

EDUCATION CATALOGUES

Top Picks for Primary Schools



Winner of the Children's Non-Fiction Book of the Year 2023 Alex George 9781526364449

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A mental health and wellbeing handbook for children aged 10+ by celebrity doctor and Youth Ambassador for Mental Health, Dr. Alex George

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Start the new year with this positive wellbeing handbook.

What if we could think of mental health in a positive way? Sweep away the rain clouds. Talk about what's on our minds. And care for our mental health in the same way we look after our bodies. In this empowering and hopeful handbook, Youth Mental Health Ambassador Dr Alex George is here to show children how.

A Better Day is a positive, accessible and practical toolkit guiding young readers in how they can care for their mental health with confidence.

From peer pressure and exam stress to online trolls and anxiety, life is full of ups and downs. But there are ways we can stay on top of our mental health - including overcoming

Dr. Alex is an A&E doctor, he has become known for his honesty and insight around mental & physical health and wellbeing, using his broadcast and social media platforms to bring accessible advice around health and medicine to his followers. He recently presented his own documentary for BBC One and Children in Need, is a regular guest on *Lorraine*, and has his own show, *Inner Harmony* on Classic FM.

Dr. Alex is also the author of *Live Well Every Day*, which was a *Sunday Times* bestseller and was published in 2021 by Aster, part of the Octopus Publishing Group.



A beautifully illustrated book about how to respect themselves and others.

A beautifully illustrated picture book that introduces children to the concept of respect. It explains that everyone deserves respect, whether by being treated fairly or by not being discriminated against because they are different. It explains how to earn respect, by being polite, honest and listening to others. It also explains how having respect for ourselves and others makes the world a better place.

Notes for parents and teachers at the back of the book provide valuable advice for how to share this book with your child or class.

Written by a trained psychotherapist, journalist and parent, and illustrated by an experienced children's book artist, this title is part of an acclaimed and successful series of picture-book non-fiction for Early Years. Books in the series give advice and promote interaction between children, parents, and teachers on a wide variety of personal, social and emotional issues.

A FIRST LOOK AT: RESPECT FOR OTHERS: EVERYBODY MATTERS

Pat Thomas 9781526317728 November 11, 2021

Pat Thomas is a trained psychotherapist, trainee Naturopath, journalist and mother. After working as a journalist and broadcaster in the USA, she now works in the field of women's health and child development and writes for publications such as The Guardian Company Magazine and Practical Parenting as well as contributing editor to Natural Parent Magazine. Her book 'MY Bees: My Family's Changing' was the winner of The English 4-11 Awards.



This informative picture book explores questions and concerns about safety in a simple and reassuring way

This book explores the issue of safety for young children. It explains the importance of understanding the difference between what is safe and what is not, and goes on to look at how children can feel safe at home, at school, in the playground, in the street, and elsewhere. Information on natural 'instinct' is given and advice for children on what to do if they feel scared at any time. Stranger danger and the topic of body privacy is also explained alongside what children should do if they feel unsure or unsafe.

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Suitable for Key Stage 1 (ages 5-7), occasional prompts throughout the text give a chance to discuss the issue being raised.

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Helping young children to understand about themselves, their body and their health

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The *All About Me* series helps young children to learn more about themselves, their body and their health. Read the other titles in the series: *Family, Friends, Keeping Well, My Body, My Senses.*

ALL ABOUT ME: GROWING UP

Dan Lester 9781445186467 September 14, 2023

Dan Lester (Author)

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Madeleine Marie (Illustrator)

Madeleine Marie was born in Sao Paulo, Brazil while her parents were teaching internationally. The family soon moved to a small New England town in Rhode Island where Madeleine still enjoys long walks on the beach with her tiny but formidable Yorkie, Bear. Although Madeleine's initial aspiration as a child was to grow up to be a baby elephant, enough re-reads of Maurice Sendak's "Where the Wild Things Are" convinced her she would be better suited as a children's book illustrator. She studied both Fine Arts and English at the University of Pennsylvania and Kings College London where she honed her skills as a painter, animator, and digital artist.

A FIRST LOOK AT: SAFETY: I CAN BE SAFE

Pat Thomas 9781526317636 May 12, 2022



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ALL ABOUT ME: KEEPING WELL

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Rosie Jones 9781444958348

Rolate Somes (Author)

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'Fresh, funny and ultra cool' - Jacqueline Wilson

Hello! My name is Edie Eckhart and I'm eleven years old. I'm a little bit different. I have a disability called cerebral palsy, so I talk slowly and fall over a lot. It's never really bothered me because I've never known anything else.

Edie Eckhart is Excited with a capital E to start secondary school with her best friend Oscar - the fish to her chips, the bananas to her custard. But when she and Oscar are put into different tutor groups on their first day, Edie is devastated. Who will play secret hangman with her in class? Who will she eat sausage rolls with?

But while she's plotting her reunion with Oscar, she accidentally gets cast as the lead in the school play. As Edie discovers a passion for performance, she also finds new friendships, talents, and dreams. After all, it's easy to shine on and off the stage when you're Amazing with a capital A.

Rosie Jones is a British stand-up comedian who has written for multiple panel shows, and has appeared as a guest on *The Last Leg*, 8 Out of 10 Cats, and *Hypothetical*. Rosie often incorporates her cerebral palsy into her comedic style. She was awarded second place in the Leicester Mercury's New Comedian of the Year in 2018, and her star has been on the rise ever since. Rosie has written for *Sex Education* and hosts the podcast *Daddy Look at Me* with Helen Bauer. Rosie can't wait to be a children's author - Jaqueline Wilson is her personal hero!

Natalie Smillie (Illustrator)

Natalie lives in Devon with her Husband, Son and dog (Maggie). She can usually be found either scribbling furiously at the computer with a decent box set on in the background, or out in the garden supervising her digger obsessed son and stick obsessed dog.



Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the importance of playing fairly and being a good sport for young children.

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to what fair play is, and help them understand the importance of being a good sport. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children fully understand how their behaviour can impact on others.

Cheetah always wants to win - no matter what it takes. But when his friends no longer want to play with him, he decides to look at his behaviour and start playing more nicely. The Behaviour Matters series of picture books provide a gentle means of discussing emotions, boosting self-esteem and reinforcing good behaviour. Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is also suitable for use with children in KS1 and can be used to discuss values. Suitable for children under 5.

BEHAVIOUR MATTERS: CHEETAH LEARNS TO PLAY NICELY - A BOOK ABOUT BEING A GOOD SPORT

Sue Graves

5. Sue is married with four children, many gorgeous grandchildren and a really naughty cat! She plays golf and badminton and loves walking in the countryside around her home.



BEHAVIOUR MATTERS: KOALA MAKES THE RIGHT CHOICE

A book about choices and consequences Sue Graves 9781445170862 January 28, 2021 Sue Graves (Author) Sue Graves has been a freelance children's aut

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the concepts of choice and consequence for young children

Koala Makes the Right Choice offers a gentle introduction to the concepts of choice and consequence.

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to choices, and helps them find ways to make decisions and understand consequences. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children understand their behaviour.

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Sue Graves has been a freelance children's author for more than 17 years. She has written over two hundred books for children from pre-school up to 15+ years. She writes fiction and non-fiction, plays and poetry across the age ranges.

Sue loves reading all sorts of books and is at her happiest when she has a book in her hand. She also loves painting in watercolours, playing tennis and badminton and going for long walks in the country with her husband and children.



Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the importance of using nice manners and being polite for young children.

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to being polite, and help them understand the importance of using nice manners. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children fully understand how their behaviour can impact on others.

Rhino does not have very nice manners, especially at the dinner table. But soon no one wants to sit near him at lunch time and he even misses out on tea at his friend's house. It is time for Rhino to bring out his very best manners!

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BEHAVIOUR MATTERS: RHINO LEARNS TO BE POLITE - A BOOK ABOUT GOOD MANNERS

Sue Graves 9781445158709

Subays (2010) Per and published author. She writes fiction and non fiction for both education and trade markets for children from pre school to early Key Stage 3. Sue is married with four children, many gorgeous grandchildren and a really naughty cat! She plays golf and badminton and loves walking in the countryside around her home.



Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to overcoming shyness and being brave for young children.

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to being brave when they feel shy and help them find ways to feel more confident. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children fully understand how their behaviour can impact on others.

Turtle has a beautiful singing voice, but she feels far to shy to enter the talent show at school. By talking to her friends about it, she develops a way to overcome her shyness in a way that works for her.

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BEHAVIOUR MATTERS: TURTLE COMES OUT OF HER SHELL - A BOOK ABOUT FEELING SHY

Sue Graves 9781445158549

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A series that helps young children explore big, philosophical questions to come up with their own answers!

This humorous picture book helps children explore the big questions around rules and people's rights.

Questions include: Why should I follow rules? Who makes them? How do we make them fair? And do rules really makes things better?

The book is part of the series, 'Big Questions, Big World' for children aged 7 plus. With lots of humorous illustrations and different scenarios to consider, the books help the reader to gain confidence in their own ideas and to think critically. They are a great introduction to philosophical thinking and encourage the reader to learn through challenging ideas.

Titles in the series: How do I decide what is right? Why do we need rules? What makes me special? Why are we here?

BIG QUESTIONS, BIG WORLD: WHY DO WE NEED RULES?

Nancy Dickmann 9781526310323 July 28, 2022

Nancy Dickmann (Author)

Nancy Dickmann grew up in the USA, where she played baseball, ate hot dogs and read encyclopaedias for fun. She has now lived in England long enough to think that cold and rain are normal, but still has yet to try Morris dancing. Before becoming an author, she worked as an editor and publisher of children's books. Now, with Pushkin the Three-Legged Wonder Cat as her trusty assistant (in charge of lap-sitting), she writes books on a wide range of topics, including animals, space, history, health and explorers. The highlight of her career so far has been getting to interview a real astronaut to find out how they use the toilet in space!

Andrés Landazábal (Illustrator)

Andrés Landazábal is an illustrator and art-director based in Colombia. His work has appeared in animation films, TV shows and print companies. Andrés' love for drawing and painting was instilled at a young age reading classic illustrated children's books.



BLACK HISTORY MATTERS Robin Walker 9781445166902 September 16, 2021

An award-winning overview of black history, now updated for the paperback edition.

An important and hard-hitting chronicle of Black history, written by a celebrated Black historian. Winner of the 2020 School & Library Association prize for readers aged 13-16 and the 2020 ALCS Educational Writers' Award. ** Fully revised and updated for the new paperback edition. Includes notes on

teaching Black history.

Black history is an integral part of world history. From the injustices of the past and present, we can learn and be inspired to make the world we live in more fair, equal and just.

Black History Matters chronicles thousands of years of Black history, from African kingdoms, to slavery, apartheid, the battle for civil rights, the global Black Lives Matter protests of 2020 and much more.

Important and inspiring Black personalities, from Olaudah Equiano to Oprah Winfrey, are highlighted throughout, while achievements and progress are balanced alongside a look at the issues that continue to plague Black communities.

#Blacklivesmatter is a powerful international movement, designed to raise awareness of and end ongoing injustice towards black people. This book is designed to connect with that

Robin Walker, also known as The Black History Man, is one of the UK's most pre-eminent African scholars. Born in London Walker read economics at LSE before studying African World Studies under Dr Femi Biko and later Kenny Bakie. Since 1992 Robin has been lecturing in adult education, universities and conferences on African World Studies, Egyptology and Black History. Robin has authored or coauthored 13 books, including classic titles such as Classical Splendour, Roots of Black History Sword, Seal and Koran, the best study there has ever been on the Songhai Empire of West Africa (Everyday life in a West African Empire). Perhaps his most notable and critically acclaimed work is the title When We Ruled, which is hailed as the single most advanced historical synthesis on the history of Africa and its people to date. This established Walker as a leading authority on African studies in the English-speaking world.



9781510105010 July 12, 2018

Onjali Q. Rauf (Author)

Told with heart and humour, The Boy at the Back of the Class is a child's perspective on the refugee crisis, highlighting the importance of friendship and kindness in a world that doesn't always make sense.

A World Book Day 2020 Author

WINNER OF THE BLUE PETER BOOK AWARD 2019 WINNER OF THE WATERSTONES CHILDREN'S BOOK PRIZE 2019 SHORTLISTED FOR THE JHALAK PRIZE 2019

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There used to be an empty chair at the back of my class, but now a new boy called Ahmet is sitting in it.

He's nine years old (just like me), but he's very strange. He never talks and never smiles and doesn't like sweets - not even lemon sherbets, which are my favourite!

But then I learned the truth: Ahmet really isn't very strange at all. He's a refugee who's run away from a War. A real one. With bombs and fires and bullies that hurt people. And the

Onjali Q. Raúf is the founder of Making Herstory, an organisation mobilising men, women and children from all walks of life to tackle the abuse and trafficking of women and girls in the UK and beyond. She is also the founder of O's Refugee Aid Team, which provides support for refugee families surviving in Calais and Dunkirk.

She is an award-winning and best-selling author of books for children that tackle the issues of today. Her titles include The Boy at the Back of the Class, The Star Outside My Window, The Night Bus Hero, and The Lion Above the Door.

Pippa Curnick (Illustrator)

Pippa Curnick grew up in rural Essex and studied at Camberwell College of Art. She graduated from the University of Derby with a First Class degree in illustration. Pippa's picture book *Lucie Goose* was shortlisted for the Evening Standard's Oscar's First Book Prize. Her website is www.pippacurnick.com and



BUMBLE AND SNUG AND THE ANGRY PIRATES

Book 1 Mark Bradley 9781444958034 Best friends Bumble and Snug are Bugbops - little monsters filled with BIG feelings! In this full-colour graphic novel, join them on a funny, imaginative adventure with some VERY angry pirates, learning about the world outside *and* inside along the way.

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Bumble and Snug are going on a big adventure to ... have a picnic! But when they accidentally get lost, they're both cross - is their adventure ruined?

Working together to find their way home, Bumble and Snug come across a pirate treasure horde. But taking treasure that isn't yours is a good way to get into trouble, and sure enough some VERY angry pirates aren't far behind.

Bumble and Snug are certain they can replace the treasure, and fix things to make everybody happy. But there's another *monstrous* obstacle in store - and this one has TENTACLES.

Bumble and Snug and the Angry Pirates is a story about being cross and how to listen, friendship and sandcastles, and one GIANT octopus!

May ABr2024 jis a comic writer and artist, who lives in Yorkshire with his family. He grew up reading stories about ghosts and monsters, and promptly decided that he preferred them to humans. Having worked for the probation service for many years he saw first-hand how important a skill emotional literacy is and hopes his debut series will help young readers to explore feelings in a fun setting. Bumble and Snug developed out of characters he kept drawing in the margins of other projects until he launched them on his Instagram account (@markbradleyillustration) and found himself with a book deal - something he never even dared to dream was possible.



BUMBLE AND SNUG AND THE EXCITED UNICORN

Book 2 Mark Bradley 9781444958058 Best friends Bumble and Snug are Bugbops - little monsters filled with BIG feelings! Join them and a VERY excited unicorn, in this new, full-colour graphic novel, as they go on a thrilling, funny adventure and learn about the world outside *and* inside.

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Bumble and Snug are in the magical unicorn forest when they get into a spot of trouble. Luckily, they are rescued by a unicorn and together they have the great idea to become superheroes.

Introducing the super buddies! From a runaway ice-cream van to a lost teddy bear, Bumble, Snug and Sparklehoof the unicorn save the day. But not everybody is happy when Sparklehoof gets too excited with his magic.

Bumble and Snug have to come up with a super action plan to stop Sparklehoof. And with a giant kitten on the loose and a jelly city, they will have to work FAST!

Bumble and Snug and the Excited Unicorn is a story about being too excited and how to

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DARWIN'S TREE OF LIFE Michael Bright 9781526306364 November 10, 2022

Follow the branches of the 'tree of life' with this beautifully illustrated exploration of animal and plant evolution

Follow the evolution of plants and animals, from the first living things 6 billion years ago to the animals living in the world today.

Darwin's Tree of Life shows how the incredible **diversity** of **life on earth** came to be. This beautifully illustrated book starts from the dawn of life and shows the order in which plants and animals evolved, the different branches of 'The Tree of Life', and how plants and animals have changed over time in many amazingly different ways.

Find out:

- · why crabs run sideway
- · which fish was the first to walk on land
 - \cdot why birds are similar to dinosaurs
- \cdot why human brains are located in the head and not in our feet.
- which creatures can survive 30 years without eating
- \cdot which mammal has the strongest bite of any predator
- \cdot why hedgehogs have spines

Stunningly illustrated by illustrator and print maker, Margaux Carpentier, children will enjoy finding out about a whole world of wonderful animals on our amazing planet Earth.



Learn about deep sea creatures in this fun new family card game for children aged 6+

EASY TO PLAY: A fun and easy-to-play game for children and families, suitable for age 6+ 2 TO 6 PLAYERS: This game can be enjoyed by two to six players FUN FACTS: Features fun facts on all the weird and wonderful deep sea creatures from around the world: from the jewel squid to the headless chicken fish, discover the beautiful and the bizarre down in the depths of the ocean

RAINY DAY FAMILY GAME: The perfect rainy day family game - learn as you play!

How deep will you go?

Dive into the ocean and return 50 incredible sea creatures to their correct depths. How deep can a penguin swim, or a sperm whale dive? Explore all the way down to the seabed and learn as you play this unique new card game.

Suitable for two or more players aged 6+.

DEEP SEA DISCOVERY

A card game for ocean explorers Laurence King Publishing 9780857829993 June 9, 2022

Written by Mike Unwin

Mike Unwin is an award-winning writer of popular natural history books for adults and children. He writes for *The Daily Telegraph*, *The Times*, *BBC Wildlife*, *Travel Africa*, as well as the RSPB and WWF. Also a widely published photographer, his travels have taken him to every continent in search of its birds and other wildlife.

Illustrated by Daniel Frost

Daniel Frost is an award-winning British artist based in Copenhagen. He works in advertising, fashion and publishing and his charming, playful children's books have been translated into many languages.

Follows success of Bird, Bug, Dog, Cat and Ocean Bingo

This family friendly game is packed with astonishing and beautiful creatures from all over the world. What unites them all? They are under threat. But there's still time! Learn about the okapi, the whale shark and the southern sea otter and be inspired to take action.

This bingo game is filled with fun facts and glorious illustrations that are guaranteed to delight kids and adults alike. Mark each species off on your card as it's called and be the first to shout BINGO! A proportion of proceeds are donated to charities dedicated to saving these animals and their habitats.

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY - everyone will love this traditional game featuring 64 of the world's best loved at-risk creatures to learn about and get inspired to save **PLAY AND LEARN** - this board game comes with a leaflet with interesting information and quirky facts for all the endangered animals featured in the game. Learn about the okapi, the whale shark and the southern sea otter and be inspired to take action. **GREAT GIFT** - perfect for animal or conservation lovers of all ages, for families who love

playing games, and for families who enjoy spending quality time together **SOMETHING TO TREASURE** - this is a quality product made to last, with beautiful illustrations and attractive packaging

ENDANGERED ANIMALS BINGO

Learn About 64 Threatened Species That Need Our Help Magma Publishing Ltd 9781913947798 October 14, 2021

EXPLORE THE ENTIRE SERIES - this game is part of the bestselling bingo series, a collection of games for nature lovers and enthusiastic board gamers. Other games in the



EXPERIENCES MATTER: GIRAFFE GOES TO THE DOCTOR

Sue Graves 9781445173313 March 10, 2022

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the experience of visiting the doctor for young children

Giraffe Goes to the Doctor offers a gentle introduction to the experience of visiting the doctor for young children.

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to the experience of visiting the doctor. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children reflect on their own experiences.

Giraffe is not feeling well. She has a hot head and a sore throat. Mum says Giraffe will need to visit the doctor. Giraffe feels nervous, but the doctor is very gentle and she is soon feeling better.

The *Experiences Matter* series of picture books provide a gentle means of discussing experiences, boosting self-esteem and reinforcing good behaviour. Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is also suitable for use with children in KS1 and can be used to discuss values. Suitable for children under 5.



EXPERIENCES MATTER: RHINO MAKES A FRIEND

Sue Graves 9781445173290 March 10, 2022

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the experience of making new friends for young children

Rhino Makes a Friend offers a gentle introduction to the experience of meeting new people for young children.

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to the experience of making new friends. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children reflect on their own experiences.

When Rhino's friends are all busy in the holidays, Rhino starts at a holiday camp. He doesn't know anyone there and is worried about making friends. But he soon finds people to play with.

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GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE

Giles Andreae 9781841215655 May 1, 2014

Giles Andreae (Author)

This funny, touching and triumphant picture book about a giraffe who finds his own tune has been a much-loved family favourite for over 20 years.

Number One bestseller **Giraffes Can't Dance** from author Giles Andreae has been delighting children for over 20 years. Gerald the tall giraffe would love to join in with the other animals at the Jungle Dance, but everyone knows that giraffes can't dance . . . or can they?

A funny, touching and triumphant picture book story about a giraffe who finds his own tune and confidence too, with joyful illustrations from Guy Parker Rees and a foiled cover.

... wonderfully funny. - Independent

A fantastically funny and wonderfully colourful romp of a picture book. All toddlers should grow up reading this or hearing their parents read it aloud to them. - *Daily Telegraph*

A joyful read about an outsider who finds acceptance on his own terms.... there's also a simple moral about tolerance and daring to be different. - *Junior*

Giles Andreae is the author of many top-selling, award-winning picture books. These include *Elephant Me, Rumble in the Jungle, Commotion in the Ocean* and *I Love My Mummy*. However, it is for the international bestseller *Giraffes Can't Dance* that he is best known. Giles is also the creator of Purple Ronnie, Britain's favourite stickman, and of the artist/philosopher, Edward Monkton. These two ranges of greetings cards, books and merchandise have made Giles the country's top-selling living poet. Giles lives with his wife, Victoria, a children's clothes designer, and their four children by the river in Oxfordshire.

Guy Parker-Rees (Illustrator)

Guy Parker-Rees' exuberant and energetic illustrations have made him a household name and one of today's bestselling children's illustrators. Notable successes include picture book classic *Giraffes Can't Dance*, a worldwide bestseller; *Spookyrumpus*, winner of the Sheffield, Dundee and Portsmouth book awards, and most recently, *Elephant Me*. Guy lives in Brighton with his wife and three sons.



The Secondary School Survival Guide Matthew Burton 9781526362353 February 20, 2020

A secondary school self-help and survival guide - helping readers navigate exams, overcome peer pressure and start building toward their future goals - by the nation's favourite Head Teacher and star of *Educating Yorkshire*

'If you have kids transitioning from primary to secondary school, this book is for you (well, for your kids!) ... Helpful, funny and encouraging' - Sarah Turner AKA The Unmumsy Mum

The bestselling back to school handbook, from the nation's favourite head teacher, Mr Burton.

Secondary school can seem scary. Corridors are wide, older students look terrifying and there's homework, messy friendships and stressful exams to deal with.

But, whether you're about to land at secondary school or you're still settling in, Mr Burton is here to guide you through your journey - worry-free.

From your first day to your final exams, this handbook will have you achieving, succeeding and being the best you can be. Find great friends, boost your confidence and start building toward your brilliant future.

Matthew (Mr) Burton is an inspirational Headteacher, and star of Channel 4's multi award-winning documentary series, *Educating Yorkshire*. His warmth, humour, style and energetic style of teaching endeared him to audiences the country over, and the incredible breakthrough moment with Musharaf Asghar and his stammer brought millions of TV and YouTube viewers to tears across the world. Now Headteacher (and still an English teacher), he is committed to achieving the very best for every child, and to ensuring that barriers to opportunity - whatever they may be - are challenged, removed and banished, to allow every young person to be the very best they can be.



A Perfectly Weird Guide to Being Perfectly You

Camilla Pang

HAPPY

9781526366702

Dr. Camilla Pang holds a PhD in Biochemistry from University College London and is a Postdoctoral Scientist specialising in Translational Bioinformatics. At the age of eight, Camilla was diagnosed with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD), and ADHD at 26 years old. Her career and studies have been heavily influenced by her diagnosis and she is driven by her passion for understanding humans, our behaviours and how we work.

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Ranj Singh 9781526364968 May 11, 2023

Dr. Ranj Singh (Author)

A unique guide to growing up happy, through the lenses of autism, neurodiversity and scientific curiosity, by Dr Camilla Pang, who was diagnosed with ASD aged 8, and was the youngest person and first writer of colour to win the Royal Society Science Book Prize.

'I definitely feel better about myself, about being me, after reading this book.' - 11year-old reader, Toppsta

Discover how scientific concepts can help navigate everyday human interactions, and help you grow up to be your HAPPIEST *YOU*!

As a child, Camilla loved patterns and putting things in order. She was obsessed with Stephen Hawking, and the only language she really understood was science. Diagnosed with autism aged 8, Camilla saw the world very differently.

But with science as her sidekick, she was able to translate ideas she could understand, such as photosynthesis and algorithms, onto things she couldn't, such as dealing with emotions and finding your voice.

In this unique and brilliant book, Camilla shares her scientific survival guide to growing up, helping neurodiverse young readers navigate the world around them, giving them the courage to grow up perfectly happy in who they are.

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A guide to help boys be the type of boy *they* want to be with confidence, positivity and kindness, from bestselling author Dr Ranj.

Do you ever pretend to like something you don't, just to fit in? Is it sometimes hard to tell others how you're feeling? Do you wish there was less pressure on you to 'man up'?

Explore these questions and many more in this empowering and inclusive guide to masculinity for readers aged 10+ by the nation's favourite doctor, Dr Ranj.

Whether it's thinking about hobbies or standing up to your mates, Dr Ranj is here to encourage boys to grow up happy with confidence, positivity and kindness.

In his signature warm and conversational voice, Dr Ranj reflects on what it really means to be a boy in today's world, looking at everything from stereotypes and peer pressure to mental health and respect for women.

In a world where everyone seems to have an opinion about what it means to be a man, Dr Ranj is here to reassure readers that there isn't one way to be a boy - just one way to be true to yourself.

Dr Ranj Singh is a NHS paediatrician and BAFTA-award-winning TV presenter. He co-created the hit CBeebies' show *Get Well Soon*, and has presented numerous other series including ITV's prime-time *Dr Ranj: On Call, Save Money Lose Weight* and *Save Money: Good Health, and Extreme Food Phobics* for the W Channel. He's also a contributor for ITV *This Morning* and *Tonight*, as well as BBC1's *Morning Live, The One Show*, and *Inside Out*. Off-air, his work can be found in numerous magazines and on websites where he gives expert opinion and advice on a range of physical and mental health matters. His guide to puberty for boys, *How to Grow Up (and Feel Amazing!)*, was a *Sunday Times* bestseller.

David O'Connell (Illustrator)

David O'Connell is a writer and illustrator living in London, UK. He works mostly in children's books.



9780340999073 June 1, 2017

The hilarious exploits of Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third - the smallish Viking with a longish name. Can he become the Hero everyone expects him to be? Read the bestselling series that inspired the hit DreamWorks film *How to Train Your Dragon.*

Read the HILARIOUS books that inspired the HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON films!

Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third is a smallish Viking with a longish name. Hiccup's father is chief of the Hairy Hooligan tribe which means Hiccup is the Hope and the Heir to the Hairy Hooligan throne - but most of the time Hiccup feels like a very ordinary boy, finding it hard to be a Hero.

In the first *How to Train Your Dragon* book Hiccup must lead ten novices in their initiation into the Hairy Hooligan Tribe. They have to train their dragons or be BANISHED from the tribe FOR EVER!

But what if Hiccup's dragon resembles an ickle brown bunny with wings? And has NO TEETH? The Seadragonus Giganticus Maximus is stirring and wants to devour every Viking on the Isle of Berk . . .

Can Hiccup save the tribe - and become a Hero?

How to Train Your Dragon is now a major DreamWorks franchise starring Gerard

Cressida grew up in Chelsea. She studied English Literature at Keble College, Oxford University. She then worked at Macmillan in the Fiction department. She took a BA at St Martins in graphic design and then an MA in Narrative Illustration at Brighton. She is married with three children and lives in London.



A bright and bold series for young children getting to grips with emotions and taking their first steps exploring their wider world

A charming non-fiction book that promotes a caring attitude, confidence, self-esteem and gives children a way to discuss emotions. The book explores topics such as what is a family, everyday lives, special days, sharing with siblings, arguments and falling out and how a family cares for each other. The book is an ideal starting point for discussing family topics.

It is part of a series 'I care about' for children aged 4+. The titles are: My Friends, My Planet, Animals, My Family, My Growing Brain, My Body. The illustrations by Michael Buxton are quirky and fun and are designed to inspire a child's imagination.

I CARE ABOUT: MY FAMILY

Liz Lennon 9781445171869 June 10, 2021

Liz Lennon (Author)

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Michael Buxton (Illustrator)

Michael Buxton is a designer and illustrator with a wide portfolio including greetings cards, homeware and children's books. He produces quirky, fun designs with an emphasis on humour and while his work is mainly digital, he likes to keep a loose, hand-drawn feel. Michael loves to create characters and will take any chance he gets to draw monsters, cats or monster cats.



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I CARE ABOUT: MY FRIENDS

Liz Lennon 9781445171883 April 8, 2021

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L.D. Lapinski 9781510110922 March 30, 2023

A beautiful and uplifting story from L.D. Lapinski, author of *The Strangeworlds Travel Agency*, about how to make your own place when the world doesn't think you fit anywhere. For fans of *Me*, *My Dad and The End of The Rainbow*.

One of the Guardian's best children's and YA books of 2023

'FABULOUS, HOPEFUL, IMPORTANT' - Emma Carroll

'A sensitive, moving 9+ story about fighting for acceptance and change' - Guardian

'An inspirational story of a young person finding the strength and resilience to be exactly who they are' - *The Scotsman*

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Jamie Rambeau is a happy 11-year-old non-binary kid who likes nothing better than hanging out with their two best friends Daisy and Ash. But when the trio find out that in Year Seven they will be separated into one school for boys and another for girls, their friendship suddenly seems at risk. And when Jamie realises no one has thought about where *they* are

L.D. Lapinski lives just outside Sherwood Forest with their family, a lot of books, and a cat called Hector. They are the author of *The Strangeworlds Travel Agency* trilogy, and the upcoming standalone *Jamie*.

When they aren't writing, L.D. can be found cosplaying, drinking a lot of cherry cola, and taking care of a forest of succulent plants. L.D. first wrote a book aged seven; it was made of lined paper and Sellotape, and it was about a frog who owned an aeroplane. When L.D. grows up, they want to be a free-range guinea pig farmer.



October 14, 2021

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Leo and his best friend Sangeeta are the odd ones out in their school. But as Leo's dad is always telling him, it's because they're special. Only thing is, if they're so special, how come they never see anyone who looks like them in their school history books?

Then, on a class trip to a nearby cathedral, Leo's attention is drawn to a large marble slab high above the doors of the hall. Right there, bang in the middle of a list of war heroes, Leo finds himself staring at something incredible: his own name.

Desperate to know who this other Leo was, the two friends embark on a search. And together, they begin to uncover missing stories from the past, ones which they are determined to put back into their rightful place in the pages of history.

Touching on themes of historical racism, *The Lion Above the Door* shines a light on the stories our history books have yet to contain and the power of friendships that

Onjali Q. Raúf is the founder of Making Herstory, an organisation mobilising men, women and children from all walks of life to tackle the abuse and trafficking of women and girls in the UK and beyond. She is also the founder of O's Refugee Aid Team, which provides support for refugee families surviving in Calais and Dunkirk.

She is an award-winning and best-selling author of books for children that tackle the issues of today. Her titles include The Boy at the Back of the Class, The Star Outside My Window, The Night Bus Hero, and The Lion Above the Door.



Monsters make maths fun - develop maths skills through 10 fun card games for 1-4 players

EDUCATIONAL FUN: children learn best through play, this game is ideal for practising key stage 1 maths skills

10 GAMES IN 1: for 2-4 players aged 5+

INCLUDES PARENTAL GUIDANCE in the rulebook, plus 52 playing cards featuring fun monsters

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MONSTER MATHS

Card games that create maths aces: includes 10 games! Rob Hodgson 9780857829368

How Hours born in a seaside town in the south of England in 1988. Today he lives in Bristol where he spends his days making a mess and turning it into quality illustration projects and books. In 2017 he released his first picture book, *The Cave*, and since then has published a small bookshelf more.



MY FEELINGS BINGO

Get To Know 48 Feelings of All Kinds Emily Midouhas 9781399600781 November 3, 2022

Emily Midouhas (Author)

Dr Emily Midouhas is a developmental psychologist who specializes in children's emotions.

Bee Grandinetti (Illustrator)

Bee Grandinetti is a Brazilian director, designer, animator and illustrator based in Stockholm.



OI FROG!

9781444910865

February 5, 2015

Kes Gray

Help children understand and express their emotions while playing a game!

SENSITIVE, ENGAGING ILLUSTRATIONS. Bee Grandinetti's approachable illustrations clearly and amusingly depict each emotion so that they can be recognized and explored in a fun, low-pressure way

EDUCATIONAL. Features 48 emotions ranging from happiness and sadness to anger, apathy, and anxiety. Written by Dr Emily Midouhas, a developmental psychologist and associate professor at UCL, specializing in the effects of the social and built environment on the emotional and behavioural problems of children and the mental health of children with special educational needs across childhood and adolescence, particularly children with ADHD and autism

EASY TO PLAY. An easy-to-play bingo game for the whole family: be the first to get all 16 emotions on your card to win BINGO!

COLLECT THE SERIES. Follows the successes of bestselling Dinosaur Bingo, Scary Bingo, Jungle Bingo, Poo Bingo and more!

THE PERFECT GIFT. Beautifully designed, illustration-led, high-spec product for maximum gifting potential

Jam-packed with animals and silliness, this bestselling rhyming story is guaranteed to get children giggling. Over 1 million copies sold!

The laughter never ends with Oi Frog and Friends!

Jam-packed with the silliest of animals, this bestselling rhyming story will have the youngest of readers in fits of laughter. Over 1 million copies sold!

Cats sit on mats, hares sit on chairs, mules sit on stools and gophers sit on sofas. But Frog does *not* want to sit on a log. Jam-packed with animals and silliness, this original rhyming story is guaranteed to get children giggling!

'An absolute treat.' *Daily Mail* 'Hilarious.' *Guardian* 'The most outstanding children's book.' Jo Wiley, *BBC Radio 2*

Can't get enough? Look out for: Oi Dog, Oi Cat, Oi Duck-billed Platypus, Oi Puppies

Oi Frog and Friends is a top ten bestselling series. Loved by children and parents, the books have won numerous awards, including the **Laugh Out Loud Picture Book Award**, and been shortlisted for many more!

Kes lives in Witham, Essex, with his wife, young family and assortment of animals. He is a born storyteller. Voted by the Independent as one of the TOP TEN children's authors only a year after publishing his first book, he is the author of the award-winning *Eat Your Peas* and winner of the Red House Children's Book Award for Younger Readers.

Jim Field is a lead-driven, pencil-pushing, 25-frames-per-second, Led Zeppelin fan. He is also a hugely talented illustrator and animation director whose previous clients have included Waterstones, Sainsbury's, Oxfam, The Independent, The Guardian, The FT, Channel 4, Virgin Mobile, Nokia, GQ, Haymarket and BAC. His first picture book *Cats Ahoy!* won the Roald Dahl Funny Prize and his vibrant, energetic style and witty detail is sure to delight children and adults alike.



PROUD TO BE DEAF Ava Beese 9781526302199 April 11, 2019 A wonderful child-led book that celebrates Deaf culture and introduces readers to British Sign Language.

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Marvellously positive and encouraging throughout, this would be a useful addition to any primary school or public library, as well as being useful to help any child understand a little more about their deaf peers. - *The Carousel*

Ava is like any other 7-year-old. She likes to talk and laugh with her friends, is obsessed with dogs and loves being active. Ava is also deaf - and she's proud of it. She loves her deaf community, that she's bilingual, and that she experiences the world differently from hearing people.

In this book, Ava welcomes her hearing peers to her daily life, the way technology helps her navigate the world and explains common misconceptions about deaf people - and introduces some of her deaf heroes who have achieved amazing things. She talks about her experiences at school making friends with hearing children, and teaches readers the BSL alphabet and some BSL phrases.

Featuring photos of Ava, her friends and family throughout, plus illustrations of hand signs,

Lilli Beese (Author)

Ava Beese is seven years old. When she was two, her dad Nick posted a YouTube video of her signing with her mum over dinner. It went viral, was watched almost 1.5 million times, and was picked up by BBC News. The videos her family still post of their BSL dinner chats continue to receive tens of thousands of hits.

Ava's mum, Lilli Beese, is a BSL interpreter, television presenter and trainee psychologist.

Ava's dad, Nick Beese, is a designer and former captain of Great Britain's deaf football team.

Together, Nick and Lilli founded support group Deaf Parents Deaf Children. They regularly campaign on deaf issues.



RABBIT AND BEAR TRABBIT'S BAD HABITS Book 1 Julian Gough 9781444921687 September 8, 2016 Julian and Jim's Rabbit and Bear books have 1 Gorgeously illustrated and with a classic feel, this is a brilliantly funny story of a rabbit and a bear who discover that things are always better when they're shared with a friend. Ideal for readers moving on from picture books.

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Bear wakes up early from hibernation. If she can't sleep, then at least she can make a snowman. Rabbit has never made a snowman, but he definitely wants to make one that's better than Bear's.

But with an avalanche and a hungry wolf heading his way, Rabbit soon realises that it might be nice to have a friend on his side.

From novelist and playwright Julian Gough, and the winner of the Roald Dahl Funny Prize, Jim Field, this is a tale of friendship, gravity, and just a little bit of poo.

'Rabbit's Bad Habits is a breath of fresh air in children's fiction, a laugh-out-loud story of

Julian and Jim's Rabbit and Bear books have been shortlisted twice for the Children's Book of the Year in the Irish Book Awards, and also for the Sainsbury's Children's Book Award.

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THE NEST Book 2 Julian Gough 9781444921717

August 10, 2017

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'PEACE AND QUIET,' shouts Rabbit. 'THAT'S ALL I WANT.'

Owch. He's hurt his own ears again.

What with Bear's snoring, and a BANG!BANG!BANG! noise from up in the tree, Rabbit knows that Something Simply Has To Be Done.

But high in the branches, perhaps Bear can show Rabbit how to see the world from a different place ...

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When a move to a new house coincides with his baby sister's illness, Michael's world seems suddenly lonely and uncertain.

Then, one Sunday afternoon, he stumbles into the old, ramshackle garage of his new home, and finds something magical. A strange creature - part owl, part angel, a being who needs Michael's help if he is to survive. With his new friend Mina, Michael nourishes Skellig back to health, while his baby sister languishes in the hospital.

But Skellig is far more than he at first appears, and as he helps Michael breathe life into his tiny sister, Michael's world changes for ever . . .

Skellig won the Carnegie Medal and the Whitbread Children's Book Award. David Almond is also winner of the 2010 Hans Christian Andersen award.



THE COSMIC DIARY OF OUR INCREDIBLE UNIVERSE

Tim Peake 9781526364913 May 25, 2023 A major publication for Oct 2022: first children's non-fiction book from beloved astronaut and author, Tim Peake. Told through the fascinating 'diary' of the Universe, this book answers all the REALLY BIG QUESTIONS about how our incredible universe came to be - the perfect Christmas gift for kids hungry to know more about space and our place it.

Told through the fascinating 'diary' of the Universe itself, along with astronaut Tim Peake and a host of expert space STEM characters, this book takes children on a mind-blowing adventure to understand some of the **REALLY BIG QUESTIONS** about how our incredible universe came to be.

How old is the universe? How hot was the Big Bang? How are stars made? What happens when galaxies collide? What is a Black Hole? Would you like to eat Cosmic Soup? *(Answer: No)* Does extra-terrestrial life exist? What is the future of Planet Earth? Will humans ever live on another planet?

The fascinating science behind some of these questions is explaining by STEM characters who occupy key space jobs - the **space geologist**, the **cosmologist**, the **quantum physicist**, the **astronomer**, and of course, the **astronaut** - who distil complex subjects with humour and playfulness, appealing to kids hungry to know more about space, the universe and our place in it.

Tim Peake was the first British ESA astronaut to visit the International Space Station. He is also a best-selling author and an inspirational communicator of science to audiences of all ages. Tim served as an army officer and a combat search and rescue instructor, and flew helicopter operations. Tim was selected as an ESA astronaut in May 2009 and after arduous training Tim was assigned to a mission to the International Space Station in May 2013. He launched to space on 15 December 2015. Tim took part in over 250 scientific experiments during his mission. His Principia mission also focused on educational outreach, engaging more than 2 million schoolchildren across Europe in over 30 projects during his time in space.

Tim's bestselling books include: Hello, is this planet Earth? (Century, 2016) Ask An Astronaut (Century, 2017) and The Astronaut Selection Test Book (Century, 2018)



A flamboyantly funny tale about the love we give to the world - and the love that comes echoing back. From the creators of the multi-award-winning, bestselling *The Lion Inside*.

A flamboyantly fun tropical tale of love, fame, friendship from the creators of the international bestseller *The Lion Inside*.

Goldy wants one thing, and one thing only - to be a STAR. On the sunny island this gecko calls home, it's *always* THE GOLDY SHOW, morning 'til night.

But when you're dazzled by the limelight, it's easy to lose sight of the world around you. And when Goldy's performance starts to go wrong, the little gecko discovers that friendship means so much more than fame. Because when you treat the world with love, then love will come echoing back.

This funny and touching rhyming story is perfect for sharing, reminding us all that treating others with kindness makes the whole world a better and happier place.

THE GECKO AND THE ECHO Rachel Bright 9781408356074 February 2, 2023

Rachel Bright (Author)

Rachel Bright is a wordsmith, illustrator and professional thinker of happy thoughts. She has written many bestselling books for children, including *Love Monster, The Lion Inside* and *The Koala Who Could* - winner of the *Evening Standard* Oscar's Book Prize and the Sainsbury's Book Award. Her books have been translated into 40 languages and have sold over 2 million copies worldwide. She is also the creator of award-winning stationery and homewares range, The Brightside. Rachel lives on a farm near the seaside, with her partner and their two young daughters.

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THE KOALA WHO COULD Rachel Bright 9781408331644 February 9, 2017

A funny rhyming story about dealing with change and overcoming worries. From the bestselling creators of *The Lion Inside*.

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In a wonderful place, at the breaking of dawn, where the breezes were soft and the sunshine was warm, a place where the creatures ran wild and played free ... A Koala called Kevin clung to a tree.

Meet Kevin. A koala who likes to keep things the same. Exactly the same. But sometimes change comes along whether we like it or not... And, as Kevin discovers, if you step outside your comfort zone and try new things, you might just surprise yourself!

WINNER of the Sainsbury's Book Award and the Evening Standard Oscar's Book Prize!

'Fabulous rhymes, I'm in love with Kevin and would like to buy this for all my friends' children.' Claudia Winkleman

'A feel-good rhyming tale . . . Field's Australian animals are a treat' - Bookseller

Rachel Bright is a writer, illustrator, printmaker and eternal optimist. She is the creator of the award-winning stationery and homewares range, The Bright Side, which has sold over 2 million cards worldwide. Rachel has written and illustrated several books for children, including *Love Monster*, *What Does Daddy Do*? and *My Sister is an Alien*. She lives on a farm near the seaside with her partner and new baby daughter.

Jim Field drew from a very early age with a burning ambition to 'make cartoons'. He studied animation at Hull School of Art and Design, graduated in 2002, gradually paved his way into the animation industry working as a director for Partizan in London. Meanwhile, he was also penning his way as a freelance illustrator working for editorial publications. His first picture book, *Cats Ahoy!* written by Peter Bently, won the Booktrust Roald Dahl Funny Prize in 2011 and was nominated for the Kate Greenaway award.



THE LION INSIDE Rachel Bright 9781408331606 March 10, 2016

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In a dry dusty place where the sand sparkled gold, stood a mighty flat rock, all craggy and old. And under that rock in a tinyful house, lived the littlest, quietest, meekest brown mouse.

Fed up of being ignored by the other animals, Mouse wishes he could roar like Lion. But, as he discovers, even the biggest, bossiest people are scared sometimes ... and even the smallest creatures can have the heart of a lion!

A modern classic, *The Lion Inside* has sold over 200,000 copies in the UK alone and been translated into over 30 languages worldwide.

"A heartfelt message, delightfully conveyed." Parents in Touch

"Captivating." Books for Keeps

"A delight to read over and over again." WRD



9781444963380 May 25, 2023

Jacqueline Wilson (Author)

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Milo, Mia and Birdy are on a countryside holiday when they wander into an Enchanted Wood. Among the whispering leaves, there is a beautiful tree that stands high above the rest. The Magic Faraway Tree is home to many remarkable creatures including a fairy called Silky, her best friend Moonface and more. Little Birdy is only too happy to find that fairies are real. Even her older brother and sister are soon won over by the magic of the Faraway Tree and the extraordinary places they discover above it, including the Land of Unicorns. But not every land is so much fun. Danger looms in the Land of Dragons. Will Moonface's magic work in time to save the children?

The Magic Faraway Tree by Enid Blyton was Jacqueline Wilson's own favourite book as a very young child. Now Britain's favourite contemporary children's author, creator of Hetty Feather and Tracy Beaker, revisits this glorious magical world, weaving a brand-new story perfect for the next generation of young readers. Discover the magic!

Jacqueline Wilson has been writing since she was 9 years old. She is one of Britain's bestselling and most beloved children's authors. The creator of Tracy Beaker, Hetty Feather and many other memorable characters, she has written more than 100 books. She has won numerous book prizes and is a former Children's Laureate. In 2008 she was appointed a Dame in recognition of her services to children's literature. She is famed for her passion for reading and her collection of more than 20,000 books, as well as for her distinctive silver rings.

Mark Beech (Illustrator)

Mark Beech was born in Pendle, Lancashire and loved to draw from an early age. His very popular work regularly includes scary dragons, wild dinosaurs, grumpy witches and many other whacky creatures. He is the illustrator of all the *Magic Faraway Tree* books. Mark lives in the Forest of Bowland, where he enjoys walking with his dog Bungle.



October 15, 2020

From Onjali Q. Rauf, the award-winning and best-selling author of *The Boy* at the Back of the Class, comes another incredible story, told with humour and heart. Told from the perspective of a bully, this book explores themes of homelessness, while celebrating kindness, friendship and the potential *everyone* has to change for the good.

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'The boy's an absolute menace.' 'He's a bully. A lost cause!' 'Why can't he be more like his sister?'

I've been getting into trouble for as long I can remember. Usually I don't mind 'cos some of my best, most brilliant ideas have come from sitting in detention.

But recently it feels like no one believes me about anything - even when I'm telling the truth! And it's only gotten worse since I played a prank on the old man who lives in the park.

Everyone thinks I'm just a bully. They don't believe I could be a hero.

But I'm going to prove them all wrong...

Onjali Q. Raúf is the founder of Making Herstory, an organisation mobilising men, women and children from all walks of life to tackle the abuse and trafficking of women and girls in the UK and beyond. In her spare time she delivers emergency aid convoys for refugee families surviving in Calais and Dunkirk, and supports interfaith projects.

Her first novel, The Boy at the Back of the Class, won the Waterstone's Children's Prize and The Blue Peter Award. Her second book, The Star Outside My Window, published in October 2019 and she has written a 2020 World Book Day title that's a follow up to The Boy at the Back of the Class called The Day We Met the Queen.



THE SHAKESPEARE GAME

Make Your Fortune in Shakespeare's London: An Immersive Board Game Adam Simpson 9780857829184

Adam Simpson (Author, Illustrator)

All the world's a stage in this fun and strategic family board game based on Shakespeare's life and plays

PLAY AND LEARN: learn Shakespeare as you play this new board game for all the family

SCREEN-FREE FUN for 2-5 players aged 8 and up

SOMETHING TO TREASURE: this is a quality product made to last, with bespoke illustration and sleek and stylish packaging

EXPLORE THE ENTIRE SERIES: this game is part of our bestselling Shakespeare range illustrated by Adam Simpson, including *The World of Shakespeare: 1000-piece Jigsaw Puzzle* and *Shakespeare Playing Cards*

Journey from Stratford to London in the footsteps of the world's best loved playwright, collect characters and race round London's theatres to put on as many plays as you can before other playwrights steal your ideas, burn down your theatres or spread the plague! In this fun family board game, you will absorb details of Elizabethan England as well as learn loads of references to Shakespeare's plays. The winner is the player whose plays take the most money at the box office, and the fastest in the race to fame and glory.

Adam Simpson's work always features a strong emphasis on drawing. He has contributed to major exhibitions in London, New York, Edinburgh, Bologna and Japan. His work has been shortlisted for a British Design Award.



Two greedy squirrels learn to share, in this hilarious rhyming adventure from the bestselling creators of *The Lion Inside.* Perfect for competitive friends and sibling rivals!

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Greedy squirrels Cyril and Bruce both have their sights on a very special prize: THE VERY LAST NUT OF THE SEASON! As the nut bounces crazily though the forest, the squirrels race after it, between the trees, over boulders, down the river and - ARGH! - right to the edge of a waterfall! Working together might be the only way to save themselves now ...

A laugh-out-loud tale about friendship and sharing. Perfect for competitive friends and sibling rivals!

'A charming story about sharing and friendship.' Parents in Touch

'Reminiscent of Julia Donaldson.' The Sun

'Delightful to read again and again.' The Bookbag

Rachel Bright is a wordsmith, illustrator and professional thinker of happy thoughts. She has written several books for children, including *Love Monster, The Lion Inside* and *The Koala Who Could* - winner of the *Evening Standard* Oscar's Book Prize and the Sainsbury's Book Award. Her books have sold over 100,000 copies in the UK alone and been translated into over 25 languages. She is also the creator of award-winning stationery and homewares range, The Brightside. Rachel lives on a farm near the seaside, with her partner and their two young daughters.

THE SQUIRRELS WHO SQUABBLED Rachel Bright

9781408340479 February 8, 2018



October 3, 2019

Told through the innocent voice of a child, this is a story that explores the subtle faces and endless impacts of domestic violence and celebrates the power of hope and resilience, from Onjali Rauf, the award-winning and best-selling author of The Boy at the Back of the Class.

'I've always wanted to be a Star Hunter. But I don't want to be the kind that looks for old stars that have already been burning for millions of years. I want to find the brand new ones - the ones that have only just been born and are searching for the people they've left behind...'

Following the disappearance of her mum, 10-year-old Aniyah suddenly finds herself living in foster care. With her life in disarray, she knows just one thing for sure: her mum isn't gone for ever. Because people with the brightest hearts never truly leave. They become stars.

So when a new star is spotted acting strangely in the sky, Aniyah is sure it's her mum, and she embarks on the adventure of a lifetime to make sure everyone else knows too -- an adventure that involves breaking into the Royal Observatory of London, a mischievous scurry of squirrels and the biggest star in Hollywood...

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She is an award-winning and best-selling author of books for children that tackle the issues of today. Her titles include The Boy at the Back of the Class, The Star Outside My Window, The Night Bus Hero, and The Lion Above the Door.



A sparkling story of friendship, set in the snowy Arctic, from the bestselling creators of *The Lion Inside*.

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Wolf cub Wilf doesn't want help from *anyone*. Whatever it is, he can do it *all by himself*. But when Wilf finds himself lost and alone in the chill of the Arctic night, he discovers something important: sometimes we all need the helping hand of a friend.

This positive rhyming tale of friendship and community is perfect for stubbornly independent little cubs everywhere!

Look out for more heart-tingling tales from Rachel Bright and Jim Field: The Lion Inside The Koala Who Could The Squirrels Who Squabbled

THE WAY HOME FOR WOLF Rachel Bright 9781408349212 September 5, 2019



THE WHALE WHO WANTED MORE Rachel Bright 9781408349229 August 5, 2021

A stunning undersea tale of friendship, community and discovery from the bestselling creators of *The Lion Inside*.

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Under glittering waves of a vast ocean blue, a beautiful world is hidden from view. And there, in the cool and the quiet of the deep, a great, gentle giant was stirring from sleep

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Humphrey the whale is on a quest: to find the one perfect object that will make him feel complete. He roams far and wide, gathering endless undersea treasure as he goes. Yet, no matter how many goodies he accumulates, Humphrey still doesn't feel content. Could it be friendship, not possessions, that will *really* make Humphrey's heart sing?

A sparkling rhyming tale that encourages sharing and kindness, this heartwarming story of friendship is perfect for reading aloud.



9781444936728 May 3, 2018

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#1 Sunday Times Bestseller

Winner of the Blue Peter Book Award

This is the story of a young boy Wizard and a young girl Warrior who have been taught since birth to hate each other like poison; and the thrilling tale of what happens when their two worlds collide.

Perfect for boys and girls who love fantasy adventure...

Once there was Magic, and the Magic lived in the dark forests. Until the Warriors came ...

Xar is a Wizard boy who has no Magic, and will do anything to get it. Wish is a Warrior girl, but she owns a banned Magical Object, and she will do anything to conceal it.

Cressida Cowell is the author and the illustrator of the bestselling How to Train Your Dragon and The Wizards of Once book series, and the author of the Emily Brown picture books, illustrated by Neal Layton.

How to Train Your Dragon has sold over 8 million books worldwide in 38 languages. It is also an award-winning DreamWorks film series, and a TV series shown on Netflix and CBBC. The first book in Cressida's new series, The Wizards of Once (also signed by DreamWorks), is a number one bestseller.

Cressida is an ambassador for the National Literacy Trust and the Reading Agency, a Trustee of World Book Day and a founder patron of the Children's Media Foundation. She has won numerous prizes, including the Gold Award in the Nestle Children's Book Prize, the 2017 Ruth Rendell Award for Championing Literacy, the Hay Festival Medal for Fiction, and Philosophy Now' magazine's 2015 Award for Contributions in the Fight Against Stupidity.

She grew up in London and on a small, uninhabited island off the west coast of Scotland and she now lives in Hammersmith with her husband, three children and a dog called Pigeon.



THE WORRYSAURUS

Rachel Bright 9781408356128 February 20, 2020

Rachel Bright (Author)

Rachel Bright is a wordsmith, illustrator and professional thinker of happy thoughts. She has written several books for children, including *Love Monster, The Lion Inside* and *The Koala Who Could* - winner of the *Evening Standard* Oscar's Book Prize and the Sainsbury's Book Award. Her books have sold over 300,000 copies in the UK alone and been translated into over 30 languages. She is also the creator of award-winning stationery and homewares range, The Brightside. Rachel lives on a farm near the seaside, with her partner and their two young daughters.

Chris Chatterton (Illustrator)

Chris Chatterton began his career in graphic design and animation, working on a variety of projects including Dr Who and CBBC's The Dumping Ground. Chris' passion for illustration then led him to pursue a career as a freelance artist, illustrating a number of children's books including *Ten Minutes to Bed, Little Unicorn* and *Supermarket Gremlins*. Originally from County Durham, Chris now lives and works in the basement studio of his house in Newcastle Upon Tyne.



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Winner of the Telegraph Children's Sports Book of the Year

A fun and reassuring tale about dealing with worries from the author of the bestselling *The Lion Inside*.

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It's a beautiful day and Worrysaurus has planned a special picnic.

But it isn't long before a small butterfly of worry starts fluttering in his tummy . . . What if he hasn't brought enough to eat? What if he gets lost in the jungle? What if he trips and falls? What if it rains?!

Can Worrysaurus find a way to chase his fears away and have fun?

The perfect book to help every anxious little dinosaur let go of their fears and feel happy in the moment.

The best true stories from the beautiful game - this is the perfect gift for the football-mad kid in your life.

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WINNER of the Telegraph Children's Sports Book of the Year, 2020

Do you think you know everything there is to know about football?

Have you heard of ...

- * The psychic octopus who could predict the winner?
- * The Lancashire Lasses who became the best kept secret of women's football?
- * The dog detective who saved the World Cup trophy?
- * The superstar footballer who never actually played football?

Discover the most incredible, sometimes ridiculous, and always **completely unbelievable** football stories you never knew. From bestselling author Matt Oldfield, this is part of the Unbelievable Football series - showcasing true tales from the world's favourite game where there's everything to play for and anything can happen.

Matt DOfe feeled tes the Ultimate Football Heroes and Classic Football Heroes series with his brother Tom. Matt also works with schools and organisations such as The National Literacy Trust and The National Football Museum to deliver football-based literacy workshops. To date, the Ultimate Football Heroes series has sold over 300,000 copies in the UK alone.



October 3, 2019

From the bestselling, award-winning author of SKELLIG comes a vivid and moving story, beautifully illustrated, written to commemorate the hundred-year anniversary of the end of the First World War.

From the bestselling, award-winning author of SKELLIG comes a vivid and moving story, beautifully illustrated, which commemorates the hundred-year anniversary of the end of the First World War.

"I am just a child," says John. "How can I be at war?"

It's 1918, and war is everywhere. John's dad is fighting in the trenches far away in France. His mum works in the munitions factory just along the road. His teacher says that John is fighting, too, that he is at war with enemy children in Germany.

One day, in the wild woods outside town, John has an impossible moment: a meeting with a German boy named Jan. John catches a glimpse of a better world, in which children like Jan and himself can come together, and scatter the seeds of peace.

Gorgeously illustrated by David Litchfield, this is a book to treasure.



How to agree to disagree and still be friends Matthew Syed 9781526364937

From the author of the bestselling hit You Are Awesome, Matthew Syed, comes this positive and empowering toolkit helping young people to think critically, rethink comfortably and communicate effectively in a world increasingly at odds, boosting their social superpowers and enabling them to become awesome adults!

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>

Matchew 3yEd 282 columnist for *The Times*, an acclaimed author and a former international table tennis champion. His first book for kids, *You Are Awesome*, was a no. 1 bestseller and won Best Children's Non-fiction Book 2019. He is also a trustee of Greenhouse Sports, a charity that empowers young people from disadvantaged communities through sport. Matthew is married, and has two young children.



Our amazing evolution, what race really is and what makes us human Adam Rutherford

9781526364241

Adam Rutherford (Adthor)

Inspired by the bestselling A Brief History of Everyone Who Ever Lived and the Sunday Times bestseller How to Argue with a Racist, award-winning geneticist, writer and broadcaster, Adam Rutherford takes children on an amazing adventure through million years of human history, teaching them all about evolution, race and the real human story.

'Laugh out loud funny - and you'll learn lots too!' - Adam Kay, author of Kay's *Anatomy* and Kay's *Incredible Inventions.*

'If I had had such a book when I was 10 or 11, I might well have set my sights on becoming a geneticist or some kind of biologist...' - Stephen Fry

Go on an extraordinary adventure through millions of years of human history and learn the story of our species from **evolution** to **dinosaurs** to **YOU**!

Along the way, you will meet kings and queens, Pharaohs and Vikings, and see just how far and wide humans have migrated around the world. You'll discover why we're related to a super cheesy man and that no matter what skin colour you have, language you speak or place you are from - we all share the same small pool of ancestors.

Mind-boggling, entertaining and illuminating, this is the epic story of you and everyone who has ever lived!

Dr. Adam Rutherford is a scientist, writer and broadcaster. He has written and presented award-winning programmes for the BBC, including Radio 4's *Inside Science* and *The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry* with Dr. Hannah Fry. He is the author of *Creation*, shortlisted for the Wellcome Trust Prize, *A Brief History of Everyone Who Ever Lived*, *The Book of Humans* and The Sunday Times' bestselling *How To Argue With a Racist*.

Adam Ming (Illustrator)

Malaysian born illustrator, Adam Ming, currently resides in Kuala Lumpur with his wife and daughter. His illustrations are energetic and witty with a comic sensibility. He started illustrating in 2001 for a monthly column in the Malaysia Airlines Magazine.



Cressida Cowell 9781444968217 May 11, 2023 Cressida Cowell was

Come with me if you dare, and take the Which Way to Anywhere . . . Hold on tight for an out-of-this-world new adventure from the No.1 bestselling author of *How to Train Your Dragon* and *The Wizards of Once.*

From the bestselling author of HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON comes an out-of-thisworld new series packed with epic adventure, thrilling space travel and forbidden Magic.

'Wild magic . . . fabulous' Guardian

'thrill-packed, highly imaginative' The Times

'secrets and lies, monsters and magic' Daily Mail

There is no Magic here on Earth. At least, that's what you've been told . . . But in an ordinary-looking house in an ordinary-looking village, live a group of children who are about to uncover a secret.

When 11-year-old K2 O'Hero discovers he has a Magical gift allowing him and his siblings to travel to alternative worlds (yes, there really are alternative worlds out there), some very weird things start happening. And when someone they love is in danger, the children must

Cressida Cowell was the Waterstones Children's Laureate (2019-2022). She is the author and illustrator of the bestselling *The Wizards of Once* and *How to Train Your Dragon* books series, and the author of the *Emily Brown* picture books, illustrated by Neal Layton.

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Cressida is an ambassador for the National Literacy Trust and the Reading Agency, a Trustee of World Book Day and a founder patron of the Children's Media Foundation. She has won numerous prizes, including the Gold Award in the Nestle Children's Book Prize.



Serena Molloy 9781444968415 March 30, 2023

Serena Molloy (Author)

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Ró finds school impossible. She knows people think she's shy - and stupid. But when she goes to the bay each afternoon to watch the dolphin leap through the water, she finds the strength to keep going. Then the dolphin disappears, and everything starts falling apart.

Can Ró overcome her fears to find him?

I watch each rise and dip of wave know Sunny must be out there somewhere wonder if he's missing me. I remember that moment when I touched his skin

Serena Molloy was born in Wexford, Ireland, and is an English teacher who has taught in different schools across the UK. She settled in Galway with her family, where she can see the sea every day. As a mum of four, her house is always noisy but never, ever dull.

Serena endured her own struggle with dyslexia as a child, until an inspirational teacher changed her life. Her novels are a celebration of neurodiversity, empathy and the power to change.

George Ermos (Illustrator)

George is an illustrator, maker and avid reader from England. He works digitally and loves illustrating all things curious and mysterious. He is always trying to incorporate new artiness from the various world cultures he reads about and explores.



Brilliant at (Almost) Anything Matthew Syed 9781526361158

Matthew Syed (Author)

This positive and empowering guide, by bestselling mindset author Matthew Syed, will help boys and girls build resilience, fulfil their potential and become successful, happy, awesome adults.

CHILDREN'S BOOK OF THE YEAR 2019 SUNDAY TIMES NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER

"A very funny and inspiring read! Brilliantly practical with a wide variety of examples that make it relevant for both boys and girls (and adults)!" - online customer review

"A truly inspiring book for the younger generation!" - online customer review

"Genuinely funny and engaging. There are messages in this book for both adults and children. It's a must read." - online customer review

"An awesome book about becoming awesome. How inspiring it is to know that there's a path to awesomeness and that anyone - absolutely anyone - can go down that path. This book shows you how." - Carol Dweck, Professor of Psychology, Stanford University

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Toby Triumph (Illustrator)

Toby Triumph is a New York-based illustrator from Yorkshire, England. He creates detailed hand-drawn pieces with an irreverent edge, that incorporate characters, typography and playful phrases. Outlines and blocks help him create definition within these detailed illustrations, often realised in mono or duo tone colour palettes. His work has been applied across product packaging, advertising, clothing, installations and large-scale murals.



The Complete No Worries Guide to Growing Up Zoe Williams 9781526365156 June 8, 2023 The debut book from GP, author, media medic and *This Morning's* resident doctor, Dr Zoe Williams, this is a one-stop guide to growing up for girls aged 9 to 13.

'A book that every girl needs to grow up happy, healthy and thriving' - Holly Willoughby

NHS GP and This Morning's resident doctor, Dr. Zoe Williams, is here to explain everything girls need to know about puberty - plus lots more.

Growing up is exciting, but it can also be a strange and confusing time. This book will help you can ride your rollercoaster more smoothly!

We'll cover the usual things such as periods and body changes, but also equip you with the knowledge you need to flourish and thrive in today's world, from self-care and recognising healthy relationships to talking about your mental health with confidence.

Packed with easy-to-understand information, myth-busting advice and fun illustrations, this is the ultimate growing-up guide for girls aged 9+ who want to feel empowered, informed and positive about becoming the very best version of themselves.

Content includes:

Dr. Zoe Williams MBBS, DRCOG and MRCGP is a practicing NHS GP and media medic. Zoe is currently one of the resident GP's on ITV's popular daytime show 'This Morning' in addition to presenting for the BBC's 'The One Show', 'Horizon' and 'Trust Me I'm a Doctor'.

Her strength lies in sharing knowledge with the viewing public, specialising in debunking the confusing world of medicine, in a warm, down to earth and straightforward manner. Her broadcast career has seen become a household favourite as one of the country's most trusted doctors.

Outside of the surgery, Zoe is a National Advisor for Public Health England and is a clinical advisor to the Royal College of General Practitioners. She is also a director and founding member of the British Society of Lifestyle Medicine. In 2017, Zoe founded the non-profit organisation Fit4LifeCIC, which aims to have a positive and long term impact on young people who have the most challenging lives. The organisation helps these youngsters to create their own physical activity programmes to improve not only their health, but also their wellbeing and enhancing their life aspirations.



Grips With Grief Julie Stokes 9781526363893 August 19, 2021

A comforting, practical and go-to expert toolkit for children age 9+ dealing with loss and grief, by Julie Stokes OBE - chartered clinical psychologist, executive coach and founder of Winston's Wish

"Grief is a tricky subject to explain to kids, but this book is a wonderful go-to expert toolkit!" Dr Ranj Singh

The death of a parent, sibling or friend is one of the most traumatic experiences for a child or young person and it can be hard to know how to talk to them about it. In this honest, comforting and strength-building guide Julie Stokes, a clinical psychologist and founder of childhood bereavement charity Winston's Wish, provides readers with the tools they need to navigate this tough and turbulent time.

Readers will discover the stories of other people who have been through grief themselves. They will learn how to flex their 'grief muscles' in order to develop confidence, trust, grit, a resilient mindset and flexible feelings - the ability to notice, accept and talk about emotions when they choose to. And packed with practical exercises, such as creating memory boxes and managing different kinds of memories using 'memory stones', this guide will give readers helpful ways to manage their grief so they can begin to move forward with life.

Because there is no right or wrong way to grieve, you just need to find your own way.

Julie Stokes, founder of Winston's Wish was born in 1961 and educated at St. Michael's Convent Grammar School in London. Julie received a 1st class honours degree in Psychology and in 1987 went on to receive a Masters in Clinical Psychology.

Julie started her career with the NHS in 1984 and was instrumental in establishing one of the first hospital-based teams focusing on palliative care. Her desire to involve children before and after a parent's death and to support parents led her to apply to the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust. In 1992 she was awarded a Fellowship and travelled to America and Canada to better understand the services provided in these countries for bereaved children. Inspired by what she had experienced, Julie founded Winston's Wish in September of that year. After just 3 years the grief support programme was well established and Julie won the BT/Childline award 'for providing outstanding services to children'

Julie continues to lecture both nationally and internationally, is an established author and has contributed to 11 documentaries including the ground breaking Mummy Diaries series in 2007.