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1. APPRENTICE WITNESSER, THE

Bren MacDibble | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Bastienne Scull is a young orphan who lives with the local Witnesser of Miracles, Lodyma Darsey, who investigates 'miraculous events' and spins them into stories she tells at the night markets. After Lodyma's husband and oldest son died of a sickness that continues to sweep the land, she sent her teenage son Osmin into the hills to live with the mountain men. That was ten years ago and Lodyma doesn't know if he's alive or dead. And she's taken Bastienne as an apprentice to fill the void of her lost family. One day, two young boys arrive in town asking Lodyma to go on a mysterious mission to a monastery. And when Lodyma and Bastienne arrive, what they discover will change their lives.

Categories: Resilience, Climate Change, Pandemic, Family, Friendship, Adventure



2. BATTLE FOR VICTORIA STREET, THE MY AUSTRALIAN STORY

Gabiann Marin | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Victoria Street is a crossroads, like in those old stories of bushrangers and highwaymen. It's a place where everyone and everything crosses paths ... A street right out of a fairytale, I reckon. It's 1973, and 11-year-old Billie is living in the best street in the whole world: Victoria Street in Darlinghurst, Sydney. Billie can't imagine being anywhere else. But things are changing. Billie's neighbours are being forced out of their homes, and scary people are patrolling the street, trying to get everyone to leave. Without realising it, Billie, her family and her neighbours find themselves caught up in one of the most important public protests in Sydney's history. The battle for Victoria Street is their fight to save their homes and their way of life from destruction.

Categories: Australian History, Activism



3. BEASTS FROM THE DEEP

Matt Ralphs | Kaley Mckean (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$35.00 | School Price \$28.00

Did you know there is a place on Earth that's hardly been explored at all? A place with near-freezing temperatures, crushing water pressure and total darkness? Discover a magnificent menagerie of monsters that lurk deep down in our oceans - from sharks that can live for five centuries, to fish with teeth so long they can't close their mouths, to jellies that glow and flash in startling colours. Discover Anglerfish, Giant Squid, Goblin Sharks, Coffinfish, the Barreleye and many, many more amazing creatures in this stunningly illustrated gift book that will delight, surprise and inspire on every page.

Categories: Sea Creatures, Deep Sea Creatures



4 RIG GORILLA

Anthony Browne | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$22.39

Learn all about opposites through internationally renowned master picture book-maker Anthony Browne's beloved primates. What's the opposite of old? Young! What's the opposite of sad? Happy! But what's the opposite of opposite...? Featuring a range of exquisite primates, from gorillas to chimpanzees, white-faced capuchins to orangutans, Anthony Browne has created a wonderfully unique first book of opposites, with his striking palette and quirky flair for facial expressions sure to charm readers of all ages.

Categories: Opposites



5. BOOK OF HOURS, THE

Clare McFadden | Hardback | RRP \$25.99 | School Price \$20.79

Every life is made of hours, moments and feelings ... what will you remember? A unique invitation to ponder the moments that create our memories and the mystery of time ...

Categories: Mindfulness, Memories, Time, Lifecycles, Past and Present, Reflection, Change



6. BOY WHO FELL FROM THE SKY, THE

Benjamin Dean | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Twelve-year-old Zed has always been fascinated by the Demons that fall from the sky. His whole life his dad has worked as a Hunter, tasked with eliminating Demons once and for all, and Zed hopes to one day follow in his footsteps. But then one night Spark appears and disrupts everything Zed thought he knew. Because this Demon is nothing like the myths – he's a frightened boy, no older than Zed, who wants to go back home. Can Zed stand up for what's right, even if it means going against his own family?

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Family, Identity, Inclusivity, Empathy



7. BRITTANY AND CO TAKE ON PARIS

John Larkin | Rebecca Timmis (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Brittany and Co. are horse crazy, but when their headmistress, Ms Tralala, bans their actual horses from their extracurricular school horse club, they decide instead to compete in The First Inaugural International Hobby Horse Championships in Paris (TFIIHHCiP). To raise money for their trip they attempt to sell radioactive chocolate crackles outside the village bookshop! With the help of Ms Tralala, who insists on joining them on their adventure, Brittany and Co. take on Paris in a way that Paris has never been taken on before. Will it matter that they haven't done a scrap of practice for their big competition? Be warned. This book will make you laugh until you puke.

Categories: Horse Lovers, Friendship, Competition



8. CORA SEEN AND HEARD

Zanni Louise | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Cora Lane gets tongue-tied, is often ignored and would rather hide in the library than step onto a stage. However, when her parents decide to renovate an old theatre in small-town Tasmania, Cora realises this is the perfect opportunity for her to reinvent her personality. Enter Cora 2.0, stage left. When Cora quickly slips back into her old ways and has once again made friends with the librarian rather than kids her own age, she feels lost. Frustrated she's not the person she wants to be, she shares her deepest feelings with her imaginary pen pal. The last thing she'd expect is for her letters to go missing. And now, the real Cora Lane is about to go public, but is she ready?

Categories: Community, Friendship, Music, Moving House, Library, Belonging



9. COURAGE BE MY FRIEND: VIVIAN BULLWINKEL STORY

Jenny Davis | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Sister Vivian Bullwinkel was the only survivor of the Bangka Island massacre during World War II. Her evocative story is told through the eyes of fifteen-year-old Edith 'Edie' Kenneison. Sister Bullwinkel enlisted in the Australian Army Nurse Service at the outbreak of World War II and was posted to Singapore. In February 1942, she and hundreds of others attempted to escape the advancing Japanese army but was captured and held as a prisoner of war. Vivian spent the next three years in captivity, working tirelessly to help her fellow prisoners. One of those prisoners was young Edie. Their remarkable friendship would help them survive and became the basis of a lifelong bond.

Categories: Historical Fiction, World War 2, War, Courage, Survival, Friendship, Resilience



10. DINOSAUR IN MY POCKET

Ashleigh Barton | Blithe Fielden (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

James loves two things more than anything in the world: dinosaurs and miniatures. So when his class goes on an excursion to a museum and James finds a miniature dinosaur in the gift shop, he can't help himself: he steals the dinosaur. But as the day continues, James's guilt grows. And so does the dinosaur! The only thing that can cure James's guilt – and shrink the dinosaur back to its proper size – is doing the right thing. A warm-hearted cautionary tale for sticky fingers everywhere.

Categories: Dinosaurs, Excursion, Guilt, Cautionary Tale



11 EVERYTHING YOU KNOW AROUT THE HUMAN RODY IS WRONG!

Emma Young | Maribel Lechuga (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Do you know all there is to know about the body? Humans have all of the answers about how our anatomy works, right? Well, this book is here to show you that you're WRONG! But don't worry, even the experts can't be right all the time. . . So, let's uncover the truth! From breathtaking brain tricks to awesome undiscovered senses, discover how everything you think you know about the human body is actually untrue in this in-depth, ingenious book.

Categories: Human Body, Anatomy



12. FERRIS

Kate DiCamillo | Hardback | Age 9+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

It's the summer before fifth grade, and for Ferris Wilkey, it is a summer of sheer pandemonium. Her little sister, Pinky, has vowed to become an outlaw. Uncle Ted has left Aunt Shirley and, to Ferris's mother's chagrin, is holed up in the Wilkey basement to paint a history of the world. And Charisse, Ferris's grandmother, has started seeing a ghost in the doorway to her room – which seems like an alarming omen given that she is feeling unwell. But the ghost is not there to usher Charisse to the Great Beyond. Rather, she has other plans – wild, impractical, illuminating plans. How can Ferris satisfy a spectre with Pinky terrorizing the town, Uncle Ted sending Ferris to spy on her aunt, and her father battling an invasion of raccoons?

Categories: Siblings, Grief, Coming of Age, Growing Up, Family, Community



13. FLOODS IN AUSTRALIA NATURAL DISASTERS

John Lesley | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Floods periodically create devastation across parts of Australia, where they destroy towns, take lives and ruin farming land. The increasing urbanisation of Australia has contributed to flooding that creates misery and hardship. Floods have always been a part of the Australian landscape, and, despite their destructive power, they also bring water to parched deserts and dry lakes. Over millions of years, plants and wildlife have adapted to the regular floods, and some even depend on them for their continued survival. Droughts, floods, cyclones and bushfires have influenced Australia for thousands of years. Some native plants and animals have even adapted to the unavoidable recurrence of these destructive forces of nature. How is climate change affecting these cycles of nature, and how are Australia's farms, cities and bushland affected?

Categories: Natural Disasters, Floods, Weather



14. FLORA STORMER AND THE GOLDEN LOTUS FLORA STORMER

Isabella Harcourt | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Flora Stormer, a talented young artist with Tourette's Syndrome, is helping her father prepare for an expedition to search for the legendary golden lotus – a plant with magical healing properties. But when her dad falls ill, Flora bravely sets sail in his place, hoping the mythical plant might save him. Equipped with her paints and a magical map, Flora treks through the rainforest, encountering dangerous animals and poisonous plants along the way. But the greatest threat she faces is from a greedy collector determined get his hands on the flower first. Can Flora and her new friends stop him from stealing the golden lotus and cursing the rainforest forever?

Categories: Adventure, Differences, Acceptance, Tourette's Syndrome, Bravery



15. GARDEN OF BROKEN THINGS, THE

Freya Blackwood | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

One day, curious Sadie follows a cat into the tangled vines behind the lonely house at Number 9, Ardent Street. Deep in the undergrowth, past all the twisted, rusted things, Sadie finds the cat sitting on the lap of a woman, bent with time and weariness. Sadie has found the Garden of Broken Things.

Categories: Friendship, Change, Curiosity, Listening, Relationships



16. GENERAL WASTE

Michel Streich | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

General Waste loves stuff! Wasting lots of stuff! He tosses away apples after one bite, he has hour-long showers, he must have the latest uniform fashion, and he rides around in a monster truck! He shares a house with Gram-Gram. She always saves her leftovers, does her own repairs and cycles everywhere! One day, when General Waste finds himself trapped under a mountain of his own stuff, Gram-Gram comes to the rescue ... General Waste is a hilarious tale about how to find joy in the simple things in life.

Categories: Environmental Issues, Sustainability, Waste, Nature, Recycling, Rubbish



17. GIRL AND THE MERMAID, THE

Hollie Hughes | Sarah Massini (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Alina and her granny live in a lighthouse by the sea: a home filled with the warmth of Granny's magical stories. But Alina is worried. Granny's memories and stories are starting to fade away, and she doesn't know how to bring them back. Then one day, she meets a mermaid on the rocks near the lighthouse - and she's swept into a magical deep-sea adventure that will change everything.

Categories: Adventure, Family, Grandparents, Mermaids, Storytelling, Memories, Lighthouse, Rhyming Text



18. GLORIOUS RACE OF MAGICAL BEASTS, THE

Alex Bell | Tim McDonagh (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Twelve-year-old Eli is an apprentice librarian at the largest library in the world. But when his grandmother falls ill, he enters the Glorious Race of Magical Beasts to raise money for her treatment. This annual race is always held in the most perilous places and is full of spiky dangers. Most participants seek out unicorns and dragons to help them on their conquest. But not Eli. He embarks on this journey with his trusted pet and friend, Humphrey, his moon tortoise. Moon tortoises aren't suited to racing and Eli is no natural adventurer. But he soon finds himself in an unlikely partnership with Raven, a rule-breaker and skilled archer, and her ice hare – one of the fastest animals in the world. If the two children put aside their differences and work together, they might just reach the finish line!

Categories: Magic, Adventure, Family Unit, Grandparents, Library, Teamwork



19. **GLOW**

Ross Morgan | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$22.39

There is a path I walk with care. There is a shadow that follows me there. There is a place, a secret I keep, where something special is buried down deep ... A sumptuously illustrated and immersive picture book that speaks to memory, shared moments, and love beyond and between worlds.

Categories: Grief, Loss, Family, Friendship



20. GREAT AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE BOOK, THE

Luke O'Neill | Linda Fahrlin (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

How do we measure the universe? How do our bodies repair themselves when we are ill? What species will exist on Earth in a million years' time? Discover the answers to these questions and a lot more in The Great Australian Science Book. We'll go on an incredible scientific journey from the very, very BIG to the very, very SMALL. Starting with the universe itself, we will travel through the galaxies and stars, onto our very own planet Earth and across its fabulous features, into our wonderful bodies and all their cells, and on down to the very elements and atoms that make up all things. Discover how Australia has made huge contributions to science and do a few experiments yourself as you learn to think like a scientist.

Categories: STEM, Science



21. HAPPY ALL OVER

Emma Quay | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Happy on the inside, inside-out. Happy all over - splash it all about. From Emma Quay, the award-winning and much-loved creator of Rudie Nudie, comes an irresistible and joyous celebration of all the small joys to be found in the everyday.

Categories: Wellbeing, Kindness, Happiness, Positive Thinking, Growth Mindset, Rhyming Text



22. HOW TO MOVE A ZOO: INCREDIBLE TRUE STORY

Kate Simpson | Owen Swan (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

It was still dark when Mr Miller opened the gates of the old zoo, but he wasn't scared because he wasn't alone. He was with Jessie the elephant and together they were going to walk from Moore Park, through the city streets, to the ferry at Fort Macquarie. Jessie was moving to her spacious new home in the soon-to-be-opened Taronga Zoological Park. Jessie's surprising journey was unlike any other and it brought a little warmth to the city on that brisk September morning in 1916.

Categories: Animal Welfare, Animal Stories, Zoos, Elephants, Australian History



23. I LOVE BOOKS

Mariajo Ilustrajo | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

It's the end of term, and a little girl is given the unreasonable task of reading a whole book over the holidays. A whole book? but she HATES books. Luckily her sister takes her to the library and recommends just the thing. Slowly, the little girl is drawn into a world of adventure inside her own imagination, for the very first time. Even the greyscale world starts to fill with colour as she is carried away in the story. A little fennec fox leads her to meet fairytale witches and creatures as they find ingredients to cast a special spell at the end of her book. The little girl is dismayed to learn that the spell seemingly hasn't changed a thing. However, the little fox points out that she is completely transformed: discovering the power of her imagination has transformed her forever.

Categories: Reading, Books, Library, Imagination, Adventure, Reconsider



24. IMAGINE A TIME

Penny Harrison | Jennifer Goldsmith (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

Imagine a time when all the world stops, when all of the clocks no longer tick-tock. and all of the maps are starting to fade, as the need to be somewhere drifts far away. A glorious celebration of nature's healing powers and a timely reminder for us all to slow down.

Categories: Mindfulness, Diversity, Nature



25 INTO THE BLUE

Cristy Burne | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Blair and his cousin embark on an adventurous day out, snorkelling on the wreck of the Omeo, but their excitement turns to panic when Blair loses his brother's cherished GoPro camera on the seabed. No one knows about his mistake except his cousin, and she urges Blair to keep it a secret. But Blair's lies quickly spiral out of control. Terrified to confess but wracked with guilt, Blair is left floundering in the deep.

Categories: Family, Trust, Communication, Guilt, Adventure



26. KELPIE CHAOS

Deb Fitzpatrick | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

A kelpie puppy is about to be sent to the pound and Eli knows he has to do something. After adopting the flame-chested kelpie, now named Zoom, the family falls in love, but they soon learn there's a lot involved in raising a dog. Especially a working dog, who is hard wired to round up pretty much everything ... even socks. When Zoom goes missing on a family bushwalk, the family sets out on a frantic search. With each passing moment, anxiety mounts, but they refuse to give up hope. As night falls, their strength is tested, both physically and emotionally. Will they be able to find Zoom? What mischief could a dog get up to in the bush?

Categories: Pets, Dogs, Teamwork, Resilience, Adoption, Responsibility



27. KINDNESS PROJECT, THE

Deborah Abela | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Ms Skye thinks kids can change the world with a Kindness Project. Nicolette wants to but how can she when Layla treats her like she's invisible and DJ picks on everything she says? Leaf thinks Nicolette can be a superhero. So maybe if they work together they just might do it. A heartwarming story about four kids who overcome their differences and take on the world.

Categories: Verse Novel, Differences, Kindness, Problem Solving, Cooperation, Teamwork

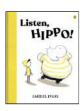


28. LETTER WITH THE GOLDEN STAMP, THE

Onjali q Rauf | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

10-year-old Audrey has a secret. A secret no one knows about. And to keep it hidden she has become one of the best actresses on the planet. As soon as she steps out of the front door, the show is on, and all the world becomes her stage! No-one would ever guess that she is a nurse and doctor for her mam, the family food shopper, a medicines collector, and even bedtime-reader for her younger siblings. But when Audrey's mam gets sicker, things go from difficult to impossible. If Mam's condition doesn't improve, there's a chance the family will be separated. And so Audrey becomes determined to find a way of to get her mam the best treatment available. The only problem is, the treatment will cost her thousands. Thousands that Audrey doesn't have. As Audrey sets about trying to make her dream for her family come true with a plan that involves her precious stamp collection, an unsuspecting postal system, and a journey all the way from Wales to London, someone else on the street embarks on a secret mission of their own. One that will alter Audrey's life – and that of her family – forever.

Categories: Family Unit, Kindness, Problem Solving, Caring



29. LISTEN, HIPPO!

Gabriel Evans | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

When Billy is feeling sad, he wishes he had someone to talk to. He thinks what he needs is someone to listen... but his best friend, Hippo, believes he knows exactly what Billy needs! Hippo just wants to make Billy happy, but it's only when he finally listens to what Billy wants that he can help his friend.

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Depression, Mental Health, Friendship, Listening



30. MARNIE MIDNIGHT AND THE MOON MYSTERY MARNIE MIDNIGHT

Laura Ellen Anderson | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Marnie Midnight is SO excited to be starting school at Minibeast Academy. She adores everything about the moon and she can't wait to learn about its magic. But when Marnie starts school, she's shocked to find out that nobody believes in moon magic anymore! Marnie is determined to get to the bottom of this moon mystery. The little moth and her minibeast friends explore far and wide in their search for the truth. But will they survive a run-in with a rebellious rat or a terrifying out-of-this-world adventure with the Early Bird...? One thing is for sure, Marnie is a little bug having a BIG Adventure!

Categories: Dyslexic Friendly, Adventure, Magic



31. MINUTE MINDERS, THE

Mary Murphy | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Meet Stevie and her father: they're fidders - tiny people that work alongside humans, helping them out with their problems. But when they team up to help Sandra May, a little girl with some big issues, they'll need all of their powers of persuasion and patience to help her work out the best ways to behave. I'm Stevie Clipper. Me and my dad, we're fidders, and it's our job to help humans. Humans can't see fidders, and we can't let you know we exist. That's the rule, anyway. But me, I'm not so good with rules. Especially when a human I care about is in big, big trouble...

Categories: Fantasy, Magic Realism, Adventure, Kindness, Patience



32. MY TEETH

Danny Snell | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

My Teeth takes young readers on an extraordinary journey through the science, history and wonders of teeth. Discover curious facts, such as what teeth are made of, why beavers have bright orange front teeth and how many litres of saliva we make over a lifetime. My Teeth also cleverly weaves in information on how to best look after our pearly whites.

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Teeth, Hygiene, Health, History



33. PINCH PERKINS AND THE MIDSUMMER CURSE PINCH PERKINS

Cathy Fitzgerald | Chloe Dominique (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Midsummer's Eve is about to get a whole lot more magical! Someone is misusing magic. Curses have been cast and terrifying creatures are on the move... Twelve-year-old Pinch Perkins lives on Tricky Dragon Lane, deep in the heart of London's magical quarter. But when her mum is struck by a curse, and nobody seems to have a clue what to do, Pinch knows it's down to her to find a cure. Racing the clock on Midsummer's Eve, Pinch will face the terrifying boss of the Thames Mudlarks, dance with the devious fairy king and queen and share a burger with King Arthur's knights... all while trying to avoid the clutches of two fearsome villains out to SQUISH her!

Categories: Fantasy, Magic, Villains



34. QUEEN OF DOGS

Joe Weatherstone | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Maddy's family are talented and ambitious — sporting trophies, top grades, they collect them all. But Maddy would rather spend time with her best friend, her pug Gusto. When Gusto disappears ... her world changes. Her search for Gusto reveals a surprising talent and Maddy can't believe her ears. She can understand everything the neighbourhood dogs are saying and suddenly Maddy becomes the go-to canine problem solver. But when more and more dogs go missing, Maddy finds herself with a much bigger problem ... and she is going to need a lot of friends – two-legged and four-legged – to help her solve it ...

Categories: Adventure, Mystery, Family, Dogs



35. RACE TO FROSTFALL MOUNTAIN BEASTLANDS

Jess French | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

The island of Ramoa was once luscious and populated with mighty beasts. Now though, it is home to barren and tamed cities, where nature is locked out and trouble is brewing. When Kayla's beloved animal companion, a rare winged pangron, is stolen, she's determined to get him back. But to do so, she'll have to leave her city and journey into the wild and forbidden Beastlands. There, she meets Rustus, an exiled young warrior, and Alethea, a healer desperately seeking a cure for a mysterious disease. As their quests unite them, they'll adventure across the lands they know so little about, leading them to discoveries both great and terrifying. Not least that the beasts they've always been taught to fear might not be so terrifying after all...

Categories: Adventure, Fantasy, Quest, Conservation



36. RAINBOW FLAMINGO, THE

Catherine Emmett | Claire Powell (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

This one young flamingo, Adele was her name, Knew under HER wings something wasn't the same. Whilst quite unremarkably pink from outside ... Inside were some colours she struggled to hide! Adele wants nothing more than to be just like all the other flamingos. But hiding who she really is feels horribly tough. Can Adele find the courage to celebrate her true colours?

Categories: Self Esteem/Resilience, Confidence, Individuality, Courage



37. SEED TO SKY: LIFE IN THE DAINTREE NATURE STORYBOOKS

Pamela Freeman | Liz Anelli (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

In the oldest rainforest on Earth, on the oldest continent, a seed falls to the ground. Over hundreds of years, the seed will grow into a sapling reaching for the sunlight, to become a tree towering above the rainforest canopy. Generations of insects, butterflies, bird, lizards, snakes and an abundance of native wildlife will bear witness to the magnificent Bull Kauri pine...

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Environment, Ecosystems, Rainforest



38. SHOCKING SPIDERS AUSTRALIA'S SCARIEST CREATURES

John Lesley | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Spiders scuttle across our walls, hang in huge webs, or hide in burrows, waiting for something to eat to wander past. You are probably close to a spider right now, and don't even know it! In this book, find out about Australia's spiders, their enormous variety and how important they are to the environment. Australia has some of the scariest animals in the world. They bite, they hiss and they leap out at you! Find out why they behave like this and what we are doing to make them so angry at us. Are they really as dangerous as we think, and why are we so scared of them?

Categories: Spiders, Insects, Minibeasts



39. SMALL COLLECTION OF HAPPINESSES, A

Zana Fraillon | Stephen Michael King (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Are you ready? Are you listening? Something is about to begin. When Ada arrives on the day of the Great Summer Storm, it is like the wind had picked her up and blown her in - walking stick and all - and dumped her right at the front gates of number 9 Hawkhurst Lane. Unfortunately, Ada is not the kind of neighbour Hettie was hoping for. Cranky, impatient and a hater of cats, Ada has no intention of making friends. But as the summer unfolds, Hettie and Ada discover they have more in common than they think. Could their unlikely friendship be the missing piece they never knew they needed?

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Friendship, Happiness, Hope



40. TAYLOR SWIFT LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Josefina Schargorodsky (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Little Taylor grew up on her family's Christmas tree farm in Pennsylvania, USA. Then, at age six, she went to her first concert - she saw LeAnn Rimes, the country musician. At that moment, Taylor fell in love with country music! She took her first steps towards stardom by recording a demo of cover songs and sent it to record labels in Nashville, the home of country music. After signing with a record label, she started working on her first album. Called Taylor Swift, it became very popular, very quickly. She earned a number one single on the country music charts. Then, she released her second album, Fearless, which was country-pop instead of just country and suddenly, everyone knew her name. Despite the obstacles in her way, Taylor has always stood up for what she believes in, and always believes in herself!

Categories: Famous People, Biography, Music



41. TEARAWAY COACH!

Neridah McMullin | Andrew Mclean (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

When Fenton and his father catch the coach to Geelong, they have no idea that their driver of the team of powerful horses is the famous Edward Devine – 'Cabbage tree Ned'-or of the incredible adventure that lies ahead. A breathless story of bushrangers, danger, daring and escape as Fen finds himself holding the reins of the tearaway coach.

Categories: Adventure, Action, Bushrangers, Australian History, Horses



42. THANK YOU

Jarvis | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

I thank the moon for the night time. I thank the sun for the day. I thank my boots for knowing the way... There is so much to be thankful for! In this happy and hopeful picture book for the very young, we see the world through a child's eyes as he thanks all of the things that give him joy – the sun, his bicycle, the jelly in his bowl, and so much more. Jarvis creates beautiful collage art in this first book of gratitude; a book that inspires children to think about what they might like to say "thank you" to, too!

Categories: Gratitude, Mindfulness



43. THERE'S A TIGER ON THE TRAIN

Mariesa Dulak | Rebecca Cobb (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

You'll never guess what happened on our trip down to the sea... A Tiger in a top hat came and sat right next to me.' A boy and his dad board the train. Dad is stuck into his phone and misses the fact that a tiger boards the train too. and so does a family of hippos, and a band of crocs, and a mum with her piglets, and a pug in a boa - or two... On the way to the seaside pandemonium ensues, and then the tiger roars... Has he finally had enough? And what will dad say? Will he even notice?

Categories: Cautionary Tale, Relationships, Rhyming Text



44. THIS IS SKATEBOARDING

Hannah Wilson | Peter Phobia (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Welcome to skateboarding, where self-expression rules, adventures are wild and every ramp or rail is an exciting new ride! Join us on a whirlwind journey to celebrate the rise of the global skateboarding scene, from the streets of LA to its first Olympic Games! Check out iconic skateparks and gravity-defying tricks. Meet trailblazers, activists and medal-winning champions, and discover how skateboarding has influenced everything from shoes to art and urban design.

Categories: Sport, Skateboarding



45 TORNADO

Jackie French | Bruce Whatley (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

From the award-winning creators of Flood, Fire, Cyclone, Drought, Pandemic, Earthquake and Plague. I was born of twisting air, touching ground and spinning there. Do not laugh, just feed me thunder, I will soar and roar and plunder ...

Categories: Natural Disasters, Tornado, Emergency, Kindness, Community



46. TRUCK CAT, THE

Deborah Frenkel | Danny Snell (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Some cats are house cats. Some are apartment cats. But Tinka is a truck cat. Tinka lives everywhere. Along with his human, Yacoub, Tinka travels roads wide and narrow, near and distant. But no matter how much they travel, home feels very far away – for both of them. Yacoub drives his truck to make a living, learning the landscape of a new country along the way, and longing for connection. When Tinka and Yacoub are unexpectedly separated, they are determined to find their way back to each other – and, in doing so, might find more than they expected ...

Categories: Immigration, Family, Culture, Pets, Cats, Identity, Home, Belonging

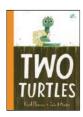


47. TWEET

Morris Gleitzman | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Birds. Lots of birds. The people of the world are puzzled. Their feathered friends are trying to tell them something, and they're not sure what it is. Then a boy and his pet budgie discover the secret. Join Jay and Clyde, and their friends Maxine and Dora, on an exciting, funny, risky journey to save their families. And every other family too.

Categories: Friendship, Family, Journey, Danger, Birds



48. TWO TURTLES

Kigh Thomas | Jake a Minton (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Frank and Terrence are known for their relentless rivalry. They compete in everything, from slow-walking races to shiniest-shell contests. But one fateful day, they take things too far, with no way out but to work together. Two Turtles is a hilarious and irreverent story that explores cooperation, communication and teamwork. The surprising ending will tickle readers and spark endless discussions about complex friendships and conflicting feelings - can you be fiercely competitive and still be a good teammate?

Categories: Competition, Humour, Rivalry, Humour, Cooperation, Teamwork



49. WHAT STARS ARE FOR

Margeaux Davis | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Henry spends his nights exploring the world alone and wondering one thing: what are stars for? One morning, he decides to come out of his shell and ask someone. Can Henry find the answer to his question and make a friend? From Margeaux Davis comes a moving story about curiosity, overcoming your fears and finding friendship.

Categories: Curiosity, Nature, Shyness, Friendship



50. WORMS ARE OUR FRIENDS

Toni D'alia | Mimi Purnell (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Worms Are Our Friends invites preschool readers into a stunning garden to admire the hard work of one tiny worm, and to marvel at the essential role it plays in nature. Discover how earthworms help our soil, plants and environment thrive, and encourage your kids to love nature exploration and outdoor learning.

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Worms, Compost, Nature, Soil, Rhyming Text

Australian Picture Books



51. BOOTS

Elizabeth Pulsford | Krista Brennan (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Our lives are measured by the places we hold dear, the people we love and the paths we have trodden. So, who better to tell our stories than the shoes we wear? Boots, exactly as the title suggests, describes a beloved pair of working boots. Through their endearing perspective, this picture book narrates the life of a cattle farmer and his love of the Australian bush. Written in simple, but lyrical prose, Boots breathes life into a generation of hardworking men and women, their humble lifestyles, and an unforgiving landscape that is intrinsic to the Australian identity. With themes of love, loss, old age, hardship and resilience, and references to drought, flood, bushfire and war, Boots provides a candid glimpse into the trials and tribulations of one man's life.

Categories: Resilience, Hardship, Loss, Aging, Rural



52. BOSS CAT

Sarah Speedie | Tom Jellett (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Napping on the sofa, one sunny afternoon, I was very rudely woken by a slobbering buffoon. 'Say hello,' my humans said, 'to our newest family member.' I think I must have fainted then. I really can't remember. Boss Cat is so used to ruling the roost, she isn't impressed when her family bring home an adorable new puppy. A canine intruder who needs to be shown who's boss.



53. EARTHQUAKE

Jackie French | Bruce Whatley (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Down below the giant rumbled, All around us buildings crumbled, Newcastle began to shake ... 'Quake!' yelled someone. 'Out! Earthquake!' From the award-winning creators of Flood, Fire, Cyclone, Drought and Pandemic.

Categories: Natural Disasters, Earthquakes



54. GOOD GNUS!

Phil Cummings | Daron Parton (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Breaking Gnus! Bad Gnus! Gnus Cross! Sad Gnus! Life is busy, full of fun too ... What do you think the gnus will do? Good Gnus cleverly uses rhyme and wordplay to capture the long day in the life of two lively little gnus. From morning gnus to breaking gnus (Smash!), to good gnus ... they're asleep!

Categories: Family, Siblings, Routine, Wordplay



55. GROW BIG, LITTLE SEED

Bec Nanayakkara | Sarah Capon (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Exciting things were happening in Nina's home. 'While we wait,' said Mum, 'let's plant a seed and watch it grow.' When Nina plants a pumpkin seed, she imagines herself and a little sister playing in the leaves of a large pumpkin plant. Nina's mum is pregnant and it seems that Nina's dreams may soon come true. But despite Nina's loving care, her seedling stops growing as her mother's pregnancy ends early. As time goes by, her mother is pregnant again, and Nina finds the courage to plant another seed. This time, Nina's seedling grows and grows, and her family embraces a joyful surprise with not one but two rainbow babies.

Categories: Family Unit, Grief, Loss, Pregnancy, Miscarriage



56. HIDE AND SEEK BEAUTIFUL

Nicki Esler Gill | Jedda Robaard (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Annie and Boo are extra-special friends. And of all the things they share, the most special is this: they find the same things beautiful. But when Boo moves away, Annie can't see the beautiful in anything by herself. Maybe all Annie has to do is start searching ...

 $\textbf{Categories:} \ \ \textbf{Friendship, Loneliness, Positivity, Resilience, Mindfulness, Reflection}$



57. LEAF CALLED GREAF, A

Kelly Canby | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

A stunning new picture book by award-winning author and illustrator Kelly Canby that gently introduces the concept of grief to children. Bear is all alone. His brothers and sisters have left him. Bear embraces his grief in the form of Greaf - the greenest, most beguiling leaf Bear has ever seen. Bear holds Greaf tight. But as the season wanes, Greaf changes, and so too does Bear. A poignant, lyrical story gently touching on the changing nature of sorrow in the aftermath of loss

Categories: Grief, Loss, Hope, Memories, Lifecycles, Mental Health, Optimism



58. LIGHTS OUT, LITTLE DRAGON

Debra Tidball | Rae Tan (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

My little dragon is so tired, but he won't go to sleep. What can I do? It's bedtime and Little Dragon is trying every trick to stay awake. Can you help him get to sleep? You might just have the magic touch! From award-winning Debra Tidball and talented newcomer Rae Tan comes a delightful book about one cheeky little dragon who is determined to beat bedtime.

Categories: Bedtime, Sleep, Dragons



59. LOL G.O.A.T. LAUGHS OUT LOUD

Kate Temple | Rebel Challenger (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$15.19

This is Goat. He loves to laugh out loud. But Duck can't make a LOL that will make anyone LOL! Can Goat help?

Categories: Humour, Acronyms



60. NO DANCING PLEASE

Charlie Leahy | Darcy Prendergast (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$20.99 | School Price \$17.85

You wouldn't want to dance while reading a book, would you? Of course not. That's good. Because this story's narrator really wants to ensure there will be NO DANCING in this book. They want the reader to sit still and think about quiet, motionless things. Like a plain chair in a beige room. Or a stick in the mud. But what happens when even the narrator gets swept up in the joy of dancing and movement? This is a bold, clever picture book that breaks the fourth wall in an utterly delightful manner. Kids will love watching the rules being tossed aside for the sake of joyous silliness!

Categories: Humour, Dancing



61. OUR HOME

Catherine Meatheringham | Max Hamilton (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Our Home is a picture book about where children live in Australia. From a rugged coast to an outback station to a high-rise apartment, Our Home showcases the landscapes, families and communities that make up our homes in Australia. Our Home is full of onomatopoeia to describe the sounds that homes make. Suburban homes whizz, beach homes sigh and farms rustle. Children will love to join in with this noisy story that fosters belonging, identity and a sense of place.

Categories: People and Places, Diversity, Home



62. OUT

Angela May George | Owen Swan (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

A little girl and her mother have fled their homeland, making the long and treacherous journey by boat to seek asylum. Timely, powerful and moving, Out celebrates the triumph of the human spirit in the darkest times, and the many paths people take to build a new life.

Categories: Refugees and Migration, Asylum Seeker, Freedom



63. PIDGE'S POPPIES

Jan Andrews | Timothy Ide (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$25.20

Pidge's Poppies is based on a true story about a pair of pigeons at the Australian War Memorial. It remembers the vital role pigeons played in both world wars, their heroism and their sacrifice. Little Pidge chooses nesting material that won't be forgotten. Mission accomplished.

Categories: War Stories, History, Remembrance Day, Pigeons



64. READING TO BABY

Margaret Wild | Hannah Sommerville (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

When Dora was born, her brothers were very excited. 'I'm going to cuddle her,' said Alex. 'I'm going to rock her to sleep,' said Liam. 'I'm going to make her laugh,' said Bruno. 'I'm going to read to her,' said Peter. Dora has doting big brothers who play with her, look after her, and guide her as she grows. But Peter reads to her, which turns out to be the greatest gift of all.

Categories: Family Unit, Siblings, Books, Reading, Imagination



65. RECIPE FOR A MAGIC POTION, A

Jack Henseleit | Natasja Horne (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

At first glance this story could be seen as a set of instructions on how to brew a magic potion, the ingredients of which are familiar – mud, a leaf, some sand. But as the story unfolds, the two children at the heart of this story let their imaginations run wild as they take the reader on a glorious, lyrical journey outside.

Categories: Imagination Play, Imagination, Adventure, Childhood, Memories



66 RODNEY LOSES IT!

Michael Gerard Bauer | Chrissie Krebs (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Rodney was a rabbit who loved nothing more than drawing. He never found it tiresome, tedious or boring. But then one day, disaster struck, the one thing Rodney feared, while working at his drawing desk his pen just... DISAPPEARED! A truly hysterical search for a missing pen, by award-winning author Michael Gerard Bauer.

Categories: Humour



67. SLEEPY BEARS 25TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

Mem Fox | Kerry Argent (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Celebrating 25 years of this classic bedtime favourite! Winter is here, and in winters bears sleep. But how do you convince six not-so-sleepy bear cubs to go to bed? Mother Bear, of course, has found a way. From award-winning duo, Mem Fox and Kerry Argent, comes a delightful bedtime book that is certain to inspire sweet dreams.

Categories: Bedtime



68. SOME FAMILIES CHANGE

Jess Galatola | Jenni Barrand (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Some Families Change gently navigates the complexities of changing family structures through poignant verse and empathetic illustrations. From split families to the loss of a parent, this book offers a sensitive, reassuring lens for children grappling with such changes, helping them understand and process their feelings.

Categories: Family Unit, Diversity, Change



69. THIS IS MY BOOK

Tim Harris | Heidi Mckinnon (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

A laugh-out-loud picture book from two award-winning and bestselling talents. It's page versus page in this hilarious story about what REALLY happens inside a book.

Categories: Humour, Conflict, Books



70. WAKE UP, SHEEPY HEAD! BAA BAA BLACK BELT

Gavin Aung Than | Hardback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

"Win the morning, win the day," that's what I always say. Join me, Baa Baa Black Belt, as I use my martial arts skills to help the lazy farm animals to rise and shine!

Categories: Martial Arts, Humour, Calamity



71. WHERE IS THE GREEN SHEEP? 20TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

Mem Fox | Judy Horacek (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

'Here is the blue sheep, and here is the red sheep. Here is the bath sheep, and here is the bed sheep. But where is the green sheep?' Celebrate 20 years of this joyous Australian picture book in a beautiful foiled collector's edition and join Mem Fox and Judy Horacek's wildly wonderful search for the green sheep.

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72. BIG BAD WOLF INVESTIGATES FAIRY TALES

Catherine Cawthorne | Sara Ogilvie (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Did a princess really feel a tiny pea through a mountain of mattresses? And could a pumpkin actually turn into a carriage to carry Cinderella to the ball? Of course not! It's all a load of fairytale NONSENSE! Or is it...? The Big Bad Wolf is on a mission to find the truth behind these tales, and clear his name in the process! Combining STEM topics with classic stories children know and love, this hilarious non-fiction picture book is perfect for inquisitive children always asking big questions!

Categories: STEM, Humour, Maths, Science, Fairy Tales



73. BRIAN THE LION WHO LEARNED

Frances Stickley | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Brian the lion is the mightiest, bitiest beast in the jungle and he's certain all the other animals LOVE him... Until one day he finds out they're all just too scared to stand up to him! Can the King of the Jungle learn to change his ways and think of others?

Categories: Rhyming Text, Respect, Manners, Behaviour



74. CAT WHO COULDN'T BE BOTHERED, THE

Jack Kurland | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

There is a cat. A cat that couldn't be bothered to do anything ... anything at all. His friends ask him if he wants to play but he doesn't feel like it. They invite him on adventures to far-off places, but he would rather stay at home. Until one day, a friend asks how he is doing, and the true reason why he'd rather do nothing is revealed. He is feeling sad. This is a story about feelings, friendship and the importance of speaking to someone when you don't feel right.

Categories: Friendship, Mental Health, Compassion, Understanding



75. DOGDUNNIT

Peter Bently | Tor Freeman (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

A cat-and-dog whodunnit reminiscent of the great detective Sherlock Holmes! Crimes are sweeping the neighbourhood: sofas torn to shreds, muddy pawprints on the beds, poo left on the kitchen floor . . . all the evidence points towards the culprits being DOGS, and Inspector Keyhole is quick to arrest every last one. But the great cat detective Purrlock Jones thinks she knows who the real villain is. It must be the feline mastermind and her arch enemy Moggiarty . . .

Categories: Justice, Crime, Rhyming Text, Humour

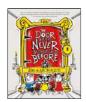


76. DON'T DISTURB THE PIRATE!

Rhiannon Findlay | Sian Roberts (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Oh no! Patch the puppy has gone missing! Can YOU help find him? A brilliantly interactive, rhyming read-aloud adventure before bedtime from the bestselling author of the Ten Minutes to Bed series. Tiptoe over, under, round and through the book, just . . . don't disturb the PIRATE!

Categories: Humour, Pirates



77. DOOR THAT HAD NEVER BEEN OPENED BEFORE, THE

Mrs Macleod | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

The Grunions' house had many doors. But there was one door, that had never been opened before! The door that had never been opened before was built closed shut, locked tight, and never opened for a reason. A reason that nobody knew. Geraldine opened every door she ever found. Geraldine opened every door and went everywhere and met everyone and did EVERYTHING. Everything, except ONE THING. Geraldine had never opened the Door that had NEVER been opened before...NOT vet!



78. EYES THAT WEAVE THE WORLD'S WONDERS

Joanna Ho | Dung Ho (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

A young girl who is a transracial adoptee learns to love her Asian eyes and finds familial connection and meaning through them, even though they look different from her parents. Her family bond is deep and their connection is filled with love. She wonders about her birth mom, and comes to appreciate both her birth culture and her adopted family's culture, for even though they may seem very different, they are both a part of her, and that is what makes her beautiful. She learns to appreciate the differences in her family and celebrate them.

Categories: Family Unit, Adoption



79 FINDING GRATEFUL

Dianne White | Faith Pray (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$24.30

What does grateful look like? How does it feel? How do you find it? Even in the face of a challenge, you don't need a map: You just need to pay attention to the little things-a smile, a hug, the smell of newly cut grass-that add up to a sense of presence and hope. With evocative, lyrical prose, this warmly illustrated children's book is a reminder to pause, reflect, and take in the glimmers of positivity and connection that can be found amid even the most difficult circumstances.

Categories: Mindfulness, Family, Gratefulness, Gratitude



80. FRANK AND BERT: THE ONE WITH THE MISSING BISCUITS FRANK AND BERT

Chris Naylor-Ballesteros | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Frank and Bert are off for a picnic in the countryside. And Bert has brought a delicious surprise! But when he falls asleep, Frank can't resist taking a peek . . . WOW! Bert has made Frank's FAVOURITE biscuits! Surely, he won't mind if Frank eats one . . . or two . . . or three . . . This big-hearted story about friendship and forgiveness is guaranteed to get children giggling!

Categories: Friendship, Forgiveness, Kindness



81. GREY

Laura Dockrill | Lauren Child (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

An iconic picture book collaboration about feelings and acceptance from two of the most beloved voices in children's literature. Beautifully crafted compositions together with simple die-cut design, reveal the story of a child who feels as though all their colours have disappeared. Despite the joyful orange balloon, the huge yellow sun and the bright green trees, the child still feels grey. That is until a reassuring hand reaches out and shares words of kindness. Soon the child begins to see the warmth of colour again, and understands that their colours will always be there and that they will always be loved, whether they feel grey or sunshine yellow. Laura and Lauren have created a beautiful book full of empathy and understanding that will provide comfort and hope to readers of all ages.

Categories: Empathy, Mental Health, Depression



82. HELP! RALFY RABBIT AND THE GREAT LIBRARY RESCUE

Emily Mackenzie | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Ralfy and his little brother Rodney LOVE reading so when they hear that their local library is closing down, they know they have to do something. According to the librarian, it would take a magic dragon to save the library so Ralfy, Rodney and their friends set off to find one! Will Ralfy find the magic dragon? Or is there just maybe another way to bring the town together and save the library for everyone?

Categories: Books, Libraries, Reading, Community, Activism



83. HOW MANY DINOSAURS IS TOO MANY?

Lou Peacock | Nicola Slater (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

When a dinosaur comes to play, you're sure to have lots of fun. But wouldn't 2 . . . 3 . . . 4 . . . or even 10 dinosaurs be better still? Or would they be too big, too messy and just a little bit too naughty? Perhaps one very special dinosaur is just perfect!

Categories: Dinosaurs, Counting



84. I DO NOT EAT CHILDREN

Marcus Cutler | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

A big orange creature lurks in a crowded playground...but don't worry! He would never eat a child. What do you think he is...a MONSTER? And kids are definitely not disappearing every time you turn a page. You're imagining things. The monster has nothing to hide; in fact, he loves children. And he would never, ever, ever-oops! There goes another kid.... This laugh-out-loud story will keep readers guessing until the end, then send them straight back to the beginning to keep a close eye on the wily monster (and the one kid who knows exactly what he's up to). A great read aloud for bedtime (or anytime!), this silly and subversive picture book delivers poetic justice and giggles galore.

Categories: Humour, Monsters



85. LAST ZOOKEEPER. THE

Aaron Becker | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$25.20

The Earth has flooded. The only signs of humankind are the waterlogged structures they left behind. Peeking out from the deluge are the remnants of a zoo, home to rare and endangered animals, survivors of long neglect. Tenderhearted NOA is a construction robot who's found new purpose as the caretaker of the zoo's beleaguered inhabitants. Bracing for the next storm, NOA builds an ark from the wreckage in search of new land, only to discover something even more profound. With boundless compassion and sweeping scenes of sea and sky punctuated by detailed wordless panels to pore over, Caldecott Honor–winning creator Aaron Becker delivers a timely and concrete message about the rewards of caring in even the most difficult of times that is sure to inspire the dreamers among

Categories: Wordless Picture Book, Conservation, Climate Change, Futuristic, Artificial Intelligence

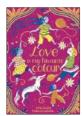


86. LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD REVOLTING RHYMES

Roald Dahl | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Meet Red Riding Hood as you've never seen her before in this hilarious picture book twist on a classic fairy tale. After Wolfie gobbles Grandmamma in one big bite, he turns his attention to Miss Red Riding Hood. But little does he know, this small girl has a dastardly plan of her own. With brand-new and wickedly funny illustrations, this splendiferous rhyming picture book is perfect for chiddlers who like their fairy tales with a splash of daring and danger! The first in a brand-new picture book series adaptation of Roald Dahl's iconic Revolting Rhymes.

Categories: Nursery Stories



87. LOVE IS MY FAVOURITE COLOUR

Nina Laden | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

From caring to hoping to peace to sharing, there are many ways to find joy in the everyday. Celebrate the things that make life wonderful and each day special. With stunning artwork, readers of all ages will find moments to treasure.

Categories: Gratitude, Caring, Mindfulness, Hope, Feelings/Emotions



88. MAGIC CALLALOO, THE

Trish Cooke | Sophie Bass (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

Long ago and far away, a magic callaloo plant grew in a village square. Whoever ate one of its leaves was granted a wish. But a greedy selfish man wanted all the wishes for himself so he stole the callaloo. With only one leaf left, Mister and Missus, desperate for a child, pluck it to make their dream come true. But the greedy man wants everything and he kidnaps their beloved daughter, who will ultimately make the most remarkable escape.

Categories: Slavery, Freedom, Greed



89. MAISY GOES FOR AN EYE TEST

Lucy Cousins | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Maisy and Ella are on their way to see Flamingo the optician for their eye tests! There are games to play, pictures to look at, frames to try on and all sorts of things to learn. Friendly Flamingo even makes use of a super-duper special machine and a pair of very unusual glasses! This twenty-third Maisy First Experiences story is ideal for reassuring little ones ahead of their first eye test.

Categories: First Experiences



90. MY GRANDAD

Anthony Browne | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$22.39

Grandads - all different and all a little bit the same... We love our grandads and they love us! Award-winning author and illustrator and former Children's Laureate Anthony Browne shares a warm look at the relationship between grandad and grandchild.

Categories: Family Unit, Grandparents, Grandfather



91. PAVLO GETS THE GRUMPS

Natalia Shaloshvili | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Pavlo does not feel like going to the park. Not today. He does not want to go swimming. He even says no to the cinema. What's going on, Pavlo? Pavlo's got the grumps. This comforting picture book takes a look at bad days and big emotions, and reminds us that we all have grumpy days sometimes, but no feeling lasts forever. Natalia Shaloshvili's expressive illustrations are sad and funny at the same time, reassuring little ones that we are loved by our family and friends even when we're not our happiest selves. Pavlo guides young children on their emotional learning journey and shows how joy is always just around the corner.

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Moods, Fear, Friendship



92. PEARL AND HER BUNCH: CELEBRATING EVERY KIND OF FAM

Momoko Abe | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

When little Pearl makes the startling discovery that she's not a grape like the rest of the bunch, she begins to question EVERYTHING! Can they really be her family if she doesn't look like them? An adventure around the house might just help her find the answer she's looking for...

Categories: Blended Family, Humour, Family, Identity



93. PLEASE!

Simon Philip | Nathan Reed (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

You probably know it's good manners to ALWAYS say 'please' when asking for something. But when Bill forgets this very simple rule, the consequences are WACKIER than he could ever have imagined. Get ready for a laugh-out-loud adventure featuring spaceships, jungle tigers, mountain yaks, fairytale castles and a whole host of alien toads. Saying 'PLEASE' has never been so important!

Categories: Manners



94. POO THAT GREW, THE

Peter Bently | Nick East (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$21.59

Dung beetles love to chew on other animals' tasty poo. But when the monkeys make fun of them for having such a stinky lunch, the beetles decide to munch elsewhere. What the monkeys didn't realise is that without the beetles, there's no one to clean up their business. And so, the pile of poo grew and grew and GREW. In this hilarious picture book, Peter Bently imagines what might happen if dung beetles stopped doing their job and shows children that every creature is important to our environment, even those that are small and smelly.

Categories: Toilet Humour, Rhyming Text



95. QUIET

Tom Percival | Richard Jones (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Quiet is a touching tale of courage and how sometimes the smallest voice can deliver the biggest message. From highly acclaimed creators Tom Percival and Richard Jones, collaborating for the first time.

Categories: Courage, Bravery, Environment



96. REFLECTION IN ME, THE

Marc Colagiovanni | Peter H Reynolds (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

When you see your reflection, always remember that the real magic comes from within. "I like being you," said the reflection in the mirror. "To me, you are perfectly perfect."

Categories: Identity, Courage, Resilience



97. SLEEPY SHEEPY

Lucy Ruth Cummins | Pete Oswald (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Despite his name, Sleepy Sheepy is NOT sleepy. He'd much rather build with blocks . . . or knit socks than go to sleep. Will Ma and Pa Sheepy ever get their sheepy to go to sleepy?

Categories: Bedtime, Sleep



98. SPACEMAN, THE

Randy Cecil | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

Lovingly illustrated, this wry and gentle fantasy will speak to adults as well as children – and cast the familiar in an astonishing new light. A tiny Spaceman arrives on a new planet, ready to perform his monotonous tasks – collecting samples, labelling and filing them, and moving on to the next planet. But pausing to look around, the Spaceman is dazzled by the beauty of his surroundings. Marvelling at a varied landscape of flowers, butterflies, and other wondrous creatures, he finds a pond to float in and a goofy beast who seems to want to be his friend. Could it be that the Spaceman has found a new home? With deadpan humour, this simple and sophisticated story offers surprises on each lively spread. From a veteran creator comes a delightfully droll story radiating warmth and the wonder of the new, reminding us to look up from our mundane lives and embrace discovery.

Categories: Appreciation, Mindfulness, Discovery



99. TO THE END OF THE WORLD, FAR, FAR AWAY

Ronda Armitage | Victoria Turnbull (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

To the end of the world, far, far away – it's where Louis and his mother go to express their love. When his mother gets cross, Louis decides to run away: "I'm going to the end of the world far, far away." Playfully, dramatically, his mother describes how sad she would be to see him go. And we realize, "going away" is a game they both love to play. This fantastical story articulates the depth and breadth of a mother's love, and is filled with Victoria Turnbull's rich, whimsical scenes full of wonder; scenes that will take children to the very ends of their imaginations.

Categories: Family, Love, Running Away, Reconciliation



100. TOMFOOLERY! RANDOLPH CALDECOTT AND CHILDREN'S BOOK

Michelle Markel | Barbara McClintock (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Quick! If you don't move fast, you'll miss him—there he goes—Randolph Caldecott, future famous illustrator. His sketchbook is full of hurly-burly: wild weather, frisky animals, and people so sprightly they can barely hold onto the pages. But in the 1850s, there were no children's books like that. Not yet. Many books are published, but their pictures look stiff, full of pretty poses and cluttered scenery. No one has imagined how much fun an illustrated book could be because the future hero of children's book illustration is still just a lad. Join Michelle Markel and Barbara McClintock for a riotous adventure through the seminal history of children's books—their art, their joy, and the man who changed them for good.

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Books, Illustrators, Authors, Drawing, Art



101. TOOTH FAIRY AND THE CROCODILE, THE

Julia Donaldson | Lydia Monks (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Ruth Mary, the tooth fairy, is used to collecting teeth from under the pillows of sleeping children, not animals. But when the Fairy Queen sends her off to the jungle, Ruth Mary doesn't mind. And all is going well. That is, until she collects the tooth of a crocodile, who wakes up and decides Ruth Mary looks like a tasty snack! And with her wings not working, how will the tooth fairy escape? From the creators of the What the Ladybird Heard adventures, which have sold over four million copies worldwide.

Categories: Humour, Tooth Fairy



102. TWO TOGETHER

Brendan Wenzel | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Cat and Dog are headed home. A simple route lies ahead of them . . . or does it? There's so much to see and smell and hear, and the two of them experience the world very differently. A stream, for instance, is watery fun for Dog, but it may not be so delightful for Cat! As their journey becomes an adventure full of unexpected twists and turns, Cat and Dog show that it's possible for two creatures to travel in the world together despite their distinctive perspectives and abilities—and even to appreciate and enjoy them.

Categories: Adventure, Friendship, Imagination, Perspective, Challenge



103. VERY POLITE KNIGHT, THE

Ian Smith | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Finn isn't like the other knights. He's not fierce like Boris, tough like Ethel or sneaky like Walter. Finn is thoughtful and caring and polite. So, when the King sends the knights on a quest into the monster-ridden Dark Wood, Finn stays behind. But despite being fierce and tough and sneaky, the other knights fail to complete the mission. It's up to Finn to help the King! But what is a knight to do when he is polite and does not fight?

Categories: Manners, Politeness, Quest



104. WHAT IS BLACK AND WHITE?

John Kane | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

What is black and white? A penguin. What is black and white, and can't fly? Still a penguin. A hilarious, deceptively simple, interactive picture book which plays on a much-loved memory game - brought to life by the award-winning picture book maker John Kane.

Categories: Cumulative Text, Humour



105. WHERE'S WALLY? GREAT GAMES SPEED SEARCH WHERE'S WALLY?

Martin Handford | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Do you have what it takes to triumph as the ultimate Speed Search champion? Compete against friends and family or play solo to find Wally among zany games, super sports and comical contests. There are hours of fun to be had for even the fastest of finders. There's no time to delay – ready, steady ... SEARCH!

Categories: Look and Find



106. WHO ATE STEVE?

Susannah Lloyd | Kate Hindley (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Meet Marcel and Steve, a bird and worm who will help us learn about size....And how to resist our mischievous side when we need to focus. This funny, surprising, tale, perfectly coupled with Kate Hindley's illustrations is a laugh and a lesson for every reader.

Categories: Humour, Perspective, Cautionary Tale, Behaviour



107. ZEBRACADABRA!

Kes Gray | Fred Blunt (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Meet Zebracadabra, master of magic. Watch as he transforms his animal friends before your very eyes! Colourful chameleons turn into... you guessed it - black-and-white stripy chameleons! How does Zebracadabra do it? By being the best magician in the world, of course! Or he would be, if only he knew how to turn the animals back to their original colours... A laugh-out-loud picture book from Kes Gray, author of Oi Frog, with gloriously silly illustrations by Fred Blunt.

Categories: Humour, Cautionary Tale, Individuality, Magic

Aboriginal Studies



108. ALWAYS WAS, ALWAYS WILL BE

Aunty Fay Muir | Sue Lawson (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

From the very first protest of January 26th as a Day of Mourning in 1938, to the Pilbara Strike of 1946, to the struggle for the right to vote and be counted; the fight for justice for First Nations people takes many forms. Always Was, Always Will Be takes a closer look at some of the iconic First Peoples protest movements of the last 200 years, celebrating the strength, wisdom, and bravery of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people defending their land and asserting their right to self-determination through history.

Categories: Australian History, Aboriginal Studies, First Nations, Activism, Bravery, History



109. COUNTRY

Aunty Fay Muir | Cheryl Davison (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Country is central to so much of First Nations Culture. It is past, present, future. Storytelling and song. Country is all of us. Country is you. Take a walk on Country. A delightful exploration of everything Country is.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Culture, Connectivity



110. FIRST SUNRISE, THE FIRST PEOPLES FIRST SCIENCES

Nessa Stevens | Charmaine Ledden-lewis (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$25.20

The First Sunrise is a Mbabaram creation story from Mbabaram Country in Far North Queensland and is an engaging and beautiful book for curious minds. The story centres around the Creator Spirit, Mulungh, directing Emu and Kangaroo how to make the first returning boomerang, which, when thrown, causes the sun to arc across the sky, forming the creation of day and night. The arrival of the first sunrise teaches Emu and Kangaroo how to read shadows, follow directions and understand the orbit of the earth around the sun, making this book perfect for use in the classroom. The First Sunrise is the inaugural title in the new Magabala series First Peoples • First Sciences — children's picture books that pair fun science with First Nations knowledge.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Creation Story



111. GROWING UP TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER IN AUSTRALIA

Samantha Faulkner | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$28.05

What makes Zenadth Kes/Torres Strait unique? And what is it like to be a Torres Strait Islander in contemporary Australia? Growing Up Torres Strait Islander in Australia, compiled by poet and author Samantha Faulkner, showcases the distinct identity of Torres Strait Islanders through their diverse voices and journeys. Hear from emerging and established writers from both today and the recent past, including Eddie Mabo, Thomas Mayo, Lenora Thaker, Ellie Gaffney, Jillian Boyd-Bowie, Aaron Fa'Aoso and Jimi Bani. These and many more storytellers, mentors, traditional owners, doctors and teachers from the Torres Strait share their joy, culture, good eating, lessons learned and love of family, language and Country.

Categories: Identity, Culture



112. LAND RECALLS YOU, THE

Kirli Saunders | David Cragg (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Do not mourn the hands that raised you ... Do not weep for songs of land. Honouring the Stolen Generations, and all who've been taken, The Land Recalls You is a powerful story of returning, written with love and reverence by awardwinning Gunai author Kirli Saunders (OAM) and illustrated by debut Bundjalung artists David and Noni Cragg.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Stolen Generation, First Nations, Family, Community, Connection, Belonging



113. OUR FLAG, OUR STORY: TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER FLAG

Thomas Mayo | Tori-jay Mordey (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$22.39

'We are many different people in Australia, and we all live in one big country. What may seem like a simple flag to some people, has given all Torres Strait Islanders an identity and a sense of pride...'. Bernard Namok Jnr was just a little boy when his dad designed the Torres Strait Islander Flag, a symbol of unity, shared identity and pride for all Torres Strait Islanders. This is the story of a flag and what it represents.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Torres Strait Islands, First Nations, Culture, Belonging



114. RAINBOW SERPENT 50TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION, THE AUSTRALIAN CHILDREN'S CLASSICS

Dick Roughsey | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Dreamtime stories tell how the Rainbow Serpent came from beneath the ground and created huge ridges, mountains and gorges as it pushed upward. The name also reflects the snake-like meandering of water across a landscape and the colour spectrum sometimes caused by sunlight hitting the water. Renowned author and artist Dick Roughsey's first paintings were on bark using the traditional pigments from soil and black from charcoal. After developing these bark paintings into a form suited to paper, he began to create children's books, including The Rainbow Serpent, an enduring classic that celebrates the paintings of the Rainbow Serpent that first appeared in Arnhem Land rock art more than 6000 years ago.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Dreaming Stories



115. WALKING THE ROCK COUNTRY IN KAKADU

Diane Lucas | Emma Long (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

A breathtaking encounter with the magnificent rock country of Australia's iconic Kakadu National Park, from the highly acclaimed creators of Walking in Gagudju Country: Exploring the Monsoon Forest.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, First Nations, Dual Language, Kundjeyhmi, Language, Environment, Ecosystems, Culture

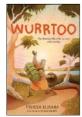


116. WHEN THE WORLD WAS SOFT: YINDJIBARNDI CREATION

Compilation | Alex Mankiewicz (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$34.99 | School Price \$31.50

Yindjibarndi believe all creation is written in our landscape and was sung long ago, filling our Ngurra (Country) with sacred meanings and deep religious significance. At the dawn of time, Ngurra Nyujunggamu, the world was soft as clay and the sky was very low. Our Creator, Minkala, sang the songs from which all life and Ngurra evolved. These are some of our stories. And now we are sharing them with you.

Categories: Aboriginal Studies, Dreaming Stories, Storytelling, Graphic Picture Book



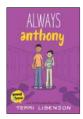
117. WURRTOO: WOMBAT WHO FELL IN LOVE WITH THE SKY

Tylissa Elisara | Dylan Finney (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Wurrtoo the wombat lives a quiet and solitary life in his burrow on Kangaroo Island, hoping to one-day travel to the mainland and marry the love of his life, the sky. When Wurrtoo inadvertently saves Kuula the koala from a bushfire, he acquires the adventure companion he didn't know he needed. With Kuula by his side, Wurrtoo leaves the safety of his burrow and sets out on an epic journey to cross the island, reach the mainland and climb to the top of tallest tree in the Forest of Dreaming. But it's fire season, and danger and strange creatures lurk behind every gum tree. To make it, the pair must face their fears together, learn the importance of friendship and discover the power of wombat wishes.

Categories: Friendship, Adventure, Bravery, Bushfire

Graphic Novels



118. ALWAYS ANTHONY GRAPHIC NOVEL EMMIE AND FRIENDS

Terri Libenson | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Anthony is TPFW (Too Popular For Words), loves science, hates writing. Leah is a super-shy nerd who's finally making friends of her own. What could they have in common? A lot more than they thought, as it turns out! But then one day they witness Anthony's teammates bullying a sixth grader. What happens next could cement their new friendship—or blow it up forever.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Bullying

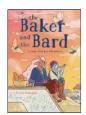


119. ATTACK OF THE SNAILIENS! GRAPHIC NOVEL ASTRID AND THE SPACE CADETS

Alex T Smith | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Astrid Atomic, a six year old human person, goes to bed every night like every other six year old human person. But unlike many other six year olds she doesn't stay there. The minute the lights are off and the coast is clear the Space Cadet siren goes off, her uniform goes on, and WHOOSH! – she blasts off on board the spaceship Stardust! Along with her best pals Beryl, Professor Quackers and Zoink, Astrid is given her mission from The Chief – to clean up the Milky Way! But when a nearby alien is in trouble and with giant snaliens around, things aren't likely to go to plan!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Space, Humour, Adventure, Aliens, Friendship, Activism



120. BAKER AND THE BARD GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE

Fern Haught | Paperback | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$28.05

Juniper and Hadley spend their days apprenticing at a bakery and performing at the local inn. But when a stranger makes an unusual order at the bakery, the friends set out on a journey to forage the magical mushrooms needed to make the requested pastries. Along the way, Juniper and Hadley stumble across a mystery too compelling to ignore: Something has been coming out of the woods at night and eating the local farmers' crops, leaving only a trail of glowy goo behind. What started as a simple errand soon turns into a thrilling quest to save some furry new friends—and their caretaker, a fey named Thistle—who are in danger of losing their home.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Fantasy, Adventure, Magic



121. BANDIT OF BARBEL BAY GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE FANTASY SPORTS

Sam Bosma | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$21.99 | School Price \$18.70

Wiz and Mug's adventure continues as a teleportation spell accidentally drops them off in a ruined beach town. A mysterious tournament and the town's amphibious inhabitants confront Wiz and Mug with the revelation that the United Order of Mages may not be exactly what it seems. In order to fulfill their mission, however, they're going to have to abide by the ancient law of the land and better their opponent in a game of volleyball! The question is, can they trust each other and work together to defeat the great and powerful volleyball champions Yahma and Yahmi?

Categories: Graphic Picture Book, Mystery, Sport, Volleyball



122. BIG TROUBLE IN LITTLE SPITTLE: GRAPHIC NOVEL COWGIRLS AND DINOSAURS

Lucie Ebrey | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

In the town of Little Spittle, there are cowgirls, dinosaurs and crime-busting adventures! Abigail, who has always dreamed of becoming a sheriff's deputy, lives on the outskirts of town with her pet dinosaur, Rootbeer. Meanwhile, Clementine, daughter of the sheriff, was born into the life of fighting crime. But when the Bandit Queen gets hold of some strange, dark magic, it's up to Clem, Abigail, and Rootbeer to team up, defeat the Bandit Queen and save their beloved town from bandits, dinomagik and undercover attacks.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Humour



123. BIRTLE AND THE (VERY) UNWELCOME GARRY BIRTLE

Tara J Hannon | Hardback | Age 6+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Tootie and Teeny are going on a trip to the beach! It's going to be a Birtle BFF Beach Bonanza. But when they get to the beach, a gull named Garry interrupts their plans. Teeny is excited to meet another bird. Tootie is . . . not. Will these BFFs stay BFFs, or is this BFF Beach Bonanza doomed? This adorable graphic novel is about making new friends, dealing with jealousy, and being open-minded. It features a Dyslexia-friendly font.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Friendship, Travel

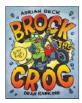


124. BIRTLE AND THE PURPLE TURTLES BIRTLE

Tara J Hannon | Hardback | Age 6+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Everyone is a turtle in Turtletown. So Teeny thinks she must be a turtle, too. But when Teeny sprouts feathers, she begins to wonder . . . is there a teeny possibility she's a . . . BIRTLE? Tootie loves tag, but the other turtles in Turtletown don't like to play. That is, until Tootie meets Teeny. Teeny LOVES tag. They have tons in common! Except one BIG thing . . . Teeny may not be a turtle at all. This adorable graphic novel is about being true to yourself, friendship, and most of all, celebrating differences. It features a Dyslexia-friendly font.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Friendship



125. BROCK THE CROC GRAPHIC NOVEL

Adrian Beck | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Brock the Croc lives in a thriving swamp. As the only crocodile, he loves attention and parties all day. Brock rides his motorbike, holds extravagant swamp discos, and plays electric guitar. But when humans set up a worksite next to the swamp, Brock and his friends learn their home is set to be filled-in with concrete! The animals all turn to Brock to save them, but has he been exaggerating his achievements?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Humour, Sustainability



126. BUNT! GRAPHIC NOVEL

Ngozi Ukazu | Mad Rupert (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$28.05

Molly Bauer loves her hometown of Peachtree, North Carolina. And her favorite part about her town is the prestigious art school, Peachtree Institute of Collegiate Arts. On the first day of attending this school of her dreams, the spunky freshman-buoyed on the native Peachtreeian Full Ride Scholarship-discovers her scholarship... is defunct. Rather than take out loans her parents can't afford, she uncovers a lesser-known scholarship in the PICA financial-aid policy book. If she and a dozen other art students can win a single game at the varsity level, they'll all be retroactively qualified for a PICA athletic scholarship. It's a softball scheme for the ages. New York Times best-selling author Ngozi Ukazu returns with debut artist Madeline Rupert to tell an energetic story about college failure.

Categories: Graphic Novel

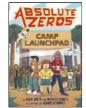


127. BUZZING GRAPHIC NOVEL

Samuel Sattin | Rye Hickman (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Isaac Itkin can't get away from his thoughts. As a lonely twelve-year-old kid with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD), everything from studying to looking in the mirror becomes a battle between him and a swarm of unhelpful thoughts. The strict therapy his mother insists on doesn't seem to be working, but when a group of friends invites him to join their after-school role-playing game, the thoughts feel a little less loud, and the world feels a little brighter. But Isaac's therapist says that exposure to games can have negative effects on kids with OCD, and when his grades slip, his helicopter mother won't let him play anymore. Now Isaac needs to find a way to prove to himself, to his mother, and to the world that the way to quiet the noise in his head may have been inside him all along.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Belonging, OCD, Neurodiversity



128. CAMP LAUNCHPAD GRAPHIC NOVEL ABSOLUTE ZEROS

Greg Smith | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Campers Val, Mark, and Pete are here for very different reasons: following in the footsteps of an astronaut mum, living up to expectations as a vice president's son, or getting a once-in-a-lifetime scholarship. But they all have one huge thing in common: Their future in the stars launches from here...if there's still a camp to launch from. When the hotshot owner of the rival space camp makes a ten-million-dollar bet that could turn Camp Launchpad around, this unlikely trio must band together to pull off a miracle. If they don't, this could be Camp Launchpad's last summer ever!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Space, Differences



129. CASE OF THE MISSING HAT GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE DETECTIVE BEANS

Li Chen | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Detective Beans is available 24/7* for all your mystery solving and ice-cream taste testing needs. * Except on school days, and after bedtime. Today he's investigating the case of the missing hat. His missing hat. The clues take Beans all over Cat Town. He encounters philosophical pigeons, dodgy street magicians, lounge singers and soup chefs, and even a mysterious trash portal. No one is a match for his crime-solving powers. But will Beans find his hat before Mum is expecting him home for dinner?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Mystery, Detective, Crime



130. COURT OF SOULS: GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE FANTASY SPORTS

Sam Bosma | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$21.99 | School Price \$17.59

In Sam Bosma's debut graphic novel, a young explorer and her musclebound friend go treasure hunting in a mummy's tomb—but if they want to get rich, they're going to have to best the mummy in a game of hoops! Can they trust their bandaged adversary to play by the rules? Or will they be stuck in the tomb... forever?

Categories: Graphic Picture Book, Adventure, Sport, Basketball, Danger, Fantasy, Mythology



131. DARK TIMES: GRAPHIC NOVEL LIGHTFALL

Tim Probert | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

The Lights have gone dark in Irpa. Danger lurks as the air grows colder and threats lie in the shadows at every turn. While the rest of their fellowship seeks safety, Bea and Cad team up with a small group of survivors to travel to the Citadel of Knowledge, pursuing answers to their world's darkest mysteries. But their journey reveals even more secrets. Until an unexpected ally shines a light in the darkness, providing a clue to a mystery from long ago...and a beacon of hope for the future.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Mystery, Journey, Survival



132. DOG MAN: SCARLET SHEDDER, THE DOG MAN

Dav Pilkey | Hardback | Age 7+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

P.U.! Dog Man got sprayed by a skunk! After being dunked in tomato juice, the stink is gone but the scarlet red colour remains. Now exiled, this spunky superhero must struggle to save the citizens who shunned him! Will the ends justify the means for Petey, who's reluctantly pulled back into a life of crime in order to help Dog Man? And who will step forward when an all-new, never-before-seen villain unleashes an army of A.I. robots?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



133. DREADED MR SNIPE GRAPHIC NOVEL URBAN LEGEND HUNTERS

Joel McKerrow | Wayne Bryant (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

There is something sinister stirring in the town of Shadow Grove. Something that requires the talent, training and dedication of professional urban legend (aka monster) hunters. It's a shame we don't have any of those... Meet storyteller Jeremy who loves telling tales that will make your blood curdle, fearless Samantha Small and Bad Boris, who may is anything but bad! This is not a fairytale. This is a hair-raising, spine-tingling, heart-pounding, hilarious adventure that is sure to scare the snot right out of you. Think you're brave enough? Why don't you take a seat around the campfire so you can hear the urban legend about the terrifying tale of THE DREADED MR SNIPE.

Categories: Adventure, Humour, Mystery



134. DUCKY THE SPY GRAPHIC NOVEL DUCKY THE SPY

Sean e Avery | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

A thief on the farm. A goat kidnapped by a gang of cats. A giant chicken. Ducky the Spy and Donny "The Distraction" Donkey are on the case.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour, Mystery, Spy



135. ELEPHANTS GRAPHIC NOVEL SCIENCE COMICS

Jason Viola | Falynn Koch (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

There's a lot to love about elephants—from their massive size and floppy ears to their twisting trunks and long tusks! And the more you get to know about their clever minds and caring hearts, the more you realize humans and elephants have much in common! In this volume of Science Comics, we follow an eight-year-old elephant named Duni. Her family means everything to her but her idyllic life is beginning to shift and crack. The herd's matriarch is getting older, her brother has been wandering off, and rifts are forming between the ones she loves most. Is Duni's family on the verge of falling apart?

Categories: Graphic Novel, STEAM, Science, Family, Elephants



136. GERONIMO STILTON REPORTER VOLUME 3 GERONIMO STILTON REPORTER

Geronimo Stilton | 3 in 1 | Age 7+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Geronimo Stilton, famouse news reporter and editor-in-chief of The Rodent's Gazette, is on the adventure of a lifetime! First, he finds an old treasure map in an envelope for a mysterious stranger. Geronimo and friends are off to find the treasure, so they can return it. Then, Geronimo is busy, busy, busy, busy. He can't even sleep. Geronimo visits a specialist, the Great Ratswami – but now that Geronimo can snooze, there's crime all over New Mouse City and he's still so tired! Finally, it's time to get physical when Geronimo is invited to a rat-jitsu martial arts championship. But once again mystery abounds – the winners of the match keep disappearing! Will these cases make the front cover?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



137. GERONIMO STILTON REPORTER VOLUME 4 GERONIMO STILTON REPORTER

Geronimo Stilton | 3 in 1 | Age 7+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Three great Geronimo Stilton Reporter cases in one volume! Famouse news reporter Geronimo Stilton would be more than happy to spend his days behind his desk working, reading, or playing a relaxing game of chess with his family. But, adventure always seems to come knocking on his door and Stilton is launched paw-first into capers in the underbelly of New Mouse City or in exotic locals around the world. Never one to miss out on an opportunity for a scoop for his newspaper, The Rodents' Gazette, Geronimo Stilton is the mouse for the job!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure



138. GHOST ROAST GRAPHIC NOVEL

Shawnee Gibbs | Emily Cannon (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 13+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

For as long as she can remember, Chelsea Grant has tried everything she can think of to distance herself from the disastrous damage her father does to her social life. It's not easy to shake her reputation as Ghost Girl when Dad keeps advertising his business as a "paranormal removal expert" in big, bold, loud letters all over New Orleans! This year, Chelsea's all grown up, attending one of the most prestigious high schools in the city, and she's finally made friends with the popular crowd. Things are looking up—until a night on the town backfires spectacularly, landing her in hot water at home. Her punishment Working for her dad at Paranormal Removal Services. All. Summer. Worst of all, her new job reveals an unexpected secret she has to keep: While Dad hunts ghosts with his own DIY tech, Chelsea can actually see them. And when she meets Oliver, a friendly spirit, at the fancy mansion her dad is getting a handsome fee to exorcize, she realizes she has to save his after-life, even if it risks everything her father's worked for.



139. GREAT COW RACE GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE BONE

Jeff Smith | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Fone Bone and his cousins plan to return home after visiting the village of Barrelhaven with Thorn and Gran'ma Ben. But Phoney Bone risks everything on one last get-rich-quick scheme for the town's annual Great Cow Race. As usual, Phoney's plans go disastrously awry, and Boneville seems farther away than ever. Meanwhile, ominous signs indicate that a war is brewing, and Fone Bone finds himself helping his friends defend their idyllic valley from a formidable enemy.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure



140. GREAT CUPCAKE MYSTERY GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE MAX AND CHAFFY

Jamie Smart | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Max and Chaffy are excited to go to Chief Constable Moose's SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY! But the birthday cake has gone MISSING! Max and Chaffy need to find the clues and solve the mystery so the party can go ahead, and YOU CAN HELP!

Categories: Mystery, Humour



141. I SURVIVED THE BATTLE OF D-DAY 1944 GRAPHIC NOVEL I SURVIVED GRAPHIC NOVEL

Lauren Tarshis | Brian Churilla (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

A battle that changes the course of the war ... Paul Colbert's French village has been under Nazi control for years. His Jewish best friend has disappeared. Food is scarce. And there doesn't seem to be anything Paul can do to make things better. Then Paul finds an American paratrooper stuck in a tree. When Paul helps the soldier, he discovers a secret resistance movement—and he learns the Allies have a plan to crush the Nazis. But first, the resistance needs Paul's help. This is Paul's chance to make a difference. Soon he finds himself in the midst of the largest invasion in history. Can he do his part to turn horror into hope?

Categories: Graphic Novel, History, War, World War 2



142. KAREN'S SLEEPOVER GRAPHIC NOVEL BABY-SITTERS LITTLE SISTER GRAPHIC NOVEL

Ann m Martin | Katy Farina (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Karen is having her first sleepover! She and her friends are going to tell spooky stories, bake cookies, and raid the refrigerator. But then Karen and Nancy get into a big fight, and Karen doesn't want Nancy to come to her party. A new girl, Pamela, comes instead and she isn't any fun. What is Karen going to do?

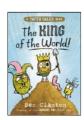
Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship



143. KING ARTHUR AND THE KNIGHTS OF JUSTICE GRAPHIC NOV

A new take on the classic 90s cartoon - King Arthur & The Knights of Justice! Quarterback Arthur King and his football team have been transported back to the time of Arthurian legend in order to free the real King Arthur and the real Knights of the Round Table from the evil Morgana!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Action



144. KING OF THE WORLD GRAPHIC NOVEL TATER TALES

Ben Clanton | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Rot is ready for another adventure and this time he's going "Spudlunking!" But while Rot is excited to dig through the muck for treasure, all his friends seem to be more interested in their own plans. When Rot uncovers a shiny old crown, he's sure it'll change their minds. And it does...in a most unexpected way. When Rot wears it he feels powerful... He feels invincible...He feels like...the King of the World! And everyone has to do what the king says. But when Rot realizes he's the only one having fun in his kingdom, suddenly he wonders whether he might have let the crown go to his head

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Humour



145. MACHINE MAYHEM GRAPHIC NOVEL BUNNY VS MONKEY

Jamie Smart | Paperback | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Genius inventor Skunky has just designed a brand-new creation . . . a robot called Metal Eve! She needs to learn everything there is to know about life, so it's probably not the best idea that she's surrounded by Bunny, Monkey, Weenie, Pig and the gang. The only thing she's going to learn from them is that life in the Woods is very, very silly indeed!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour



146. MONSTER AND THE MAZE GRAPHIC NOVEL MONKEY KING AND THE WORLD OF MYTHS

Maple Lam | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Sun Wukong, the Monkey King, is the mightiest of all beasts. The problem is, he's tired of being feared and hated and is determined to become a god instead. As luck would have it, an ancient evil has returned and is secretly turning everyone into monsters and the gods are in need of a good warrior. They strike a deal with the Monkey King: travel the world and defeat the monsters and they'll make him a god. Soon the Monkey King is off to Greece, where he gets tasked with pet-sitting - and potty-training - a three-headed dog. Oh, and then there's the whole 'defeat a maneating Minotaur' mission too...

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Myths



147. MYSTERY OF THE INTELLIGENTS, THE PECULIAR WOODS

Andres J Colmenares | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Iggie and friends are back in this second book in the exciting Peculiar Woods series—and not a moment too soon! Iggie's friend, the curmudgeonly chair Boris, has been kidnapped and taken to the mysterious underground prison beneath the school. With help from Angie, his courageous neighbor and friend, Iggie sets out to rescue Boris but quickly gets caught up in a new series of adventures.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Friendship, Mystery, Kidnapping



148. NEWCOMER IN POCKETVILLE, A MONTI AND LEO

Sylvie Kantorovitz | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

A charming graphic novel for early readers with strong themes of friendship and kindness that celebrates difference and new ideas with a light-hearted touch. Pocketville is a small town, set in its ways, and the arrival of a stranger causes a stir. Monti the mole is stunned one morning to find Leo the crocodile hogging his special reading rock. When Monti visits the bakery and the library, he learns that the last cinnamon roll has been purchased, and the book he was waiting for has been checked out. What's a fastidious mole to do? When Monti confronts Leo, the newcomer turns out to be agreeable in the extreme, and friendship is a given. Now to convince the town's cantankerous baker, Ms Sheep, to stop turning everyone against Leo. Together, Monti and Leo hatch a plot that will have Ms Sheep singing Leo's praises in no time. This reassuring tale of friendship against the odds from the creator of the graphic memoir Sylvie draws on the author's experiences as an immigrant and will appeal to anyone who has struggled to fit in in a new place.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Kindness



149. NINA PEANUT IS AMAZING GRAPHIC NOVEL

Sarah Bowie | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

Nina Peanut makes amazing videos - so why is it that only her Nan and best friend Brian watch them? Surely everyone should be interested in her serious and not-stupid videos about potatoes with faces? Nina dreams about being as popular as class queen bee Megan Dunne, who films not amazing at all content of her pampered dog, Princess Trixie Bell. So when Nina's stinky cat, Les, wanders into one of Megan's videos by accident and goes viral, Nina and Les are suddenly internet famous! But is overnight stardom as wonderful as Nina always dreamed it would be?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Humour

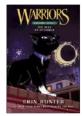


150. OUT FROM BONEVILLE GRAPHIC NOVEL BONE

Jeff Smith | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

After being run out of Boneville, the three Bone cousins – Fone Bone, Phoney Bone, and Smiley Bone – are separated and lost in a vast, uncharted desert. One by one, they find their way into a deep, forested valley filled with wonderful and terrifying creatures. Eventually, the cousins are reunited at a farmstead run by tough Gran'ma Ben and her spirited granddaughter, Thorn. But little do the Bones know, there are dark forces conspiring against them and their adventures are only just beginning!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure



151. RISE OF SCOURGE: GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE WARRIORS GRAPHIC NOVEL

Erin Hunter | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

When kittypet Tiny crosses paths with some wild forest cats defending their territory, they leave him with scars—and a bitter, deep-seated grudge. As his reputation grows among the strays and loners that live in the dirty brick alleyways of Twolegplace, he changes his name to Scourge and puts everything about his old life behind him . . . except his deadly desire for revenge.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Cats, Fantasy



152. RISE OF THE MANIACAL BADGER GRAPHIC NOVEL BUNNY VS MONKEY

Jamie Smart | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

The Maniacal Badger has arrived, and he's determined to take over the Woods! Wasn't that Monkey's plan? This cannot happen! What japes await in this brand-new adventure, when Bunny and Monkey team up to beat this new menace?! They've never managed to work together before. . . And will Skunky rediscover his passion for evil inventions, to defeat his rival at their own game? One thing's for sure . . . Laughs are guaranteed!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour



153. SAVING XENOS GRAPHIC NOVEL UNOFFICIAL GRAPHIC NOVEL FOR MINECRAFTERS

Cara J Stevens | Walker Melby (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

While kids from all over Xenos are competing in the all-new multiplayer Olympic Games, a serious issue brings the fun to a screeching halt. The monks, who watch over the seed worlds beyond Xenos, bring news of a wave of glitches and corruption that will soon cause widespread disaster. But Phoenix is determined to protect the world as she knows it. With her magic necklace to guide her, Phoenix leads her friends on a dangerous adventure to repair the damage. Phoenix is prepared to risk everything for the future of Xenos... but is it enough to save the day?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Action, Danger



154. SEARCH FOR THE ICE CHAFFY! GRAPHIC NOVEL MAX AND CHAFFY

Jamie Smart | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Max and Chaffy can't wait to search for more CHAFFIES. And today is a very SPECIAL day - a snow day! So, a SURPRISE visitor has arrived to look for one of the rarest chaffies of all, and YOU CAN HELP!

Categories: Adventure, Humour



155. SHINY MISFITS GRAPHIC NOVEL

Maysoon Zayid | Shadia Amin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

When Bay Ann wobbles at the end of her Halloween tap dance performance, the moment goes viral! Not because of her amazing tap routine (she crushed it), but because it's an 'inspirational' moment when Alyee Maq, her crush and classmate, catches her. The world sees Bay Ann's cerebral palsy—not her talent. (For the record, she was swooning a little bit from the strength of her crush, not falling because of her palsy!)

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Disability, Humour



156. SINISTER SISTER GRAPHIC NOVEL KITTY QUEST

Phil Corbett | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Kitty Quest is on high alert because there's a new villain coming to town: Princess Horribelle of Awfullia. (A place so terrible, it's where the word awful comes from!) And she's travelled all this way to visit her big sister Scarygold...who now goes by the name Perigold. Yes, as it turns out, our young heroine is actually heir to the throne of a wretched kingdom. Never wanting to be bad herself, Perigold completely left that life behind (well, except for that nifty crown she's always wearing) in hopes of starting over in Pawdor. Not knowing what she could be up to, Woolfrik and Perigold have no choice but to meet up with the princess. But things take a turn for the worse when an old nemesis with a big grudge against Kitty Quest shows up. Will Horribelle's visit end in an innocent family reunion, or does she have something far more sinister up her sleeves?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour



157. STRAIGHT ON TILL MORNING TWISTED TALE GRAPHIC NOVEL

Liz Braswell | Noor Sofi (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Disney's Peter Pan gets a twisted, graphic novel makeover in this reimagined YA story that asks, 'What if Wendy first travelled to Never Land ... with Captain Hook?' Sixteen-year-old Wendy Darling's life is not what she imagined it would be. After nearly meeting her hero, Peter Pan, four years earlier, she still holds on to his shadow—and the hope that his magical home truly exists. So when the chance to travel to Never Land arises, Wendy makes a deal with Peter's nemesis in exchange for passage. But the Never Land she discovers isn't the wondrous place she imagined: Peter is nowhere to be found and his pixie friend Tinker Bell refuses to speak to her. Still, when Captain Hook reveals some evil and rather permanent plans for Never Land, it's up to Wendy and Tink to save Peter Pan—and his world.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Fairytale, Twisted Fairytales



158 SUNNY MAKES HER CASE GRAPHIC NOVEL SUNNY

Jennifer | Holm | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Sunny is starting to understand the ins and outs of middle school ... but she still feels more out than in. It's about classes or homework, really. No, it's the fact that most kids have a thing they do outside of class. Like football or track or cheerleading. Sunny isn't quarterback material, and her cheer attempts are ... not the best. So what can she do? When Sunny's friend, Arun, says he wants to start a debate club, she's not really sure what he means. Isn't debate just ... arguing? Sunny's never had a problem with arguing. Arun and the advisor show her there's more to it than that — there's also teamwork and research, and being able to speak up in front of judges. Some of the debates are fun ones — which is the best candy? Is peanut butter a force for evil or a force for good? But when the debate club starts to be a success, Sunny realises she won't just be able to talk her way into winning ... she'll have to make her case!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Family, School, Teamwork



159. SUPER RABBIT BOY BLASTS OFF! GRAPHIC NOVEL PRESS START!

Thomas Flintham | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Help! King Viking is causing trouble in outer space! It's up to Super Rabbit Boy to stop him. But with a weak and slow Level 1 rocket, it won't be easy to stop the army of space robots or find King Viking. Can Super Rabbit Boy dodge Robo-UFOs, save aliens and level up his rocket to beat King Viking? Or will King Viking's Level 10 rocket send him blasting off into space? You'll have to read and find out...

Categories: Graphic Novel, Gaming



160. SUPER RABBIT BOY'S MEGA QUEST! GRAPHIC NOVEL PRESS START!

Thomas Flintham | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

Sunny's favourite game is Super Rabbit Boy, where his carrot-loving friend must thwart all the plots the evil King Viking of Boom Boom Mountain comes up with. King Viking has a new GIANT ROBOT that's more powerful than Super Rabbit Boy. How can Super Rabbit Boy win? Luckily, there's a Mega Wand that can help. But Super Rabbit Boy must find gold coins, capture Slimes and solve puzzles to use it. Can Super Rabbit Boy complete this SUPER MEGA QUEST? Sunny's ready to PRESS START and find out!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Gaming



161. TAIL OF THE MUMMY CAT GRAPHIC NOVEL, THE DOUBLE BOOKING

Chas Pangburn | Kim Shearer (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$21.99 | School Price \$18.70

While on a trip to Egypt, two siblings, Otto and Nan, stumble upon a sarcophagus. And they accidentally free a mummy cat from a pharaoh's chamber! Now tasked with finding it, their resulting adventure has them exploring the city, learning historical facts, saving each other from danger, and discovering truths about life. What's more, they're going to survive the same adventure – twice! See both perspectives in this flip graphic novel, written by real-life siblings Kim Shearer and Chas! Pangburn.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Ancient Egypt, Adventure

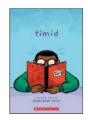


162. TEACHER'S PET GRAPHIC NOVEL SWEET VALLEY TWINS

Francine Pascal | Ann Aguirre (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

Jessica knows she's the better dancer—but their teacher only seems to have eyes for her sister Elizabeth! No matter how hard or perfectly she dances she's not getting recognised—which becomes a huge problem when it becomes clear that her sister is going to get the main role of Swanilda instead of her. Even worse, Elizabeth refuses to believe that their teacher is favouring her! With Jessica's attitude rapidly souring and Elizabeth slowly realising that Jessica might actually be right, will they be able to find a way to get Jessica her leading role?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Humour, Siblings, Twins, Dancing



163. TIMID: A GRAPHIC NOVEL

Jonathan Todd | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$15.19

When Cecil and his family move from Florida to Massachusetts, his world suddenly becomes a little scary. Cecil is anxious because all the other kids are already in friendship groups at his new school, and he doesn't know where he'll fit in. And to complicate things even more, his older sister tells him he should make friends with other Black kids. Cecil has always wanted to be known for his comic book-making talent and tries to use that to make new friends. But he's torn when he realises that the kids who are impressed with his comics aren't always nice to him. And when one of his drawings is misused and gets him into serious trouble, can Cecil stand up for himself and figure out who his real friends are?

Categories: New School, Friendship, Anxiety, Racism, Peer Group Pressure



164. TOO MANY VILLAINS! GRAPHIC NOVEL LAST KIDS ON EARTH GRAPHIC NOVEL

Max Brallier | Douglas Holgate (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

Jack, June, Quint, and Dirk face their biggest challenge yet: creating the sequel to their hit graphic novel! And like all sequels, it must be BIGGER, BETTER, and PACKED WITH EVEN MORE NEAT STUFF! While the kids get to work, their superhero alter-egos make a startling discovery: supervillains do not come up with their own evil plans! The shocking truth? Every supervillain scheme comes from the mind of a single, mysterious bad guy. Now, Jack, June, Quint, and Dirk's BIGGEST SEQUEL IN HISTORY has our superheroes in a mad-dash, puzzle-filled race across Apocalyptia to stop the BIGGEST EVIL PLAN IN HISTORY!

Categories: Graphic Novel



165. UNICORN CRUSH GRAPHIC NOVEL PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

Dana Simpson | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

In this collection of Phoebe and her Unicorn comic strips, nine-year-old Phoebe Howell and her magical unicorn friend, Marigold Heavenly Nostrils, explore the complexities of popularity, friendship, and crushes. Phoebe finds herself in the awkward position of taking on her friend Max in a debate contest and also helping her best frenemy, Dakota, regain her confidence. Marigold goes to therapy and reconnects with a friend named Sparkleface McGee who she hasn't seen in 700 years. And both Phoebe and Marigold draw a fun series of comics about their lives. As it turns out, the social lives of a nine-year-old human and a centuries-old unicorn have a lot in common!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Unicorns, Friendship, Magic



166. UPSTAGED GRAPHIC NOVEL

Robin Easter | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Ever since sixth grade, Ashton Price and their best friend and enduring crush, Ivy Santos, have spent their summers together at theatre camp. Now it's their last year before they part ways for high school, and Ash is determined to end it on a high note! With Ash as stage manager and Ivy the lead in this year's musical, this summer's shaping up to be everything the two could have hoped for. Maybe Ash will even work up the courage to ask Ivy out! But between Ivy rehearsing long hours with her colead and Ash throwing themself into an ambitious stage production, will they even get to spend any time together?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Friendship, Romance



167. WELCOME TO ANIMAL ISLAND GRAPHIC NOVEL MAX AND CHAFFY

Jamie Smart | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Max has just moved to Animal Island and it's full of new friends: Orlando, Crumbs, Moose, Pedalo and a very special creature called a CHAFFY . . . Chaffy is lost! So it's down to Max to find where Chaffy belongs . . . and YOU can help!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure



168. WILDFIRE GRAPHIC NOVEL

Breena Bard | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Julianna loved her life in rural Oregon. She loved taking care of her farm animals and being part of her local 4H club. But then the unthinkable happened...a wildfire destroyed her family's home. In the aftermath, her family relocated to Portland, Oregon, where Julianna hopes to put everything behind her. Believing the fire to be the result of kids playing with fireworks, she certainly isn't interested when her parents and younger sister start getting involved in the growing climate change protests. All she wants to do is move on, but that becomes near impossible when Carson, an old friend from her hometown who may have had a hand in starting the wildfire, is suddenly back in her life. Julianna can't seem to catch a break, but when two new friends invite her to join their school's conservation club, she learns that maybe she can turn her anger into something powerful.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Climate Change, Activism



169. WITCHES' COUNCIL GRAPHIC NOVEL LILY HALFMOON

Xavier Bonet | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

It's almost Samhain, when magic is at its strongest, and witches from all over the world are gathering at Lily's school. There will be a meeting of The Witches' Council, but there will also be plenty of fun activities like magic demonstrations, kelpie taming and flying races. But Lily is in trouble. A mysterious person is after her rare moonstone, and if they get their hands on it, it could threaten everything Lily holds dear. Will Lily have the strength to fight for what she believes?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Magic, Friendship, School, Quest

Australian Novels



170. 26-STOREY TREEHOUSE: COLOUR EDITION

Andy Griffiths | Terry Denton (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Join Andy and Terry in their newly expanded treehouse, which now features 13 brand-new storeys, including a dodgem car rink, a skate ramp, a mud-fighting arena, an anti-gravity chamber, an ice-cream parlour with 78 flavours run by an ice-cream serving robot called Edward Scooperhands and the Maze of Doom - a maze so complicated that nobody who has gone in has ever come out again . . . well, not yet, anyway. And, now, The 26-Storey Treehouse is in colour! Well, what are you waiting for? Come on up!



171. AMBUSH AT SORATO RANGER'S APPRENTICE: THE ROYAL RANGER

John Flanagan | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Will and his apprentice, Maddie, are in Toscana to help with negotiations between the Toscans and the Arridi. When a scout brings word that their old enemies the Temujai are moving into Toscana, Will and Maddie leap into action, knowing that a Temujai advance is always bad news. To have any kind of chance, Will must convince another former foe, the Genovesans, to contribute crossbowmen to the fight - but the mercenary Genovesans require payment. A trap is set for the Temujai in the valley of Sorato, but can Will and his uneasy new allies make sure the Temujai fall for it?

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure



172. BAD GUYS: SERPENT AND THE BEAST, THE BAD GUYS

Aaron Blabey | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

If their life was a series, this would be the end. Ready? The multiverse is about to get dark. Real dark ... It's The Bad Guys, Episode 19.

Categories: Humour



173. BAFFLING BEACH BANDIT, THE PD MCPHEM'S AGENCY FOR MYSTERIOUS MYSTERIES

Anna Battese | Ruth-mary Smith (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.05

PD and her classmates are all set for a day of sun and sea, but the excitement takes an unexpected turn when they discover somebody has sunk the lifeboats. As Detective PD McPem and her team investigate, they unravel a trail of chaos – bananas missing, food scattered, and the bell from Mr Li's ice cream trike is missing. The culprit? A brown shaggy dog, according to a witness. Can PD and her friends find the real rascal before Scooter gets the blame?

Categories: Mystery, Adventure, Investigation



174. BATTHEW AROMASCENT AND THE MISSING CORPSE FLOWER BATTHEW AROMASCENT

Ella Mulvey | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$14.39

When the world's largest and most pungent flower goes missing right before its grand unveiling, the smell-mad city of Candlenut is in uproar. Luckily, Batthew Aromascent, 11-year-old heir to the famed Olfactory Fragrance House, and his best friend, Lavender, are on the case. It isn't just any missing flower, either. It's a legendary Titan Arum, grown from a seed that was sent by Batthew's parents – renowned noses, Roger and Joy Aromascent – before they vanished on an expedition deep in the jungle. Batthew and Lavender have just three days to track it down before the flower wilts and dies, along with any clues as to his parents' whereabouts. But are they prepared for what they'll find in the darker corners of the fragrance world?

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Humour



175. CAMP CHAOS WILLA AND WOOF

Jacqueline Harvey | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.05

It's time for school camp and Willa is excited. But Tae, her best same-age friend, seems to be keeping a secret . . . Things aren't going too smoothly at camp either, so Willa will need to use all the camp survival skills Frank, her best old-age friend, has taught her and to recruit Woof, her best four-legged friend, to help save the trip. Can Willa turn everyone into happy campers?

Categories: Camping, Survival, Adventure



176. DANCE CONCERT MILLIE THE CUTEST PUPPY IN THE WORLD

Cate Whittle | Nicky Johnston (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.05

Millicent-Mae Moonbeam-White was the kindest, cutest, most helpful of puppies, and she loved to dance. Millie is a tiny fluffy puppy with an ink-black nose and great big honey-brown eyes. She loves going to Miss Sparrow's School of Dance, and can't wait to perform with her best friends in their special concert.

Categories: Family Unit, Creativity, Dancing, Performance

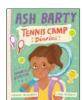


177. DAREDEVIL PRINCESS AND THE FIRE DRAGON DAREDEVIL PRINCESS

Belinda Murrell | Rebecca Crane (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Princess Tillie and Honey Blossom are ready for another magnificent adventure when a greedy fire dragon causes endless trouble in the Queendom of Blumenfeld. First, it dries up the river, then causes trouble for the villagers. Can Princess Tillie outwit the fiery dragon in a riddle battle and save her little brother?

Categories: Princesses, Fantasy



178. DOUBLES DISASTER TENNIS CAMP DIARIES

Jasmin Mcgaughey | Jade Goodwin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

TOP SECRET! This is the PRIVATE diary of Ash Barty, future tennis SUPERSTAR! So don't tell anyone what I'm about to tell you... OK?! Ash's dreams have come true – she's going to TENNIS CAMP for TWO WHOLE WEEKS! It's going to be so much FUN. On the first day, Ash meets her friend Zia, the coaches are great, and Ash is having the BEST time UNTIL the end-of-camp competition is announced. It's a DOUBLES tournament. Who will Ash get paired with? But that's not her only worry; there's a mean kid, and a talent show to deal with!

Categories: Sport, Tennis, Teamwork, Friendship, Competition



179. DOWN TO BUSINESS ULTRA VIOLET

Cristy Burne | Rebel Challenger (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Violet is a science genius. Izzy believes in aliens. Leonardo da Pinch is a talking crab. Together, they're on a mission to save their school, only, today's the sort of day when ANYTHING could happen (including an outer space invasion and explosions!) It's time to get DOWN TO BUSINESS with some wacky science in a GRAPHIC NOVEL that will leave you sitting on the edge of your (toilet) seat!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Science, STEM



180. DR NUDE GRAPHIC NOVEL SECRET AGENT MOLE

James Foley | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Dr Nude's anti-gravity Doomsday Device is ready to blow. Max and the team have to stop it or the entire Earth could be split in two ... and then they'll never get their secret agent licences! But first, our heroes need to sneak into a fancy-dress party. Will they have good disguises? You bet. Will the disguises work? Probably not, no. Is Max prepared for what he'll find in Dr Nude's lair? Goodness no. To be perfectly honest, I'm not sure you'll be prepared either, dear reader. You have been warned. Time to rock and mole!

Categories: Graphic Novel, Humour, Spies



181. ESME IN THE LIMELIGHT

Kate Gordon | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Esme doesn't like the girl she sees in the mirror. Not pretty enough. Not thin enough. Not smart enough or talented enough. Nothing at all like her big sister, Ro. Then, a new friend comes into her life—a friend who wants Esme to be exactly who she is, or so Esme thinks. For a while, Esme likes who she sees in the mirror—even if it never really feels like her. But then, she messes up. Her friend goes away, leaving her alone. There's no-one to help cover up the fact that she is a talentless nobody whose only real dream is to work in a milk bar—which will never be good enough for her controlling mether.

Categories: Friendship, Mental Health, Body Image, Sibling Rivalry, Courage, Identity



182. FEEL THE FREEZE SHOWER LAND

Nat Amoore | James Hart (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Felix refuses to shower. Last time, he ended up in another world. But Dad and Olly have noticed he smells pretty bad. At least he's prepared this time, wearing bathers just in case. He turns on the shower and . . . REEEEKKKKKK! Felix finds himself on a mountain . . . knee-deep in snow . . . and freezing in speedos!

Categories: Parallel World, Humour, Adventure



183. FLEDGEWITCH DRAGONS OF HALLOW

Lian Tanner | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Ten-year-old Brim has been sent to the Quillian School for Prevention of Witches, but she's sure it's a mistake. It's true that she has tiny feathers sprouting from her elbows, and that she's the only person who remembers the odd-looking calf that has been following her. But she is most definitely Not a Witch. Meanwhile, Queen Rose of Hallow has received reports of a secret weapon in the mountains of Quill, and goes to investigate. Alone. Luckily, she's not just a twelve-year-old girl with red hair and a wilful nature. She is also a dragon. Before long, Rose and Brim find themselves trapped in Quill, in the worst possible danger. Just a witch, a dragon and a LOT of secrets.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Quest, Magic, Friendship



184. FLUFF: MESS UP! FLUFF

Matt Stanton | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

The hilarious and unmissable new series about Gilbert, a boy whose best friend is an imaginary giant fluffy bunny called Fluff, from the creator who brought us The Odds, Funny Kid and Bored. Sometimes it's better to clean up your own mess ... Fluff and Gilbert have made an enormous mess. It's bedlam and they really don't want to get their hands dirty, but then they have a brilliant idea and go into business. Can Fluff and Gilbert's enterprise become a global cleaning empire and literally clean up? From the creator of Funny Kid and The Odds comes a seriously messy adventure!

Categories: Humour, Friendship



185. FROG SQUAD: DESSERT DISASTER FROG SQUAD

Kate Temple | Shiloh Gordon (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Step into a top-secret world where frogs don't just eat flies, they eat danger! This is FROG SQUAD! Frog Squad comes to the rescue of a mega tanker in distress -- and it's full of ice-cream! Will these brave rescue frogs be fast enough to stop Professor Cain and The Organisation of Amphibious Devious Scoundrels (TOADS) from controlling the global supply of ice-cream?

Categories: Adventure, Action, Humour



186. GRACE THE AMAZING

Aleesah Darlison | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Grace Marshall is eleven years old. She's curious, precocious, and eccentric. Her only true friend is her art teacher, Pamela. When Grace discovers that Pamela is dying, she embarks on a journey to find a cure for Pamela using miraculous magic. While doing so she asks the big questions about life, love, friendship, and death.

Categories: Friendship, Love, Loss, Relationships, Death/Bereavement, Grief



187. HELLO TWIGS, LOOK WHO'S GRUMPY GRAPHIC NOVEL HELLO TWIGS

Andrew McDonald | Ben Wood (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$10.99 | School Price \$9.35

Oh no – Stump's favourite splinter is missing! How terrible. Can Stump's twiggy friends help him get rid of his grumpy, or will he be grumpy forever?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Friendship, Independence



188. HELLO TWIGS, PUDDLE PARTY GRAPHIC NOVEL HELLO TWIGS

Andrew McDonald | Ben Wood (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$10.99 | School Price \$9.35

The twiggy friends are having a pool party! But Ziggy Twig is a brave explorer, and she is sure she can find something bigger, better and splashier for everyone to play in. That is, until she runs into a big, droolly ... DRAGON! Will our explorer find her way back to the twigs? Or is her latest adventure one splash too far?

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Friendship, Independence



189. HOT DOG! GARDEN TIME! HOT DOG!

Anh Do | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Hotdog and his friends want to win The Great Garden Contest! The prize money will help them buy gifts for their mums. They know nothing about gardening, but hopefully it will grow on them!

Categories: Adventure, Humour



190. ITTY BITTY KITTY 4 ITTY BITTY KITTY

Maddy Mara | Noemie Gionet Landry (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Itty Bitty Kitty LOVES cheek rubs, hiding under the sofa and looking after her humans. She HATES being called cute. She is almost a tiger, after all! She may still be a kitten, but Itty Bitty is ready to take on the world. And she knows all the Cat Laws. She knows much more than her family, who don't even realise that babysitters are evil or that cats should go to school with their humans. And don't get her started on the vet! Join Itty Bitty on three epic adventures. Will she stick to the rules? Or will this kitty make up her own rules for life?

Categories: Animal Stories, Cats



191. JUGGLING ACT, THE MIA MEGASTAR

Ada Nicodemou | Serena Geddes (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Hi, I'm Mia! This is my to-do list: - Write the script for our FIRST-EVER show IRL. - Give everyone feedback as DIRECTOR ... it has to be PERFECT! - Be there for my best friends. - Sort out those MEAN YEAR 6 kids who keep ANNOYING us. - Help Mum and Dad in the shop. - Practise my lines for the lead role. - Make sure we have props AND backdrops AND music AND dance moves AND EVERYTHING ELSE. - Keep all the drama club happy without too much . . . drama.

Categories: Acting, Music, Friendship, Family, Performing, Community



192. KITTY ADVENTURE MEOW TOWN

Rebecca McRitchie | Erin Hunting (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$8.50

Welcome to Meow Town! Kitty cats Bella, Margo, Pickles and Abby Tabby are the best of friends. Margo loves brushing her fur, Pickles loves collecting bugs and Abby Tabby loves laying in the sun. But Bella loves adventures! Will Bella ever get her friends to go on an adventure with her? Or will the sly hairless cats, Seth and Fluffy, spoil their plans?

Categories: Adventure, Friendship, Cats



193. LITTLE ASH: BIG BREAK! LITTLE ASH

Ash Barty | Jade Goodwin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$7.99

Ash can't WAIT for family beach day. All the cousins play beachside tennis, and the winner gets to choose dessert. But Ali has broken her wrist! Will Ash find a way to include Ali in the FUN?

Categories: Sport, Tennis, Family, Friendship



194. LITTLE ASH: SLEEPOVER SURPRISE! LITTLE ASH

Ash Barty | Jade Goodwin (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$7.99

It's time for a SLEEPOVER! Ash is so excited to watch a movie and eat popcorn with her friends. But not everyone is happy to be away from home. How will Ash help her friends and make sure it's the best sleepover EVER?

Categories: Sport, Tennis, Family, Friendship



195. LULU FLUTTERS FOREVER FAIRIES

Maddy Mara | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

The new Sprout Wing fairies, Lulu, Nova, Coco, and Zali, can't wait to explore their home in the Forever Tree. Soon, they'll try out to see which fairy pod they each belong to, starting with the swift and sporty Flutterflies! Lulu wants to stay close to her friends, but there are four different pods, each with a special talent — plus mischievous trolls stirring up trouble! Will the Sprout Wings be fairy friends forever?

Categories: Adventure, Magic, Fairies



196. MIA MEGASTAR MIA MEGASTAR

Ada Nicodemou | Serena Geddes (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Meet Mia! Her life is pretty interesting and amazing. She's the only kid in her class who lives above a shop. And not just any shop – everyone knows Costa's is the best place for groceries and the yummiest pastries. She has a cute-but-annoying little brother, Yianni, and the best friends ever. Oh, and her mum plays the worst pranks. Mia loves dancing and singing and is always putting on a show. And she's ready to step into the limelight . . . this year will see Mia get closer to her dream of becoming a megastar. But the road to stardom is not without a little drama. . .

Categories: Acting, Music, Friendship, Family, Performing, Community



197. MILLY'S FAMILY FUN SCHOOL OF MONSTERS

Sally Rippin | Chris Kennett (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$10.99 | School Price \$9.35

In this hilarious story from the best-selling first-reader series, Milly learns that speaking up will save the day! When Milly's school hosts a party for Mother's Day, Milly feels left out. But families come in all shapes and sizes – and soon Milly realises she's got a lot to celebrate!

Categories: Family Unit, Diversity



198. MING AND ADA SPARK THE DIGITAL AGE GIRLS WHO CHANGED THE WORLD

Jackie French | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

The fourth book in the best-selling Jackie French historical series that places girls centre stage. Ming Qong is convinced that girls have changed the world throughout history. History's sister, the mysterious Herstory, believes that the more you know about the past, the better you can understand the future. And so she now sends Ming back in time to work as a maid in an isolated English mansion to see a girl change the world in 1829. But which girl? The young mistress of the house is lying in bed blind and immobile, recovering from the measles. Abandoned by her aristocratic mother and the rest of her family, she may never walk - or even read and write - again. Ming becomes friends with another scullery maid, Hepzibah, who is desperately teaching herself to read and who longs to free slaves, as she and her parents had been. But what hope has a scullery maid? When Hepzibah is accused of a crime that might send her to the gallows, it is up to Ming to prove her innocent, as well as find the person in this lonely house who will - surprisingly - help pioneer the computer revolution. From one of the Australia's favourite writers comes an inspiring series for all the young people who will, one day, change the world.

Categories: Time Travel



199. NEW PLAYER DIARY OF A NETBALL STAR

Liz Watson | Laura Wood (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Liz Watson loves reading, baking, and hanging out with her BFF, Katie. But there's one thing she loves the most ... netball. Read all about it in her diary! Liz's netball team are on their way to the semi-finals! But then their star Goal Attack breaks her ankle! Coach Michelle finds a new player, Emma, who is rumoured to be an excellent shooter. But the moment she starts playing, she misses every goal! What is going on? Can Liz find out in time to help her team get to the finals?

Categories: Friendship, Family, Teamwork, Sport, Netball



200. NOVA SHIMMERS FOREVER FAIRIES

Maddy Mara | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Nova and her best fairy friends Lulu, Coco, and Zali, are ready for their next fairy pod tryout, this time for the Shimmerbuds — who know all about fairy medicine. Nova isn't very speedy, but she loves helping the forest animals! When the forest trolls interrupt the challenge with more shenanigans, Nova has to think fast. Can she and the other Sprout Wings work together and mend the mess?

Categories: Adventure, Magic, Fairies



201. OVER THE MOUNTAINS AND THROUGH THE DESERT SEVEN WHEREWITHAL WAY

Samantha-ellen Bound | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

Celeste, Esme, Logan and Ferd are summoned to the Realm of Mountains to answer for the part they've played in the growing rebellion, and Celeste soon finds herself in a brand-new kind of trouble. Separated from her cousin and forced to work with the trickster Pan, Celeste must navigate the wild landscape, dodge dangerous creatures, find Ferd, save a Guardian, recover a hagstone and rescue a friend. No pressure. And this adventure is just the beginning. A shocking discovery in the Realm of Mountains changes everything, and when Wherewithal seeks allies in the Realm of Desert, they find the outpost in chaos and a deadly creature on the prowl. The Realms have never been so perilous – and Celeste has never had quite so much to lose.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Magic



202. PEARL THE LAUGHING UNICORN PEARL THE MAGICAL UNICORN

Sally Odgers | Adele k Thomas (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Pearl can't stop laughing! But whenever she laughs, Pearl's accidental magic causes chaos and it's making the creatures of the magical meadow upset. Including Olive and Tweet! Can Pearl control her giggles and make it up to her friends?

Categories: Friendship, Magic, Unicorns



203. PROTECTORS WYLAH: THE KOORIE WARRIOR

Jordan Gould | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Wylah is finally able to finally call on her Ancestors and become the Koorie Warrior, but her troubles are not over. Racing to save her family and her people from the cruel Dragon Army, Wylah faces her biggest battle yet. Can she rise to the challenge and become the leader and protector her people need?

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Friendship, Culture, First Nations

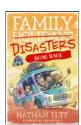


204 PUG'S ROAD TRIP DIARY OF A PLIC

Kyla May | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$8.50

Meet the cutest pug on the planet! Name: Baron von Bubbles; Nickname: Bub; Likes: car rides; peanut butter treats; his human, Bella; Dislikes: water; Nutz the squirrel. Bub and Bella are excited to go on a big road trip with their friends, Jack and Luna. It's going to be epic! But when Jack breaks his leg and can no longer come, Bella promises to bring back surprises from each stop on their trip. Can Bub help Bella find the perfect souvenirs for Jack?

Categories: Friendship, Journey



205. ROAD RAGE FAMILY DISASTERS

Nathan Luff | Chris Kennett (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

There's a reason families usually live together—to contain the horror and not inflict it on others. A family holiday is a really, really bad idea! After escaping an erupting volcanic island only to have their cruise ship intercepted by a cyclone, Jakob thought surely his family's holiday troubles were over. But washed up on the far north coast of Australia, they are still thousands of kilometres from home. There's plenty more disaster in store as they make their way south, including landslides, breakdowns, pest infections, floods and more.

Categories: Family Unit, Humour, Holidays, Disaster

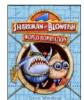


206. ROARSOME ROARSOME

Joel Slack-Smith | Rebel Challenger (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

All Walter wanted for his birthday was a limited edition, nitro-powered drone. Instead, he gets a tattered old lion-shaped pillow (that smells suspiciously like werewolf wee). Roar-kward! Now the full moon is out and Roars the lion-pillow has come to life for one night only, looking for adventure. Roars doesn't just want some fun ... he wants ALL the fun!

Categories: Toilet Humour, Adventure, Golf, Humour



207. SHARKMAN AND BLOWFISH: WORLD DOMINATION SHARKMAN AND BLOWFISH

David Woodland | Hardback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Sharkman is the boss of Sharkman Empire. He has everything: a driver, a chef, a chief scientist, an inventor to create his every whim. Okay, all of those jobs are actually performed by his best friend Blowfish. But Sharkman does have a lot things. What he doesn't have is world domination. That could all change as soon as he has a plan--or Blowfish does.

Categories: Humour, Friendship, Power, Satire



208. SHOW AND TELL MEET ELLA

Rebecca McRitchie | Danielle McDonald (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$7.99 | School Price \$6.80

Ella is given a gift from Nanna Kate and wants to take it to show and tell. But she forgets to bring it to class! What will Ella do now?

Categories: Friendship, Family, Problem Solving, Resilience



209. SNOW DAY, THE BILLIE B BROWN

Sally Rippin | Aki Fukuoka (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$10.99 | School Price \$9.90

Billie is going to the snow for the very first time! She wishes her little brother could come too. How can she bring the magic of the snow back home for him?

Categories: Friendship, Siblings



210. SURVIVAL DEADLANDS

Skye Melki-Wegner | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Having dealt the Carrion Kingdom a devastating blow, the heroic outcasts return home to face the herds that cast them out. But Eleri's treacherous brother is now Lord of the Battlefield, and the outcasts are condemned to die as traitors. Meanwhile, an Army of Beasts is marching towards the Mountain Kingdom, hellbent on revenge. With enemies on all sides, how will the exiles survive long enough to convince their kingdoms of the real threat, and prevent a massacre?

Categories: Dinosaurs, Fantasy, Survival, Perspective



211. TALENT QUEST SMARTY PUP

Anh Do | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

'I'm so sorry, Lily. I can't go to the dentist... and I don't want to sing in the Talent Quest either!' Lily and JJ want to give Dad the perfect birthday present, but they don't have enough money. When their school puts on a talent quest with a big cash prize, Lily and JJ enter as a singing duo. There's just one problem ... JJ can't sing! What will they do now?!

Categories: Animal Stories, Dogs, Humour, Kindness, Courage, Superpowers

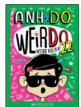


212. TAYLES OF THE FOREST WOLVES OF GREYCOAT HALL

Lucinda Gifford | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Christmas at Greycoat Hall is time for festivities, feasting, presents - and more feasting. But why are valuables disappearing? And who is the mysterious Cerberus Schwartz? The Wolves of Greycoat Hall has been described by the Sydney Morning Herald as "an absolute winner, teeming with humour, whimsy and warmth". This third book in the series finds Boris at back at home in Morovia - a country of fairy tale forests, Medieval alleyways and quirky Wolfish traditions.

Categories: Mystery, Humour



213. WEIRDO 22: WEIRD HOLIDAY WEIRDO

Anh Do | Jules Faber (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$12.79

The Do family is going on a road trip! There'll be I Spy, singalongs and camping fun. But things don't always go to plan for Weir ... Will this road trip be more of a trip-over? Or will it be caravan-tastic?! It won't be easy ... but it will be funny!

Categories: Friendship, Adventure, Family, Camping, Teamwork



214. WONDERFUL WEDDING, THE BILLIE B BROWN

Sally Rippin | Aki Fukuoka (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$10.99 | School Price \$9.90

Billie's going to a wedding! She's got the perfect outfit, and she can't wait to see all the fancy decorations. But what happens when the wedding doesn't live up to her dreams?

Categories: Friendship, Wedding



215. ZORRO'S TASTY TREAT SCHOOL OF MONSTERS

Sally Rippin | Chris Kennett (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 5+ | RRP \$10.99 | School Price \$9.35

In this hilarious story from the best-selling 'School of Monsters' first-reader series, Zorro learns how to listen to his tummy! Zorro is a zombie who loves to snack in class, which makes for a smelly school! Can his teacher find a brainy solution?

Categories: Rhyming Text, Humour, Toilet Humour

Younger Novels



216. BATTLING THE BLACKOUT DISASTER ZONES

Sam Thompson | Paperback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

Have you accidentally ended up in the middle of a Disaster Zone? Yes? Well, do not panic! This book of top survival tips has everything you need to know about one of the world's most devastating disasters. Hold on tight... It is about to get dangerous!

Categories: Problem Solving, Disasters

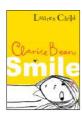


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Categories: Problem Solving, Disasters



218. CLARICE BEAN: SMILE

Lauren Child | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

At the moment I am daydreaming about inventing something exceptionordinarily good that could change the world for the better, because of all the things, it's the better that's needed. And if you are thinking I'm too small to make a difference then remember the plankton – they are one of the tiniest creatures on the planet but without them where would we be? Probably living on Mars. The utterly wonderful Clarice Bean is thinking about the endangered things: the big creatures, the little creatures, the plants and the trees. But it's not just the planet that needs help – there's her whole family too . . .

Categories: Environmental Issues, Humour



219. DAISY AND THE TROUBLE WITH SPACE DAISY BOOK

Kes Gray | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Daisy and her class have SPACE FEVER after a talk about stars, moons and faraway planets. THEN their teacher announces they're going to spend a WHOLE WEEK learning all about space. How COSMIC is that?! Trouble is, SPACE FEVER follows Daisy back home too. And turning your bedroom ceiling into the universe isn't that easy. Even with lots of glow-in-the-dark stars, superglue, and your best friend to help . . .

Categories: Adventure, Humour, Space



220. DOGGY DISCO HOAX, THE LULU AND THE DANCE DETECTIVES

Sally Sutton | Lily Uivel (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

When a disco to raise money for a dog rescue centre turns out to be a hoax, Lulu and her team are determined to make it happen anyway. Amongst the yelping and barking, disco lights and darkness, there is a thief to catch. But will their cunning plan work?

Categories: Mystery, Dance



221. EVADING THE ERUPTION DISASTER ZONES

Sam Thompson | Paperback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

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Categories: Problem Solving, Disasters



222. HERO TRIAL DUNGEON RUNNERS

Kieran Larwood | Joe Todd Stanton (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Kit has dreamed of being a Dungeon Runner all his life, although being a gnorf (part gnome, part dwarf) means he's much smaller than the other competitors. But when a space opens up for a new team in the Dungeon Running League, Kit doesn't want to miss this chance to try out! With his new friends Sandy and Thorn, they're ready to take on anything - mazes, puzzles, monsters, treasure and most of all adventure! Are you ready for the games to begin? Welcome to the Dungeon!

Categories: Adventure, Action



223. HONEY'S HIVE: BEE A FRIEND HONEY'S HIVE

Mo O'Hara | Aya Kakeda (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Honey is so good at her job as a scouting bee, finding lots of pollen for her hive, that she's being awarded a petal medal by the Queen Bee! But while Honey and her hive are celebrating, the other bees in the neighbourhood are struggling, there's just not enough pollen left for them. When Honey finds out she's really worried and tries to help the other bees find pollen too, but not all the bees in the hive think she should help outsiders. Then the wasps come, and they attack the hive! Thankfully, all the other bees in the neighbourhood come to help their new friend Honey. Honey and her hive all realise how important it is to share and make friends.

Categories: Ambition, Bees, Community, Teamwork, Friendship



224. NAUGHTIEST UNICORN AND THE BIRTHDAY PARTY NAUGHTIEST UNICORN

Pip Bird | David O'Connell (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Dave THE NAUGHTIEST UNICORN is more interested in scoffing all the rainbow icing... They'll be Very Important Visitors there too, and Mira and her friends have been given the important quest of filling party bags with gifts to give them. But it's not long before disaster strikes! What will they do when the big day arrives?

Categories: Humour, Magic, Friendship



225. ORRIS AND TIMBLE: BEGINNING ORRIS AND TIMBLE

Kate DiCamillo | Carmen Mok (Illustrator) | Hardback | Age 6+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

From beloved storyteller Kate DiCamillo comes the first book in a warm and funny early-reader trilogy about a misanthropic rat and a naive owl—and the beginning of a beautiful friendship. Orris the rat lives alone in an old barn surrounded by his treasures, until the day his solitude is disrupted by a sudden flutter of wings and a loud screech. A small owl has gotten caught in a trap in the barn. Can Orris "make the good and noble choice" (as the king on his prized sardine can might recommend) and rescue the owl, despite the fact that owls and rats are natural enemies? And if he does, will he be ready for the consequences? With humor and tenderness, two-time Newbery Medalist Kate DiCamillo brings us this first of three tales celebrating unlikely friendship and the power of sharing stories and doing the right thing—a soon-to-be classic brought to expressive life by the full-color illustrations of Carmen Mok.

Categories: Friendship, Humour, Rescue, Trust



226. POTION POWER SPELLCASTERS

Crystal Sung | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Jenny and her friends - the Spellcasters - are excited about helping Aunt Connie in the Spellcroft community garden. But everything's going wrong ... plants are dying, and the lake at the nature reserve dries up. Could it be the work of a dark witch? It's time for the Spellcasters to band together again and use their ancestral magic to find a way to fix the problem before the balance of nature is destroyed for ever!

Categories: Fantasy, Magic Realism, Adventure, Community



227. RAVENOUS ROOSTER STAKE-OUT LULU AND THE DANCE DETECTIVES

Sally Sutton | Lily Uivel (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

Lulu and the Silver Star Dancers have an exciting gig dancing at the Ravenous Rooster, but nerves are frayed – notorious criminal Douglas Vipersnitch is on the run from police and believed to be hiding in the area! When suspicious events begin to unfold, there's only one explanation: it's him! Amid flowing chocolate fountains and fizzing drinks, the clues come thick and fast. Will the Silver Star Dancers be able find the thief, and be able to perform their toe-tapping routine?

Categories: Mystery, Dance



228. SHOW, THE DOG SQUAD

Clara Vulliamy | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

When a terrible storm damages the Happy Tails Rescue Centre, Eva and her friends know they need to help. They decide to put on a show to raise money for a new roof – and not just any show. A dog show, of course, with the help of Eva's adorable whippet, Wafer! Everyone at school is keen to pitch in too, but with so many eager pairs of hands (and paws), soon there's squabbling. Can the Dog Squad help everyone learn to work as a team, turn storm clouds to sunshine – and save the Rescue Centre in time?

Categories: Family, Friendship, Dogs



229. SURVIVING THE MEGA TSUNAMI DISASTER ZONES

Sam Thompson | Paperback | RRP \$12.99 | School Price \$11.70

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Categories: Problem Solving, Disasters



230. TAKING SHELTER HUGH DUNNIT MYSTERY

Guy Bass | Lee Cosgrove (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

A hilarious detective mystery following a schoolboy sniffing out clues to prove his canine pal's innocence, packed with comic-book art spreads throughout. Hugh Dunnit may be a schoolboy, but that doesn't stop him from cracking the toughest cases. Like the case of the shredded maths homework. Sure, lesser minds might collar Hugh's new dog, Shelter. But Hugh knows there's more to sniff out. Working through the suspects, Hugh digs up a bigger mystery: just where does Shelter come from? A brilliantly funny detective story with comic-book art throughout.

Categories: Mystery, Adventure, Detective



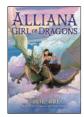
231. WORRIED WOMBAT, THE ZOE'S RESCUE ZOO

Amelia Cobb | Sophy Williams (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Zoe loves living at her uncle's rescue zoo because there's always something exciting going on. And Zoe also has an amazing secret... She can actually TALK to the animals! Zoe's thrilled to welcome a new wombat family to the zoo! But when Winnie is separated from her mum, can Zoe help the little wombat feel safe in her new home?

Categories: Animal Stories, Worry

Middle Novels



232. ALLIANA, GIRL OF DRAGONS

Julie Abe | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Once upon a time, Alliana believed in dreams and fairy tales. Alliana wished on shooting stars, sure that someday she and her grandmother would be able to travel to the capital city to see the queen. Then her grandmother passed away-and those dreams disappeared in a disenchanted puff. Now Alliana's forced to attend to the whims of her wicked stepmother-with long days of cleaning her stepfamily's inn as her skin burns raw. Until she meets two beings who change her life forever-the first is a young nightdragon who Alliana discovers she can magically talk to. And the second is Nela, a young witch. Nela needs Alliana's help navigating the mysterious abyss, filled with dangerous beasts, a place Alliana knows by heart. Alliana sees Nela's request as a chance to break free of her stepmother's shadow and to seize a chance at a life she's barely dared to hope for-but there's a risk. If caught, Alliana will be stuck working for her stepmother for the rest of her life. Can Alliana truly make wisps of dreams into her own, better-than-a-fairy-tale happily ever after?

Categories: Fantasy, Dragons



233. BEYOND THE ISLE OF THE LOST DESCENDANTS NOVEL

Melissa De La Cruz | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

For Red, growing up in Wonderland has been no piece of cake (literally—dessert is outlawed, along with birthdays, dancing and merriment of any kind). Her mum, the Queen of Hearts, rules the kingdom with an iron sceptre, while Red longs for a life of her own. She's heard rumours about an island that once housed all the villains of folklore. A place with no rules? It sounds perfect to Red. But then the Queen declares that Red will be the one to issue the royal decree at the annual Wonderland Tea Ceremony (a.k.a. she has to come up with all the new ridiculous laws), and Red knows she needs to do something major.

Categories: Fantasy, Fairytales, Twisted Fairytales, Family



234. BILLY AND THE EPIC ESCAPE

Jamie Oliver | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Billy and his best friends Anna, Jimmy and Andy are looking forward to a summer exploring Waterfall Woods, discovering more about the magical creatures who live there and the Rhythm of nature that keeps their world, and ours, in balance. Then the woods come under attack from a mysterious red lady, forcing the sprites and brothers Wilfred and Bilfred into hiding, and the gang rush to the rescue! But what does the red lady really want? Could she be connected to Bilfred's disappearance all those years ago? And, if so, how is it possible she looks exactly the same decades later. . . Can Billy and his friends uncover the truth and stop the red lady's plans, before the Rhythm is put in danger once again?

Categories: Mystery, Adventure, Friendship

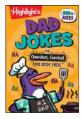


235. CLOCKWORK CONSIPRACY, THE ISAAC TURNER INVESTIGATES

Sam Sedgman | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Aspiring inventor Isaac Turner lives with his dad, the Chief Horologist in charge of Big Ben. But when his father vanishes from the belfry on the night the clocks go back, leaving behind only a smashed pocket watch and a cryptic message, Isaac determines to find him. Hunting a trail of clues through London's landmarks, Isaac uncovers a sinister plot in the gears of government and embarks on a race against time to save his father and time itself.

Categories: Action, Adventure, Mystery, Science, Codes, Inventions



236. DAD JOKES: CHEESIEST, CORNIEST JOKE BOOK EVER!

Compilation | Paperback | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Looking for a joke that's so corny, only a dad could tell it? This book is filled with 256 pages of jokes by, about, and for dads (and their humorous kids)! With hilarious black-and-white cartoons and the cheesiest jokes around, readers young and old will love this book of knee-slappers.

Categories: Joke Books



237. DAY MY DOG GOT FAMOUS, THE

Jen Carney | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

A few things you should know about Ferris Foster- 1. His best friend is his actual dog, Aldo who is anything but astounding 2. He's had 13 foster brothers and 8 foster sisters and now he's about to meet his new foster sister, Tia, for the first time 3. His NEMESIS is his totally annoying neighbour Destiny Dean! When Destiny boasts about videos of her dog, Princess Foo-Foo, going viral, Ferris foolishly claims that Aldo can easily become a BIGGER internet star. There's just one problem- Aldo has about as much talent as a teaspoon. Then Ferris and Tia accidentally film Aldo doing what looks like an amazing trick . . . will Aldo finally live up to the name of his comic book alter-ego and wow the world with his skills or is this about to be the biggest EPIC FAIL ever?

Categories: Humour, Adventure



238. DIARY OF A BIG BAD WOLF, THE

Ben Miller | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Thrown out of the pack for being a weakling, Laurence the Wolf is down on his luck. He knows he's strong, and brave, and cool, but nobody else seems to think so. What's more, he's STARVING. A clever plot to gobble up Little Red Riding Hood once and for all is foiled by all the creatures of the fairytale forest and just as things are getting desperate, he catches a whiff of something delicious. Could those be ... vegetables?

Categories: Fairytale, Humour



239. EVACUATION ORDER

Jane B Mason | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Twelve-year-old Sam lives alone with his mum and their dog in the idyllic seaside town of Santa Bonita. His father died when Sam was young, but his best friend, Marco, has been helping re-create his dad's old photos as part of a memorial project. One particularly warm October day, however, Sam smells something faint from far away. It's the scent of smoke. An unexpected Southern California wildfire is whipping ferociously toward town. Sam, Marco, and the whole neighbourhood must urgently evacuate with little warning. Sam is distraught. If his house burns, all his memories of his father will go with it. Even worse, Sam's dog disappears during the emergency, sending the boy into a panic. When he should be leaving the city with Marco and his family, Sam instead turns back, a decision that will plunge him right into the path of a deadly fire.

Categories: Natural Disasters, Fire, Bushfire, Environmental Issues, Climate Change, Family, Bravery



240. FRIGHT BITE DREAD WOOD

Jennifer Killick | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

It's Colette's birthday and the friends are spending an evening at Neon Perch – an epic entertainment spot where they can eat pizza, play mini golf and – best of all – take part in Project Z – an epic new escape room experience. It's going to be the best night ever! Or is it . . . ? Somehow, the escape room somehow seems to know each player's greatest fears. And worst of all, there are creatures locked up with them. Creatures from their darkest nightmares . . . giant, poisonous RATS!

Categories: Horror, Humour



241. GHOST STORIES STORIES TO SCARE YOUR SOCKS OFF!

Michael Dahl | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

A spine-chilling anthology of ghost stories for young horror fans. BEWARE... The stories in this book will SCARE YOUR SOCKS OFF! Will a locker room ghost give a soccer team the ultimate L? Is an evil spirit haunting the lake at summer camp? Will a boys' eye transplant be a ghostly gift or a ghastly curse? Discover the answers to all these questions and more (or die trying) in this terrifying collection of eight ghost stories.

Categories: Short Stories, Horror, Ghost Stories



242. GOBLIN MONDAY GOOSEBUMPS: HOUSE OF SHIVERS

RL Stine | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Mario is spending winter break with his neighbours, Todd and Jewel, on their family vacation to Vermont. He is excited to see snow for the first time and meet his friends' beloved grandparents. But Todd and Jewel's grandparents turn out to be a little odd. They love telling tall tales of goblins, elves and trolls. When Mario spots a blur of green fur in the garden, he wonders if the stories could be real. He's determined to find out what's going on, but the truth might be more dangerous than fiction!

Categories: Horror, Monsters



243. GOLDEN GATE CITY SPIES

James Ponti | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Fourteen-year-old Sydney is a surfer and a rebel from Bondi Beach. She's also a field ops specialist for the City Spies. Sydney is excited to learn that she'll be going undercover on the marine research vessel the Sylvia Earle. But things don't go exactly as planned, and while Sydney does find herself in the spotlight, it's not in the way she was hoping. Meanwhile, there's been some new intel regarding a potential mole within the organization, offering the spies a lead that takes them to San Francisco, California. But as they investigate a spy who died at the Botanical Gardens, they discover that they are also being investigated...

Categories: Thriller, Suspense, Action, Spies



244. GREENWILD: CITY BEYOND THE SEA, THE GREENWILD

Pari Thomson | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Across the ocean, a magical adventure awaits ... Daisy Thistledown and the Five O'Clock Club might have defeated a terrifying enemy, but their journey to find the missing Botanists is just beginning. Their only hope: to find the legendary Iffenwild, a mysterious city hidden beyond the sea and lost to time. But a strange, wild magic is stirring beneath the waves. It will take all of Daisy's courage and determination – and the trust of a new friend – if she is to discover the truth that haunts Iffenwild, and save the magical world before it's too late.

Categories: Fantasy, Magic, Magic Realism, Suspense



245. HIDDEN STORY OF ESTIE NOOR, THE

Nadine Aisha Jassat | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

When twelve-year-old Estie is expelled from school, she's sent to stay with her aunt in Scotland over the summer. Even though nobody, not even her mum, asked to hear her side of the story. Estie's determined to keep her barriers up and stick to herself until the holidays are over. But when she comes across an intricately folded paper castle with a secret message written inside – a message from someone desperate to tell their own unbelieved story – a chord is struck, and Estie can't help but follow the clues to the next piece of artwork. Who are these messages from? And what will their secret reveal about the town? In helping to uncover the anonymous artist's truth, Estie just might find the words to tell her own. . .

Categories: Friendship, Identity, Mystery

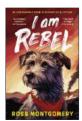


246. HIP-HOP HUSTLE JAKE MADDOX SPORTS STORIES

Jake Maddox | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Chery lives to dance. She has her own hip-hop dance crew and a signature move that's a surefire showstopper. But when her crew is forced to break up, Chery is faced with joining her school's hip-hop dance team. Trouble is, Chery's not like most dance hopefuls who have formal training. She moves to the music based on what feels right rather than following a strict routine. Will Chery's unique skills be good enough for the dance competition? Or will her hip-hop hustle land her in hot water with her teammates?

Categories: Dancing



247. I AM REBEL

Ross Montgomery | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

"I'm Tom's dog, and he's my human. We belong to each other." Rebel is a good dog, and he loves his simple, perfect life on the farm with his owner Tom – until one day the war comes too close... Now Tom is determined to join the rebellion to defeat the king's men. But Rebel knows war is dangerous, and he will stop at nothing to save the human he loves. Rebel must bring Tom home before it's too late.

Categories: War Stories, Adventure, Dogs



248. JAYBEN AND THE STAR GLASS JAYBEN AND THE GOLDEN TORCH

Thomas Leeds | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Jayben has realised his destiny as the Ninth Dreamer; he is the only one with the power to defeat Null, the villain who has been making everyone in the Elf World forget, but the Golden Torch has been stolen. Without it, Jayben must find another way to harness his power. When Jayben finds a golden gemstone, he struggles to recall its significance. But a wise captain on board a great ship tells him that it's an enchanted Star Glass gemstone, which could make Jayben powerful enough to defeat Null's wickedness once and for all. But Null is on the way to the sweltering desert of Fellooz, where there is an ancient tomb full of Star Glass gems, which will make Null three times more powerful with a single touch if held under the magical light of the impending solar eclipse.

Categories: Fantasy, Friendship, Courage, Hope, Memories, Epilepsy



249. JURASSIC OBBY DIARY OF A ROBLOX PRO SUPER SPECIAL

Ari Avatar | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Ari is just a regular avatar from Blockville who loves hanging out with his two best friends—Zeke, an obby and parkour pro, and Jez, the ultimate hacker and Queen of Tech. When Ari and his friends visit the army base, they are excited to find a time travel machine. But when they accidentally switch it on, they find themselves thrown back over 70,000 years! Now in the land of the dinosaurs, Ari and his friends will need to escape the Velociraptors and Pterodactyls to get back to present day. Can they navigate their way through the prehistoric obby? Or will they become Jurassic prey?

Categories: Adventure, Friendship



250. KARATE CLASH JAKE MADDOX SPORTS STORIES

Jake Maddox | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Levi can't believe his ears when his new stepsister, Sofia, insists that karate isn't a real sport. But he's even more shocked when Sofia suddenly joins his karate school. Why is she there? And why can't she be more respectful toward Levi and his friends? Soon, the sparring between the new siblings turns into an outright competition—until Sofia tries to break a board and has a breakdown instead. Can Levi put aside his feelings to figure out what's at the heart of their karate clash?

Categories: Sport, Martial Arts, Karate



251. LIGHTHOUSE AT THE WORLD'S END, THE HOUSE AT THE EDGE OF MAGIC

Amy Sparkes | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Nine and her friends are headed to the mortal realm in search of the only thing that will shake a very tricky witch off their tail: a priceless stargold locket. It lies hidden in the Nest of a Thousand Treasures, guarded by Nine's old foe – the formidable gangmaster of all the thieflings in London. Even if Nine can get her hands on the locket, the friends must find a way to release its power – and for that they must travel through the World Between Worlds to the lighthouse on the Isle of Illusion, where nothing is quite as it seems...

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Magic



252. MONSTER STORIES STORIES TO SCARE YOUR SOCKS OFF!

Michael Dahl | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

A goosebump-inducing anthology of monster tales for young fans of scary stories! CAUTION: The stories in this book will SCARE YOUR SOCKS OFF! Can a young boy escape the tangled web of a ten-foot spider? Will mummified cats and dogs fulfill a legendary curse from the underworld? Is a vampire terrorizing a quiet neighbor? Discover the answers to these creepy(?) questions and more in this spine-chilling collection of eight monster stories . . . if you dare! BWAHAHA!

Categories: Short Stories, Horror, Monsters



253. NIGHT WAR, THE

Kimberly Brubaker Bradley | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

In 1942, much of France is occupied by the Nazis. Twelve-year-old Miri is Jewish, so she is not safe. Separated from her parents, she rescues her neighbours' two-year-old daughter Nora and escapes to a village, where she is given a new name and pretends to be Catholic to escape Nazi capture. Miri is at first wary of the convent school nuns, but soon learns that there is much more than meets the eye to these knowledgeable women. One night she is asked to undertake a terrifying task that could allow her to escape. But what about Nora? The person Miri meets that night could save her life. And the person Miri becomes that night could save the lives of many more.

Categories: War Stories, World War 2, Courage, Trust



254. PIRATES OF DARKSEA

Catherine Doyle | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Deep in the heart of the Atlantic Ocean, where the full moon rests on the horizon, lies a secret kingdom called Darksea. Ruled by the Pirate King, Captain O'Malley, Darksea's tranquil waters have, of late, been haunted by a monster that is eating the once-beautiful islands in gigantic bites. On the other side of the horizon, at his home in Galway, Max Reid and his family are battling a different monster. His big brother Christopher is in hospital and getting sicker and his parents have begun to talk of miracles. Then one night a loud, bright red parrot taps on Max's bedroom window, carrying an invitation from the pirate king. Captain O'Malley needs a new crew member for a dangerous quest; and the reward is everything Max has been hoping for. But in Darksea, not everyone is as they seem. When Captain O'Malley's secret threatens to upend their mission and destroy Max's chance to help his family, Max realises he's going to have to navigate much more than he bargained for.

Categories: Adventure, Magic, Pirates



255. PRISONER OF BHOPAL, THE

Tim Walker | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

In Bhopal in 1984, Amil learns that he can predict the movement of the wind. Can this gift free him from working for the hateful Mr Kumar and protect him from an impending poisonous gas leak at the Bhopal Pesticide Plant? Amil has always dreamed of working at the modern, space-age pesticide plant in Bhopal, India, where he lives. Instead, on his tenth birthday, he is torn from his family and taken to work for Mr Kumar and his cruel son, Jalesh, in their dilapidated printing factory. There, hidden in a trunk, he finds a secret First World War journal. As its pages come to life, they reveal not only why Amil is there, but that he and the journal's author – his great-grandfather, Sanjiv – share a magical gift: they can read the wind. Its purpose remains a mystery until, one terrible night, the pesticide plant leaks poison gas into the air above Bhopal . . .

Categories: Historical Fiction, Adventure, Magic Realism



256. ROSTER REBOUND JAKE MADDOX SPORTS STORIES

Jake Maddox | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Nina's basketball dreams have been dashed. After moving to a small town, she learns her new school doesn't have enough players to form a girls b-ball team. Nina is bummed until she finds out the boys team is short one player—and anyone can try out. Nina decides to take a shot, and her hoop hopes rebound when she wins a spot on the roster. But not everyone is pleased she made the team. Can Nina prove herself as a power forward? Or will she buckle under pressure when a teammate tries to foul things up?

Categories: Sport, Basketball



257. SAVING NEVERLAND

Abi Elphinstone | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Martha Pennydrop is ten, and desperate to grow up. But growing up is a tricky business. It means turning your back on imagination, fun and magic, because those were the things that led to the Terrible Day when something awful nearly happened to Martha's younger brother, Scruff, which would have been All Her Fault. But when Martha and Scruff discover a drawer full of mysterious gold dust in the bedroom of their new house – along with a window that's seemingly impossible to close – it's the start of an incredible adventure to a magical world– Neverland! The Pennydrop's new house used to belong to another family – the Darlings – who once visited this world themselves. Now Peter Pan is back, and in need of their help. Neverland is in the icy grip of a terrible curse – cast long ago by Captain Hook. And only Martha and Scruff can save it . . .

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure



258. SKANDAR AND THE CHAOS TRIALS SKANDAR

Af Steadman | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Skandar and his sister Kenna are finally both at the Eyrie, but tensions are high. To survive their third year of training, Skandar and his friends must complete a series of terrifying trials across the Island's elemental zones. Friendships, allegiances and rider-unicorn bonds will be pushed to the limit – only the strongest will make it. Meanwhile, Kenna's forged bond to a wild unicorn has left her alienated and alone. And when a terrible discovery puts the future of the Island in peril, all fingers point in one direction . . . As dark forces assemble, Skandar must decide how far is he willing to go – for Kenna, and for the Eyrie.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure

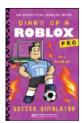


259. SKULDUGGERY PLEASANT: MIND FULL OF MURDER SKULDUGGERY PLEASANT

Derek Landy | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

A murder. A mystery. Two murders, actually. Well, three, if you're counting. Oh, look, here comes a fourth . . . So much murder that skeleton detective Skulduggery Pleasant must annoy Valkyrie Cain, the infamous Destroyer of Worlds, with his incredible deduction abilities at every available opportunity. As Valkyrie's irritation grows, the detectives sink deeper into a hidden world of dark motivations, festering hatred and unimaginable pain. And a teensy bit more murder.

Categories: Adventure, Mystery, Humour, Murder, Teamwork



260. SOCCER SIMULATOR DIARY OF A ROBLOX PRO

Ari Avatar | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$9.00

Ari is just a regular avatar from Blockville who loves hanging out with his two best friends – Zeke, an obby and parkour pro, and Jez, the ultimate hacker and Queen of Tech. Ari is not excited. He's accidentally made it onto the Blockville obby soccer team. He doesn't know how to play normal soccer, let alone obby soccer! As training starts and the first game looms, Ari thinks of a way to get an advantage in the game. But is it a fair way to play? And what happens if his secret is discovered?

Categories: High Interest, Adventure, Roblox, Reluctant Readers, Gaming



261. SOCCER SNUB JAKE MADDOX SPORTS STORIES

Jake Maddox | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

After working hard in the off-season, Quincy is thrilled to move up to a top-level soccer team and play with his friend Will. But the rest of his new teammates on the Vipers aren't so excited. They give Quincy the cold shoulder, making it difficult for him to find his groove. But soon, Quincy begins to earn some respect. Then his coach shifts him into the starting lineup—and moves Will to the bench. Can Quincy find a way to get Will back in the game? Or will their friendship falter over the sudden soccer snub?

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer



262. SORCERY STORIES STORIES TO SCARE YOUR SOCKS OFF!

Michael Dahl | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

A spine-chilling anthology of scary stories about witches, wizards, and more! BEHOLD.... One look inside this book, boys and girls, and your socks are sure to be scared clean off! Could you survive having a witch for a grandmother? What happens when a slumber party turns into a nightmare? Will a magical card trick turn become a boy's ultimate curse? Discover the answers to these creepy questions and more in this spine-chilling collection of eight sorcery stories . . . if you dare!

Categories: Short Stories, Horror



263. SQUID INVASION THAMES AND TIDE CLUB

Katya Balen | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

The mudlarkers of the Thames and Tide Club are about to face Squidmageddon in a funny and fast-paced adventure for young treasure hunters. When the director of the mudlarking museum goes on holiday for a week, he leaves three members of the Thames and Tide Club, Clem, Zara and Ash, in charge. They're determined that nothing will go wrong on their watch, but they haven't planned on an invasion of squid who will stop at nothing to take over the world...

Categories: Adventure, Friendship, Mudlarking



264. STARLING AND THE CAVERN OF LIGHT FIREBORN

Aisling Fowler | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Following the shocking battle at Icegaard, Phoenix and her friends gather with the Hunters, desperate to unite the warring clans before their enemy, the Master, attacks Ember. The Cavern of Light may offer hope in the form of a legendary weapon, but it lies deep in goblin territory, in the terrifying dark zone of the underground caves. The friends must brave the unknown, facing new and deadly creatures in search of a way to save their world. As an epic final showdown draws near, Phoenix struggles to protect her friends, determined not to lose anyone else she loves. But the Master is crueller and more powerful than she ever imagined and as Phoenix's past and present collide, unthinkable sacrifices will have to be made to defeat him.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure



265 STARMINSTER STARMINSTER

Megan Hopkins | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Astrid has lived in the rhubarb shed her whole life. The outside world is dangerous, Mama explains; she will understand when she's older, but she cannot set foot beyond the door. Astrid longs to see the world; to meet other children; to live in the farmhouse with Mama. But what she longs for most of all is to see the stars. Then one night, a stranger unlocks the shed: a stranger with wings. She has come to take Astrid to a secret city in the sky called London Overhead, far above the highest peak of the Shard. For Astrid, like her, is a Librae – and will soon grow wings of her own . . . Astrid is swept into a breathtaking and magical world of new friendships, sweeping adventures and unimaginable discoveries at the ancient, beautiful school for Librae students: Starminster. But quickly she learns that all is not well in the glimmering city. And when rumours abound of missing children in London Underfoot, she begins to realise that Mama may have been right about the dangers waiting for Astrid all along . . .

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Magic, Friendship

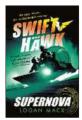


266. STITCH

Padraig Kenny | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

Stitch is not a monster – he's a creation. He and his friend Henry Oaf were brought to life by the genius Professor Hardacre, and have spent all their days in a castle deep in the woods, far from humankind. But when the Professor dies and his pompous nephew comes to take over the laboratory, they soon find out that his sights are set not on scientific discovery, but personal glory. And Henry is his next experiment. Can Stitch and Henry escape his clutches and make their way in a world they were never built for – and may never be ready for them?

Categories: Adventure, Gothic, Friendship, Acceptance

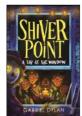


267. SUPERNOVA SWIFT AND HAWK

Logan Macx | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Swift and Hawk are on the run in the third mission in the unputdownable high-tech, high-adventure spy series for fans of Alex Rider and Young Bond. An epic chase. An unstoppable enemy. On a breakneck mission to rescue their Al from evil organization Razor, teen spies Swift and Hawk uncover a lead that could help them take down Razor for good. But with only a location and the word "Supernova" to follow, Swift and Hawk must use every spy trick they have in a relentless race across America. Only someone else is chasing them – and they'll stop at nothing until Swift is dead... A page-turning spy thriller for readers 9+ that can be enjoyed as a standalone novel or read as part of the adrenaline-fuelled Swift and Hawk spy series.

Categories: Adventure, Action, Spies



268. TAP AT THE WINDOW, A SHIVER POINT

Gabriel Dylan | Paperback | Age 7+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

When Riley notices a new scarecrow in the field by her house, she doesn't think much of it. Until she hears rumours of break ins across town and strange figures sighted in the fields when the sun goes down. And then one night she hears a tap at the window... It's time to get the Shiver Squad on the case. But when all roads lead them to the abandoned Darkraven Farm, will they be able to save the town from the scarecrow's vengeance in time?

Categories: Horror, Mystery



269. THIRTEENTH CIRCLE, THE

Marcykate Connolly | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Cat knows aliens are real, and she's determined to prove it. By studying her town's legendary crop-circle phenomenon for the McMurray Youth Science Competition, she'll not only demonstrate the existence of extraterrestrial life but also impress her distant NASA-scientist father. Dani does not believe in aliens. So when Dani is paired with Cat for the competition-which she has to win to avoid her parents' artsy summer camp-she knows she's in trouble. Her solution? Disprove Cat's theory, of course . . . without letting her partner know. But as the girls bond over science, it becomes clear that there is something strange about the crop circles. And when Dani and Cat's project is threatened by mysterious forces, they'll have to work together to expose the truth once and for all.

Categories: Aliens, Mystery, Science Fiction



270. TRANSCENDENT TRANSCENDENT

Patrick Gallagher | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

Jacob and Kira live in the heart of Mbale, Uganda with their conservationist mother and navigate life as unsuspecting geniuses; Kira with hopes to explore outside the hot terrains of Uganda, and conspiracy theorist Jacob, whose fear often holds him back from the answers he so desperately wants to uncover. But when they discover that someone has been watching their every move in the hopes to enlist them in a top-secret agency called Transcendent, their lives are turned upside down. Soon the twins are hurtled from the luscious landscapes of Mbale, to the sleek streets of London, where – alongside other selected protegees – they must undertake three rigorous trials, each more difficult than the last, to be accepted into Transcendent. If they are successful, they will be launched into space to complete a high-stakes mission to fight the greatest threat the world has ever seen.

Categories: Adventure, Action, Thriller, Conspiracy



271. TREE THAT SANG TO ME, THE

Serena Molloy | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Some feelings are so big, they're hard to express ... A dyslexia-friendly verse story of friendship, family and self-discovery, beautifully illustrated in black and white. When Kai's big sister Jen leaves the family home, Kai knows it's all his fault. His secret burns, but he tells no one, just keeps pulling at tufts of his hair. But in the broad branches of a wasteland sycamore tree, Kai feels safe and free from his worries. Up there he feels he can be whoever he wants to be. And when a girl called Sky starts climbing Kai's tree, a friendship blossoms ... a friendship with the power to heal.

Categories: Friendship, Family, Mental Health, Worries



272. WHICH WAY ROUND THE GALAXY WHICH WAY TO ANYWHERE

Cressida Cowell | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

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 have just uncovered a secret. A tiny and helpless Magical Creature lost far from home leads the O'Hero-Smith children on another Starcrossing adventure through the Which Ways and across the galaxy. The children have a plan to get little Bug back to the fiery-ice planet where it belongs, and to prove to their parents that they can be trusted with Magic along the way... But a witch's curse, venomous snowsnakes and a gang of fighter robots are waiting for them through the Which Ways. The fate of the galaxy is once again in their hands - they better not mess it up!

Categories: Fantasy, Magic Realism, Adventure

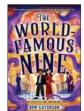


273. WHISPERING WALLS, THE SHADOWHALL ACADEMY

Phil Hickes | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

I heard a tapping noise, right by my head. Like there was someone in the wall trying to get my attention...When Lilian Jones starts at creepy, cold and bewilderingly large Shadowhall Academy, she's nervous about making friends. And when her roommates tell her the school is haunted, she thinks they're just trying to scare the new girl. But then bizarre things start happening – tapping and whispers in the walls at night, tales of missing students and strange figures in the woods. Lilian discovers that not only are the school ghost stories true, but her new friends could be in danger. So she sets out to uncover the secrets of Shadowhall Academy, whatever it takes.

Categories: Friendship, School, Ghosts, Mystery

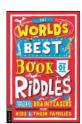


274. WORLD-FAMOUS NINE, THE

Ben Guterson | Paperback | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Zander Olinga's grandmother is the owner of the fabled Number Nine Plaza, the spectacular nineteen-story skyscraper. The Nine, as it's called, has everything imaginable, including a massive Ferris wheel on its rooftop, monorail tracks suspended from its ceiling, and twenty-five glass elevators. But there's something evil looming in the shadows, and strange accidents start befalling the guests. When Zander and his friend Natasha come across a series of inscriptions hidden throughout the walls of The Nine, they discover that the clues will lead them to a magical object which protects the store's very existence. With the future of The Nine on the line, the pair are determined to recover the mysterious object before the luxury plaza and its many guests are destroyed.

Categories: Mystery, Crime, Adventure



275. WORLD'S BEST BOOK OF RIDDLES, THE

Bryony Davies | Andrew Pinder (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$11.99 | School Price \$10.20

From quick, easy riddles to keep young minds ticking over to longer riddles that involve some serious thinking power, this book is packed with brain-bending, rib-tickling conundrums to develop logic and lateral-thinking skills. All of the riddles are accompanied by hilarious illustrations by Andrew Pinder, which add humour without giving the game away.

Categories: Riddles, Joke Books

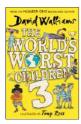


276. WORLD'S WORST CHILDREN 2, THE

David Walliams | Tony Ross (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Do you dare to meet the worst children in the world? Be warned! Inside are five ghastly girls and five badder-than-bad boys! Like Humbert the hungry baby, who literally eats his parents out of house and home. And Gruesome Griselda who likes to play tricks on everyone with her vast collection of creepy-crawlies. From number one bestselling author David Walliams come ten more wonderfully wicked tales, illustrated throughout by artistic genius Tony Ross.

Categories: Short Stories, Humour

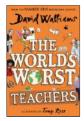


277. WORLD'S WORST CHILDREN 3, THE

David Walliams | Tony Ross (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$14.40

Look out! It's more badly behaved boys and ghoulish girls! Like Boastful Barnabas who is so big-headed he might just explode! And Tandy and her titanic tantrums and who will be crowned bully of the year! From number one bestselling author David Walliams come ten more hilarious and horrendous tales, illustrated throughout by artistic genius Tony Ross.

Categories: Short Stories, Humour

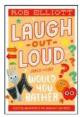


278. WORLD'S WORST TEACHERS, THE

David Walliams | Tony Ross (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$15.99 | School Price \$13.60

Think your teachers are bad? Wait until you meet this lot. These ten tales of the world's most splendidly sinister teachers will have you running for the school gates. Dr Dread teaches science and is half man, half monster! And watch out for the always furious Miss Seethe – she's on a detention rampage! From number one bestselling author David Walliams come ten delightfully dreadful tales, illustrated throughout by artistic genius Tony Ross.

Categories: Short Stories, Humour



279. WOULD YOU RATHER LAUGH-OUT-LOUD

Rob Elliott | Paperback | Age 6+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Would you rather... Ride on the back of a T-Rex or Fly on the back of a Pterodactyl? Choose your fun in this hilarious collection of Would You Rather jokes that are sure to keep the whole family laughing. Perfect for young comedians, class clowns, and jokesters of all ages!

Categories: Joke Books



280. WRONG SHOES, THE

Tom Percival | Paperback | Age 9+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$16.15

Will has the wrong shoes - he's always known it but doesn't know how to change it. Navigating the difficulties of home and school when you feel you stick out is tough, but finding confidence with the help and empathy of friends can be all you need to see the way.

Categories: Poverty, Desperation, Empathy, Confidence, Friendship



281. ZOMBIE IN UNDERLAND DIARY OF A MINECRAFT ZOMBIE

Zack Zombie | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$9.99 | School Price \$8.50

Ever wonder what life is like for a Minecraft Zombie? When Zombie follows a glitchy white Rabbit down a dark hole, he and his friends get stuck in a strange new biome. Weird things start to happen—Slimey grows to be three times his normal size, and Skelee gets super strong! They meet an evil Ghast who insists that Zombie plays a game with her, and they find out that the only way she will set them free is if he wins. Will Zombie win?



282. ZOMBIE STORIES STORIES TO SCARE YOUR SOCKS OFF!

Michael Dahl | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

An anthology of terrifically terrifying zombie stories for young horror fans! Hold on to your socks...and BRAINS!! Is a new video game turning everyone into zombies? Will zombie frogs transform science class into a deadly experiment? Can anyone escape Dr. Frankenstein's purr-fectly petrifying cat?! Discover the answers to these creepy questions and more in this collection of eight zombie stories that'll have you scared stiff.

Categories: Short Stories, Horror, Zombies

Australian Information



283. AUSTRALIA GLOBETROTTERS

Keith Dawson | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$27.00

Lets go Globetrotters We're travelling to Australia, home to unique wildlife and some of the world's most spectacular landscapes. Discover what life is like in Australia and how people live work and play. Find out about the food culture and language and visit some of the most beautiful natural wonders in the world. This exciting series takes students around the world country by country. Inside each book you'll find maps statistics fun facts and photographs as well as current information on the people culture and landscape of each country. Every book is a valuable resource designed to support students and teachers.

Categories: Countries, Australia



284. AUSTRALIAN MAMMALS WHAT'S THAT?

Myke Mollard | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

This What's That? book shows a wide range of Australian mammals, featuring the vibrant cinematic drawings of Myke Mollard and packed full of fascinating facts! From boisterous bandicoots and quirky quolls to whopping whales and distinctive dugongs — discover why wild nature is our most precious resource. Let's listen to what nature is talling us

Categories: Australian Animals



285. AUSTRALIAN REPTILES WHAT'S THAT?

Myke Mollard | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

This What's That? title features Myke Mollard's vibrant drawings of a wide range of Australian reptiles. And it's jampacked with fascinating facts! From flamboyant frilled lizards to burly blue-tongues, sun-loving skinks, menacing mulga snakes and bum-breathing turtles — children will discover why wild nature is our most precious resource.

Categories: Australian Animals, Reptiles



286. BEIJING WORLD'S GREATEST CITIES

John Lesley | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Beijing has an ancient heritage as a capital city. It has successfully transitioned from being an administrative centre for the Emperors to a powerhouse and hub for the government of the Peoples Republic of China. Beijings mix of historic hutongs and amazing modern buildings fascinates the whole world. The worlds great cities are more than just interesting places to visit. They are also centres of business government and culture. While all big cities face similar challenges in providing services for their inhabitants it is each citys unique features that we want to explore if we are ever lucky enough to travel there.

Categories: Countries, Cities, China, Beijing



287. DROP INTO THE OCEAN

Karen Wasson | Marta Tesoro (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Welcome to the ocean! It covers over 70 per cent of our planet and is home to literally trillions of animals and creatures. Our tour begins in the crystal-clear waters of the Mediterranean Sea. From here we will meet many different marine creatures, frolicking and exploring the world's interconnected oceans with us. We'll pay a visit to the Great White Cafe, play and romp through the kelp forests, get lost in the depths of the Mariana Trench, and sing with the whales. Our oceanic adventure comes to an end on sunny Australian shores.

Categories: Ocean Creatures, Ecosystems, Oceans



288. HOW BABIES ARE MADE

Philip Bunting | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

'How are babies made?' This is a book created to help apprehensive adults answer that age-old question, without any of the dodgy metaphors. So buckle up and get set to discover how people make new people.

Categories: Growth and Development, Reproduction



289. HOW TO SAVE THE WHOLE BLINKIN' PLANET

Lee Constable | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Join an electrifying mission exploring the future of energy! Find out more about everyday energy, our fossil-fuel climate culprits – coal, oil and gas – and the exciting world of renewables. Power up your brains! As an imagineer and eco-superhero, you will level up your energy know-how through quick quizzes and shocking facts, and learn more about the science behind power. You can be a bright spark just like our superhero, Captain Kilowatt! It's going to be a tonne of blinkin' fun!

Categories: Environmental Issues, Renewable Energy



290. KOOKABURRA AUSTRALIA'S REMARKABLE WILDLIFE

John Lesley | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

The call of the laughing kookaburra is distinctly Australian. Despite this the sound of its laugh has mistakenly been used to provide background sounds in movies about jungles in Africa and South America. Take a look inside this book to find out how the kookaburra's real lifestyle is much more fascinating than its fake celebrity oneAustralia has been an island continent surrounded by oceans for millions of years. During this long long time its animals have evolved into species that are unique and precious.Covered with feathers fur spikes or scales Australia's wild creatures can be beautiful frightening and even dangerous.Although all Australians know what kangaroos or koalas look like and where they live there are many other local animals whose ways of life are still a mystery even to scientists.Find out about Australia's wonderful animals in this series then look at them in a whole new way the next time you have a chance to get up close at a zoo in the wild or in your own backyard.

Categories: Australian Animals, Australian Birds, Birds, Kookaburra



291. LIFE ON US: EVERYTHING THAT LIVES ON US

Tim Flannery | Xavi Ramiro (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Our bodies are home to tens of thousands of species that aren't at all human – on our skin, inside our gut and even in our brain, and they can have an extraordinary impact on how we feel, act and live. Many organisms are microscopic, but some are far longer than we are. Some make frequent but temporary visits, while others stay for a very long time! Get ready to learn all about our amazing microbiome and the trouble–making germs and parasites you won't like to host. Scientist–extraordinaire Tim Flannery and his daughter Emma Flannery come together in this incredible exploration of a rapidly growing and enormously exciting area of science. Together, they've assembled possibly the weirdest collection of knowledge about the human body, from poo transfusions to research into how parasites can help us. Find out what's living on you!

Categories: Human Body, Organisms, Germs, Health

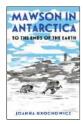


292. LONDON WORLD'S GREATEST CITIES

John Lesley | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$27.00

A city with an ancient heritage, London has developed into a centre of finance and commerce, with residents whose commitment to the arts has given it a vibrant theatre culture, and some of the world's best museums and galleries. Located on both sides of the River Thames, London is the most multi ethnic place in the UK. From Buckingham Palace to The London Eye and Westminster, London has attractions that date from the ancient to the ultra-modern. The world's great cities are more than just interesting places to visit. They are also centres of business, government and culture. While all big cities face similar challenges in providing services for their inhabitants, it is each city's unique features that we want to explore if we are ever lucky enough to travel there.

Categories: Countries, Cities, London



293. MAWSON IN ANTARCTICA: TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

Joanna Grochowicz | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Douglas Mawson is a national hero and Antarctic explorer, famous for one of the most extraordinary feats of endurance in the history of polar exploration. His amazing story is brought vividly to life in compelling narrative non-fiction by the acclaimed author of Into the White: Scott's Antarctic Odyssey, Amundsen's Way and Shackleton's Endurance.

Categories: Exploration, Explorers, Discovery, Adventure, Survival, Courage, Leadership, Antarctica



294. OCEANS AT NIGHT

Vanessa Pirotta | Cindy Lane (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

As night-time nears, a world of creatures come alive in our oceans. Settle in and explore the wonderful world under the waves, and see what animals do from sunset to sunrise. From penguins to sharks, giant squid and plankton, discover the fascinating after-dark lives of ocean creatures. Oceans at Night showcases the beauty and wonder of life below the sea, so dive deep and discover what happens while you sleep!

Categories: Ocean Creatures



295. PLANTABULOUS! MORE A-Z OF AUSTRALIAN PLANTS

Catherine Clowes | Rachel Gyan (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Plantabulous! presents 26 iconic and unique native plants for you to discover in your local park, bushland or even your own backyard! Filled with fabulous facts, activities and illustrations, Plantabulous! will prove just how fabulous Australia's native plants really are!

Categories: Plants, Native Plants, Flora



296. SCIENCE ALL AROUND US: BIG QUESTIONS FOR CURIOUS K

Mei Liu | Chris Nixon (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Lift the flaps to discover fascinating facts about the world around you, including answers to questions like... How do we know what's out there in space? What do we do with all this poo? If we can't see it, how do we know it's real? This stunningly illustrated book draws on the scientific knowledge of Scienceworks experts, and will inspire readers to see the many ways that science is always all around us.

Categories: STEM, Science



297. TASMANIAN DEVIL AUSTRALIA'S REMARKABLE WILDLIFE

John Lesley | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$27.00

A Tasmanian devil screeching in the forest sounds like a huge fearsome animal. They certainly do have strong jaws and sharp teeth but the Tasmanian devil is no bigger than a little dog. They can be aggressive and angry but some of them allow zookeepers to cuddle them. They have double personalities many survival issues and are dangerously close to extinction. Australia has been an island continent surrounded by oceans for millions of years. During this long long time its animals have evolved into species that are unique and precious. Covered with feathers fur spikes or scales Australia's wild creatures can be beautiful frightening and even dangerous. Although all Australians know what kangaroos or koalas look like and where they live there are many otherlocal animals whose ways of life are still a mystery even to scientists. Find out about Australia's wonderful animals in this series then look at them in a whole new way the next time you have a chance to get up close at a zoo in the wild or in your own backyard.

Categories: Australian Animals, Tasmanian Devil



298. TREE

Claire Saxby | Jess Racklyeft (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

Can you see the forest on this misty-morning mountain? Can you see where the tree stands? It is the tallest in this forest of tall trees. This tree is older than those who find it, younger than the land it grows from. Between sapwood and heartwood, water rises and energy flows. Listen to the leaves bustle. Smell the forest air .This is the world of the tree

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Ecosystems, Trees, Nature, Habitats, Environment



299. UNITED STATES GLOBETROTTERS

Jane Hinchey | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$27.00

This exciting series takes students around the world country by country. Inside each book you'll find maps statistics fun facts and photographs as well as current information on the people culture and landscape of each country. Every book is a valuable resource designed to support students and teachers.

Categories: Countries, USA



300. YOUR BRILLIANT BRAIN

Philip Bunting | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$19.99

It is pretty easy to argue that the human brain is the most extraordinary thing in the known universe. But there is so much we don't know about the thing behind our eyes. Where do thoughts come from? Why do we dream? Why have our brains become 10% smaller over the past ten to twelve thousand years? Why do we get brain-freeze? Why!? Okay, that last one ... we do know the answer to. But there is much to learn – and much fun to be had – by taking a quick poke around the human brain (which would feel a bit like tofu, or firm jelly, if you did poke it).

Categories: Human Body, Brain

General Information



301. 50 MAPS OF THE WORLD: EXPLORE THE GLOBE

Ben Handicott | Sol Linero (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Discover the most awesome places on Earth. 50 Maps of the World is an exciting cross-cultural journey for budding young explorers. This adventurous kids atlas collection is bursting with colour, facts and rich detail.

Categories: Atlas, Culture, History

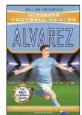


302. ALL ABOUT YOU AND YOUR BODY ALL ABOUT

Felicity Brooks | Marc Ferrero (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Young children will enjoy this lively look at all the incredible things the human body can do, what it needs to stay healthy and how to look after it. The wide-ranging topics such as senses, germs, feelings, exercise, food, sleep and toothcare are all brought to life by the delightful illustrations. There's a celebration of different body shapes and sizes and information about why bodies look different including skin colour, disability, hair type and age. The book also explores how bodies grow and change as children get older.

Categories: Human Body



303. ALVAREZ ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

Matt Oldfield | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Julin Ivarez's extravagant football skills won him a youth team place at the famous Argentinian club River Plate at the age of 12, and he quickly rose through the ranks. By 18, the gifted striker was show casing his prowess in the Copa Libertadores and, before long, represented Argentina in international competitions, earning praise as one of the nation's brightest young talents. In 2022, Europe's top clubs took notice, and Julin made a high-profile transfer to spearhead the attack of one of the continent's footballing giants: Manchester City.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography

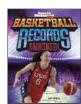


304. ANCIENT WORLDS: TRAVEL BACK IN TIME AND DISCOVER

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$29.70

Ancient Worlds is a tour through history's most influential civilizations between 3000 BCE and 750 CE, capturing moments that reveal the culture and technology that made them great. From Sumer, the world's earliest civilization, to the heyday of the Maya, the tour crosses every continent, taking in developments in urban planning, art and architecture, religion, warfare, trade, and cultural exchange. Discover how deep knowledge of the Sun, sea, and stars enabled ancient seafarers to navigate the Pacific Ocean; witness the highs and lows of a thrilling chariot race in the Roman Empire's greatest hippodrome; and marvel at the military might of the Mauryan Empire and its incredible war elephants. Full of fascinating detail, each scene is a window on the lives of the most powerful and innovative peoples in times past.

Categories: Ancient Civilizations, Culture, Technology



305. BASKETBALL RECORDS SMASHED! SPORTS ILLUSTRATED KIDS

Brendan Flynn | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Basketball is filled with great plays from strong playerslike Russell Westbrooks record-breaking triple-doubles in 2021 and Sue Bird and Diana Taurasis hard-to-beat Olympic gold medals. In this Sports Illustrated Kids book young readers can experience these exciting moments and other record-breaking achievements in basketball. Fast-paced and fact-filled this collection of record smashers will delight sports fans with thrilling feats in basketball.

Categories: Sport, Basketball



306. BASKETBALL: AMAZING BUT TRUE STORIES WHO GOT GAME?

Derek Barnes | Paperback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$27.00

Capturing all the joy and energy that mark the sport of basketball, bestselling and award-winning superstar author Derrick Barnes shines a light on the amazing ballers, buzzer-beaters, and record-breakers who haven't always gotten the attention they deserve. Middle-grade readers will discover the highest-scoring game in NCAA history. The influential centre, George Mikan, who created the modern big man role, and 5'3" Muggsy Bogues, the shortest player ever to star in the pros. The pioneering Senda Berenson Abbott, creator of the women's game. The legendary Rucker Park b-ball court in Harlem, New York. Plus, the first African American players and coaches, greatest comeback victories and earth-shattering slam dunks, longest winning streaks, and so much more. This book will hit you like a three-pointer from half-court!

Categories: Sport, Basketball

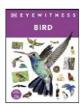


307. BEYONCE LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Jade Orlando (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

In this book from the Little People, BIG DREAMS series, discover the inspiring life of Beyonce, the chart-topping superstar. Beyonce was quiet as a child but always enjoyed singing and dancing. She loved putting on shows for the people having their hair cut in her mum's salon, but knew she was destined for a bigger audience. After winning a local talent show, Beyonce joined the newly formed girl group Girls Tyme. The band eventually became Destinys. As a solo artist, she has since achieved incredible success with numerous number one hits and several critically acclaimed and award-winning albums. She has received the most grammy nominations of any artist in history and is now one of the most influential people in the world. As well as being a performer, she is a mother, businesswoman, philanthropist and role model for all those who want to reach for the stars.

Categories: Famous People, Music, Entertainment

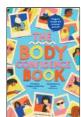


308. BIRD EYEWITNESS

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Find out about some of the 9,500 species of birds that live in a huge range of habitats, from deserts and rainforests to the polar ice caps. As well as finding out about different orders of birds, take a detailed look at individual feathers, beak shapes, and explore behaviour, from fish- and meat-eaters to seed- and plant-eaters. Witness the breathtaking moment when a chick hatches from its egg and watch as the young birds grow in their nest to take their first flight. Discover record-breaking flights and amazing camouflage. DK Eyewitness Bird gives a detailed overview to a fascinating animal species and will encourage you to spot the incredible birds on the wing around you.

Categories: Birds



309. BODY CONFIDENCE BOOK, THE

Phillippa Diedrichs | Naomi Wilkinson (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

In this groundbreaking book for teens, research psychologist Professor Phillippa Diedrichs empowers us to respect our bodies and disrupt the harmful societal pressures we experience every day. By age 15, 60% of us lack body confidence. It's now seen as normal to grow up feeling unhappy with our bodies. But it doesn't have to be this way. From filtered faces and dangerous body expectations on social media, to the pressures put on us by friends and family, our bodies have been through enough. The time is now to rally against these outdated ideals and create communities that celebrate the diversity of our bodies.

Categories: Self Esteem/Resilience, Body Image, Identity, Empowerment



310. BUG'S WORLD, A

Erica Mcalister | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Bugs might be small, but their impact is HUGE! Did you know that... Flies can help us solve crimes? Spiders can be astronauts? Moths are the ultimate fashion designers? From making our food to keeping the planet clean and solving crimes, bugs come to our rescue every day. Often without us even realising! Discover the extraordinary things that bugs do for us - and how we can look after them too - in this beautifully illustrated book of creepy-crawlies written by the Natural History Museum's senior entomologist

Categories: Minibeasts, Bugs, Insects



311. CHILDREN'S BOOK OF THE FUTURE, THE

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

The Children's Book of the Future is a narrative non-fiction book that will offer an inclusive and hopeful vision of the future, with a diverse, multicultural approach that will appeal to children of all backgrounds and further appeal to the foreign market audience. The book will consist of approximately eighteen chapters that each take inspiration from current scientific research. They'll present engaging, optimistic futures that could result from the real-world science, with insets delving into how that science works. The book will be highly illustrated throughout to make complex ideas more accessible, as well as to better depict the wondrous futures that could be ahead. Some of the diverse visions explored include- underwater cities; the solar system and space travel; green technologies and sustainability; robots and Al; the future of cities; and much more! In short, the book sets out to reclaim the future for current and future generations of children.

Categories: Narrative Non Fiction, Aboriginal Studies, Ecosystems, Trees, Nature



312. CREATIVE CRAFTING: FIRST BOOK OF UPCYCLING

Daniela Sosa | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

Creative Crafting is an accessible introduction to upcycling. With bright engaging illustrations and easy to follow step-by-step instructions, there are sixteen fun projects that can be made from recycling and everyday items from around the house. With quick and easy makes, such as bedroom bunting from cereal boxes and juggling balls using odd socks to more complicated activities like tin can tea-lights and denim dog toys, there's something for every child. Perfect for crafternoons, rainy days and holidays, give your recycling a new lease of life and turn it into something to treasure for ever!

Categories: Art/Craft, Recycling



313. DAY IN THE LIFE OF SNAKES, A DAY IN THE LIFE

Christian Cave | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Journey around the world to follow the lives of these cold-blooded reptiles as they hunt, hide, and fight their way through their day. Biologist and conservationist Christian Cave tells the story of the world's most amazing venomous snakes in the style of a nature documentary, including gentle science explanations of topics such as camouflage and skin shedding that are perfect for future biologists. Witness incredible moments including: A paradise flying snake soaring through the air to escape a predator, a king cobra defending her eggs from a mongoose, and a spider-tailed viper using its tail to catch birds! Beautifully illustrated by Rebecca Mills and packed with animal facts, Snakes (A Day in the Life) encourages kids to look at the roles these incredible legless predators play in ecosystems across the globe, and why it's important we protect them.

Categories: Lifecycles, Snakes, Reptiles, Ecosystems



314. DINOSAUR KNOWLEDGE GENIUS!

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$37.99 | School Price \$34.20

Dinosaur Knowledge Genius! is packed with more than 80 topics covering everything you need to know about the fascinating world of dinosaurs. Which were the most fearsome predators? How big were the most gigantic planteaters? Why did so many dinosaurs have frills, crests, or spikes? Did dinosaurs really lay eggs? Which ones had feathers? The pages teem with eye-popping pictures - but do you know what they show? To help you, "Test Yourself" panels list what you're looking for. With three levels of difficulty, the challenge gets harder from Starter to Challenger and the truly tricky Genius category. There's a fun fact with every picture to give a helpful clue.

Categories: Dinosaurs



315. DO YOU LOVE PETS? WHY PETS ARE SIMPLY SPECTACULAR!

Matt Robertson | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$13.59

Some pets are cute and cuddly, some are cold and slimy, others might be a bit pinchy or bitey. From a lobster that was walked through the public gardens of Paris, to 800 dogs that had their own room in a palace and their very own butler, our pets can be pampered and spoilt, but they can also be life-saving and hard-working. Matt Robertson brings incredible facts, hilarious illustrations and insightful stories about pets of all shapes and sizes to the next title in his hugely successful Do You Love? series.

Categories: Pets



316. ENDANGERED ANIMALS: A WORLD OF THREATENED SPECIES

Martin Jenkins | Tom Frost (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Travel the world and discover animals under threat in this beautiful gift book from conservation biologist and award-winning author Martin Jenkins. From the mighty Asian elephant to the tiny rosalia longicorn beetle, creatures all over the world are under threat like never before in human history. Travelling around the world in a series of striking graphic stamps from printmaker Tom Frost, this timely book introduces some of the threatened species and explores why they are in danger. Written by conservation biologist and award-winning author Martin Jenkins, this is a beautiful and illuminating journey through the world of endangered animals.

Categories: Endangered Species, Conservation



317. FELIX TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

With his creativity, acrobatic talent and sheer speed, Joao Felix can make top-level football look effortless. But Joao's journey to the top has not been easy. As a skinny kid he'd already given up on football once, before harnessing his inner strength and determination to win both the Portuguese and the Spanish leagues. Join "the heir to Ronaldo" on his mission to become one of the greatest players in the game.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



318. FLIGHT EYEWITNESS

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Eyewitness Flight is an essential guide to the history and science of humanity's most incredible feat- flying! Young readers will pore over stunning photography and fascinating facts, featuring aircraft from Leonardo da Vinci's wing machines to jet airliners, as well as helicopters, gliders, zeppelins, monoplanes, biplanes, and even triplanes. Learn how technology made flight possible, which tools pilots use, and how taking to the skies has shaped human history.

Categories: Aviation, Flight



319. FOOTBALL ENCYCLOPEDIA. THE

Clive Gifford | Paperback | RRP \$26.99 | School Price \$22.95

Read about superstar players from Jude Bellingham and Sam Kerr to Erling Haaland and Bukayo Saka. Follow your favourite teams in the Premier League, La Liga, the Bundesliga and around the globe. And get the lowdown on the greatest tournaments and competitions, from the FA Cup and the Copa América to the FIFA World Cup and the UEFA EUROs. The book now features expanded material on women's football, one of the world's fastest-growing sports. It's packed with pictures and profiles of the world's most skilful players – old and new. Over 50 of the best sides to have lit up the game are covered in detail, including the England men's and women's teams. All the drama of the "beautiful game" is fully analysed with dynamic full-spread photos and artworks that recreate famous moves and goals, and there is in-depth coverage of every aspect of football, including rules and skills; fans and the media; coaches and tactics. Packed with the latest statistics and fully updated for this new edition, this is a superbly detailed reference book for all the family.

Categories: Sport, Soccer, Football



320. FOOTBALL'S GREATEST MOMENTS ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

Tom Palmer | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

From the invention of the modern sport all the way to the present day, bestselling author and football expert Tom Palmer picks ONE HUNDRED of the most thrilling and significant goals, games, and players from more than 150 years of the Beautiful Game. Featuring Pele's World Cup, Maradona's Hand of God, John Barnes' Maracana magic, and the Lionesses' European Championship triumph, this is an endlessly fascinating treasury of stories for fans of all ages.

Categories: Sport, Soccer, Football

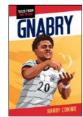


321. FROM PLANT TO PLATE

Darryl Gadzekpo | Hardback | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$28.05

Grab your shovel and plant for a recipe! Discover 15 incredible plants, including courgettes, raspberries, and basil, then find out what it takes to make them grow. From showing you how seeds should be planted to helping you find the best soil for your plants, Darryl Gadzekpo and Ella Phillips offer all the tips you need to transform seeds into mighty fruit, vegetables, and herbs. But the fun doesn't end here! Remove those muddy boots, head to the kitchen, and learn how to prepare and cook your home-grown ingredients. With more than 25 tasty recipe ideas from basil pesto pasta to squash muffins, you'll master a variety of plant-powered food that you'll love to cook and eat.

Categories: Food, Cooking, Cookbook, Grdening, Nutrition



322. GNABRY TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

At the age of ten Serge Gnabry was wanted by some of the biggest football clubs in the world. His route to superstardom looked clear. But after struggling to break into first teams potentially career-ending injuries and an infamously disastrous loan spell Serge had to fight to become Bayern Munich's deadliest weapon and Germany's brightest light. Follow him on his extraordinary journey to the top. Sometimes when that journey isn't smooth the result only makes it all the more worthwhile. This biography is one of the titles in Ransom's Tales from the Pitch series. These books offers a fresh take on the familiar football biography format. Each of these fast-moving reads focuses on one football superstar some players who are still to reach the summit of their career and others who are the already at the top of their game. These are exhilarating reads about players from all walks of life. Many have faced failure injury and rejection to ultimately make their dreams come true and have inspirational stories. So meet the footballers behind the iconic tackles and goals and find out what makes each of these players so special.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



323. GOING FOR GOLD

Andy Seed | James Weston Lewis (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$23.80

Learn how to read and write ancient Greek in this gripping puzzle mystery story about the ancient Olympics, written by Blue Peter Award-winning author Andy Seed! When ancient Greek friends Phoebe and Leon discover that a pentathlon athlete is cheating in the Olympic Games, they decide that they must stop him before it's too late. But there are a lot of puzzles to solve along the way, from a mysterious message discovered in the temple to a suspicious conversation at the stadion. Will Phoebe and Leon be able to stop the villain before the winner is crowned? It's a race to the finish line!

Categories: Mystery, Sport, Olympic Games



324. GUARDIOLA TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

When Josep 'Pep' Guardiola was part of Barcelona's 'Dream Team', he knew he wanted to swap the pitch for the touchline. But learning how to handle the pressure, the press and the outrageous talent at the top of football doesn't happen overnight. From his experiences as a player to his time leading some of the most formidable sides in football history, this is the incredible story of how Pep forged himself into one of the greatest tactical managers of all time. One manager, one dream: to become a legend.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography

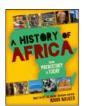


325. HAALAND TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Strong, quick, and physically dominant – Erling Haaland is the striker who has it all. From an early age, his impatience and his determination to succeed always singled him out as a player to watch. This is the inspiring story of how a boy from Bryne in Norway used his extraordinary skill and his total self-belief to become one of the greatest strikers in the world.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



326. HISTORY OF AFRICA, A

Robin Walker | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

A History of Africa takes an in-depth look at the rich and fascinating, but often unreported, history of the African continent through the ages. From prehistoric Africa, through ancient Egypt to the African kingdoms, the slave trade, colonialism and countries' struggles for independence, right up to the modern-day continent, this book celebrates this vast continent and its people. The text is supported by strong, striking images and will include a section on teaching Black history.

Categories: Countries, Africa, History



327. I FIGHT, YOU FIGHT

Alex Noble | Hardback | Age 15+ | RRP \$34.99 | School Price \$29.75

The inspiring story of a young man whose wisdom and strength can teach us all how to live life to the fullest, no matter what it throws at us. Sixteen-year-old Alex Noble was a high school rugby star with a promising sporting career ahead of him when an on-field injury left him fighting for his life in the ICU. Following a four-day coma and a diagnosis of C4 quadriplegia, Alex's first words to his brother Zac were, 'If I fight, you fight.' These words became a war cry as Alex's friends, family and community rallied around him, watching in awe as he fought to regain control over his body and defy his diagnosis. From learning to breathe and move again to travelling the world, starting his own business, and even going skydiving, Alex's story is about the power of mastering your own mind, finding happiness and taking risks to achieve your goals – no matter how out of reach they may seem. Full of warmth, humour and insight, this is a book that will teach you principles to live your life by, written by a young man who has put them into practice.

Categories: Biography, Inspirational



328. KANE TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Now one of England's biggest stars, it might come as no surprise that, at 11 years old, Harry Kane told David Beckham he was going to captain England. But coaches' doubts, disappointing loan spells and crushing defeats often made that dream look impossible. Discover Harry's twisting journey, growing up just a stone's throw from his boyhood club and then going on to become their most lethal striker - and the man who led England to their first European final.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



329. KANTE TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Coaches always thought that N'Golo Kant was too small and too shy to make it in the world of football. But with hard work natural talent and a true love for the game N'Golo is now the superstar midfielder who brings victory to every team he's a part of. Discover his journey - from picking up bottles in the streets of Paris to winning trophies on the world stage - proving that no one is ever too small to make it big. This biography is one of the titles in Ransom's Tales from the Pitch series. These books offers a fresh take on the familiar football biography format Each of these fast-moving reads focuses on one football superstar some players who are still to reach the summit of their career and others who are the already at the top of their game. These are exhilarating reads about players from all walks of life. Many have faced failure injury and rejection to ultimately make their dreams come true and have inspirational stories. So meet the footballers behind the iconic tackles and goals and find out what makes each of these players so special.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



330. KLOPP TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Once described as a man with a first division head and fourth division feet, Juergen Klopp's route into football was far from easy. But his infectious charisma, combined with the relentless energy of his 'Heavy Metal Football', meant that his success in management was inevitable. This is the extraordinary story of how Juergen overcame failure in Frankfurt to become one of the greatest managers in the world, conquering German, English, and Champions League football along the way.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



331 KNOWLEDGE ENCYCLOPEDIA: TRANSPORT

Dorling Kindersley | Hardback | RRP \$42.99 | School Price \$36.55

A complete children's transport encyclopedia, explaining how road, rail, air, and water vehicles get us from A to B. Knowledge Encyclopedia- Transport! uses incredibly detailed 3D illustrations to show you everything you need to know about how vehicles work. Peer inside a car engine, feel the roar of a jet, watch a helicopter's rotor create lift, and explore below the decks of an ocean liner. Meet hundreds of vehicles that float, fly, or speed across the land, including the record breakers - the fastest, largest, longest, and strangest modes of transportation ever to zoom, sail, or soar. And check out current and future craft that use green energy to transport people and goods around the world. Part of DK's hugely successful Knowledge Encyclopedia series, this is the perfect gift for young transport enthusiasts, who are curious about motors and machines.

Categories: Transport



332. LEWANDOWSKI TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Robert Lewandowski is one of the best strikers of his generation – but his journey to the top wasn't always easy. Finding himself without a club at the age of 17 Robert had no choice but to claw his way up through the ranks of Polish football. It led him to the top of one of the world's toughest leagues the German Bundesliga. Join Robert on his unwavering mission to become one of the greatest players of all time. This biography is one of the titles in Ransom's Tales from the Pitch series. These books offers a fresh take on the familiar football biography format Each of these fast-moving reads focuses on one football superstar some players who are still to reach the summit of their career and others who are the already at the top of their game. These are exhilarating reads about players from all walks of life. Many have faced failure injury and rejection to ultimately make their dreams come true and have inspirational stories. So meet the footballers behind the iconic tackles and goals and find out what makes each of these players so special.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



333. MAHREZ TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Stuck in the French fourth division at 22, it didn't look as if Riyad Mahrez was going to set the football world alight. But the winger's speed, trickery and his eye for goal was too impressive to go unnoticed - and a move to the UK set Riyad on a new path... Join him on his mission to make his opportunity count - to shock the world by rewriting the history books and lifting the biggest trophies in the game.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



334. MBAPPE TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

As a teenager Kylian Mbapp was one of the best footballers on the planet. Now - he just keeps on getting better. Kylian's skill pace and sensational finishing have fired his clubs and his country to incredible victories whilst he has established himself firmly in the record books. Follow the whirlwind journey of this football-mad boy from Paris who never let the weight of the world's expectations slow his journey to becoming a legend. This biography is one of the titles in Ransom's Tales from the Pitch series. These books offers a fresh take on the familiar football biography format Each of these fast-moving reads focuses on one football superstar some players who are still to reach the summit of their career and others who are the already at the top of their game. These are exhilarating reads about players from all walks of life. Many have faced failure injury and rejection to ultimately make their dreams come true and have inspirational stories. So meet the footballers behind the iconic tackles and goals and find out what makes each of these players so special.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



335. MESSI TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Even at the age of five, Lionel Messi stood out as an astonishing player. Relocating from Argentina to Barcelona at the age of just 13, he was ready to take the world by storm. But being the foundation of a great Barcelona squad brings its pressures too, especially when the manager chooses to build his team around you. Join Lionel on his incredible journey to become the man who many have called the greatest player of all time.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



336. MIND FUEL FOR YOUNG EXPLORERS: BUILD MENTAL RESILI

Bear Grylls | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Bear Grylls draws on his survival experience to share the principles that have helped him overcome fear, develop a positive mindset and live life with confidence. Written with emotional health advocate Will Van Der Hart, MIND FUEL FOR YOUNG EXPLORERS offers you practical ways to help you to increase your resilience, combat stress and learn more about yourself. Brilliantly illustrated throughout and including new introductions from Bear, come and explore topics like motivation, courage, relationships, self-care and determination. We've teamed up with children's experts to handpick the best bits of Bear's book for grownups - Mind Fuel - to create this relevant guide for whatever life throws at you.

Categories: Self Esteem/Resilience, Courage, Determination, Motivation



337 MY FIRST BOOK OF SPACE

Camilla De La Bedoyere | Aaron Cushley (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Split into four clear sections on: What is Space?, Outer Space, The Solar System and The Space Age, discover how the universe was formed, the order of the planets in our Solar System and each of their unique features, how we get shooting stars, humankind's many successful journeys into space and much more. Aaron Chushley's vivid and captivating illustrations are accompanied by carefully written text for young readers by children's science writer Camilla de la Bedoyere. Consulted by experts at the Royal Greenwich Observatory.

Categories: Space, Space Exploration, Planets, Solar System



338. ODD ANIMALS OUT: MORE THAN 75 ANIMALS

Ben Hoare | Hardback | RRP \$27.99 | School Price \$25.20

From a vegetarian shark and a solar-powered salamander, to a flying frog and a bone-munching bird, this book is all about the "odd ones out" in the natural world. Get acquainted with quirky animal outliers around the world, and find out what these non-conformists do to survive in the wild, and how they have evolved over time. Presenting these recent discoveries, Ben Hoare's friendly, informative explanations are paired with stunning photographs and charming illustrations to make sure every page captivates the imagination.

Categories: Animals, Differences, Facts, Animal Behaviour

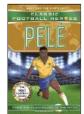


339. ON YOUR MARKS, GET SET, GOLD!

Scott Allen | Antoine Corbineau (Illustrator) | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

From boxing to boccia, find out just what it takes to become an Olympic and Paralympic star in this hilariously informative guide to the games. For each sport you'll discover why it's great, why it's not so great, what skills and equipment you'll need to start practising and even how to sound like a pro! You'll learn about some of the greatest Olympians in history, events that might appear in the future and there's a helpful guide to your chances of becoming a champion. An exciting, laugh-a-minute guide to every Olympic and Paralympic sport - updated for the 2024 Paris Olympics!

Categories: Sport, Olympic Games



340. PELE ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

Matt Oldfield | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Considered as one of the greatest players of all time, Brazilian striker Pel holds the Guinness World record for most goals scored, with a total of 1,283 goals in 1,363 matches. Raised in poverty in the state of So Paulo, Pel was taught to play football by his father – as they could not afford a ball they played with a grapefruit or a sock stuffed with newspaper. Pel tells the incredible story of how Edson Arantes do Nascimento, nicknamed Pel, grew up to become the greatest player of the 20th century.

Categories: Sport, Soccer, Football



341. PULISIC TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Born in a country not noted for its top-level football, it was never certain that Christian Pulisic would be able to realise his full potential. But his youth, agility and impressive skills have taken Christian to one of the most demanding leagues in the world - and made him captain of the United States national team. This is the astonishing story of how this impressive youngster became the most expensive American player in history.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



342. RAFA NADAL LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Rocio Ledesma (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Little Rafa was born in Majorca, Spain. Encouraged by his two uncles, he loved playing football and tennis, but found that he particularly excelled at tennis. At only fifteen years old, he became a professional! Soon, he was ranked as one of the best on the court, and at age twenty-two, he was proclaimed the number one tennis player in the whole world. Since then, Rafa has won many trophies, including twenty-two Grand Slams. His self-confidence, perseverance and determination are the keys to his success. Today, he is considered one of the best tennis players in history.

Categories: Sport, Tennis, Biography



343. RECORD BREAKERS AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES

Rob Walker | Hardback | RRP \$36.99 | School Price \$31.45

Comprehensive in scope, the book features record performances in every sport and discipline since Athens 1896, and highlights the jawdropping efforts and dramatic moments that make up the Games tapestry of tales. Additionally, the book charts new sporting additions, such as skateboarding and rock-climbing, which have attracted a new legion of young fans. There is also a section devoted to the Paralympics, citing the stars and star performances that have propelled the profile of the Paralympic movement in modern times. This is a perfect guide for young fans in the run up to the Paris Games in 2024.

Categories: Sport, Olympic Games



344. SAKA TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$12.75

Bukayo Saka's versatility and sheer creativity on the pitch marked him out as a player who would take the football world by storm. But that same versatility often left him battling for a consistent place in the starting line-up, as coaches tried to work out how to use him to best advantage. Join Bukayo Saka on his exhilarating journey to the very top of international football, taking in devastating heartbreak as well as glorious successes on the way.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



345. SANCHO TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

As a teenager, Jadon Sancho walked away from one of the biggest football clubs – and managers – on the planet. The world of football thought he was crazy. But with hard work, natural talent and total self belief, Jadon is now at the top of one of the world's toughest leagues and at the heart of England's national team. This is the incredible story of how a football-mad boy from London trusted his instincts and left his home country to make his dream come true.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



346. SILVA TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

At the age of nine, Bernardo Silva fulfilled his childhood dream of playing for Benfica, when he joined their youth academy. But getting into the first team proved to be much more difficult than he expected. His journey into professional football wasn't easy, but his flexibility, his sheer skill and his willingness to work harder than anyone else was always going to win out. Join wonderkid Bernardo Silva on his journey to the very top, winning countless trophies and achieving international stardom with one of the greatest teams in the world.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



347. SIMONE BILES LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG DREAMS

Maria Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Nadia Fisher (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Growing up in foster care, Simone's gymnastics training was an anchor in her life. An energetic child, she loved to tumble and spin in the air at gymnastics class, and began her career as an athlete aged just 14. By 19, she had won four gold medals for the USA. Despite the hardships, she has faced them all to become one of the greatest athletes of all time, and an advocate for mental health awareness.

Categories: Sport, Gymnastics, Biography



348. SOCCER RECORDS SMASHED! SPORTS ILLUSTRATED KIDS

Brendan Flynn | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

In soccer fast footwork can lead to some fantastic featslike Carli Lloyds early hat trick during a 2015 Womens World Cup match and Miroslav Klose breaking Ronaldos record for the most World Cup goals. In this Sports Illustrated Kids book young readers can experience record-breaking plays in soccer. Fast-paced and fact-filled this collection of record smashers will delight sports fans with thrilling achievements in soccer history.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer



349. SON TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

A year after signing for Tottenham Hotspur, football player Son Heung-min asked to leave. Now he's a Spurs legend who's showing no signs of slowing down. Widely considered to be one of the best wingers in the world, Son was selected as one of the 30 best players in the world for 2019. Discover the incredible story of this boy from South Korea, who learnt discipline from his dad and German by watching Spongebob.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



350. STERLING TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

It didn't always look as though Raheem Sterling would make it as a world-class player. From a difficult start in life to a tough time in the spotlight Raheem has always had to think on his feet. This is the incredible story of how a boy who grew up in the shadow of Wembley Stadium used his grit and passion to steer himself to the very top. This fictionalised biography is one of the new titles in Ransom's Tales from the Pitch series. Each book focuses on one up-and-coming football superstar often players who are still to reach the summit of their career. The players are from all walks of life and have faced failure injury and rejection making these moving and inspirational stories. The books are brimming with football banter that will have the knowing fans smiling. And each players story is littered with football tricks and tips so readers can learn the arts of the glorious game. Tales of the Pitch are easy to read and very fast-paced reads. At only 120 pages long printed on cream paper with a dyslexia-friendly font these are ideal books for reluctant and dyslexic readers.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



351. TENZING NORGAY LITTLE PEOPLE. BIG DREAMS

Isabella Sanchez Vegara | Bandana Tulachan (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$15.99

Discover the life of Tenzing Norgay, one of the first two people to reach the summit of Mount Everest in 1953. When Tenzing was young, he spent much of his childhood tending to the family's yaks and gazing up at the Himalaya mountains, dreaming of the day he would reach the top. Once he grew up, he joined many other Sherpas who were offering to take Europeans up the highest mountain of all – Chomolungma or Everest. It was the chance he needed to make his childhood dream a reality. He was 39 when he was joined by Edmund Hilary and they became the first two people to reach the summit of Chomolungma. Tenzing came back down the mountain as one of the most respected mountain climbers and a hero across the world.

Categories: Exploration, Discovery, Biography, Mountainering

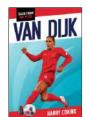


352. ULTIMATE OCEAN ENCYCLOPEDIA, THE

Jon Richards | Hardback | RRP \$39.99 | School Price \$36.00

This new and unique encyclopedia is an amazing new visual guide to the planet's seas and oceans. Using amazing photography and cutting edge CG images, readers can explore every aspect of our oceans, from the submarines that explore them to the vast array of life that lives in them. Discover the plants and animals that exist in every ocean habitat, from the shore to the lowest trenches. You'll learn about sealife including crustaceans, coral, anenomes, every kind of fish, as well as mammals like sealions, dolphins and orcas, and ocean giants like the Blue Whale. Readers will also be able to see how humans have lived with the ocean for millennia, and how our actions today can doom or save our amazing oceans in the years ahead.

Categories: Ocean Creatures



353. VAN DIJK TALES FROM THE PITCH

Harry Coninx | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Quick composed and physically dominant – Virgil van Dijk is the defender who has it all. But from washing dishes while he tried to secure his first professional contract to facing rejection and serious illness it didn't always seem as if Virgil was going to make it to the top. This is the inspiring story of how a boy from Breda used his determination and self-belief to become one of the greatest defenders in the world. This biography is one of the titles in Ransom's Tales from the Pitch series. These books offers a fresh take on the familiar football biography format Each of these fast-moving reads focuses on one football superstar some players who are still to reach the summit of their career and others who are the already at the top of their game. These are exhilarating reads about players from all walks of life. Many have faced failure injury and rejection to ultimately make their dreams come true and have inspirational stories. So meet the footballers behind the iconic tackles and goals and find out what makes each of these players so special.

Categories: Sport, Football, Soccer, Biography



354. VERSTAPPEN RULES SPORTS SUPERSTARS

Simon Mugford | Dan Green (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 8+ | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$11.99

Regarded as Fl's finest competitor in 2022, Verstappen is the current double world champion and the driver to beat. Son of Dutch Fl star Jos Verstappen, Max has already competed in 159 races in the premier class, claiming 32 victories and a total of 74 podium finishes so far. He has a huge following throughout Europe, especially the Netherlands, where he was named NOS Sportsman of the Year in 2022. Packed with cool facts, delightfully fun illustrations and inspirational quotes, this easy-to-read fan guide follows Verstappen's meteoric rise from a go-Kart racing champion to the subsequent Championship wins that have made him a living legend.

Categories: Famous People, Sport, Motor Racing



355. WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT AI: A BEGINNER'S GUIDE

Brian David Johnson | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

What actually is AI? Will it take over the world? And one day, will it tidy your bedroom...? In this beginner's guide, learn everything you need to know about AI, from how it helps us discover epic stuff up in space or under the sea, to whether it might even help you build your own dinosaur. With AI expert and Futurist, Brian David Johnson, discover what AI is, where it came from, the cool ways it's being used today, and how it might shape and reimagine your future. Full of super-cool facts, myth busters and insight from experts around the world, this book offers a balanced, informed and fascinating view on the biggest topic of our time.

Categories: STEM, Science, Technology, Inventions, Artificial Intelligence



356. WHEREVER YOU GO

Alexandra Penfold | Paperback | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$11.99

In this warm and heartfelt story from the bestselling creators of All Are Welcome, follow a group of families whose preschool children are finally heading to 'big school'. As all the kids prepare for their big graduation day, their parents look back on how their little ones have grown and promise them that they will always be loved. That they will always belong. That wherever they go and whoever they become, their families will always be proud of them.

Categories: Growing Up, Love, Diversity, Positivity

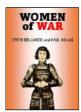


357 WHY DO FIFPHANTS HAVE RIG FARS?

Steve Jenkins | Robin Page (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$23.99

Do you know why a camel has a hump? A Zebra has stripes? Or why wombats have cube-shaped poop? Find out the answers in this fun and beautifully illustrated book, and learn oodles of other intriguing facts about the animal world. It's the perfect gift for any kid who loves animals and is always asking "Why?" because who doesn't want to know why a flamingo stands on one leg?

Categories: Animals, Facts



358. WOMEN OF WAR

Steph Bellwood | Paperback | Age 10+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

Six true stories of six brave women who defeated all the odds to inspire their armies to victory. Some of these women are well known whilst others have been more hidden from the history books.

Categories: Bravery, Heroine



359. WONDERFUL ME: FIRST GUIDE TO TAKING CARE OF YOURSE

Nancy Shapiro | Vania Sacramento (Illustrator) | Hardback | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Discover simple ways children can look after themselves, from naming feelings and moving their body, to building boundaries and caring for their friends! Learning to look after yourself is an important part of growing up, and it can also be fun! By being mindful of their mental, physical and social wellbeing, children can be more confident in navigating tricky situations and new experiences. Whether it is taking care of their senses, learning about respect or unwinding when they feel overwhelmed, this book is packed full of helpful ideas and tips for little ones and their grown-ups. Written by clinical psychologist and author, Nancy Shapiro, who believes that teaching children how to care for themselves can help them in later life, this book's impactful information is balanced out by cute and bright illustrations from Vania Sacramento.

Categories: Feelings/Emotions, Health



360. WREXHAM AFC ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

Matt Oldfield | Paperback | RRP \$14.99 | School Price \$13.50

Founded in 1864, Wrexham AFC is the oldest club in Wales, with passionate fans and a proud history of giant-killing in the cups. But in recent years, the Red Dragons had fallen on hard times. In 2008, the club dropped out of the Football League – and a long, gruelling quest to escape non-league football began. In 2020, new owners from Hollywood – the actors Ryan Reynolds and Rob McElhenny – took over. With new leadership, and big signings like strikers Paul Mullin and Ollie Palmer, the Dragons began to roar once again. Relive the magic of Wrexham AFC's epic fight for promotion – the games, the goals, the highs and lows, the heartbreak and heroism of two incredible seasons for the Welsh team and their loyal legions of supporters!

Categories: Sport, Soccer, Football