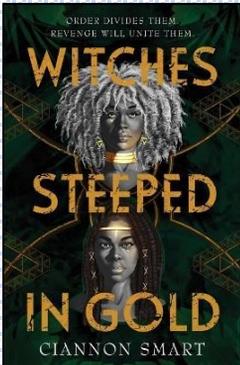


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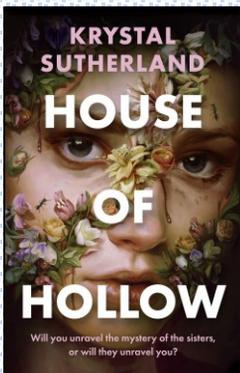
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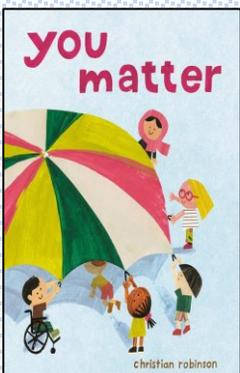
Witches Steeped in Gold by Ciannon Smart
9781471409585 / Hot Key / PB / R215

Trust no witch... Iraya Adair has spent her life in a cell. Heir of an overthrown and magically-gifted dynasty, she was exiled from her home on the island nation of Aiyca when she was just a child. But every day brings her closer to freedom — and vengeance. Jazmyne Cariot grew up dressed in gold, with stolen magic at her fingertips. Daughter of the self-crowned doyenne, her existence is a threat to her mother's rule. But unlike her sister, Jazmyne has no intention of dying to strengthen her mother's power. Sworn enemies, the two witches enter a deadly alliance to take down the woman who threatens both their worlds. But revenge is a bloody pursuit, and nothing is certain - except the lengths Iraya and Jazmyne will go to win this game. Two witches. One motive. And a very untrustworthy alliance.



House of Hollow by Krystal Sutherland
9781471409899 / Hot Key / PB / R215

The Hollow sisters - Vivi, Grey and Iris — are as seductively glamorous as they are mysterious. They have black eyes and hair as white as milk. The Hollow sisters don't have friends — they don't need them. They move through the corridors like sharks, the other little fish parting around them, whispering behind their backs. And everyone knows who the Hollow sisters are, because one day the three sisters disappeared. And when they came back, one month later, with no memory of where they had been, it was as if nothing had changed. Almost nothing, apart from the little scar that had appeared in the hollow of their throats... and a whispering sense that something is not quite right about them, despite (or maybe because of) the terrible passion to be with them that they can exert on anybody at will.



You Matter by Christian Robinson
9781471195242 / Simon & Schuster / PB / R180

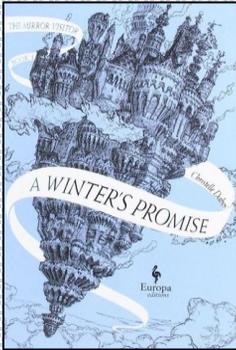
In this bright and beautiful picture book, many different perspectives around the world are deftly and empathetically explored — from a pair of bird-watchers to the pigeons they're feeding, from the hugest dinosaur to the tiniest fly. Young readers will be drawn into the luminous illustrations inviting them to engage with the world in a new way and see how everyone is connected and that everyone matters.

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Mirror Visitor 1: A Winter's Promise by Christelle Dabos
9781787701809 / Faber & Faber / PB / R225

Plain-spoken, headstrong Ophelia cares little about appearances. Her ability to read the past of objects is unmatched in all of Anima and, what's more, she possesses the ability to travel through mirrors, a skill passed down to her from previous generations. Her idyllic life is disrupted, however, when she is promised in marriage to Thorn, a taciturn and influential member of a distant clan. Ophelia must leave all she knows behind and follow her fiancé to Citaceleste, the capital of a cold, icy ark known as the Pole, where danger lurks around every corner, and nobody can be trusted. There, in the presence of her inscrutable future husband, Ophelia slowly realizes that she is a pawn in a political game that will have far-reaching ramifications not only for her but for her entire world.



Starboard by Nicola Skinner
9780008422417 / HaperCollins / PB / R170

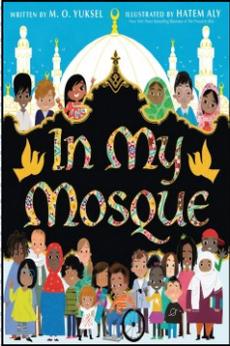
This is the story of Kirsten, an apparently happy and successful 11-year-old YouTube star who meets a ship that comes alive... and is claimed by it as its new captain as it breaks free from its dry dock. Inspired by the true history of the SS Great Britain, *Starboard* is about the friendship, heroism and bravery that you can find in others, whether they're made of flesh or iron. It's about taking control of your own life and going on epic adventures. But most of all, it's about finding out who you really dare to be, when you're completely out of your depth.



The Last Girl by Goldy Moldavsky
9780755501526 / Egmont / PB / R205

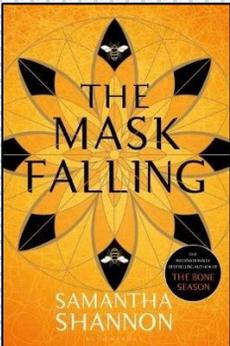
When it comes to horror movies, the rules are clear: 1) Avoid abandoned buildings, warehouses, and cabins at all times. 2) Stay together: don't split up, not even just to "check something out". 3) If there's a murderer on the loose, do NOT make out with anyone ... New girl Rachel Chavez turns to horror movies for comfort, preferring them to the bored rich kids of her fancy New York High School. But then Rachel is recruited by the Mary Shelley Club, a mysterious student club that sets up terrifying Fear Tests; elaborate pranks inspired by urban legends and horror movies. But when a sinister masked figure appears, Rachel realises that her past has caught up with her. It's time for the ultimate prank to play out.

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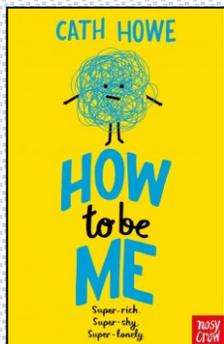
In My Mosque by M. O. Yuksel
9780755502608 / Egmont / BPB / R180

Do you go regularly to a mosque? Or perhaps you've never been inside one? This joyful book invites everyone — worshippers and newcomers alike — to step inside and meet warm, welcoming mosque communities all across the world. Join young Muslim children, their families and friends, as they learn, pray, eat, help others ... and play!



The Bone Season 4: The Mask Falling by Samantha Shannon
9781408865576 / Bloomsbury / HB / R330

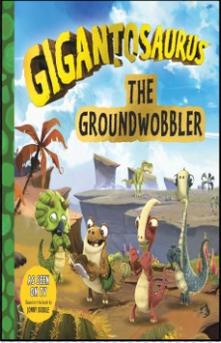
Paige Mahoney has eluded death again. The mysterious Domino Programme has plans for Paige, but she has ambitions of her own in this new citadel. With Arcturus Mesarthim — her former enemy — at her side, she embarks on an adventure that will lead her from the catacombs of Paris to the glittering hallways of Versailles. Her risks promise high reward: the Parisian underworld could yield the means to escalate her rebellion to outright war. As Scion widens its bounds and the free world trembles in its shadow, Paige must fight her own memories after her ordeal at the hands of Scion. Meanwhile, she strives to understand her bond with Arcturus, which grows stronger by the day. But there are those who know the revolution began with them — and could end with them.



How to be Me by Cath Howe
9781788005975 / Hot Key / PB / R170

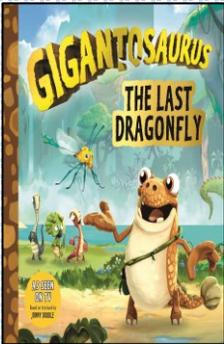
Lucas is all alone. Since his mum died, Lucas and his dad don't seem to understand each other at all. And Lucas is dreading the summer drama club that his dad has signed him up for. But the people Lucas meets at the club force him to open up and start talking. Can his new-found friends teach Lucas how to be himself?

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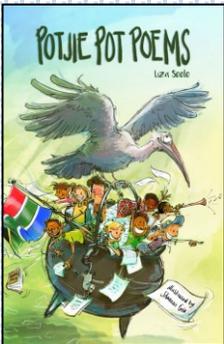
Gigantosaurus: The Groundwobbler by Jonny Duddle
9781787417007 / Templar / PB / R180

Travel back in time and discover what the world looked like in the age of the dinosaurs! Moving from continent to continent, readers will discover more than 60 incredible species, from favourites like T.rex to new and exciting discoveries. Vicky Woodgate's vibrant illustrations are accompanied by insightful and surprising text by palaeontologist Jon Tennant. Wood-free paper and a stylish design give this book a gifty feel, and it will appeal to dinosaur lovers young and old.



Gigantosaurus: The Last Dragonfly by Jonny Duddle
9781787416833 / Templar / PB / R180

Four young dinosaurs navigate the Cretaceous world in this roar-some adventure! This time, Mazu is on a mission to save a rare dragonfly species by finding the last dragonfly a safe place to lay her eggs. But Cror and Totor, the sneaky raptor twins, have other ideas. Can the Mazu, Tiny, Rocky and Bill outwit the raptors and save the dragonflies?



Pot Potjie Poems by Liza Seele
9780620906227 / Imaginary House / PB / R155

Liza Seele's nose snortingly hilarious *Potjie Pot Poems*, with belly laugh inducing illustrations from Shannan Gia, from the South African melting pot brings children together under one banner: No more boring poems allowed at school! Dive into 85 pages of 30 different poems and join the Mzansi textbook strike.

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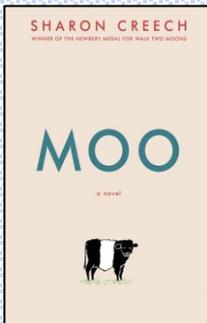
The Magic Place by Chris Wormell
9781788450164 / David Ficking / PB / R180

From her cellar bedroom, Clementine dreams of a magic place. And she's determined to find it one day. But first she must escape from her wicked aunt and uncle and from the Great Black City. With the help of her best friend, Gilbert, a very clever cat, she sets off on an epic journey that just might make her dreams come true. A thrilling, moving and funny adventure about looking for the most magical place of all. HOME.



Pages & Co. 3: Tilly and the Map of Stories by Anna James
9780008229955 / HarperCollins / PB / R150

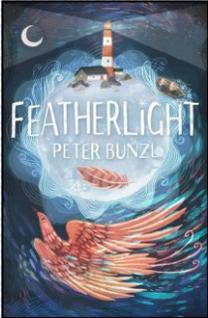
Strange things are happening. A man comes into Pages & Co looking for a book... then suddenly can't remember it. Tilly and her family feel like the world is changing — but can't quite put their finger on why. Meanwhile, the Underwoods are expanding their control over bookwandering — and they still have their sights set on Tilly. Leaving the safety of the bookshop, Tilly heads to America to find the legendary Archivists and save bookwandering, or at least that's the plan. Wandering in layers of story, Tilly and her friend Oskar come up against dangers they could never have expected, team up with an unexpectedly familiar face, and ultimately find themselves taking on the biggest threat to stories there has ever been — with only their courage and ingenuity to help them, as well as some of their dearest fictional friends.



Moo by Sharon Creech
9781913101176 / Buster Books / PB / R180

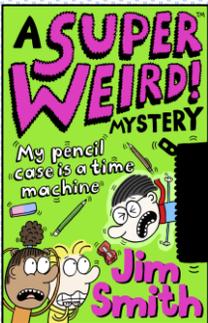
Following a family move to Maine, twelve-year-old Reena has no idea what to expect. She hopes it's going to be beaches, blueberries and all the lobster she can eat. She certainly doesn't expect to suddenly be put in charge of a menagerie of animals, belonging to the irascible Mrs Falala, who not only has a fast-wheeling pig, a secretive snake, but the most ornery cow she ever thought to meet. A wonderfully funny, moving story of one family's move to the country, and the challenges they face.

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Featherlight by Peter Bunzl
9781781129180 / Barrington Stoke / PB / R180

Deryn's father is the lighthouse keeper on Featherstone Island, keeping the lantern lit to protect passing boats from the treacherous rocky coastline. But when an emergency arises and her parents have to travel to the mainland for help, Deryn is left alone to keep watch over the lighthouse, and she finds herself in a terrible situation when the lamp runs out of oil during a wild storm. With a fishing boat in peril on the sea, and time running out to rescue those on board, Deryn seeks help from an unusual source.



A Super Weird Mystery by Jim Smith
9781405297530 / Egmont / PB / R180

Melvin, Rhubarb and Yoshi love solving super weird mysteries and writing about them in their newspaper, The Daily Donut. But lately nothing super weird has been happening, and all they've had to write about is super boring stuff, like Yoshi's dad's smelly eraser collection. Then Yoshi accidentally sniffs an eraser and travels through time . . . Things just got SUPER WEIRD again!



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