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Book of the Month Nura and the Imortal Palace

M.T. Khan's 'Nura and the Immortal Palace' is our Book of the Month. Here is our extended review of this fantastic book.

M.T. Khan has written a fantastically magical story that is full of Muslim culture and tradition. We travel between Pakistan and the magical world of the Jinn. There are strong moral messages about greed and capitalism which force the reader to question many things in our lives ethically.

Nura works in the mica mines helping her family earn just enough money to survive. She sets her sights on the legendary 'Demon's Tongue', a treasure rumoured to be hidden somewhere in the mica mines. If she finds the treasure she'll surely solve all of her family's money worries. But when searching, she digs a little too deeply causing the mine to collapse, burying her best friend Faisal.

Without thinking, she sets to work to free Faisal from the mines but that's when things start to go a little strange... She finds herself in the land of the Jinn. She must avoid the Jinn's notorious tricks, find Faisal and escape the Sijj palace... Surely this is just an impossible task and Nura will be stuck in the Palace forever!

Nura and the Imortal Palace is out now from Walker Books for £7.99



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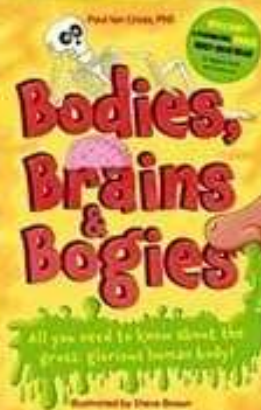


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Bodies, Brains & Bogies

Paul Ian Cross & Steve Brown

Welbeck 7+

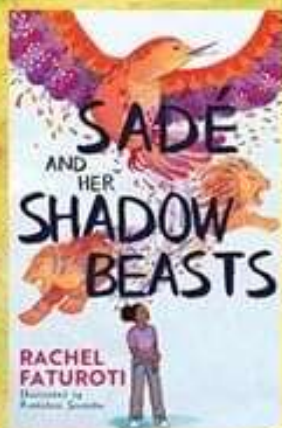
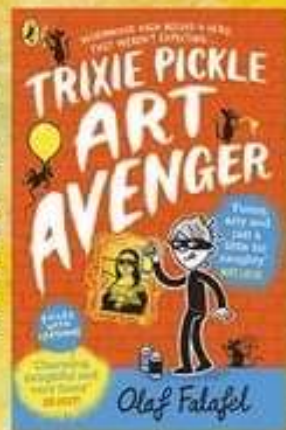
Perfect for fans of Kay's Anatomy. Non-fiction and humour have always gone down well in any classroom I have been in. This is gross but enlightening... A must for any inquisitive readers who are looking to find out more about our bodies!

Trixie Pickle Art Avenger

Olaf Falafel

Puffin 8+

Olaf's picture books have provided plenty of giggles over the last few years so we had high hopes when presented with his first novel. Trixie is a hilarious adventure which inadvertently educates its reader on many famous artists along the way. Budding artists will love this!



Sade and her Shadow Beasts

Rachel Faturoti & Rumbidzai Savanhu

Hodder 10+

An amazing story about grief. Sade has always escaped into her imagination but her shadow beasts that occupy her imagination cause nothing but trouble and chaos. With the help of an anonymous support group, can Sade tame her beasts and find happiness without her Mum around?

Orla and the Wild Hunt

Anna Houghton

Chicken House 9+

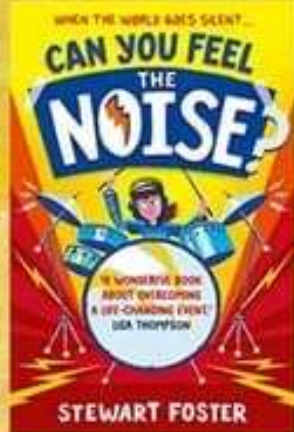
Another fantastic story about grief. After their mother's death, Orla and her brother, Apollo, go to their Gran's in Ireland. They quickly settle and feel safe, but then suspicions start to grow before Gran disappears... With the help of a mischievous creature called Pooka the siblings must go on an exhilarating adventure to find and save Gran! A non-stop page turner!



One To Wait for...

Which Way to Anywhere - Cressida Cowell
Hodder - Sept 22

With thousands of fans, many people will be excitedly anticipating Cressida's new adventure. We've got hold of a copy and we're very excited to jump in!



Can You Feel the Noise

Stewart Foster

Simon & Schuster 9+

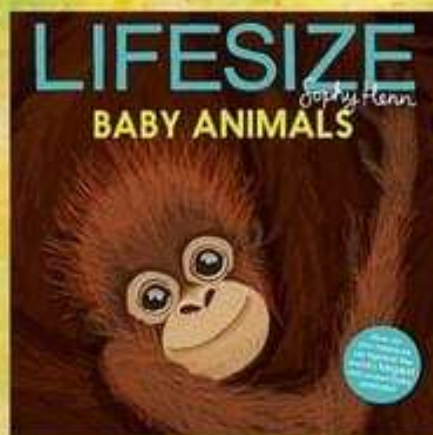
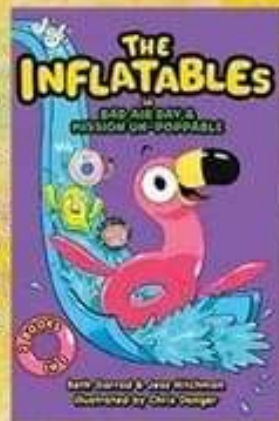
Stewart's stories are always fantastic. If you haven't read any, do yourself a favour and order all of his books! Sophie is in a band and everything is going great until she wakes up one morning unable to hear. Will she ever be able to live her old life again? She doubts it until she finds an old drum set and feels the vibrations... Maybe there is still hope for her and her dreams!

The Inflatables

Beth Garrod, Jess Mitchman & Chris Danger

Scholastic 6+

A summery graphic novel which is begging to be taken on holiday with you! Flamingo, Cactus, Donut and Watermelon are four inflatables who live next to the Lost & Found office. Long abandoned by their original owners, the inflatables don't let that stop them from having fun! Unfortunately, things don't always go to plan for the friends.



Lifesize - Baby Animals

Sophy Henn

Red Shed 3+

The third book in Sophy's 'Lifesize' series. This one is seriously cute! From the tiniest babies to the largest, Lifesize gives you real perspective on size. Children love comparing themselves to the animals to see if they're as tall as a baby elephant or an orangutan. These books are loved from Early Years all the way up to Year 6, there is truly something for everyone in these!

The Worry Tiger

Alexandra Page & Stef Murphy

Two Hoots 4+

Rory is feeling anxious about tomorrow's show and tell. He doesn't feel like he has anything special enough to share. Luckily he then meets his worry tiger! The Tiger helps calm Rory down as they explore the forest. In the morning, Rory can't find the Tiger but uses the skills that he has learnt to take a deep breath before confidently telling everyone about his Worry Tiger.



One You Might Have Missed

Orphans of the Tide - Struan Murray

Puffin - 10+ Feb 2020

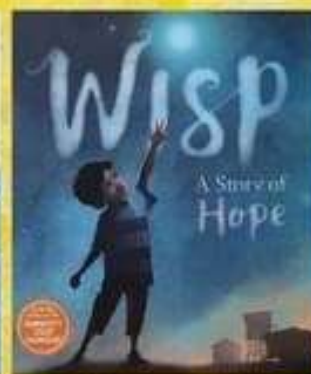
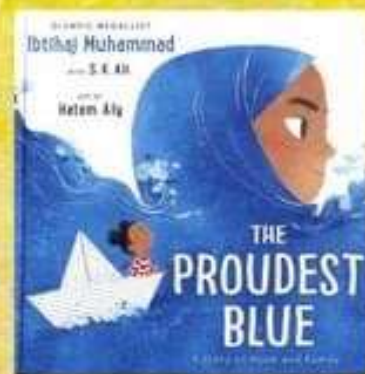
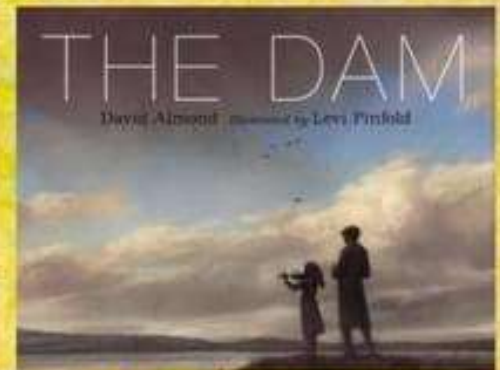
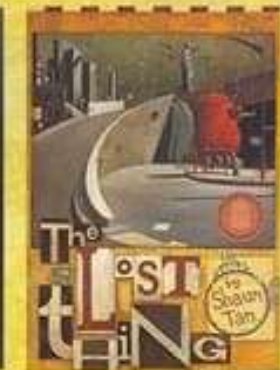
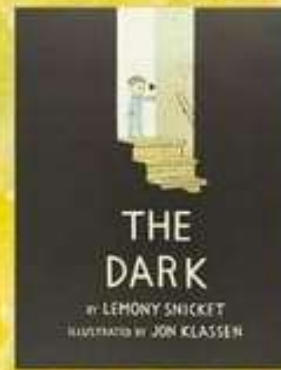
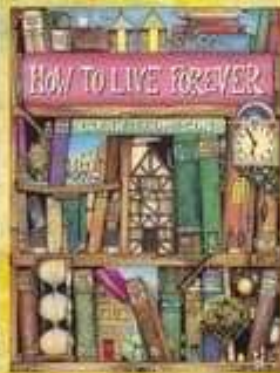
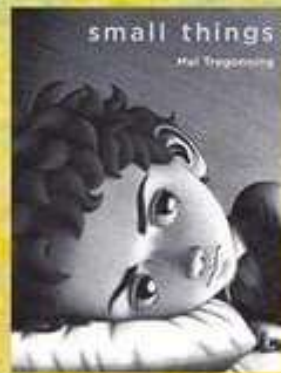
If you've not heard of this, you must have been living under a rock... Whilst we've heard lots of amazing things about it, we've only just got round to reading it! Phenomenally written and full of twists and turns. You won't be able to put this dystopian adventure down.

9 Picture Books for older readers

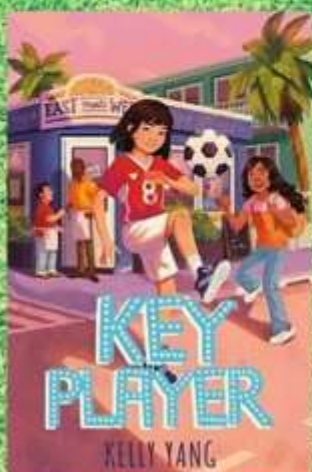
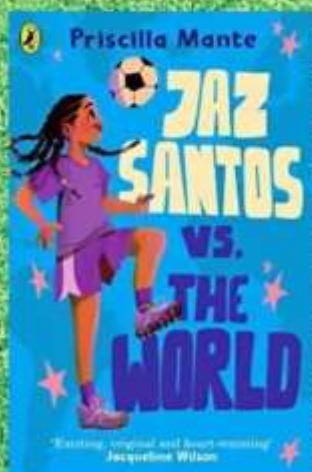
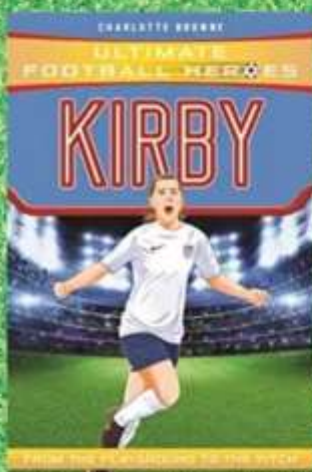
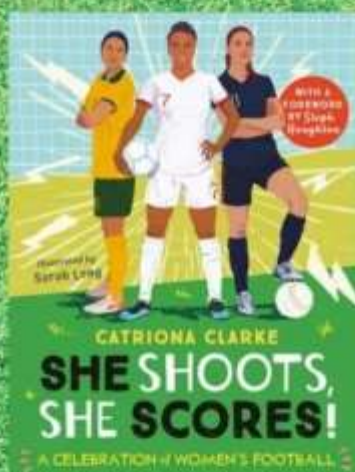


For some strange reason, many readers think that picture books are only for younger readers! Here we prove this is nonsense with our favourite picture books for older readers!

1. Small Things
Mel Tregonning
2. How to Live Forever
Colin Thompson
3. The Journey
Francesca Sanna
4. The Dark
Lemony Snicket & Jon Klassen
5. The Lost Thing
Shaun Tan
6. The Dam
David Almond & Levi Pinfold
7. The Proudest Blue
Ibtihaj Muhammad, S.K. Ali & Hatem Aly
8. Wisp
Zana Fraillon & Grahame Baker Smith
9. The Barnabus Project
The Fan Brothers



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Summer Reading Challenge 2022

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