

Key New Titles October/November 2022

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Winners of Karajia and Environment Awards for Children's Literature October/November 2022



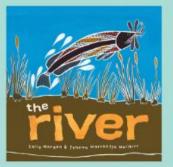
Congratulations to all the winners!

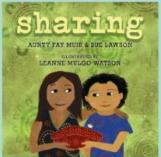


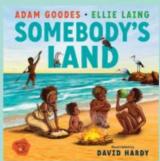






















Featured Titles - Junior Fiction October/November 2022



Title: One More Mountain - A Parvana Story

Author: Deborah Ellis ISBN: 9781761068133

Pub Date: 1st November 2022

RRP: \$16.99 Age: 11+ years

Blurb: From the master storyteller of the bestselling *Parvana* books comes a timely new novel set in contemporary Afghanistan, featuring Parvana and Shauzia continuing their mission to protect women and girls from their dire reality under the rules re-imposed by the Taliban.

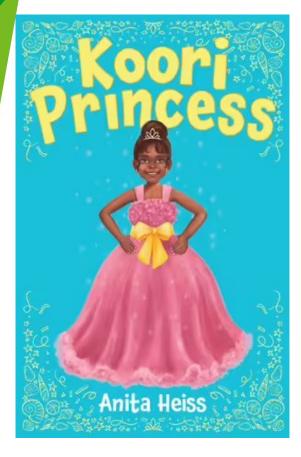
In Kabul, 15-year-old Damsa runs away to avoid being forced into marriage by her family. She is helped by Shauzia who takes her to her friend Parvana's Green Valley school.

It has been twenty years since Parvana and Shauzia had to disguise themselves as boys to support their families. And when the Taliban were defeated in 2001, they began to rebuild their lives. But everything changed in 2021 when the Taliban rose to power again and the restrictions they imposed had a devastating impact on women and girls and their hard-won freedoms. With little warning, Kabul airport is shut down and danger is everywhere.

And when the Taliban come to Green Valley, Parvana sends Shauzia and Damsa and the other members of her little community away in search of safety, and must endure more devastation as Afghanistan is once again under siege.

A hauntingly compelling story of courage, heartbreak and resilience.





Title: Koori Princess Author: Anita Heiss ISBN: 9781922613158

Pub Date: 1st November 2022

RRP: \$16.99 Age: 7+ years

Blurb: An insightful and humorous story of a young girl's determination to be who she wants to be.

Karan rolls her eyes. 'What's this year's theme? Oh no, let me guess,' she looks into the distance, pretending to ponder the possibilities. Sarcastically she asks, 'Is it ... could it possibly be ... a princess party?'

Teish is a sassy, soon-to-be 7-year-old and the apple of her dad's eye. She believes more than anything, that she is a Disney princess. Her older siblings, Karan and Kim, like to remind her that she isn't. Teish is determined to believe that she can be whoever she wants to be.

With the help of boisterous, irreverent cousins and friends, a princesses-of-colour party with all the trimmings and an adventure to the beach, Teish teaches her family that she can be a princess and remain true to herself.

But will her siblings accept her being a feisty Koori Princess?







Title: The Courage of Magnolia Moon

Author: Edwina Wyatt ISBN: 9781760654658

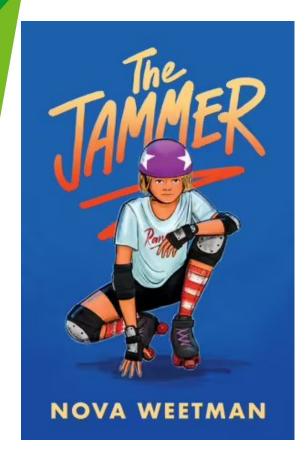
Pub Date: 6th November 2022

RRP: \$19.99 Age: 6+ years

Blurb: Magnolia Moon is very good at finding courage. And when you've fought with your best friend and your grandma is sick, it will take great courage to find a way forward.

Magnolia Moon returns with a story of the great daring it takes to be ten years old (almost eleven). Whether she's helping a friend be brave, standing up to bullies or helping out at home, Magnolia shows readers how a little bit of courage can make life magical. A lyrical and imaginative tale which highlights everyday wonders through Magnolia's curious and observant nature.





Title: The Jammer

Author: Nova Weetman ISBN: 9780702265426

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$16.99 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: From the bestselling, award-winning author of *Sick Bay* and *The Secrets We Keep*, a powerful, life-affirming middle grade novel about grief and roller derby

Fred has moved around her whole life, one small town after another, and never minded starting over. She's always had her mum, her dad, and her love of roller derby. On the track she's Fred or Dead, the star jammer, a gun at smashing through a line of bodies and scoring for her team.

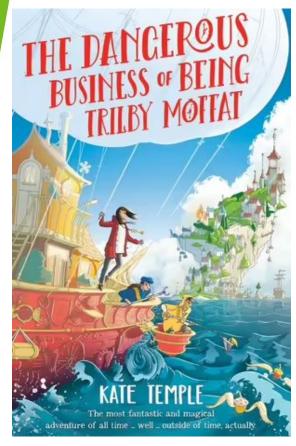
But Fred's life has fallen apart, and now she can't imagine ever putting her skates on again.

On a road trip to Melbourne with her dad, Fred meets a bunch of people who think they know what's best for her. And although Fred tries to avoid it, roller derby has a way of barging back into her life. A true jammer could push through anything, but Fred doesn't know who she is anymore.

What do you do when the thing that could save you is the thing that hurts the most?

This moving story of broken bones and healing hearts is a must-read for Nova Weetman's fans and will find her many new ones.





Title: The Dangerous Business of Being Trilby Moffat

Author: Kate Temple ISBN: 9780734420909

Pub Date: 28th September 2022

RRP: \$16.99 Age: 8+ years

Blurb: This is the dangerous story of Trilby Moffat, who took on one of the most treacherous jobs of all time. Well... outside of time, to be precise. For fans of Nevermoor and Lemony Snicket.

This is NOT just any old book. THIS is a legal document. It contains a truthful record of how Trilby Moffat was accidentally promoted to the most important job that ever existed. The job of Time Keeper.

A mystery illness is making people bake ancient cakes, speak dead languages and then fall asleep and never wake up. When Trilby Moffat's mother catches this strange sickness, Trilby must find her only other surviving relative, a 300-year-old aunt who lives in a secret antique shop on the edge of time.

Ahead of Trilby lies an unusual inheritance, an opportunity that will never be repeated and a man in a top hat who will try to kill her . . . more than once.

This is the story of how one ordinary girl finds herself on a deliciously fast-paced adventure, fleeing to an island where time doesn't exist, cats are particularly rude and cake is always on the menu. Here she will take on the most treacherous job of all time. Well . . . outside of time, to be precise.



THIS IS THE DANGEROUS BUSINESS OF BEING TRILBY MOFFAT.



Title: The Lost Girl King Author: Catherine Doyle ISBN: 9781526608000

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$14.99 Age: 8+ years

Blurb: Amy and Liam Bell have been packed off to stay at Gran's house in the wilds of Connemara for the summer. Out for a walk on the first morning of their holiday, they trace the flight of a hawk to a nearby waterfall – only to watch the bird disappear through it. Intrigued, the children follow and soon realise they've discovered the entrance to Tír na nÓg, the legendary land of eternal youth.

But they've been tricked. Almost immediately Liam is captured by a troop of headless horsemen who take him to Tarlock, the ruling sorcerer of Tír na nÓg, who is seeking the bones of a human child for a sinister new spell.

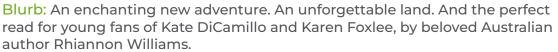
Packed with edge-of-your seat adventure, incredible imagination, humour and warmth, *The Lost Girl King* is the rare kind of story that has you reading long past lights out.







Age: 9+ years



Dusty has grown up hearing whispers about her mysterious aunt Meg, who went off to live 'out wild' and never returned. Yet Dusty's father refuses to discuss what happened - and her only clue is a photograph of her aunt as a young girl with a strange, monkey-like creature on her shoulder.

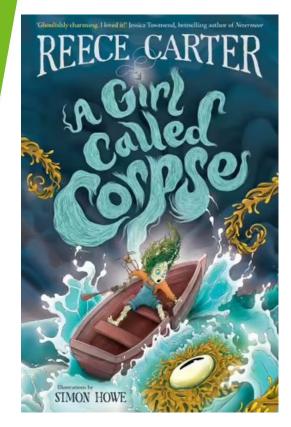
But when Dusty learns that her family's beloved bushland property might be sold, she's convinced that only Meg could stop it happening. So Dusty sets off to find her ... and that's when she discovers what 'out wild' really means.

The Outwilds are beguiling. Dangerous. And full of creatures Dusty half-remembers from old bedtime stories - beautiful, but deadly. Is Meg still out there? And even if she is, how will Dusty bring her home?

Bursting with fantastical creatures and starring a bold young girl determined to uncover the truth, this thrilling fantasy-adventure is destined to be a modern classic. Written by Rhiannon Williams, author of the beloved Narroway trilogy, this stand-alone hardback features stunning illustrations by Martina Heiduczek and is the perfect gift for readers aged 9+.







Title: A Girl Called Corpse Author: Reece Carter ISBN: 9781761066788

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$16.99 Age: 8+ years

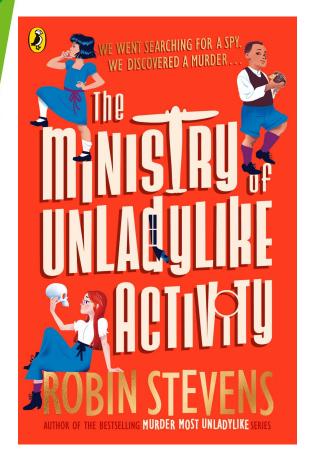
Blurb: A dazzling debut about a lonely kid ghost who goes searching for answers about her past in a forgotten coastal town that fizzes with secret magic. 'I loved it!' said Jessica Townsend, *New York Times* bestselling author of Nevermoor.

'Find the thing the Witches call a treasure,' says Old Man, 'and you'll get back all those memories you're missing.'

With a body made of wax, seaweed for hair and polished abalone shells for eyes, Corpse is bound to haunt the Witches' sea shack forever. She has no memory of the kid she was before she was snatched and ended up on the rock-that-doesn't-exist. But the delivery of an unexpected message sets Corpse off on a surprising quest, searching for answers to the old and familiar questions that have filled her not-brain since the day she first woke up a ghost. Questions about her name. Questions about her family. With only her eight-legged friend Simon for company, Corpse heads into the unknown. There will be danger - cruel Witches, a silver-eyed sea monster and a cunning Merchant with a hungry grin - but Corpse is not afraid. She'll stop at nothing to uncover the truth about her past. Only some answers, it turns out, are much closer than she thinks.

A sparkling adventure story about friendship, family and finding out that there is nothing more powerful than a kid acting with their whole heart. A Girl Called Corpse is one of the most exciting children's fantasy debuts to hit the shelves since Nevermoor.







Author: Robin Stevens ISBN: 9780241552711

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$16.99 Age: 8+ years



Blurb: The start of a thrilling new World War Two mystery series from the number-one-bestselling and multi-award-winning author of *Murder Most Unladylike*.

Britain is at war, and a secret arm of the British government called the Ministry of Unladylike Activity is training up spies.

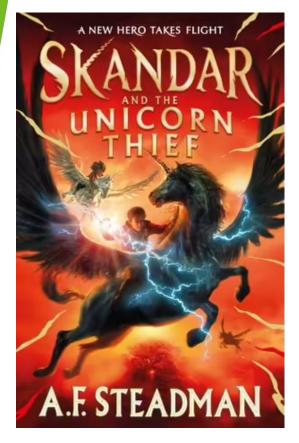
Enter May Wong- courageous, smart, stubborn - and desperate to do whatever she can to help end the war, so she can go home to Hong Kong. May knows that there is no one more perfect to become a spy than a child. A child can go places, see things and listen in on conversations in a way that no adult ever can.

When May and her friend Eric are turned away by the Ministry, they take matters into their own hands. Masquerading as evacuees, May and Eric arrive at Elysium Hall, home to the wealthy Verey family. It soon becomes clear that one of the family is passing information to Germany. May and Eric know if they can gather enough evidence on their suspect, the Ministry will have to take them on.

But there are more secrets at Elysium Hall than May or Eric could ever have imagined.

And then, someone is murdered...





Title: Skandar and the Unicorn Thief

Author: A.F. Steadman ISBN: 9781398502710

Pub Date: 3rd November 2022

RRP: \$24.99 Age: 9+ years



Unicorns don't belong in fairy tales; they belong in nightmares.

So begins Skandar and the Unicorn Thief. Soar into a world where unicorns are real – and they're deadly. They can only be tamed by the rider who hatches them.

Thirteen-year-old Skandar Smith has only ever wanted to be a unicorn rider, and the time has finally come for him to take his Hatchery Exam, which will determine whether he is destined to hatch a unicorn egg. But when Skandar is stopped from taking the exam, and the mysterious and frightening Weaver steals the most powerful unicorn in the world, becoming a rider proves a lot more dangerous than he could ever have imagined. And what if Skandar was always destined to be the villain rather than the hero?

Get ready for unlikely heroes, elemental magic, fierce sky battles, ancient secrets, nail-biting races and, of course, bloodthirsty unicorns. This will be the biggest new series of 2022.







Title: The Raven's Song

Author: Zana Fraillion and Bren MacDibble

ISBN: 9781761065798

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$16.99 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: A wonderful children's novel by two stellar writers featuring Shelby and Phoenix, living 100 years apart yet unexpectedly joined across time - and each make the discovery of a lifetime that has the potential to upend their worlds.

We've been told over and over we're the generation that waits for the world to recover. We endure the heat. We endure the storms, the wrecking floods, the long droughts, the days of smoke as fire burns, coz this is what the honoured earth does when she's trying to recover.

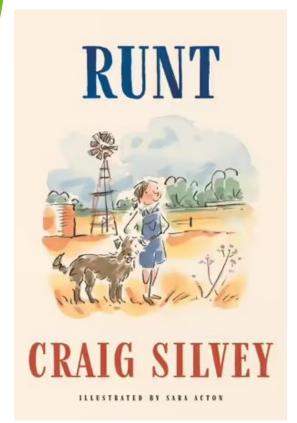
Shelby and her best friend Davy live quiet low-tech lives in a closed community that is made up of exactly three hundred and fifty kind, ethical people living on exactly seven hundred hectares.

When they climb through a hole in the perimeter fence to venture into the surrounding jungle, what they find is more astonishing than anything they could have imagined.

And when Shelby realises the terrible danger that is unfolding, it will take all of her daring and determination to ensure the past does not repeat itself.

Intriguing, absorbing and spine-tinglingly good, *The Raven's Song* is a brilliant novel by two esteemed writers at the height of their powers.







Author: Craig Silvey ISBN: 9781761067846

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$22.99 Age: 7+ years

Blurb: 'You don't have to carry the weight of the world in your tool belt.' Annie Shearer likes to fix things. She lives in the country town of Upson Downs with her best friend, an adopted stray dog called Runt. The two share a very special bond.

After years evading capture, Runt is remarkably fast and agile, perfect for herding runaway sheep. But when greedy local landowner Earl Robert-Barren puts her family's home at risk, Annie directs Runt's extraordinary talents towards a different pursuit - winning the Agility Course Grand Championship at the lucrative Krumpets Dog Show in London.

However, two things stand in her way. There is Fergus Fink, a vain and villainous dog handler determined to prevent Annie from upstaging him. And a curious predicament: Runt will only obey Annie's commands if nobody else is watching.

Though she's used to fixing problems on her own, Annie enlists the help of her quirky family. There's Susie, her vibrantly fashionable mother, who is the worst baker in the nation. Her father, Bryan, who inherited the family farm and has a hidden passion for flower cultivation. Her teenage brother Max, an aspiring daredevil. And her grandmother Dolly, a one time champion sportswoman who, years after the death of her husband Wally, is now looking for love. Each make sacrifices and employ their own unique skills to get Annie and Runt to London.

With all eyes on them, Annie and Runt must beat the odds and the fastest dogs in the world to save her farm.

Runt is a heartwarming and hilarious tale of kindness, friendship, hurdles, hoops, tunnels, see-saws, and, above all, being yourself and bringing out the best in others.





Title: Evie and Rhino

Author: Neridah McMullin

ISBN: 9781760654207

Pub Date: 4th October 2022

RRP: \$18.99 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: 'A young girl with a tragic past and a rhinoceros facing life in captivity form an unlikely and magical bond after a fateful storm and a shipwreck bring them together. A moving tale about love, connection and the healing power of friendship.

1891

On a stormy night off the coast of southern Australia, a ship transporting a cargo of exotic animals tosses and turns in enormous seas. Rhino senses they are in grave danger. . .

Not far away, ten-year-old Evie and her grandfather shelter in their crumbling, once-grand old home. They know too well how deadly storms can be. When all is calm, Evie treks over the dunes to the sea and makes a discovery that will change her life, and Rhino's, forever.

Will the tragedies of their pasts finally be put to rest?





Title: Leila and the Blue Fox

Author: Kiran Millwood Hargrave

ISBN: 9781510110274

Pub Date: 11th October 2022

RRP: \$26.99 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: Come with an Arctic fox on a breathtaking journey ... an enthralling story from the bestselling, award-winning creators of *Julia and the Shark*. With dazzling blue and black illustrations and presented as a deluxe hardback with tracing paper inserts, this is a perfect gift for 9+ fans of *The Last Bear* and *A Wolf Called Wander*.

She was very tired.

She lay down, her soft head on her soft paws.

The sunset licked her face.

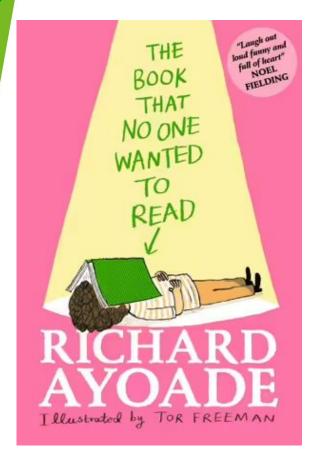
The snow covered her like a blanket.

Fox wakes, and begins to walk. She crosses ice and snow, over mountains and across frozen oceans, encountering bears and birds beneath the endless daylight of an Arctic summer, navigating a world that is vast, wild and wondrous.

Meanwhile, Leila embarks on a journey of her own - finding her way to the mother who left her. On a breathtaking journey across the sea, Leila rediscovers herself and the mother she thought she'd lost, with help from a determined little fox.

Based on the true story of an Arctic fox who walked from Norway to Canada in seventy-six days, a distance of two thousand miles, this compelling, emotional and beautifully illustrated story is the perfect gift for 9+ readers.





Title: The Book that No One Wanted to Read

Author: Richard Ayoade ISBN: 9781529500301

Pub Date: 4th October 2022

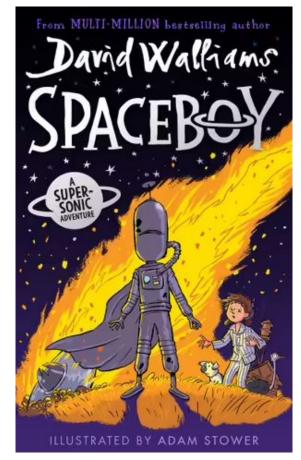
RRP: \$24.99 Age: 8+ years

Blurb: What is it that makes YOU want to read a book? Richard Ayoade's children's debut gives you all the answers in a way that's silly, funny, and

thoroughly beguiling.

Have you ever thought about how it feels to be a book? To be left under a whiffy pant pile or shelved, forever collecting dust? To have your pages bent backwards or your spine BROKEN? What if you don't have a sparkly unicorn or dragon adorning your cover – who will pick you out of the bookshop then? This is the story of the sadly neglected *Book That No One Wanted To Read* – can its destiny change when it finally meets the right reader? Spoiler alert: yes.





Title: Spaceboy

Author: David Walliams ISBN: 9780008579944

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$22.99 Age: 8+ years

Blurb: Go back to the Space Race with No.1 bestselling author David Walliams for a breathless cinematic adventure full of mystery, action, laughs and surprises – and a secret that could change the course of history...

America. The 1960s.

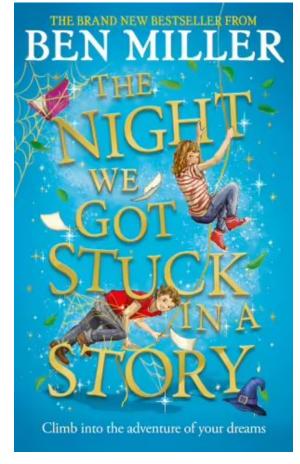
Stuck on a remote farm with her awful aunt, twelve-year-old orphan Ruth spends every night gazing at the stars, dreaming of adventure.

One night she spots a flying saucer blazing across the sky... before crash-landing in a field. When the spaceship opens and reveals a mysterious alien, all Ruth's dreams come true.

But does this visitor from another planet have a giant secret?

Spaceboy is a hilarious and action-packed tale for readers in any solar system.





Title: The Night We Got Stuck in a Story

Author: Ben Miller ISBN: 9781398519862

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$16.99 Age: 8+ years

Blurb: Climb into the adventure of your dreams in the next classic adventure from bestselling author, Ben Miller - out now!

Lana and Harrison are staying with their grandparents, when they discover their favourite tree to play in is under threat. That night, a magical golden thread leads them up through the hollow of the tree into a storybook land, where wind and rain rage and a fearsome beast terrifies all who live there.

When Harrison is kidnapped by the evil Spider Queen, Lana must do whatever it takes to find him, save the villagers and restore the balance of the storybook world, before the night is out.

A breathtaking journey through magical worlds for all the family, featuring Lana and Harrison, the adventure-loving siblings from the bestselling *The Day I Fell into a Fairytale*, from master storyteller, Ben Miller.







Title: Minecraft: The Haven Trials - A Novel

Author: Suyi Davies ISBN: 9781529150308

Pub Date: 6th October 2022

RRP: \$22.99 Age: 8+ years

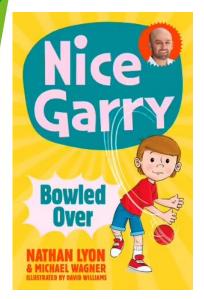
Blurb: All of Cecelia Alao's friends call her Cece. All one of them. But she and Therese are so close that one friend is all Cece needs. Both at school and in their shared Minecraft world, Cece and Therese are inseparable. Until the night before the first day of school, when Therese sends Cece a message, three words that change everything-We are moving.

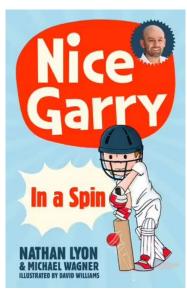
Therese's new home in the USA is 7,000 miles away from Lagos, where the two best friends grew up. Not only is Cece facing secondary school without her best friend, but she's losing the world she built with Therese. But Cece still has hope. Maybe she can't cross the world to get to her friend, but in Minecraft she won't need to. Therese has invited her to a new server-with new friends from her new home-a place called Haven. All Cece has to do is join and they'll be reunited. It's that easy, right?

When she follows the invite, she realizes just how wrong she was. Lost in a chaotic world named Anarchia, Cece learns that the server's owner, a shadowy figure called the Ocury, has sealed off the peaceful land of Haven behind a twisted initiation ceremony called the Haven Trials.

Three titanic tasks. Five lives to complete them. A host of dangerous mobs and griefing players. If Cece fails, she'll be banned from the server forever. There's no way she can do this alone. If she wants to play with Therese again, she's going to have to find new people she can rely on-both in-game and IRL.

No time to lose.... The trials await!







ISBN: 9781460761342 & 9781460761359

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$14.99 Age: 7+ years

Blurb: Inspired by the talent and passion Australian Test cricketing great Nathan Lyon has for the game, this is the story of an ordinary kid with an extraordinary gift.

Bowled Over

'Nice one, Garry!'

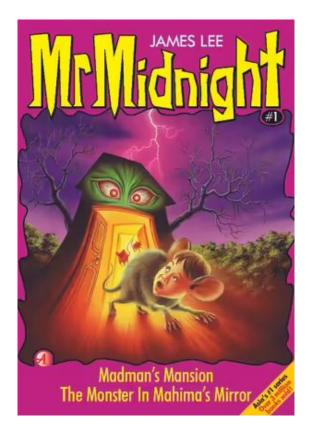
Ten-year-old Garry Keenan is about to discover he has a special cricketing ability, which is a dream come true, right? Well, it is, except that sometimes being first rate comes with all sorts of new challenges ...

In a Spin

'Watch out, Garry!'

Garry Keenan is the most exciting new cricketer to play for the Youngstown Under-16s in years. But can a talented ten-year-old off-spinner help his team take on the most feared XI in the competition?





Title: Mr Midnight Author: James Lee ISBN: 9789813056275

Pub Date: 29th July 2022

RRP: \$14.99 Age: 8+ years

Blurb: TURN DOWN YOUR LIGHTS, GET READY FOR FRIGHTS When the clock strikes midnight and the moon's full and bright, it's time for dread and fear. For Mr Midnight is here. With double the danger and twice the terror!

STORY #1: Leng, Charmaine and Kwan turn themselves into rats. But can they escape the evil Mr Chang in MADMAN'S MANSION?

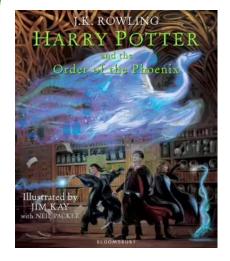
STORY #2: Mahima and her girlfriends hate boys. But they hate being trapped inside a mirror even more. How can they survive THE MONSTER IN MAHIMA'S MIRROR?





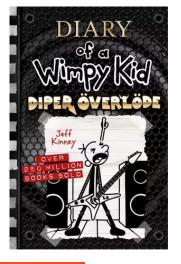


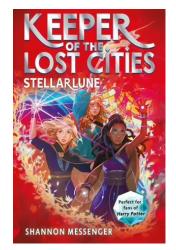
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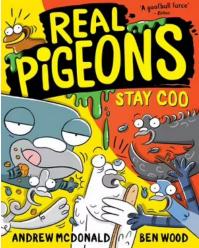




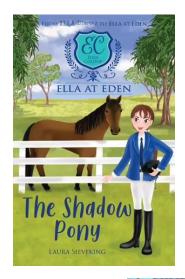




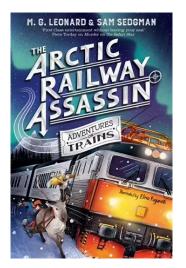








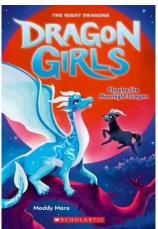








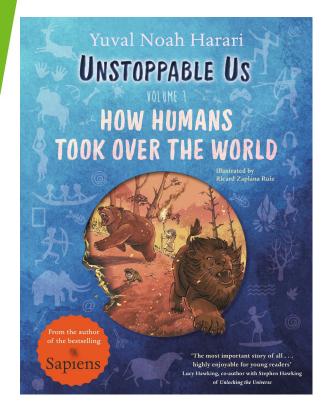








Featured Titles - Junior Non-Fiction October/November 2022



Title: Unstoppable Us

Author: Yuval Noah Harari

ISBN: 9780241596081

Pub Date: 3rd November 2022

RRP: \$39.99 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: *From the author of the multi-million bestselling Sapiens comes an incredible new story of the human race, for younger readers.*

We humans aren't strong like lions, we don't swim as well as dolphins, and we definitely don't have wings! So how did we end up ruling the world?

The answer to that is one of the strangest tales you'll ever hear. And it's a true story . . .

Have you ever wondered how we got here? From hunting mammoths, to flying to the moon?

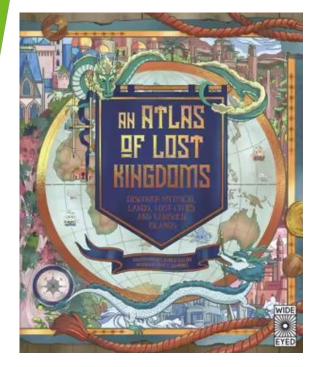
It is because we are unstoppable. But what made us so? Well, we have the most amazing superpower: the ability to tell stories. Fairy tales have led us from imagining ghosts and spirits to being able to create money (yes, really!).

And this has made us very powerful... but very deadly. Nothing stands in our way, and we always want more.

So get ready for the most amazing story there ever was - the incredible true tale of the Unstoppables. Find out how fire shrank our stomachs, how our ancestors spoke to animals, what football can tell us about being human, how we used our superpower for good and bad . . . and how YOU have the superpower to change the world.

With full-colour illustrations showing the relentless rise and rise of the human race, this is history like you've never experienced it before.





Title: An Atlas of Lost Kingdoms

Author: Emily Hawkins ISBN: 9780711262805

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$34.99 Age: 7+ years



Blurb: An Atlas of Lost Kingdoms takes young explorers on a quest to discover legendary lost worlds from a variety of different cultures spanning the globe. On this quest around the world, you will discover lost kingdoms, phantom islands and even legendary continents once sought by explorers but now believed to be mythical. For centuries, people have dreamed of finding the lost worlds of Atlantis, El Dorado and the Seven Cities of Gold. As well as shedding light on these famously elusive places, this atlas contains maps and captivating illustrations to illuminate lesser-known destinations, from the lost island of Hy-Brasil to the desert city of Zerzura. You will learn about rich mythologies from different cultures, from the Aztecs to the ancient Britons, from the Greek legends to Japanese folklore.

Most of the places in this book have never been found, but within these pages you will succeed where the adventurers of the past were thwarted. Learn about ancient maps, age-old manuscripts and cryptic carvings that reveal clues to the whereabouts of these lost kingdoms. The journey will transport you to thoroughly other-worldly places.

From bestselling author Emily Hawkinscomes this whimsical blend of myth and history, fact and fantasy. This lavish volume will fire the imaginations of young adventurers everywhere.





Title: Come Together
Author: Isaiah Firebrace

ISBN: 9781741178166

Pub Date: 16th November 2022

RRP: \$24.99 Age: 6+ years

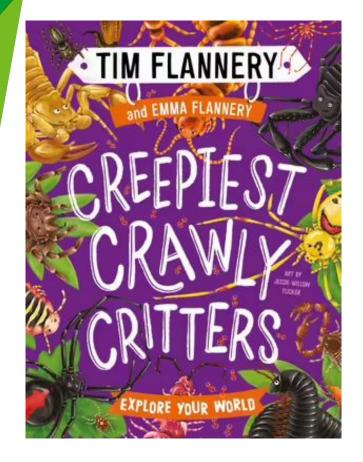


Blurb: Come Together is a heart-warming, debut picture book for children aged 5 and up from pop artist Isaiah Firebrace, inspired by his petition to the Australian Government calling for Aboriginal history to be taught in every classroom.

In this essential book, Isaiah, a Yorta Yorta and Gunditjmara man, establishes a foundation of First Nations knowledge with 20 key topics. Alongside bright and contemporary illustrations by Mununjali and Fijian artist Jaelyn Biumaiwai, Isaiah connects us to each topic through his own personal story and culture, from the importance of Elders to the Dreaming.

At once accessible and engaging, *Come Together* will make every Aussie kid proud that we are home to the longest continuing culture on Earth!





Title: Creepiest Crawly Critters

Author: Tim Flannery ISBN: 9781760509033

Pub Date: 3rd November 2022

RRP: \$34.99 Age: 7+ years

Blurb: Get ready to get up close and personal with the creepiest crawly critters with real-life explorer and scientist, Professor Tim Flannery.

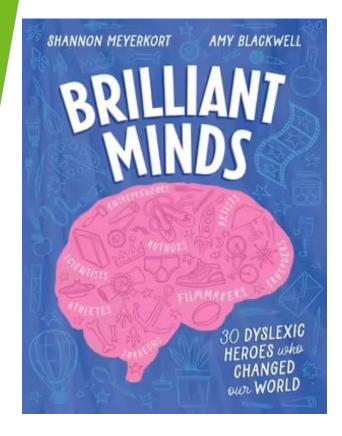
You may think you know all that's around you, but look closer and dig deeper –you'll discover a cast of the scariest (but very cool!) background characters in your life.

Why would a millipede glow in the dark? How much is a litre of scorpion venom worth? Why would a male redback sacrifice himself? How many mites live on your body? Which creepy crawly lives on the moon?

It's time to face your fears - you're about to find out!

From the authors of the best-selling *Explore Your World* series comes a brand-new compendium to enthral and enlighten readers. Each page is packed with vibrant illustrations and bursting with bizarre facts about the most terrifying yet amazing little creatures living around you (or maybe even on you!) – prepare to gasp, laugh and squirm in disgust!





Title: Brilliant Minds

Author: Shannon Meyerkort

ISBN: 9781922848079

Pub Date: 25th October 2022

RRP: \$35.00 Age: 7+ years

Blurb: One of a kind, this is THE 'go-to' book for families who have a child with dyslexia or children who struggle with reading and writing.

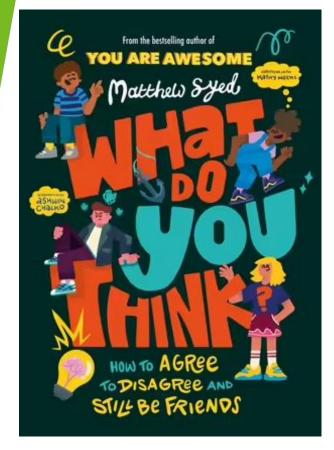
Featuring 30 inspiring famous people who have had dyslexia, such as film director Steven Spielberg, neurosurgeon Dr Fred Epstein, author Agatha Christie, chef Jamie Oliver and boxer Muhammad Ali.

Did you know that some of the world's greatest minds struggled at school? Here are thirty people who may not have been top of their class but who have used their dyslexia to their advantage and changed the world for the better.

Read about the ways that these record-breakers, game-changers and risk-takers managed their dyslexia, persevered through hardships and followed their passions to great success. Be inspired by people like Agatha Christie, Richard Branson, Jamie Oliver, Erin Brockovich, Muhammad Ali and Steven Spielberg.

This book is an empowering reminder for all kids struggling at school that they can achieve great things with their brilliant minds.





Title: What Do You Think? Author: Matthew Syed ISBN: 9781526364937

Pub Date: 27th October 2022

RRP: \$23.75 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: The third children's book by bestselling mindset author and two-time Olympian, Matthew Syed will help readers to find their voice, flex their social superpowers, and speak up with kindness and confidence.

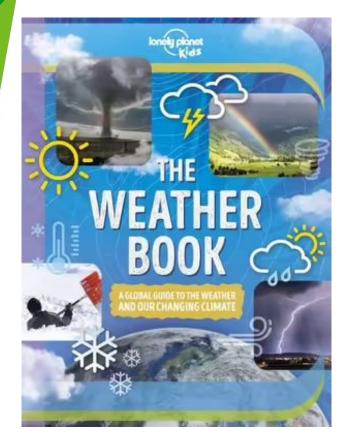
What if you could disagree with someone without it turning into the argument of the century? I'm here to tell you that it can be done. If you are the kind of person who...

- -Avoids disagreements because you don't want to fall out
- -Gets too embarrassed to say that you've changed your mind
- -Feels so overwhelmed that you don't know what to think
- ...then this book is for you.

What do YOU think? will help young readers to discover what is influencing their ideas, from peer pressure to fake news. They'll learn how to form and change opinions, and how to debate their views with empathy. Readers will see how debates and disagreements <u>can</u> give you new ideas, stronger friendships, and help change the world for the better. I know you have loads of incredible thoughts and ideas and the world deserves to hear your voice. I want to know... what do you think?

Practical and positive, this is the book to help children build confidence in their own thoughts, so they can grow into awesome adults who can listen, be listened to, and can agree to disagree while still being friends.





Title: The Weather Book Author: Lonely Planet Kids

ISBN: 9781838695293

Pub Date: 1st October 2022

RRP: \$29.99 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: Get your umbrella, your sun hat and your snowshoes ready for this thrill-packed journey through the world of weather. Find out about different climates and weather patterns; discover the processes that drive them; learn the secrets of forecasting the weather and read about record-breaking weather and weird

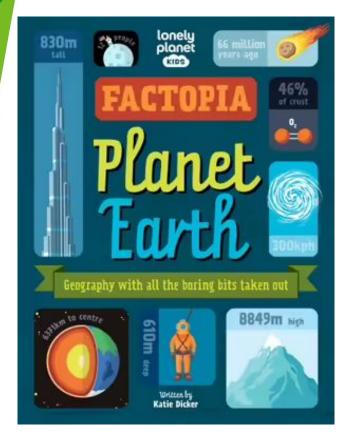
weather events, such as 'animal rain', 'ice bombs', 'ball lightningâ and much more.

This title also looks at the hot topics of pollution and climate change - how human activity can affect the weather, the impact of global warming and, most importantly, what we can all do to help. It's packed with fascinating facts and stories that will bring the extraordinary world of weather to life, making it perfect for budding meteorologists, young and old!

Contents includes:

- Daily Weather
- Seasons and Climate
- Extreme and Amazing Weather
- Using the Weather
- The Weather is Changing





Title: Planet Earth

Author: Lonely Planet Kids

ISBN: 9781838695217

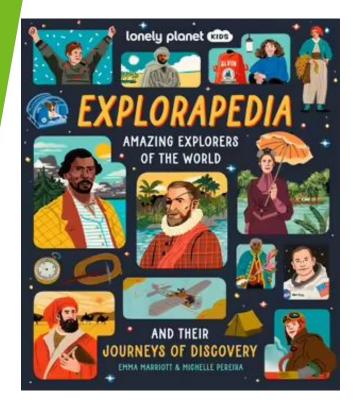
Pub Date: 1st October 2022

RRP: \$29.99 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: Explore the wide world of fascinating facts with this fully illustrated title. Did you know that around 550 people have been to space, but only around 20 people have been to the bottom of the ocean? Or that the deepest hole ever dug by people is deeper than the deepest part of the ocean, but still only 530th of the distance to the centre of the Earth? Or that Mawsynram, a town in India, receives over 11 metres of rain a year, while there are parts of the McMurdo Dry Valleys in Antarctica that haven't seen any rain in over 2 million years?

This book is packed with amazing facts and incredible contrasts, brought to life by stunning illustrations and imaginative infographics. It's going to be an exciting journey for young geographers!





Title: Explorapedia

Author: Lonely Planet Kids

ISBN: 9781838695194

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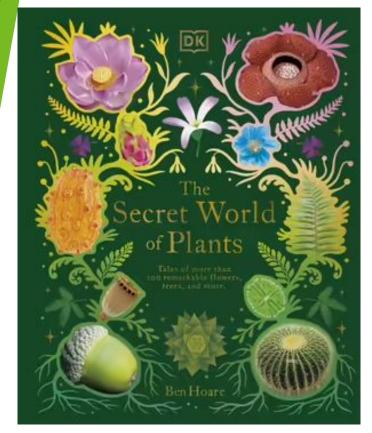
RRP: \$29.99 Age: 9+ years

Blurb: Get ready to travel across the world and back into history, to meet some of the worldâs greatest explorers in this big fun, fully illustrated reference book. Readers will learn about both famous - and these days sometimes controversial - names, such as Columbus, Magellan and Roald Amundsen, plus little-known ones, from a broad range of cultures and backgrounds. These include Jeanne Bare, the first woman to circumnavigate the Earth (which she did in the 18th century, disguised as a man), and Matthew Henson, an African American explorer who may have been the first person to reach the North Pole in the early 20th century. Individual biographies will also be interspersed with themed spreads that focus on wider topics - such as First Journeys out of Africa, Aboriginal Songlines, the Space Race, the future of human exploration, and much more.

Contents includes:

- Ocean Explorers
- Overland Explorers
- Ice and Snow Explorers
- Exploring the Skies







Title: The Secret World of Plants

Author: DK

ISBN: 9780241563526

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$42.99 Age: 7+ years

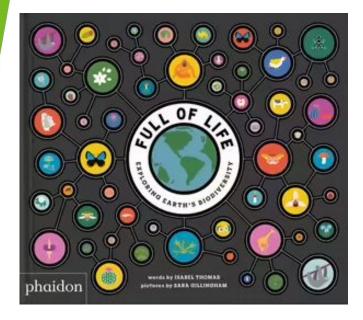
Blurb: A timeless treasury of more than 100 stories from the incredible kingdom of plants, told by author and nature expert Ben Hoare

Plants are found almost everywhere on Earth, but to many people their lives are a mystery. Discover the secrets of more than 100 amazing plants in this treasury of intriguing flora.

Learn how seagrass flowers underwater, how the Venus flytrap counts to make sure it catches its prey, and why some tulips used to cost more than a house! This book explores the vast plant kingdom and explains how plants work, as well as the weird and wonderful relationships they have with animals. Plants provide us with food, fuel, and medicine, and without them, life as we know it would not exist. From orchids that grow vanilla pods to leaves that look like stones, and from bamboo that can be made into clothes to moss that soaks up vast amounts of carbon dioxide, plants shape our world in an endless variety of ways.

The Secret World of Plants covers key plant parts; the essentials of plant science, including photosynthesis, pollination, and germination; and what they mean to the people around them. Each species is shown with remarkable photography and beautiful illustrations, all brought to life by Ben Hoare's writing, filled with charm and infectious enthusiasm. This book is a must for any child interested in the natural world and the plants that grow in it.





Title: Full of Life

Author: Isabel Thomas ISBN: 9781838665357

Pub Date: 6th October/November 2022

RRP: \$34.99 Age: 8-14 years

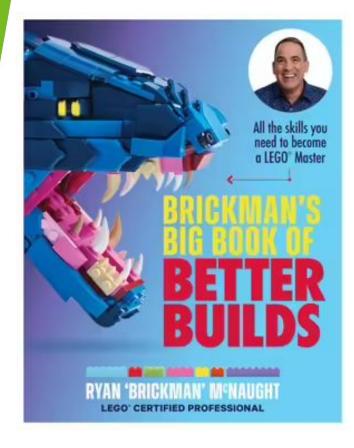
Blurb: Science meets design in this graphically stunning introductory

tour of Earth's amazing biodiversity

This artful and accessible guide to Earth's Tree of Life - the reference tool used by scientists to organize the incredible variety of living things on our planet - helps young readers understand how every living creature, from the tiniest germ to the biggest blue whale, is part of one big family tree.

Stunning layouts feature fascinating facts and stories behind some of the most extraordinary species on Earth, from familiar plants and animals to newly discovered microorganisms and viruses. With a comprehensive introduction, conclusion, and glossary, this is the perfect introduction to the 2 million+ life forms on our planet.





Title: Brickman's Big Book of Better Builds

Author: Ryan McNaught

ISBN: 9781922616272

Pub Date: 16th November 2022

RRP: \$39.99 Age: 7+ years



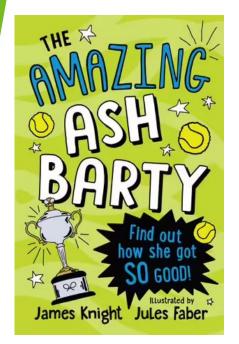
Blurb: Learn to build like Brickman - in-depth skills, techniques and know-how so you can build your most impressive LEGO creation ever.

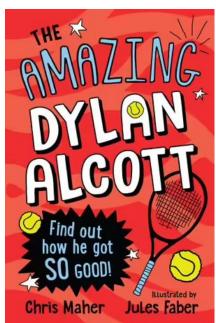
What are the insider tricks and secret skills that make a LEGO® Certified Professional's builds so awe-inspiring? How do you show action, intrigue and drama? How do you make your build move, glow - or even explode?

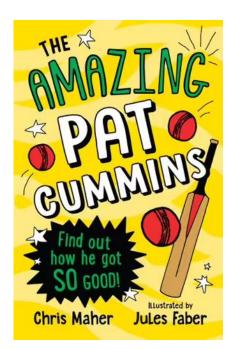
This comprehensive, behind-the-scenes guide from the star judge of *LEGO Masters Australia* shows you how to scope any LEGO project, large or small. All the key skills are covered - from settling on a design, prototyping and considering size, scale and structure, to harnessing pro techniques like SNOT (studs-not-on-top) and 'jumping off the grid', as well as adding awesome action features that will bring your build to life.

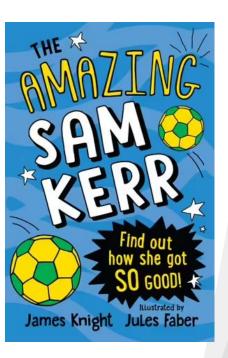
Packed with fascinating insider tips and illustrated examples of each skill, and featuring one of Brickman's own builds as a case study to reinforce the key techniques, this book is a backstage pass to your most impressive LEGO creation yet.











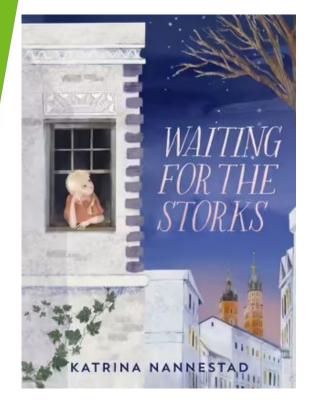




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Young Adult - Fiction October/November 2022



Title: Waiting for the Storks Author: Katrina Nannestad

ISBN: 9780702265426

Pub Date: 3rd November 2022

RRP: \$19.99 Age: 12+ years

Blurb: The powerful new novel from master storyteller Katrina Nannestad.

I don't want to remember the truck, or the night I was taken, or the family I left behind. I am not a sad Polish girl. I am a good and happy German girl.

I am. I am. I am.

It's the Second World War and Himmler's Lebensborn Program is in full flight when eight-year-old Zofia Ulinski is kidnapped by the Germans. She has blonde hair and blue eyes, just like the other Polish children taken from their families and robbed of their names, their language, their heritage.

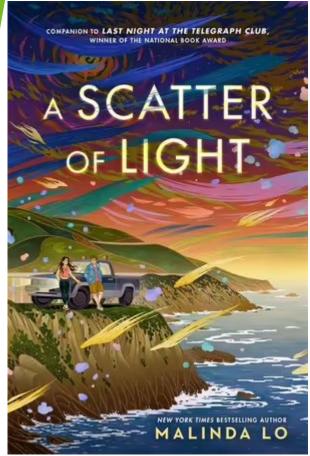
But when Zofia is adopted into a wealthy and loving German family, it is easier, it is safer to bury her past, deep down, so everything is forgotten.

Until the Polish boy arrives.

And the past comes back to haunt her.

From Katrina Nannestad, multi-award-winning author of *We Are Wolves* and *Rabbit, Soldier, Angel, Thief*, comes a story about family lost and found, and the choices we make when we don't have a choice at all.





Title: A Scatter of Light Author: Malinda Lo ISBN: 9781399706544

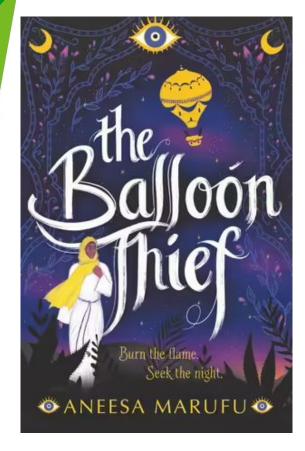
Pub Date: 11th October 2022

RRP: \$19.99 Age: 12+ years

Blurb: A Scatter of Light is a companion novel to the National Book Awards winner and New York Times bestseller Last Night at the Telegraph Club, and is about how the threads of family, inspiration, art, and identity are woven across generations.

Aria Tang West thought she'd be spending one last summer on Martha's Vineyard with her friends before starting MIT in the fall, where she intends to study astronomy, like her late grandfather. But after topless photos of her are posted online, she's abruptly uninvited from her friends' summer homes.

Aria's parents, a writer and opera singer with plans of their own, send Aria to stay with her artist grandmother, Joan West, in Northern California. Although Aria has never been attracted to girls before, she finds herself drawn to Joan's gardener, Steph Nichols, an aspiring musician a few years older than Aria. The only problem? Steph isn't single; she lives with her girlfriend, Lisa. But the chemistry between Aria and Steph seems undeniable, and this will be a summer that will turn her world upside down.





Title: The Balloon Thief Author: Malinda Lo ISBN: 9781913696078

Pub Date: 11th October 2022

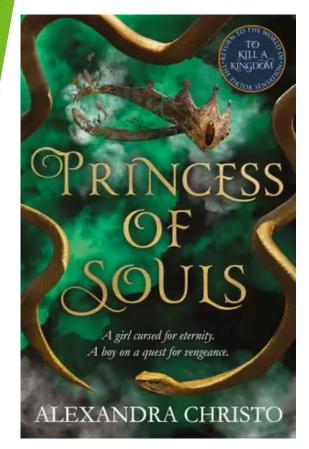
RRP: \$19.99 Age: 12+ years

Blurb: The year's must-read YA fantasy - ancient djinn, an epic adventure, and one girl's courage to seek her own destiny ... Burn the flame. Seek the night. 'Highly relevant yet utterly original, I was utterly entranced by this world of jinn, peris and hot air balloons that ache for the skies.'

LAUREN JAMES, author of THE QUIET AT THE END OF THE WORLD For

Khadija, the only escape from her father's arranged betrothal is the sky. When she spots a rogue hot air balloon fighting against its ropes, she leaps at the chance for adventure. Khadija soon finds an unlikely ally in a poor glassmaker's apprentice, Jacob. But Jacob is a hari, and Khadija a Ghadaean. The hari are oppressed and restless - their infamous terrorist group, the Hareef, have a new fearsome leader. And the ruling Ghadaeans are brutal in their repression. Soon, a deadly revolution threatens their friendship and their world.

The Hareef use forbidden magic, summoning jinn - wicked spirits made of fire - to enact their revenge, forcing Jacob and Khadija to choose what kind of a world they want to save ... A commercial, thrilling and uplifting fantasy adventure following sixteen-year-old Khadija, who flees her home in a stolen hot air balloon to escape an arranged marriage The debut novel from enthralling new talent, twenty-four-year-old Aneesa Marufu, which draws on the author's South Asian heritage Explores racism, misogyny and discrimination in a highly original fantasy universe Perfect for fans of Noughts + Crosses, We Hunt the Flame and Rebel of the Sands



Title: Princess of Souls Author: Alexandra Christo

ISBN: 9781471411991

Pub Date: 5th November 2022

RRP: \$19.99 Age: 12+ years

Blurb: ESCAPE INTO THE EPIC NEW FANTASY FROM THE AUTHOR OF TIKTOK

SENSATION, TO KILL A KINGDOM.

Return to the world of *TO KILL A KINGDOM* for a brand-new fantasy adventure about a young witch groomed to steal souls for an immortal king and the reckless, rebellious boy to whom her fate is tied.

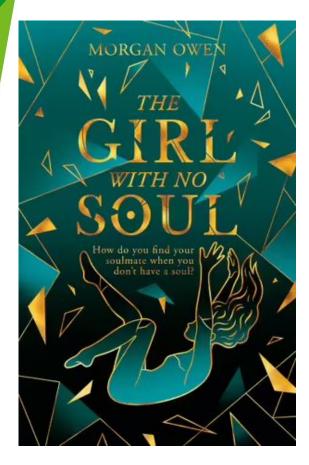
For sixteen years, Selestra has been trapped in her tower on the Floating Mountain, preparing to take her mother's place as the King's Witch, who foretells deaths in the Festival of Predictions. Outrunning your fate earns a wish and the chance to steal the King's immortality. But die and your soul is forfeit. And though thousands have tried, nobody has ever beaten death.

A soldier in the King's army, Nox is an unlikely candidate for the Festival, but, driven by revenge, he is determined to steal the King's immortality and kill the entirety of his court, starting with Selestra.

Yet when Selestra touches Nox in her very first prediction, their fates become entwined, and death seeks to take both their souls. Only by working together can they survive long enough to escape the dark fate and the immortal King that now hunts them.

A feast of storytelling, featuring breathtaking journeys, nail-biting battles and powerful magic.





Title: The Girl with No Soul Author: Morgan Owen ISBN: 9780702314636

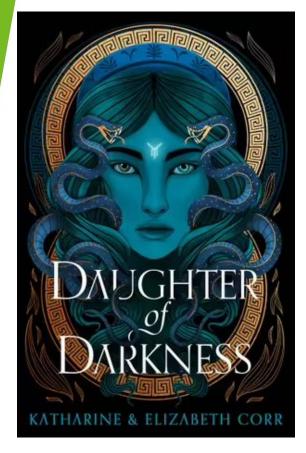
Pub Date: 1st October 2022

RRP: \$18.99 Age: 13+ years

Blurb: How can you find your soul mate, when you don't have a soul? Iris lives in a world ruled by The Order. Inspectors police the population by keeping careful watch over people's souls. If they shine their lanterns on you, your soul is projected for the world to see ... and judge. But Iris has a deadly secret ... she is a hollow, a person with no soul. She must hide from The Order at all costs, scraping a living in the shadows.

But when she's sent to steal a ring from a lady of nobility, she is reunited with her Sparkâ"one of the five parts that make up her own missing soul. Now she must rely on the help of a young scholar named Evander Mountebank to track down the other four missing pieces of her soul, all the while evading The Order. Will she be able to protect her heart as well as find her soul?





Title: Daughter of Darkness

Author: Katharine & Elizabeth Corr

ISBN: 9781471410918

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$19.99 Age: 12+ years

Blurb: Enter the Underworld in an epic new fantasy, where the Gods of

ancient Greece rule everything but fate.

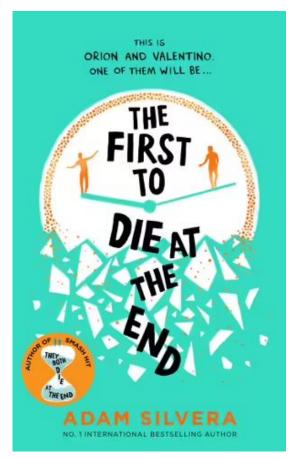
Deina is trapped. As one of the Soul Severers serving the god Hades on earth, her future is tied to the task of shepherding the dying on from the mortal world - unless she can earn or steal enough to buy her way out.

Then the tyrant ruler Orpheus offers both fortune and freedom to whoever can retrieve his dead wife, Eurydice, from the Underworld. Deina jumps at the chance. But to win, she must enter an uneasy alliance with a group of fellow Severers she neither likes nor trusts.

So begins their perilous journey into the realm of Hades... The prize of freedom is before her - but what will it take to reach it?

From the authors of *A THRONE OF SWANS* and *A CROWN OF TALONS* comes a stunning new YA duology set in a world inspired by the mythology of ancient Greece.





Title: The First to Die at the End

Author: Adam Silvera ISBN: 9781398519978

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$24.99 Age: 14+ years

Blurb: In this prequel to the NO. 1 INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING phenomenon of TIKTOK fame, *They Both Die at the End*, two new strangers spend a life-changing day together after Death-Cast make their first fateful calls.

It's the night before Death-Cast goes live, and there's one question on everyone's mind: Can Death-Cast actually predict death, or is it an elaborate hoax? Orion Pagan has waited years for someone to tell him that he's going to die, given his serious heart condition. Valentino Prince has a long and promising future ahead of him and only registered for Death-Cast after his twin sister nearly died in a car accident.

Orion and Valentino cross paths in Times Square and immediately feel a deep connection. But when the first End Day calls go out, their lives are changed for ever – one of them receives a call . . . the other doesn't.

Told with acclaimed author Adam Silvera's signature bittersweet touch, this story celebrates the lasting impact that people have on each other and proves that life is always worth living to the fullest.







Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$24.99 Age: 14+ years



Blurb: Fall in love with this feel-good romance about the first messy, chaotic steps into adulthood, from the author of *It Sounded Better in My Head*

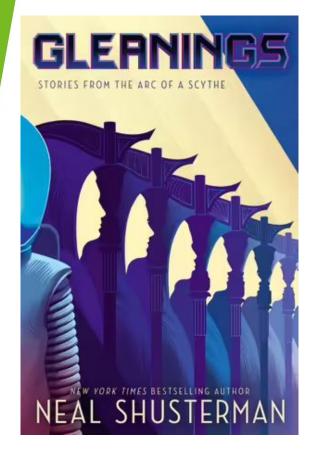
From the author of the much-loved *It Sounded Better It My Head* comes a deliciously entertaining new rom-com, set in a run-down student share house in Melbourne.

Eighteen-year-old Brooke is the kind of friend who not only remembers everyone's birthdays, but also organises the group present, pays for it, and politely chases others for their share. She's the helper, the doer, the guarder-of-drinks, the minder-of-bags, the maker-of-spreadsheets. She's the responsible one who always follows the rules-and she plans to keep it that way during her first year of university.

Her new share house only has one rule- 'no unnecessary drama'. Which means no fights, tension, or romance between housemates. When one of her housemates turns out to be Jesse, her high-school nemesis, Brooke is nervously confident she can handle it. They'll simply silently endure living together and stay out of each other's way. But it turns out Jesse isn't so easy to ignore...

Channelling the screwball comedy of *New Girl* with an enemies-to-lovers twist, *Unnecessary Drama* is a joyful story about leaving home, dealing with the unexpected complications of life, and somehow finding exactly what you need.





Title: Gleanings

Author: Neal Shusterman ISBN: 9781529509540

Pub Date: 16th November 2022

RRP: \$19.99 Age: 14+ years

Blurb: The New York Times bestselling Arc of a Scythe series continues with thrilling stories that span the timeline. Storylines continue. Origin stories are revealed. And new Scythes emerge...

There are still countless tales of the Scythedom to tell. Centuries passed between the Thunderhead cradling humanity and Scythe Goddard trying to turn it upside down. For years humans lived in a world without hunger, disease, or death with Scythes as the living instruments of population control.

Neal Shusterman – along with collaborators David Yoon, Jarrod Shusterman, Sofía Lapuente, Michael H. Payne, Michelle Knowlden, and Joelle Shusterman – returns to the world throughout the timeline of the Arc of a Scythe series. Discover secrets and histories of characters you've followed for three volumes and meet new heroes, new foes, and some figures in between.

Gleanings shows just how expansive, terrifying, and thrilling the world that began with the Printz Honor-winning Scythe truly is.





Title: A Semi-Definitive List of Worst Nightmares

Author: Krystal Sutherland

ISBN: 9781761048777

Pub Date: 1st October 2022

RRP: \$19.99 Age: 12+ years

Blurb: Esther's family is riddled with fear. Her father is agoraphobic and hasn't left the basement in six years. Her twin brother cannot be in the dark. Her mother is terrified of bad luck. According to the family curse, they are destined to die from the very things they fear most.

Esther doesn't know what her greatest fear is yet (nor does she want to). So she avoids nearly everything, keeping close track of every phobia in her semi-definitive list of worst nightmares.

Then Esther is pickpocketed by Jonah Smallwood, an old elementary school classmate. Along with her phone, money, and a Fruit Roll-Up she'd been saving, Jonah also steals her list. And so begins Esther's ultimate challenge-to work her way through the list, tackling one fear at a time. Including one that Esther hadn't even considered- love.





Title: By the Book

Author: Jasmine Guillory ISBN: 9781761292255

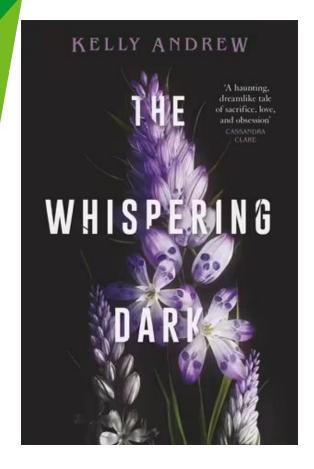
Pub Date: 1st November 2022

RRP: \$19.99 Age: 14+ years

Blurb: Sometimes to truly know a person, you have to read between the lines. Isabelle is completely lost. When she first began her career in publishing after college, she did not expect to be twenty-five, still living at home, and one of the few Black employees at her publishing house.

Overworked and underpaid, constantly torn between speaking up or stifling herself, Izzy thinks there must be more to this publishing life. So when she overhears her boss complaining about a beastly high-profile author who has failed to deliver his long-awaited manuscript, Isabelle sees an opportunity to finally get the promotion she deserves. All she has to do is go to the author's Santa Barbara mansion and give him a pep talk or three. How hard could it be?

But Izzy quickly finds out she is in over her head. Beau Towers is not some celebrity lightweight writing a tell-all memoir. He is jaded and withdrawn and, it turns out, just as lost as Izzy. But despite his stand-offishness, Izzy needs Beau to deliver, and with her encouragement, his story begins to spill onto the page. They soon discover they have more in common than either of them expected, and as their deadline nears, Izzy and Beau begin to realise there may be something there that wasn't there before.



Title: The Whispering Dark

Author: Kelly Andrew ISBN: 9781473234857

Pub Date: 8th November 2022

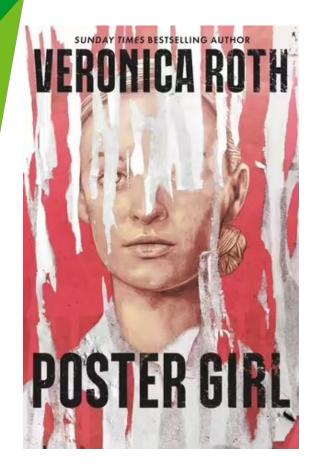
RRP: \$22.99 Age: 14+ years

Blurb: Delaney Meyers-Petrov is tired of being seen as fragile just because she's Deaf. So, when she's accepted into a prestigious program at Godbole University that trains students to slip between parallel worlds, she's excited for the chance to prove herself. But her semester gets off to a rocky start when she has an awkward encounter with a pretentious upperclassman, Colton Price, whom she has every intention of keeping her distance from.

Colton has been ordered to keep far away from the new girl, and the voices that call to her from the shadows. But the pull of her proves impossible to ignore, and he can't help but be fascinated by her unusual talents.

After a fellow student turns up dead, she and Colton are forced to form a tenuous alliance, plummeting down a rabbit hole of deeply buried university secrets. They soon find themselves up against something old and nameless, an enemy that threatens to tear them - and their forbidden partnership - apart.





Title: Poster Girl

Author: Veronica Roth ISBN: 9781529331035

Pub Date: 18th October 2022

RRP: \$32.99 Age: 13+ years

Blurb: A fallen regime. A missing child. A chance at freedom.

By the #1 New York Times bestselling author of Divergent, Poster Girl is a haunting adult dystopian mystery that explores the expanding role of surveillance on society - an inescapable reality that we welcome all too easily. WHAT'S RIGHT IS RIGHT. Sonya Kantor knows this slogan - she lived by it for most of her life. For decades, everyone in the Seattle-Portland megalopolis lived under it, as well as constant surveillance in the form of the Insight, an ocular implant that tracked every word and every action, rewarding or punishing by a rigid moral code set forth by the Delegation.

Then there was a revolution. The Delegation fell. Its most valuable members were locked in the Aperture, a prison on the outskirts of the city. And everyone else, now free from the Insight's monitoring, went on with their lives. Sonya, former poster girl for the Delegation, has been imprisoned for ten years when an old enemy comes to her with a deal: find a missing girl who was stolen from her parents by the old regime, and earn her freedom. The path Sonya takes to find the child will lead her through an unfamiliar, crooked post-Delegation world where she finds herself digging deeper into the past and her family's dark secrets - than she ever wanted to.





Title: New Dragon City Author: Mari Mancusi ISBN: 9781761293382

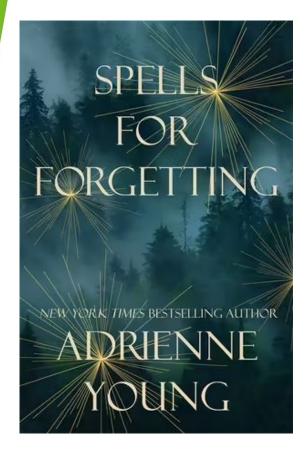
Pub Date: 1st November 2022

RRP: \$18.99 Age: 13+ years

Blurb: No one predicted the dragon apocalypse. The dragons came suddenly and decimated the world as we knew it, including New York City. Now, three years later, Noah, his hardcore survivalist father, and a ragtag group of survivors are barely scraping by in this new reality. Kids scavenge not only for materials in abandoned homes but also for leftover books at the library. Adults spend their time establishing a make-shift society and defending their shelter ... with any means available.

At least for the few months the dragons are hibernating, until it's no longer safe aboveground. Noah has seen the damage these creatures can do firsthand. When it comes to dragons: It's kill or be killed. But a chance encounter between Noah and a young dragon forces him to question everything he thought he knew. With rumours spreading that there's a group of survivors living in harmony with dragons instead of hiding underground, Noah teams up with his fire-breathing ally to find out if peace between humans and dragons is really possible. But the division runs deeper than scales versus skin because trying to follow his heart might just cost Noah his family too. If Noah and his father can't see eye-to-eye, can he really get humans and dragons to?





Title: Spells for Forgetting Author: Adrienne Young ISBN: 9781529425314

Pub Date: 27th September 2022

RRP: \$32.99 Age: 13+ years

Blurb: From the *New York Times* bestselling author comes an evocative, compelling novel of ancestral magic, an unsolved murder, and a second chance at true love.

'There were tales that only the island knew. Ones that had never been told. I knew, because I was one of them.'

Emery Blackwood's life was forever changed on the eve of her high school graduation, when the love of her life, August Salt, was accused of murdering her best friend, Lily. She'd once dreamt of running away with August, eager to escape the misty, remote shores of Saoirse Island and chase new dreams together. Now, she is doing what her teenage self swore she never would: living a quiet existence among this tight-knit community steeped in folklore and tradition, ruled by the seasons and ancient superstitions.

But when August returns after fourteen years to bury his mother's ashes, Emery must confront her first love and the reason he left so abruptly. But the town wants August gone again. And as the island begins to show signs of strange happenings, the emergence of deep betrayals and hidden promises threatens to reveal the truth behind Lily's death once and for all.







Pub Date: 27th September 2022

RRP: \$22.99 Age: 12+ years

Blurb: Assassin. Immortal. Spy.

From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of These Violent Delights comes the first book in a captivating new duology following an ill-matched pair of spies posing as a married couple to investigate a series of brutal murders in 1930s Shanghai.

It's 1931 in Shanghai, and the stage is set for a new decade of intrigue.

Four years ago, Rosalind Lang was brought back from the brink of death, but the strange experiment that saved her also stopped her from sleeping and aging - and allows her to heal from any wound. In short, Rosalind cannot die. Now, desperate for redemption for her traitorous past, she uses her abilities as an assassin for her country.

Code name: Fortune.

But when the Japanese Imperial Army begins its invasion march, Rosalind's mission pivots. A series of murders is causing unrest in Shanghai, and the Japanese are under suspicion. Rosalind's new orders are to infiltrate foreign society and identify the culprits behind the terror plot before more of her people are killed.

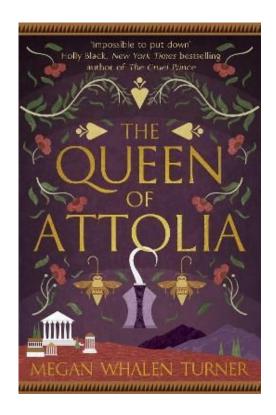
To reduce suspicion, she must pose as the wife of another Nationalist spy, Orion Hong. Although Rosalind finds Orion's cavalier attitude and playboy demeanour infuriating, she is willing to work with him for the greater good. But Orion has an agenda of his own, and Rosalind has secrets that she wants to keep buried. As they both attempt to unravel the conspiracy, the two spies soon find that there are deeper and more horrifying layers to this mystery than they ever imagined.



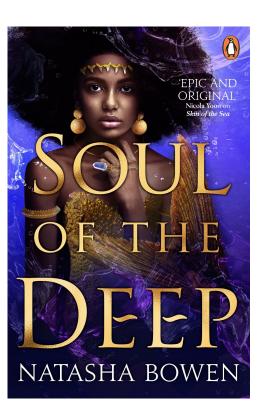


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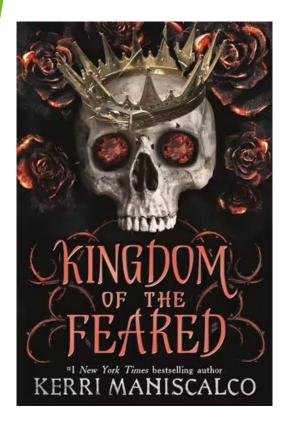










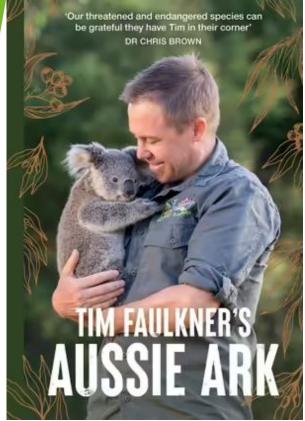








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Author: Tim Faulkner ISBN: 9781760686956

Pub Date: 5th October 2022

RRP: \$45.00 Age: 14+



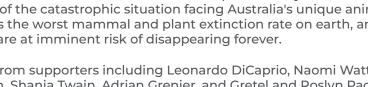
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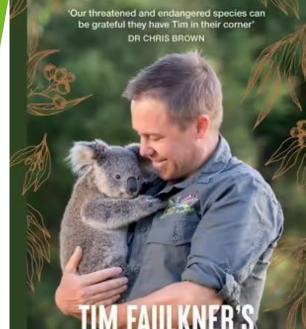
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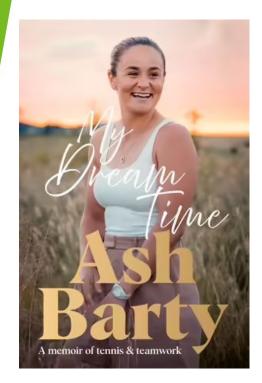
From the time he was old enough to focus on an object, Tim Faulkner has had his eyes glued on things that slither, climb, claw, wrap, shake, hop and burrow. Over the past twenty years, Tim Faulkner's wild life has included relocating a male crocodile in an effort to increase his chances of getting lucky; extracting venom from some of the world's most deadly snakes and spiders; filming TV shows broadcast in over 170 territories worldwide; establishing and rewilding a breeding population of Tasmanian devils on the mainland; building conservation organisations such as Aussie Ark from scratch; co-owning the Australian Reptile Park; and rescuing rare turtles and other wildlife after the 2019-20 Black Summer bushfires.

There is a powerful motivation behind his decision to share stories and lessons from his remarkable life in animal conservation. Tim is passionately committed to raising our awareness of the catastrophic situation facing Australia's unique animals and ecology. This country has the worst mammal and plant extinction rate on earth, and 1 in 3 of our native mammals are at imminent risk of disappearing forever.

With help from supporters including Leonardo DiCaprio, Naomi Watts, Zac Efron, Chris Hemsworth, Shania Twain, Adrian Grenier, and Gretel and Roslyn Packer, Tim Faulkner is on a mission to save Australia's threatened wildlife and restore its unique biodiversity. And he wants all his fellow Aussies to join him in the fight.







Title: My Dream Time Author: Ash Barty ISBN: 9781460762820

Pub Date: 2nd November 2022

RRP: \$49.99 Age: 14+

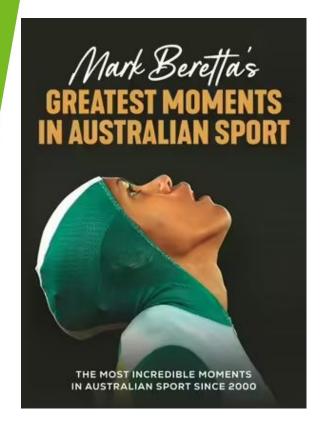
Blurb: It's a tennis story. It's a family story. It's a teamwork story. It's the story of how I got to where and who I am today.

I'm only in my mid-twenties, and some might think that's young to write a memoir. Who does that, right? But for me and my team it's always been important to reflect on every part of the journey, especially the end. In that context, the timing is perfect to share my story, from the first time I picked up a racket as a 5-year-old girl in Ipswich to the night I packed up my tennis bag at Melbourne Park after winning the 2022 Australian Open. This book gives me a chance to look back at every moment of the 20 years in between, and to think carefully through the highs and lows, the work and the play, the smiles and the tears.

Telling my story also gives me an opportunity to do more than simply thank those who mean the most to me – it provides a way to honour them as an integral part of that tale, as the very secret behind my success. Some of them you might know – such as my longtime coach Craig Tyzzer – and some of them you might not – like my first coach as a little girl, Jim Joyce. There are mates like Casey Dellacqua and Alicia Molik. Mentors such as Indigenous icon Evonne Goolagong Cawley and mindset coach Ben Crowe. My parents and sisters and my fiancé have sacrificed as much as I have over the years – this book is also for them.

The book is about finding the path to being the best I could be, not just as an athlete but as a person, and to consider the way those identities overlap and compete. We all have a professional and a personal self. How do you conquer nerves and anxiety? How do you deal with defeat, or pain? What drives you to succeed – and what happens when you do? The answers tell me so much, about bitter disappointments and dreams realised – from injuries and obscurity and self-doubt to winning Wimbledon and ranking number I in the world. My story is about the power and joy of doing that thing you love and seeing where it can take you, about the importance of purpose – and perspective – in our lives.





Title: Mark Beretta's Greatest Moments in Australian Sport

Author: Mark Beretta ISBN: 9781925972986

Pub Date: 25th October 2022

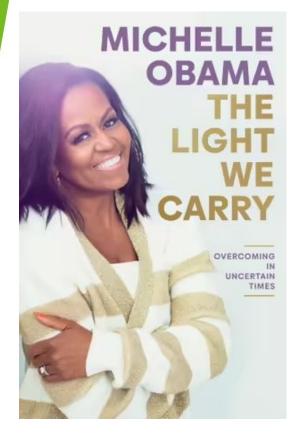
RRP: \$39.99 Age: 14+

Blurb: Mark Beretta OAM is a journalist, TV host, author, national water-ski champion, and Australia's most-watched sports presenter. But first, foremost, and most fervently he is a sports fan. He's spent his whole life either competing in, commentating on, or just enjoying sport. Since starting as an eager young radio sports reporter in 1990, and then joining the Seven Network in 1995 – a role that's taken him to 13 Olympic Games and just about every major sporting event in between – Mark has had the privilege of being up close to history in the making, including many special moments that this sports-mad nation will never forget. But which were the sporting moments that really got his heart racing, hairs tingling and tears flowing?

In Mark Beretta's Greatest Moments in Australian Sport, Mark audaciously counts down to the greatest of them all, from the Australian Women's T20 World Cup cricket win to ... well, you'll just have to see. It could be Steve Waugh's last-ball century at the SCG, Ariarne Titmus defeating the greatest female swimmer of all time, John Aloisi's penalty against Uruguay or Ian Thorpe's five gold medals in Athens. Cadel Evans's Tour de France and Adam Scott's US Masters could both be worthy winners, as could Ash Barty's Wimbledon win or Cathy Freeman's heroics at the Sydney Olympics. Australia is lucky to have a sporting history like no other.

You might not agree with the ranking, but you will love reliving these special sporting moments from the best vantage point in Australian sport.







Title: The Light We Carry Author: Michelle Obama ISBN: 9780241621240

Pub Date: 16th November 2022

RRP: \$55.00 Age: 14+

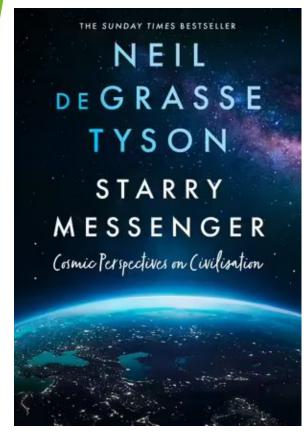
Blurb: The powerful, inspiring follow-up to the critically acclaimed, multi-million #1 bestselling memoir *Becoming*

In *The Light We Carry*, former First Lady Michelle Obama shares practical wisdom and powerful strategies for staying hopeful and balanced in today's highly uncertain world.

She considers the questions many of us wrestle with: How do we build enduring and honest relationships? How can we discover strength and community inside our differences? What do we do when it all starts to feel like too much? Michelle Obama believes that we can all lean on a set of tools to help us better navigate change and remain steady within flux.

The Light We Carry offers readers a series of fresh stories and insightful reflections on change, challenge, and power, including her belief that when we light up for others, we can illuminate the richness and potential of the world around us, discovering deeper truths and new pathways for progress. Drawing from her experiences as a mother, daughter, spouse, friend, and First Lady, she shares the habits and principles she has developed to successfully overcome various obstacles -- the earned wisdom that helps her continue to "become."

With trademark humour, candour, and compassion, she also explores issues connected to race, gender, and visibility, encouraging readers to work through fear, find strength in community, and live with boldness. *The Light We Carry* will inspire readers to examine their own lives, identify their sources of gladness, and connect meaningfully in a turbulent world.



Title: Starry Messenger Author: Neil DeGrasse Tyson

ISBN: 9780008543228

Pub Date: 19th October 2022

RRP: \$29.99 Age: 14+



Blurb: Bringing his cosmic perspective to civilization on Earth, Neil deGrasse Tyson, bestselling author of Astrophysics for People in a Hurry, shines new light on the crucial fault lines of our time–war, politics, religion, truth, beauty, gender, race, and tribalism–in a way that stimulates a deeper sense of unity for us all.

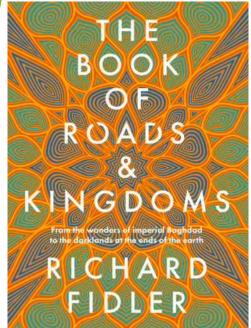
In a time when our political and cultural perspectives feel more divisive than ever, Tyson provides a much-needed antidote to so much of what divides us, while making a passionate case for the twin engines of enlightenment–a cosmic perspective and the rationality of science.

After thinking deeply about how a scientist views the world and about what Earth looks like from space, Tyson has found that terrestrial thoughts change as our brain resets and recalibrates life's priorities, along with the actions we might take in response. As a result, no outlook on culture, society, or civilisation remains untouched.

In Starry Messenger, Tyson reveals just how human the enterprise of science is. Far from a cold, unfeeling undertaking, scientific methods, tools, and discoveries have shaped modern civilisation and created the landscape we've built for ourselves on which to live, work, and play. Tyson shows how an infusion of science and rational thinking renders worldviews deeper and more informed than ever before—and exposes unfounded perspectives and unjustified emotions.

With crystalline prose and an abundance of evidence, Starry Messenger walks us through the scientific palette that sees and paints the world differently. From lessons on resolving global conflict to reminders of how precious it is to be alive, Tyson reveals, with warmth and eloquence, ten surprising, brilliant, and beautiful truths of human society, informed and enlightened by knowledge of our place in the universe.





Title: The Book of Roads and Kingdoms

Author: Richard Fidler ISBN: 9780733342592

Pub Date: 19th October 2022

RRP: \$39.99 Age: 14+



Blurb: A lost imperial city, full of wonder and marvels. An empire that was the largest the world had ever seen, established with astonishing speed. A people obsessed with travel, knowledge and adventure.

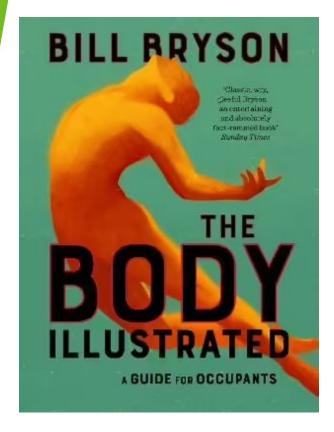
When Richard Fidler came across the account of Ibn Fadlan - a tenth-century Arab diplomat who travelled all the way from Baghdad to the cold riverlands of modern-day Russia - he was struck by how modern his voice was, like that of a twenty-first century time-traveller dropped into a medieval wilderness. On further investigation, Fidler discovered this was just one of countless reports from Arab and Persian travellers of their adventures in medieval China, India, Africa and Byzantium. Put together, he saw these stories formed a crazy quilt picture of a lost world.

The Book of Roads & Kingdoms is the story of the medieval wanderers who travelled out to the edges of the known world during Islam's fabled Golden Age; an era when the caliphs of Baghdad presided over a dominion greater than the Roman Empire at its peak, stretching from North Africa to India. Imperial Baghdad, founded as the 'City of Peace', quickly became the biggest and richest metropolis in the world. Standing atop one of the city's four gates, its founder proclaimed: Here is the Tigris River, and nothing stands between it and China.

In a flourishing culture of science, literature and philosophy, the citizens of Baghdad were fascinated by the world and everything in it. Inspired by their Prophet's commandment to seek knowledge all over the world, these traders, diplomats, soldiers and scientists left behind the cosmopolitan pleasures of Baghdad to venture by camel, horse and boat into the unknown. Those who returned from these distant foreign lands wrote accounts of their adventures, both realistic and fantastical - tales of wonder and horror and delight.

Fidler expertly weaves together these beautiful and thrilling pictures of a dazzling lost world with the story of an empire's rise and utterly devastating fall.







Author: Bill Bryson ISBN: 9780857527691

Pub Date: 18th October 2022

RRP: \$65.00 Age: 14+



Blurb: A new, beautifully illustrated edition of the Number One Bestseller and *Sunday Times* Science Book of the Year, which takes us on a head-to-toe tour of the marvel that is the human body. 'A directory of wonders' - *Guardian*

'Jaw-dropping' -The Times

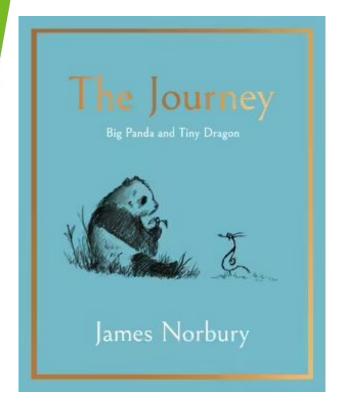
'It is a feat of narrative skill to bake so many facts in to an entertaining and nutritious book. *Daily Telegraph*

Classic, wry, gleeful Bryson ... an entertaining and absolutely fact-rammed book' *Sunday Times*

Now enhanced in this new edition by hundreds of stunning photographs and illustrations, Bryson's book about the human body, how it functions and its remarkable ability to heal itself, is an instant classic. A Sunday Times and international bestseller, it is jam-packed with extraordinary facts, remarkable characters and astonishing stories.







Title: The Journey

Author: James Norbury ISBN: 9780241585382

Pub Date: 18th October 2022

RRP: \$35.00 Age: 14+

Blurb: From the Sunday Times bestselling author of Big Panda and Tiny Dragon, follow the two friends as they continue on their journey together...

Big Panda and Tiny Dragon have inspired readers across the world with their message of kindness, hope and resilience. Join the two friends as they continue their journey overcoming life's obstacles together. And although they often find themselves lost, the beautiful sights along the way show us that the wrong path can often lead to the right road.

Writer and artist James Norbury began illustrating the adventures of Big Panda and Tiny Dragon, inspired by Buddhist philosophy, to share the ideas that helped him through difficult times, in the hope they could help others too.

