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THE STRANGEWORLDS TRAVEL AGENCY

Pack your suitcase for a magical adventure!
At The Strangeworlds Travel Agency, each suitcase transports you to a different world. All you have to do is step inside...

This book is filled with adventure, fantasy and well-rounded characters that take you on a journey through magical worlds. However, all is not what it seems and 12 year old Flick finds herself on a race against time to save the world before it disappears!

**AGES 8+
BOOK 1 OF 3**



**AUTHOR OF THE
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Hello everyone! Enjoying stories is unique to everyone - some people love prose, other people like storytelling video games, others (like me) think comic books are the best! However you enjoy stories, have a wonderful World Book Day!

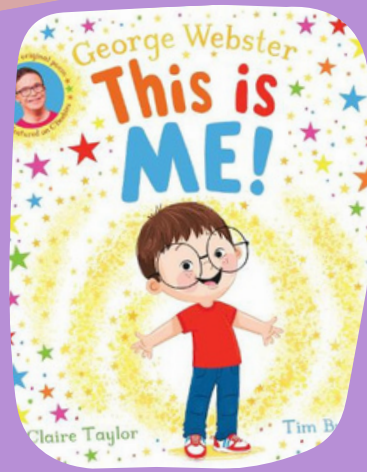


BOOKS OF THE MONTH



GEORGE WEBSTER

'This is Me' celebrates our differences and is perfect for every child and every family. It's a beautiful, heartfelt and positive story, with illustrations that are guaranteed to make you smile. This is Me is the perfect picture book for any child. So, get ready to read all about George, a little boy with the biggest heart!

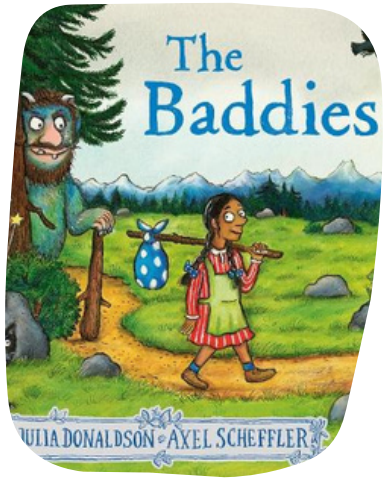


A book that made me smile from start to finish. A must-read for all our little ones to show we are all unique and that is great!

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JULIA DONALDSON

The Baddies are the meanest, nastiest ghost, witch and troll in the land. They just adore being bad, and fight over who is the worst. When a little girl moves into a nearby cottage, the Baddies can't wait to scare her out of her wits. But the little girl quickly shows them that you don't have to be big to be brave, and baddies don't always win.

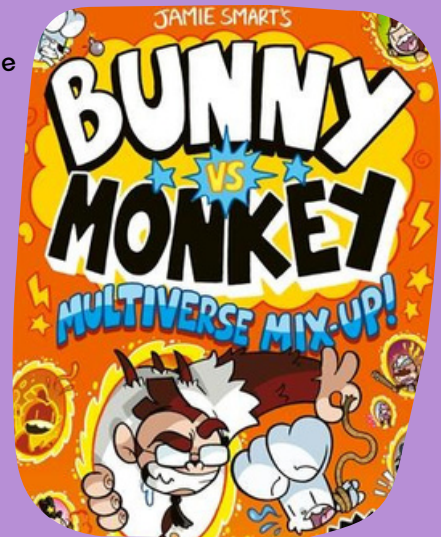


These two picture book legends have done it again. With vivid illustrations, rhyme and great characters, this will definitely be an enjoyable bedtime read for child and adult alike.

JAMIE SMART

KS1

When portals to parallel dimensions open up, the gang meet different versions of themselves - a whole universe of Bunnies! Evil Pig! Baby Bunny vs Monkey! The gang end up travelling to the very ends of existence ... but will they make it back home to the Woods?!

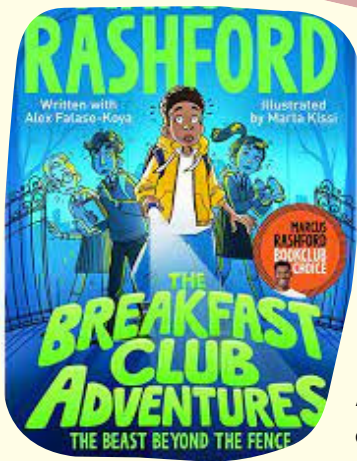


MARCUS RASHFORD

7th in the series, Jamie Smart has created another outrageously funny graphic novel for children and adults to enjoy together. My 8 year-old godson highly recommends!

When twelve-year-old Marcus kicks his favourite football over the school fence, he knows he's never getting it back. Nothing that goes over that wall ever comes back. But the next morning, during Breakfast Club, Marcus gets a mysterious note inviting him to join the Breakfast Club Investigators, and he is soon pulled into an exciting adventure with his new mates to solve the mystery and get his football back!

LKS2



A super-fun story about friendship, community and having exciting adventures; Rashford's first step into fiction writing is sure to prove a hit with children from 8 upwards.

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March 2nd marks World Book Day: a fantastic opportunity to celebrate books and promote reading for pleasure. As always, your child will receive a £1 book token, which they can redeem at all major supermarkets and booksellers. This year's selection of £1 books offers a great variety of genres and authors. Personally, I'm excited to get my hands on Kay's 'Brilliant Brains' and Lapinski's latest 'Strangeworlds Travel Agency' book.

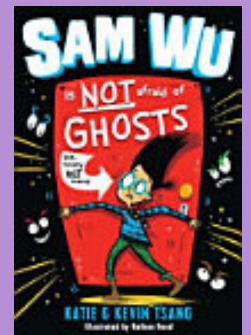
COMPETITION TIME

One lucky winner will have the chance to go on a 3 day family trip to Soltau in Germany to stay at Heide Park; the theme park that is home to an entire land based around How to Train Your Dragon. All you have to do is visit the website below and describe the name of your dragon. Easy!

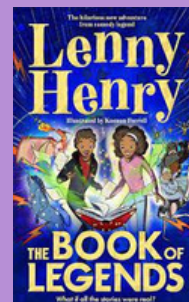
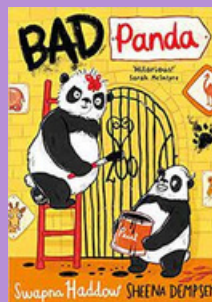
Remember to ask for permission before entering.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/howtotrainyourdragon/>

MORE FROM OUR WBD AUTHORS



The £1 WBD books are written by a brilliant selection of authors (as always) so it wouldn't surprise me if you found your next favourite author. Just in case, here is a selection of other amazing books from the same authors.



1. Kay's Marvellous Medicine - Adam Kay
2. Meesha Makes Friends - Tom Percival
3. Sam Wu is Not Afraid of Ghosts - Katie & Kevin Tsang
4. Bad Panda - Swapna Haddow & Sheena Dempsey
5. The Book of Legends - Lenny Henry
6. The Dino File - Catherine Saunders
7. Pizazz - Sophie Henn



MRS W'S TOP PICKS



ONE FOR THE ADULTS



'It Starts With Us' (Colleen Hoover) was my latest book club read and I was engrossed from the start. Being the sequel to a book I had loved - 'It Ends With Us' - I was nervous it wouldn't live up to my expectations but it surpassed them.

This breathtaking sequel picks up immediately where the first ends. We follow Lily: a single, business-owning mum trying to juggle life with her abusive ex-husband as her first love (Atlas) walks back into her life. An emotional rollercoaster of a book, Hoover manages to encapsulate the drama whilst remaining true to the characters and keeping the plot punchy. I particularly loved the chapters told from Atlas' perspective as this is something I missed in the first.

A true page-turner which I devoured in one sitting; I highly recommend.



ONE FOR THE YOUNG ADULTS

I am not exaggerating when I say this series is one of the best YA fantasy series I have ever read. The characters are fully rounded - I particularly love Jacks, the Prince of Hearts, despite the fact I shouldn't -, the plot is unique and there's a great mix of adventure and romance.

'Once Upon a Broken Heart' is the first in Garber's series. We are introduced to Evangeline Fox, who is on a mission to stop the wedding of her true love and her step-sister. Desperate to stop the wedding, and heal her wounded heart, Evangeline strikes a deal with the charismatic, but wicked, Prince of Hearts. In exchange for his help, he asks for three kisses, to be given at the time and place of his choosing.



But after Evangeline's first promised kiss, she learns that bargaining with an immortal is a dangerous game - and that the Prince of Hearts wants far more from her than she pledged. He has plans for Evangeline, plans that will either end in the greatest happily ever after, or the most exquisite tragedy ...

I won't go into the second book as I would hate to give any accidental spoilers but I will say it just keeps getting better and you will be counting down the days until the next one is released. A truly unputdownable twisted fairy tale.

