

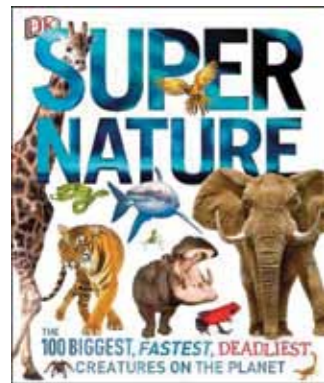
Librarian Favourite
THE TERRIBLE THING THAT HAPPENED TO BARNABY BROCKET BY JOHN BOYNE



There's nothing unusual about the Brockets. Boring, respectable and fiercely proud of it, Alistair and Eleanor Brocket turn up their noses at anyone strange or different. But from the moment Barnaby Brocket comes into the world, it's clear he's anything but normal. To the horror and shame of his parents, Barnaby appears to defy the laws of gravity—and floats.

Little Barnaby is a lonely child—after all, it's hard to make friends when you're ten feet in the air. Desperate to please his parents, he does his best to stop floating, but he just can't do it. Then, one fateful day, Barnaby's mother is enough. She never asked for a weird, sick and tired of the newspapers prying and the neighbours gossiping. Barnaby has to go.

Betrayed, frightened and alone, Barnaby floats into the path of a very special hot air balloon. And so begins a magical journey around the world; from South America to New York, Canada to Ireland, and even a trip into space, Barnaby meets a cast of truly extraordinary new friends and realises that nothing can make you happier than just being yourself.



Super Nature
By Derek Harvey

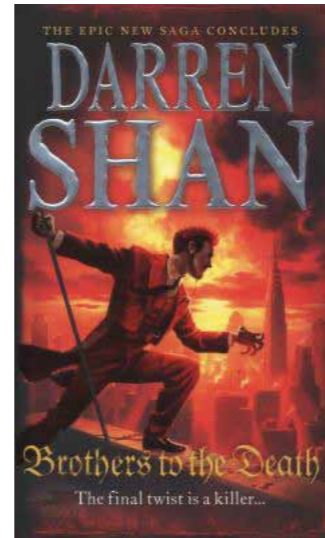
"A blue whale's heart weighs up to 600 kg (1,300 packets of butter) and is the size of a small car".

"Super Nature" is a dazzling visual tour of nature that tells you all about the 100 greatest superstars of the animal kingdom, from the tiny flea to the enormous humpback whale. With amazing and detailed 3D digital pictures, spectacular photography and stripped away images to take you behind the scenes and "under the skin"; take a virtual safari amongst the most amazing creatures on our planet. Ever wondered how a cheetah can accelerate from 0 to 40mph in three seconds? Or how termites build cooling systems into their homes? "Super Nature" will tell you, with each feature profiling these animal superstars, giving you the stats, the cross-sections and the images that will show you how and tell you why. Take a trip through the animal kingdom, from the smallest barnacle to the tall and resilient Emperor penguin, and go on a truly amazing journey with "Super Nature".



Tasmanian Devil

Although scarcely bigger than a year-old bear cub, the Tasmanian devil has the strongest bite in relation to its size of any mammal. Its jaws can snap bones. It's an efficient scavenger of (dead animals) carrion, capable of eating a whole carcass, fur and all. It occasionally turns into a fearless killer, even attacking venomous snakes.



Brothers to the Death
Saga of Larten Crepsley #4

The fourth and final instalment in the epic saga of Larten Crepsley—vampire, hero and victim of fate...Just as Larten is finding a new place for himself in vampire society, trying to help vampires escape the Nazi menace, horrifying tragedy falls on his own family, thanks to the nefarious Vampaneze. With his old friend Wester calling for war against the ancient enemies of vampires, Larten finds himself a figurehead of the campaign.

But there are more evil things than just the Vampaneze stirring. And soon, Larten might find himself grieving again—as he faces the worst and final betrayal.

Current Top 10 Authors

- Geronimo Stilton
- Enid Blyton
- Jeff Kinney
- Jacqueline Wilson
- H. I. Larry
- Michael Morpurgo
- Roald Dahl
- R. L. Stine
- Susannah McFarlane
- Andy Griffiths



Shelf Life Junior

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What to read after:




DIARY of a Wimpy Kid
By Jeff Kinney

6 Series you can get your hands on!



The confessions of Alistair D. McDermott
By Niki Daly



Tom Gates Series
By Liz Pichon



Big Nate Series
By Lincoln Peirce



Dear Dumb Diary
By Jim Benton



The World of Norm
By Jonathan Meres



Dork Diaries
By Rachel Russell



The Easiest Kite Ever

Made from a single sheet of paper, this breeze of a kite is all a kid needs to catch the fickle October winds.

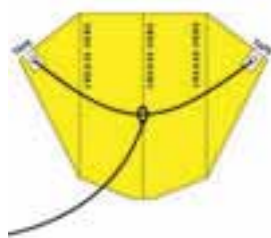
Materials

Kite template printed on an A4 sheet of office paper Template found at: http://familyfun.go.com/assets/cms/pdf/crafts/FF0309SPRING_KiteTemplate.pdf

- Scissors
- Clear tape
- Single-hole punch
- Embroidery thread or kite cord
- Stapler
- 5-foot-long ribbon

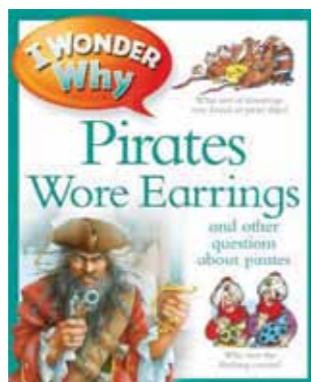
Instructions

1. Cut out the kite from the template and make creases as shown. Reinforce the side points with tape as shown, then punch a hole in each point.
2. To make the kite harness, tie the ends of a 60cm length of embroidery thread or kite cord to the holes.
3. For the kite string, tie one end of a length of thread or cord to the harness. Make the loop loose so that the string slides easily along the harness. Our string, for running with, was about 8 feet long. For a higher flying kite, you can use a longer string.
4. Staple the ribbon to the bottom of the kite for a tail.

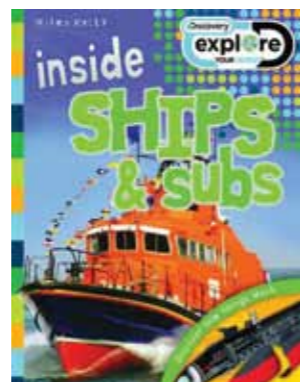


Outlaw: the true story of Robin Hood by Micheal Morpugo

After a fierce storm, a boy discovers a human skull, buried beneath the roots of an ancient tree. A skull with a legendary story! Tell the sheriff, tell Sir Guy of Gisbourne, tell everyone in Nottingham, that the Outlaws rule here in Sherwood, that we rule in the king's name! I am Robin Hood. Homeless and lost in a dark, strange forest, young Robin is rescued by a motley crew of misfits. He yearns to avenge his father and seek justice against cruel oppressors, to finally defeat the Sheriff of Nottingham, once and for all. And through his friends, Robin Hood finds the courage to become a legendary hero.



Pirates Wore Earrings
I Wonder Why
Blackbeard Lost His Head is a whirlwind journey through the history of pirates and smugglers, from ancient times all the way through to the present day. Learn all about life on board a pirate ship, the jobs that pirates did, how they attacked other ships and stole their cargo, and how they were caught and punished. It's a treasure trove of information!

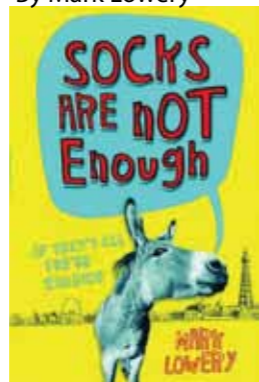


Inside Ships and Subs
By Miles Kelly
Have you ever wondered how speedboats go so fast? Or why container ships have hydraulic cranes? Or if submarines need refuelling regularly? Get ready to discover how watercraft work - from hydrofoils to oil supertankers. Take a detailed look at how machines operate and how nature works.

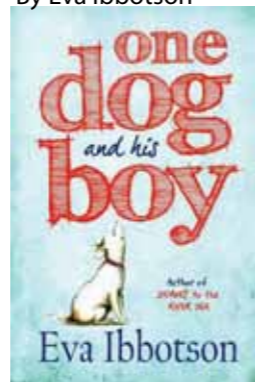


Where's the Meerkat?
By Paul Moran
The family of meerkats are back, and this time they're travelling through time! Spot them as they feast at a Tudor banquet, swash and buckle aboard Blackbeard's ship, spend a day in the Forbidden City and more. Watch out for their enemy, the crafty hawk, and their annoying next door neighbour, the greedy ground squirrel!

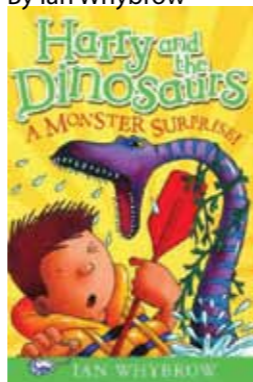
Socks are not enough
By Mark Lowery



One Dog and his Boy
By Eva Ibbotson



A Monster Surprise
By Ian Whybrow



Dingo
By Jackie French



The Storm Begins
By Damian Dibben



Kentucky Thriller
By Lauren St John



The False Prince By Jennifer A. Nielsen



In a discontent kingdom, civil war is brewing. To unify the divided people, Conner, a nobleman of the court, devises a cunning plan to find an impersonator of the king's long-lost son and install him as a puppet prince. Four orphans are recruited to compete for the role, including a defiant boy named Sage. Sage knows that Conner's motives are more than questionable, yet his life balances on a sword's point -- he must be chosen to play the prince or he will certainly be killed. But Sage's rivals have their own agendas as well. As Sage moves from a rundown orphanage to Conner's sumptuous palace, layer upon layer of treachery and deceit unfold, until finally, a truth is revealed that, in the end, may very well prove more dangerous than all of the lies taken together.



Clementine Rose & the Surprise Visitor
By Jacqueline Harvey
Book 1

Clementine Rose was delivered not in the usual way, at a hospital, but in the back of a minivan, in a basket of dinner rolls. So begins the story of a lovely little girl who lives in Penberthy Floss in a large ramshackle house with her mother, Lady Clarissa, Digby Pertwhistle the butler and a very sweet little teacup pig called Lavender.

If you liked Rainbow Magic-You might like these new series:

Secret Kingdom Series By Rosie Banks



Lucky Stars Series By Phoebe Bright



Little Sparkle Series By Emily Moon

