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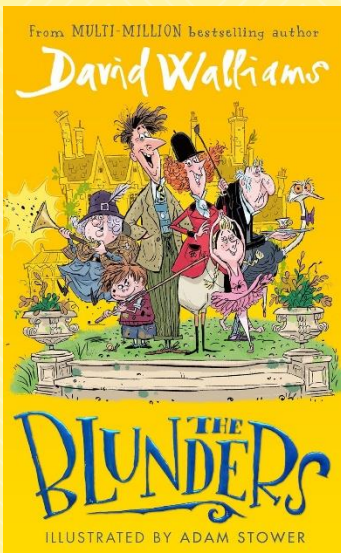
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Summer is HERE!

For any specific requests, please don't hesitate to reach out.

All the best,
The Jonathan Ball Kids Team

Spotlight



The Blunders by David Walliams

9780008614393 / HarperCollins / TPB / R299

Million-copy bestseller David Walliams' funniest book yet – a laugh-out-loud tale of the most blundering and lovable family in history!

Meet the Blunders: Bertie, Betsy, their children, Brutus and Bunny, along with their beloved grandma Old Lady Blunder, and their pet ostrich, Cedric. An ostrich is not a sensible pet, but then the Blunders are not sensible people.

This family of upper-class twits lives in a crumbling country house named Blunder Hall. When their home comes under threat, they must embark on a series of comic misadventures to save it.

Absurd and hilarious, *The Blunders* is David Walliams' funniest book yet. A laugh-out-loud tale of the most blundering and lovable family in history.



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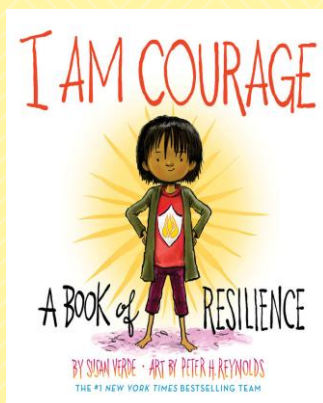


The Boy Who Brought the Snow by Hollie Hughes
9781526609656 / Bloomsbury / PB / R240

A heartwarming story of winter magic from the bestselling author of *The Girl and the Dinosaur*.

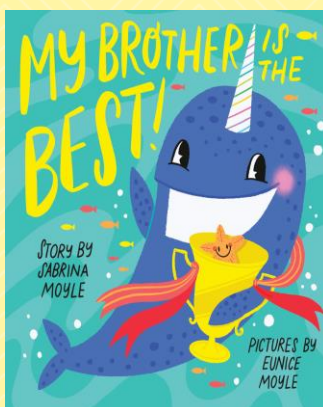
In the heart of a great city lives a little boy without a home. But when Quinn finds a magical snow globe, everything begins to change . . . For when snow begins to fall, magic and kindness start to find their way out into the world.

A beautiful, wintery story with a kernel of magic at its heart, this heartwarming tale is destined to become a new favourite at Christmas.



I am Courage by Susan Verde
9781419746475 / Abrams / BRD BK / R240

Encourage kids to find their inner strength with this companion to the New York Times bestsellers *I Am Human* and *I Am Love!* I move ahead one breath at a time. I act with bravery. I am courage. When we picture someone brave, we might think they're fearless, but real courage comes from feeling scared and facing what challenges us anyway. When our minds tell us, "I can't," we can look inside ourselves and find the strength to say, "Yes, I CAN!". From the New York Times bestselling team behind the *I Am* series comes a triumphant celebration of everyday courage: believing in ourselves, speaking out, trying new things, asking for help, and getting back up no matter how many times we may fall. Grounded in mindfulness and awareness, *I Am Courage* is an empowering reminder that we can conquer anything. Inside, you'll also find mindfulness exercises to inspire confidence.



My Brother Is the Best! by Hello! Lucky
9781419759833 / Abrams / BRD BK / R205

From Hello!Lucky, the creators of *My Mom Is Magical!*, *My Dad Is Amazing!*, *My Grandma Is Great!*, and *My Grandpa Is Grand!* comes this joyful tribute to everything that makes brothers the best!

Is your brother cooler than a million ice cream cones? Stronger than a squad of sharks? More amazing than a billion bubbles? Celebrate all the things that make brothers the best with this bright, humor-filled board book!





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My Sister is Super! by Hello! Lucky
9781419759819 / Abrams / BRD BK / R205

From Hello!Lucky, the creators of My Mom Is Magical!, My Dad Is Amazing!, My Grandma Is Great!,and My Grandpa Is Grand! comes this joyful tribute to everything that makes sisters super!

Is your sister tougher than a ton of trucks? Smarter than a squad of robots? More huggable than a heap of sloths? Celebrate all the things that make sisters super with this bright, humor-filled board book!

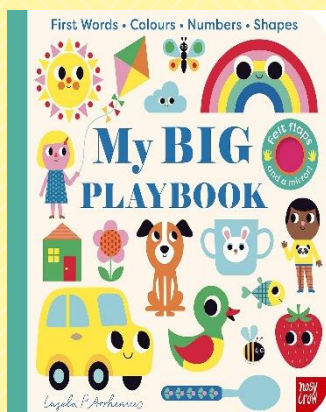


Once Upon A Silent Night by Dawn Casey
9781408896914 / Bloomsbury / PB / R240

Once upon a silent night, a stable stood. A star shone bright.

It is midnight on Christmas Eve, and a child is about to be born in a stable. How can the creatures help? First, the cow offers up his manger, and the donkey gives his hay. The doves will sing the babe to sleep, the trees will watch over him, and the moon will fill his dreams with silver light. It's a moment of magic, as a little child enters the world and brings with him the most precious gift of all: love.

A beautiful and timeless retelling of the nativity story, with a lyrical rhyming text and luminous illustrations, this book is the perfect Christmas gift.



My BIG Playbook by Ingela P. Arrhenius
9781839949241 / Nosy Crow / BRD BK / R295

A BIG book for sharing with a little person, introducing first words, colours, numbers, shapes and more - with felt flaps and a mirror!

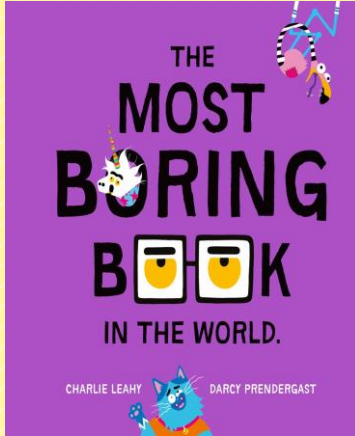
This BIG playbook is perfect for sharing with older babies and toddlers. How many ladybirds can you count? What colour are the strawberries? Where is the cat hiding? And finally, where are you?

A brilliant large-format board book introducing early-learning first concepts and encouraging interactive play, with 10 soft felt flaps, tactile die-cuts on every page and a surprise mirror ending.





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The Most Boring Book in the World by Charlie Leahy
9781761212925 / Hardie Grant / PB / R170

This is not just any boring book . it is THE MOST BORING BOOK IN THE WORLD! That is why nothing exciting, funny, or even remotely interesting is allowed in it...

The Most Boring Book in the World is a hilarious and delightfully clever picture book that breaks the fourth wall. Our narrator, represented by a pair of bespectacled eyes on the page, really really wants the book to have only boring things in it. Like a grey cardigan. Or a potato. But the reader can't help but put weird and wonderful things on every page, frustrating the narrator all the way to the end. Kids will delight in the opportunity to watch the rules being tossed aside for the sake of joyous silliness! Readers will love doing everything they are asked not to do!

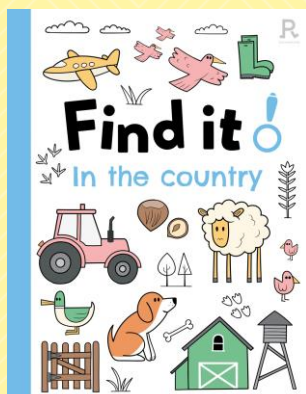
6 – 9 years



Find it! At the Beach by Richardson Puzzles and Games
9781913602246 / Richardson / PB / R145

Find it! At the beach contains 25 things for children to search for whilst at the seaside, along with amazing facts and mind-bending puzzles. Perfect for minimising screen time, Find it! Books keep children entertained, engaged and curious about the world around them.

- Search for crabs, sandcastles, and rock pools amongst many other things.
- Learn fascinating facts about the things you are searching for.
- Play wordsearches, mazes, spot the differences, and various other quizzes and games.



Find it! In the Country by Richardson Puzzles and Games
9781913602239 / Richardson / PB / R145

Find it! In the country contains 25 things for children to search for whilst in the great outdoors, along with amazing facts and mindbending puzzles. Perfect for minimising screen time, Find it! Books keep children entertained, engaged and curious about the world around them.

- Search for tractors, animal tracks and berries amongst many other things.
- Learn fascinating facts about the things you are searching for.
- Play wordsearches, mazes, spot the differences, and various other quizzes and games.





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Find it! In the Garden by Richardson Puzzles and Games
9781913602253 / Richardson / PB / R145

Find it! In the garden contains 25 things for children to search for whilst out the back of the house, along with amazing facts and mindbending puzzles. Perfect for minimising screen time, Find it! books keep children entertained, engaged and curious about the world around them.

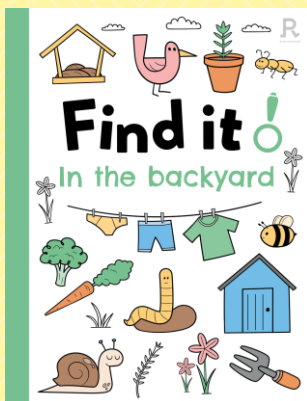
- Search for worms, flowerpots and weeds amongst many other things.
- Learn fascinating facts about the things you are searching for.
- Play wordsearches, mazes, spot the differences, and various other quizzes and games.



Find it! on a Car Journey by Richardson Puzzles and Games
9781913602222 / Richardson / PB / R145

Find it! On a car journey contains 25 things for children to search for whilst on a long trip, along with amazing facts and mind-bending puzzles. Perfect for minimising screen time, Find it! Books keep children entertained, engaged and curious about the world around them.

- Search for cows, roadworks and police cars amongst many other things.
- Learn fascinating facts about the things you are searching for.
- Play wordsearches, mazes, spot the differences, and various other quizzes and games.



Find it! in the Backyard by Richardson Puzzles and Games
9781913602260 / Richardson / PB / R145

Find it! In the backyard contains 25 things for children to search for whilst out the back of the house, along with amazing facts and mind-bending puzzles.

Perfect for minimising screen time, Find it! books keep children entertained, engaged and curious about the world around them. Search for worms, flowerpots and weeds amongst many other things. Learn fascinating facts about the things you are searching for. Play wordsearches, mazes, spot the differences, and various other quizzes and games. The back of the book contains a certificate to award when everything has been successfully found, and for every 3 books completed, you can send off for a Find it! Super Spotter badge!

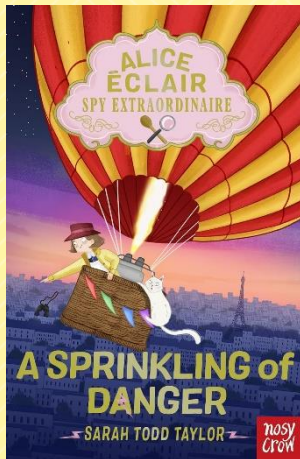




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10 – 12 years

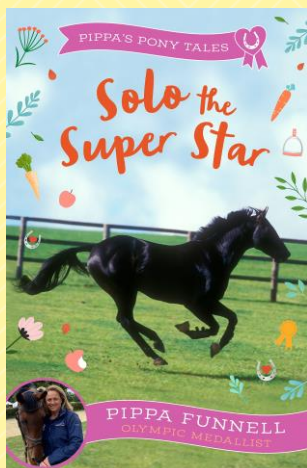


Alice Éclair, Spy Extraordinaire!: A Sprinkling of Danger by Sarah Todd Taylor
9781839948855 / Nosy Crow / PB / R235

Baker by day, spy by night - Alice Éclair leads an exciting double life!

On a glamorous movie set at the Palace of Versailles, someone is leaking national secrets. Is it the American director with the shady past, or the flamboyant lead actress whose Renaissance wig is full of secrets? Or is it someone so devious, Alice hasn't even noticed them? Whoever it is, this person has a deadly plan...

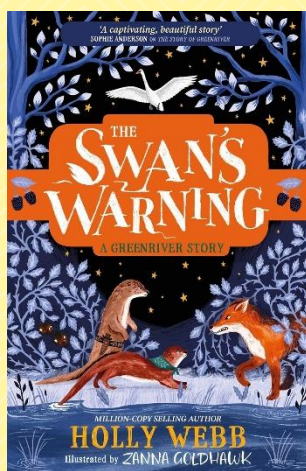
Armed with a light sponge mix and an airy disregard for danger, Alice Éclair is on the case! And she'll need to use every trick in her recipe book to survive this mission...



PPT 5: Solo the Super Star by Pippa Funnell
9780063308961 / HarperCollins / PB / R355

Book 6 in a series of heart-warming pony tales packed with expert advice from three-times Olympic Medallist and Grand Slam winner, Pippa Funnell, on everything you ever wanted to know about horses.

Tilly's riding has improved by the day and now she's ready for her first Pony Club competition, riding Rosie. She's nervous, and so is Brook who is competing with his horse, Solo. He's lost his lucky talisman, but the huge surprise that he and Tilly uncover makes up for everything.



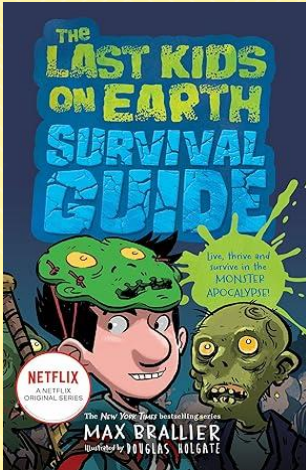
The Swan's Warning: The Story of Greenriver by Holly Webb
9781510109728 / Orion / PB / R220

The third book in the Harry Potter series, illustrated in brilliant colour by the iconic design house MinaLima and featuring interactive paper-engineered elements, including the Marauder's Map!

Return to Hogwarts in this stunning edition of *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*. J.K. Rowling's complete and unabridged text is accompanied by full-colour illustrations on nearly every page and eight paper-engineered interactive elements. Readers are invited to explore the Knight Bus, reveal the Grim in a teacup, spin the Time-Turner and more!

Designed and illustrated by MinaLima - the award-winning studio behind the graphic style of the Harry Potter and Fantastic Beasts films - this keepsake edition is the perfect gift for Harry Potter fans of all ages, a beautiful addition to any collector's bookshelf and an enchanting way to share this beloved series with a new generation of readers.

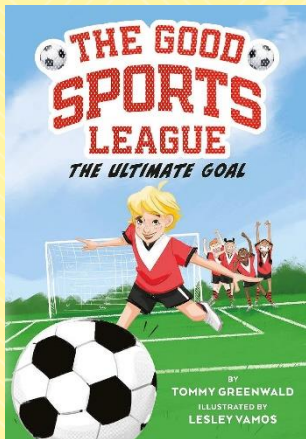




The Last Kids on Earth Survival Guide by Max Brallier
9780008638177 / Farshore / PB / R220

See if you have what it takes to survive the monster-zombie apocalypse in this interactive guided journal from the New York Times, USA Today, and Wall Street Journal bestselling Last Kids on Earth series, now with over 7 million copies in print.

You've read all about the Last Kids on Earth's adventures in the post-zombie-monster-apocalypse, and now it's time to get in on the action! In this interactive journal, readers will feel like they're part of the Last Kids world by taking part in creative exercises that are based on the characters and settings that they've come to know so well. They'll draw their own inventions in Quint's workshop, design their perfect kids-only hangout that will rival Jack's treehouse, put together their dream post-apocalyptic warrior outfits and weapons that will give the Louisville Slicer a run for its money, imagine themselves and their friends as zombies, and so much more. The perfect creative outlet for every Last Kids fan.



The Ultimate Goal (Good Sports League #1) by Tommy Greenwald
9781419763663 / Abrams / PB / R170

A funny, heavily illustrated new chapter book series about sports and sportsmanship by the acclaimed author of *Game Changer*.

Ben Cutler loves everything about soccer! He's got a great team, and they have the best pre-game chants and half-time jokes. He and his best friend, Jay-Jay, even invent dances for when they score a goal! And Ben is good at soccer. Like REALLY good. Too good for a casual rec team. Soon, he's recruited for a travel team.

His new team plays amazingly well, but they take soccer super seriously. No pre-game chants, no juice-box breaks, and the most important rule of all: NO DANCING. Even though his new team is winning all the time, Ben is left to wonder: Is winning all that matters in the end?



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Young Adult

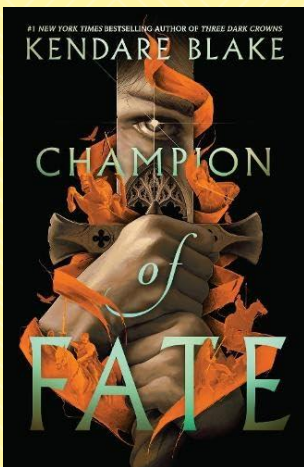


What You Need to be Warm by Neil Gaiman
9781526660619 / Bloomsbury / HB / R385

Sometimes it only takes a stranger in a dark place... to say we have the right to be here, to make us warm in the coldest season.

In 2019, Neil Gaiman asked his Twitter followers: *What reminds you of warmth?* Over 1,000 responses later, Neil began to weave replies from across the world into a poem in aid of the UNHCR's winter appeal. It revealed our shared desire to feel safe, welcome and warm in a world that can often feel frightening and lonely.

What You Need to Be Warm is an exploration of displacement and flight from conflict through the objects and memories that represent warmth. It is about our right to feel safe, whoever we are and wherever we are from. It is about holding out a hand to welcome those who find themselves far from home.



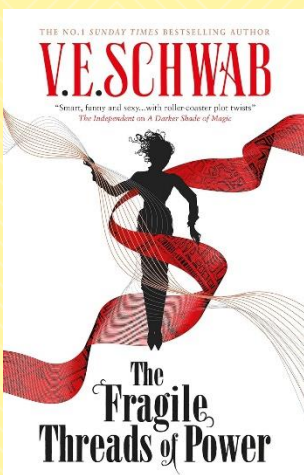
Champion of Fate by Kendare Blake
9780861547500 / OneWorld / PB / R285

To be an aristene is to give up your mortal life. And to be granted a new one.

The Aristene is a mythical order of female warriors. While heroes are the ones immortalized in legends, it's the Aristene who guide their paths to victory. They are the Heromakers.

Reed, an orphan raised by the order – has always dreamed of taking her place beside her sisters-in-arms. To do that, she must help her first hero achieve glory on the battlefield.

Nothing is going to stop Reed. Until, that is, she is assigned the fiery and infuriating Prince Hestion. As their alliance turns into something more, she starts to question the true cost of becoming an Aristene. With battle looming, Reed must make an impossible choice – her hero or her order.



Fragile Threads of Power by V.E. Schwab
9781803367392 / Bloomsbury / TPB / R330

Seven years have passed since the doors between the worlds were sealed. Seven years since Kell, Lila and Holland stood against Osaron, a desperate battle that saved the worlds of Red, Grey and White London. Seven years since Kell's magic was shattered, and Holland lost his life. Now Rhy Maresh rules Red London with his new family – his queen, Nadiya, their daughter Ren, and his consort, Alucard. But his city boils with conspiracy and rebellion, fuelled by rumours he is causing magic to fade from the word.

Now Kosika, a child Antari, sits on the throne of White London. The new queen leads her people in new rituals of sacrifice and blood in devotion to the altar of Holland Vosijk, summoning vast power she may not be able to control. Now Lila and Kell, living free on the waves, are charged by the captain of the Floating Market to retrieve an immensely powerful artefact, stolen by secretive forces. Now Tes, a young woman with a knack for fixing broken things, is thrust into the affairs of Antari and kings, traitors and thieves. And only her unique powers can weave the threads of power together.





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NB! Deadline for requests:

Wednesday 25 October 2023.

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Thank You.

