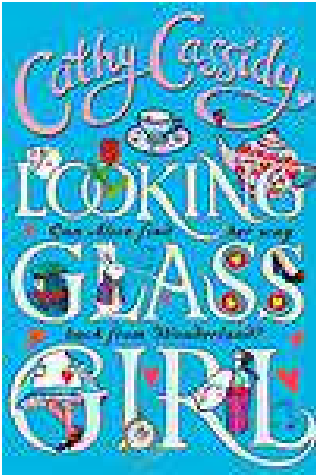


# FANTASY

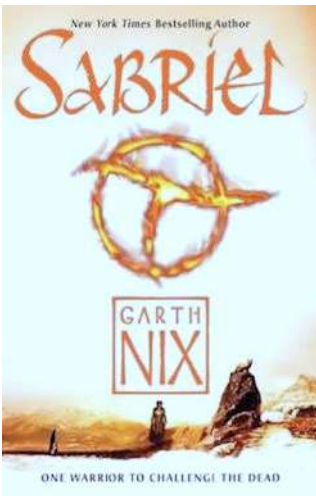
Stories that include magical or impossible elements, such as talking animals, witches or fairies.  
Stories with magic, superpowers or other things that do not exist in reality.



## **Looking Glass Girl by Cathy Cassidy**

Alice is lying unconscious in a hospital bed.

Lost in a wonderland of dreams and half-formed memories, she's surrounded by voices - the doctor, her worried friends and Luke - whose kisses the night of the fall took her by surprise . . .

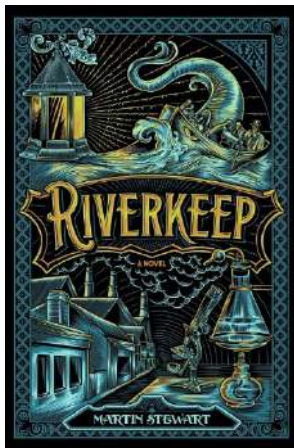


## **Sabriel by Garth Nix**

Strange, deep, spooky and smart, this is a fantastic start to a trilogy for students who love dark fantasy, and want to develop their reading. Sent to a boarding school as a young child, Sabriel has had little experience with the power of Free Magic, or the Dead who refuse to stay dead. After her father goes missing, Sabriel comes across Mogget, a cat whose distant nature hardly conceals its malicious spirit. Faced with evil everywhere, Sabriel embarks on a journey that will bring her face to face with her own destiny, as well as her fears.

Sabriel follows the story of a heroine within a realistic fantasy world that you won't want to leave.

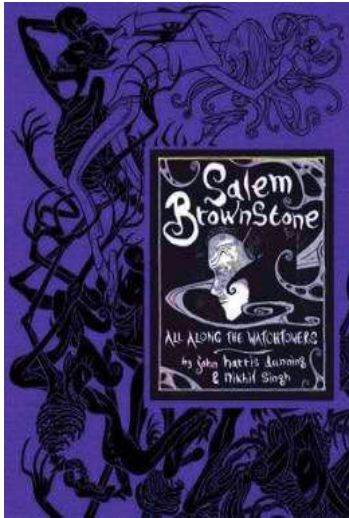
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## **Riverkeep by Martin Stewart**

Fifteen year old Wulliam is dreading taking up his family's mantle of Riverkeep, tending the river and fishing corpses from its treacherous waters. But then everything changes. One night his father is possessed by a dark spirit, and Wull hears that a cure lurks deep within the great sea-beast, known as the mormorach. He realises he must go on an epic journey to find it, or lose Pappa forever.

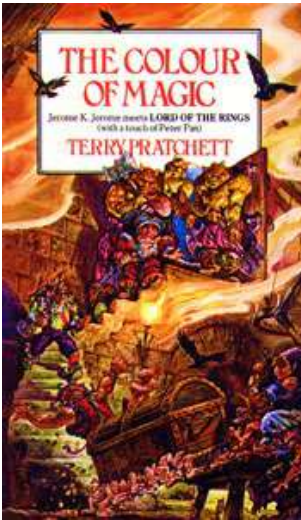
A stunning debut perfect for fans of Patrick Ness and Neil Gaiman, this story is told with comedy and emotion, and blends mythology, nature and horror together. Definitely recommended to improve reading.



## ***Salem Brownstone: All Along the Watchtowers* by John Harris Dunning**

A gothic fantasy graphic novel, this tale, all in black and white, is grotesque and ghostly. Salem Brown's father has just died, and he's been sent a telegram to tell him of his inheritance from a mysteriously penned 'Lola Q'. The charming Cassandra and her troupe of contortionists, totally stylish and other-worldly, are there to help him find her – or are they? This book will appeal to teenagers with a sense of adventure and fantasy, and will make this a read to revisit time and again. It is also beautifully written, and elegantly illustrated.

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## ***The Colour of Magic (Discworld #1)* by Terry Pratchett**

A world within a world, as well as books within the actual book, this is the first of a huge comical-fantasy series, set on Discworld: a surface of earth that rests on four elephants and a giant tortoise. The Colour of Magic is the beginning of a long journey for the quick-witted but cowardly wizard Rincewind, whose job seems to be meeting people, running away from people, and getting into trouble. He's a failed student for one thing, and utterly lazy, but he's bound for greatness, kind of like Bilbo Baggins in The Lord of the Rings. The characters along the way are some of the most inventive you'll ever meet, such as The Luggage (a suitcase with legs) and Blind Io, king of the gods. A snowballing classic full of magic, myth and fairy tales with a twist.

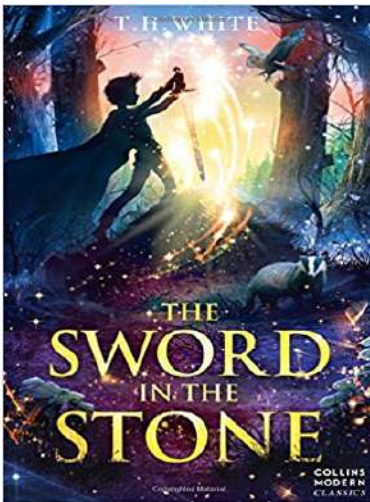
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## ***Frozen* by Melissa De La Cruz**

Natasha Kestel, a young blackjack dealer looking for a way out of the city. Like many, she's heard of a mythical land simply called "the Blue." They say it's a paradise, where the sun still shines and the waters are turquoise. More importantly, it's a place where Nat won't be persecuted, even if her darkest secret comes to light.

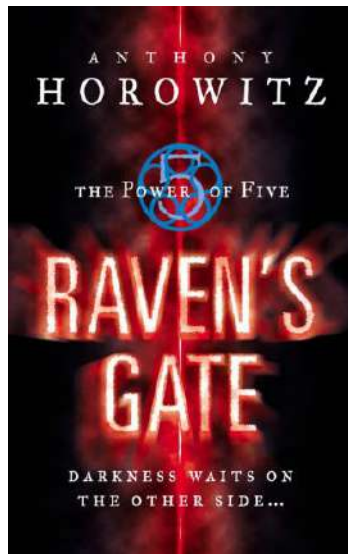
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## **The Sword in the Stone by T.H. White**

The extraordinary story of a boy called Wart - ignored by everyone except his tutor, Merlyn - who goes on to become King Arthur. When Merlyn the magician comes to tutor Sir Ector's sons Kay and then Wart, schoolwork suddenly becomes much more fun. After all, who wouldn't enjoy being turned into a fish, or a badger, or a snake? But Merlyn has very particular plans for the Wart.

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## **The Power of Five Raven's Gate by Anthony Horowitz**

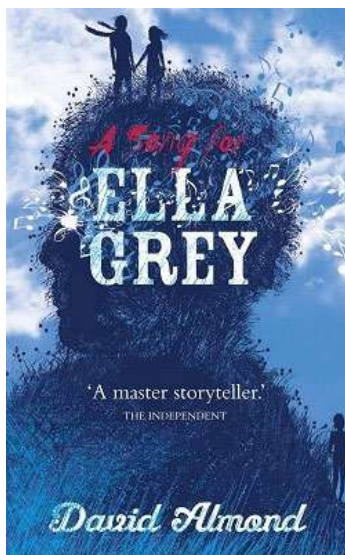
Ravens Gate is the first in The Power of Five series. It is a fast-paced novel with lots of suspense that makes this author a favourite.

Matthew Freeman has a criminal record. When he takes it a step too far, he is made to leave his Aunt, who had looked after him since his parents died in a car crash six years ago.

He is put on the LEAF project: Liberty and Education Achieved by Fostering. Matt is sent out to Lesser Malling, a remote village in Yorkshire, to live with Mrs Deverill, a widowed old woman.

Matt is forced to work on the farm, and soon realises that something is wrong with his Foster parent, with the whole village. The only person who tried to help him was murdered, and left him a single clue - Ravens Gate.

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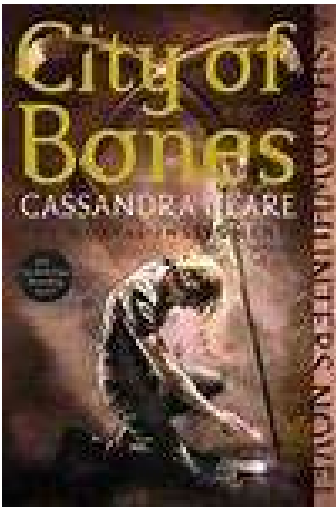


## **A song for Ella Grey by David Almond**

Winner of the Guardian children's book prize 2015

Claire is Ella Grey's best friend. Claire loses her friend to the arms of Orpheus but it doesn't compare to the loss she feels when Ella is taken from the world.

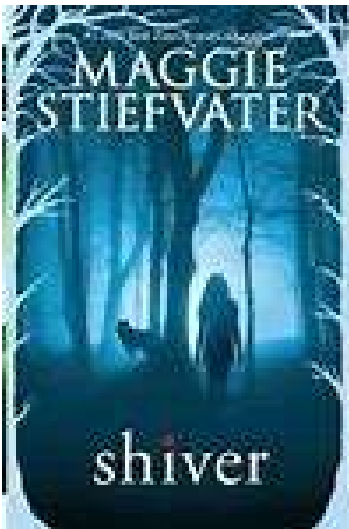




## **City of Bones by Cassandra Clare**

Love. Blood. Betrayal. Demons. Irresistibly drawn a group of demon hunters, Clary encounters the dark side of New York City and the dangers of forbidden love.

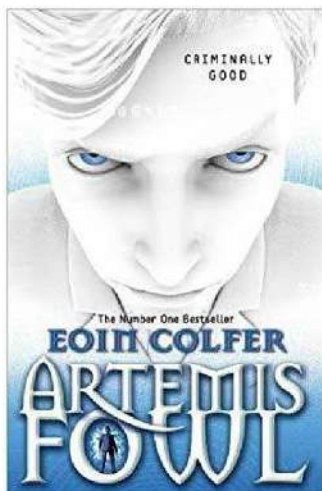
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## **Shiver by Maggie Stiefvater**

This chilling love story will have you hooked from the very first page. When a local boy is killed by wolves, Grace's small town becomes a place of fear. But Grace is fascinated by the pack, and finds herself drawn to a yellow-eyed wolf.

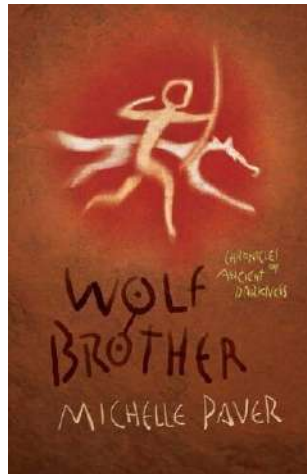
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## **Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer**

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

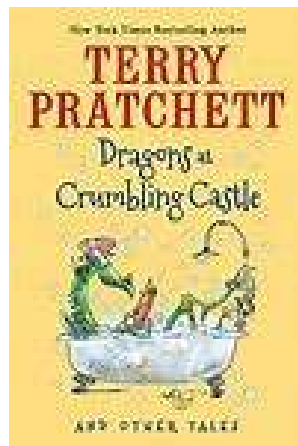
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## **Wolf Brother by Michelle Paver**

An ambitious and malevolent force conjures a demon: a demon so evil that it can be contained only in the body of a ferocious bear that will slay everything it sees, a demon determined to destroy the world.

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## **Dragons at Crumbling Castle by Terry Pratchett**

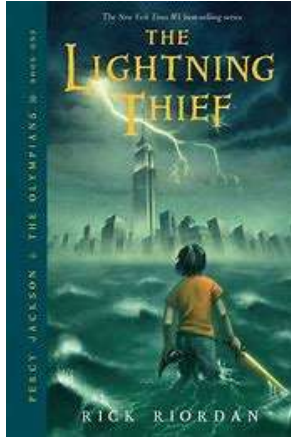
Dragons have invaded Crumbling Castle, and all of King Arthur's knights are either on holiday or visiting their grannies. It's a disaster!

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## **Hush, Hush by Becca Fitzpatrick**

Nora is right in the middle of a centuries-old battle between the immortal and those that have fallen - and sooner or later, she's going to have to pick sides...



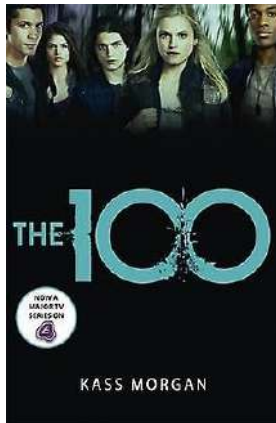
## Percy Jackson by Rick Riordan

Half boy. Half God. All Hero. Percy spends his time battling monsters and generally trying to stay alive.

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## Science Fiction

Science fiction is a genre of fiction in which the stories often tell about science and technology of the future. Science fiction texts are often set in the future, in space, on a different world or in a different dimension or universe.



## The 100 by Kass Morgan

Ever since a devastating nuclear war, humanity has lived on spaceships far above Earth's radioactive surface. Now, one hundred juvenile delinquents - are being sent on a dangerous mission: to re-colonize the planet. It could be their second chance at life...or it could be a suicide mission.

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## Wonderscape by Jennifer Bell

When Arthur, Ren and Cecily investigate a mysterious explosion on their way to school, they find themselves trapped aboard *The Principia* – a scientific research ship sailing through hazardous waters, captained by one Isaac Newton.

Lost in the year 2473 in the Wonderscape, an epic in-reality adventure game, they must call on the help of some unlikely historical heroes, to play their way home before time runs out.



### **Gone by Michael Grant**

In the blink of an eye all the adults disappear in a small town in southern California and no one knows why. Cut off from the outside world, those that are left are trapped, and there's no help on the way.

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### **The Fearless by Emma Pass**

The Fearless. An army, powered by an incredible new serum that makes each soldier stronger, sharper, faster than their enemies. Intended as a force for good, the serum has a terrible side-effect – anyone who takes it is stripped of all humanity, empathy, love.



### **Maze Runner by James Dashner**

When the doors of the lift crank open, the only thing Thomas remembers is his first name. But he's not alone. He's surrounded by boys who welcome him to the Glade - a walled encampment at the centre of a bizarre and terrible stone maze.

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## Red Queen by Victoria Aveyard

This is a world divided by blood - red or silver. The Reds are commoners, ruled by a Silver elite in possession of god-like superpowers. And to Mare Barrow, a seventeen-year-old Red girl from the poverty-stricken Stilts, it seems like nothing will ever change.



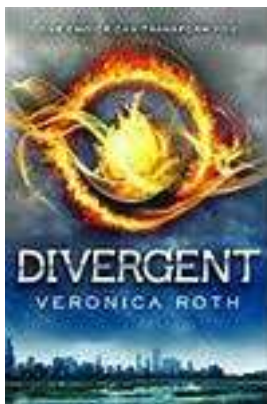
## The School for Good and Evil by Soman Chainani

Every four years, two girls are kidnapped from the village of Gavaldon. Legend has it these lost children are sent to the School for Good and Evil, the fabled institution where they become fairytale heroes or villains.



## Legend by Marie Lu

He is Day. The boy who walks in the light. She is June. The girl who seeks her brother's killer. On the run and undercover, they meet by chance. Irresistibly drawn together, neither knows the other's past.

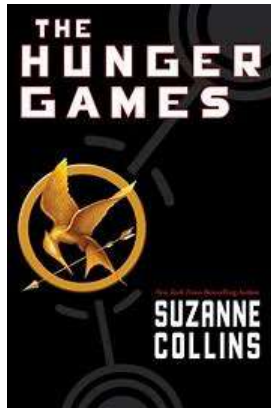


## Divergent by Veronica Roth

In the world of Divergent, society is divided into five factions – Candor, Abnegation, Dauntless, Amity and Erudite. Every year, all sixteen-year-olds must select the faction to which they will devote the rest of their lives.

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## **The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins**

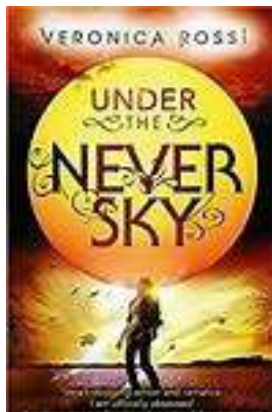
Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen regards it as a death sentence when she is forced to represent her district in the annual Hunger Games, a fight to the death on live TV.

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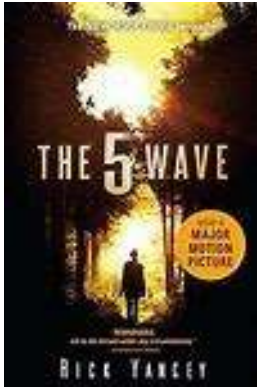
## **The Selection by Kiera Cass**

Thirty-five beautiful girls. Thirty-five beautiful rivals... It's the chance of a lifetime and 17-yearold America Singer should feel lucky. She has been chosen for The Selection, a reality TV lottery in which the special few compete for gorgeous Prince Maxon's love.



## **Under the never sky by Veronica Rossi**

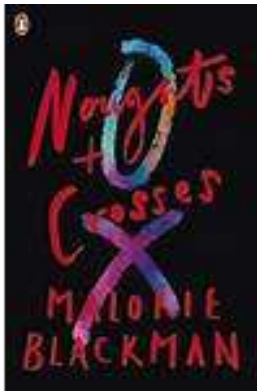
Aria has lived her whole life in the protected dome of Reverie. Her entire world confined to its spaces, she's never thought to dream of what lies beyond its doors. So when her mother goes missing, Aria knows her chances of surviving in the outer wasteland long enough to find her are slim.



## **5th Wave by Rick Yancy**

After the 1st wave, only darkness remains. After the 2nd, only the lucky escape. And after the 3rd, only the unlucky survive. After 4th wave, only one rule applies: trust no one.

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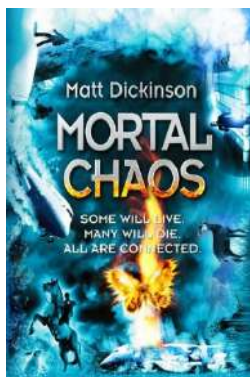
## **Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman**

Sephy is a Cross – a member of the dark-skinned ruling class. Callum is a nought – a ‘colourless’ member of the underclass who were once slaves to the Crosses. The two have been friends since early childhood. But that’s as far as it can go.

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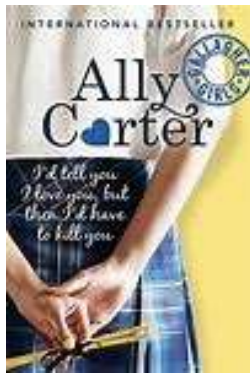
# **Action and adventure**

Adventure fiction is a genre of fiction in which an adventure, an exciting undertaking involving risk and physical danger, forms the main storyline.



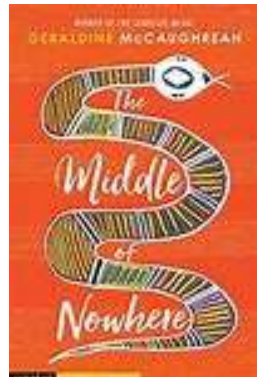
## **Mortal Chaos by Matt Dickinson**

When a butterfly startles a young rabbit, and the rabbit makes a horse rear, it starts a chain of events, over the course of one day, that will change people's lives . . . and end people's lives.



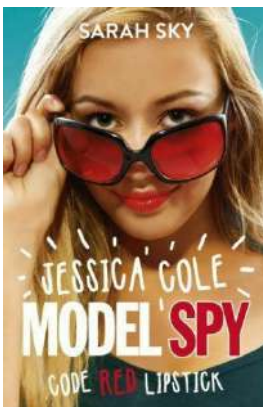
## **I'd tell you I love but then I'd have to kill you by Ally Carter**

Gallagher Academy might claim to be a school for geniuses - but it's really a school for spies. Cammie Morgan is fluent in fourteen languages and capable of killing a man in seven different ways.



## **Middle of Nowhere by Geraldine McCaughrean**

When her mother dies from a snakebite, Comity's life in the Australian outback changes forever. As her father retreats into his work, Comity turns to Fred, the Aboriginal yard boy, who becomes her only friend. But then a new assistant arrives who delights in playing cruel games. As Fred becomes his target, events spiral dangerously out of control.



## **Code Red Lipstick by Jessica Cole**

Models, spies and lipstick gadgets in this fastpaced teen series. Jessica Cole is just your average teenager, except when she's strutting down the glamorous catwalks of Paris.



## **The Kite Rider by Geraldine McCaughrean**

The Jade Circus offers Haoyou a chance to escape his enemies and travel throughout the empire, and maybe even perform before Kublai Khan himself. But is going with the circus really the best option? It could be that the circus master is leading him into even greater danger.



## ***Lie Kill Walk Away* by Matt Dickinson**

This book won the Warwickshire Secondary Book Awards 2018

### **LIE**

I check the Range Rover dash. The keys are in there.  
The sirens are closing in. There's a police helicopter  
coming over the hospital

### **KILL**

I have to decide. Decide right now. I can keep out of  
trouble. Not get involved. Just run away through the park  
and go home and pretend none of this has happened.  
Or I can help Becca.

### **WALK AWAY**

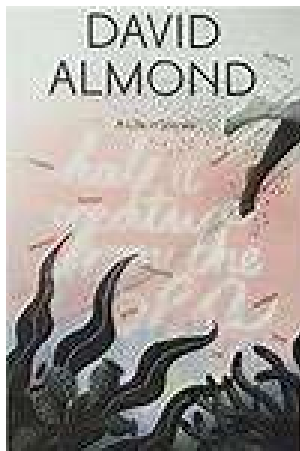
I stare into her eyes. Those deep blue eyes. Just for a split  
second.

I tell her, get in the car .

Joe and Becca uncover a deadly secret. A lethal bioweapon  
is about to be unleashed. Millions will suffer a terrible  
death.

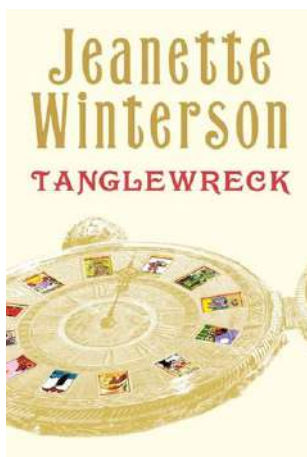
Now they are being hunted down their problems have only  
just begun ...

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## **Half a creature from the sea by David Almond**

A collection of dark, powerful and moving short  
stories that are twisted with emotion and  
threaded with the smell of the sea.



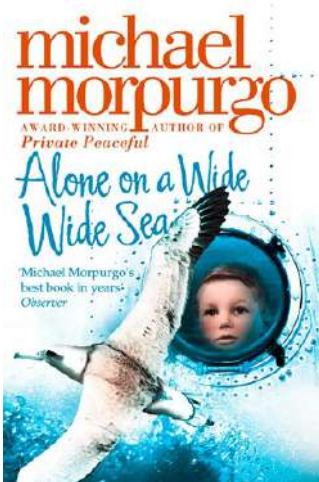
## **Tanglewreck by Jeanette Winterson**

But Time is big business, and whoever gets control of Time  
controls life as we know it! In a house called Tanglewreck lives a  
girl called Silver and her guardian Mrs Rokabye. Unbeknown to  
Silver there is a family treasure in the form of a seventeenth-  
century watch called the Timekeeper, and this treasure holds  
the key to the mysterious and frightening changes in time.  
When Silver goes on the run to try and protect herself and the  
Timekeeper, a remarkable and compelling adventure unfolds,  
full of brilliance and wit, as is befitting an author with the  
imagination and style of Jeanette Winterson.



# War

A war novel in which the primary action takes place in a field of armed combat, or in a domestic setting (or home front) where the characters are preoccupied with the preparations for, or recovery from, war.

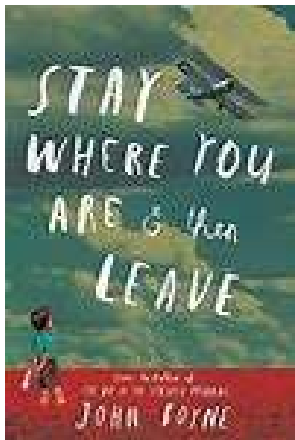


## **Alone on a wide wide sea by Michael Morpurgo**

There were dozens of us on the ship, all up on deck for the leaving of Liverpool, gulls wheeling and crying over our heads, calling good-bye! That is all I remember of England.

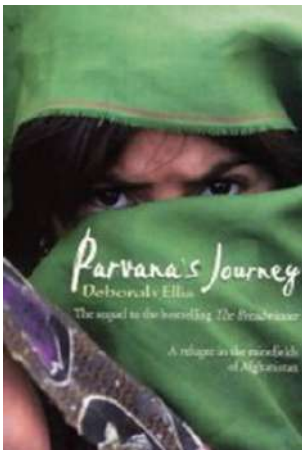
When six-year-old orphan Arthur Hobbhouse is shipped to Australia after WWII he loses his sister, his country and everything he knows. Overcoming enormous hardships with fellow orphan Marty, Arthur is finally saved by the extraordinary people he meets and by his talent for boat-design and sailing.

Now he has built a special boat for his daughter Allie - a solo yacht designed to carry her to England in search of his long-lost sister.



## **Stay where you are and then leave by John Boyne**

Four years after the First World War Alfie doesn't know where his father might be, other than that he's away on a special, secret mission.



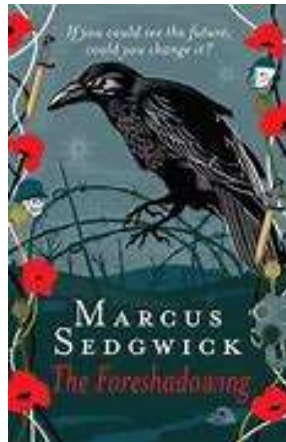
## **Parvana's Journey by Deborah Ellis**

A war is raging in Afghanistan as a coalition of Western forces tries to oust the Taliban by bombing the country. Parvana's father has died, and her mother, sister, and brother have gone to a faraway wedding, not knowing what has happened to her father. Parvana doesn't know where they are, but sets out alone to find them -- masquerading as a boy. Her journey only becomes more perilous as the bombs begin to fall. Making her way across the desolate Afghan countryside, she meets other children who are strays from the war: an infant boy in a bombed-out village, a nine-year-old girl who believes she has magical powers over land mines, and a boy with one leg. The children travel together because it is easier than being alone. As they forge their own family in the war zone that Afghanistan has become, their resilience, imagination and luck help them survive.



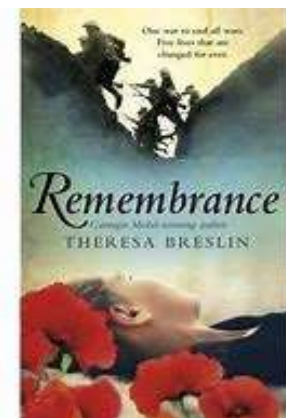
## Valentine Joe by Rebecca Stevens

It's the day before Valentine's, but Rose can sense the shattered old city beneath. And it seems that it can sense her too. She hears the sound of marching feet and glimpses from her window a young soldier on his way to the front line.



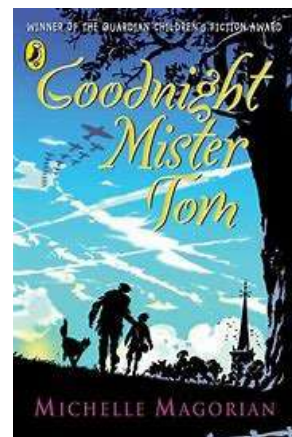
## The Foreshadowing by Marcus Sedgwick

It is 1915. Seventeen-year-old Sasha Fox is the privileged only daughter of a respected doctor living in the wealthy seaside town of Brighton. But her brothers, Edgar and Tom, have gone to war and Sasha has a terrible gift. She can see the future. Her premonitions show her untold horrors on the battlefields of the Somme, and worse still, what will happen to Edgar and Tom.



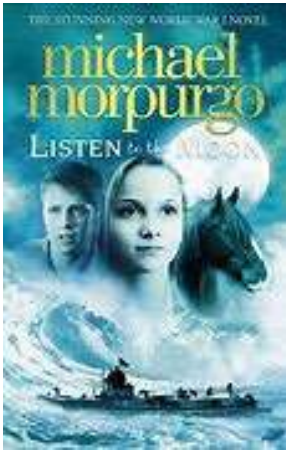
## Remembrance by Theresa Breslin

Scotland, 1915. A group of teenagers from two families meet for a picnic, but the war across the Channel is soon to tear them away from such youthful pleasures.



## Goodnight Mister Tom by Michelle Magorian

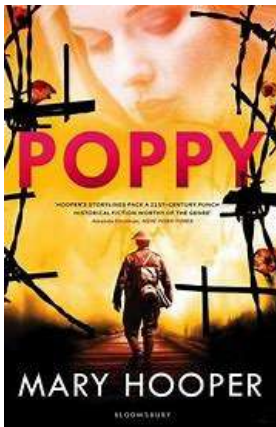
Young Willie Beech is evacuated to the country as Britain stands on the brink of the Second World War. A sad, deprived child, he slowly begins to flourish under the care of old Tom Oakley - but his new-found happiness is shattered by a summons from his mother back in London . . .



## Listen to the Moon by Michael Morpurgo

WW1 is raging, suspicion and fear are growing, and Alfie and Lucy are ever more under threat. But as we begin to see the story of Merry, a girl boarding a great ship for a perilous journey across the ocean, another melody enters the great symphony – and the music begins to resolve...

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## Poppy by Mary Hooper

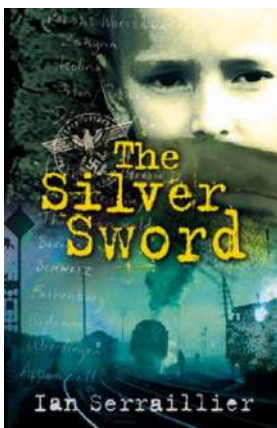
Poppy is young, beautiful and clever - and working as a parlour maid in the de Vere family's country house. Society, it seems, has already carved out her destiny.



## The Earth is Singing by Vanessa Curtis

My name is Hanna. I am 15. I am Latvian. I live with my mother and grandmother. My father is missing, taken by the Russians. I have a boyfriend and I'm training to be a dancer. But none of that is important any more. Because the Nazis have arrived, and I am a Jew. And as far as they are concerned, that is all that matters. This is my story.

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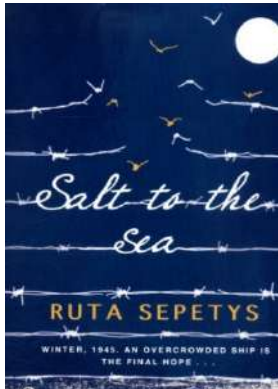


## The Silver Sword by Ian Serraillier

If you meet Ruth or Edek or Bronia, you must tell them I'm going to Switzerland to find their mother. Tell them to follow as soon as they can. Having lost their parents in the chaos of war, Ruth, Edek and Bronia are left alone to fend for themselves and hide from the Nazis amid the rubble and ruins of their city. Together with Jan they begin a dangerous journey across the battlefields of Europe to find their parents.

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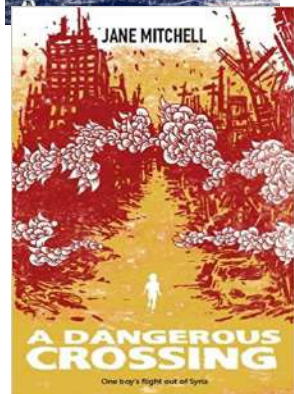




## ***Salt to the Sea* by Ruta Sepetys**

It's early 1945 and a group of people trek across Germany, bound together by their desperation to reach the ship that can take them away from the war-ravaged land. Four young people, each haunted by their own dark secret, narrate their unforgettable stories. As beautiful as *The Book Thief*, and written so convincingly, this inspirational novel is based on a true story from the Second World War.

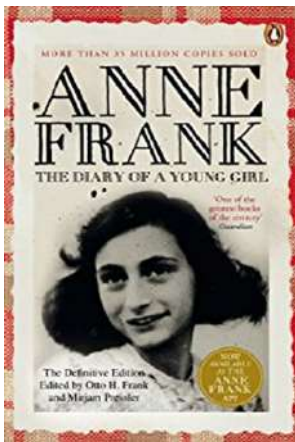
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## ***A Dangerous Crossing* by Jane Mitchell**

Ghalib doesn't want to leave his home in Syria. But the city has become too dangerous, and his family has no choice but to flee. Together they make their way through Syria to the Turkish border, where Ghalib gets separated from his family. Stricken with grief and fear, fighting cold, pain and hunger, he manages to make it to a refugee camp in Turkey. Ghalib is safe for now, but life in a refugee camp is wretched and hopeless, and this boy's journey in search of safety is far from over. Based on true accounts and real Syrian children, *A Dangerous Crossing* is the story of one boy's search for refuge.

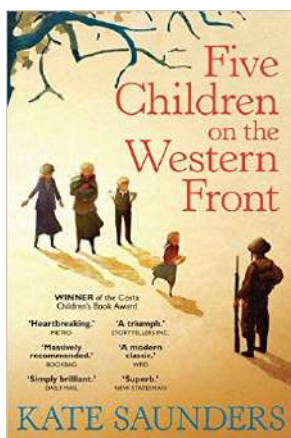
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## ***The Diary of Anne Frank***

In July 1942, thirteen-year-old Anne Frank and her family, fleeing the occupation, went into hiding in an Amsterdam warehouse. Over the next two years Anne vividly describes in her diary the frustrations of living in such close quarters, and her thoughts, feelings and longings as she grows up. Her diary ends abruptly when, in August 1944, they were all betrayed.

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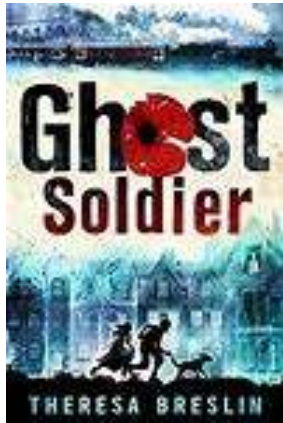


## ***Five Children on the Western Front* by Kate Saunders**

Set in the light of the First World War, this is a beautifully written story, and based on E. Nesbit's fantastical classic *Five Children and It*. In this book, it's 1914 and the 'bigguns' are off to fight in the war, leaving the remaining Pemberton children to welcome back the mysterious psammead. Once a powerful sand god in ancient Egypt, his crimes against humanity reduced him to tiny proportions – can he now redeem his past atrocities with the help of the Pemberton family, and what will the effects of war have on all of them? A clever, sensitive and bold retelling of an important time in history.

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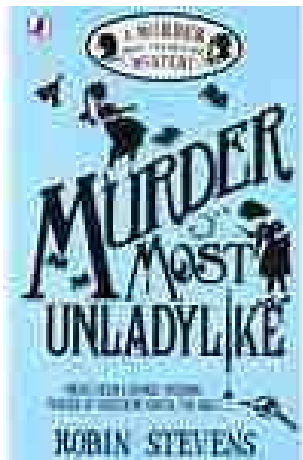


### **Ghost Soldier by Theresa Breslin**

The war has changed everything for Rob and Millie. Their father is missing in action and they are terrified they'll never see him again. Then one night, deep in the woods, Rob and Millie see an eerie figure in the window of an abandoned house.

## **Crime/mystery**

Crime fiction is the genre of fiction that deals with crimes, their detection, criminals, and their motives.



### **Murder most unladylike by Robin Stevens**

Hazel discovers the Science Mistress, Miss Bell, lying dead in the Gym. She assumes it was a terrible accident – but when she and Daisy return five minutes later, the body has disappeared.

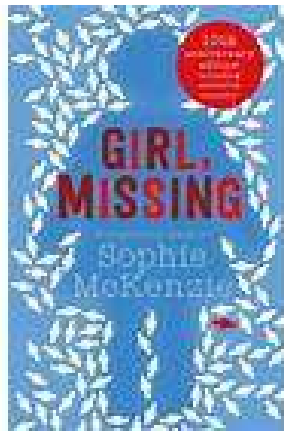
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### **Virals by Kathy Reichs**

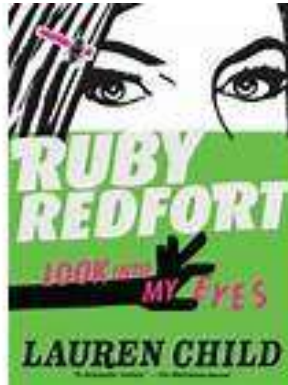
Tory Brennan and her ragbag group of technophile friends stumble across a shallow grave containing the remains of a girl who has been missing for over thirty years.

### **Girl Missing by Sophie McKenzie**



Lauren has always known she was adopted but when a little research turns up the possibility that she was snatched from an American family as a baby, suddenly Lauren's life seems like a sham. And Lauren's kidnappers are still at large and willing to do anything to keep her silent...

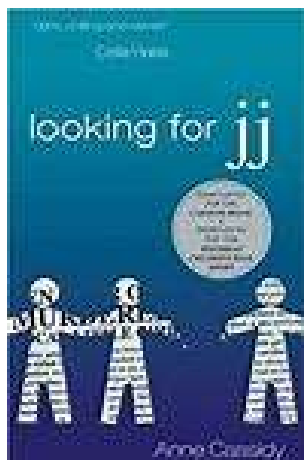
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### **Look into my eyes by Lauren Child**

Here's the low-down on Ruby Redfort: she's a genius code-cracker, a daring detective, and a gadget-laden special agent who just happens to be a thirteen-year-old girl.

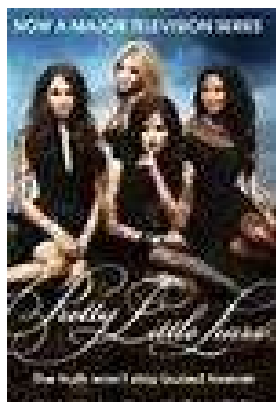
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### **Looking For JJ by Anne Cassidy**

Looking for JJ explores the circumstances and motives behind the murder of a child - by her friend. Six years later, JJ has now been released, and has a new identity. But is there any way that she can lead a "normal" life?

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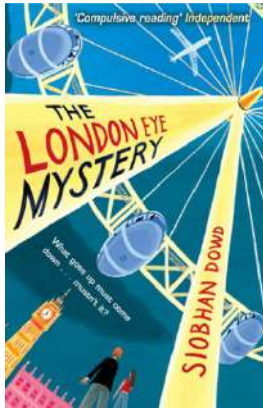


### **Pretty Little Liars by Sara Shepard**

One night, during a sleepover, Alison goes missing. Her body is never found. The girls mourn her death but move apart after time, assuming their secrets have disappeared with Alison too. But they haven't...

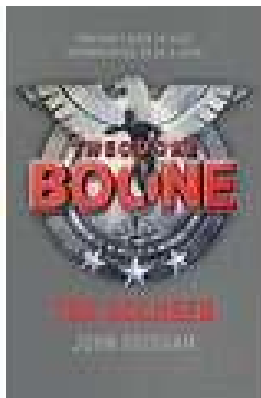
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## The London Eye Mystery By Siobhan Dowd



Ted and Kat watched their cousin Salim board the London Eye. But after half an hour it landed and everyone trooped off – except Salim. Where could he have gone? How on earth could he have disappeared into thin air? Ted and his older sister, Kat, become sleuthing partners, since the police are having no luck. Despite their prickly relationship, they overcome their differences to follow a trail of clues across London in a desperate bid to find their cousin. And ultimately it comes down to Ted, whose brain works in its own very unique way, to find the key to the mystery.

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### Theodore Boone by John Grisham

THEODORE BOONE is thirteen and wants nothing more than to swap homeroom for the courtroom. Now the biggest murder case in his city's history is set to begin. In the packed court, a husband awaits trial for his wife's murder. Is he a dangerous criminal or an innocent victim?

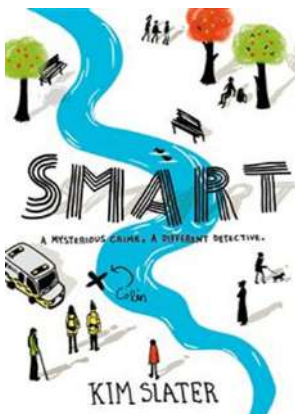
### Dead Man's Cove by Lauren St. John



Why does her uncle, Calvin Redfern, forbid her to go to Dead Man's Cove? What's the truth about Tariq, the silent Indian boy who lives with the flamboyant Mukthars? Who is J? Who has left the message in a bottle for Laura to discover? Mysteries abound and who better to solve them than Laura Marlin, ace detective.

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### Smart by Kim Slater



'I found Jean's friend dead in the river. His name was Colin Kirk. He was a homeless man, but he still wanted to live.'

There's been a murder, but the police don't care. It was only a homeless old man after all.

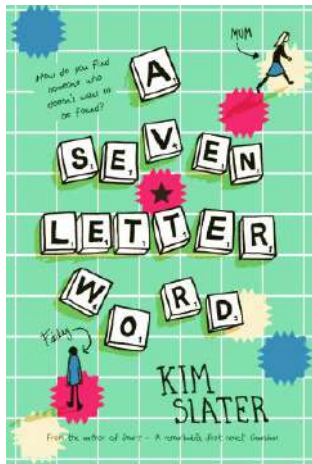
Kieran cares. He's made a promise, and when you say something out loud, that means you're going to do it, for real. He's going to find out what really happened. To Colin. And to his grandma, who just stopped coming round one day. It's a good job Kieran's a master of observation, and knows all the detective tricks of the trade.

But being a detective is difficult when you're Kieran Woods. When you're amazing at drawing but terrible at fitting in. And when there are dangerous secrets everywhere, not just outside, but under your own roof.

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# Teenage Kicks

Teenage Kicks literature is a genre of fictional writing used to tackle teenage issues. These books are emotional and hard-hitting.



## ***A Seven-Letter Word* by Kim Slater**

The second novel from the writer of *Smart*, and just as fantastic, heart-breaking and clever. Enter the life of Finlay, whose mother has vanished without a trace. School's no good, especially as he gets bullied because of his *stutter* (7) – a stutter that won't seem to go away now his mum's not there. And then there's Scrabble (online!); just as *Smart* gave us lots of interesting facts about painting, each chapter's title presents a fascinating Scrabble in among a world of mystery, student-come-detective and self-discovery in a series of letters and heart-felt thoughts from the wonderful Finlay.

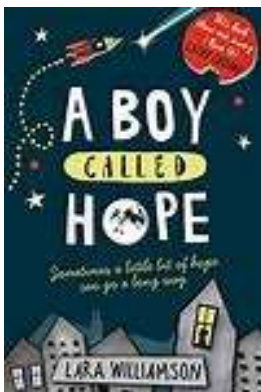
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## **Broken Soup** by Jenny Valentine

Rowan has more responsibilities than most girls her age. Who was the mysterious stranger who placed the negative in her hand? Why was he so insistent that the negative belonged to Rowan? When the negative is printed the face that appears in front of Rowan's eyes is that of her dead brother Jack...

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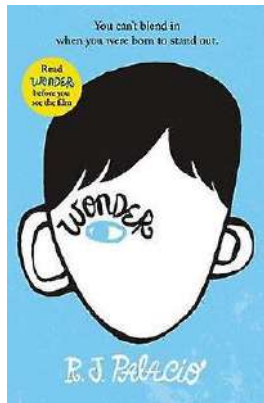


## **A Boy called Hope** by Lara Williamson

I'm Dan Hope and deep inside my head I keep a list of things I want to come true. For example, I want to help Sherlock Holmes solve his most daring mystery yet. I want to be the first eleven-year-old to land on the moon. And finally, the biggest dream of all, I want my dad to love me...

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## **Wonder by R J Palacio**

Auggie wants to be an ordinary ten-year-old. He does ordinary things - eating ice cream, playing on his Xbox. He feels ordinary - inside. But ordinary kids don't make other ordinary kids run away screaming in playgrounds.

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## **Fault in our Stars by John Green**

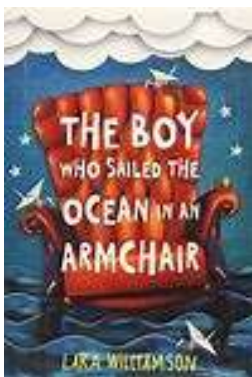
Despite the tumour-shrinking medical miracle that has bought her a few years, Hazel has never been anything but terminal. But when a gorgeous plot twist named Augustus Waters suddenly appears at Cancer Kid Support Group, Hazel's story is about to be completely rewritten.

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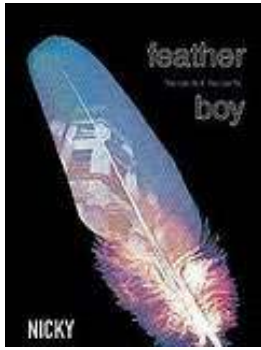
## **How to look for a lost dog by Ann M Martin**

11-year-old Rose is autistic and struggles to understand her classmates. But when her father gives her a stray dog, which she names Rain, the dog becomes her best friend, her anchor in a confusing world. So when Rain goes missing during a storm, Rose refuses to stop looking for her...



## **The boy who sailed the ocean in an armchair by Lara Williamson**

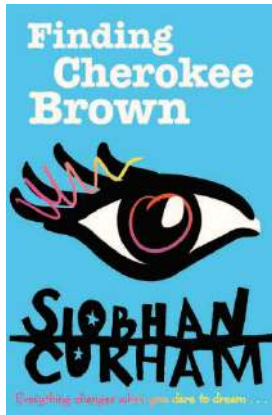
Becket Rumsey is all at sea. His dad has run away with him and his brother Billy in the middle of the night. And they've left everything behind, including their almost-mum Pearl. An extraordinary story of courage, dreams and finding your way.



## Feather Boy by Nicky Singer

Robert Nobel, the school pariah, triumphs over his own fears and the school bully, in this extraordinary tale of self-empowerment, legend and death.

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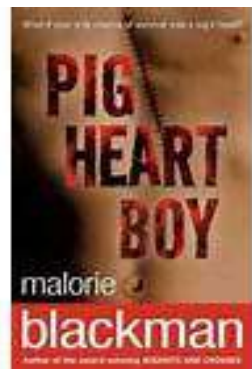


## Finding Cherokee Brown by Siobhan Curham

Claire Weeks is timid, lonely, and characterised by a limp. On the other hand, Cherokee Brown is confident, cool, and unafraid to stand up for herself. On her fifteenth birthday, Claire discovers that her birth name was actually Cherokee Brown, and that her birth father, who had supposedly abandoned her for America, has been living just a tube journey away from her for over a decade. Meeting her father, Claire discovers a whole new side to her life that she couldn't have imagined. Spurred on by this rush of self-discovery Claire decides to embrace Cherokee and all that she stands for.

For fans of the Girl Online and Jandy Nelson books.

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## Pig-Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman

You're thirteen. All you want is a normal life. But most normal kids don't need heart transplants. So there's this doctor. He says there's a chance for you. But he also says it's experimental, controversial and risky. And it's never been done before.

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# Horror

Horror fiction are intended to, or have the capacity to frighten, scare or startle their readers by inducing feelings of horror and terror.



## **Skulduggery Pleasant by Derek Landy**

Meet the great Skulduggery Pleasant: wisecracking detective, powerful magician, master of dirty tricks and burglary (in the name of the greater good, of course). Oh yeah. And dead.

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## **The Haunting of Jessop Rise by Danny Weston**

Alone and penniless after his father is killed in a cotton mill accident, 14-year-old William faces the rest of his childhood in a brutal workhouse. Then his long-estranged uncle Seth sends for him, and William thinks his fortunes are changing. But arriving at Uncle Seth's grand house in North Wales, Jessop Rise, William encounters a ghostly figure. It soon becomes clear that the place is haunted by more than just one ghost. But who are the spectral creatures that prowl about the estate? What are they trying to tell William? And what is the dark secret that Uncle Seth has been keeping for so long? As William uncovers the clues, he finds himself caught up in a dark and terrifying mystery.

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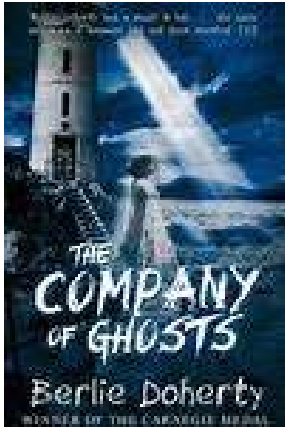


## **Mister Creecher by Chris Priestly**

Billy is a street urchin, a pickpocket, and a petty thief. Mister Creecher is a giant of a man whose appearance terrifies everyone he meets. Their relationship begins as a matter of convenience. But before long, a bond develops between these two misfits as they embark on a bloody journey that will take them from London northward on the trail of their target. . .

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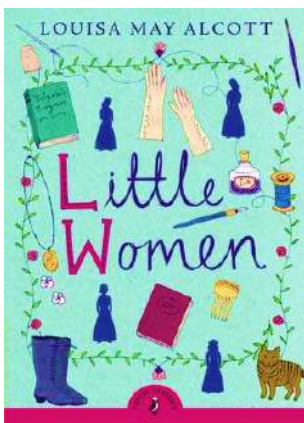
## The Company of Ghosts by Berlie Doherty



It was a seascape, moody with rocks and cliffs and wild showers of spray. Ellie's own reflection was drawn into it, like a ghost image among the lights and shadows. 'That's our island,' Morag said. 'It looks mysterious.' 'It is. That's where we're going tomorrow.' Ellie is excited to be going with Morag's family to their beautiful island, but when she finds herself abandoned there, things begin to change. Footsteps, shadows, strange lights, a haunting song; more and more she becomes aware that she is not really on her own. *Available in The Kingsley School LRC*

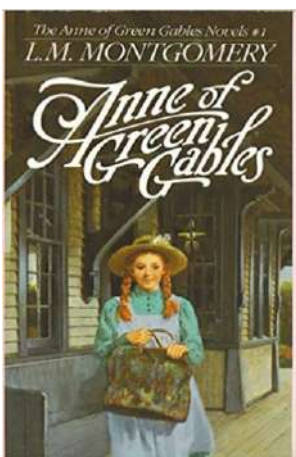
## Classic stories

Classic stories are those stories that stands the test of time, and remain popular in all times



### ***Little women* by Louisa May Alcott**

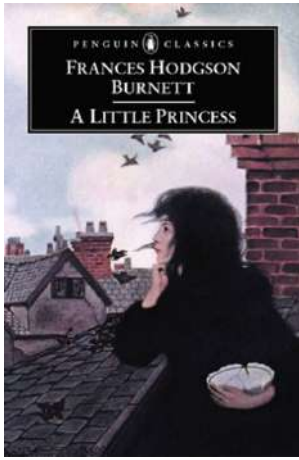
This is a book to read young, grow up with and then read again. Set in the midst of the American Civil War, it follows the dreams and journeys of four teenage sisters, with their wise and supportive 'Marmee', whose father is away at the Front (lots of letter writing involved). To understand their lives is to appreciate the past during a fascinating and difficult time in American history. This is recommended for anyone who wishes to develop their reading and writing skills, as well as dive into a great classic! It is a truly important book, and written so beautifully. *Available in The Kingsley School LRC*



### **Anne of Green Gables by L.M. Montgomery**

Marilla and Matthew Cuthbert are in for a big surprise. They are waiting for an orphan boy to help with the work at Green Gables – but a skinny, red-haired girl turns up instead. Feisty and full of spirit, Anne Shirley charms her way into the Cuthberts' affection with her vivid imagination and constant chatter. It's not long before Anne finds herself in trouble, but soon it becomes impossible for the Cuthberts to imagine life without 'their' Anne – and for the people of Avonlea to recall what it was like before this wildly creative little girl whirled into town. *Available in The Kingsley School LRC*

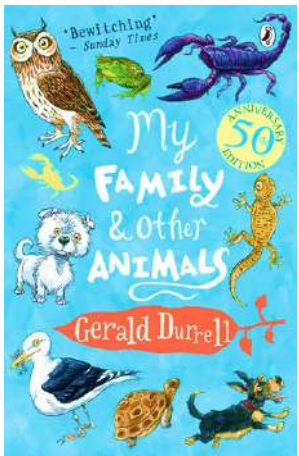




## **A Little Princess by Frances Hodgson Burnett**

When Sara Crewe, the seven-year-old daughter of a rich and loving father, arrives at her new school in London from India, she is nicknamed the Little Princess by her classmates. She has all the comfort and fine things she could want, but she also reveals a kind and loving heart, a lively mind and a rich imagination. When her father dies, bankrupt, Sara is suddenly reduced to a life of poverty and is forced to live in a cold, damp attic, with only her dreams to support her. But will they be enough?

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## **My Family and Other Animals by Gerald Durrell**

Set on the sunny island of Corfu, the world of happy go lucky Gerry is filled with excitement and laughter. One day, his family are sitting in their living room on a cold winter's day, the outbreak of flu looming, when they have an idea: why not move to a Greek island where it's warm and sunny? So they do. Corfu is like another world; with shining white villas and a clear blue sea, not to mention the array of exotic animals to be found! This is a modern classic, not only because it is timelessly written but because the characters are so dazzling. This is an autobiography that can be enjoyed by children and adults; the perfect family book.

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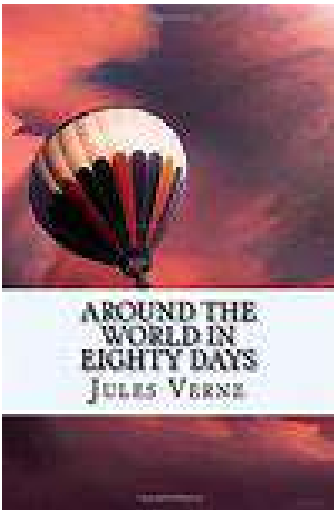
## **The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett**

*"People never like me and I never like people," Mary thought.*

When Mary Lennox is sent to Misselthwaite Manor to live with her uncle, everybody says she is the most disagreeable-looking child ever seen. It is true, too. Mary is pale, spoilt and quite contrary. But she is also horribly lonely. Then one day she hears about a garden in the grounds of the Manor that has been kept locked and hidden for years. And when a friendly robin helps Mary find the key, she discovers the most magical place anyone could imagine...

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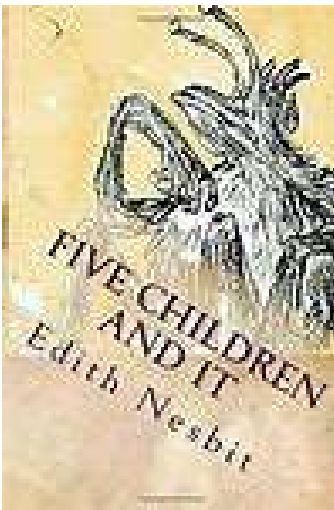
## **Around the World in Eighty Days by Jules Verne**



Around the World in Eighty Days is an adventure novel by the French writer Jules Verne, first published in French in 1872. In the story, Phileas Fogg of London and his newly employed French valet Passepartout attempt to circumnavigate the world in 80 days on a £20,000 wager set by his friends at the Reform Club.

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## **Five Children and It by E.Nesbit**

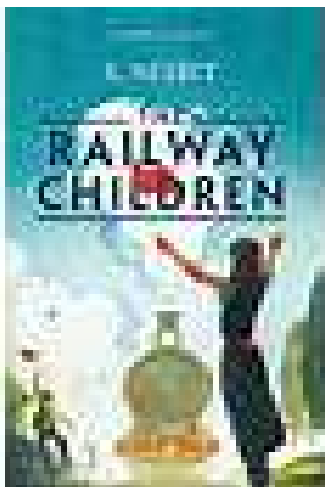


***'Don't you know a sand-fairy when you see one?'***

I dare say you have often thought about what you would do if you were granted three wishes. The five children - Cyril, Anthea, Robert, Jane and their baby brother - had often talked about it but when they are faced with the grumpy sand-fairy they find it difficult to make up their minds. And that is just the beginning of their dilemmas. As they discover, there is nothing quite like a wish for getting you into terrible trouble.

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## **The Railway Children by E.Nesbit**

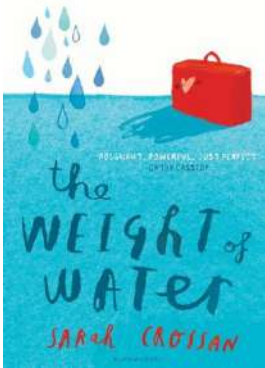


They were not railway children to begin with. When their Father mysteriously leaves home Roberta (everyone calls her Bobbie), Phyllis and Peter must move to a small cottage in the countryside with Mother. It is a bitter blow to leave their London home, but soon they discover the hills and valleys, the canal and of course, the railway. But with the thrilling rush and rattle and roar of the trains comes danger too. Will the brave trio come to the rescue? And most importantly, can they solve the disappearance of their Father?

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# Free verse fiction

Free verse has become increasingly popular in the Young Adult fiction genre. Novels are written as a poem but without rhythm and rhyme schemes. This makes them relatively quick to read and highly recommended for reluctant readers



## The Weight of Water by Sarah Crossan

Life is lonely for Kasienka. She misses her old home in Poland, her mother's heart is breaking, and at her new English school friends are scarce. But when someone new swims into her life, Kasienka learns that there is more than one way to stay afloat.

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## The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo

Xiomara has always kept her words to herself.

When it comes to standing her ground in her Harlem neighbourhood, she lets her fists and her fierceness do the talking. But X has secrets - her feelings for a boy in her bio class, and the notebook full of poems that she keeps under her bed. And a slam poetry club that will pull those secrets into the spotlight. Because in spite of a world that might not want to hear her, Xiomara refuses to stay silent.

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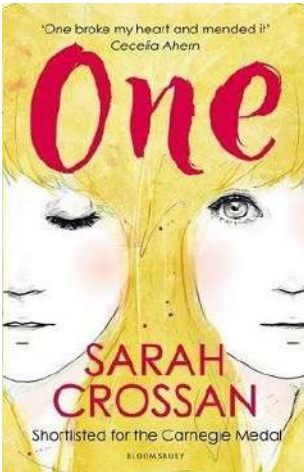


## brown girl dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

Told in vivid and emotional poetry, this is the story of a childhood spent between New York and South Carolina, and of never truly feeling at home in either place. Of growing up as an African-American girl in the 1960s and 1970s, in the wake of the Civil Rights movement. Of discovering the first sparks of an incredible gift for writing, which would last a lifetime. And of one girl's search for her voice, her identity, and her place in the world.

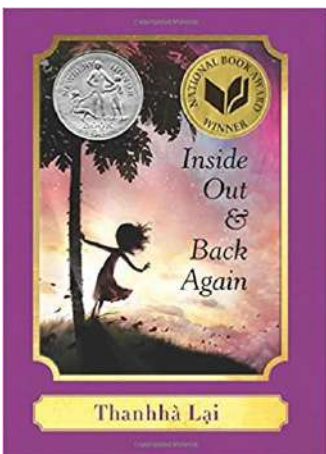
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## ONE by Sarah Crossan



Grace and Tippi don't like being stared and sneered at, but they're used to it. They're conjoined twins - united in blood and bone. What they want is to be looked at in turn, like they truly are two people. They want real friends. And what about love? But a heart-wrenching decision lies ahead for Tippi and Grace. One that could change their lives more than they ever asked for...

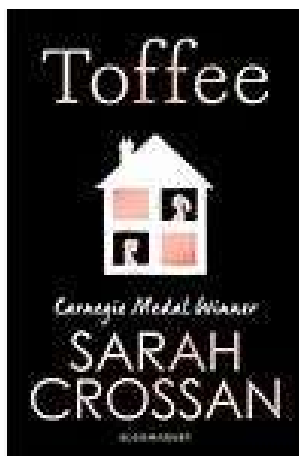
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## Inside out and back again by Thanhha La

Hà has only ever known Saigon: the thrills of its markets, the joy of its traditions, and the warmth of her friends close by. But now the Vietnam War has reached her home. Hà and her family are forced to flee as Saigon falls, and they board a ship headed toward hope--toward America.

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## Toffee by Sarah Crossan

When Allison runs away from home she doesn't expect to be taken in by Marla, an elderly woman with dementia, who mistakes her for an old friend called Toffee.

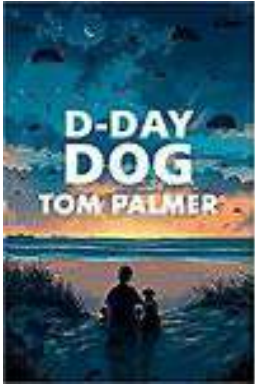
Allison is used to hiding who she really is, and trying to be what other people want her to be. And so, Toffee is who she becomes. But as her bond with Marla grows, Allison begins to ask herself - where is home? What is a family? And most importantly, who am I, really?



# Barrington Stoke novels

Barrington Stoke, publishes fiction and non-fiction adapted to different reading ages for reluctant, under-confident and dyslexic children and teens. They are great short stories for those who may not have the reading stamina to finish a regular length novel.

## **D-Day Dog by Tom Palmer**



Jack can't wait for the school trip to the D-Day landing beaches. It's his chance to learn more about the war heroes he has always admired - brave men like his dad, who is a reserve soldier. But when his dad is called up to action and things at home spiral out of control, everything Jack believes about war is thrown into question. Finding comfort only in the presence of his loyal dog, Finn, Jack is drawn to the heart-wrenching true story of one particular D-Day paratrooper. On 6 June 1944, Emile Corteil parachuted into France with his dog, Glen - and Jack is determined to discover their fate ...

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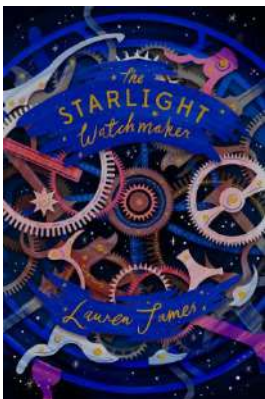
## **What Magic is this by Holly Bourne**



Sophia, Mia and Alexis are clinging on to a spark of hope that maybe - just maybe - they're special. But could they really be witches with the power to cast life-changing spells? When the three friends gather to cheer up heartbroken Sophia, they're ready to put their theory to the test. But when long-held secrets are revealed and hard truths start to hit home, their night of bewitching quickly takes an unexpected turn ...

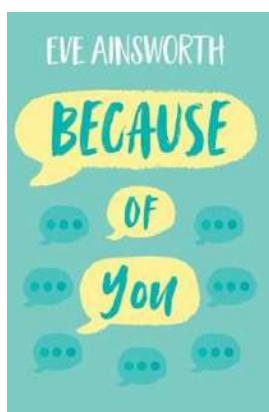
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## **The Starlight Watchmaker by Lauren James**



Wealthy students from across the galaxy come to learn at the prestigious academy where Hugo toils as a watchmaker. But he is one of the lucky ones. Many androids like him are jobless and homeless. Someone like Dorian could never understand their struggle - or so Hugo thinks when the pompous duke comes banging at his door. But when Dorian's broken time-travel watch leads them to discover a sinister scheme, the pair must reconcile their differences if they are to find the culprit in time.

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### **Because of You by Eve Ainsworth**

Poppy's having a nightmare at home. Her parents have split up and her mum's new boyfriend is moving in. Dad is the one who's always been there for Poppy, but now he's drifting further and further away. It seems like things can't get any worse until it all goes wrong at school as well and Poppy finds herself being targeted by spiteful bullies. As the vicious online comments keep coming, who can Poppy turn to for help?

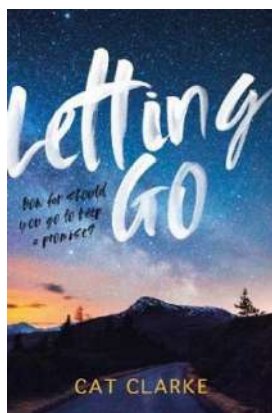
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### **White Eagles by Elizabeth Wein**

Summer 1939. With Europe on the brink of war, eighteen-year-old Kristina Tomiak has been called up to join the White Eagles, Poland's valiant air force. When the Nazis reach the town where she is based, Kristina makes a daring escape, but she doesn't realise that she's carrying a stowaway in her plane. Will Kristina be able to navigate the most challenging flight of her life and reach safety amid the turmoil of war?

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### **Letting go by Cat Clarke**

When Agnes made a promise to her girlfriend Ellie, she thought they would be together forever. One year later, Agnes is keeping that promise and it's put her in a situation she never could have predicted; climbing a desolate mountain, in miserable weather, with Ellie and her new boyfriend Steve. But when the weather takes a threatening turn and the sky-high tension between the trio hits its peak, Agnes will have to push herself further than she ever thought was possible...

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## Eagle Warrior by Gill Lewis



Bobbie is thrilled that a golden eagle has settled in the forest near her family's farm. She loves to walk the hills with her granny and watch the bird soar through the sky. But not everyone shares Bobbie's awe for the spectacular bird. When her granny's beloved dog is killed by poisoned bait, it soon becomes clear that someone is out to get the eagle - and they're ready to take down anything, and anyone, that gets in their way. Bobbie is determined to save the eagle but is it worth the risk?

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