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From leading Early Years expert, Penny Tassoni MBE, this picture book series uses simple words and delightful colour illustrations to put a positive spin on those all-important everyday. Featuring practical advice and tips for practitioners, carers and parents, this is the ideal resource for encouraging young children to talk about social skills using contexts they can relate to.

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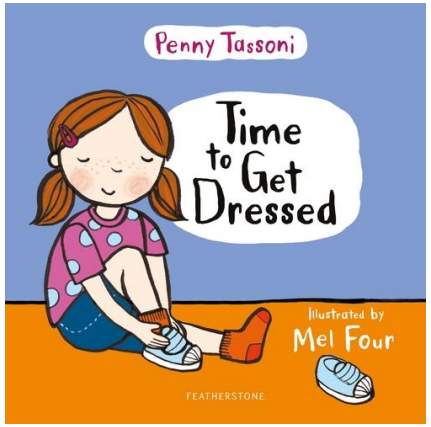

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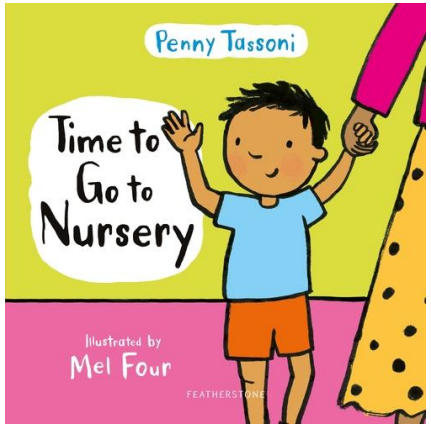

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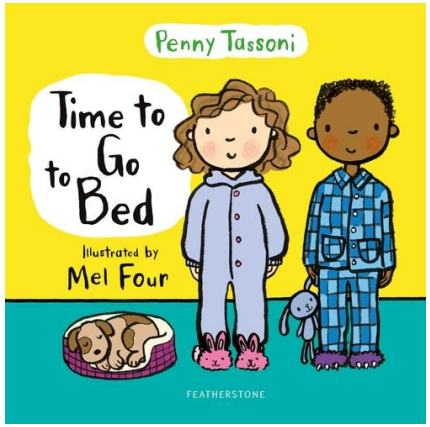

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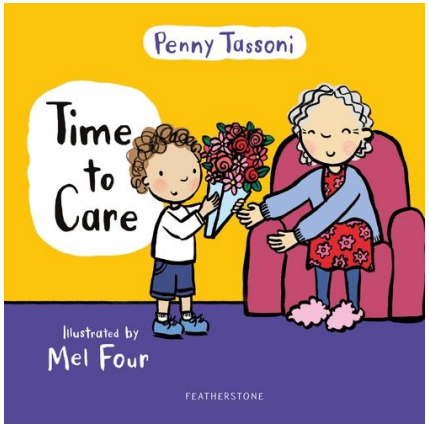

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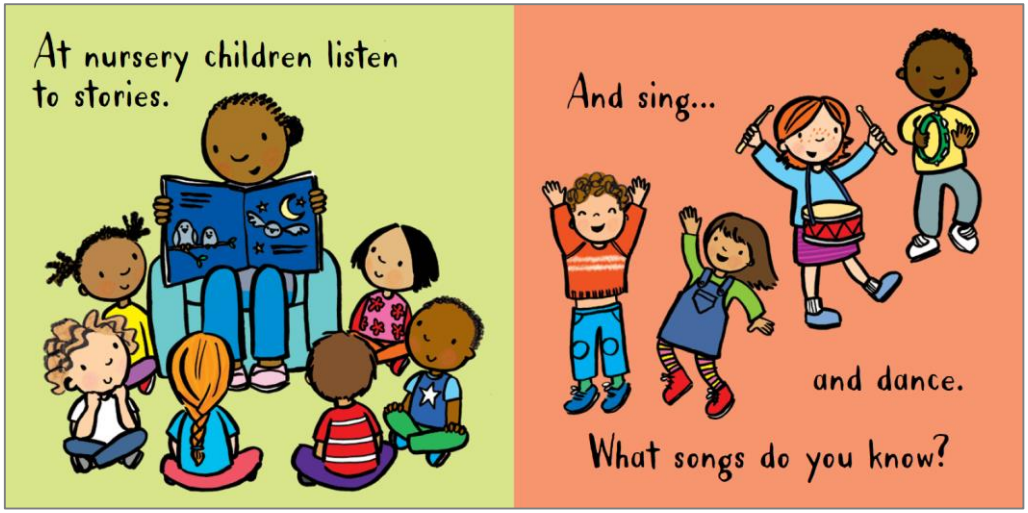

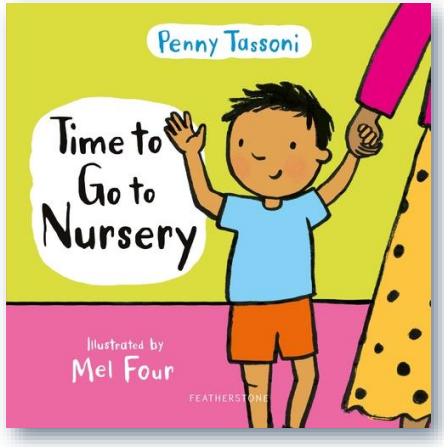

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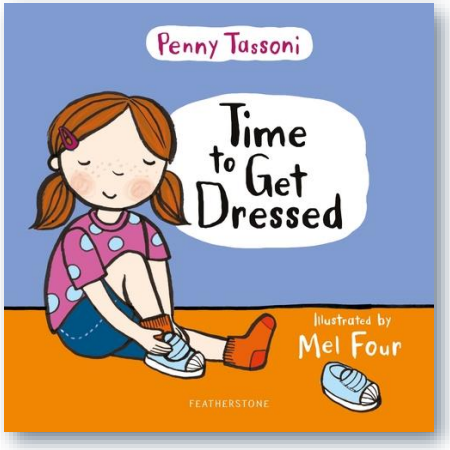

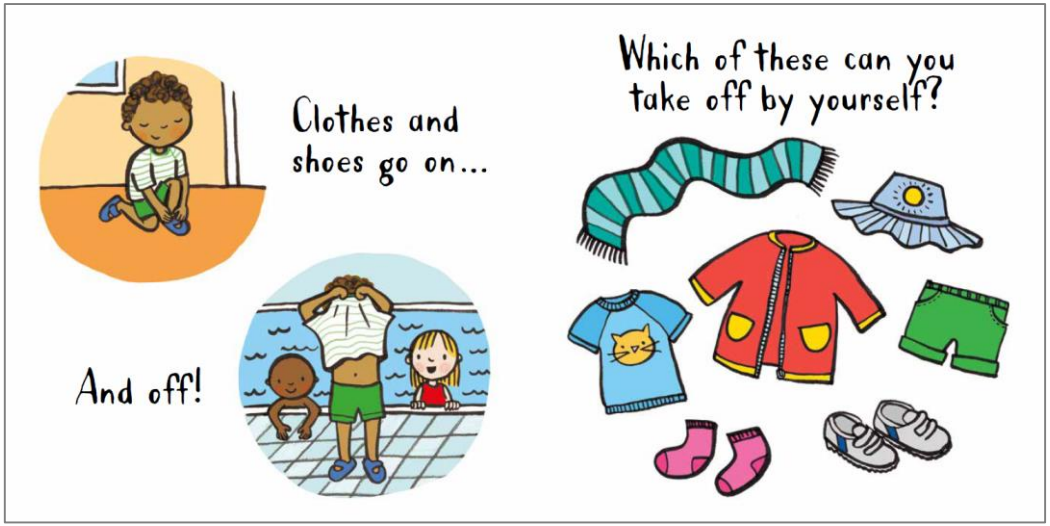

Time to Get Dressed

Bloomsbury Young Readers

Bloomsbury Young Readers provide engaging, fully illustrated, book-banded stories by brilliant authors like Julia Donaldson, specifically tailored to get children reading. In 2021 Bloomsbury Education are publishing five new titles in the series.

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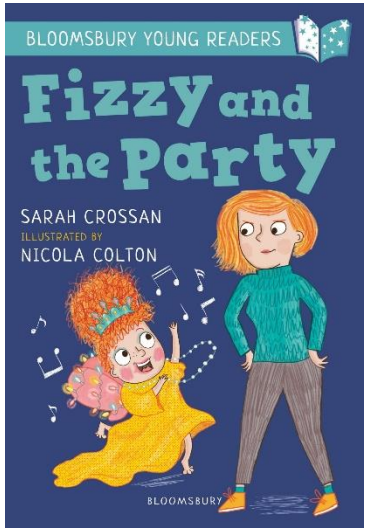
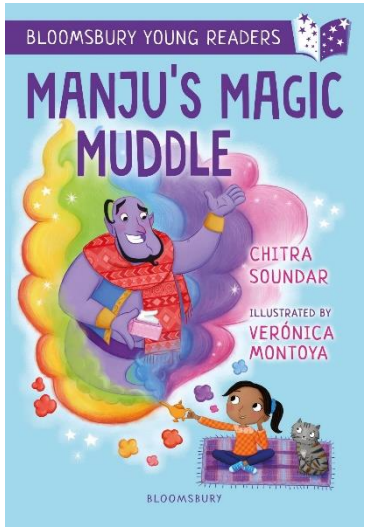


Fizzy and the Party
9781472970985
White Book Band, Ages 6+

It's Fizzy's bedtime but there's a party going on next door! Will Mum let her stay up for just *five* more minutes?

Sarah Crossan is the previous winner of the CILIP Carnegie Medal, the CBI Book of the Year Award and the CLIPPA Poetry Award, and former Ireland's Children's Literature Laureate.
Illustrated by **Nicola Colton.**



Manju's Magic Muddle
9781472970886
Purple Book Band, Ages 6-7

Manju is stuck at home and she is BORED. She hopes the genie will be able to help but he's ill and his magic is even stranger than usual…

Chitra Soundar is an Indian-born British writer and storyteller with over 30 books in print worldwide.
Her book *You're Safe With Me* was shortlisted for the 2019 CILIP Kate Greenway Medal.
Illustrated by **Verónica Montoya.**

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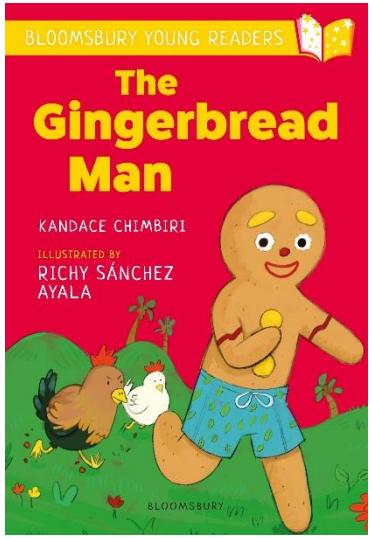
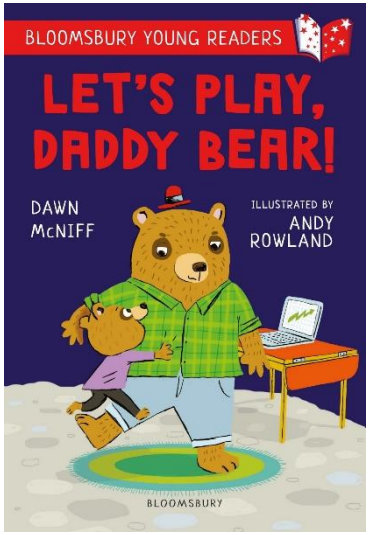


The Gingerbread Man
9781472988966
Gold Book Band, Ages 6-7

An old woman dreams that a gingerbread boy will make her happy but she doesn't expect him to run away! This is a Caribbean retelling of the well-loved fairy tale *The Gingerbread Man*.

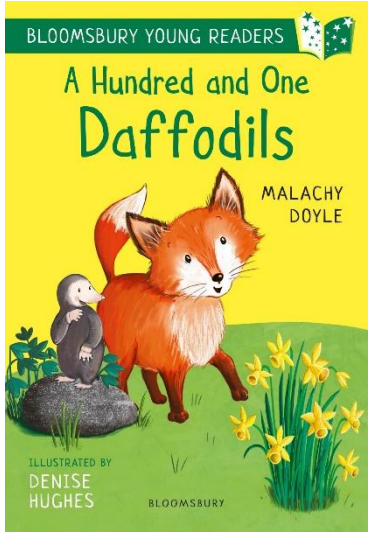
Kandace Chimbiri is the author of several Black history books for children and publishes children's non-fiction. Kandace was born in England to parents from Barbados.
Illustrated by **Richy Sánchez Ayala.**



Let's Play, Daddy Bear!
9781472988904
Turquoise Book Band, Ages 6-7.

Little Bear lives with her dad at weekends, but he's too busy to play today. If only Daddy Bear would stop tap-tap-tapping on his keyboard, because waiting is so *boring!*

Dawn McNiff has an MA in Writing for Young People from Bath Spa University and is the author of *How Not to Be Weird* and *With Love from Alfie McPoost, The Best Dog Ever*.
Illustrated by **Andy Rowland.**



A Hundred and One Daffodils
9781472988850
Lime Book Band, Ages 6-7.

Spring is coming. Dad says they can have a big spring party if Dusty the fox cub can find 101 daffodils. Can Dusty and her friends work together to find enough flowers?

Malachy Doyle has written over a hundred books and is the best-selling author of *The Hound of Ulster* and *Rama and Sita: The Story of Diwali*.
Illustrated by **Denise Hughes**.

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Bloomsbury Readers

The **Bloomsbury Readers** series is packed with brilliant books to get children reading independently in Key Stage 2, with book-banded stories by award-winning authors like double Carnegie Medal winner Geraldine McCaughrean and Waterstones Prize winner Patrice Lawrence covering a wide range of genres and topics. In 2021 Bloomsbury Education are publishing ten new titles in the series.

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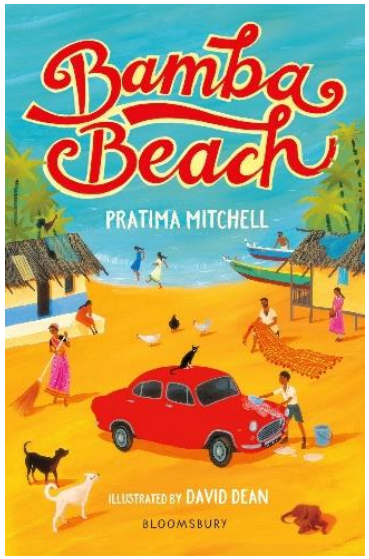
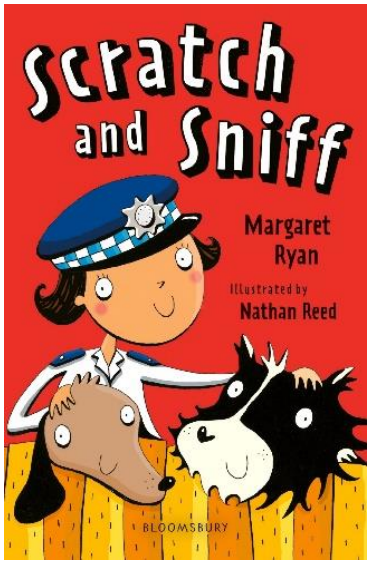


Bamba Beach
9781472989987
Book Band: Dark Blue (Ideal for ages 9+)

A poignant family story set in Goa, India, written by Pratima Mitchell.

Pratima Mitchell comes from a family of writers and was first published at the age of eleven. Pratima has written over 30 books and has lived all over the world including in Delhi, London, Vermont, Nigeria, Vienna and the French Pyrenees.
Illustrated by **David Dean.**



Scratch and Sniff
9781472989673
Book Band: Lime (Ideal for ages 7+)

An entertaining cops and robbers adventure from children's writer Margaret Ryan.

Margaret Ryan was one of Scotland's most prolific and celebrated writers for young people. Her books include *Fat Alfie, Airy Fairy, Operation Boyfriend* and the Little Blue series. Margaret won the Scottish Arts Council Award for *The Queen's Birthday Hat*.
Illustrated by **Nathan Reed.**

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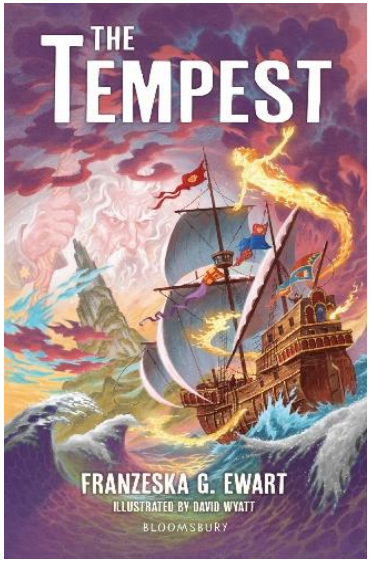

The Tempest
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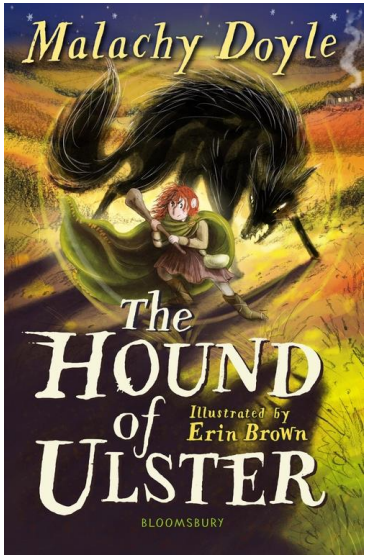
Book Band: Dark Red (Ideal for ages 10+)

A vibrant retelling of Shakespeare's *The Tempest*.

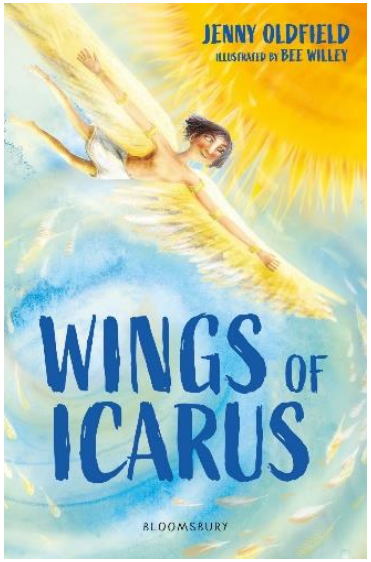
Franzeska G. Ewart is a children's author from Scotland. Since graduating with a degree in Zoology and working as a primary school teacher, she has written over 20 books for children and teenagers, including the Bryony Bell series. Franzeska is also a painter and has exhibited at the Royal Scottish Academy.
Illustrated by **David Wyatt.**



The Hound of Ulster
9781472989963
Book Band: Grey (ideal for ages 8+)

A thrilling retelling of the traditional Irish legend of Cúchulainn written by Malachy Doyle.

Malachy Doyle lives in Ireland. Before writing children's books, he worked in advertising and as a teacher. Malachy has written over a hundred books and is the author of *Rama and Sita: The Story of Diwali* and several books in the Bloomsbury Young Readers series.
Illustrated by **Erin Brown.**



Wings of Icarus
9781472989703
Book Band: Brown (Ideal for ages 7+)

A gripping retelling of the classic Greek myth by bestselling author Jenny Oldfield**.**

Jenny Oldfield was born and raised in Harrogate, Yorkshire, and has been writing from a young age. Jenny is a best-selling author of over 50 children's books, including much-loved series such as Half Moon Ranch, Home Farm Twins and My Magical Pony.
Illustrated by **Bee Willey.**

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The Night the Moon Went Out
9781472993519
Book Band: Dark Blue (Ideal for ages 9+)

A heart-warming adventure story starring Aneira who is a hearing-aid wearer.

Samantha Baines is an award-wining comedian, author, actress, broadcaster and hearing aid wearer. Her *Harriet Versus the Galaxy*, was listed in the Independent's Best Children's Books of the Year 2019 and in BookTrust's Great Book Guide 2020.
Illustrated by **Lucy Rogers.**

Sindhu and Jeet's Detective Agency
9781472993311
Book Band: Dark Blue (Ideal for ages 9+)

A fun detective adventure set between England and India.

Chitra Soundar is an Indian-born British writer and storyteller. Her book *You're Safe With Me* (with illustrator Poonam Mistry) was shortlisted for the 2019 CILIP Kate Greenway Medal.
Illustrated by **Amberin Huq.**

Ruby Ali's Mission Break Up
9781472993175
Book Band: Dark Red (Ideal for ages 10+)

A funny, heart-warming family story about a Muslim girl trying to find her place in the world.

Sufiya Ahmed worked in advertising and in the House of Commons before becoming a full-time author. She is the author of *My Story: Noor-Un-Nissa Inayat Khan* and *Under the Great Plum Tree.*
Illustrated by **Parwinder Singh.**

Maggie and the Moonbird
9781472994196
Book Band: Dark Blue (Ideal for ages 9+)

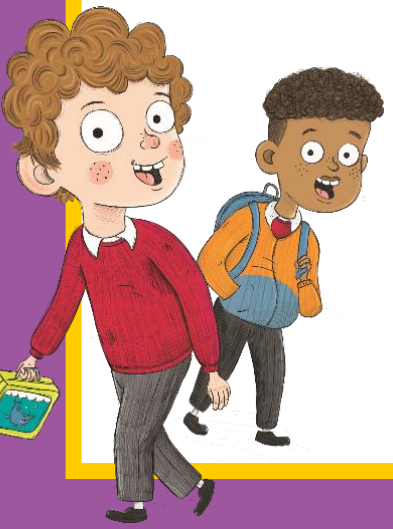
An inspiring fantasy story starring the adventures of Margot and a magical bird.

Katya Balen is the author of *October, October* and *The Space We're In* which was shortlisted for the 2020 Branford Boase Award.
Illustrated by **Pham Quang Phuc .**

Ping and the Missing Ring
9781472994097
Book Band: Dark Red (Ideal for ages 10+)

An exciting mystery set in a Thai family in London, by Emma Shevah .

Emma Shevah is Thai and Irish and currently lives in Brighton.. She is the author of *Hello, Baby Mo!*, as well as middle-grade novels including *Dream On, Amber* and *How to Save the World with a Chicken and an Egg.*
Illustrated by **Sarah Demonteverde.**



Yapping Away

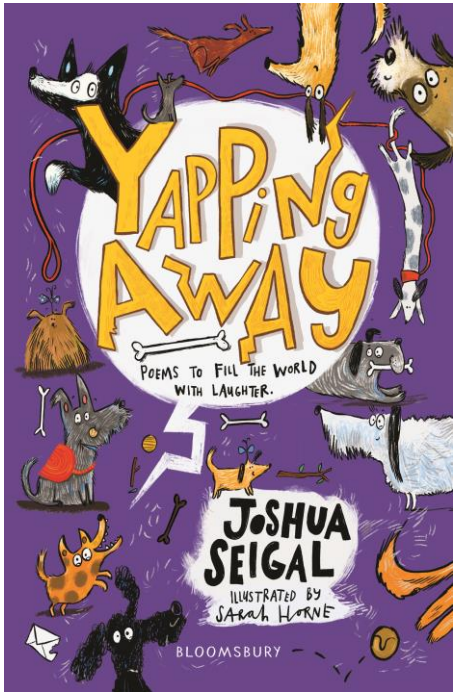
Joshua Seigal

19 AUG 2021 | PAPERBACK | £5.99 | 9781472972743

Dive into a wonderful new collection of poems for younger readers by Joshua Seigal. From hilarious to heartfelt poems – and everything in between – this collection offers something for everyone. Discover the eight steps for having a successful tantrum, and why you should NEVER attend a Teddy Bear's Picnic (you have been warned).

Ideal for fans of Michael Rosen, this book will delight all young readers and fans of funny books.
Perfect for children aged 5+

Joshua Seigal was the winner of the 2020 Laugh Out Loud Book Awards, the UK's only prize for funny children's books, voted for entirely by children!



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Billie Swift Takes Flight

Iszi Lawrence

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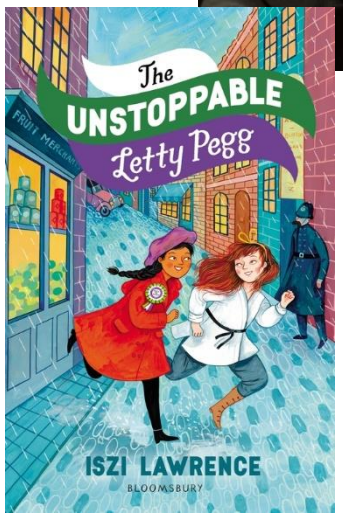
When twelve-year-old Bill is out exploring with her pet chicken, she sees a plane crash into a field and is left wondering if the pilot even survived. Determined to find out more, Bill finds a way into the ATA – a group of amazing pilots who defy the odds to get planes from the factories to the front lines and her life changes for ever.

This is a gripping, entertaining and empowering WWII adventure that is perfect for fans of Emma Carroll, Michael Morpurgo and Hilary McKay.



Iszi Lawrence is a comedian, podcaster and history presenter. She is the co-host of BBC Radio 4's Making History and hosts a number of podcasts including the British Museum Membercast. Her debut novel *The Unstoppable Letty Pegg* was published in 2020.

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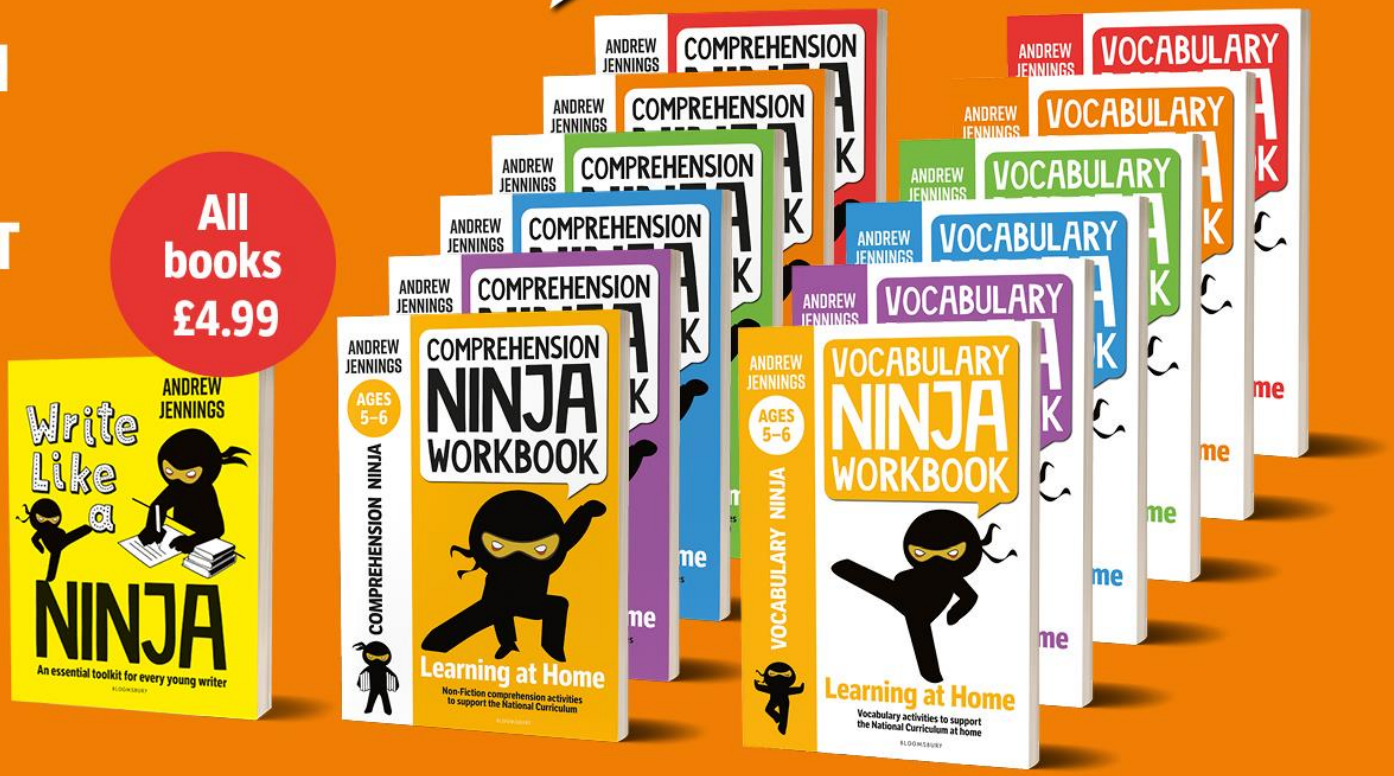

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LOOK INSIDE Write Like a Ninja

POSITIVE EMOTIONS

- amused
- appreciated
- competent
- creative
- curious
- delighted
- empowered
- enthusiastic
- excited
- exhilarated
- grateful
- included
- interested
- loved
- passionate
- proud
- relaxed
- safe
- satisfied
- unique
- valued

NEGATIVE EMOTIONS

- abandoned
- alone
- betrayed
- bitter
- cheated
- claustrophobic
- confused
- disgusted
- embarrassed
- failed
- frustrated
- guilty
- lonely
- manipulated
- numb
- panicky
- shattered
- terrified
- tormented
- unwanted
- vulnerable

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COLLECTIVE NOUNS

Collective nouns are used to name groups of things, especially animals.

A
a herd of **antelope**
a colony of **ants**

B
a swarm of **bees**
a flock of **birds**

C
a caravan of **camels**
an army of **caterpillars**

D
a herd of **deer**
a pack, cry, or kennel of **dogs**

E
a parade of **elephants**

F
a shoal of **fish**
a swarm of **flies**

G
a herd of **goats**
a band of **gorillas**

H
a brood of **hens**

J
a fluther of **jellyfish**

GENERAL VOCAB

MY NOTES

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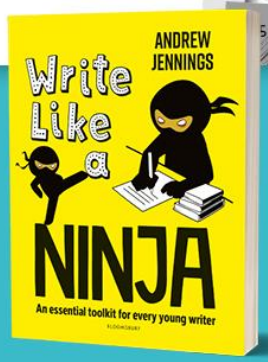
Write Like a Ninja

Includes a selection of Alan Peat's exciting sentences: a method of categorising sentence types with catchy names

Covers all the grammar terminology in the Key Stage 2 curriculum



" A super engaging and accessible primer to the fundamentals of language, packed with usable examples, that should be in every classroom. "

- Piers Torday, award-winning author of The Last Wild series for children, @PiersTorday

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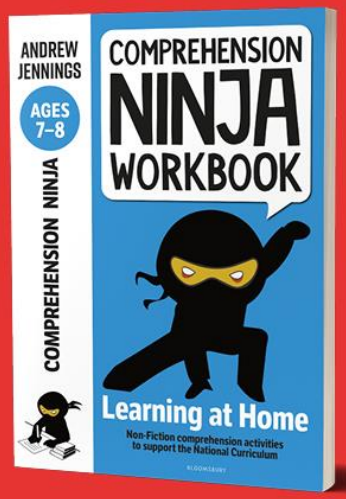
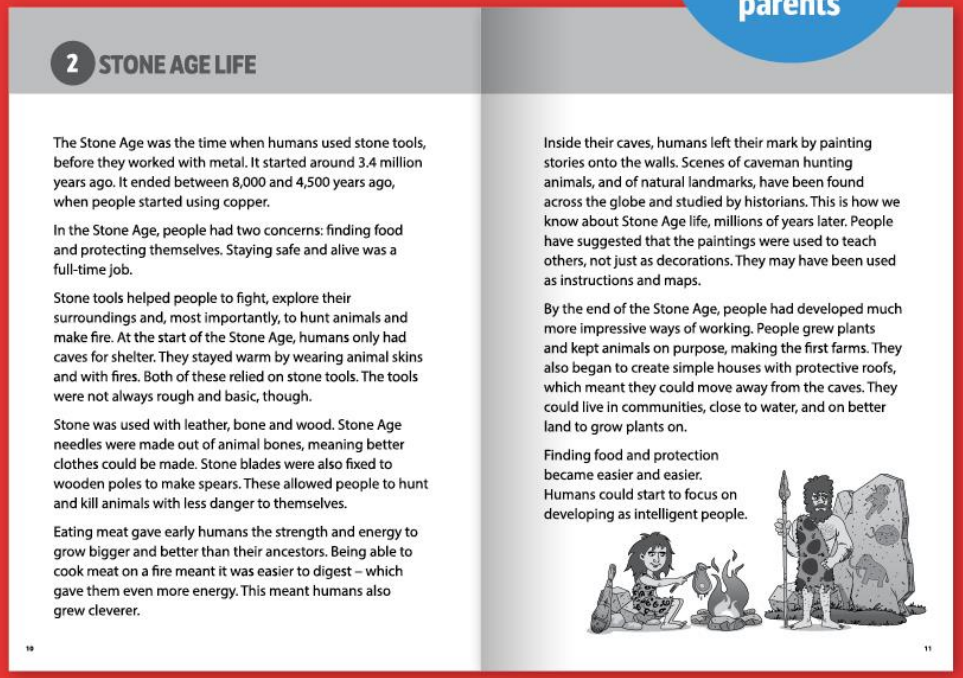
LOOK INSIDE Comprehension Ninja Workbooks

Features a variety of bespoke non-fiction texts and question types linked to the curriculum



Contains answers and advice for parents



2 STONE AGE LIFE

The Stone Age was the time when humans used stone tools, before they worked with metal. It started around 3.4 million years ago. It ended between 8,000 and 4,500 years ago, when people started using copper.

In the Stone Age, people had two concerns: finding food and protecting themselves. Staying safe and alive was a full-time job.

Stone tools helped people to fight, explore their surroundings and, most importantly, to hunt animals and make fire. At the start of the Stone Age, humans only had caves for shelter. They stayed warm by wearing animal skins and with fires. Both of these relied on stone tools. The tools were not always rough and basic, though.

Stone was used with leather, bone and wood. Stone Age needles were made out of animal bones, meaning better clothes could be made. Stone blades were also fixed to wooden poles to make spears. These allowed people to hunt and kill animals with less danger to themselves.

Eating meat gave early humans the strength and energy to grow bigger and better than their ancestors. Being able to cook meat on a fire meant it was easier to digest – which gave them even more energy. This meant humans also grew cleverer.

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Inside their caves, humans left their mark by painting stories onto the walls. Scenes of caveman hunting animals, and of natural landmarks, have been found across the globe and studied by historians. This is how we know about Stone Age life, millions of years later. People have suggested that the paintings were used to teach others, not just as decorations. They may have been used as instructions and maps.

By the end of the Stone Age, people had developed much more impressive ways of working. People grew plants and kept animals on purpose, making the first farms. They also began to create simple houses with protective roofs, which meant they could move away from the caves. They could live in communities, close to water, and on better land to grow plants on.

Finding food and protection became easier and easier. Humans could start to focus on developing as intelligent people.

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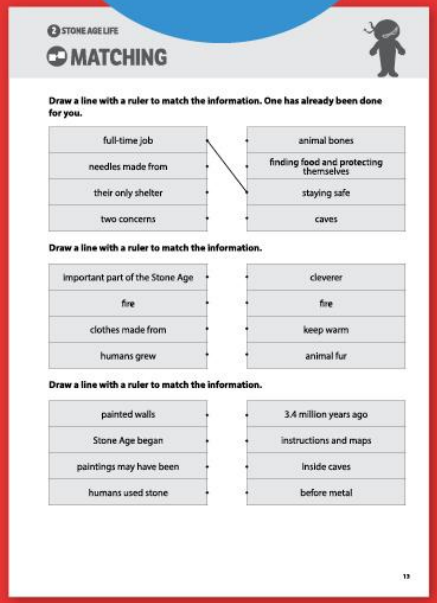

2 STONE AGE LIFE

MATCHING

Draw a line with a ruler to match the information. One has already been done for you.

full-time job	animal bones
needles made from	finding food and protecting themselves
their only shelter	staying safe
two concerns	caves

Draw a line with a ruler to match the information.

important part of the Stone Age	cleverer
fire	fire
clothes made from	keep warm
humans grew	animal fur

Draw a line with a ruler to match the information.

painted walls	3.4 million years ago
Stone Age began	instructions and maps
paintings may have been	inside caves
humans used stone	before metal

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2 STONE AGE LIFE

TRUE OR FALSE

Read the sentences. Put a tick in the correct box to show which sentences are *true* and which are *false*.

The Stone Age began 3.4 million years ago.	True ☐	False ☐
Humans invented stone tools during the Bronze Age.	True ☐	False ☐
Staying safe and alive was a part-time job.	True ☐	False ☐
Stone Age humans used stone tools to hunt.	True ☐	False ☐
Stone Age humans stayed warm by wearing animal skins.	True ☐	False ☐
Humans lived in houses at the start of the Stone Age.	True ☐	False ☐
Stone Age humans painted cave walls to share stories.	True ☐	False ☐
Stone Age humans lived in caves.	True ☐	False ☐
The two main concerns were food and copper.	True ☐	False ☐
Stone Age humans used plants and grass for clothes.	True ☐	False ☐
Bones were crafted into needles.	True ☐	False ☐
Fire allowed humans to cook meat.	True ☐	False ☐
The Stone Age ended when people started using copper.	True ☐	False ☐
In the Stone Age, people had five concerns.	True ☐	False ☐
By the end of the Stone Age, some people had farms.	True ☐	False ☐
Finding food became easier and easier.	True ☐	False ☐

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Comprehension Ninja Workbook for Ages 7-8

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- Jane Considine, author of "The Write Stuff - Transforming the Teaching of Writing"

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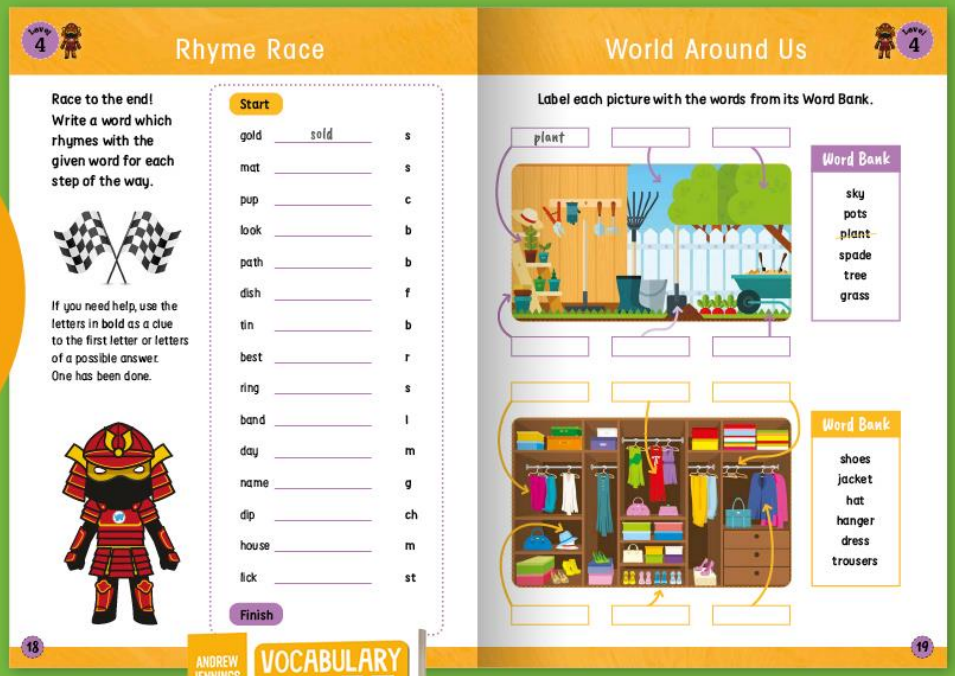
LOOK INSIDE Vocabulary Ninja Workbooks

Helps children practise different vocabulary areas linked to the curriculum, such as subject-specific terms and descriptive words

Features engaging full colour illustrations, advice for parents and answers



Level 4 — Rhyme Race

Race to the end! Write a word which rhymes with the given word for each step of the way.

If you need help, use the letters in bold as a clue to the first letter or letters of a possible answer. One has been done.

Start

gold	sold	s
mat		s
pup		c
look		b
path		b
dish		f
tin		b
best		r
ring		s
band		l
day		m
name		g
dip		ch
house		m
lick		st

Finish

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Level 4 — World Around Us

Label each picture with the words from its Word Bank.

plant

Word Bank: sky, pots, plant, spade, tree, grass

Word Bank: shoes, jacket, hat, hanger, dress, trousers

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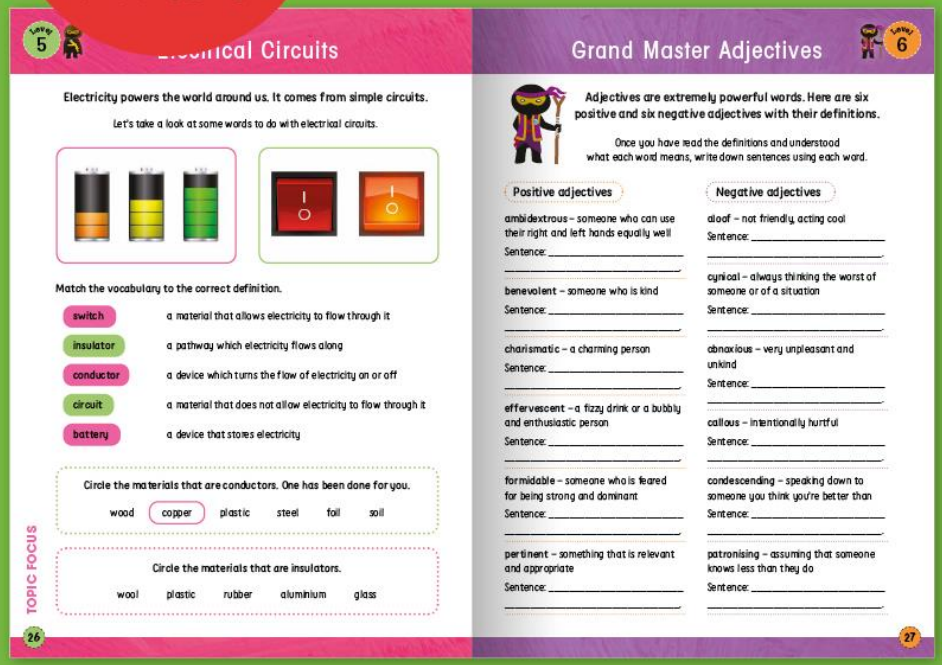
Vocabulary Ninja Workbook for Ages 5-6



Level 5 — Electrical Circuits

Electricity powers the world around us. It comes from simple circuits.

Let's take a look at some words to do with electrical circuits.

Match the vocabulary to the correct definition.

switch	a material that allows electricity to flow through it
insulator	a pathway which electricity flows along
conductor	a device which turns the flow of electricity on or off
circuit	a material that does not allow electricity to flow through it
battery	a device that stores electricity

Circle the materials that are conductors. One has been done for you.

wood copper plastic steel foil soil

Circle the materials that are insulators.

wool plastic rubber aluminium glass

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Level 6 — Grand Master Adjectives

Adjectives are extremely powerful words. Here are six positive and six negative adjectives with their definitions.

Once you have read the definitions and understood what each word means, write down sentences using each word.

Positive adjectives

ambidextrous – someone who can use their right and left hands equally well
Sentence: _____

benevolent – someone who is kind
Sentence: _____

charismatic – a charming person
Sentence: _____

effervescent – a fizzy drink or a bubbly and enthusiastic person
Sentence: _____

formidable – someone who is feared for being strong and dominant
Sentence: _____

pertinent – something that is relevant and appropriate
Sentence: _____

Negative adjectives

aloof – not friendly, acting cool
Sentence: _____

cynical – always thinking the worst of someone or of a situation
Sentence: _____

obnoxious – very unpleasant and unkind
Sentence: _____

callous – intentionally hurtful
Sentence: _____

condescending – speaking down to someone you think you're better than
Sentence: _____

patronising – assuming that someone knows less than they do
Sentence: _____

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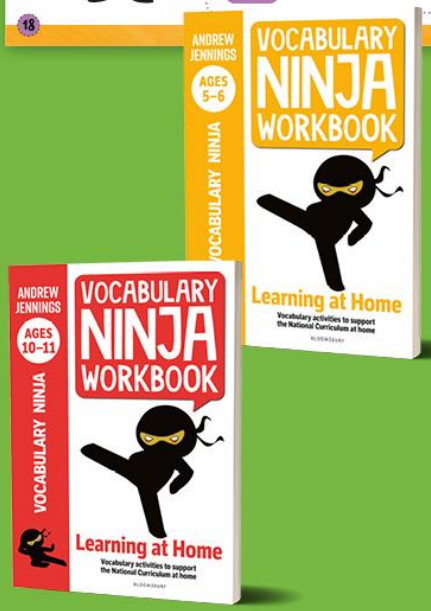

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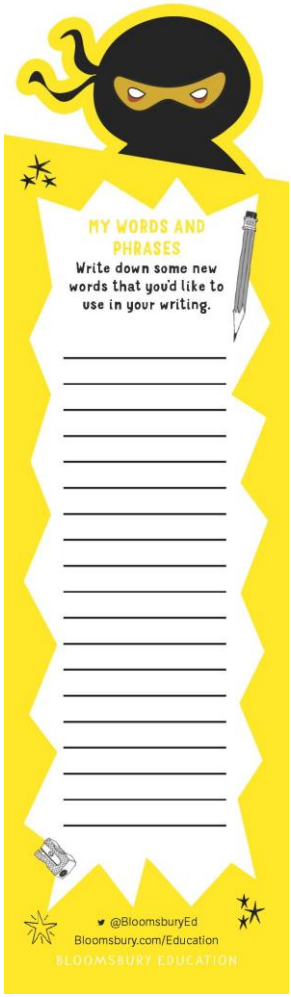

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