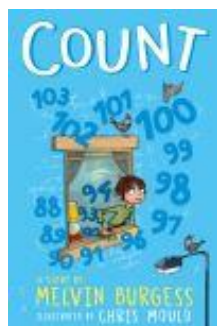


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**Burgess,
Melvin**

Count

Brandon isn't much good at anything – apart from boasting. When he declares that he can count to ten million no-one believes him, but he just keeps counting and strange things start happening. A fantastical tale that demonstrates the pitfalls of celebrity life with beautifully expressive illustrations by Chris Mould.

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**Clarke,
Jo**

**Libby and the
Parisian Puzzle**

Libby attends an unusual school that moves from country to country around Europe. When her aunt, the Headteacher, is accused of a crime, Libby and her friends must prove her innocence. Perfectly pitched for children who love a good mystery story but are not ready for scarier and higher stake reads.

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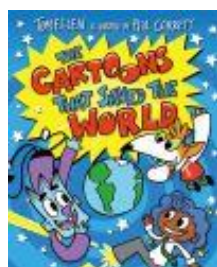


**Cross,
Gillian**

**Ollie Spark and
the Accidental
Adventure**

Ollie Spark loves all things mechanical so the chance to repair his aunt's camper van is an opportunity not to be missed. But he isn't prepared for an unusual journey to a mysterious city where he needs all his mechanical knowledge to prevent disaster. A story to entice the reluctant reader.

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**Ellen,
Tom**

**The Cartoons
That Saved the
World**

Finn and Isha are comic strip writers who discover a group of lost 'Toons'. With the help of their own cartoon characters can the pair help the 'Toons' back to their own world? Fast, bonkers and in comic book style.

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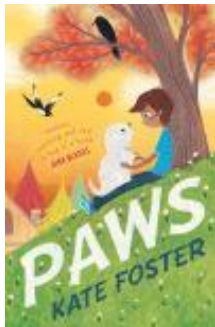


**Faber,
Polly**

The Book Cat

Morgan is a cat with a home at a publisher in London. All is comfortable until the outbreak of World War 2 when Morgan must use all his skills to save other cats during the Blitz. A great story for reading aloud.

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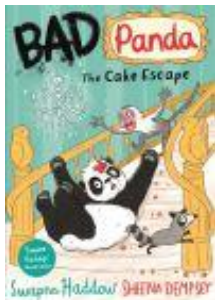


**Foster,
Kate**

Paws

Alex is autistic and with his dog Kevin, wants to win a trophy at Paws dog show so he can make friends on his first day at high school. A heart-warming story about kindness, empathy and celebrating differences.

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**Haddow,
Swapna**

**The Cake
Escape**

Lu the panda is missing from the zoo, presumed stolen by the Horrid Human! Can Lin find him before he is added to the human's collection of stuffed animals? A hilarious story with super illustrations and rich vocabulary.

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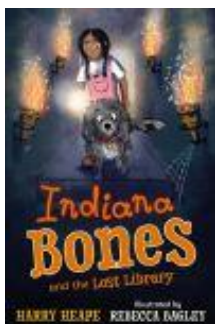


**Hawking,
Lucy**

**The Wrong
Weather**

The Kingdom of Alez is overthrown and Princess Olivia is exiled, but the outside world is under threat and the weather is all wrong. Part fiction and part fact, follow Olivia on her quest to save Alez from climate destruction.

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**Heape,
Harry**

**Indiana Bones
and the Lost
Library**

Indiana Bones is a dog with secret powers that allow him and his human, Aisha, to solve the most difficult of crimes. A funny and clever mystery of the hunt for the lost treasure with rich language and a clear and bold font for young readers.

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Hegarty, Shane

The Shop of Impossible Ice Creams

Limpet's mum opens an ice cream shop stocking really unusual flavours (Limpet likes vanilla!). When Mr Flurry comes along, Limpet and his friends must see off the competition. A story that is bound to make you fall in love with reading.

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Henn, Sophy

Pizazz vs the Demons

Meet Pizazz, superhero extraordinaire. But when Pizazz is cloned by supervillain Copycat she has more than enough to deal with - 5 Pizazzs are too much! This lively and energetic story should be a hit with anyone who finds it hard to fit in.

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Landman, Tanya

Meg and Merlin: Making Friends

Meg is pony mad, but her family can no longer afford for her to have riding lessons. An escaped pony might just help to realise her dream. A gentle story with some hidden messages about poverty in a rural environment.

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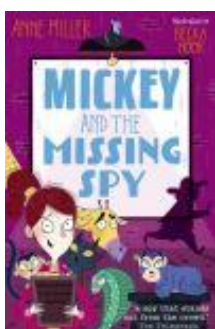


McNab, Andy

My Mum is a Spy!

When Lucia comes to stay with Idris she tries to convince him that his mum is a spy. After an unusual trip to the zoo, Idris starts to wonder whether this could be true! A light-hearted spy adventure which would be great to read aloud.

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Miller, Anne

Mickey and the Missing Spy

Hildegard McTavish is a top spy but she has mysteriously vanished! Mickey is the only human working in the secret animal spy agency COBRA and must bring the human and animal world of espionage together if Hildegard is ever to be saved. A fun mystery story peppered with illustrations and puzzles.

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Powers, Mark

Cosmic Pet Puzzle

Another crazy mystery to solve by the space detectives. This time Conner and Ethan are looking for a lost pet, but this is no ordinary pet - it's a sythnpet, made up of different animal parts. So why is it so difficult to find? The hilarious action and hijinks will make your imagination explode.

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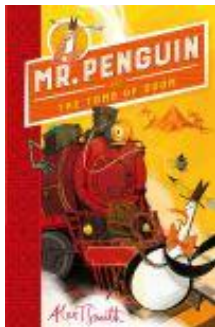


Shireen, Nadia

Grimwood

Princess Buttons is the meanest street cat in the city so fox cubs Ted and Nancy run away to the country for a quiet life. However, what they encounter there is much worse and Princess Buttons is hot on their trail! Laugh out loud funny with a great mix of illustrations.

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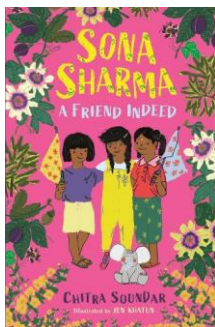


Smith, Alex T

Mr Penguin and the Tomb of Doom

Another adventure for Mr Penguin and his trusty spider Colin. This time Edith has been kidnapped so the pair set off on a perilous train journey to the pyramids to rescue her before it's too late. A gloriously madcap adventure full of eccentric characters, great language and stunning illustrations.

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Soundar, Chitra

Sona Sharma, a Friend Indeed

Sona Sharma lives in India and when her teacher announces there is to be an election for Class Leader, Sona is desperate to stand as a candidate. But she soon finds herself competing against her two best friends. A lovely message about friendship with themes of democracy and alternative cultures.

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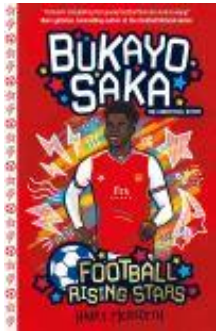
Tsang, Katie

Suzie Saves the Universe

Suzie loves inventing gadgets but when her 3D gizmo goes wrong, she finds herself transported into her favourite TV show. Suzie will need to use all her inventing skills to save the universe. Strong STEM themes for discussion points and text uses different fonts to make reading with expression and emphasis easy.

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**Meredith,
Harry**

Bukayo Saka

One in a series looking at young footballers who are the rising stars of the game. Although a biography, this is a very readable text to appeal to football fans.

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