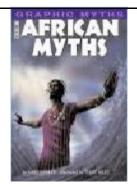
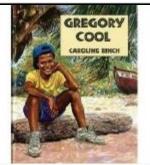
## Year 4 Book List



African Myths Gary Jeffrey

The speech bubbles and strip cartoon-style illustrations create a dynamic format that encourages readers to engage with the characters and get involved in the story. With fewer words than are found in typical mythology collections, and with plenty of great visual pointers, these texts are an ideal

introduction to classic myths that reluctant readers would otherwise find too challenging. Learn about the Yoruban creation myth, the story from Zaire of how dog became man's best friend, and how Anansi, a character held in great affection by Africans throughout the world, came to own all the stories.



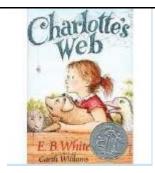
Gregory Cool Caroline Binch

When Gregory wakes up on his first day in Tobago with his grandparents, his heart sinks. The food is strange, the sun too hot, his cousin Lennox is on another wave length, and there are none of the televisions, video games and other high-tech gadgets that a cool city-boy takes for granted. How Gregory adjusts to the strange culture, and learns to enjoy the lifestyle of the Caribbean is enchantingly told and illustrated by award-winning author Caroline Binch.



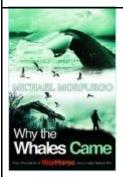
The Julian Stories Ann Cameron

Six funny and lively tales in which Julian gets into mischief - and out again - and finally makes a special new friend.



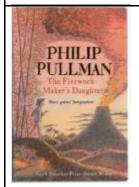
Charlotte's Web E.B White

In his classic and beloved novel, E. B. White tells the memorable story of Wilbur, a little pig who becomes famous with the help of his clever friend Charlotte and their chatty animal neighbors. As the runt of the litter, Wilbur struggles to survive from the very beginning. Fern begs her father, Mr. Arable, to raise Wilbur and nurse him to health. Fern succeeds and Wilbur moves to Zuckerman Farm, where he learns the true meaning of friendship from the wise gray spider Charlotte.



An exciting historical adventure from *War Horse* author and former Children's Laureate Michael Morpurgo.

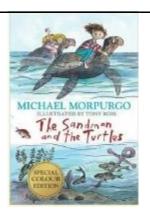
Gracie and her friend Daniel have always been warned to stay away from the Birdman and his side of the island. But then they find a message in the sand and discover the Birdman is not who they thought. They build up a lovely friendship with him, but when the children get stranded on Samson Island they don't know whether to believe the birdman's story that the island is cursed.



The Firework- Maker's Daughter Phillip Pullman

What Lila wants to be more than anything else in the world is . . . a Firework-Maker! But firework-making is not just about being able to make Crackle-Dragons and Golden Sneezes. There is also one special secret: every Firework-Maker must make a perilous journey to face the terrifying Fire-Fiend!

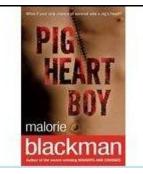
Not knowing that she needs special protection to survive the Fire-Fiend's flames, Lila sets off alone. Her friends, Chulak and Hamlet - the King's white elephant - race after her. But can they possibly reach her in time?



The Sandman and the Turtles Michael Morpurgo

Michael loves summer holidays in Wales, and Dadci's tall stories about the

Sandman, the old Russian sea captain and blood-red dragon in his lair. Little cousin Polly believes every word of the magical tales and she's determined to make it all come true.

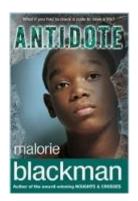


Pig Heart Boy

Malorie Blackman

You're thirteen. All you want is a normal life. But most normal kids don't need heart transplants.

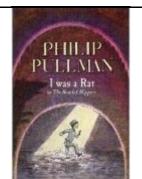
So there's this doctor. He says there's a chance for you. But he also says it's experimental, controversial and risky. And it's never been done before.



A.N.T.I.D.O.T.E.

Malorie Blackman

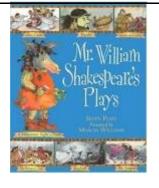
It's just your average Friday night. Then the police show up. Your mum's been caught on CCTV, breaking into a giant chemical company. They say she's working undercover for A.N.T.I.D.O.T.E, a group against animal testing - but how is that possible? She's not a spy - is she? Now she's on the run - and only you can uncover the truth. And you've got to crack a code to do it.



I Was a Rat

Phillip Pullman

When a small boy turns up on Bob and Joan's doorstep unable to say much, except 'I was a rat', the kindly couple adopt him. It seems strange but Bob reads about odder things every day in his newspaper. To them, the sunny little chap is Roger, and he's trying hard to adapt to human life.



Mr William Shakespeare's Plays Marcia Williams

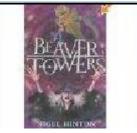
Take your place in the Globe Theatre of Shakespeare's day to see seven of his best-loved plays in performance. Romeo and Juliet, Hamlet, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Macbeth, Julius Caesar, The Winter's Tale, The Tempest, are all brought vividly to life in Marcia Williams' gloriously accessible comic-strip versions.



Walking the Bridge of Your Nose

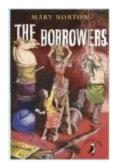
Michael Rosen

Runner-up for the 1996 Mother Goose Award, this unconventional collection of poetry and rhymes turns the English language on its head, with tongue twisters, puns and nonsense verse.



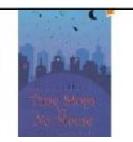
Beaver Towers Nigel Hinton

A magic spell whisks Philip away on his new kite to a far-off island where he meets the beavers - Mr Edgar and his grandson, Baby B. They tell him of the terrible danger that threatens them.



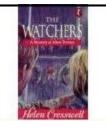
The Borrowers Mary Norton

The Borrowers live in the secret places of quiet old houses; behind the mantelpiece, inside the harpsichord, under the kitchen clock. They own nothing, borrow everything, and think that human beings were invented just to do the dirty work. Arrietty's father, Pod, was an expert Borrower. He could scale curtains using a hatpin, and bring back a doll's teacup without breaking it. Girls weren't supposed to go borrowing but as Arrietty was an only child her father broke the rule, and then something happened which changed their lives. She made friends with the human boy living in the house...



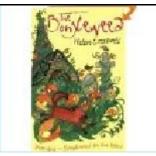
Time Stops for No Mouse Michael Hoeye

Hermux is an ordinary, hard-working mouse, living in an ordinary metropolis. But when adventuress and aviatrix Linka walks into his shop, his life becomes anything but ordinary.



The Watchers Helen Cresswell

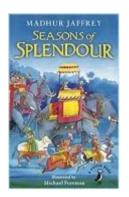
Katie and Josh run away from a children's home to live at Alton Towers. However, they soon discover that life is not fun when you live rough. Alton Towers is an eerie place after dark - another world of dark shadows and fear.



The Bongleweed

Helen Cresswell

A hilarious story about the bongleweed, a weird and wonderful plant that's threatening to take over the village. It's up to Becky and Jason to try and stop the wickedly wild weed before it's too late...



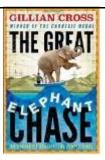
Seasons of Splendour Madhur Jaffrey

India is particularly rich in colourful folkore. These stories, told by parents to their children for many generations, make a rich and dazzling collection of mythological tales drawn from a great heritage of Hindu epics - from the life of the great god Krishna to how the monkey god Hanuman helped defeat the Demon King Ravan and a host of other magical and spectacular creatures. The stories are arranged according to the sequence of the Hindu year and each is prefaced with a short personal anecdote from the author's childhood. Beautifully illustrated throughout in black line and tone by Michael Foreman.



The Secret of Platform 13 Eva Ibbotson

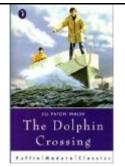
At platform 13 of King's Cross there's the opening to a magical world of witches, hags, giants and creatures called 'mistmakers' which puff out mist when they hear music, so keeping their island refuge secret.



The Great Elephant Chase

Gillian Cross

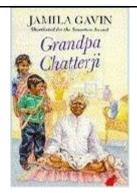
When the elephant came to town, Tad and Cissie went to the show like everyone else. Little did they know it would change their lives forever. Because of the elephant, Tad and Cissie get involved in a chase across America, by train, by flatboat, and steam boat. Close behind is Hannibal Jackson, who is determined to have the elephant for himself. And how do you hide a large Indian elephant?



The Dolphin Crossing

Jill Paton Walsh

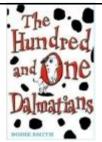
Pat and his friend John both know the risks they are running in taking a boat across the Channel in the spring of 1940. But they also know they have to do something to help the British soldiers stranded in Dunkirk.



Grandpa Chatterji

Jamila Gavin

Neeta and her little brother Sanjay have two grandpas, Dad's dad Grandpa Leicester and Mum's dad Grandpa Chatterji, who live in India. One day Grandpa Chatterji comes all the way to visit them, and the two children discover what a wonderful, surprising and magical Grandpa he is.



101 Dalmatians

Dodie Smith

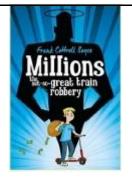
When Missis and Pongo's puppies go missing, the two Dalmatian parents know the scary Cruella de Vil has had something to do with it. After all, she adores furs, and the Dalmatians have such beautiful coats...



The Starlight Barking

Dodie Smith

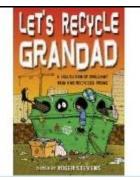
In this sequel to "The Hundred and One Dalmatians", strange things are happening. Dogs are the only creatures in the world that are awake, and they can communicate through thought waves. Best of all, they can swoosh through the air. Pongo, Missis and the family swoosh up to London to see if they can help sort out what's going on.



Millions

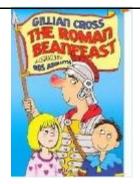
Frank Cottrell Boyce

Two bothers, Damian and Anthony, are unwittingly caught up in a train robbery during Britain's countdown to join the Euro. Suddenly finding themselves with a vast amount of cash, the boys have just one glorious, appalling dilemma – how to spend it in the few days before it becomes worthless. Torn between the vices of buying a million pizzas and the virtues of ending world poverty, the boys soon discover that being rich is a mug's game. For not only is the clock ticking – the bungling bank robbers are closing in. Pizzas or World Peace, what would you choose?



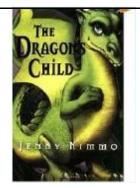
Let's Recycle Grandad Roger Stevens

A collection of funny poems.



The Roman Beanfeast Gillian Cross

Like every other school in the country, Davy's class are working on the Romans. Everyone is to do a piece of work based on the visit they made to a Roman fort and the best will get a prize at the Roman Feast planned by the school. Davy's problem is that bossy Molly from next door keeps stealing his ideas. That is until Davey draws inspiration from Julius Sneezer the Roman soldier.



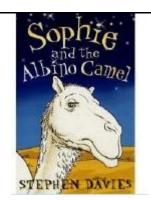
The Dragon's Child Jenny Nimmo

The Dragon's Child is paperback fantasy story about a flightless dragon child, separated from his mother, and the human children he befriends. Little Dando was hatched late in the season, and his wings haven't formed well enough to fly. His dragon clan is leaving the area forever to find their homeland, and when he falls off his mother's back, he's stranded, all alone except for a friendly bird.



The Chocolate Touch Patrick Skene Catling

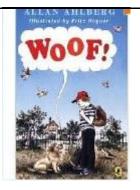
When a small boy purchases a magical box of chocolates, he discovers to his delight that everything he touches turns to chocolate. However, this strange Midas touch soon loses its novelty.



Sophie and the Albino Camel Stephen Davies

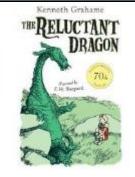
Sophie lives in Gorom-Gorom with her carnivorous-plant obsessed dad. Despite living there for two years and speaking the local language, Sophie finds it difficult to make friends. So when she meets Gidaado, a young griot (story-teller) she agrees to join him and his albino camel, Chobbal, on a journey to his village. It is not until they have set off that Sophie begins to realise just how dangerous the desert is - it's full of djinns that creep up behind you and jump on your head and make you go mad, not to mention the infamous Moussa ag Litni, a ruthless bandit who steals camels.

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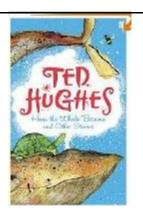
## Woof Allan Ahlberg

Eric is a perfectly ordinary boy. Perfectly ordinary that is, until the night when, in fifteen seconds flat, he turns into a dog! Eric and his best friend are determined to sniff out the truth - what makes an ordinary boy go 'woof?



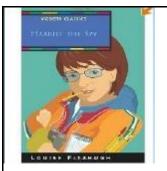
## The Reluctant Dragon Kenneth Grahame

'Now, dragon,' said the Boy imploringly. 'You've got to fight him some time or other you know, 'cos he's St George and you're the dragon. Better get it over, and then we can go on with the sonnets. 'Everyone knows St George has to do battle with the dragon, but what happens when the dragon simply won't fight St George? It is a funny story of bravery, friendship and derring-do - gently told and beautifully illustrated.



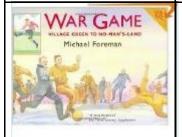
How the Whale Became and other stories Ted Hughes

The Whale grew up in God's vegetable patch but was banished to sea when he became too large and crushed all His carrots; the Polar Bear was lured to the North Pole by the other animals who were jealous that she always won the annual beauty contest; the Hare has asked the moon to marry him but can never stretch his ears high enough to hear her reply; the Bee must sip honey all day long to sweeten the bitter demon that runs through his veins . . . each story is a delight for reading alone or aloud.



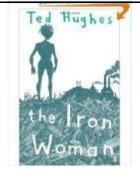
Harriet the Spy Louise Fitzhugh

The fascinating story centres around an intensely curious and intelligent girl, Harriet, who literally spies on people and writes about them in her secret notebook, trying to make sense of life's absurdities. When her classmates find her notebook and read her painfully blunt comments about them, Harriet finds herself a lonely outcast.



War Game Michael Foreman

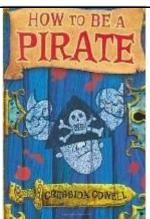
It's 1914 when everything changes for a group of bys growing up and playing football in the Suffolk countryside. Far away, in a place called Sarajevo, an Archduke has been killed and a web of global events results in a call for all British men to do their duty 'for King and Country' and join the army to fight the Germans overseas. The boys sign up for what sounds like an adventure and a chance to see the world. After basic training the boys sail to France where they find themselves fighting on the front line.



The Iron Woman Ted Hughes

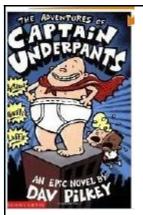
The Iron Woman has come to take revenge on mankind. Full of the power and fantastic imagination of his book "The Iron Man", this sequel from the late Poet Laureate is a cry against the relentless pollution of the Earth's waterways through the dumping of industrial waste.

DO NOT READ UNTIL AFTER YOU HAVE READ THE IRON MAN IN CLASS!!!!



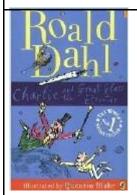
How to be a Pirate Cressida Cowell

Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III was an awesome sword-fighter, a dragon-whisperer and the greatest Viking Hero who ever lived. But it wasn't always like that. Hiccup's memoirs look back to when Hiccup was just an ordinary boy, and finding it very hard to be a Hero. Can Hiccup find Grimbeard the Ghastly's treasure *before* Alvin the Treacherous gets his sneaky hands on it? And if Hiccup opens a box that says DO NOT OPEN, will he live to tell the tale?



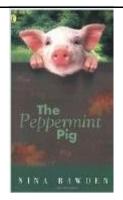
The Adventures of Captain Underpants Dav Pilkey

When naughty George and Harold hypnotise their headteacher, they accidentally create the greatest superhero in the history of their school -- Captain Underpants! His true identity is so secret that even HE doesn't know who he is... but he's fighting for truth, justice, and all things pre-shrunk and cottony!! If you're a naghty villain like the diabolical Dr Diaper, watch out! Captain Underpants has wedgie-power on his side, and he's coming your way



Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator Roald Dahl

Picking right up where *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* left off, *Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator* continues the adventures of Charlie Bucket, his family and Willy Wonka, the eccentric candy maker. As the book begins, our heroes are shooting into the sky in a glass elevator, headed for destinations unknown. What follows is exactly the kind of high-spirited magical madness and mayhem we've all come to expect from Willy Wonka and his creator Roald Dahl.



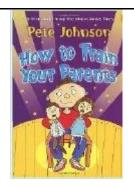
The Peppermint Pig Nina Bawden

Johnnie was only the runt of the litter, a little peppermint pig. He'd cost Mother a shilling, but somehow his great naughtiness and cleverness kept Poll and Theo cheerful, even though it was one of the most difficult years of their lives.



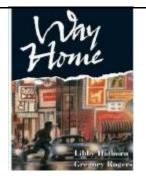
The Time-Travelling Cat and the Roman Eagle Julia Jarman

Topher Hope is on the move again. When his devoted cat, Ka, leaves a computer message saying she has gone to CA;;LLevA. He follows her to a Romano-British settlement in AD 79. Ka is happy among the cat-adoring conquerors and their central heating! Topher, now a British boy, apprenticed to a Roman mosaic maker, has mixed loyalties. When the eagle, symbol of Roman power, disappears from the forum, threatening the fragile peace, Topher begins a desperate search. Can he find it and save his Roman friend, Marcus, from the Druid's murderous sickle? In this adventure Topher needs all the amazing powers of the time-travelling cat.



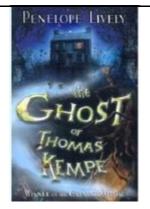
How to Train your Parents Pete Johnson

Moving to a new area and a new school, Louis is horrified to discover his parents changing into ultra-competitive parents, wanting him and his younger brother to get straight As at school and join all sorts of after-school clubs and activities like the other kids in the area. Suddenly Louis's life is no longer his own - until he meets Maddy, who claims to have trained her parents to ignore her- But does Louis really want to be ignored?



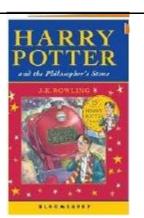
Way Home Gregory Rogers

It's night and the dark is filled with strange sounds as Shane makes his way home. On a fence he finds a stray cat that at first growls and spits at him. But Shane talks and strokes the kitten to calmness, and decides to take the 'Spitfire, Kitten Number One,' home with him. No gang of boys, or avenue of dense traffic, or fierce dog can stop Shane carrying his new found friend to the place he calls home.



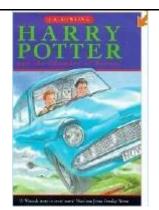
The Ghost of Thomas Kempe Penelope Lively

James is fed up. His family has moved to a new cottage - with grounds that are great for excavations, and trees that are perfect for climbing - and stuff is happening. Stuff that is normally the kind of thing he does. And he's getting blamed for it. But it's not him who's writing strange things on shopping lists and fences. It's not him who smashes bottles and pours tea in the Vicar's lap. It's a ghost - honestly. Thomas Kempe the apothecary has returned and he wants James to be his apprentice. No one else believes in ghosts. It's up to James to get rid of him. Or he'll have no pocket money or pudding ever again.



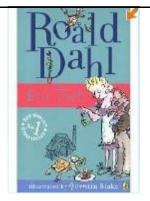
Harry Potter and the Philosophers' Stone JK Rowling

Harry Potter is an ordinary boy who lives in a cupboard under the stairs at his Aunt Petunia and Uncle Vernon's house, which he thinks is normal for someone like him who's parents have been killed in a 'car crash'. He is bullied by them and his fat, spoilt cousin Dudley, and lives a very unremarkable life with only the odd hiccup (like his hair growing back overnight!) to cause him much to think about. That is until an owl turns up with a letter addressed to Harry and all hell breaks loose! He is literally rescued by a world where nothing is as it seems and magic lessons are the order of the day.



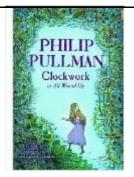
Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets JK Rowling

Harry Potter is a wizard. He is in his second year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. Little does he know that this year will be just as eventful as the last ...even getting there is an adventure in itself! The three firm friends, Harry, Ron and Hermione, are soon immersed in the daily round of Potions, Herbology, Charms, Defence Against the Dark Arts, and Quidditch. But then horrible and mysterious things begin to happen. Harry keeps hearing strange voices, sinister and dark messages appear on the wall, and then Ron's sister Ginny disappears...



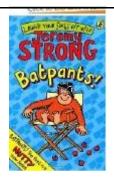
Esio Trot Roald Dahl

The wonderful warm-hearted story of Mr Hoppy, Mrs Silver and the tortoise who brings them together. Mr Hoppy, a retired bachelor, harbours a secret passion for his neighbour, the lovely Mrs Silver. Unfortunately she lavishes all her affection on another... Alfie, her pet tortoise. Mr Hoppy's wildly ingenious plot to defeat his rival and win the love of his lady will delight and amaze, involving, as it does a cryptic riddle and no fewer than a hundred and forty tortoises, large and small.



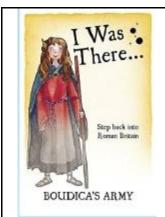
Clockwork Philip Pullman

Tick, tock, tick, tock! Some stories are like that. Once you've wend them up, nothing will stop them ... A tormented apprentice clock-maker, a deadly mechanical knight in armour - and the sinister Dr Kalmenius, who some say is the devil ... Wind up these characters, fit them into a story on a cold winter's evening, with the snow swirling down, and suddenly life and the story begin to merge in a peculiarly macabre - and unstoppable - way. Almost like clockwork ..



Batpants Jeremy Strong

BATPANTS the orang-utan is completely, wildly HAIRY. She loves swinging through trees, and apple crumble and roast chicken. But most of all she loves her family, the Loveharts, and all their madcap adventures. Mrs Lovehart is a stuntwoman and so the whole family is off to watch her in action in her latest film. But someone on set has an eeeevil plan and things could turn nasty - will it be Batpants to the rescue?



I was there... Boudica's Army

I Was There... is a perfect introduction for younger readers into stories from the past. I Was There... Roman Britain is a fast-paced and fascinating account of a young girl in the Iceni tribe as Queen Boudica, the fearless leader of the Iceni, rallies her people to march on Roman-occupied Colchester.

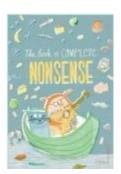


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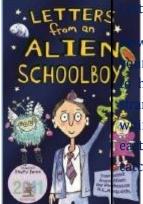
'This is snow,' Moomintroll whispered to himself.

Moomins always sleep through the winter - or they did until the year Moomintroll woke up and went exploring in the silent, snow-covered valley where the river used to scuttle along and all his friends were so busy in summer.

The Complete Book of Nonsense

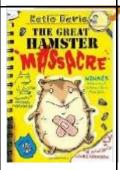


If rhymes and riddles your brain have fried
For shame! then set this book aside,
But daring children, more courageous,
Will take a peek inside these pages...
Includes exclusive material: In the Backstory you can about the different
sorts of nonsense and read Michael Rosen's tips on how to write your own!
Vintage Children's Classics is a twenty-first century classics list aimed at 812 year olds and the adults in their lives.



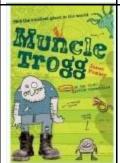
ters from an Alien Schoolboy Ros Asquith

wkwee is on a mission - he has to disguise himself as a schoolboy and spy on ng earthlings, in order to help his father with his research. Here are his letters his best friend, in which he tells him all about his adventures. He describes the nge earthlings who have only one head, two peepers, and no aerials, lights, rlers or even winkers! He has to wear things called clothes because the thlings can't be bothered to grow fur. And he discovers the fool-proof way to ch earthlings is to tell them to follow a sign saying 'Free ice cream!'



The Great Hamster Massacre

A very natural and honest version of life's events from the perspective of a young girl - from her suspicions about her neighbours, to her rocky friendship with the girl next door; from the sudden death of her beloved granny to her relentless quest for a pet hamster, only to then find it mysteriously slaughtered - which kickstarts a local investigation of 'suspects'.



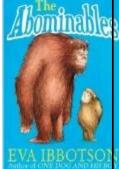
Muncle Trogg Janet Foxley

Giants live on top of Mount Grumble, hidden from humans below. But not all of them are big. Muncle Trogg is so small that he's laughed at by the others for being human-sized. Fed up, he decides to take a look at the 'Smallings' that he's meant to look like. But what he discovers is very surprising indeed... Winner of The Times/Chicken House Children's Fiction Competition 2010, Muncle Trogg is the charming upside down fairytale about a tiny giant who saves the day.



The Paperbag Prince Collin Thompson

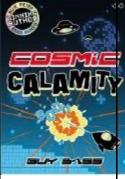
This is the story of an old man living in a railway carriage on a rubbish dump who knows that even rubbish can sometimes contain treasure; and that, if he stays long enough, gentle nature will heal the countryside and make it green again.



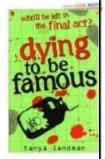
The Abominables Eva Ibbotson

A hundred years ago, in the Himalayan peaks of Nanvi Dar, the daughter of an English earl is kidnapped by a huge hairy monster. In a secret valley Agatha Farlingham is introduced to a family of motherless yetis and devotes her life to their upbringing. She teaches them to speak, tells them stories and insists on polite manners. But as the decades pass, tourists come to the mountains, a hotel is built and yeti-hunters arrive. Agatha knows that there is one place in the world where they would be protected - her ancestral home at Farley Towers.

Cosmic Calamity Guy Bass



An intergalactic adventure with aliens, spaceships and goo galore! Filled with fun black-and-white line illustrations. Hex is the worst space invader on Planet X. Every time he tries to do anything it goes wrong. He can't shoot a ray gun, he can't fly a spaceship and he couldn't spot an earthling even if it jumped up and bit him on the probe! But it's not his fault - he's cursed. When Hex discovers that his long-lost father is happily living on Planet Earth, he can't believe his luck. He decides to give up space invading for good and join his dad. The only problem is, Hex can't fly a spaceship... Will he make it in one piece?



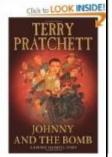
Dying to be famous Tanya Landman

Poppy Fields and best friend Graham are astonished to be given parts in a musical production of The Wizard of Oz. Even more astonishing is the series of murders that occurs at the theatre, targeting the leading lady. When Poppy and Graham investigate, little do they know that they are next on the murderer's list...



Indroid in the Attic Nicholas Allan

What if you were in complete control of an adult android? When Aunt Edna creates a no-nonsense nanny android to watch over Billy and Alfie, her plan is to make sure they never have any fun. But then Alfie figures out how to override the android's programming. Now nobody is watching them, and nothing can stop them eating all the Cheeki Choko Cherry Cakes they like! That is, until the real Aunt Edna is kidnapped. Who has done it – and how will they get their annoying aunt back? As they put the android into action to solve the mystery, hilarious chaos ensues...



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Johnny and the Bomb Terry Pratchett

Johnny Maxwell and his friends have to do something when they find Mrs Tachyon, the local bag lady, semi-conscious in an alley . . . as long as it's not the kiss of life. But there's more to Mrs Tachyon than a squeaky trolley and a bunch of dubious black bags. Somehow she holds the key to different times, different eras - including the Blackbury Blitz in 1941. Suddenly *now* isn't the safe place Johnny once thought it was as he finds himself caught up more and more with *then* . . .

tty Chitty Bang Bang Ian Fleming

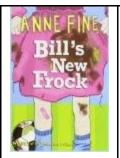
cackpot" is what everybody calls the Pott family. So when they go to buy a new car and come back with a wreck, nobody is surprised. Except for the Potts themselves. First, the car has a name. And she tells them what it is. Then they find out that she can fly. And swim. . . . Chitty Chitty Bang Bang is a car on a mission stop a criminal gang in its tracks and she is taking the Potts with her! Jump into the world s most loved magical car for her first adventure."

Rotten Romans Terry Deary

back into the really rotten times of the Romans, where there were beastly battles, deadly doctors and marvellous myths. Discover what Roman soldiers wore under their kilts, how ancient Britons got their hair nice and how Romans told the future with dead chickens. With a bold, accessible new look, these bestselling titles are sure to be a huge hit with yet another generation of Terry Deary fans.

Sideways Stories from Wayside School Louis Sachar

There has been a terrible mistake. Wayside School was supposed to have been built with thirty classrooms all next to each other in a row. Instead it was built with the thirty classrooms all on top of each other - thirty storeys high! That may be why all kinds of strange stuff happens at Wayside School. Especially on the thirtieth floor. It is a school full of unusual characters too. Mrs Gorf, the meanest teacher in the world. Terrible Todd who always gets sent home early. John who can only read upside down. It is a crazy mixed-up school, brilliantly brought to life by the irresistible Louis Sachar.



Bill's New Frock Anne Fine

Bill wakes up one day as a girl, and is horrified to be sent to school in a frilly pink frock with fiddly shell buttons. There he finds life suddenly very different.



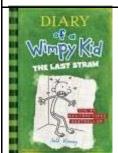
Vulgar the Viking and the Spooky School Trip

Vulgar's new teacher is called Otto the Bone-Cruncher and he's a proper viking! Vulgar can't wait for the school trip, to learn all about hunting and exploring and having adventures. But after a very VERY long walk and a tea of roasted slugs, Vulgar's not so chipper. It's getting dark, and he's a bit spooked. There are tolls in these hills...



Frogspell C J Busby

Max Pendragon is probably the worst squire in King Arthur's kingdom - he'd much rather train to be a wizard instead. So when he accidentally invents a spell that turns people into frogs, it seems his wish might come true. But events take an unexpected turn when Max enters the Novices' Spell-Making Competition and finds himself helping Merlin fight an evil sorceress. There's no way Max's unpredictable frogspell could be of any use. Or is there?



Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Last Straw Jeff Kinney

The third laugh-out-loud book in the bestselling phenomenon that is the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series.

Greg's dad, Frank, is on a mission - a mission to make this wimpy kid . . . well, less wimpy. All manner of 'manly' physical activities are planned, but Greg just about manages to find a way out of them. That is until military academy is is mentioned and Greg realizes that he's going to have to come up with something very special to get out of this one . . .

Tondays are Murder by Tanya Landman

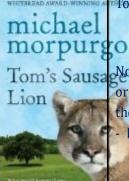
When Poppy Fields goes on an activity holiday to a remote Scottish island, she is tooking forward to a week of climbing, hill-walking and horse riding. But things take a disastrous turn when their instructor has what appears to be a fatal abseiling accident. When Poppy discovers that his rope was cut, and more of the instructors start to have "accidents", she and best friend Graham suspect foul and decide to investigate.

ptain Underpants and the Invasion of the Incredibly Naughty Cafeteria

Harold and George's crazy creation is back! Captain Underpants defeated Dr happy and terminated the terrible talking toilets. But is he ready to take on three massive space aliens in disguise? And has he finally met his match in a battle with the Giant Man-Eating Dandelion of Doom?

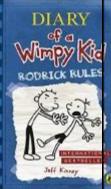
ptain Underpants and the Attack of the Talking Toilets Dav Pilky

ot so long ago, George and Harold created the greatest superhero in the istory of their school - and brought him to life by mistake! But that was only the t... Now the boys have accidentally created a whole army of evil, vicious the total them out the sound that the state of the school is to flush them out!



"Tom's Sausage Lion Michael Morpurgo

Tom's Sausa No-one believes Tom when he says he has seen a lion - padding around the orchard with a string of sausages in its mouth! No-one, that is, except for Clare, the cleverest girl in the class. Together, she and Tom plan to prove his story is true - by catching the lion!



Diary of a Wimpy Kid - Rodrick Rules Jeff Kinney

Whatever you do, don't ask Greg about his summer vacation because he definitely doesn't want to talk about it . . .

It's a brand-new year and a brand-new journal and Greg is keen to put the humiliating (and secret!) events of last summer firmly behind him.

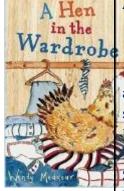
But someone knows everything - someone whose job it is to most definitely not keep anything embarrassing of Greg's private - his big brother, Rodrick. How can Greg make it through this new school year with his not-quite-cool reputation intact?



Best Friends Bakery Sugar and Spice Linda Chapman

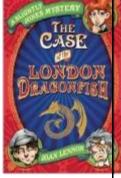
Eleven-year-old Hannah Hallett's life has changed. Her mum has recently remarried, and Hannah's got a new dad and twin sisters! The whole family have moved from the city to a small town so that Hannah's mum can fulfil her life-long dream of opening a bakery.

But things don't start well for the new bakery, and soon Mum's too busy to spend time with Hannah the way she used to. Hannah knows she can turn the Sugar and Spice Bakery's fortunes around - all she needs to do is convince Mum she can be useful. Can Hannah use her baking talent to save the bakery, learn to live with her big new family and - most importantly - make some friends before school starts?



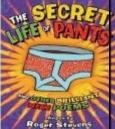
A Hen in the Wardrobe Wendy Meddour

Ramzi's dad is acting very strangely. He climbs trees in the middle of the night, and even goes into Ramzi's wardrobe looking for a hen. The trouble is, he's sleepwalking because he's homesick for his native Algeria. So Ramzi, Dad and Mum go back to Dad's Berber village in the desert region of North Africa, and Ramzi meets his Berber grandmother and cousins, and even braves the scary Sheherazad. But can Ramzi help his dad and what will happen when they get back home again.



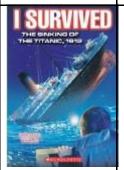
The Case of the London Dragonfish Joan Lennon

Slightly Jones has red hair, too many freckles and a flyaway temper, but she's not going to let that stop her becoming the next Sherlock Holmes... A precious fossil is about to be presented to Queen Victoria at the Natural History Museum in London. But when the exhibit goes missing, the finger points to an innocent man. Slightly Jones won't let the real culprit get away with it - and with the help of Granny Tonic, Slightly is determined to save the day.



The Secret Life of Pants and other poems

Poet and anthologist Roger Stevens has put together a book of brand new poems to make you squeam, squirm and laugh out loud. These poems about pants (and other things besides) are grouped under five themed chapters - poems to make you laugh, to drive you mad, to make you sick , to scare you, and thoughtful/serious or sad poems - and are in a wide variety of genres and styles, from haiku and limericks, to sonnets and sestinas



Ten-year-old George Calder is the luckiest boy alive. He and his eight-year-old sister, Phoebe, have just spent two months with their aunt in England. And now they all get to travel back to New York on a boat. And not just any boat—the Titanic!

Set of 5 books in this series.

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