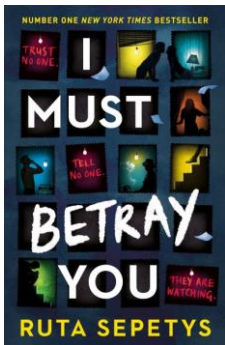


When the electricity is switched off and life as we know it ends, Dylan and his mum must survive by reverting to old ways of living.

Dylan was six when The End came, back in 2018; when the electricity went off for good, and the 'normal' 21st century world he knew disappeared. Now he's 14 and he and his mam have survived in their isolated hilltop house above the village of Nebo in north-west Wales, learning new skills, and returning to old ways of living.

Despite their close understanding, the relationship between mother and son changes subtly as Dylan must take on adult responsibilities. And they each have their own secrets, which emerge as, in turn, they jot down their thoughts and memories in a found notebook - the Blue Book of Nebo.

**Carnegie Award 2023 Winner**  
**Princethorpe Book Club Staff Favourite**



A teenager living in the repressive regime of 1989 Romania faces the choice whether to inform on his family to save their lives.

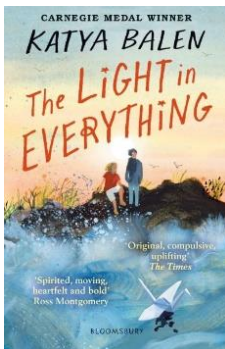
Trapped by an evil dictatorship, will Cristian be forced to betray his family or will he risk everything he loves to resist?

Cristian has lived his entire life in the grip of a repressive dictatorship. The country is governed by fear. When the secret police blackmail him, Cristian has an impossible choice. Save the life of his sick grandfather by informing on his family, or risk his life - and all of theirs - by resisting?

At 17, Cristian dreams of being free but doesn't know where to turn. In this climate of constant suspicion, can he trust his best friend, his girlfriend or even his family?

Closely based on the real events of the Romanian Revolution of 1989, this is a powerful, heart-breaking thriller.

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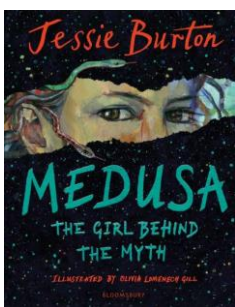
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Tom and Zofia both wish the stupid baby had never happened. But then Tom's mum gets ill, and it begins to look horribly like their wish might come true...

A story of learning to trust, trying to let go and diving into the unknown with hope in your heart.

**Carnegie Award Shortlist 2023**



A twist on the Medusa myth, which tells of the ill-fated love between the cursed Medusa and mysterious Perseus.

Exiled to a far-flung island by the whims of the gods, Medusa has little company except the snakes that adorn her head instead of hair. But when a charmed, beautiful boy called Perseus arrives on the island, her lonely existence is disrupted with the force of a supernova, unleashing desire, love and betrayal...

Filled with glorious full-colour illustrations by award-winning Olivia Lomenech Gill, this astonishing retelling of Greek myth is perfect for readers of Circe and The Silence of the Girls. Illuminating the girl behind the legend, it brings alive Medusa for a new generation.

**Carnegie Award Shortlist 2023**

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Three teen boys of colour must investigate their principal's murder to clear their own names. The Urban Promise Prep School vows to turn boys into men. As students, J.B., Ramón, and Trey are forced to follow the prestigious "program's" strict rules. Extreme discipline, they've been told, is what it takes to be college bound, to avoid the fates of many men in their neighbourhoods. This, the Principal Moore Method, supposedly saves lives. But when Moore ends up murdered and the cops come sniffing around, the trio emerges as the case's prime suspects. With all three maintaining their innocence, they must band together to track down the real killer before they are arrested. But is the true culprit hiding among them?

This exquisitely taut thriller shines a glaring light on how the system too often condemns Black and Latinx teen boys to failure before they've even had a chance at success.

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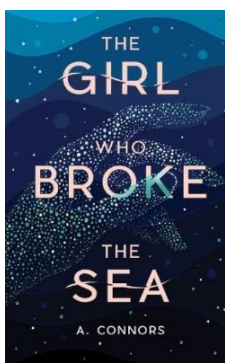
Sixteen-year-old Lilly Deluca arrives in the ancient Italian town of Castello, where mafia-like clans make the rules, and discovers she has inherited an ancient power that can save or destroy.

The town is divided by an invisible line, keeping the warring families of Marconi and Paradiso from destroying each other.

Lilly quickly falls in with the seductive, rebellious Liza, brooding Nico and sensitive Christian - who are all keeping their own secrets - and sparks begin to fly.

Then Lilly accidentally breaks Castello's most important rule: when the General's men come to test your blood, you'd better not be anything more than human...

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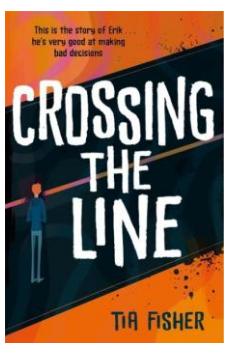


A troubled teenager goes to stay on a sustainable underwater rig for a few months when her scientist mother takes up a research opportunity

Something is stirring deep beneath the sea... and inside Lily... Lily can't believe her botanist mum has dragged her to Deephaven, the world's first fully sustainable deep-sea rig, to live for the next six months while her mum helps a colleague with an amazing discovery seven miles underwater. This is hardly her idea of home, but then, since Dad left, nowhere is. Her mum is worried about Lily's behaviour issues - Lily has a history of destroying things when she gets stressed - so hopes that a radical change of scenery will help.

But Lily's unhappiness builds quickly with everyone living in close proximity, plus the news that her mum's colleague disappeared into the deep and never returned. The missing scientist's grieving son, Evan, is onboard, and he's the one person who seems to understand Lily, even as she loses control and things nearly go fatally wrong. But someone - or something - else is also trying to understand Lily's emotions: the beautiful, seemingly intelligent algae that was discovered at the bottom of the ocean.

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When Erik's bad behaviour attracts the wrong crowd, he's sucked into a terrifying new world of drug dealing, trap houses and violence

Erik's mum is juggling the challenge of two small babies, plus the recent death of her husband due to COVID-19. Both these factors affect teenage Erik too, struggling with homework as the babies continually cry or his mum needs help. When the difficulties at home affect Erik's behaviour at school and he is pushed into the company of the 'bad boys', Erik is tempted to earn some easy money. . .

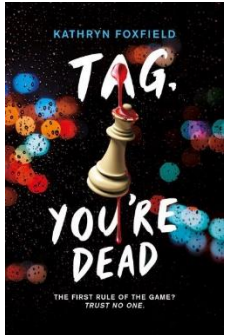
But this kind of money is never truly easy to earn and comes with a terrible cost.

Written in verse, the thoroughly-researched narrative exploring how teenage boys can be drawn into County Lines pulls the reader in from the very first line, as Erik makes some good - and some very bad - decisions...

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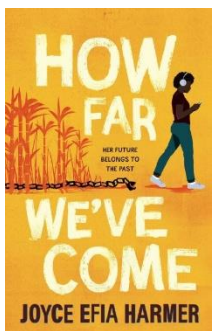
A reality star sets up an elaborate game in which participants have to hunt each other down in order to win a prize

When teen reality star Anton Frazer unveils his latest stunt - a live-streamed, citywide game of Tag in which the prize is to be one of his live-in acolytes - his fans go wild. The whole world is watching.

The contestants are kitted out with body cams, GPS trackers and pressure sensors that, if activated by a competitor, will send them out of the running. They venture into night-time London to hunt each other down.

Four contestants in particular have alternative motives for being there, secret reasons to want to win despite the risk: money, revenge, obsession, and fame. And one of them will stop at nothing to be the victor at the end of this adrenaline-and-fear fuelled night...

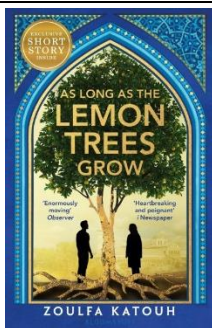
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**Recommended Year 9+**



Enslaved on a plantation in Barbados, Obah dreams of freedom. As talk of rebellion bubbles up, she imagines escape. Meeting a strange boy who's not quite of this world, she decides to put her trust in him.

But Jacob is from the twenty-first century. Desperate to give Obah a better life, he takes her back with him. At first it seems like dreams really do come true - until the cracks begin to show and Obah sees that freedom comes at an unimaginable cost...

Both hopeful and devastating, this powerful novel about equality, how far we've come, and how far we still have to go introduces an extraordinary new literary voice. **Warwickshire Teen Book Award Long List 2023**  
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18-year-old Salama Kassab, works as a doctor and surgeon in a makeshift hospital in Homs during the Syrian civil war struggles balancing duty to her country and to herself.

An epic, emotional, breathtaking story of love and loss set amid the Syrian revolution. Burning with the fires of hope and possibility, AS LONG AS THE LEMON TREES GROW will sweep you up and never let you go.

This brand new paperback edition contains exclusive bonus short story Joy. Set in the world of Lemon Trees, it features never-before-seen moments between Salama and Kenan. **Warwickshire Teen Book Award Long List 2023**

**Recommended Year 9+**



A teenage boy who aspires to be a famous rapper finds new motivation to pursue his dreams when his family are in danger of being evicted.

*Yeah they call me Growls, I'm like a tiger on the prowl. King of jungles so you better take a bow. King of concrete so you better say it loud!*

Shaun (aka MC Growls) is ready to drop his best bars and smash the competition at Raptology. That way, he's convinced Tanisha, his crush, will finally give him a chance.

But when a livestream practice goes epically wrong, Growls's dirty laundry is literally exposed. He's finally achieved his dreams of going viral - not in the good way.

Now Tanisha won't look at him, he's the joke of the school and there's no way he can show his face at the competition. Will he ever catch a break?

Then a new girl on the block appears who might be just the friend Growls needs. Especially when she points out that Raptology could be the answer to his problems after all...

STEP UP TO THE MIC! It's MC Growls and he's ready for this. He's steady for this. It's comeback season and they call him comeback king for a reason.

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	<p>Three teenagers find themselves carrying out community service when they are all caught spray painting a bus stop</p> <p>Amir is the angry boy who won't talk about the brother he lost - but he won't let his name be forgotten either.</p> <p>Eman is the awkward girl whose favourite evenings are spent at home watching TV with her Nani.</p> <p>Kemi is the determined athlete who knows she deserves as good a shot as anyone else - if only she can get to the starting line.</p> <p>As they spend more time together they learn more about themselves, and in the process realise the true cause of Amir's brother's death...</p> <p>This is one summer they will never forget.</p> <p><b>Warwickshire Teen Book Award Long List 2023</b></p>
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	<p>A guide for children to help them develop their potential to the full, from Manchester United and England footballer and campaigner to end child food poverty Marcus Rashford.</p> <p>Never underestimate your actions - even the smallest changes can have the biggest impact. That's the power of kindness.</p> <p>Marcus uses the power of his voice to shine a light on the injustices that he cares passionately about, and now he wants to help YOU find the power in yours! From surrounding yourself with the right team, to showing kindness to those around you, to celebrating and championing difference, You Can Do It shows you that your voice really does matter and that you can do anything you put your mind to. You don't have to be an International footballer to make a difference - even the smallest changes can have the biggest impact.</p>
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	<p>A guide to being yourself and navigating the journey to get there.</p> <p>What would you dare to try if you stopped worrying about fitting in? If you're the kind of person who thinks: I don't like standing out from the crowd ... I wish I could be more like the cool kids ... There's no point trying to change things ... then this book is for you. Because guess what? There's no such thing as normal.</p> <p>Drawing examples from sport, science and even business, Dare to Be You empowers young readers to follow their own path, love what makes them different and question the world around them. With You Are Awesome's trademark mix of hilarious text, stylish illustration, personal insights and inspiring real-life examples, including Greta Thunberg and Malala Yousafzai, Matthew Syed introduces children to the power of diverse thinking.</p> <p>When you stop doubting yourself, embrace change and let your kindness loose, you become your own action hero. This groundbreaking, practical and positive book will help kids develop the inner confidence to grow into happy adults who know - and, more importantly, LIKE - themselves.</p>
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