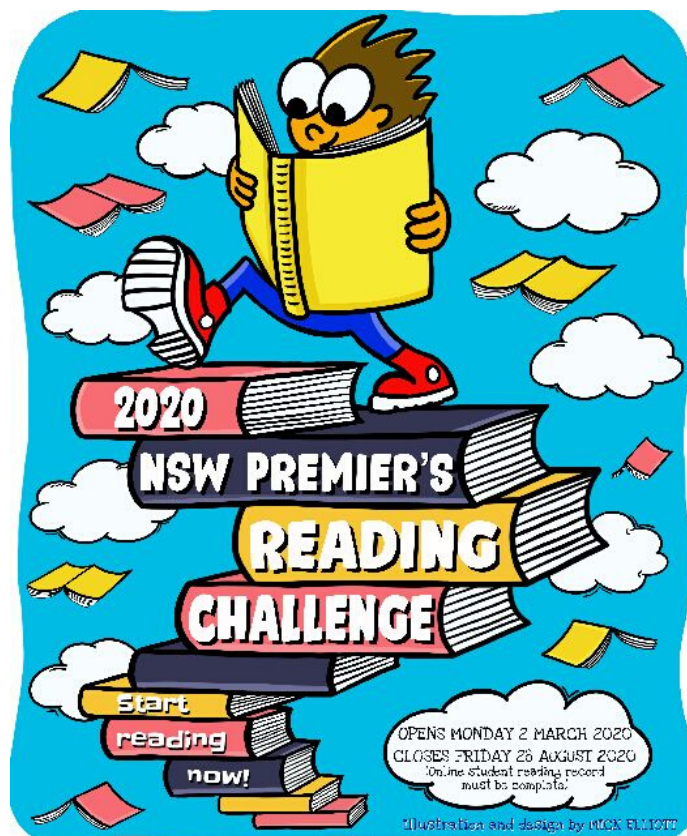
The above statement is something we, as Librarians, believe in whole heartedly. So although we are not officially involved in the program we still want to support you, our wonderful little readers, in your reading challenge. What we have done to help you on your way is place special PRC stickers on some of the titles to help you locate them on the library's shelves.

However it is important to remember to check your list first to make sure the book is currently on your reading list.

If you would like more information on the 'Premier's Reading Challenge' talk to your teacher, School Librarian or go the website

<http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au>

Happy Reading!



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How to Access PRC eBooks at Home



Access our Wheelers ePlatform eLibrary anywhere, anytime, on multiple devices.

The ePlatform app is your ticket to unlock the world of eBooks.

It's quick, simple and free to set up. Within minutes you'll be able to read or listen to your library titles anywhere, any time, on most devices.

Even if you're offline, the ePlatform app is the quickest and easiest way to borrow and read eBooks on your iPad, Galaxy, Windows tablet or other tablet/mobile device - without downloading any additional software. Books can also be read in a browser, or on your desktop/laptop.

Sign in with your library card and password to start reading. ePlatform eBooks can be set to display Dyslexic Font, increase or decrease text size, change text colour, margins, spacing and background colour for easy reading. Head to the 'Settings' menu to see what you prefer

With over 17 000 eBooks available to choose from, you're sure to find something you like on ePlatform!

Our collection includes everything from first readers for children to cookbooks, DIY, gardening, biographies, fiction and much more, for all ages. Not to mention our great collection of 'Premier's Reading Challenge' titles, arranged in easy to locate age categories.

Check out our eLibrary guide for more instruction; you can find it at

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Love eBooks & eAudiobooks? Discover more here

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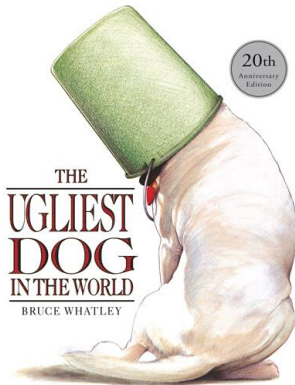
New to ePlatform? Three easy steps & you are ready to read!

- 1 - Download the ePlatform App
- 2 - Find your Library, Parramatta City Library.
- 3 - Sign in with your library card & password.
- 4 - You are now ready to read!

Premier's Reading Challenge Level K-2



K-2 books offer children an opportunity to read books that are easy to understand. Many of the books are picture books and provide children an opportunity to read on their own. Allowing children to choose their own books encourages independent reading and builds on a love of reading.

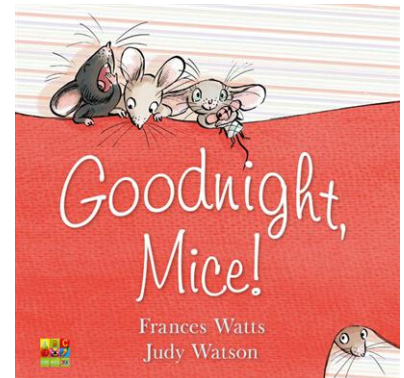


The Ugliest Dog in the World

by Bruce Whatley



Everyone thinks the Ugliest Dog in the World is 'ugly', but in different ways. Mum thinks she's ugly in a cute sort of way, the lady next door thinks she's pretty, but you haven't seen the lady next door. My best friend even screams when she sees her...But I think she's beautiful, in a sloppy kind of way!

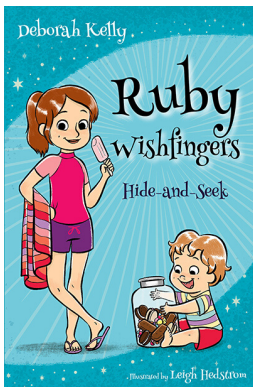


Goodnight Mice!

by Frances Watts,
illustrated by Judy Watson



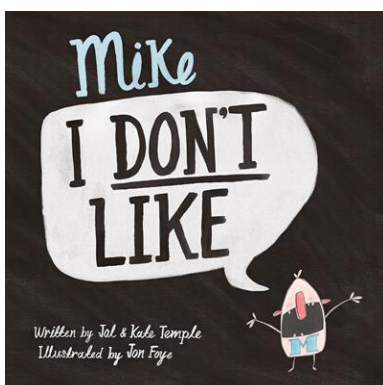
Kiss Dad once. Hug Mum twice. It's time to say Goodnight! But four cheeky mice are skittering, scampering and scurrying to bed but don't seem sleepy!



Ruby Wishfingers: Hide-and-Seek

by Deborah Kelly

Something extraordinary is going on ... even more extraordinary than usual in the Wishfinger's household! Things keep disappearing and then reappearing in the strangest of places!



Mike I Don't Like

by Kate & Jol Temple, illustrated by Jon Foye



Toddlers love saying 'no!' and 'don't like!' This picture book zeroes in on this universal toddler stage in a funny, delightful way. Every parent will relate.

I don't like lizards, big or small. I don't like barky dogs at all! If you like books, you'll like 'Mike I Don't Like'.

But chances are he won't like you.

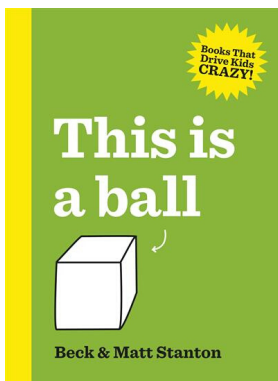


Peas in a Pod

by Tania McCartney, illustrated by Tina Snerling



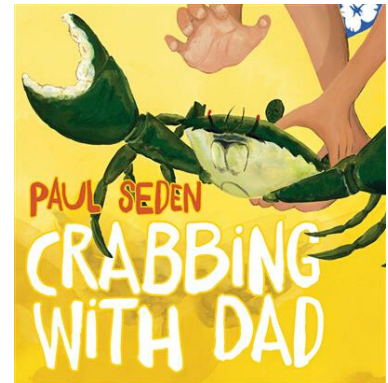
Pippa, Pia, Poppy, Polly and Peg are quintuplets. Since birth, they've done everything the same, but as they get a little older they want to do things differently - very differently. Can Mum and Dad keep their little girls as matching peas in a pod, or will those five very individual personalities win out in the end?



This is a Ball

by Bec and Matt Stanton

For the Grown-Ups: You know how you're right all the time? All. The. Time. Yes, well, it's time to give the kids a turn. Which is why everything you read in this book is going to be wrong. But that's okay, because the kids are going to correct you. And they're going to love it!

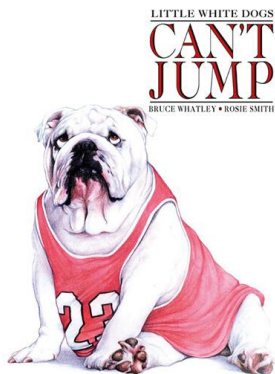


Crabbing With Dad

by Paul Seden



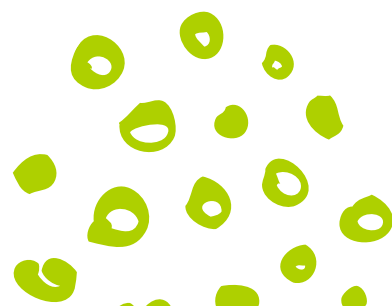
Crabbing with Dad follows the adventures of two small children as they go out in the boat with Dad to set crab pots in their secret spot. While waiting patiently, the group plays games and guess what fish could be swimming under their boat. When it's finally time to check the crab pots, the adventure begins as they pull up a big, angry crab!



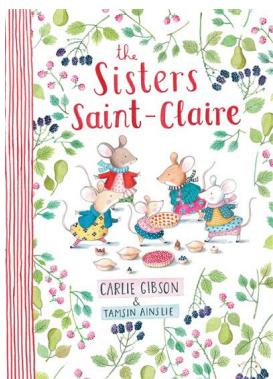
Little White Dogs Can't Jump

by Bruce Whatley, illustrated by Rosie Smith

Smudge and his family have got a problem to solve - Smudge's legs are so short that he can't jump into the car. One of the children in the family devises a series of ingenious ways of getting Smudge into the car, but none of them work. Finally, it is Mum who solves the problem.



Premier's Reading Challenge K-2

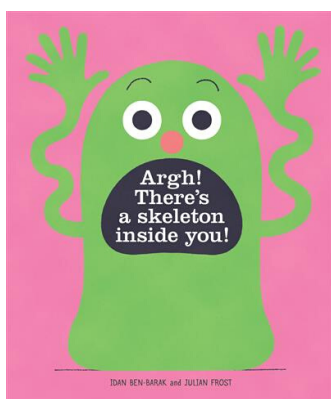


The Sisters Saint-Claire

by Carlie Gibson, illustrated by Tamsin Ainslie



Beautifully illustrated, this delightful rhyming tale about five gourmand mouse sisters who go to the market and the youngest sister, Cecile, who sets up her very own delicious pie stall with food fit for a Queen.

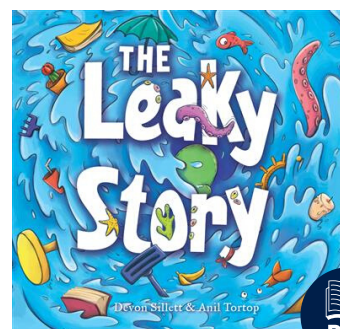


Argh! There's a Skeleton Inside You!

by Idan Ben-Barak, illustrated by Julian Frost



Quog and Oort are on their way to Kevin's birthday party. Unfortunately, their spaceship has crashed. Pick up this book to lend them a hand!

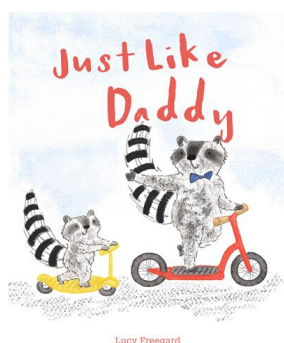


The Leaky Story

by Devon Sillett, illustrated by Anil Tortop



A book sits abandoned on a living room shelf. While the Blossburn family gets on with other things, the book aches to be read. Slowly it starts to swell, then leak! At first it's only a trickle, but when pirates sail out of the book, the family must band together to reclaim their living room. An action-packed adventure about the magic of books.

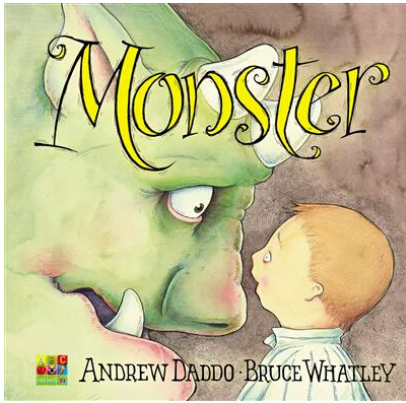


Just Like Daddy

by Lucy Freegard



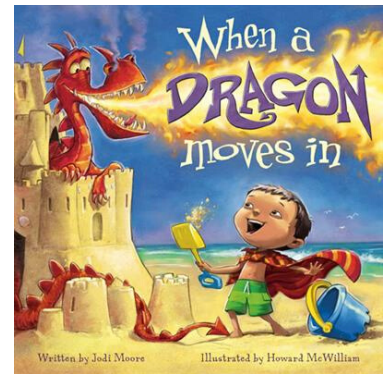
Who wouldn't want to be just like daddy, when daddy is strong and silly, kind and practical? But he also knows how to have fun, and even if he messes up, it's never a big deal. Dad can deal with the scariest of monsters (well, spiders at least...), keeps his eyes open on the rollercoaster (most of the time), and puts on all the silly voices when he reads a bedtime story.



Monster

by Andrew Daddo,
illustrated by Bruce
Whatley

Some monsters are scary - with pointy teeth and snuffly grunts - and they stink. You'd never invite them to sleep over! But there are other monsters that are cute and full of surprises.



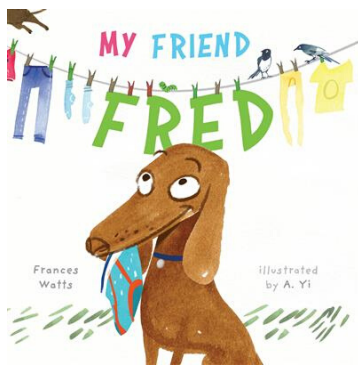
When a Dragon Moves In

by Jodi Moore,
illustrated by Howard
McWilliam



On a beautiful day at the beach, a young boy brings his bucket, shovel, and imagination, and builds a perfect sand castle. Right away, a dragon moves in. The boy decides to befriend his dragon and they spend time roaming the shore, flying a kite, and braving the waves.

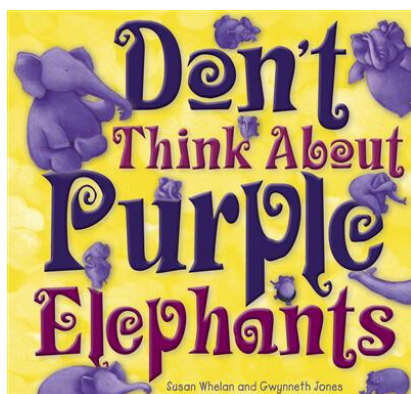
"Read together,
it is fun!"



My Friend Fred

by Frances Watts,
illustrated by A. Yi

My friend Fred eats dog food for breakfast. I think dog food is disgusting. My friend Fred howls at the moon. I don't know why. He does a lot of funny things. But even though we are different, Fred is my best friend.



Don't Think About Purple Elephants







by Susan Whelan, illustrated by Gwynneth Jones

Sometimes Sophie worries - not during the day when she is busy with family and friends, but at night when everything is calm and quiet. Her family all try to help, but somehow they just make her worries worse. Until her mother thinks of a new approach ... that just might involve elephants!



Colour That Shape

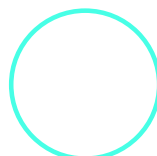
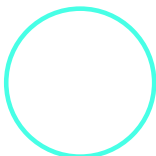
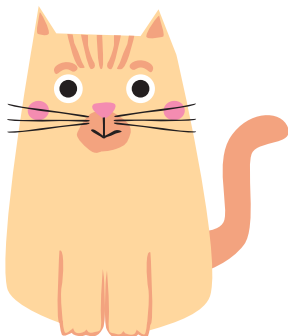
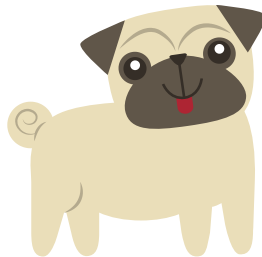
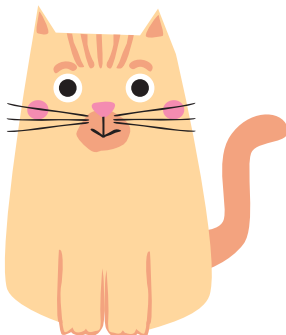
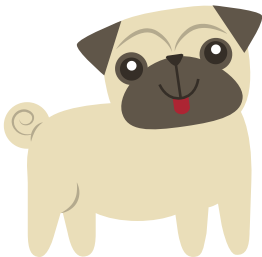
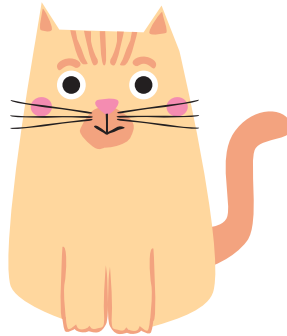
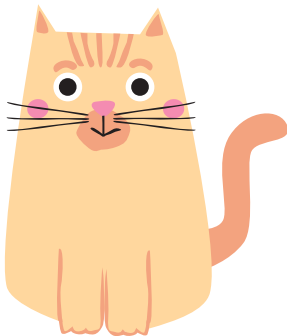
Let's decorate this pizza! Count how many of each coloured shape is on the pizza and write them in the boxes below.

					
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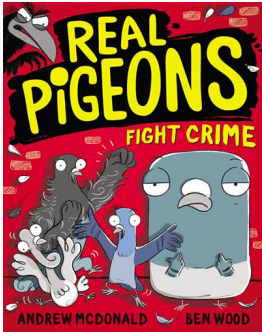
Counting Cats and Dogs

Count how many of each animal you see.
Write the answers in the box provided below.



Premier's Reading Challenge Level 3-4

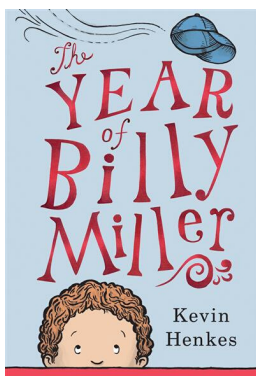
The 3-4 selection of books builds on children's reading skills. Books with chapters provide a challenge while still promoting the pleasure of reading. This level includes picture books, easy readers and junior, which are perfect for independent reading.



Real Pigeons Fight Crime

by Andrew McDonald,
illustrated by Ben Wood.

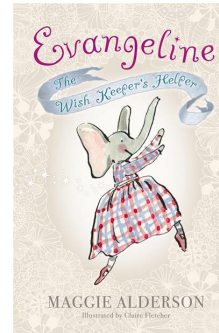
Ever wonder why pigeons always act so weird? It's because they're out there chasing the bad guys and saving your butts! Did you know your city is protected by a secret squad of crime-fighting pigeons? It's true! With master of disguise Rock Pigeon, bendy Tumbler, strong Frillback and super-finder Homey, the REAL PIGEONS will solve any mystery and fight any bad guy to keep the city safe!



The Year of Billy Miller

by Kevin Henkes

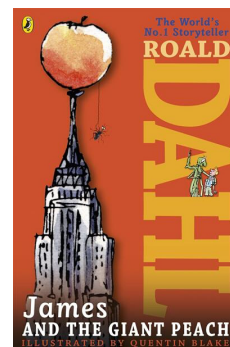
When Billy Miller has a mishap at the statue of the Jolly Green Giant at the end of summer vacation, he ends up with a big lump on his head. What a way to start second grade, with a lump on your head! As the year goes by, though, Billy figures out how to navigate elementary school, how to appreciate his little sister, and how to be a more grown up and responsible member of the family and a help to his busy working mom and stay-at-home dad.



Evangeline Wish Keeper's Helper

by Maggie Alderson,
illustrated by Claire Fletcher

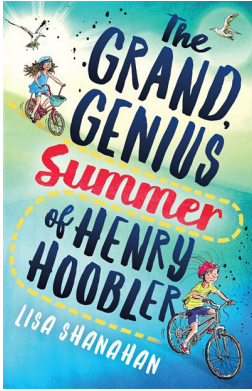
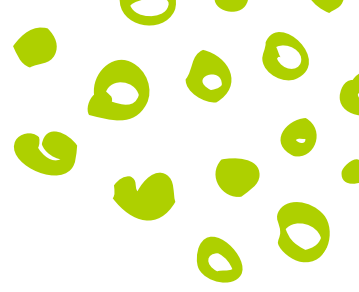
Evangeline the toy elephant lies under the bed all day, waiting and waiting for something to happen. If only she could be useful somewhere... Will her wish be granted?



James and the Giant Peach

by Roald Dahl, illustrated by
Quentin Blake

James Henry Trotter lives with two ghastly hags. Aunt Sponge is enormously fat with a face that looks boiled and Aunt Spiker is bony and screeching. He's very lonely until one day something peculiar happens... At the end of the garden a peach starts to grow and GROW AND GROW. Inside that peach are seven very unusual insects - all waiting to take James on a magical adventure!

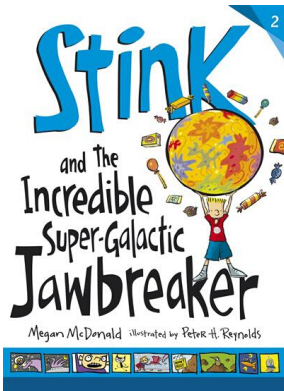


The Grand, Genius Summer of Henry Hoobler

by Lisa Shanahan



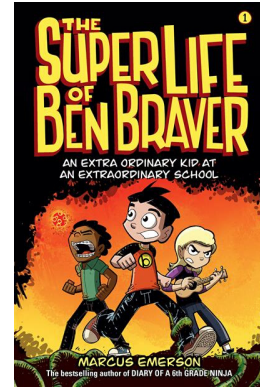
The warm-hearted story of Henry Hoobler and the summer when a new friend, a silver bike and unexpected adventures turn him inside out like a pocket, into something new.



Stink and the Incredible Super-Galactic Jawbreaker

by Megan McDonald,
illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds

When Stink Moody buys a mammoth jawbreaker that doesn't break his jaw, he writes a letter of complaint to the manufacturer and receives a ten-pound box of jawbreakers. Stink soon becomes the proverbial kid in a candy store as his letter-writing campaign yields him heaps of free rewards.



The Super Life of Ben Braver

by Marcus Emerson



Ben Braver is selected to go to a school for children with super powers even though he doesn't actually have a super power... A hilarious adventure series about super powers, unbelievable inventions, and the greatness that lies within any kid who dreams big.



Lottie Luna and the Bloom Garden

by Vivian French, illustrated by Nathan Reed

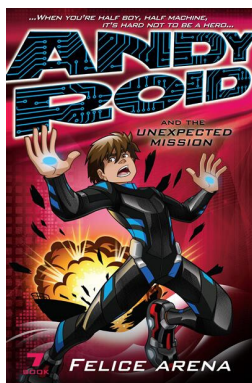


Meet werewolf extraordinaire... Lottie Luna.

Lottie Luna might look your average werewolf but she's really rather extraordinary. Born on the night of a solar eclipse has given her exceptional powers of super-strength, super-speed and super-vision.

But Lottie just wants to live a normal life and go to school with her friends. She doesn't like to use her special skills unless it helps get them out of trouble.

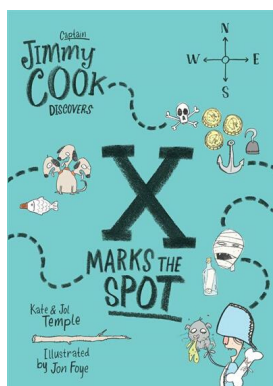
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Andy Roid and the Unexpected Mission

by Felice Arena

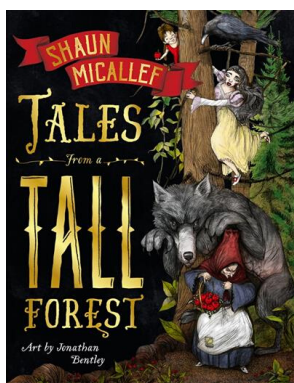
It's official - Andy's joining the secret service. But when he's sent on a job halfway through his training, is he up to the challenge? With no back-up and no experience, this life-or-death mission will be the ultimate test!



Captain Jimmy Cook Discovers X Marks the Spot

by Jol & Kate Temple,
illustrated by Jon Foye

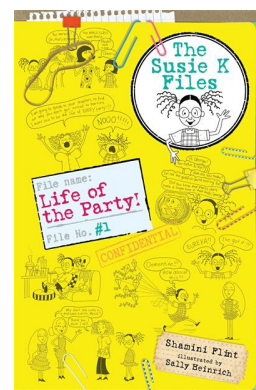
Meet Jimmy Cook - he's an explorer (he discovered Grade Three was full of surprises), an eccentric (he looks great in a tricorn hat) and someone who takes adventure very seriously.



Tales From a Tall Forest

by Shaun Micallef

Once upon a time being, forever and ever ago, there lived a forest tall of tales. When an innocent princess wanders into the forest, she finds herself trapped between a wolf with a ravenous appetite and a sweet little house with a secret.

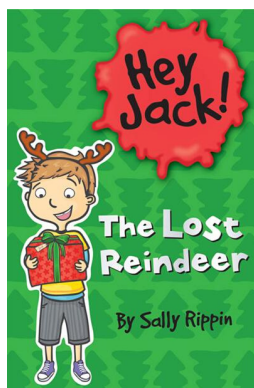


Life of the Party!

by Shamini Flint,
illustrated by Sally Heinrich

Susie K likes science instead of netball and has the class goldfish for a best friend. But Susie's mum finds it hard to believe that she's happy that way. She's constantly trying to push Susie (with the best of intentions, of course!) to be something she's not. And the last thing Susie wants is to disappoint her mum...

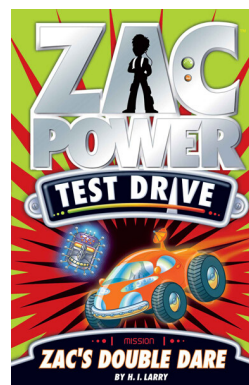




Hey Jack! The Lost Reindeer

by Sally Rippin

The Hey Jack! adventures are perfect for boys who are desperate to begin reading but are bored by daggy school readers! Jack can't wait to give his best-friend Billie her Christmas present. He made it himself! But what will happen when Billie's present for him is way cooler?

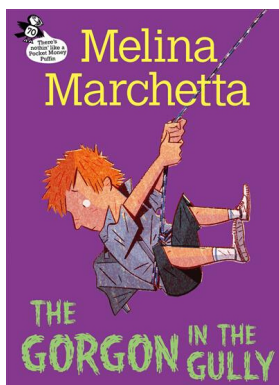


Zac Power Test Drive: Zac's Double Dare

by H.I. Larry



Zac has two new gadgets to test drive. Can he get the secret GIB plans back?

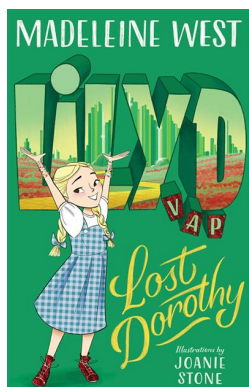
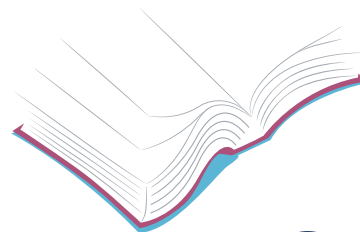


The Gorgon in the Gully

by Melina Marchetta



Beyond the basketball courts and classrooms of St Raph's is a gully where everything disappears forever. Danny Griggs has heard stories about a creature that lives down there. So why does he volunteer to face the Gorgon when he's been petrified of everything all his life?



Lily D, V.A.P.: Lost Dorothy

by Madeleine West, illustrated by Joanie Stone



Lily D is a jump-off-the-page character who is full of beans - which is good news because she is very busy! She does ballet on Mondays, tap on Tuesdays, acrobatics on Wednesdays, singing on Thursdays, and drama on Fridays. Drama is her favourite! It's Lily's dream is to become a performance artiste when she grows up. Lily D thinks of herself as a VAP (a Very Amazing Performer). But Lily is no child star, she understands that success requires hard work and respect, neither of which can be achieved overnight.

Where Do They Belong?

Sort the words into the correct category. Write them inside the boxes below.

olives	lettuce	castle	school	parrot
jellyfish	giraffe	kangaroo	milk	shop
library	park	pizza	pig	apple



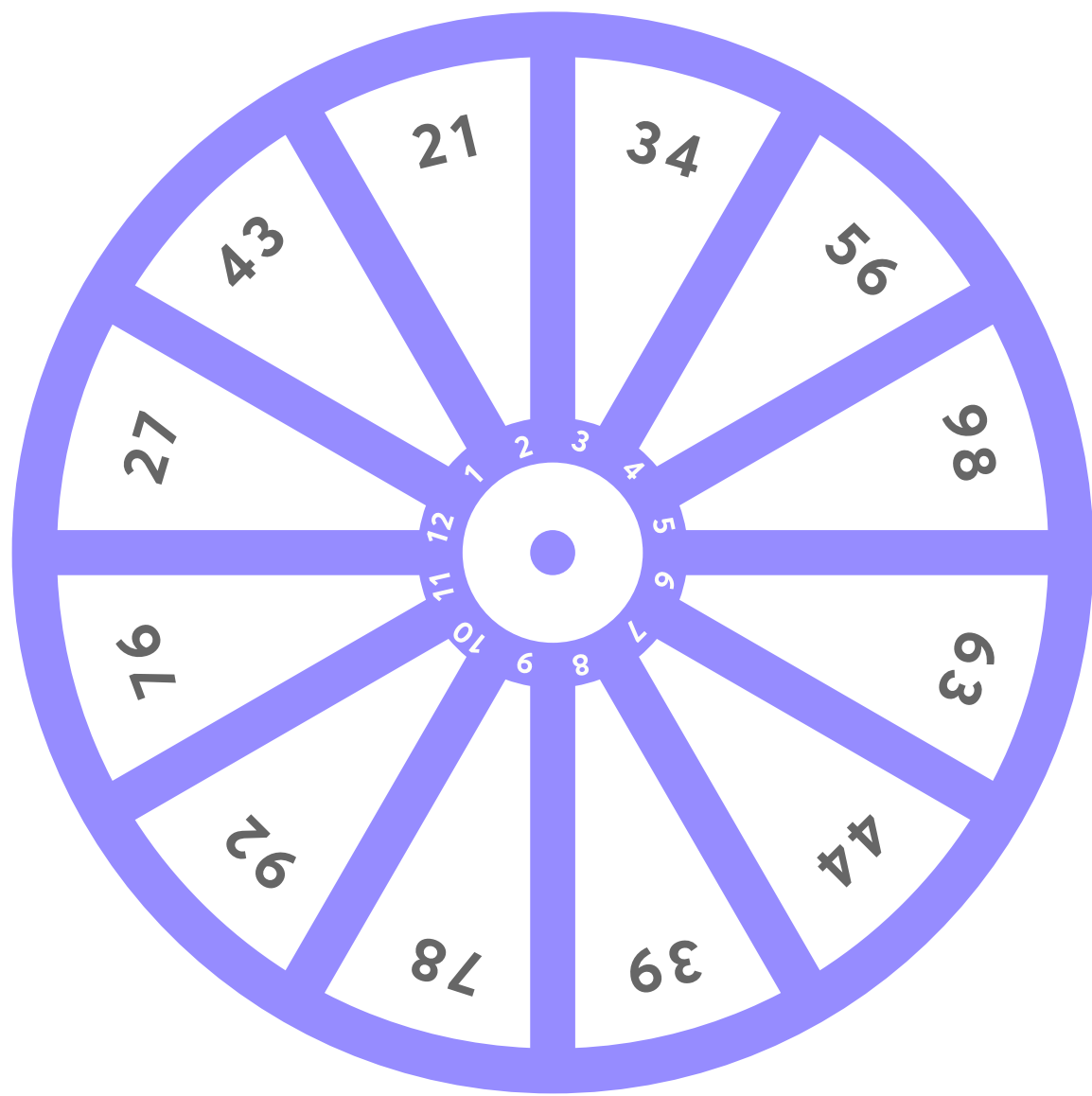
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Wheel of Fortune - Mathematics Edition

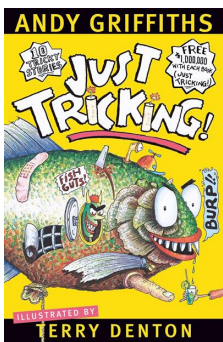
You are given 12 numbers inside the numerical wheel. Round the numbers up and down and write your answers in the space below.



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Premier's Reading Challenge Level 5-6

Almost ready for high school books on the 5-6 list are fantastic as they approach topics of change, life, survival and most importantly, growth. With an increased attention span and a greater independence, children are able to enjoy books and choose their favourite genres.



Just Tricking

by Andy Griffiths, illustrated by Terry Denton

Is this the right book for you? Take the TRICKING TEST and find out.

Do you ever pretend that you are dead to get out of going to school?

Do you like to ring up people you know and pretend to be someone else?

Do you leave banana skins in the middle of busy footpaths?

Do you own any of the following items: fake dog poo, rubber vomit, gorilla suit?

Do you wish that every day could be April Fools' Day?

SCORE: One point for each 'yes' answer.

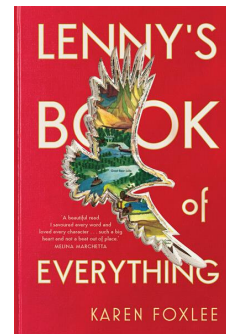
3-5 You are a practical joking genius. You will love this book.

1-2 You are a good practical joker. You will love this book.

0 You are not a practical joker. You are what practical jokers call a 'victim'. You will love this book.



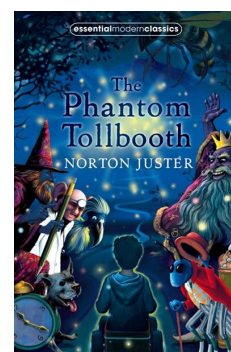
"You can never have too many books!"



Lenny's Book of Everything

by Karen Foxlee

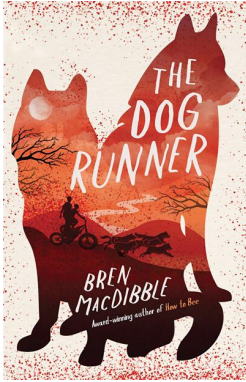
Our mother had a dark heart feeling. Lenny's younger brother has a rare form of gigantism and while Lenny's fiercely protective, it isn't always easy being the sister of 'the giant'. A book about finding good in the bad that will break your heart while raising your spirits in the way that only a classic novel can.



The Phantom Tollbooth

by Norton Juster

When Milo finds an enormous package in his bedroom, he's delighted to have something to relieve his boredom with school. And when he opens it to find - as the label states - One Genuine Turnpike Tollbooth, he gets right into his pedal car and sets off through the Tollbooth and away on a magical journey!



The Dog Runner

by Bren MacDibble



'We're gonna starve if we stay here,' Emery said. 'If we're gonna go, best go now.' And he said it like going was something easy. Like all we have to do is walk away. Ella and her brother Emery are alone in a city that's starving to death. If they are going to survive, they must get away, upcountry, to find Emery's mum. But how can two kids travel such big distances across a dry, barren, and dangerous landscape? Well, when you've got five big doggos and a dry-land dogsled, the answer is you go mushing. But when Emery is injured, Ella must find a way to navigate them through rough terrain, and even rougher encounters with desperate people...

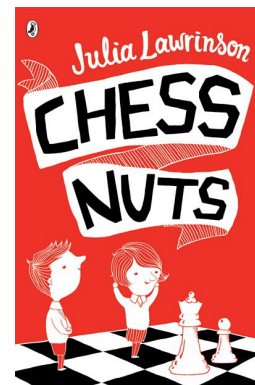


The Simple Things

by Bill Condon, illustrated by Beth Norling



A slice of life story for younger readers told with affection and humour about Stephen, a boy who doesn't quite fit in, and his elderly Aunt Lola.

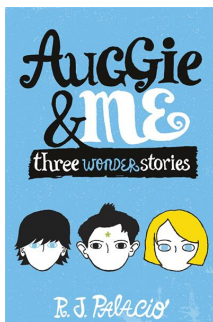


Chess Nuts

by Julia Lawrinson



Jackson is sporty and popular. Anna doesn't like the sporty, popular people. So when Jackson joins the chess squad, Anna does not initially welcome him. But Anna is about to learn some things about friendship, chess and physical fitness.



Auggie & Me: Three Wonder Stories

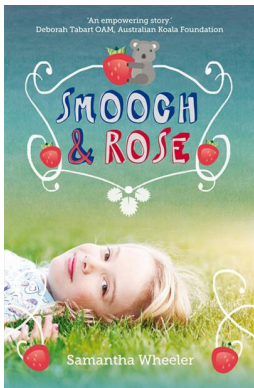
by R.J. Palacio



Now, in AUGGIE & ME, you can discover a new side to the WONDER story in three new chapters from three different characters- Julian- Auggie's classroom bully, Christopher- Auggie's oldest friend, Charlotte- Auggie's classmate.



Premier's Reading Challenge Level 5-6



Smooch & Rose by Samantha Wheeler

When Rose and Gran save a baby koala, they call him Smooch, because he loves to cuddle. With the help of wildlife carer, Carol, Rose and her dog Lizzie look after Smooch until he is old enough to make the trees on their strawberry farm his home. But then Gran gets a disturbing letter from the bank. Does this mean they have to sell?



The Keepers: Museum of Thieves by Lian Tanner, illustrated by Sebastian Ciaffaglione

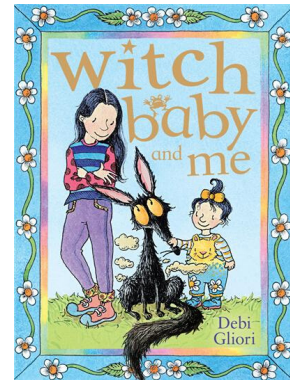
In the city of Jewel, impatience is a sin and boldness is a crime and Goldie Roth is both impatient and bold. When she escapes the clutches of the Blessed Guardians to find haven at the Museum of Dunt, an unforgettable adventure begins that will unlock hidden mysteries, dark secrets and awaken dangerous enemies.



Grimsdon by Deborah Abela



Three years ago a massive wave broke its barriers and the sea flooded this grand city. Most were saved, some were lost - and some were left behind. Isabella Charm and her best friend, Griffin, live with three other children in the top of an opulent mansion. They've survived with the help of Griffin's brilliant inventions, Isabella's fighting skills and their vow to look after each other. But what will happen when a newcomer arrives in his flying machine? Grimsdon is full of hidden perils, from bounty hunters to sneaker waves. Could Xavier's daredevil risks put all their lives in danger?



Witch Baby and Me by Debi Gliori

Lily is 9. Her sister Daisy is 1. And she's no ordinary baby. Somehow, when she was born, something went rather wrong - and now Daisy is a Witch Baby. Nobody knows this but Lily - she's the only one who can see when Daisy makes the fridge float in the air, or turns people into slugs, or summons up her very stinky dog Waywoof.



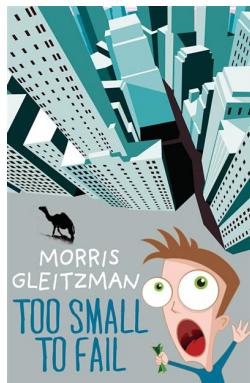


Paper Planes

by Steve Worland



Dylan is an imaginative twelve-year-old boy who discovers that his talent for folding and flying paper planes could take him to the World Paper Plane Championship. With a great challenge soaring ahead and a goal to fly into the number one spot, there's no telling how far he can go.

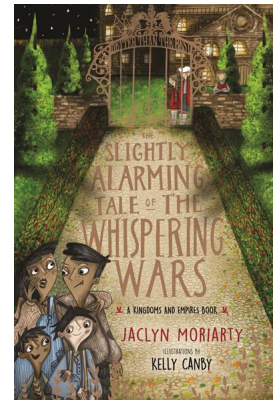


To Small to Fail

by Morris Gleitzman



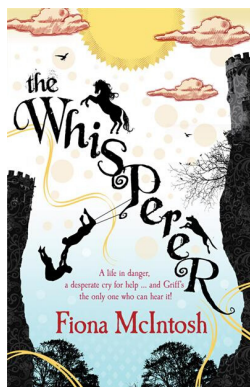
What do you do when your mum, your dad and sixteen camels are in trouble and only you can save them? The sometimes sad but mostly funny story of a boy, a girl, a dog and four trillion dollars.



The Slightly Alarming Tale of the Whispering Wars

by Jaclyn Moriarty,
illustrated by Kelly Canby

The town of Spindrift is frequented by pirates, Shadow Mages and charlatans. It's also home to the Orphanage School, where Finlay lives with Glim, Taya and Eli. Just outside town is the painfully posh Brathelthwaite Boarding School, home to Honey Bee, Hamish and Victor, Duke of Ainsley. When the two schools compete at the Spindrift Tournament, stakes are high, tensions are higher, and some people are out to win at any cost.



The Whisperer

by Fiona McIntosh

Griff is an ordinary boy, working at a circus - but he has an extraordinary ability. He can receive people's thoughts, although in an unfocussed way. When the circus master decides to exploit this talent, disaster ensues. Griff decides to escape, taking fellow circus member Tess and her magical creatures with him.





WEEKLY BOOK REVIEW

NAME

AGE

DATE

This week, I read:

The author's name is:

The book was published on:

The book talks about:

One good thing about the book is:

The book can be better if:

I GIVE THE BOOK __ OUT OF __ STARS.

Adopting vs. Buying a Pet

Use sound arguments and emotional appeal for your persuasive essay.

Convince your readers that they should adopt pets instead of buying them from pet shops.



Premier's Reading Challenge Level 7-9

Books on the 7-9 list are a perfect collection of non-fiction, biographies and different genres of fiction. Many of the books can be read by both parents and teens, allowing you to connect and share with your reader at home. If you don't have a TBR list yet, this PRC list is sure to inspire you to start one!



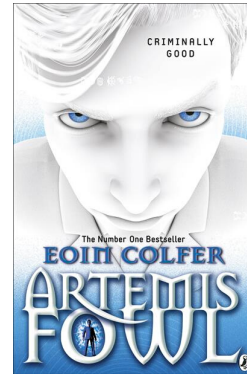
Liars: The Truth App

by Jack Heath

THE TRUTH APP is the latest craze in the town of Kelton. It listens to everyone around you and tells you if they're lying. When the app goes viral, its teenage creator, Jarli, becomes famous overnight. But being a celebrity can be dangerous. Especially when you've just exposed everyone's deepest, darkest secrets. Now everyone is out to get Jarli. Kids at school. Teachers. The police. Even his own family. And the secret network of criminals based in Kelton have just added Jarli to their hit list. The truth doesn't always set you free...



"Artemis Fowl, a must read!"

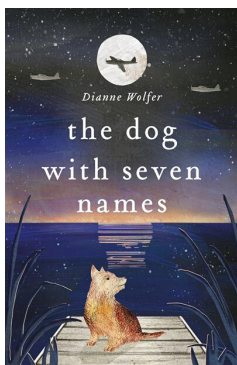


Artemis Fowl

by Eoin Colfer



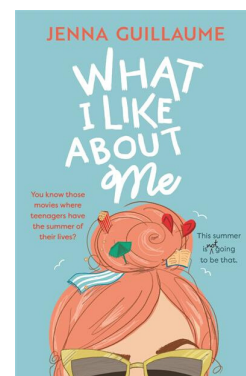
Twelve-year-old villain, Artemis Fowl, is the most ingenious criminal mastermind in history. His bold and daring plan is to hold a leprechaun to ransom. But he's taking on more than he bargained for when he kidnaps Captain Holly Short of the LEPrecon (Lower Elements Police Reconnaissance Unit).



The Dog With Seven Names

by Dianne Wolfer

A tiny dog, the runt of the litter, is born on a remote cattle station. She shouldn't have survived, but when Elsie finds, names and loves her, the pup becomes a cherished companion. Life is perfect ... until War arrives. With Japanese air raids moving closer, Elsie's family leaves the Pilbara for the south and safety. But the small dog has to stay behind.

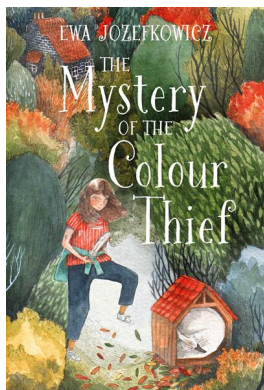


What I Like About Me

by Jenna Guillaume

The last thing Maisie Martin thought she'd be doing this summer is entering a beauty pageant. Not when she's spend most of her life hiding her body from everyone.



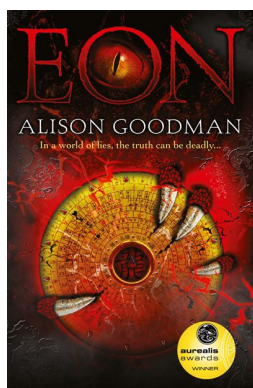


The Mystery of the Colour Thief

by Ewa Jozefkiewicz



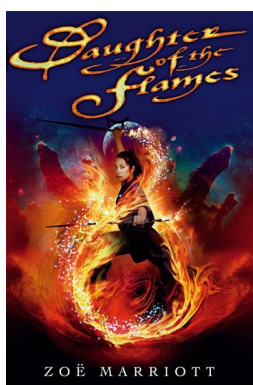
First the accident, then the nightmares. The shadowy thief steals all the colours from Izzy's world leaving her feeling empty and hopeless. Will her new neighbour and a nest full of cygnets save Izzy and solve the mystery of the colour thief? A heartwarming story about families, friendships, school, nature, hope and self-confidence.



Eon

by Alison Goodman

Under the harsh regime of an ambitious master, candidate Eon is training to become a Dragoneye - a powerful lord able to master wind and water to protect the land. But Eon also harbours a desperate secret - Eon is, in fact, Eona, a young woman who has endured years of disguise as a boy for the chance to practise the Dragoneye's art.

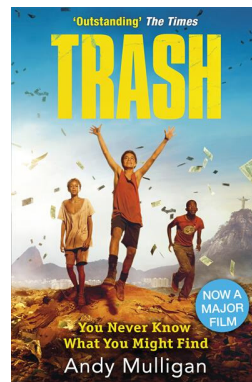


Daughter of the Flames

by Zoë Marriott



Zahira is a young woman of the conquered Rua people, their country occupied by another, very different culture - the Sedorne. Zahira is an orphan and has been raised to despise and distrust the occupying population, as well as to be a devout follower of the native religion. But everything changes for Zahira when her home and foster family are destroyed and she finds out some shocking truths about her heritage and real family.



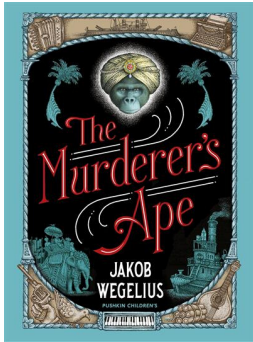
Trash

by Andy Mulligan



Raphael is a dumpsite boy. He spends his days wading through mountains of steaming trash, sifting it, sorting it, breathing it, sleeping next to it. Then one unlucky-lucky day, Raphael's world turns upside down. A small leather bag falls into his hands. It's a bag of clues. It's a bag of hope. It's a bag that will change everything.

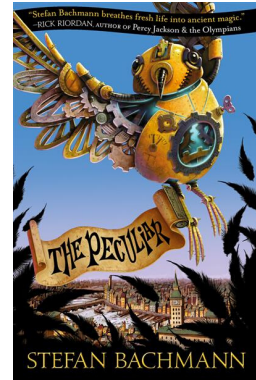
Premier's Reading Challenge Level 7-9



The Murderer's Ape

by Jakob Wegelius,
translated by Peter Graves

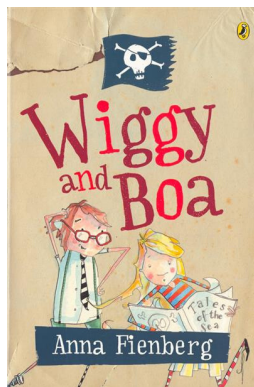
Sally Jones is an extraordinary ape and a loyal friend. In overalls or in a maharaja's turban, this unique gorilla moves among humans without speaking but understanding everything. She and the Chief are devoted comrades who operate a cargo boat. A job they are offered pays big bucks, but the deal ends badly, and the Chief is falsely convicted of murder. For Sally Jones this is the start of a quest for survival and to clear the Chief's name.



The Peculiar

by Stefan Bachmann

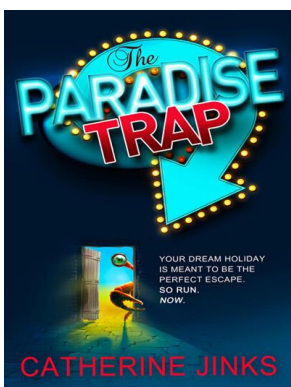
Bartholomew Kettle won't live long. Changelings never do. The child of a human mother and a faery father, he is despised by both his races. But one day Bartholomew suddenly finds himself at the centre of a web of intrigue and danger that spans the entire country. A powerful figure sits in the shadows, pushing the pieces in place for some terrible victory. Something is coming for Bartholomew. But when you're a changeling, there's nowhere to run.



Wiggy and Boa

by Anna Fienberg

Boadicea lives with her grandfather, Admiral Bolderack, who treats her as his crew and runs the house on a tight ship's routine. But in his time he met pirates and dabbled in old spells. When Boa discovers a secret from the Admiral's past and accidentally releases some terrifying bloodthirsty pirates from the Admiral's curse.



The Paradise Trip

by Catherine Jinks

When Marcus and his mother arrive at the Diamond Beach Caravan Park, it is one big disappointment. For a start, it's nothing like the Diamond Beach that Marcus mother remembers from her childhood, and Marcus can think of a hundred better ways of spending his holiday than in their crusty old caravan. But it doesn't take long for the caravan to reveal its secret. And as Marcus is swept into the craziest, scariest holiday ever, he will need to use every ounce of his ingenuity to escape Miss Molpe's trap before it's too late.



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