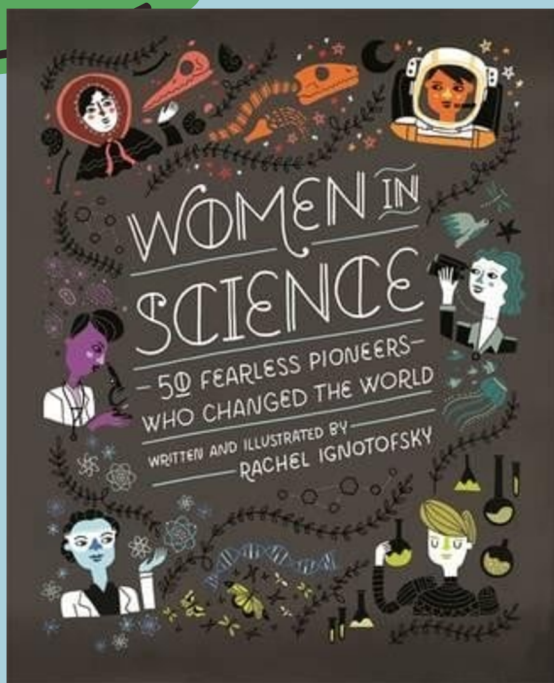
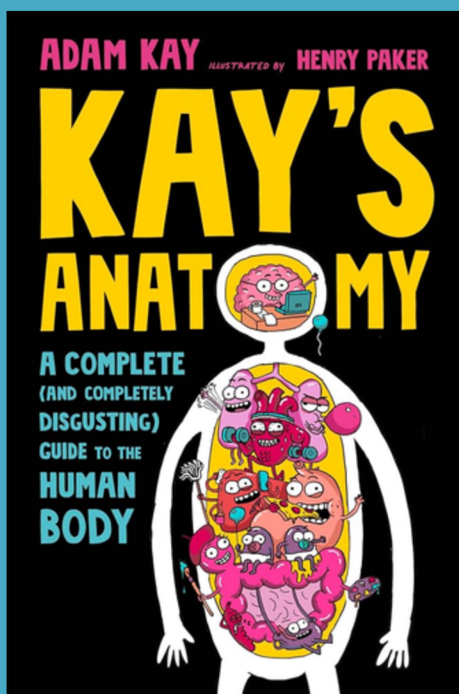


# READING FOR PLEASURE IN ... SCIENCE



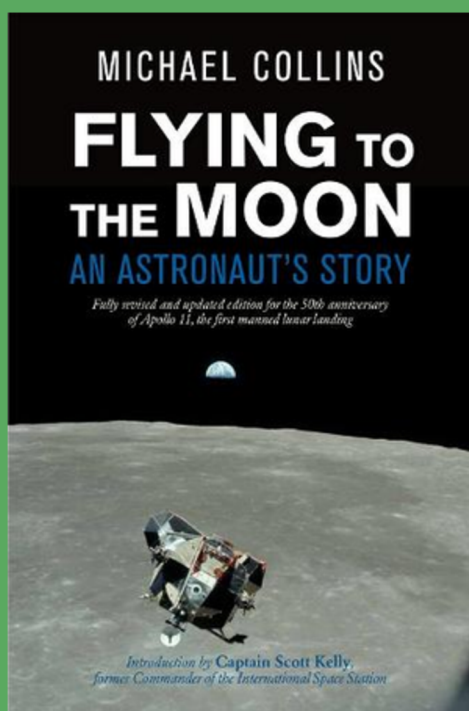
Women in Science celebrates the achievements of the intrepid women who have paved the way for the next generation of female engineers, biologists, mathematicians, doctors, astronauts, physicists and beyond

Women in Science: 50 Fearless Pioneers Who Changed the World



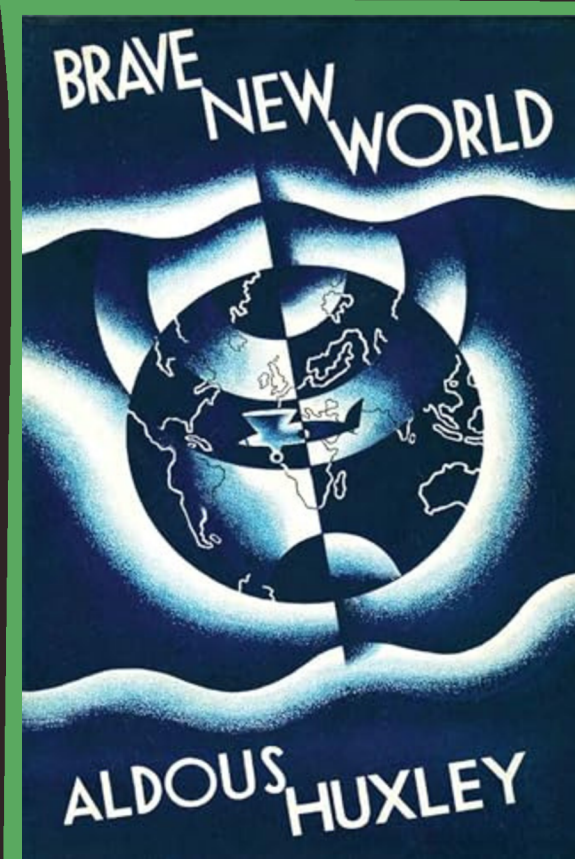
Adam Kay, author of the smash hit This is Going to Hurt, dissects the mysteries of our bodies on a hilarious and deliciously disgusting tour of our insides for younger readers.

Kay's Anatomy- Adam Kay



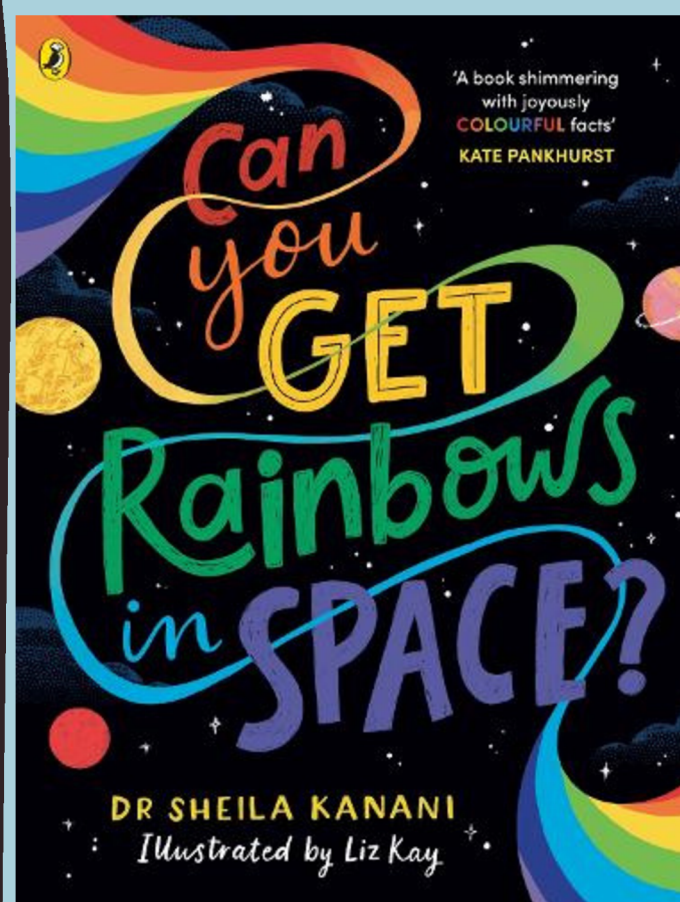
In this captivating account, space traveller Collins recalls his early days as an Air Force test pilot, his training at NASA, and his unparalleled experiences in orbit, including the Apollo 11 mission, the first manned lunar landing.

Flying to the Moon: An Astronaut's Story



Brave New World - Aldous Huxley

Far in the future, the World Controllers have created the ideal society. Through clever use of genetic engineering, brainwashing and recreational sex and drugs all its members are happy consumers. Bernard Marx seems alone harbouring an ill-defined longing to break free.

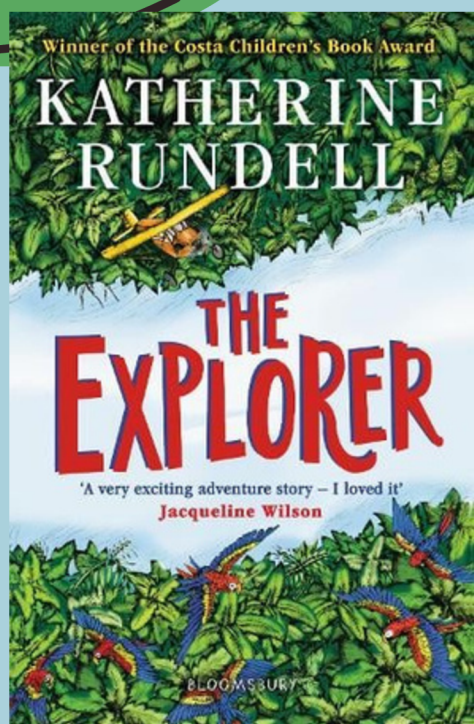


Can you get Rainbows in Space- Dr Sheila Kanani

Why is blood red? Why are carrots orange? Who invented the lightbulb? Why is the world 'going green'? Is the sky really blue? And what is ultraviolet light?

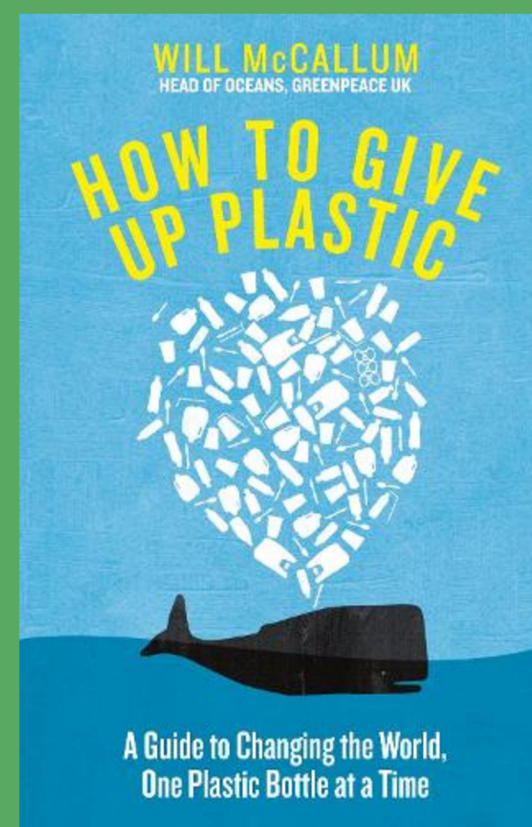


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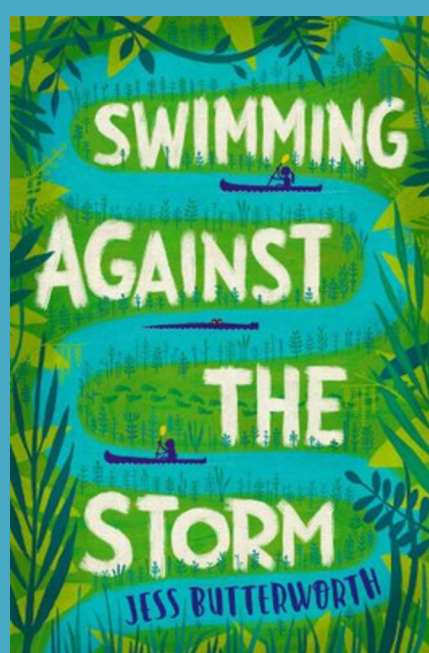
The Explorer by Katherine Rundell

Like a man-made magic wish the airplane began to rise.  
The boy sitting in the cockpit gripped his seat and held his breath as the plane roared and climbed into the arms of the sky.  
From his seat in the tiny aeroplane, Fred watches as the mysteries of the Amazon jungle pass by below him.



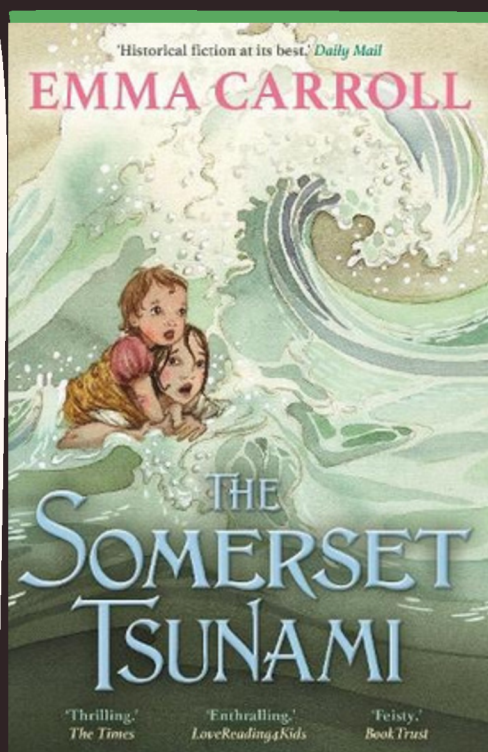
How to Give Up Plastic- Will McCallum

Plastic is not going away without a fight. We need a movement made up of billions of individual acts, bringing people together from all backgrounds and all cultures, the ripples of which will be felt from the smallest village to the tallest skyscrapers.



Swimming Against the Storm - Jess Butterworth

An adventure story set in the swamplands of Louisiana about sisters, rising sea-levels and saving the environment, perfect for fans of Katherine Rundell and Lauren St John.



The Somerset Tsunami by Emma Carroll

A sinking boat. A girl in disguise. A disappearing sea.  
When Fortune Sharpe carves a boat from a tree with her beloved brother, Gem, she's only having a bit of fun. But now is not the time for a girl to be drawing attention to herself. She is sent away to find work dressed as a boy. Luckily a rich manor house is hiring.

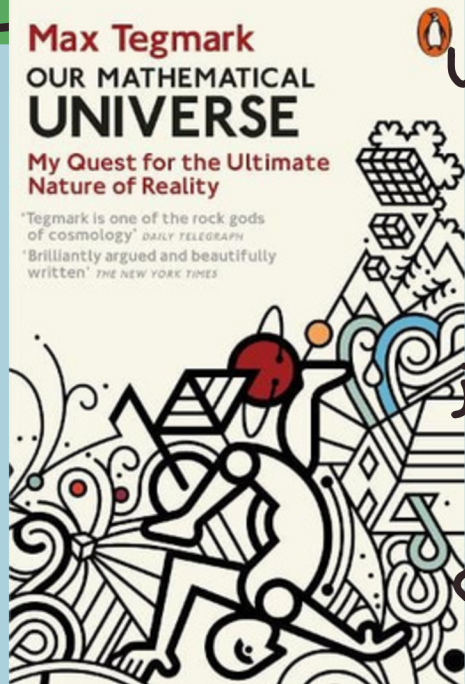


Paper Towns by John Green

Who is the real Margo? Quentin Jacobsen has spent a lifetime loving the magnificently adventurous Margo Roth Spiegelman from afar. So when she cracks open a window and climbs into his life - dressed like a ninja and summoning him for an ingenious campaign of revenge - he follows...

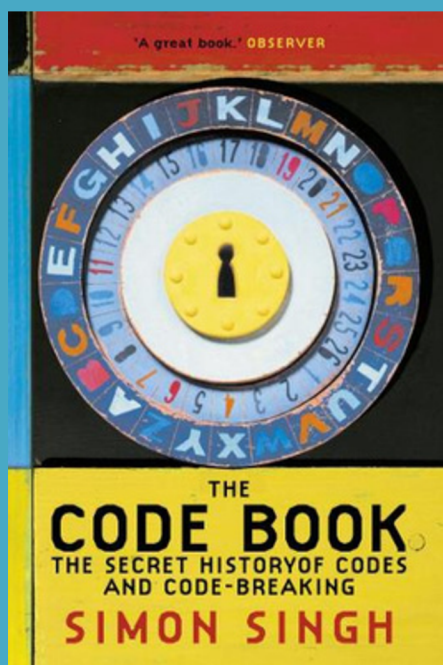


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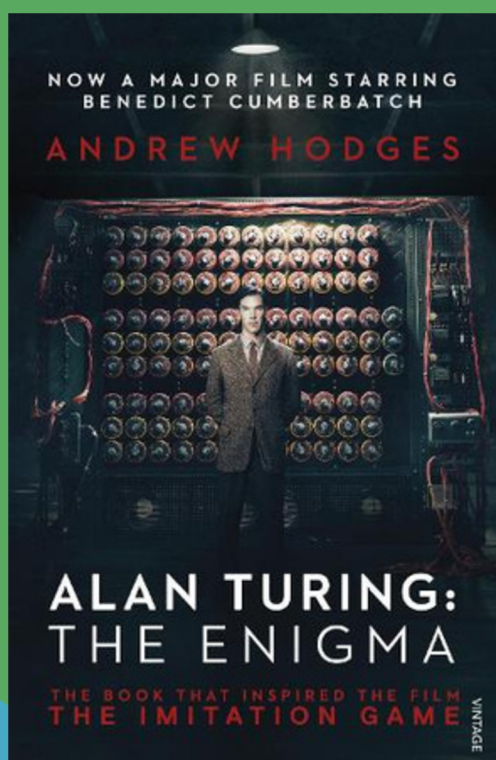
Our Mathematical Universe by Max Tegmark

In Our Mathematical Universe, Max Tegmark, one of the most original physicists at work today, leads us on an astonishing journey to explore the mysteries uncovered by cosmology and to discover the nature of reality



The Code Book by Simon Singh

From the best-selling author of Fermat's Last Theorem, The Code Book is a history of man's urge to uncover the secrets of codes, from Egyptian puzzles to modern day computer encryptions.



Alan Turing, the Enigma by A Hodges

Alan Turing was the mathematician whose cipher-cracking transformed the Second World War. Taken on by British Intelligence in 1938, as a shy young Cambridge don, he combined brilliant logic with a flair for engineering.

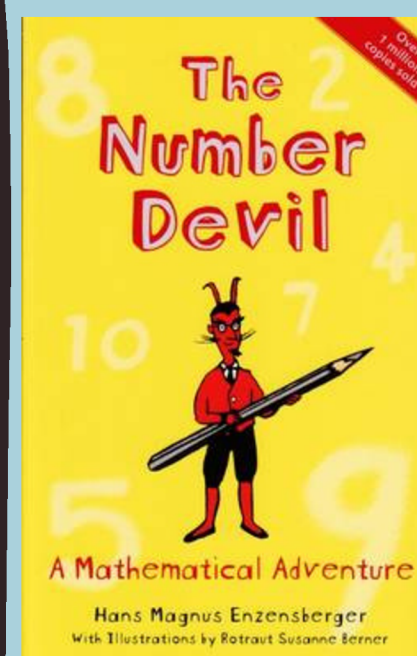
## HOW TO SOLVE THE DA VINCI CODE

And 34 Other Really Interesting Uses of MATHEMATICS

RICHARD ELWES

How to Solve the Da Vinci Code by Dr. Richard Elwes

Can you outrun a bullet? How do you build an electronic brain? Could you slow down time? How do you unleash chaos? From Plato's classification of regular polyhedra to making a million on the stock market, How to Solve the Da Vinci Code gives you everything you need to understand how numbers work, and the impact they have on our lives every day.



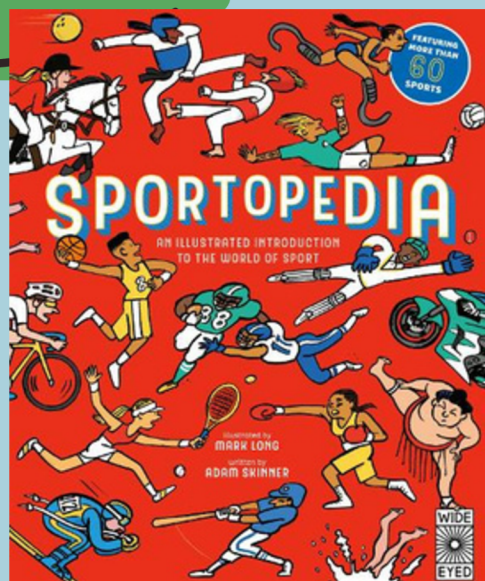
The Number Devil by Hans Magnus Enzensberger

Twelve-year-old Robert hates maths: his teacher sets his class boring problems and won't let them use their calculators. Then in his dreams Robert meets the Number Devil, who brings the subject magically to life, illustrating with wit and charm a world in which numbers can amaze and fascinate. Suddenly maths is nothing like the dreary, difficult process that so many of us dread, but a world of wonder that all begins to make sense. The Number Devil knows how to make maths devilishly simple.



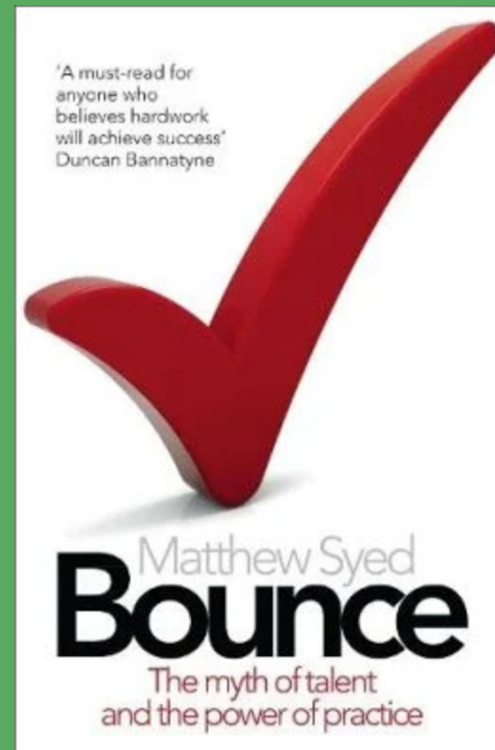
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## PE



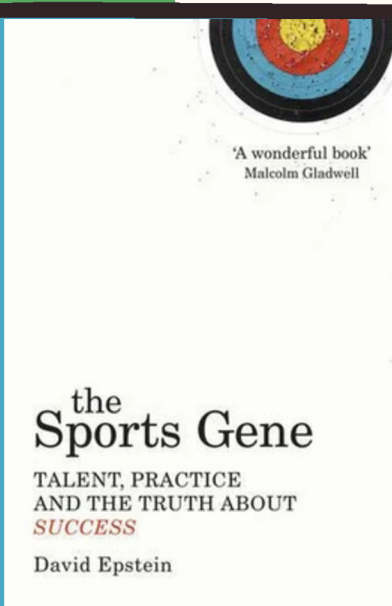
Sportopedia by Adam Skinner

Sportopedia is your ultimate guide to the exhilarating world of sport. Learn amazing facts about all your favourite sports, and discover new ones you may not have come across before.



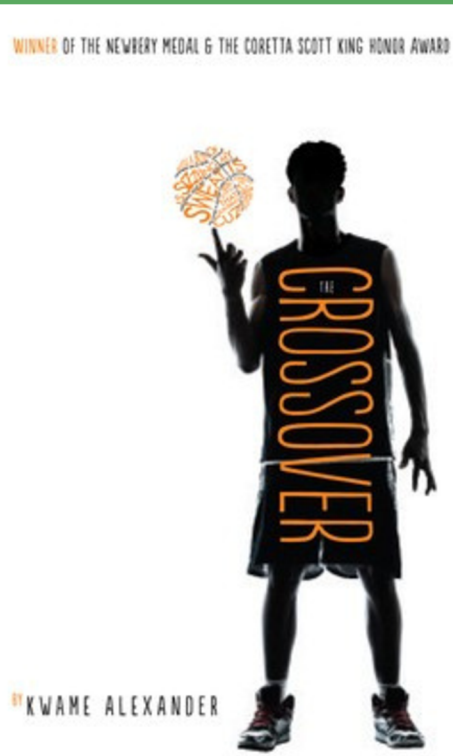
Bounce: The Myth of Talent and the Power of Practice -

What are the real secrets of sporting success, and what lessons do they offer about life? Why doesn't Tiger Woods "choke"? Why are the best figure skaters those that have fallen over the most and why has one small street in Reading produced more top table tennis players than the rest of the country put together.



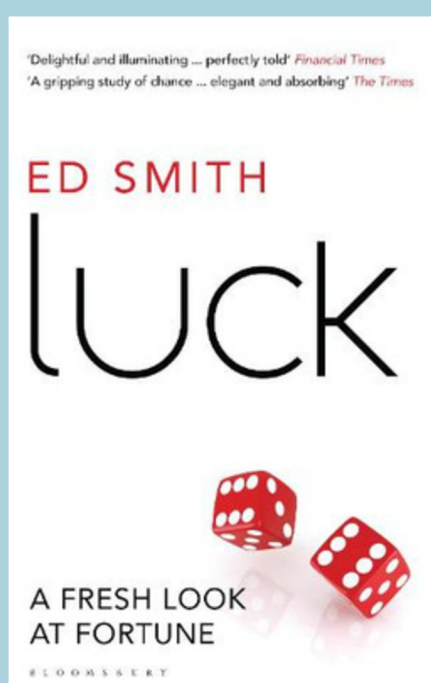
The Sports Gene:explodes myths about Talent, Practice how and why humans excel. About Success

In this ground-breaking and entertaining exploration of athletic success, award-winning writer David Epstein gets to the heart of the great nature vs. nurture debate, and



The Crossover by Kwame Alexander

12-year-old Josh and his twin Jordan have basketball in their blood. They're kings of the court, star players for their school team. Their father used to be a champion player and they each want nothing more than to follow in his footsteps.



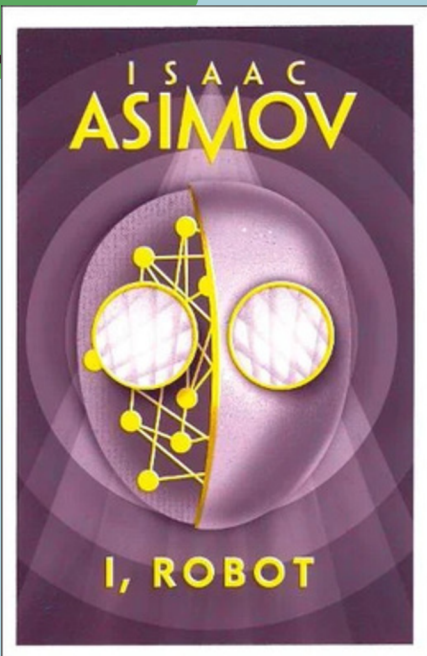
Luck: A Fresh Look At Fortune - Ed Smith

For aspiring cricketer Ed Smith, luck was for other people. Ed believed that the successful cricketer made his own luck by an application of will power, elimination of error, and the relentless pursuit of excellence. But when a freak accident at the crease at Lords prematurely ended Ed Smith's international cricketing career, it changed everything - and prompted him to look anew at his own life through the prism of luck.



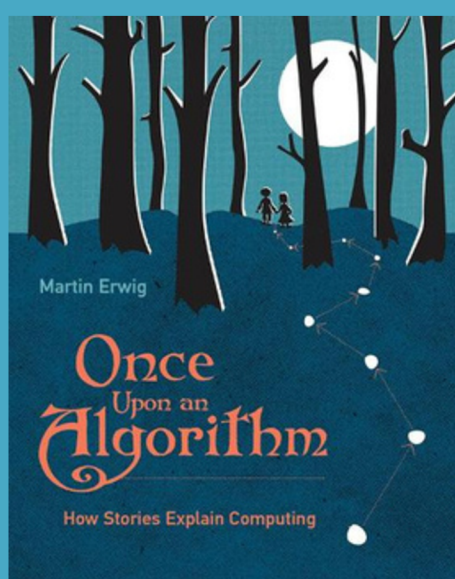


# READING FOR PLEASURE IN ... COMPUTER SCIENCE



**I, Robot by Isaac Asimov**

Isaac Asimov's Robot series – from the iconic collection I, Robot to four classic novels – contains some of the most influential works in the history of science fiction



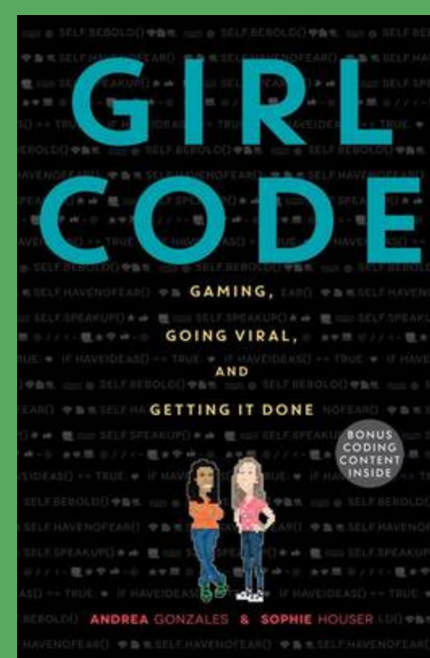
**Once Upon an Algorithm by Martin Erwig**

This easy-to-follow introduction to computer science reveals how familiar stories like Hansel and Gretel, Sherlock Holmes, and Harry Potter illustrate the concepts and everyday relevance of computing.



**Ready Player One by Ernest Cline**

Both a love letter to 80s pop culture and a dazzling science fiction extravaganza, Cline's cult classic centres on an immersive video game on a future Earth and one man's all-consuming quest to gain control of this virtual utopia.



**Girl Code: Gaming, Going Viral, and Getting It Done by Andrea Gonzales**

Perfect for aspiring coders everywhere, Girl Code is the story of two teenage tech phenoms who met at Girls Who Code summer camp, teamed up to create a viral video game, and ended up becoming world famous. The book also includes bonus content to help you start coding! Fans of funny and inspiring books like Maya Van Wagenen's Popular and Caroline Paul's Gutsy Girl will love hearing about Andrea "Andy" Gonzales and Sophie Houser's journey from average teens to powerhouses.

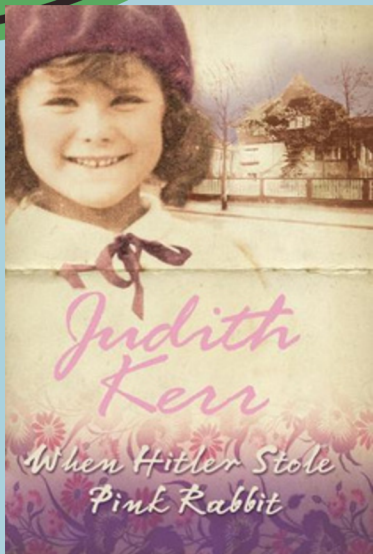


**How To Be More Hedgehog by Anne-Marie Conway**

Lily has a stammer. The signal between her brain and her mouth is all messed up - and it's getting worse. When a video of her practicing her class presentation is uploaded onto YouTube - head thrust forward, eyelids fluttering, lips stretched wide - Lily's nightmare begins. Cyberbullying, kids at school whispering, even best friend Mia laughing behind her back. Lily's confidence takes a nose-dive and she can only see one way out: run away to Dad in Scotland and start all over again. But Lily quickly realises that running away isn't the answer - that her stammer will follow her wherever she goes...

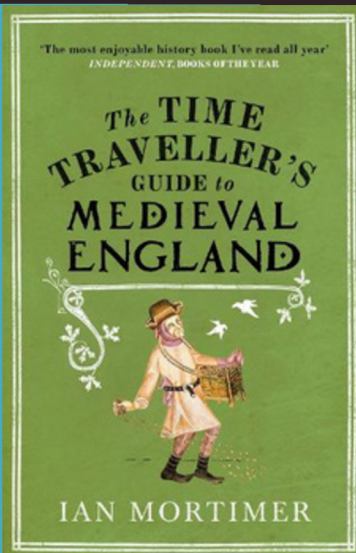


# READING FOR PLEASURE IN ... HISTORY



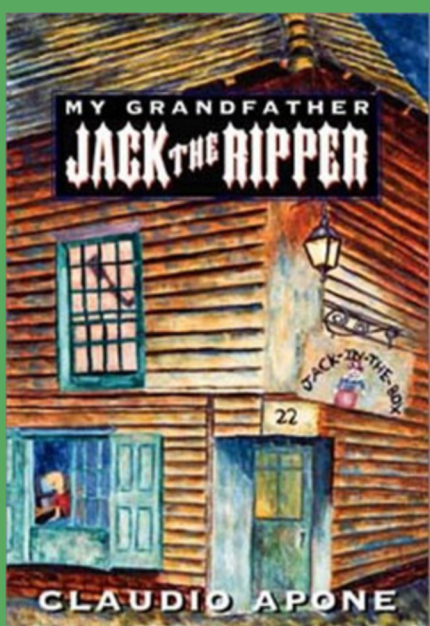
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr

Partly autobiographical, this is first of the internationally acclaimed trilogy by Judith Kerr telling the unforgettable story of a Jewish family fleeing from Germany at the start of the Second World War



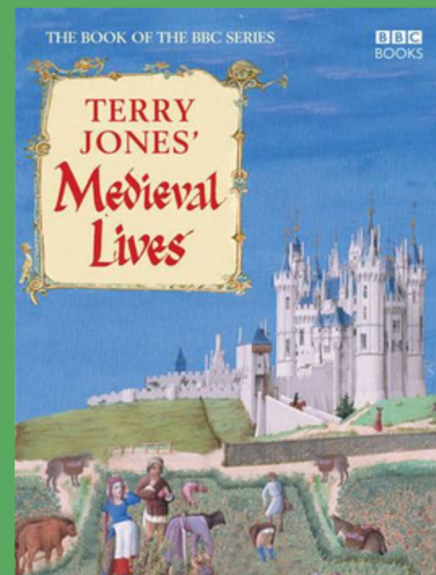
The Time Traveller's Guide to Medieval England by Ian Mortimer

Imagine you could travel back to the fourteenth century. What would you see, and hear, and smell? Where would you stay? What are you going to eat? And how are you going to test to see if you are going down with the plague?



My Grandfather Jack the Ripper by Claudio Apone

A clairvoyant thirteen-year-old uses his gifts to time travel in search of clues to the unsolved crimes of Jack the Ripper, but a more personal crime awaits him in the present.



Medieval Lives By Terry Jones

Famous for lampooning the schoolboy view of the medieval world in "Monty Python and the Holy Grail", Terry Jones has a real passion for and detailed knowledge of the Middle Ages. In "Terry Jones' Medieval Lives" his mission is to rescue the Middle Ages from moth-eaten clichés and well-worn platitudes. Behind the stereotypes of "damsels in distress" and "knights in shining armour", of rich men in their castles and the poor man at their gates, there are wonderfully human stories that bring the period to life.

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD



Over 30 million copies sold worldwide  
HARPER LEE

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

A lawyer's advice to his children as he defends the real mockingbird of Harper Lee's classic novel - a black man falsely charged with the rape of a white girl. Through the young eyes of Scout and Jem Finch, Harper Lee explores with exuberant humour the irrationality of adult attitudes to race and class in the Deep South of the 1930s. The conscience of a town steeped in prejudice, violence and hypocrisy is pricked by the stamina of one man's struggle for justice. But the weight of history will only tolerate so much. To Kill a Mockingbird is a coming-of-age story, an anti-racist novel, a historical drama of the Great Depression and a sublime example of the Southern writing tradition.

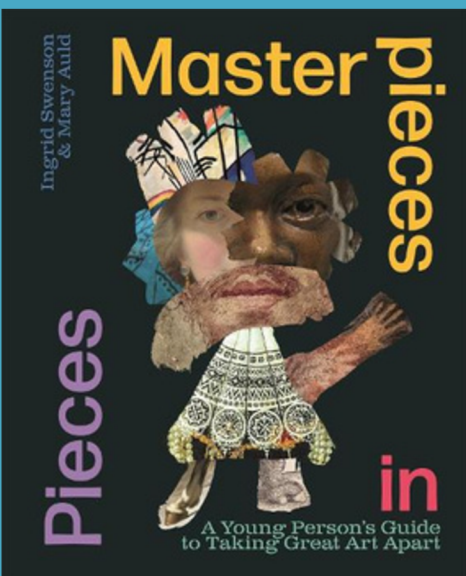


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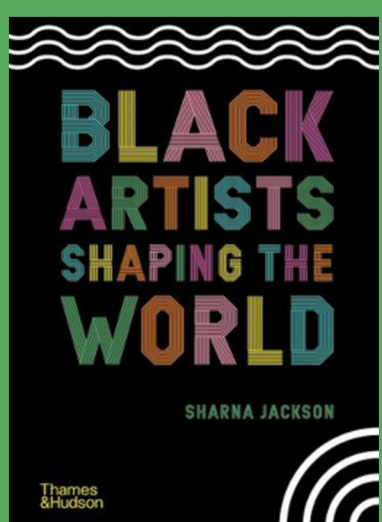
Portraits and  
Poison by J. T.  
Williams &  
Simone Douglas

It's the summer of 1777, the night of the grand unveiling of the Sancho-Mansfields family portrait - a groundbreaking step towards representing friendship, family, and freedom. But soon enough things take a chaotic turn - the painting has been stolen!



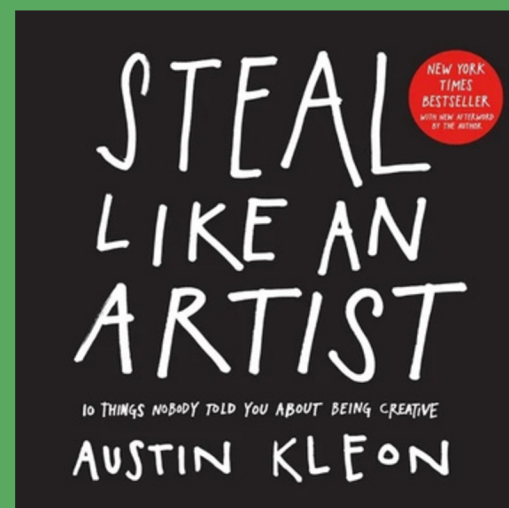
Masterpieces in  
Piece by Ingrid  
Swenson

Masterpieces in Pieces takes you on a journey through great art from all around the world and across the ages. Some of the masterpieces are famous, some may surprise you. Explore the themed galleries or just plunge in anywhere and enjoy the visual feast.



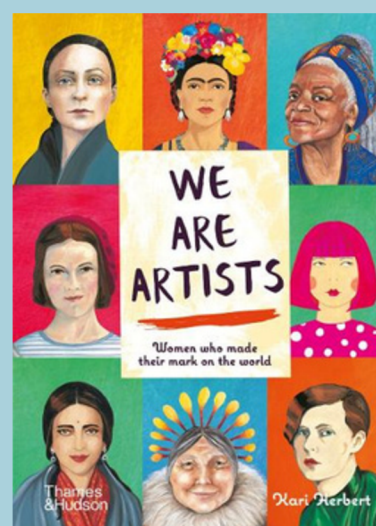
Black Artists  
Shaping the  
World by  
Sharna Jackson

Written by award-winning Black British children's author Sharna Jackson, Black Artists Shaping the World celebrates the diversity of work being produced today by Black artists from around the globe, introducing young readers to twenty-six contemporary artists from Africa and of the African diaspora.



Steal like an  
Artist by Austin  
Kleon

Artist Austin Kleon's beautifully illustrated bestseller teaches readers how to use their surroundings and their own creativity to discover their own artistic paths. Filled with clever infographics and words of wisdom from Kleon, and peppered with quotes from other successful artists, Steal Like an Artist, is an inspiration for both veteran and aspiring artists everywhere.

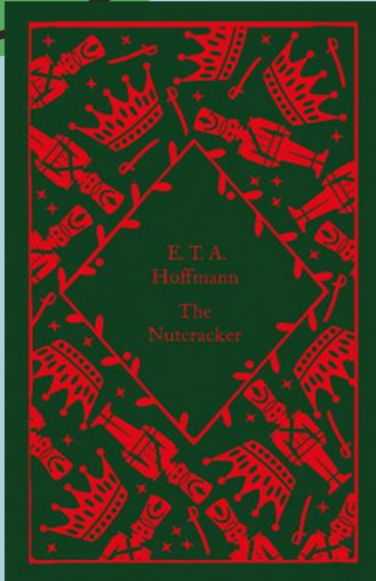


We Are  
Artists by  
Kari Herbert

We Are Artists celebrates the life and work of 15 female artists from around the globe and the distinctive mark they made on the art world and beyond. Presented as a collection of engaging biographical narratives, We Are Artists reveals how each artist's unique approach and perspective provided the art world and society at large with a new way of seeing things. It places the spotlight on women painters, sculptors, printmakers, illustrators, designers and craftswomen, who all too often are left out of history and art history books for children. Through their personal stories, readers will come to know the circles and art movements each artist worked in, and the influence they exerted on both the art world and society as a whole.

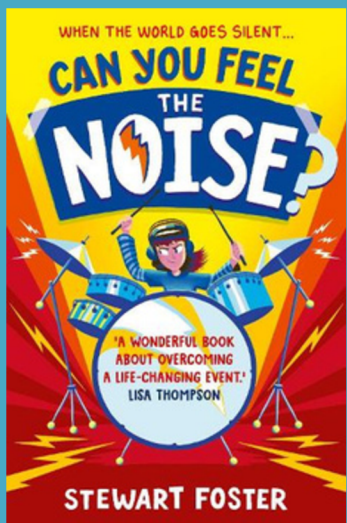


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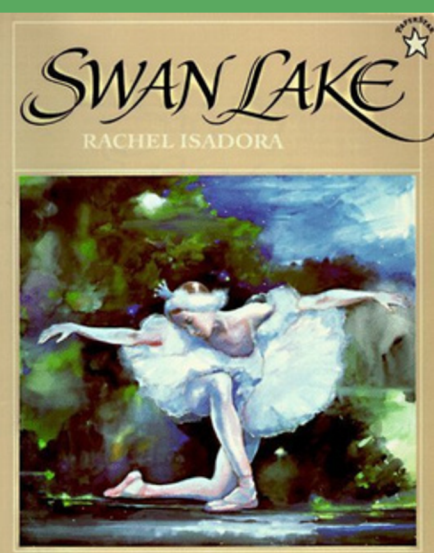
The Nutcracker  
by E.T.A  
Hoffman

Hoffman's magical story that inspired Tchaikovsky's famed festive ballet, The Nutcracker sees Clara's favourite Christmas gift come alive and whisk her into the extraordinary Kingdom of Dolls.



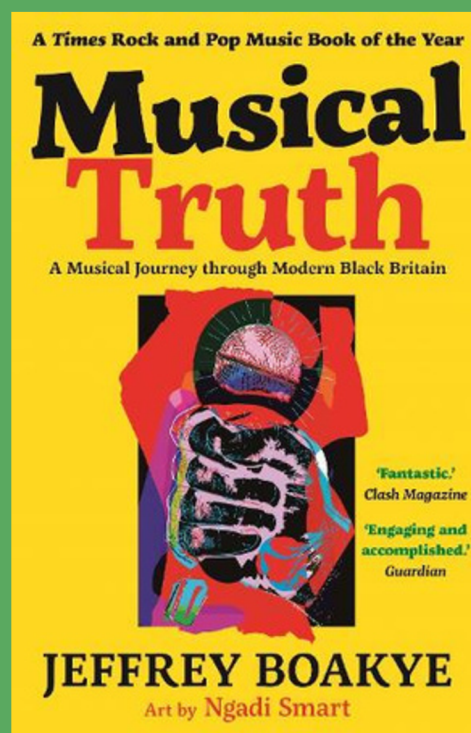
Can you feel the  
Noise? by  
Stewart Foster

Empowering and uplifting, this story of overcoming adversity through harnessing the power of your dreams revolves around Sophie, a keen musician who wakes one morning completely deaf.



Swan Lake by  
Rachel Isadora

One of the classic ballets, Swan Lake is based on the legend of a beautiful maiden turned into a swan by an evil sorcerer. Now, all the drama, mystery, and enchantment of the swan-maiden's tale come alive in impressionistic paintings of ballerinas that capture the movement of dance.



Musical Truth by  
Jeffrey Boakye

Music can carry the stories of history like a message in a bottle. Lord Kitchener, Neneh Cherry, Smiley Culture, Stormzy

... Groundbreaking musicians whose songs have changed the world. But how? This exhilarating playlist tracks some of the key shifts in modern British history, and explores the emotional impact of 28 songs and the artists who performed them.



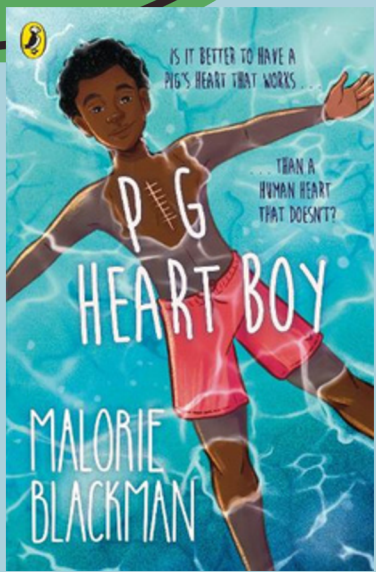
Theatrical by  
Maggie Harcourt

Hope is happiest out of the spotlight, working backstage at her local theatre, so she can't believe her luck when she lands a top internship on a major show. However, with a Hollywood star cast in the lead, and his young understudy upstaging Hope's heart, she soon wishes life would stick to the script. Hope has to prove she's got what it takes. But with a big secret and so much buzz around the show, it isn't long before Hope finds herself centre stage... A Hollywood star, a top director, a sold-out show, a major crush...and a girl with everything to prove.



# READING FOR PLEASURE IN ...

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



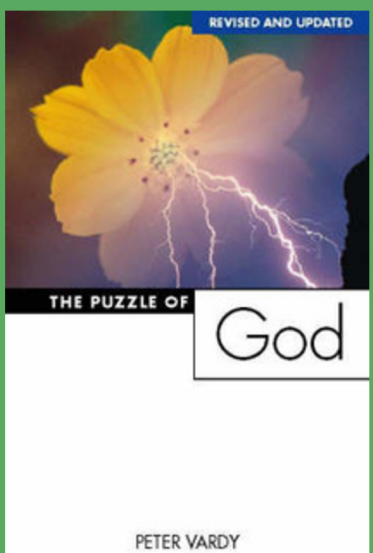
Pig Heart Boy  
by Malorie  
Blackman

Cameron is thirteen, and all he wants is a 'normal' life - friends, swimming, school, family. But his life is far from normal. Not every thirteen-year-old desperately needs a new heart because theirs doesn't work properly.



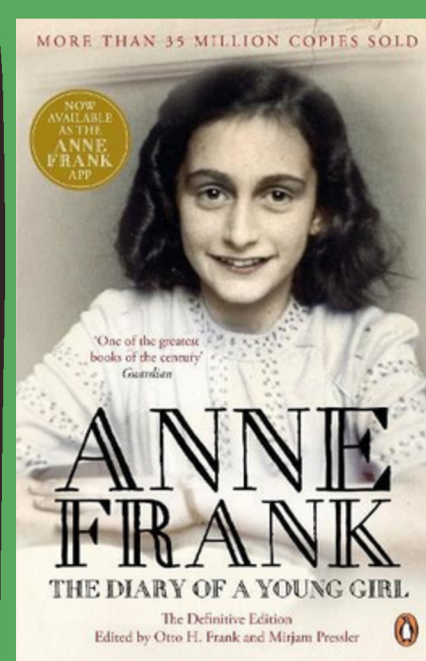
Does My Head  
Look Big in This?  
by Randa Abdel-  
Fattah

School is tough enough without throwing a hijab into the mix... Amal is a 16-year-old Melbourne teen with all the usual obsessions about boys, exams, chocolate and magazines. She's also a Muslim, struggling to honour the Islamic faith in a society that doesn't understand it.



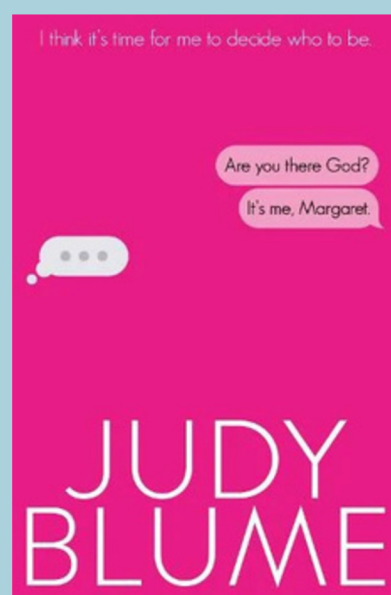
The Puzzle of  
God by Peter  
Vardy

Peter Vardy's much acclaimed introduction to the study of ideas about God - now revised and updated. A clear, well-written guide to philosophical thinking about God. Starting with the question of what it means to say we believe in God, and looking at the nature of truth, Peter Vardy goes on to examine ideas about God and their influence on Christian thinking.



The Diary of a  
Young Girl by  
Anne Frank

One of the most famous accounts of living under the Nazi regime of World War I comes from the diary of a thirteen-year-old Jewish girl, Anne Frank. Today, The Diary of a Young Girl has sold over 25 million copies world-wide; this is the definitive edition released to mark the 70th anniversary of the day the diary begins. The Diary of a Young Girl is a timeless true story to be rediscovered by each new generation. For young readers and adults it continues to bring to life Anne's extraordinary courage and struggle throughout her ordeal.



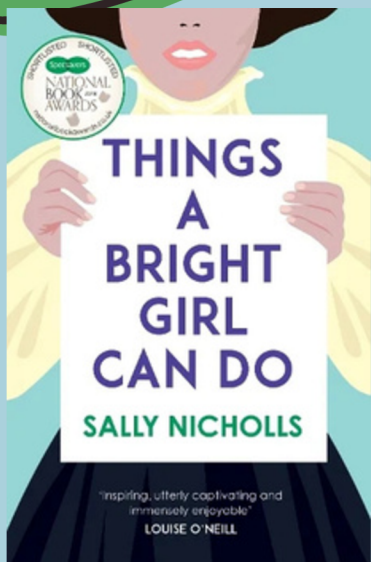
Are you there  
God? It's me,  
Margaret by  
Judy Blume

Meet Margaret. She's going through all the same things most teenage girls have to face; fitting in, friendship and first bras. Life isn't easy for Margaret. She's moved away from her childhood home, she's starting a new school, finding new friends - and she's convinced she's not normal. For a start she hasn't got a clue whether she wants to be Jewish like her father or Christian like her mother. Everyone else seems really sure of who they are. And, worst of all, she's a 'late developer'. She just knows that all her friends are going to need a bra before she does. It's too embarrassing to talk to her parents about these things. So she talks to God instead - and waits for an answer...



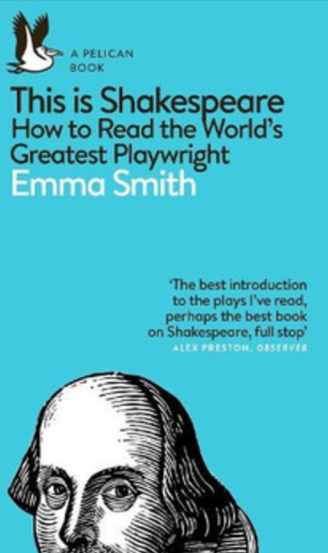


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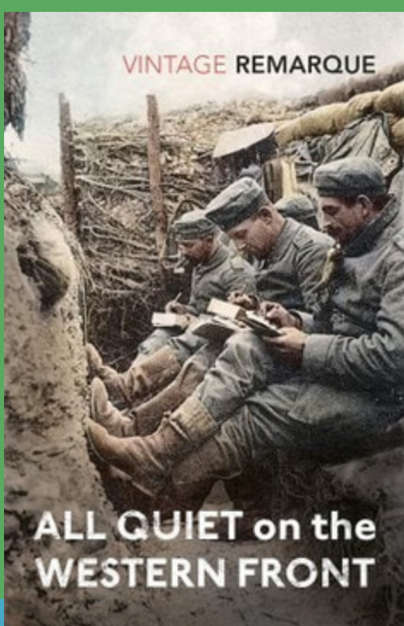
Things a Bright Girl Can Do by Sally Nicholls

In the political turbulence of Edwardian Britain, three young women from very different walks of life hear the call for equality and justice in Nicholls' stunning novel about the suffragette movement, permeated with personal as well as social drama.



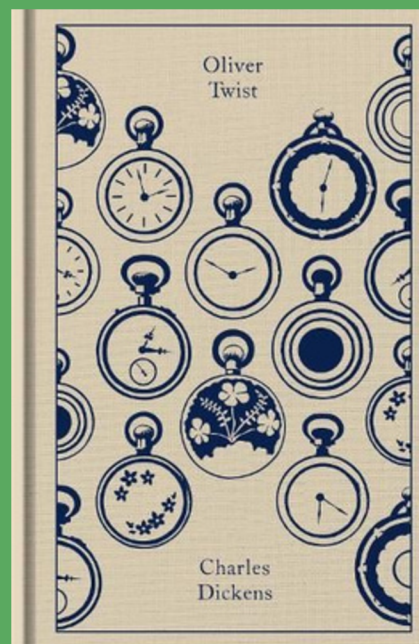
This is Shakespeare by Emma Smith

For all who find getting to grips with the Bard a touch intimidating, Emma Smith is here to help. Her brilliantly informal guide to Shakespeare brings the plays bang up to date, highlighting their relevance to modern society and demystifying their meaning for the lay reader. A truly indispensable companion to our greatest literary figure.



All Quiet on the Western Front by Erich Maria Remarque

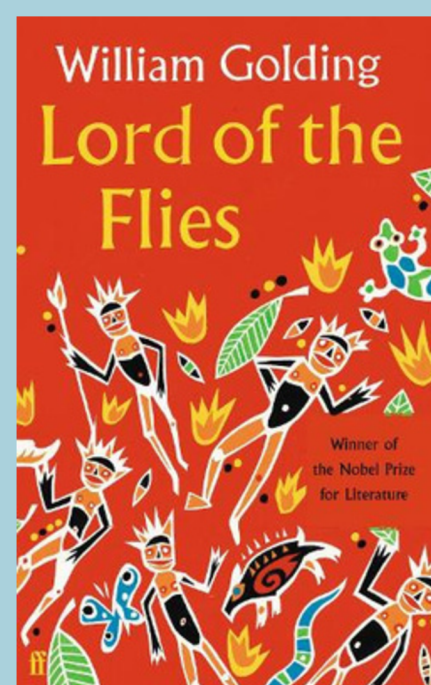
Written shortly after the end of the Great War – and based on the author's own experiences – this classic of the genre, told from the German perspective, is a harrowing, unflinching depiction of the horrors of trench conflict which has lost none of its power or its pathos.



Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens

The story of the orphan Oliver, who runs away from the workhouse only to be taken in by a den of thieves, shocked readers when it was first published.

Dickens's tale of childhood innocence beset by evil depicts the dark criminal underworld of a London peopled by vivid and memorable characters – the arch-villain Fagin, the artful Dodger, the menacing Bill Sikes and the prostitute Nancy.



Lord of the Flies by William Golding

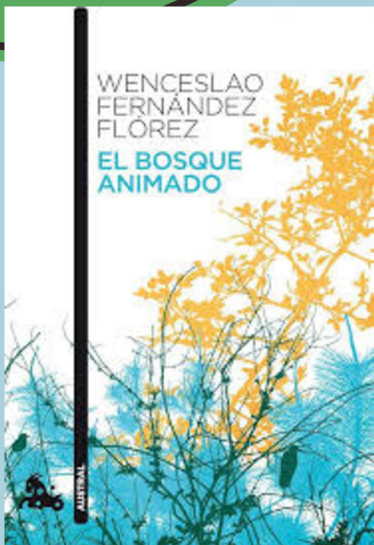
William Golding's Lord of the Flies is a dystopian classic. When a group of schoolboys are stranded on a desert island, what could go wrong?

A plane crashes on a desert island. The only survivors are a group of schoolboys. By day, they discover fantastic wildlife and dazzling beaches, learning to survive; at night, they are haunted by nightmares of a primitive beast.

Orphaned by society, it isn't long before their innocent childhood games devolve into a savage, murderous hunt ...

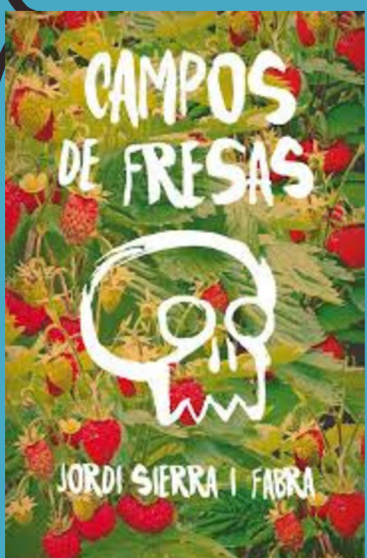


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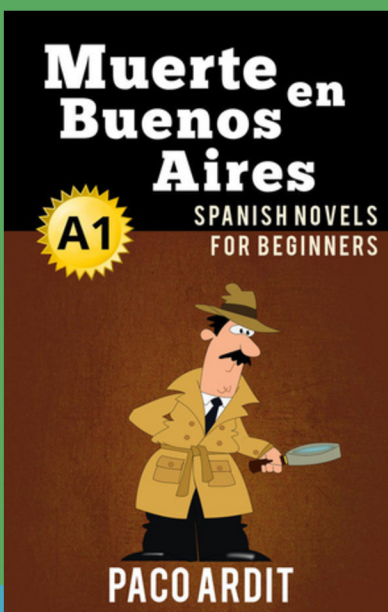
El Bosque Animado by Wenceslao Fernández Florez

Presents a poetic, magical portrait of the wood of Cecebre, a wild enchanted forest in the uncultivated wilderness of Galicia, a fantastical place where trees talk and the borders between dreams, imagination, and reality are transcended by nature



Campo de Fresas by Jordi Sierra i Fabra

Campos de fresas (Strawberry Fields) – Luciana, a 17 year old girl, is in coma after taking an ecstasy pill. It is "the next day". While her friends wonder what happened, Eloy, the boy who is in love with her, searches desperately for the drug pusher who sold her the pill to try and save her life.



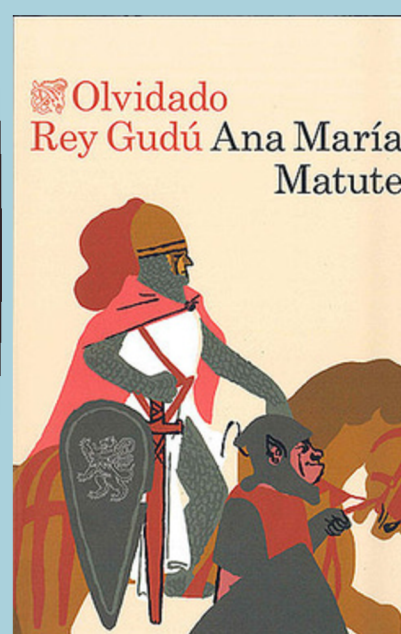
Muerte en Buenos Aires by Paco Ardit

Learning with Spanish Novels is easy and straightforward. Forget about difficult long texts with English-translations. This book for Spanish learners is not like that: it will take you to the next level in no time! That means less effort and struggle on your way to fluency in Spanish. Improving your Spanish can be lots of fun.



Lagrimas en la Lluvia by Rosa Montero

The book take place on Earth in 2109. The population is mainly divided between humans and replicants, lab-grown humans who are born with adult bodies to serve humans in the most undesirable jobs. The replicants are only committed to serve two years, after which they are free to spend the rest of their lives as they please. All remaining eight years of it. You see, replicants inexplicably die of the same disease when they reach ten years of age.

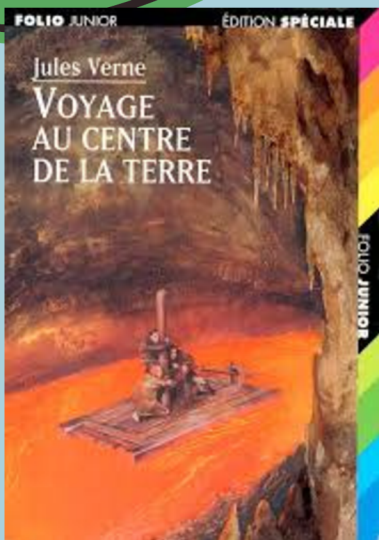


Olvidado Rey Gudú by Ana María Matute

Forgotten King Gudú is Ana María Matute's masterpiece and one of the greatest novels of the 20th century. Abounding in fables and fantasy, it narrates the foundation and expansion of the Kingdom of Olar through a plot with a multitude of different characters and adventures. The story is set in a symbolic landscape: the mysterious North, the inhospitable steppes of the East and the rich, exuberant South, regions which limit the expansion of the Kingdom of Olar, whose destiny is marked by the cunning of a girl from the south, the magic of an old sorcerer and the rules of the game of a creature from the nether regions

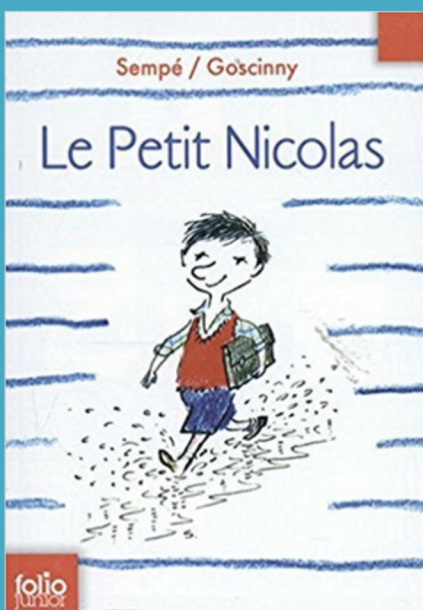


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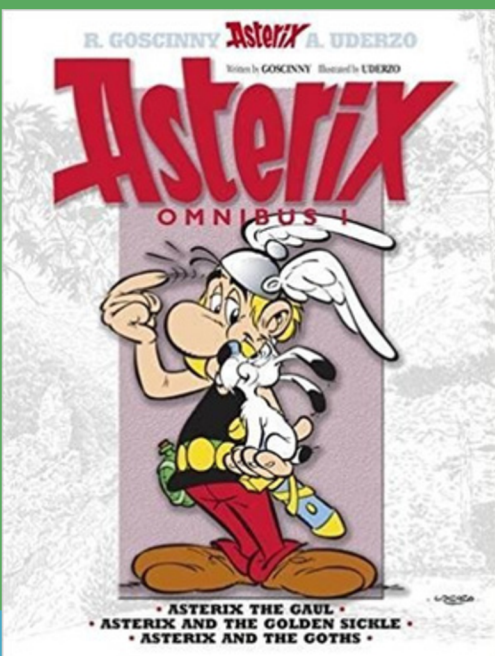
Voyage au centre de la Terre by Jules Verne

In a revised and expanded edition. Professor Otto Lidenbrock is the tale's central figure, an eccentric German scientist who believes there are volcanic tubes that reach to the very center of the earth



Le Petit Nicolas by René Goscinny

A classic humorous novel that made me daydream about my childhood. The author tells the funny stories of Nicolas and his buddies at the 1st person singular, which makes it an easy-to-follow book, therefore a great choice for French rookies.



Astérix et Obélix by Uderzo et Goscinny

The three companions Astérix, Obélix, and Idéfix travel the world and go through many fun adventures. The authors refer to history and make use of different cultural environments that make the series captivating for grown-ups as well.



Le Petit Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

The Little Prince, fable and modern classic by French aviator and writer Antoine de Saint-Exupéry that was published with his own illustrations in French as Le Petit Prince in 1943. The simple tale tells the story of a child, the little prince, who travels the universe gaining wisdom. The novella has been translated into hundreds of languages and has sold some 200 million copies worldwide, making it one of the best-selling books in publishing history.



Le dernier jour d'un condamné by Victor Hugo

A man has been condemned to death by the guillotine in 19th-century France. In Bicêtre, the sentenced man writes down his thoughts, feelings and fears while awaiting his execution. His writing traces his change in psyche vis-a-vis the world outside the prison cell throughout his imprisonment, and describes his life in prison, everything from what his cell looks like to the personality of the prison priest. He does not betray his name or what he has done to the reader, though he vaguely hints that he has killed someone; just a nameless, faceless, irrelevant victim.