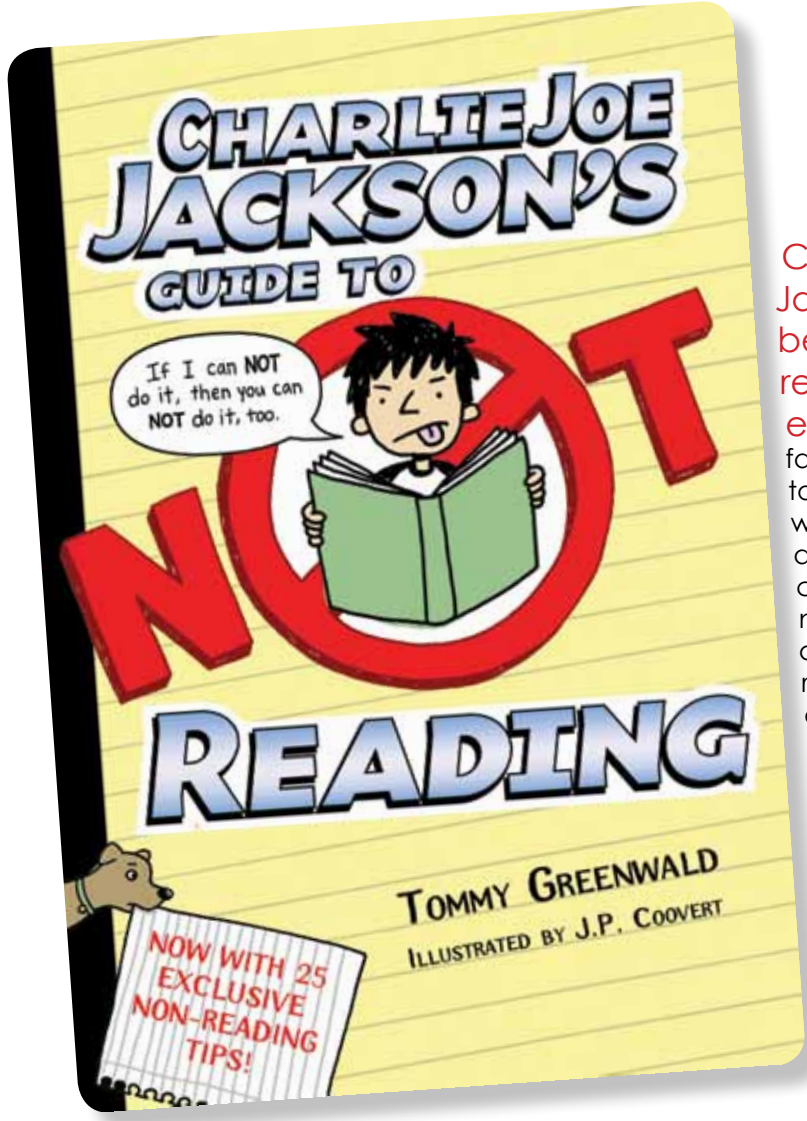


Shelf Life Jr.

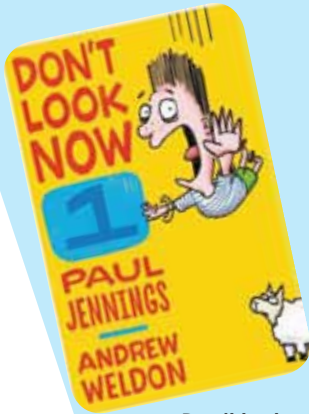
Sept - Nov 2013



Charlie Joe Jackson may be the most reluctant reader ever born. And so far, he's managed to get through life without ever reading an entire book from cover to cover. But now that he's in middle school, avoiding reading isn't as easy as it used to be. And when his friend Timmy McGibney decides that he's tired of covering for him, Charlie Joe finds himself resorting to desperate measures to keep his perfect record intact.

If you like 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid', you'll love Charlie Joe Jackson!

“If my book inspires just one kid to become a reader...That’s too many.”
- Charlie Joe Jackson

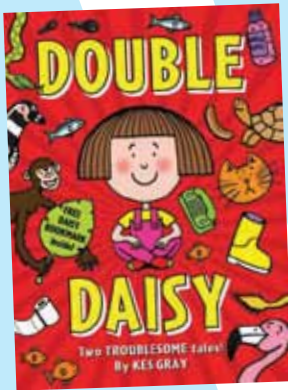


Don't look now 1 by Paul Jennings

The other kids don't see things the same way as me. I spend a lot of time imagining things. I just don't get it. Inside my head I am not the same as other kids. Ricky is an ordinary boy, who dreams of being famous. And he has a secret that might just help him realise his dream. Because Ricky can fly. Truly. He can really fly. But there's a hitch. He can only fly when absolutely no one is looking. If a person, an animal or a bird sees him while he's flying, he will fall out of the sky and almost certainly die. But Ricky is desperate. Will he risk flying in public, just for a shot at fame.

Don't look now 2 by Paul Jennings

'You're grounded, Ricky,' said Mum. 'Yes,' said Dad. 'In more ways than one.' Ricky is an ordinary boy, who can fly. He can really fly! But only when no one is looking. His dream is to one day be FAMOUS. But after accidentally opening the car window at the car wash, he's grounded. No movies, no swimming, no phone. And definitely no flying. But he has a plan. The school concert is coming up and he has the best ever magic trick up his sleeve. Will he wow the crowd, or fall flat on his face?



Double Daisy by Kes Gray

Daisy's getting in DOUBLE trouble in this brilliant bumper bind-up, featuring two Daisy adventures.

Get into double trouble with Daisy in this fantastic collection, featuring her first two troublesome tales: "Daisy and the Trouble with Life" and "Daisy and the Trouble with Zoos." Trouble is, which story will you read first?



Nerdy Ninjas: The really really unreal guys by Shogun Whamhower

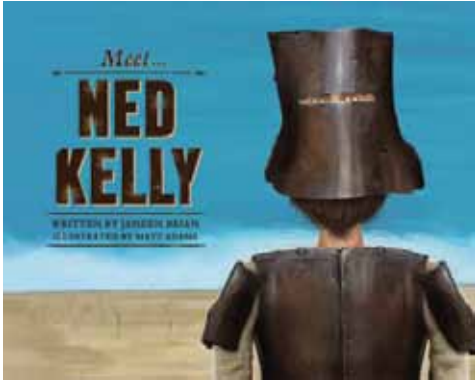
Something strange is going on. Something really, really ... UNREAL. Farmer Fetlocks's cows have been wrapped in toilet paper again! But if Pongo isn't the toilet-roll-toting prankster behind the NINJA COW caper, then who is? Could the culprit have come from OUTER SPACE? Can the NERDY NINJAs catch them in the act? it's a mystery. A mystery of high jinks and high pants.



What I don't know might hurt me by Jim Benton

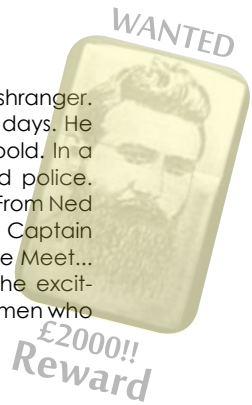
"Dear Dumb Diary, just when I was pretty sure we could let the Student Awareness Committee quietly die a dignified death like some majestic old elephant, Angeline has to be aware of something. Great. And, of course, it couldn't be something interesting like nail polish. Angeline just had to be aware of one of those things that adults like."

Non - Fiction



Meet...Ned Kelly by Janeen Brian

Ned Kelly was a notorious bushranger. He lived in Australia's earliest days. He was daring and clever and bold. In a suit made of iron, he battled police. And his story is still being told. From Ned Kelly to Saint Mary Mackillop, Captain Cook to Douglas Mawson, the Meet... series of picture books tells the exciting stories of the men and women who shaped Australian history.



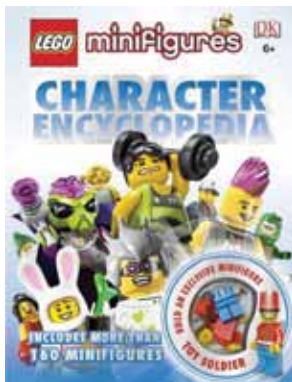
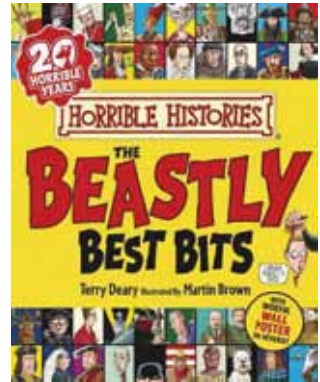
HORRIBLE HISTORIES - The Beastly Best Bits by Terry Deary and Martin Brown

In THE BEASTLY BEST BITS Terry Deary and Martin Brown take you on a guided tour through the history of the world using their favourite bits of 20 years of HORRIBLE HISTORIES books. And they promise to leave the gory bits in (and the boring bits out).

Crazy Cures - The trouble was that doctors didn't know what caused the plague and they didn't know how to cure it. People mistakenly believed you could catch it by looking at a victim, breathing bad air and drinking from poisoned wells.

Doctors already had some wacky cures for illnesses:

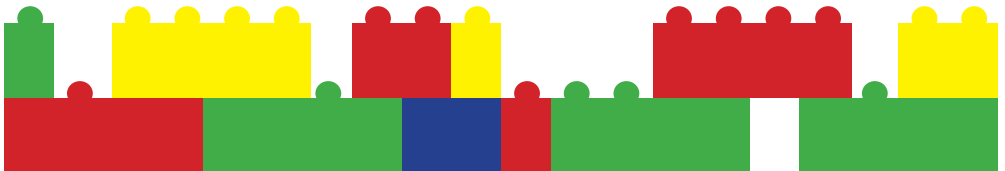
- They said... Wear a magpie's beak around the neck to cure toothache.
- Sit in a sewer so the bad air of the plague is driven off by the worse air of the drains.
- Shave a chicken's bottom and strap it to the plague sore.



LEGO Minifigures: Character Encyclopedia

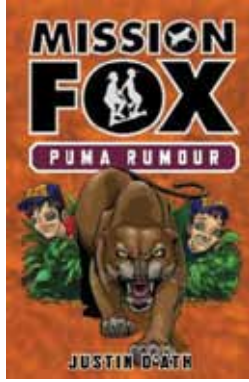
Get to know all the fantastic minifigures who populate the LEGO world. Go on the ultimate LEGO adventure in LEGO Minifigures Character Encyclopedia. Meet every single LEGO Minifigure character, including Punk Rocker and Lawn Gnome as well as the DJ and the Pirate Captain.

Inside you'll find character biographies, accessories information, and fun LEGO facts - just what is under Bunny Suit Man's ears? And why is the peace loving hippie carrying flowers? You can also explore themed pages, taking you through various locales like a rock concert, a summer party and the beach. With inside information on each minifigure's personality, its likes and dislikes, and real-world information behind its creation, LEGO Minifigures Character Encyclopedia is a must-read for any LEGO fan.



Adventure Fiction

Mission Fox series by Justin D'ath



Bear Grylls Mission Survival: Claws of the Crocodile

When Beck Granger follows a mysterious clue to the town of Broome in Northern Australia, it is just the beginning of an adventure that will force him into some of his toughest survival challenges yet! The search for clues takes Beck into the heart of the Outback, where he must battle raging storms, ravenous crocodiles, cunning villains and a secret that may link back to the death of his parents many years ago . . . A gripping Australian adventure packed with real survival details and dangers at every turn.

Project Huia

Is the huia really extinct? As children, Logan's grandfather and his sister Mavis spotted a beautiful and unusual bird in the kowhai tree outside their house: it was a huia, which was believed to be extinct. In an attempt to photograph it they tracked it deep into the Manawatu Gorge. This was a dangerous journey, made even more so when the Carson boys got wind of their mission and decided to try and find the bird first so they could shoot it and sell its highly valuable feathers. More than 60 years later, 11-year-old Logan has returned to the Manawatu with Grandpop and a scientist to try to solve the mystery of what happened to the huia all those years ago.

Latest Des Hunt



Phantom of Terawhiti

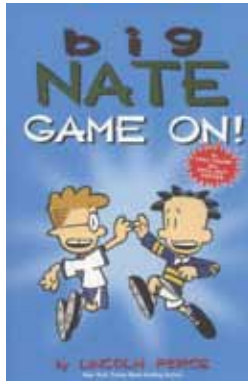
Graphic Novels



Annoying Orange by Mike Kazaleh

Orange has jumped out of the fruit bowl and into his first graphic novel! Secret Agents 00-Orange and Oh-Oh-Nerville may be the best spies working on Her Majesty's Select Produce, but they haven't gone up against the colour

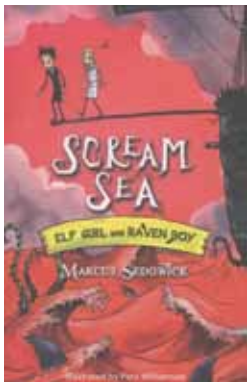
purple-stealing mastermind Grapefinger before! With the most insane scheme ever devised, the fate of the world is at stake. Can Orange annoy the bad guys into submission?



Big Nate: Game On! by Lincoln Peirce

To sixth-grader Nate Wright, life is one big game. So when he suits up for any sport, he does it with an unmistakable swagger. From fine-tuning his trash-talking skills on the basketball court to his cocky 'tude in the soccer goal, Nate can be a bigger challenge to his teammates than their opponents.

"Give a boy - ANY boy - enough time, and he WILL eventually pick his nose!"
- Lincoln Peirce, Big Nate: From the Top



Scream Sea: Elf Girl and Raven Boy by Marcus Sedgwick

Elf Girl and Raven Boy have survived Monster Mountains and arrived on the shores of Scream Sea. Kidnapped by Scrim, pirate captain of the Naughty Porpoise, they're held prisoner below decks as the ship sets sail. But Captain Scrim and his crew are even more interested in mermaids than in bird boys and pointy-eared girls, and when they capture one they throw the pirate party of a lifetime. Our daring duo, plus Rat and mermaid Molo, escape and go

their separate ways, but not before Molo has given Raven Boy a tiny shell on a silver chain and told him to call on her for help. They continue their search for the Goblin King with adventures on a desert island, an 'invisible' spell, encounters with an even worse pirate called Blackblood on the stormy high seas, and then below the waves with the many scary beasts and monsters that roam the deep. No one said saving the world was easy!



Extra Time by Morris Gleitzman

When 13-year-old Matt is discovered impressing the livestock in an Aussie country town with his remarkable soccer skills, he's offered the chance of a lifetime - a try-out at one of Europe's biggest and most glamorous soccer clubs. His younger sister Bridie goes with him as his manager and tells us their story - warts, goals and all. The funny and moving story of a sister's love for her brother, and how it survives everything fate throws at it, including the millions of pounds and mountains of pressure at the top of the world's most popular sport.

Spectacular Jokes!

What lights up a soccer stadium?
(A soccer match!)

Why didn't Cinderella make the basketball team?
(She ran away from the ball!)

Why did the golfer have an extra pair of pants?
(In case he got a hole in one!)

What is harder to catch the faster you run?
(Your breath!)

ESCAPE MEZ



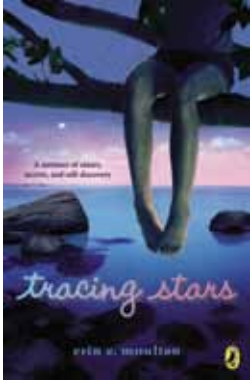
The Junior Novel

Despicable Me 2: The Junior Novel
Gru used to be one of the most villainous villains in the world. He and his army of Minions even stole the moon! But when he adopted Margo, Edith and Agnes, Gru became a dad. Instead of stealing landmarks, he makes pancakes, blows up unicorn balloons and dresses like a fairy princess! Little does this dad know, though, he's about to make another career change - as a spy for the Anti-Villain League...



The Boy with Two Heads
by Andy Mulligan

How would YOU feel if you woke up and found another head growing out of YOUR neck? What's more it's a living, breathing, TALKING head, with a rude, sharp tongue and an evil sense of humour. It knows all your darkest thoughts and it's not afraid to say what it thinks. To ANYBODY. That's exactly what happens to eleven-year-old Richard Westlake.



Tracing Stars
by Erin E. Moulton

In a small seaside town, Indie Lee Chickory tries to follow her older sister's popularity advice by working backstage on the upcoming community theatre musical. But Indie keeps two secrets: she's looking for her beloved pet lobster and she remains friends with "loser" Owen Stone.



Current Top 10 Authors

- Geronimo Stilton
- Enid Blyton
- Jacqueline Wilson
- Jeff Kinney
- Michael Morpurgo
- Dave Pilkey
- Roald Dahl
- Andy Griffiths
- H. I. Larry
- Linda Chapman

Find out from your local library about School Holiday Programmes!



Finger Leg Puppets

These are super easy to make, just draw a picture – a persona, an animal, a monster, an alien... whatever you like but make sure to leave two round circles where the legs should be. Once you are done drawing, cut around your picture and cut out the circles. Slip your fingers into the holes and there you have it... a puppet with finger legs!

From Pinterest