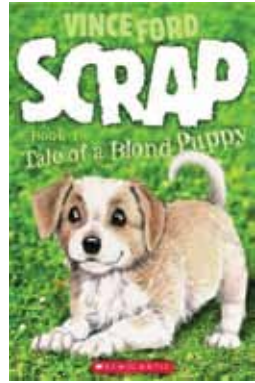


Go Crazy for Animal Series!

Battersea Dogs and Cats Home



Tale of a Blond Puppy
by Vince Ford
Scrap is a pup with an incredible ability to control sheep, but he doesn't know who he is or from where he comes. While Bill, the old sheep dog, teaches him to use his talent, Scrap searches desperately for his mother. He soon finds out what Bill is afraid to tell him.

Oh My Dog!
by Vince Ford
Scrap the blond puppy is sent to work on a farm and finally gets to try out his eye-dog skills on a real sheep station. The farm is next door to the one he's discovered his mother lives on and he is very keen to reacquire himself with her. But her boss has other ideas.



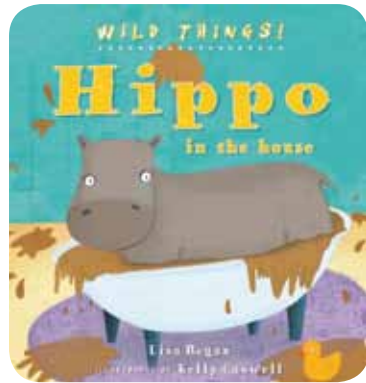
Sparkle and Belle's story
by Sarah Hawkins
When Bonnie's dad gets a new job and they have to move to the other side of London, Bonnie is devastated. She must leave all her friends behind and she worries that Christmas, in an unfamiliar place, is going to feel very strange. To bring her some festive cheer, Mum and Dad take her to the Battersea Dogs & Cats Home.



Jessie's story
by Sarah Hawkins
Izzy isn't looking forward to spending her school holidays on her aunt and uncle's farm. But when she finds out that Jessie - a fluffy old English sheepdog puppy from the Battersea Dogs & Cats Home - will be joining them too, her summer suddenly starts looking up!

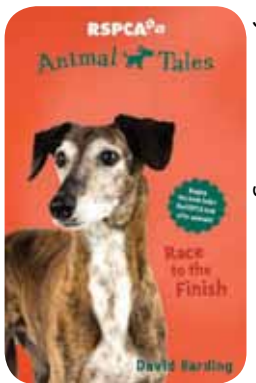
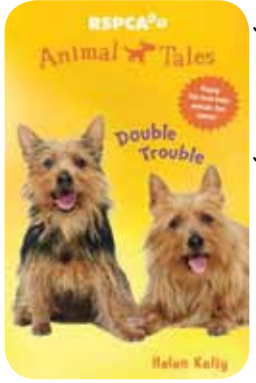
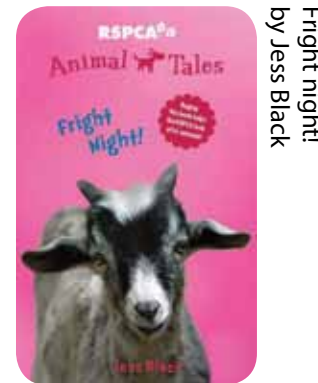
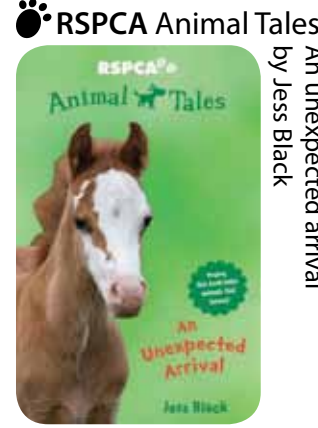
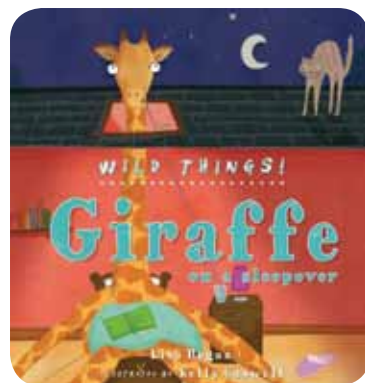
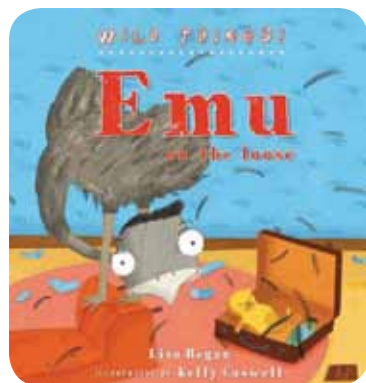


Bruno's story
by Alice Corrie
All Maisy wants is a puppy to call her own. It seems like every other person in her class has got a cute and cuddly pet - but Maisy is allergic to dogs and cats, and can't go near them without having a loud burst of sneezes! Clever Mum has an idea, though apparently, not only are poodle puppies super-cute, but their fluffy fur is especially suited for people with allergies.



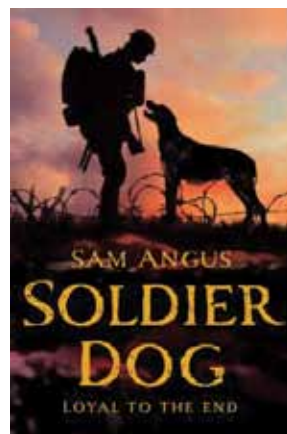
London Zoo: Wild Things!
by Lisa Regan

What would happen if you were sent an orangutan in the post? How would you look after it? Where would it sleep? What would it eat - baked beans, fruit or cream cakes? And how would you play with it? Pets in the Post gives young readers a first introduction to exotic animals around the world, looking at how and where they really live and what they need to survive, as it becomes clear that they must be posted back! Each book also includes a final fact spread to explain why each animal is suited to living in its own environment in the wild, as well as how we can help to keep it there.



Soldier Dog

by Sam Angus



Stanley's dad hasn't been the same since his wife died and his eldest son went off to fight in the war. Now Stanley is either invisible to his dad or the object of one of his rages, and his only friend is his dad's prizewinning greyhound, Rocket. But one day Rocket escapes, and the result is a litter of non-thoroughbred puppies that Dad says will all have to be drowned, even Stanley's favourite puppy.

Stanley is so angry with his father that he runs away and enlists in the army to train as a

messenger - dog - handler, and despite being far too young he's soon heading to France with a great Dane, called Bones, by his side. As the fighting escalates and Stanley experiences the horrors of war, he comes to realise that the loyalty of his dog is the one thing on which he can rely. But his father hasn't given up on him, and extraordinary circumstances will bring them together once more.

Shelf Life Junior

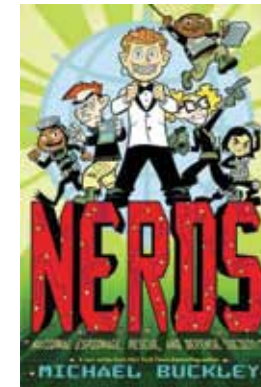
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Quirky Stories for all!



Muncle Trogg and the Flying Donkey
by Janet Foxley



NERDS: National Espionage, Rescue & Defence Society
by Michael Buckley



Pip and the lost Children
by Chris Mould



Blastosaurus: Welcome to Freak Out City
by Richard Fairgray



Zac and the Dream Pirates
by Ross MacKenzie



Nerdy Ninjas vs the really really bad guys
by Shogun Whamhower



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NEW BOOKS!

A horse for Angel (CF)

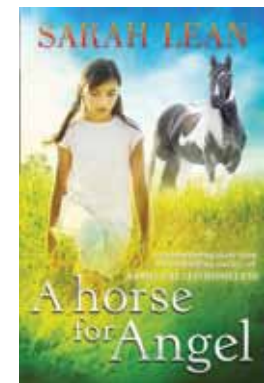
by Sarah Lean

What would you do to protect your secrets? Nell has packed her emotions away in a suitcase. But after a frightening encounter with a horse the case is stolen.

Staying in the country with family she's never met before, Nell is drawn to a mysteriously wild, troubled girl. Angel has a strange affinity with horses and dark secrets she's unwilling to share. Secrets that she'll do anything to protect.

But Nell and Angel will discover that to care for the things they love the most they must trust each other, to save a hundred horses.

A beautifully lyrical and emotional stand-alone novel from breakout debut author of 'A Dog Called Homeless'.



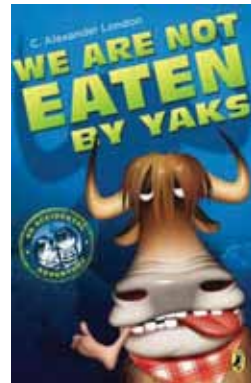
We are not eaten by Yaks (CF)

by C. Alexander London

Eleven-year-old twins Oliver and Celia Navel live on the 4-1/2th floor of the Explorers Club with their father, Dr. Navel. Their mother, Dr. Navel, has been missing for years. So when an explorer shows up with a clue as to where his wife could be, Dr. Navel drags Oliver and Celia to Tibet to find her.

Once there, the twins fall out of aeroplanes, encounter Yetis, travel through waterfalls, and end up in the Demon Fortress of the Warrior King where they-just-possibly-might find their mother, and save their father from the Poison Witches.

Thing is, they would much rather be watching television. And if their trip doesn't work out as planned, the twins could end up as slaves to Sir Edmund Thithelton III, an evil explorer with breath that smells like boiled carrots, who has it in for the whole Navel family.



The Twice-Lived Summer of BlueBell Jones (YAF)

by Susie Day

On her thirteenth birthday, Blue makes a desperate wish. To be transformed into a cool, confident teenager. Enter Red, appearing from nowhere like a wacky fairy godmother. She's only visible to Blue – in fact, she IS Blue, but a year older. With Red by her side to guide her, Blue can avoid all the gruesome embarrassments! But her future self causes a heap of crazy trouble – and there are dark secrets she's not telling.

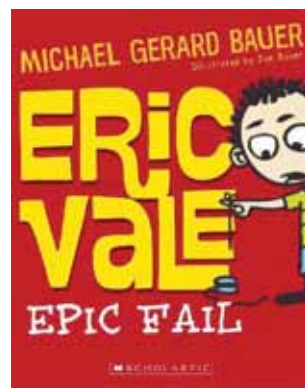


Eric Vale Epic Fail (CF)

by Michael Gerard Bauer

Eric Vale is a bit of a daydreamer, and sometimes that daydreaming gets him into trouble. But when it leads to him hearing his teacher say 'Eric Vale' when what he actually said was 'epic fail', his life becomes almost unbearable.

Soon everyone is calling him Epic Fail, and it seems he just can't stop doing silly things that remind him and everyone else of the nickname. It's a seemingly endless cycle of epic fails.



Peculiar treasures (YAF)

by Robin Jones Gunn

Katie Weldon catches more than just the bouquet at the wedding of her best friend, Christy Miller. She also snags a job offer that launches her into an adventure she never imagined. Katie eagerly accepts the job as resident assistant at Rancho Corona University only to find herself in a community of conflict. She thought this was where God wanted her, but how can God use her love when everything is falling apart? Especially with her boyfriend, Rick.

Katie turns to the women in her life for solace. In the safety of their love and encouragement she finally allows herself to spill her heart about her relationship with Rick. But even their advice can't postpone the decision Katie must face.



Life in Outer Space (YAF)

by Melissa Keil

Sam Kinnison is a geek, and he's totally fine with that. He has his horror movies, his nerdy friends, World of Warcraft and, until Princess Leia turns up in his bedroom, worry about girls he won't. Then Camilla Carter arrives on the scene. She's beautiful, friendly and completely irrelevant to his plan. Sam is determined to ignore her, except that Camilla has a plan of her own and he seems to be a part of it! Sam believes that everything he needs to know he can learn from the movies. But perhaps he's been watching the wrong ones.



The Berlin Boxing Club (YAF)

by Robert Sharenow



Fourteen-year-old Karl Stern has never thought of himself as a Jew.

But to the bullies at his school in Nazi era Berlin, it doesn't matter that Karl has never set foot in a synagogue or that his family doesn't practice religion. Demoralized by relentless attacks on a heritage he doesn't accept as his own, Karl longs to prove his worth to everyone around him.

So when Max Schmeling, champion boxer and German national hero, makes a deal with Karl's father to give Karl boxing lessons, Karl sees it as the perfect chance to reinvent himself. A skilled cartoonist, Karl has never had an interest in boxing, but as Max becomes the mentor Karl never had, Karl soon finds both his boxing skills and his art flourishing.

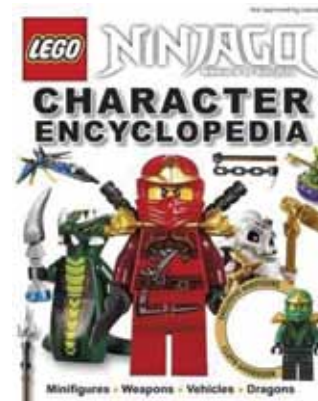
And as Nazi violence against Jews escalates, Karl must take on a new

role: protector of his family. Karl longs to ask his new mentor for help, but with Max's fame growing, he is forced to associate with Hitler and other Nazi elites, leaving Karl to wonder where his hero's sympathies truly lie. Can Karl balance his dream of boxing greatness with his obligation to keep his family out of harm's way?

Current Top 10 Authors

- Geronimo Stilton
- Jeff Kinney
- Jacqueline Wilson
- Enid Blyton
- Michael Morpurgo
- Andy Griffiths
- Linda Chapman
- R. L. Stine
- Roald Dahl
- Erin Hunter

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NIN-JAGO Character Encyclopedia

Meet every single LEGO Ninjago character, including Kai ZX, the Ninja of Fire; learn about their weapons, the vehicles, the dragons and the exotic locations from the Ninjago universe. Follow the action as they battle the Skeleton Army and fight to defeat the evil snake villains, the Serpentine. With story pages taking you through the events that shape the Ninjago world, fact boxes on every page telling you the coolest facts, and a Ninja file for each character, LEGO® Ninjago Character Encyclopedia is a must-have for any budding Ninja.

Mask of the Sensei



Back in their home village after the battle with Garmadon, the four ninjas are hoping for some R&R. Instead, they get drawn into a fight to the finish with the most powerful and unexpected foe they have ever faced: Sensei Wu - their own sensei! Can the students hope to defeat the master?

Building Blocks: Mathematics

by Joseph Midthun

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The characters in this series will whisk you away on a colourful journey through basic mathematical ideas.

Does math just make you cringe? Never fear! Learning can be oodles of fun with the BUILDING BLOCKS OF MATHEMATICS.



Water Conservation

Discover everything you need to know about how you can save water.



Something About Water

by Penny Matthews

Just about everybody I know recycles stuff. They say they're MAKING A DIFFERENCE. They say they're helping to SAVE THE PLANET.

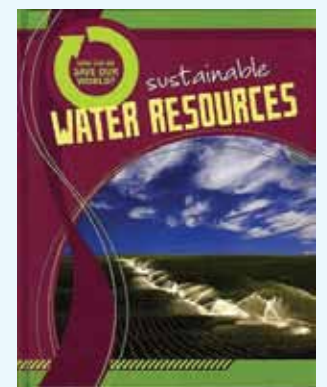
Water isn't exactly a new idea, and everyone should know about the water cycle, but in this book readers will discover, through a child's eyes, the real magic and importance of water. Small things can make a big difference.

Sustainable Water Resources

by Anne Rooney

Facts from Sustainable Water Resources: *Of the fresh water used in the world each year, only 8 percent goes on domestic use—drinking, cooking and washing.*

A large slice—22 percent is used by industry. Around 70 percent is used by farmers watering crops and raising animals. The total amount of water we use is increasing all the time.



Green Kids

by Neil Morris

Facts from Green Kids: Did you know water is inside everyone of us, as well as all around us? Two-thirds of our body is made of water – including the brain, muscles, skin and blood. All living things need water to live. We must drink lots of fresh water every day to stay healthy. Water is very valuable to us. It is important to use it wisely and save as much as we can.

Fun and helpful Websites!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LUXYjtHX8wA>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gtcZbN0Z08c>

<http://www.doc.govt.nz/conservation-week-home/kids/freshwater-games/>

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