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Read and discover all about wheels.
- What are train wheels made of?
- Can you use wheels to cook?

Word count: 675
Reader: 978 0 19 444631 4
Reader with Audio: 978 0 19 402147 0
Activity Book: 978 0 19 444652 9

THE WORLD OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
Wheels
Rob Sved

Read and discover all about wild cats.
- What do wild cats eat?
- What does a wild cat's tail do?

Word count: 668
Reader: 978 0 19 444633 8
Reader with Audio: 978 0 19 402149 4
Activity Book: 978 0 19 444654 3

THE NATURAL WORLD
Wild Cats
Rob Sved

Read and discover all about young animals.
- What colour are baby zebras?
- Where do young bears live?

Word count: 706
Reader: 978 0 19 444635 2
Reader with Audio: 978 0 19 402151 7
Activity Book: 978 0 19 444656 7

THE NATURAL WORLD
Young Animals
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Read and discover all about young animals.
- What colour are baby zebras?
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THE NATURAL WORLD
Camouflage
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Read and discover all about Earth.
- Where do lions hide?
- What animals hide in trees?
- How old are the mountains on Earth?
- What is under the land?

Word count: 842
Reader: 978 0 19 444684 0
Reader with Audio: 978 0 19 402153 1
Activity Book: 978 0 19 444674 1

THE NATURAL WORLD
Earth
Richard Northcott

Read and discover all about cities around the world.
- What buildings can you find in cities?
- What can tourists do in cities?

Word count: 831
Reader: 978 0 19 444682 6
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Activity Book: 978 0 19 444672 7

THE WORLD OF ARTS & SOCIAL STUDIES
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Sound And Music
Richard Northcott

Read and discover all about amazing minibeasts.
- How many legs does a spider have?
- Why are earthworms important?

Read and discover all about animals in the air.
- What is the fastest bird in the world?
- What are flying foxes?

Read and discover all about festivals around the world.
- When is the festival of Diwali?
- What do people do at Halloween?

Read and discover all about how we make different products.
- How many parts are there in a car?
- How do we make chocolate bars?

Read and discover all about life in tropical rainforests.
- What is the biggest tropical rainforest?
- Where do orang-utans sleep?

Read and discover all about sound and music.
- What are sound waves?
- What type of musical instrument is a koto?
Read and discover all about desert life around the world.
- How do animals stay cool in the desert?
- Why are deserts getting bigger?

**Word count:** 1,692
**Reader:** 978 0 19 464442 6
**Reader with Audio:** 978 0 19 402197 5
**Activity Book:** 978 0 19 464452 5

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**All About Desert Life**
Julie Penn

Read and discover all about desert life around the world.
- How do animals stay cool in the desert?
- Why are deserts getting bigger?
- What are dams made of?
- How tall can a skyscraper be?

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**Reader with Audio:** 978 0 19 402197 5
**Activity Book:** 978 0 19 464452 5

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**Wonderful Water**
Cheryl Palin

Read and discover all about wonderful water.
- Why is water important?
- What is the biggest ocean animal?
- How do whales breathe?
- Which tree can live in salt water?

**Word count:** 1,729
**Reader:** 978 0 19 464440 2
**Reader with Audio:** 978 0 19 402195 1
**Activity Book:** 978 0 19 464450 1

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**Your Five Senses**
Robert Quinn

Read and discover all about your five wonderful senses.
- How do your eyes work?
- What is under your skin?

**Word count:** 1,343
**Reader:** 978 0 19 464438 1
**Reader with Audio:** 978 0 19 402187 6
**Activity Book:** 978 0 19 444391 7

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**Super Structures**
Fiona Undrill

Read and discover all about super structures around the world.
- What are dams made of?
- How tall can a skyscraper be?

**Word count:** 1,200
**Reader:** 978 0 19 464376 4
**Reader with Audio:** 978 0 19 402189 0
**Activity Book:** 978 0 19 464386 3

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**All About Plants**
Julie Penn

Read and discover all about amazing plants.
- How many types of plant are there?
- Why are plants important?

**Word count:** 1,279
**Reader:** 978 0 19 464377 1
**Reader with Audio:** 978 0 19 402191 3
**Activity Book:** 978 0 19 464387 0

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**Lost in the Desert**
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Rachel Bladon

Read and discover all about amazing animals at night.
• Why do some animals come out at night?
• What special senses do nocturnal animals have?

Word count 1,746
Reader 978 0 19 464446 4
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402199 9
Activity Book 978 0 19 464456 3

THE WORLD OF ARTS & SOCIAL STUDIES

Animals In Art
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Read and discover all about animals in art, all around the world.
• Where can you see animals in art?
• What are the oldest animal pictures?

Word count 1,754
Reader 978 0 19 464444 3
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402201 9
Activity Book 978 0 19 464453 2

THE WORLD OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

How to Stay Healthy
Julie Penn

Read and discover all about how to stay healthy.
• How much water should you drink every day?
• Why is exercise good for you?

Word count 1,834
Reader 978 0 19 464445 7
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402204 0
Activity Book 978 0 19 464455 6

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Incredible Earth
Richard Northcott

Read and discover all about our incredible Earth.
• What is a volcano?
• Where is the deepest lake on Earth?

Word count 1,700
Reader 978 0 19 464438 9
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Activity Book 978 0 19 464447 1

THE WORLD OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Machines Then and Now
Robert Quinn

Read and discover all about machines in the past and today.
• When did people invent the wheel?
• What is a nanobot?

Word count 1,663
Reader 978 0 19 464437 2
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402210 1
Activity Book 978 0 19 464446 9

THE WORLD OF ARTS & SOCIAL STUDIES

Why We Recycle
Fiona Undrill

Read and discover all about why we recycle waste.
• What waste materials can we recycle?
• How long does plastic take to decompose?

Word count 1,701
Reader 978 0 19 464441 9
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402212 5
Activity Book 978 0 19 464451 8

THE WORLD OF ARTS & SOCIAL STUDIES

Wonders Of the Past
Kathryn Harper

Read and discover all about wonders of the past, all around the world.
• Where is Chichen Itza?
• What is the Taj Mahal?

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- Which animals hatch from eggs?
- What is metamorphosis?

Read and discover all about homes around the world.
- How do islands form?
- Which island has dragons?

Read and discover all about the materials that people use to make products.
- How is glass made?
- What are microchips?

Read and discover all about medicine in the past and medicine today.
- What was the world's first antibiotic?
- What medicine can cure malaria?
Our World
In Art
Richard Northcott

Transportation
Then and Now
James Styting

Wild
Weather
Jacqueline Martin

Read and discover all about our world in art.
• What are still lifes?
• Why do artists use perspective?

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• What were the first planes made of?
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Joyce Hannam

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Activity Book: 978 0 19 464515 7

Word count: 3,425
Reader: 978 0 19 464509 0
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Activity Book: 978 0 19 464516 3

Word count: 3,395
Reader: 978 0 19 464498 3
Reader with Audio: 978 0 19 464499 0
Activity Book: 978 0 19 464508 9

Word count: 3,804
Reader: 978 0 19 464570 6
Reader with Audio: 978 0 19 464571 3
Activity Book: 978 0 19 464572 0

Word count: 3,820
Reader: 978 0 19 464567 9
Reader with Audio: 978 0 19 464568 6
Activity Book: 978 0 19 464569 3

Word count: 3,663
Reader: 978 0 19 464563 8
Reader with Audio: 978 0 19 464564 5
Activity Book: 978 0 19 464573 7

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Incredible
Energy
Louise and Richard Spilsbury

THE NATURAL WORLD

Wonderful
Ecosystems
Louise and Richard Spilsbury

Read and discover all about
wonderful ecosystems on
Earth.
• How are monkeys
adapted to living in their
ecosystem?
• What are decomposers?

THE WORLD OF
ARTS & SOCIAL STUDIES

Helping
Around the World
Sarah Medina

Read and discover all about
helping around the world.
• Who helps refugees?
• What do animal charities
do?

THE WORLD OF
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Your Amazing
Body
Robert Quinn

Read and discover all about
your amazing body.
• How many bones are
there in your skeleton?
• What do your white blood
cells do?

THE WORLD OF
ARTS & SOCIAL STUDIES

Clothes
Then and Now
Richard Northcott

Read and discover all about
clothes in the past and
clothes today.
• Where were your clothes
made?
• What is a fashion victim?

Word count 3,711
Reader 978 0 19 464561 4
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 464565 2
Activity Book 978 0 19 444571 3

Clothes
Then and Now
Robert Quinn

Read and discover all about
Earth in the past and Earth
today.
• How did Earth form?
• What natural resources
does Earth give us?

Word count 3,739
Reader 978 0 19 464557 7
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402243 9
Activity Book 978 0 19 444575 1

Earth
Then and Now
Robert Quinn

Read and discover all about
food around the world.
• Where are cacao trees
grown?
• What drink can you make
from cherries?

Word count 3,734
Reader 978 0 19 464562 1
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402245 3
Activity Book 978 0 19 444572 0

Food
Around the World
Robert Quinn

Read and discover all about
Earth in the past and Earth
today.
• How did Earth form?
• What natural resources
does Earth give us?

Word count 3,776
Reader 978 0 19 464564 9
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402251 4
Activity Book 978 0 19 444576 8

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Read and discover all about
incredible energy.
• What is kinetic energy?
• What types of energy
does electricity give us?

Word count 3,869
Reader 978 0 19 464558 4
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 402253 8
Activity Book 978 0 19 444568 3

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Body
Robert Quinn

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your amazing body.
• How many bones are
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• What do your white blood
cells do?

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Apples and Bananas
Paul Shipton

Ben and Rosie are in a store with Grandpa. Can you see apples and bananas? And look! Can you see oranges?

What’s This?
Paul Shipton

Ben looks. What’s in the green car? What’s on the blue ball? It’s a spider. Hello, spider!

At the Zoo
Paul Shipton

Rosie and Grandpa go to the zoo. They look at the penguins and the lions. What happens when they eat their sandwiches?

Clunk draws a tiger. Look! What colour is it?

Hello, Clunk
Paul Shipton

Grandpa makes a robot. His name is Clunk. He has arms, wheels, and a head. Ben and Rosie watch. What can the robot do?

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Hello, Goodbye
Paul Shipton

Grandpa, Ben, and Rosie are at the beach. Ben draws a picture in the sand. What is it?

Word count: 91
Reader: 978 0 19 470923 7
Activity Book: 978 0 19 470924 8

The New Dinosaur
Paul Shipton

Ben, Rosie, and Grandpa go to a museum with Clunk. There are dinosaurs in the museum. Does Clunk like the new dinosaur?

Word count: 98
Reader: 978 0 19 470923 1
Activity Book: 978 0 19 470926 2

One, Two, Three
Paul Shipton

Grandpa, Ben, and Rosie are in the park. How many fish are there? How many frogs are there? And what’s on Grandpa’s head?

Word count: 115
Reader: 978 0 19 470924 1
Activity Book: 978 0 19 470923 4

Rosie’s Teddy Bear
Paul Shipton

Where is Rosie’s teddy bear? What does Clunk put in Rosie’s school bag?

Word count: 120
Reader: 978 0 19 470924 4
Activity Book: 978 0 19 470926 6

Where’s My Hat?
Paul Shipton

Grandpa has a hat. Where is it? Can Clunk see it?

Word count: 108
Reader: 978 0 19 472240 7
Activity Book: 978 0 19 472233 9

The Cake Machine
Paul Shipton

Grandpa has a new machine. It’s a Cake Machine. But can Grandpa make a cake for Rosie and Ben?

Word count: 214
Reader: 978 0 19 472225 4
Activity Book: 978 0 19 472216 2
**Crocodile in the House**  
Paul Shipton

Ben has a toy crocodile. ‘Oh no! There’s a crocodile in the house!’ says Clunk. ‘Run!’

**I’m Sorry**  
Paul Shipton

Rosie, Ben, and Grandpa go to the park with Grandpa’s robot, Clunk. Why does Clunk say, ‘I’m sorry’?

**I Can See You!**  
Paul Shipton

Rosie, Ben, Alice, and Clunk are playing a game. The children look and look, but where’s Clunk?

**In the Snow**  
Paul Shipton

There’s snow today! Ben and Rosie make a big snowman. Can Clunk the robot make a snowman?

**It’s Hot!**  
Paul Shipton

It’s hot today! Ben and Rosie are in the backyard. They want ice cream, but what does Clunk make?

**A Nice Book**  
Paul Shipton

Rosie, Ben, and Grandpa go to the library with Clunk. They read nice books. But what does Clunk do?

**A Rainy Day**  
Paul Shipton

Rosie wants to play in the park. But it’s a rainy day. Can Grandpa help? He has a new machine – a weather machine!

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214 Reader: 978 0 19 472228 5  
Activity Book: 978 0 19 472219 3

**Word count**  
215 Reader: 978 0 19 472224 7  
Activity Book: 978 0 19 472215 5

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Ben’s Big Swim
Paul Shipton

What happens when Rosie, Ben, and Max go to the beach? They want to swim, but it is very windy, and the waves are too big. What does Grandpa do?

Clunk in Space
Paul Shipton

Ben and Rosie want to see a meteor shower. They go to space in Grandpa’s van. But what happens when a meteor hits the van? Can Clunk fix it?

Monkeys in School
Paul Shipton

Grandpa takes Ben and Rosie to the rainforest. But when he takes them to school, some monkeys go with them…

The New Glasses
Paul Shipton

Today Ben’s wearing new glasses. What happens when he plays ball with his friends in the school playground? And what happens when Grandpa makes Ben some fantastic new glasses?

On Thin Ice
Paul Shipton

Rosie, Ben and Clunk the robot go to a very cold place with Grandpa. They see some little polar bears playing on the ice, but the ice is too thin. It starts to crack! Can the mother bear help them?

Rainforest Rescue
Paul Shipton

Grandpa takes Rosie, Ben, and Alice to the rainforest to find Grandpa’s favourite fruit. What happens when they meet a baby orang-utan and two bad men?
Robbers at the Museum
Paul Shipton
Rosie, Ben, and Clunk the robot go to the art museum with Grandpa. What do they do when two robbers want to steal the art?

Too Fast!
Paul Shipton
Max is in a new ice-hockey team, called The Tigers. But what happens when Grandpa and Clunk take the children to a snowy place to see a snow tiger?

The Treehouse
Paul Shipton
Ben and Max are skateboarding in the park. What happens when a tall boy called Flip laughs at Max? And why is Flip scared when he rides Grandpa’s new skateboard?

The Big Snowball
Paul Shipton
Grandpa and Clunk take Ben and Rosie into the snowy mountains. Ben makes a snowball, and it gets bigger and bigger… find out what happens!

The Big Storm
Paul Shipton
Grandpa takes Rosie, Ben, and Ben’s friend Max to the mountains for a picnic. But a big storm is coming. Find out what happens.

Can You See Lions?
Paul Shipton
Alice is looking for her cat. What happens when he gets into Grandpa’s van, and Rosie, Ben, and Alice arrive in a hot place with lots of animals? Maybe it’s dangerous here?

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Word count 616
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Reader with Audio 978 0 19 470941 5
Activity Book 978 0 19 472247 6

Word count 582
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Reader with Audio 978 0 19 401770 1
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Clunk in the Clouds  
Paul Shipton  
What happens when Clunk fills four weather balloons with gas? It’s fun in the clouds – but how can Clunk come down again? How can Ben, Rosie, and Grandpa help him?

Clunk’s New Job  
Paul Shipton  
Clunk finds a new job – in a restaurant! But he isn’t a good waiter and Gordon the chef is angry. Grandpa wants Clunk at home again – can Rosie, Ben, and Grandpa find him?

In the Big City  
Paul Shipton  
It’s the big city! Ben, Rosie, Max, and Grandpa go to see the tall buildings. But what happens when thieves steal Grandpa’s van? Where do they take it? Can Clunk stop them?

The Race  
Paul Shipton  
It’s Sports Day at school, and Ben is running in a race. But Tim is the fastest and the strongest boy in school. Find out what happens.

Sheep in the Snow  
Paul Shipton  
Ben, Rosie, and Alice are at Aunt Katy’s farm. It’s snowing, and some sheep are up on the hills. How can the children help?

Stop the Machine!  
Paul Shipton  
Ben, Rosie, and Max are visiting the recycling center. The big machines are exciting – but oh no! Max drops his house key! Can Clunk help? What is Rosie’s idea? Find out what happens.

Where on Earth Are We?  
Paul Shipton  
Ben, Max, and Clunk are in a little boat on the ocean. Where on Earth are Rosie, Alice, and Grandpa? And what’s wrong with the van?
Danger! Bugs!
Paul Shipton

One day, Rosie, Ben, and his friend Max got very small – as small as bugs! This was a great way to study minibeasts, but now the backyard was full of danger: ladybugs, spider webs, and birds ...

Word count 1,050
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Reader with Audio 978 0 19 401967 5
Activity Book 978 0 19 472305 3

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Danger in the Rainforest
Paul Shipton

Ben and Max are in the rainforest with scientists Kyle and Erica. What has Max found? Is it what Kyle and Erica are looking for? And what is that loud noise?

Word count 1,055
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Reader with Audio 978 0 19 473681 7
Activity Book 978 0 19 473677 0

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Fear at the Festival
Paul Shipton

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The Game
Paul Shipton

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Word count 1,041
Reader 978 0 19 473683 1
Reader with Audio 978 0 19 473683 1
Activity Book 978 0 19 473679 4

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Get Us Out of Here!
Paul Shipton

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In the Eagle’s Nest
Paul Shipton

Grandpa takes Ben, Rosie, Alice, and Clunk high in the mountains to study eagles. When they find a nest, the eagles think that Clunk is food! Will Clunk be dinner? And what happens when two climbers find the nest?

The New Sound
Paul Shipton

Alice’s aunt is visiting the city to play violin in an orchestra. But where is her expensive violin? Who has it? Find out how Ben, Rosie, Alice, and a rock band called The New Sound help Aunt Emma...

A Shadow on the Park
Paul Shipton

Grandpa, Ben, Rosie, and Josh go to the playground, but it is cold. A new building is making a shadow on the park. Can Kelly the architect fix it? And why is a teenager climbing up a crane?

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Ben is going to play a soccer match, but he wants new soccer shoes. Far away, a boy called Victor plays soccer in the street. He’s a fantastic player. He doesn’t have any soccer shoes. Find out how the two boys become friends, and what Ben learns.
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The van is broken, Grandpa is sick, there’s something wrong with Clunk – and Rosie, Ben, and Max are lost in a desert! It’s hot in the day and cold at night, and they don’t have a lot of water. Can they find help?

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Dan the scientist works with dolphins. Ludo the dolphin is under the water and can’t breathe, so Rosie dives in to help him. But what happens? The sea can be dangerous – there might be sharks!

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**Hope on Turtle Island**  
Paul Shipton

Grandpa has disappeared, and in a notebook he has written one word – HOPE. What does it mean? Why does Clunk bring Ben and Rosie to Turtle Island? Can they find Grandpa and stop a plan to turn off all the world’s electricity?

**Invisible**  
Paul Shipton

‘I’m the greatest criminal in this city. I’ve never been caught by the police, and I never will be caught,’ said Cooger. But what was this clever – and dangerous – man planning? And could Ben and Rosie stop him from stealing Grandpa’s inventions – and a lot more, too? 

**The Secret on the Moon**  
Paul Shipton

Why were Ben and Rosie hiding on the Moon? On Earth, people were watching live pictures from the Moon. They’d seen one astronaut return to the landing vehicle. But where was the second astronaut? Why did the pictures suddenly stop? What was the secret on the Moon?

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Paul Shipton

A mysterious gas is escaping from a hole in the Happy World tanker. Soon, everyone is laughing, but they don’t know why. What will happen when the laughter stops? Can Grandpa find a cure for the laughing illness before it’s too late?

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Help! A wolf is eating my sheep!
What happens when a bored shepherd boy lies to the people in his village – or when he later tells the truth? What does a man and his wife do when their goose lays golden eggs? And what can two travellers learn from a bear in the woods?

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I want to fly later this year.
So it's a race,' laughs Lagari. 'Yes,' smiles Hezarfen. The time is the 1630s. Sultan Murat IV rules the Ottoman Empire. Two Istanbul brothers – Hezarfen Ahmet Çelebi and Lagari Hasan – dream of flying. Which of them can be the first flying man? And what does the Sultan give to the winner of the race? Read this story and find the answers.

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Reader 978 0 19 424943 0
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It's a cold winter's day, and a poor little girl can't sell any of her matches to people in the street. She can't go home without any money. But how can she stay warm? That 31st December, the little match girl sees rich people's homes, Christmas trees, and wonderful things to eat. She remembers also her kind grandmother – now sadly dead. Can the New Year make things any better for the poor young girl?

Word count 1,426
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Be careful with Morfran,' Princess Adhan tells her young son, Merlin.
Morfran, the son of the Enchantress Ceridwen, is a bully. Then one day, Merlin drinks one of Ceridwen's magic potions. After this, he can become different animals, see through walls, change the weather, and look into the future. But Morfran is angry with Merlin when Ceridwen dies. Years later, Morfran – now King Vortigern’s magician – plans to kill Merlin, the boy with no father. How can Merlin’s magic powers help him to fight his old enemy?

Word count 1,032
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Abby is a teenager, and she doesn’t talk much to her parents. Abby’s dad works hard for an oil company, and Abby’s mom doesn’t like her friends. Then, one summer, Abby stays with her crazy Aunt May in California. Here – with Aunt May and her neighbours Diego and Bianca – she learns to see things differently. But, one night, there’s an oil spill on the beautiful beach near their home.

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Perseus
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The Selfish Giant
Oscar Wilde
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Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
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Christine Lindop

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Zombie Attack!
Lesley Thompson

Perseus is the son of Danae, Princess of Argos, and the god Zeus. When he is very young, his mother moves with him to live on the island of Seriphos. Later, Polydectes – the king of Seriphos – wants to marry Danae. Perseus says ‘no’ to this, so Polydectes sends the young man away for the head of Medusa. Medusa is a she-monster with snakes for hair. Can Perseus find and kill Medusa? And what happens after he goes back to Seriphos?

‘I love Owen’s skateboarding,’ Hannah thinks. ‘I want to jump and do tricks, too.’ When a skatepark opens near her house, Hannah is suddenly very interested in skateboarding. How do Mom, Dad, brother Evan, and cousin Justin feel about this? Who helps her? Who laughs answers. And how can the Giant find him again?

‘Come quickly, Dr Watson,’ says Mrs Hudson. ‘Sherlock Holmes is dying!’

What’s your job?’ Yukio asks. ‘I’m a sorcerer,’ the old man smiles, ‘and I need a young apprentice.’

‘What’s your job?’ Yukio wait to learn magic?

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It’s my garden,’ says the Giant, ‘People must understand. Nobody can play here – only me!’ So the children leave, and the Giant puts a wall around his garden. After that, it’s always winter there. Later, the Giant feels sorry for a young boy in the snow. He knocks down the garden wall – and the children, and the spring, come back. But where is the young boy now? And how can the Giant find him again?

‘I see Troy in flames years from now – because Paris brings disaster to us,‘ Queen Hecuba says about her son.

‘I’m a sorcerer,’ the old man smiles, ‘and I need a young apprentice.’ One day, Yukio – a young boy from old Japan – leaves his sister in the country and looks for a job in the town. He finds interesting work there, as a sorcerer’s apprentice. But why must Yukio wait to learn magic? And what happens after he puts a spell on a broid when the sorcerer is away?

‘What happens when Paris’s father, King Priam, wants to kill him. But Paris lives, and later loves Helen – King Menelaus’s queen – from Greece. When Paris brings Helen to Troy, war begins between the Trojans and Greeks.

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What happens to Professor Clark? How can Tasha and Chaz stop the zombies? Who lives and who dies? Read this story and see.
It is the 24th of December – the night before Christmas. Ebenezer Scrooge doesn’t like Christmas. Christmas is an expensive time, and Scrooge likes one thing: money. So he doesn’t like to give money to poor children in the London streets – or to Bob Cratchit. Cratchit works in Scrooge’s office, and gets little money for his hard work.

Scrooge is not a nice old man. But when he gets home that night, three ghosts visit him.

Can the ghosts change this bad old man into a better man?
The Happy Prince
Oscar Wilde
Text adaptation by Bill Bowler

The Happy Prince is a beautiful golden statue high up on a column in the city. Everyone loves him. He feels sad about the city’s poor people, but what can he do? He can’t leave his column. Then the swallow arrives, and helps the Happy Prince to do many good things.

But what about the swallow’s dream of flying to Egypt? And what does the Prince loses all his gold? Mayor do when the Happy Prince loses all his gold?

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Heidi
Johanna Spyri
Text adaptation by Paul Davenport

‘I’m not going with you, Aunt Dete!’ Heidi cries. ‘Oh yes, you are!’ Dete answers. Heidi loves her home in the Swiss mountains, her grandfather, and her friend Peter, the goatherd. So when Aunt Dete takes her away to Frankfurt, she doesn’t leave happily.

In Frankfurt, Heidi is soon good friends with Clara Sesemann, a rich but very ill girl in a wheelchair. But how can Heidi live without the mountains? And what can she do about Fräulein Rottenmeier, the Sesemanns’ unfriendly housekeeper?

Hercules
Retold by Janet Hardy-Gould

Hercules is the strongest man in the world, but one day he does something very bad. The priestess at Delphi tells him: ‘The gods are angry with you. For twelve years you must work for King Eurystheus, and do twelve tasks for him. When you finish, the gods can forgive your crime.’

Some tasks are easier, and some tasks are more difficult. Can Hercules finish all twelve of them? And what happens when he does?

Journey to the Centre of the Earth
Jules Verne
Text adaptation by Merinda Wilson

In Hamburg, Germany, Professor Otto Lidenbrock comes home with an old Icelandic book. In it there is a message about a journey to the centre of the Earth. This is the beginning of one of Jules Verne’s most exciting stories.

‘Is this message true? We must go to Iceland and see!’ says Lidenbrock excitedly. Can Lidenbrock and Axel – and their Icelandic guide, Hans – find the centre of the Earth? And can they all get home alive after their many underground adventures?

Kidnap!
John Escott
Text adaptation by Lesley Thompson

One cold winter morning, a famous movie star and her teenage daughter are driving along a country road… A blue van is waiting for them. Tom is in the van, but he’s not a kidnapper – he’s an artist. He usually draws pictures for adventure stories. Now he’s in a real life adventure.

Moby-Dick
Herman Melville
Text adaptation by Janet Hardy-Gould

‘My friend Queequeg and I are looking for whaling work,’ Ishmael says. Ishmael is a sailor from New York. With Queequeg the harpooner, he takes work on Captain Ahab’s whaling-ship, the Pequod. The ship’s first mate, Starbuck, wants to hunt whales for their oil. But Captain Ahab isn’t interested. In the hunt for a white whale twenty years earlier, the captain lost a leg. So now Ahab wants revenge on the white whale – Moby-Dick! Who lives? Who dies? And what happens to Ishmael?

Mulan
Retold by Janet Hardy-Gould

When the Emperor calls every man to join the army and fight the enemy, Mulan’s father is old and ill, and cannot go. Wearing men’s clothes and riding a horse, Mulan leaves her family and fights bravely for the Emperor in her father’s place. She is soon a hero for all the soldiers in the Chinese army. One of them, Ye Ming, is her best friend. But does he know that she is a woman? And can Mulan fall in love with a friend?
Zoe Baker works in a bookstore. She also likes acting, and she has a part in the play Romeo and Juliet. Mike Morrison writes about the play for the newspaper. What does he write about the play for the newspaper?

In the first of these stories, Rip Van Winkle sleeps for over twenty years, and then wakes up to a world that he no longer understands. In the other story, Ichabod Crane, the school teacher, meets a headless rider in the middle of a dark night. These two classic tales of the supernatural by Washington Irving have been popular for nearly two hundred years.

King Shahriyar cannot trust women. Every afternoon he marries a wife, but the next morning he always kills her. One day, the Vizier cannot find any more wives for the King. What can he do? ‘I can be Shahriyar’s new wife!’ says Sheherazade, the Vizier’s older daughter. ‘God willing I can stay alive, and help the women of our country.’

But how can Sheherazade stay alive for a thousand and one nights? And does Shahriyar learn to trust women again in the end?

Sherlock Holmes needs a rest, so Dr Watson takes him to the country. They stay with Watson’s old friend, Colonel Hayter, in his nice house near Reigate. And of course everything is quiet here, away from London, isn’t it? But no, strange thieves are working in the village – and then, there is a murder.

Who killed Julia, and how? And why did she say ‘The speckled band!’ before she died?

Sinbad the sailor spends many years at sea. He visits strange countries, meets some strange people and some very frightening animals. He is sometimes rich, sometimes poor... and always in danger. But all the time he is learning from his adventures, until finally he returns home to Baghdad, an older and wiser man.

Prospero, the Duke of Milan, and his daughter Miranda are far away from home, alone on an island in the middle of the Mediterranean Sea. They want to return to Milan...

Then, one day, Prospero sees a ship near the island carrying his greatest enemies. Prospero, with the help of his magic and the island spirit, Ariel, makes a magic storm – a tempest – to bring them to the island.
Tristan and Isolde are in love, but Isolde must marry King Mark. So a happy love story seems impossible...

The lovers meet every day but then, one night, King Mark finds them together. Now Tristan must leave the castle, but he is badly hurt and dying. Only Isolde can help him.

Can Isolde find Tristan in time? Can their love survive?

For thousands of years the dead body of the young king Tutankhamun sleeps under the sands of Egypt. Then, in the autumn of 1922, Howard Carter and his friends find and open his tomb door. These are exciting times, and Carter’s young helper Tariq tells the story in his diary.

But soon people begin to die. Who or what is the killer? Is Tutankhamun angry with them for opening his tomb? And who is the beautiful French girl with the face of Tutankhamun’s long-dead wife?

Amy and Matt are bored. They don’t want to study for their exams. They want to have a good time. So they drive to the marina at West Palm Beach, and Matt jumps onto one of the boats. ‘We can go anywhere!’ he jokes.

But when the owners of the boat come back and find them, Amy and Matt are in deep trouble. Matt is a good swimmer and enjoys scuba-diving, but now he must dive for their lives.

In 1386 a number of pilgrims are going to Canterbury to visit the tomb of Saint Thomas Becket, and they all tell stories on the way. Who should be the stronger in a marriage – the husband or the wife? And what happens when two men fall in love with the same woman? In these five stories from Geoffrey Chaucer’s Canterbury Tales we find different answers to these questions from the Knight, the Wife of Bath, the Clerk of Oxford, the Merchant, and the Franklin.

Tino wants to be a famous football player, and now is his chance – he is playing in his first game for an important team!

But not everyone wants to help him. His father won’t come to watch him play. His team captain, Lenda, thinks he is a bad player. And what about the other team? Their captain is very big – and very mean!

How will Tino do? What will happen to his friends, and his team? What will his family do? And who will win?
"My name is Victor Frankenstein."

On a ship in the Arctic, Victor Frankenstein – ill and tired – tells the story of his sad life to the British man of science, Robert Walton. He talks of his family and friends in Geneva, and of his love for beautiful Elizabeth Lavenza. He speaks, too, about the terrible creature that he made from dead body parts when he was a university science student. He hates it, but how does the monster feel about its maker?

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It is 1865. Impey Barbicane and J.T. Maston are very good with guns and explosives, and want to do something important – so they decide to build a big gun and use it to go to the Moon. But no-one has gone to the Moon before, and many people, like the great Captain Nicholl, believe that it cannot be done.

What will happen when Barbicane and Nicholl meet? And will the men who try to go to the Moon come back alive?

Anna is a new student at Oxford University. When she arrives in Oxford, she meets Selim, and they become good friends. But Selim is not English, and living in a different country is not easy for him. Anna tries to help – but she knows that her father isn’t going to like it. What will happen when Barbicane and Nicholl meet? And will the men who try to go to the Moon come back alive?

What’s happened to Hamlet, Prince of Denmark? He was all right – he had friends, liked studying, and loved his girlfriend, Ophelia. Then his father, the king, died. The ghost of Hamlet’s father came to Elsinore Castle and spoke to Hamlet. What terrible story did he tell his son? Can Hamlet’s uncle really be so bad? What will Hamlet do?

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Chris leaves his home in a small town in Australia to go and study at the University of Sydney. He needs to find somewhere to live. But living with a noisy parrot isn’t easy, and when Jake asks the most beautiful girl at work out to dinner, she says ‘no’. Then someone steals Jake’s game the night before the show. Who – or what – can help him to get it back?

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Can Chris find the house that he needs with housemates that he can live with?

* This story is recorded in Australian English to reflect its origin and setting.
A dark, rainy day in Scotland, long ago.
Returning from battle, Macbeth and his friend Banquo meet three witches.
‘Macbeth, the king!’ they say, but Macbeth is not a king, he is just a simple soldier.
Macbeth and Banquo cannot forget the witches’ words. Soon Macbeth is king, but his wife walks in her sleep at night, and dreams of blood. What lies in the future for Banquo? And how many people must die before Scotland finds peace once more?

‘How long is she in Oman for?’
‘Ten days. And then they want to take her back home.’
‘Ah, yes. But she’s not going back to London. They’re never going to see her again!’

Jamie and Taymour overhear this strange conversation near their homes in Muscat. Two men want to kill an important visitor, it seems. But who is the woman in danger? And what can the boys do to save her?

‘Are you scared, Gordon?’ asks Heather.
Four friends talk of ghosts in a hotel in Scotland. That night Gordon sees and hears something strange in his room. But is it really the ghost of Lord McCoy?
These six stories tell of ghosts – friendly, sad, and bad – from Britain, Australia, New Zealand, America – and Egypt!

In the Indian jungle, a boy lives like a young wolf with his wolf family. Meet little Mowgli ...

Mowgli grows up with his wolf brothers, but there are many other animals here, too. There are friends like Baloo the bear and Bagheera the panther. There is important Akela, leader of the wolf pack – so many wonderful animals to learn from. But Shere Khan the tiger is a man-killer, so there are very big dangers, too, in the jungle …

Enjoy the classic Rudyard Kipling stories about Mowgli, as an exciting comic.
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**Mystery & Horror**

**Sherlock Holmes: The Blue Diamond**
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
Text adaptation by Bill Bowler

A man from the British royal family leaves an expensive gold and emerald crown at Holder and Stevenson’s – one of the best banks in London. When someone tries to take the crown from Mr Holder’s desk, he asks Sherlock Holmes for help. Who wants the crown and why? Only Sherlock can find the answers.

**Sherlock Holmes: The Emerald Crown**
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
Text adaptation by Janet Hardy-Gould

‘He’s an intelligent man. He was once rich and is now poor. His wife loved him once, but she doesn’t love him now. And he’s thirty or forty years old.’

One look at an old hat, and Sherlock Holmes can tell you a lot about its owner. He sees – and thinks – a lot more than the people around him, and when a beautiful blue diamond disappears, Sherlock is the only man in London who can find it.

**Sherlock Holmes: The Top-Secret Plans**
Anthony Manning

‘This telegram is from my brother Mycroft,’ said Holmes. ‘He wants to speak to me at once about Mr Arthur Cadogan. Do you know this man, Watson?’

‘I saw something about him in today’s newspaper,’ I answered.

When a young man dies on a London Underground line, top-secret plans for a new British submarine go missing. But who is Cadogan’s killer, why did he die, and where are the missing papers? Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson must quickly help Mycroft to answer these important questions.

**Studio Five**
Anthony Manning

Fay loves making The Friends’ Hour for Studio Five, but her boss – Jason – is always angry with her. One day, a young man – Simon Jones – phones her show. Soon Fay must find Simon, and work hard to keep her job. Then her best friend – Wing – stops helping her. What can Fay do now? Can she and Wing stay friends?

**The Swiss Family Robinson**
Johann David Wyss
Text adaptation by Alex Raynham

‘There’s going to be a storm,’ Father told Fritz. ‘Find your brothers and bring them to our room.’

A Swiss family are going to Australia when their ship sinks in a storm. After that, Mother, Father, Fritz, Hans, Ernst, and little Franz must make their home on a Pacific Island. Like Robinson Crusoe, they have many exciting times on the island, and they learn a lot about its animals and plants. But do they always want to stay there, or are they going to leave one day?

**The Teacher’s Secret and Other Folk Tales**
Retold by Joyce Hannam

‘Are men cleverer than women? Is a poor man cleverer than a rich man? And what about teachers? Are they always cleverer than their students? The people in these six well-known folk tales from around the world all want to be clever. But are some of them just stupid?’

Each story is recorded in American or British English to reflect its origin and setting.

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In this way Ibn Battuta, one of the greatest travellers in the world, begins telling his story to his nephew, Ahmed. His many journeys take him to new and interesting places far from home. He sees many strange and wonderful things, and meets many funny and frightening experiences, and meets many different people along the way. This is his story...

When ship after ship goes down in the Atlantic, Dr Pierre Aronnax and his servant, Conseil, journey from Paris to learn more. What – or who – is attacking these ships? Aronnax, Conseil, and the Canadian, Ned Land, find the answer to this question when they meet the strange Captain Nemo. After a long journey under the sea in Nemo’s submarine, the Nautilus, the doctor and his friends plan to leave for the surface. But how can they escape?

It’s Gromit the dog’s birthday, and his friend Wallace gives him an unusual present – a pair of Techno-trouser. At first Wallace uses the trousers to take Gromit for walks, but when the penguin comes to stay, he uses them one night for something different – very different. This strange story won the Oscar® for Best Animated Short Film in 1993.

When he went home to Athens, the great prince Theseus left me on the island of Naxos. But why did he leave me? Everyone says that he was tired of me. But when we met, I was the princess of Crete and the most beautiful woman in the Aegean Sea.

Ariadne’s story is one woman’s tale of secret love, adventure, and of escape – both from danger and from a life that she wanted to leave far behind her – many years ago in Ancient Greece...

When Wallace the inventor meets Wendolene in her wool shop, he falls in love with her at once. But why does her dog, Preston, hate Wallace’s dog, Gromit? Can Gromit save Wallace from the danger of a ‘close shave’?
Conan goes to the great, empty city of Alkmeenon. He wants to steal the Jewels of Gwahlur – but so does his enemy, Zargeba. In the city, Conan meets Muriela, who is clever and good at acting. With her help, Conan thinks he will win. But there are things happening in Alkmeenon that Conan does not understand – strange, terrible things.

Will Conan get the jewels, or will Zargeba? And what is the secret of Alkmeenon?

'Señor Zorro is on the road again, they say,' the landlord began.

Why do I always hear his name?' cried Sergeant Gonzales angrily.

Zorro fights to help the poor and weak in California under the Spanish Governor’s rule. Sergeant Gonzales has promised to catch and kill him, so how does Zorro always escape? And how will Señorita Lolita – the only daughter of a fine but poor old family – choose between Zorro, the exciting outlaw, and Don Diego, the rich but boring young man who wants to marry her?

When his father is arrested in Dubai, Kareem has to move fast. He must show that his father is not a thief – and prove that his family is honest. For Kareem is going to marry the beautiful and intelligent Samira Al-Hussein, and she could never marry someone from a bad family.

So Kareem and his brother get to work quickly – with a little help from Samira.

What does a poor young woman do when she loses her boyfriend or wants to find one? What little lies do we tell to make ourselves look better in the eyes of those that we love? How can a friend save someone who is sure that they are going to die? What happens when someone’s clever plans all go wrong? These sweetly surprising short stories – about both good times and bad – are sometimes sad, and sometimes funny. But all of them are sure to make you think.

Emma Woodhouse is beautiful, clever, and rich. She lives alone with her father, and spends a lot of her time thinking about future husbands – for her friends. When she meets Harriet Smith, a poor girl with no family, Emma decides that she must find a husband for her. Harriet is pleased to be Emma’s friend – but will Emma’s matchmaking make Harriet happy?

Jemma is very excited when she joins an expedition to the island of Kamora. She hopes to learn about doing scientific research, and to find a very rare bird of paradise.

She is happy to meet the famous Dr Malone and the wise Dr Al Barwani, and to help to research birds, snakes, and insects. But things start to go wrong. Someone has a terrible secret, and there is danger for Jemma – and for the bird.

Who has a secret plan, and what is it? What will happen to the bird? And what will happen to Jemma?
A2–B1

**STORY COLLECTIONS**

Lord Arthur Savile’s Crime and Other Stories
Oscar Wilde
Text adaptation by Bill Bowler

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The Lost World
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Nicholas Nickleby
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**TV & FILM ADVENTURE**

Octopussy & The Living Daylights
Ian Fleming
Text adaptation by Nick Bullard

**NEW**

Romeo and Juliet 2079
Andrew Prentice

**HUMAN INTEREST**

Saladin
Nina Prentice

**TRUE TALES**

Sara Dixon, Teen Detective
Lesley Thompson

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The three stories in this book are about ordinary people, people like you and me; but they find themselves in surprising situations. Lord Arthur Savile, a rich man with no enemies, finds out that he must do something terrible before he can marry. Poor young Hughie Erskine gives money to an old beggar – but the beggar is not what he seems. And Lord Murchison falls in love with a mystery woman – but what is the strange secret behind the door in Cumnor Street?

You said that you wanted danger, didn’t you?” says McAdie, the editor of the Daily Gazette. And he sends his young reporter, Malone, on a strange journey into South America with the famous Professor Challenger. Challenger believes that he can find a lost world full of dinosaurs in the middle of the Amazon Forest. But this world is dangerous to reach, and, once the Professor and his small group of explorers arrive, things get even more dangerous for them. Will they return alive?

‘Good afternoon, Octopussy,’ said Major Dexter Smythe to the octopus. Smythe lives you in Jamaica. But years earlier, he took someone’s life for gold, and now James Bond wants the full story. What can the major do? ‘It’s not a nice job, but someone has to do it,’ said M. 272, a British spy, is leaving East Berlin for the border. 007’s job is to kill the Russian sniper. Someone has to do it,’ said M. 272, a British spy, is leaving East Berlin for the border.

Everyone knows Shakespeare’s famous love story – Romeo and Juliet are in love, but their families are enemies so their love cannot be. But this exciting retelling puts Romeo and Juliet in a dark and difficult future world – a terrible tomorrow where people are born as Normals or Perfects. Of course, Juliet is a Perfect, so what happens when she meets Romeo – and her horrible brother Tybalt finds out? You need to read this amazing science fiction Romeo and Juliet.

‘Well, Yusuf, are you sure that you want to be a soldier?’ ‘I’ll do my best, Uncle.’ When Yusuf went to Aleppo to learn to fight under General Shirkuh, no one knew what this young man would do with his life. But years later, Yusuf became the great and chivalrous general, Saladin – the man who helped to bring Muslims together to win back the holy city of Jerusalem from the Franks. This is his story...

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DOMINOES

It is the year 1627, and young d’Artagnan comes to Paris with a dream – to become a King’s Musketeer. Three of these brave soldiers – Porthos, Athos and Aramis – soon become his friends.

After a short time d’Artagnan has fallen in love – and into great danger. Can the three musketeers and d’Artagnan fight against the evil plans of the beautiful Milady and the cruel Cardinal Richelieu?

The year is 1895, and the place is the London home of a famous scientist. Here he shows his friends a strange machine – a time machine! He has built this, he tells them, to travel into the future, and into the past. He will be a time traveller!

His friends don’t know what to think. Time travel is not possible, is it? But he leaves them, and his machine takes him to a troubling future – the land of the Eloi, where terrible creatures live below ground. He must soon fight for his life – and the life of his new friend Weena.

A re-release of the existing Dominoes The Turn of the Screw, with new and improved illustrations.

A young woman arrives at a large country house. Her job is to look after the two children who live there, but she soon discovers that there is something very strange about both the house and the children. The longer she stays, the more she feels that the two children are in danger – or is it that the children are the danger, and the person in danger is herself?

‘There’s some bad weather out there,’ Captain MacWhirr said to himself just before he sailed his ship, the Nan-Shan, into the middle of the most terrible storm in the South China Sea.

The typhoon brings out the best in some men on the ship, and the worst in others. Can MacWhirr bring the ship through the storm safely?

And what will happen to all the poor Chinese workers travelling home down in the ship’s hold?

For me, Watson, life is not so interesting,’ says Holmes. ‘I loved to read the newspaper, hoping to find some news of an interesting crime for me to investigate or a dangerous criminal for me to catch. Where are all those clever criminals these days?’

Then, suddenly, a wild, excited young man runs up the stairs to Holmes’ room. He has a story to tell about a strange crime that took place in Norwood. But who is the criminal? And is he dangerous? Life, for Holmes, suddenly starts to get interesting.

‘He’s great, Vera,’ said Angie. When Viktor Sarav takes a job at Ballantine’s, Angie and her brother Don – the young owners of the New York fashion company – are pleased. But soon there are strange deaths in the company. Is there a vampire at work at Ballantine’s?

Vera Donato, a company director with secrets to hide, is against Viktor. But Ed Valdemar, the company lawyer, trusts him. Who is right?
**DOMINOES**

**LEVEL 2**

**HUMAN INTEREST**

**Virtual Friends**  
Helen Salter

"You're in Paris and you aren't even happy to be here!" said Mum.  
"So what?" I said. 'Places don't make you happy, do they? People make you happy. And all my friends are in London.'  
Violet's mum moves to Paris, so she has to go too. Living in Paris as a fourteen year old girl should be very exciting, but Violet doesn't like it. Her only hope is to talk to her friends from London online. But will that work? Will Violet ever enjoy Paris? And what can she do about her Mum (who is so annoying...)?

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**TV & FILM ADVENTURE**

**War Horse**  
Michael Morpurgo

"We'll be friends, you and I. I'll call you Joey," Albert said. "I'll look after you. We'll always be friends, I promise."  
Albert Narracott, a farmer's boy, makes this promise to his horse, Joey, in Devon, England. But this is before the First World War, and before Joey leaves for France to become a war horse. What happens to Joey in the British army? What will the Germans and the French do to him when they find him? And how will Albert find Joey again?

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**LEVEL 3**

**HUMAN INTEREST**

**Who am I? Or, the Modern Frankenstein**  
Emma Howell

Vic has no friends. Everyone else has friends, and it makes him angry. So, Vic makes a new name for himself online, so he can make other people feel the way he does. But soon Vic finds it difficult to control what he has created...  
Will Vic's mistake hurt people, or can he stop it in time? What will happen to Vic? And what will happen to the monster he has made?

**Word count**: 11,844  
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**TV & FILM ADVENTURE**

**Conan the Barbarian: Red Nails**  
Robert E. Howard

"Conan!" cried Valeria. "What are you doing here?"  
Conan the Barbarian follows Valeria the Pirate south. Together they escape from a fierce dragon, and enter a strange city in the desert. Two enemy clans live in the city, and Conan and Valeria are soon asked to join in the war between them. This adventure story – full of battles, magic, and terrible monsters – is about two friendly fighters. But who are their enemies? And what is the secret of the black pillar with the red nails in it?

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**WORLD LITERATURE**

**The Count of Monte Cristo**  
Alexandre Dumas

Marseille, France, 1815. It is Edmond Dantès' wedding day. But his enemies have other plans, and Edmond is arrested and sent to the terrible island prison of Château d’If. For fourteen long years he waits for the right moment to escape. And now Edmond is a rich man, with many disguises, and a new name. The Count of Monte Cristo begins his revenge...

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Over the years hunters, poachers, and war have killed many of the gorillas of central Africa. But there are still a few hundred living high in the mists of the Virunga Mountains.

When Dian Fossey first saw a family of wild mountain gorillas in the Virungas she knew that she must help these wonderful animals. This true story tells of the twenty years she lived with them, watched them, wrote about them, and protected them. In the end, she gave her life for them.

A 'Tall Tale' is a story that’s hard to believe, and the five tall tales in this book all tell of ghosts. Some have dark secrets buried in the past, others bring messages for the living. Some are laughable, some are sad, and some are just evil.

Sometimes there’s a logical explanation for the strangest happenings, but often things cannot be explained by logic alone. Either way, you’re sure to find some frightening reading between the covers of this book.

The year is 1757. The English and the French are at war in North America. Two sisters – Cora and Alice – want to visit their father, General Munro. They begin their dangerous journey with the handsome English officer, Duncan Heyward and the Indian guide, Magua. On the way they meet friends and enemies, and many adventures. Some people will become heroes and some people will die. But what will happen to their friend Uncas, the last of the Mohican Indians?

What happens when a man lives his life backwards, or a family owns a diamond as big as the Ritz Hotel?

How can a boring girl become more popular, a careless young woman become more sensible, or a cut-glass bowl destroy a married woman’s life?

What does a young man do to save the girl that he likes from an evil ghost, or to forget old feelings for a woman when she marries another man?

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**The Moonstone**
Wilkie Collins
Text adaptation by Merinda Wilson

The Moonstone is a beautiful yellow diamond that was stolen from the statue of a Moon god in India. When Franklin Blake brings it to Rachel Verinder’s house in Yorkshire for her birthday, it brings bad luck with it.

How many people will the Moonstone hurt? How many must die before the diamond’s revenge is complete?

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**HUMAN INTEREST**

**My Family and Other Animals**
Gerald Durrell
Text adaptation by Bill Bowler

The weather in England that summer had been so awful that Gerald’s mother sold the family house and took her children to live on the Mediterranean island of Corfu. Between lessons, the ten-year-old Gerald was free to walk round the sunny island and discover the wonderful people and animals living there.

This is the story of Gerald’s adventures with the fascinating animals of Corfu, and, of course, with his surprising family and their friends.

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**TRUE TALES**

**Revolution**
Jann Huizenga and Linda Huizenga

‘All men are created equal…’
When Thomas Jefferson wrote these words in June 1776, in the American Declaration of Independence, he started something that was very much bigger than he imagined.

This book looks at the history around that Declaration, and at the Revolution that led to the birth of the United States of America.

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**MYSTERY & HORROR**

**The Secret Agent**
Joseph Conrad
Text adaptation by Lesley Thompson

A re-release of the existing Dominoes The Secret Agent, with new and improved illustrations.

Adolf Verloc is a double agent, working for both the British police and a foreign country. He pretends to live a normal life with his wife, Winnie, and has a shop in London, which, at night, becomes a meeting place for anarchists. One day Verloc is told to plant a bomb – but the plan goes terribly wrong… Does Verloc really love Winnie, or is she just part of his cover? Can Winnie ever forgive him? Who is Verloc really working for?

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**HUMAN INTEREST**

**The Vesuvius Mosaic**
Joyce Hannam

‘We have some wonderful mosaics in Pompeii, but I’ve never seen a better one than this!’

After the young Roman mosaic designer Felix starts work in Pompeii, his whole life changes. There he falls in love with the beautiful Greek slave Agathe, who can see into the future.

When the volcano Vesuvius sends hot ash over the city, Felix – and Agathe’s brother Alcander – ride to the port of Misenum for help. But will they reach admiral Gaius Plinius in time, and will they ever see Agathe alive again?

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On the plane to Rome, Cassius and the other boxers spoke about medals. For all of that long journey, Cassius did not stop talking about how he wanted a gold medal. His friends knew that he was talking so much because he was afraid of losing!

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'I'm not a thief. I'm an innocent man,' shouts Brown. He is angry because he is in prison and the prison guards hate him. Then one day Brown has an idea. It is dangerous – very dangerous.

West High School boys’ basketball team is the worst team in town – everyone knows that. They always lose. But that’s OK – Ben and his friends love playing. Then they get a new player. Sam is good, very good. Suddenly everything changes for the West High team, and Ben is excited. But is winning games the most important thing?

The Cat steals things from houses in Hollywood. He steals from movie stars and nobody can stop him. Or can they?

Natalie is a movie star. Nathan is her stand-in. Nathan does all Natalie’s stunts in the movie. But when Natalie and Nathan see The Cat driving away from Zak Wakeman’s Hollywood home, they both go after him.

Natalie drives fast. ‘Be careful,’ Nathan tells her. ‘You have a movie to finish!’
‘It’s an interesting job,’ says Sally about her work at Happy Hills.
And today is a very exciting day because Zapp the famous singer is coming. Everybody is having a wonderful time. But suddenly something goes very, very wrong.

‘Give me the money,’ says the robber to the Los Angeles security guard. The guard looks at the gun and hands over the money. The robber has long, blond hair and rides a motorcycle – and a girl with long blond hair arrives at Kenny’s motel – on a motorcycle. Is she the robber?

Greg is a porter at the Shepton Hotel in New York. When a girl with beautiful, green eyes asks him for help, Greg can’t say no.
The girl’s name is Cassie, and she says she is an artist. She tells Greg that her stepfather has her sketchbooks, and now she wants them back.
Cassie says her stepfather is staying at Greg’s hotel... so what could go wrong?

Every day people come to Mason’s store – old people, young people, men, and women.
From his office, and in the store, Mark watches them. And when they leave the store, he forgets them.
Then one day a girl with red hair comes to the store, and everything changes for Mark. Now he can’t forget that beautiful face, those green eyes, and that red hair...

‘Every day is the same. Nothing exciting ever happens to me,’ thinks Adam one boring Monday morning.
But today is not the same. When he helps a beautiful, young woman because some men want to take her bag, life gets exciting and very, very dangerous.

It is the year 650 in England. There is war everywhere because the old king is dead and he has no son. Only when the new king comes can the fighting stop and the strange, magical story of King Arthur begin. But first, Merlin the ancient magician has to find a way of finding the next king...

‘How can Mr Frank be angry now?’ thinks Mike happily. His film is good and he is the only cameraman on the volcano. Now he can go home.
But then he finds Jenny and she is dying. Rocks start to move and Mike is afraid. Can they get off the volcano alive? And what happens to Mike’s camera and film?
Every day someone steals money from people near the shops. We must stop this," says Dan, a police officer.

The police use TV cameras but it is not easy because there are so many suspects – who is the robber?

Six women are dead because of the Whitechapel Killer. Now another woman lies in a London street and there is blood everywhere. She is very ill.

You are the famous detective Mycroft Pound; can you catch the killer before he escapes?

Manor Hall is a dark, dark house with a mystery. Nobody can go into the music room. But one night Tom and Milly hear something. The noise is coming from the music room. Tom and Milly open the door. Someone in the music room is singing. Tom and Milly are afraid, but they can’t move.

Can Tom and Milly discover the mystery of Manor Hall?

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Bill and Sam arrive in the small American town of Summit with only two hundred dollars, but they need more and Sam has an idea for making a lot of money. When things start to go very wrong, both men soon regret their visit – and their idea.

‘Who is the man with the roses in his hand?’ thinks Anna. ‘I want to meet him.’

‘Who is the girl with the guitar?’ thinks Will. ‘I like her. I want to meet her.’

But they do not meet. ‘There are lots of men!’ says Anna’s friend Vicki, but Anna cannot forget Will. And then one rainy day…

You’re a brave man, but I am afraid for you,’ says Lady Marian to Robin of Locksley. She is afraid because Robin does not like Prince John’s new taxes and wants to do something for the poor people of Nottingham. When Prince John hears this, Robin is suddenly in great danger.

Sally is always running – and she has her phone with her all the time: at home, on the train, at work, at lunchtime, and at the shops.

But then one afternoon, she suddenly has a different phone… and it changes her life.

‘Sing to Win’ is the biggest programme on TV – everyone watches it and every singer wants to win it. Sofia loves singing, so she goes to an audition for Sing to Win – and makes friends with Emma. Emma is a very good singer, too, and soon there are stories about the two friends on TV and online. But not all the stories are true – and suddenly, being friends is not easy…

The empty centre of Australia. The sun is hot and there are not many people. And when Bill meets a man, alone, standing on an empty road a long way from anywhere, he is surprised and worried.

And Bill is right to be worried. Because there is something strange about the man he meets. Very strange...

‘There’s a new girl in town,’ says Joe, and soon Steve is out looking for her. Marietta is easy to find in a small town, but every time he sees her something goes wrong… and his day goes from bad to worse.
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
Mark Twain
Retold by Nick Bullard

Tom Sawyer does not like school. He does not like work, and he never wants to get out of bed in the morning. But he likes swimming, fishing and having adventures with his friends. And he has a lot of adventures. One night, he and his friend Huck Finn go to the graveyard to look for ghosts.

They don’t see any ghosts that night. They see something worse than a ghost – much, much worse…
In a city in Arabia, there lives a boy called Aladdin. He is poor and often hungry, but one day he finds an old lamp. When he rubs the lamp, smoke comes out of it, and then out of the smoke comes a magical jinnee.

With the jinnee’s help, Aladdin is soon rich, with gold and jewels and many fine things. But can he win the love of the Sultan’s daughter, the beautiful Princess Badr-al-Budur?

‘I can see wonderful things!’ said Howard Carter, when he opened the tomb of the Egyptian boy-king Tutankhamun, in 1922. Suddenly Tutankhamun was famous.

This is Tutankhamun’s story, told by his friend Aziru. Aziru goes to live in the Pharaoh’s palace as a young boy, and he and Tutankhamun are soon great friends. Pharaoh from the age of nine, Tutankhamun rebuilds his country from times of great change. But there are powerful men in the palace, and Aziru is often afraid for his friend too.

Luke is a good-looking, young man, but he’s not very clever with words. Gemma is clever with words, but what does she want? Lucy and Becky are good friends, but what about Sam? He makes wonderful cakes, but does he make mistakes too? Nina and Dragan are in love, so deeply in love, but they live in the wrong place, at the wrong time…

All love stories have moments of happiness, pain, misunderstanding, laughter, and sometimes great sadness. But love will nearly always find a way...

How do you get a licence if you want to keep a monkey? What can you do if your wife has a lover? How can you see into the future? Where can you go for an exciting but cheap holiday somewhere hot and far away? How can you persuade your girlfriend or boyfriend to marry you?

The characters in these six original short plays are looking for answers to these questions. While trying to solve their problems, people get into some very funny situations. Each play gives an amusing view of life today, and there is often an unexpected ending.

In a house in Oxford, three people are having breakfast – Carol, her husband Jan, and his father Josef. They are talking about Prague, because Carol wants them all to go there for Christmas.

Josef was born in Prague, but he left his home city when he was a young man. He is an old man now, and he would like to see Prague again before he dies. But he is afraid. He still remembers another Christmas in Prague, many long years ago – a Christmas that changed his life for ever…

In the summer of 1910, a race began. A race to be the first man at the South Pole, in Antarctica. Robert Falcon Scott, an Englishman, left London in his ship, the Terra Nova, and began the long journey south. Five days later, another ship also began to travel south. And on this ship was Roald Amundsen, a Norwegian.

But Antarctica is the coldest place on earth, and it is a long, hard journey over the ice to the South Pole. Some of the travellers never returned home.

This is the story of Scott and Amundsen, and of their famous and dangerous race.

He is not beautiful. His mother does not want him. Children run away for him. People laugh at him, and call him ‘The Elephant Man’.

Then someone speaks to him – and listens to him! At the age of 27, Joseph Merrick finds a friend for the first time in his life.

This is a true and tragic story. It is also a famous film.
Five Short Plays
Martyn Ford

Do you believe in ghosts? Jerry doesn’t. He’s a 19-year-old American, who just wants a good holiday with his friend, Brad. They are travelling round the north of England by bicycle. But strange things begin to happen in the small hotel where they are staying. First, Brad seems to think that he has been there before. And then a girl called Ellen appears...

The first of these three original plays is set in the 17th century, and the other two take place in modern times. In each play, a ghost comes back from the dead to change the lives of living people.

Nick Lortz is sitting outside a café in Whistler, a village in the Canadian mountains, when a stranger comes and sits next to him. She’s young, pretty, and has a beautiful smile. Nick is happy to sit and talk with her.

But why does she call Nick ‘Mr Hollywood’? Why does she give him a big kiss when she leaves? And who is the man at the next table – the man with short white hair?

Nick learns the answers to these questions three long days later – in a police station on Vancouver Island.

The true story of Hachiko, Japan’s most famous dog, begins in the early 1920s, when he comes to live in Tokyo with Professor Ueno. Hachiko loves his new master. When the professor takes the train to work every morning, Hachiko goes with him to the station – and when the professor comes home in the evening, his faithful dog is always waiting. Hachiko soon has many friends in the streets of Tokyo – people like Nobu, the young son of a food seller. Life is good for Hachiko – until one day, everything changes...

France, 1815. Jean Valjean leaves prison after 19 years. These are dangerous and troubled times, and life is hard. Valjean must begin a new life, but how can he escape his past, and his enemy, Inspector Javert?

This story for Bookworms is loosely based on the famous novel Les Misérables by Victor Hugo, one of France’s greatest writers. The novel was written in 1862, and the story has been retold many times – in a musical, in plays for radio and theatre, and in more than 50 films for television and cinema.

Cedric Errol is seven years old. He lives with his mother, in a little house, in New York. They don’t have much money, but mother and son are very good friends. Cedric is a kind, friendly, little boy, and everybody likes him. His father was English, but he is now dead, and Cedric and his mother are alone in the world.

But one day a lawyer arrives from England with some very surprising news about Cedric’s grandfather.
Everybody wants to win the lottery. A million pounds, perhaps five million, even ten million. How wonderful! Emma Carter buys a ticket for the lottery every week, and puts the ticket carefully in her bag. She is 73 years old and does not have much money. She would like to visit her son in Australia, but aeroplane tickets are very expensive.

Jason Williams buys lottery tickets every week too. But he is not a very nice young man. He steals things. He hits old ladies in the street, snatchers their bags, and runs away...

It is Molly Clarkson’s 15th birthday. She is having a small party. She is rich, but she is having a small party – only four people. Four people, however, who all need the same thing; they need her money. She will not give them the money, so they are waiting for her to die. And there are other people who are also waiting for her to die.

But one person can’t wait. And so, on her 15th birthday, Molly Clarkson is going to die.

Maria is from Pamplona in Spain, and she’s having English classes at a summer school in London. She’s nervous at first, but soon she has a new friend, Emilia, and they do everything together. But then she meets Jack. He’s tall with blue eyes, very handsome... But does he like Maria? And what does Emilia think about Jack?

England and Scotland in the 1500s. Two famous queens – Mary, the Catholic Queen of Scots, and Elizabeth I, the Protestant Queen of England. It was an exciting and a dangerous time to be alive, and to be a queen.

Mary was Queen of Scotland when she was one week old. At 16, she was also Queen of France. She was tall and beautiful, with red-gold hair. Many men loved her and died for her.

But she also had many enemies – men who said: ‘The death of Mary is the life of Elizabeth.’

I’m afraid to look in the storeroom. All our food for the winter – where is it now? Inside those hungry guests! They never stop eating! And they never say thank you! And those guests – my God, they eat more than their parents! Izzet Efenli and his family are afraid that their guests are never going to go home, but what can they do?

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The visitor waits. He has brought the hand of a small, dead animal – a monkey’s paw. Outside, in the dark, the visitor smiles and waits for the door to open.

At the start of this play, the court room is full for today’s trial. Two young men, Simon Clark and Dan Smith, stand up. The clerk asks, ‘Are you guilty of the murder of Mary Jones?’ ‘Not guilty!’ they reply. But perhaps they are guilty. The police found the murder weapon in their stolen car, and there was blood on Simon’s face. If the court finds them guilty, they will go to prison for a very long time.

Can the lawyers find out the truth, by asking the right questions? Everyone in court wants to know who murdered Mary Jones. You can help to find the answer, too!
It is night in the south seas near Tahiti, and the ship HMS Bounty has begun the long voyage home to England. But the sailors on the ship are angry men, and they have swords and guns. They pull the captain out of bed and take him up on deck. He tries to run, but a sailor holds a knife to his neck. ‘Do that again, and you’re a dead man!’ he says.

The mutiny on the Bounty happened in April, 1789. This is the true story of Captain Bligh and Fletcher Christian, and the ship that never came home to England.

When he was a boy, he was poor and hungry. When he was a young man, he was still poor and still hungry. He learnt how to steal horses, he learnt how to fight, he learnt how to live – outside the law. Australia in the 1870s was a hard, wild place. Rich people had land, poor people didn’t. So the rich got richer, and the poor stayed poor.

Some say Ned Kelly was a bad man. Some say he was a good man but the law was bad. This is the true story of Australia’s most famous outlaw.

Alex’s family are always moving from town to town. He doesn’t make new friends now, because he doesn’t like saying goodbye to them. He has his music, his songs, and his guitar, and they’re only for him. It’s best like that, he thinks. Then he meets Bella, and everything gets difficult. He likes her. He likes her very much. But she wants him to play his music for everyone. And how can he say goodbye to her, when his parents decide to move again?

In EDI (the European Department of Intelligence in Brussels) there are some very secret files – the Omega Files. There are strange, surprising, and sometimes horrible stories in these files, but not many people know about them. You never read about them in the newspapers.

Hawker and Jude know all about the Omega Files, because they work for EDI. They think fast, they move fast, and they learn some very strange things. They go all over the world, asking difficult questions in dangerous places, but they don’t always find the answers…

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A beautiful young Indian girl, and a brave Englishman. Black eyes, and blue eyes. A friendly smile, a laugh, a look of love... But this is North America in 1607, and love is not easy. The girl is the daughter of King Powhatan, and the Englishman is a white man. And the Indians of Virginia do not want the white men in their beautiful country.

This is the famous story of Pocahontas, and her love for the Englishman John Smith.

Pocahontas
Retold by Tim Vicary

The President is dead!
A man is running in the night. He is afraid and needs to rest. But there are people behind him – people with lights, and dogs, and guns.

A man is standing in front of a desk. His boss is very angry, and the man is tired and needs to sleep. But first he must find the other man, and bring him back – dead or alive.

Two men: the hunter and the hunted. Which will win?

The President’s Murderer
Jennifer Bassett

Cathy Wilson is driving to Norfolk, to begin her new job with the Harvey family. She is going to look after the two young children, Tim and Susan. Cathy meets the children’s father, and their grandmother, and their aunt. She meets Nick, the farmer who lives across the fields. But she doesn’t meet Miranda, the children’s mother, because Miranda is dead.

She died two years ago, and Cathy cannot learn anything about her. Everybody remembers Miranda, but nobody wants to talk about her...

Remember Miranda
Rowena Akinyemi

Dr Huxtable has a school for boys in the north of England. When the Duke of Holderness decides to send his young son there, that is good news for the school. The Duke is a very important person, and Dr Huxtable is happy to have his son in the school.

But two weeks later Dr Huxtable is the unhappiest man in England. Why? And why does he take the train down to London and go to Baker Street? Why does he need the help of the famous detective Sherlock Holmes? Because someone has kidnapped the Duke’s son...

Sherlock Holmes and the Duke’s Son
Retold by Jennifer Bassett

Horseracing is the sport of kings, perhaps because racehorses are very expensive animals. But when they win, they can make a lot of money for the owners, for the trainers, and for the people who put bets on them.

Silver Blaze is a young horse, but already the winner of many races. One night he disappears, and the police, can solve. Holmes sits, and thinks, and you’re very clever. People come to him with problems that no one, not even the police, can solve. Holmes sits, and thinks, and smokes his pipe, and in the end he finds the answer.

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Rowena Akinneyemi

White Death
Tim Vicary

The Witches of Pendle
Rowena Akinneyemi

The Withered Arm
Thomas Hardy
Retold by Jennifer Bassett

The Wizard of Oz
L. Frank Baum
Retold by Rosemary Border

Shirley Homes is a private investigator. She is clever with computers, and knows London like the back of her hand. She laughs when people say, ‘Was Sherlock Holmes your grandfather?’ Sherlock Holmes, of course, was not a real person, but, like Sherlock, Shirley has good eyes, and good ears. And she knows the right questions to ask.

And in the Lithuanian Case, the right questions are important. Because Shirley must find a missing person – Carrie Williams, aged 15. Where is she? Who is she with?

Some sisters are good friends, some are not. Sometimes there is more hate in a family than there is love. Karin is beautiful and has lots of men friends, but she can be very unkind to her sister Marcia. Perhaps when they were small, there was love between them, but that was a long time ago.

They say that everybody has one crime in them. Perhaps they only take an umbrella that does not belong to them. Perhaps they steal from a shop, perhaps they get angry and hit someone, perhaps they kill...

Sarah Harland is 19, and she is in prison. At the airport, they find heroin in her bag. So, now she is waiting to go to court. If the court decides that it was her heroin, then she must die. She says she did not do it. But if she did not, who did? Only two people can help Sarah: her mother, and an old boyfriend who does not love her now. Can they work together? Can they find the real criminal before it is too late?

It is the year 2522, and the planet Earth is dying. The Artificial Ozone Layer is only 300 years old, but it is breaking up. Now the sun is burning down on Earth. There is no water. Without water, nothing can live. Trees die, plants die, animals die, people die...

In a colony under the moon, people wait for news – news from home, news from the planet Earth. And in a spaceship high above Earth, a young man watches numbers on a computer screen. The numbers tell a story, and the young man is afraid. The planet Earth is burning, burning...

Witches are dangerous. They can kill you with a look, or a word. They can send their friend the Devil after you in the shape of a dog or a cat. They can make a clay picture of you, then break it... and a few weeks later you are dead.

Today, of course, most people don’t believe in witches. But in 1612 everybody was afraid of them. Young Jennet Device in Lancashire knew a lot about them because she lived with the Witches of Pendle. They were her family...

A woman and a man... words of love whispered on a summer night. Later, there is a child, but no wedding-ring. And then the man leaves the first woman, finds a younger woman, marries her... It’s an old story.

Yes, it’s an old, old story. It happens all the time – today, tomorrow, one hundred years ago. People don’t change. But this story, set among the green hills of southern England, has something different about it. Perhaps it is only a dream, or perhaps it is magic – a kind of strange dark magic that begins in the world of dreams and phantoms...

Dorothy lives in Kansas, USA, but one day a cyclone blows her and her house to a strange country called Oz. There, Dorothy makes friends with the Scarecrow, the Tin Man, and the Cowardly Lion. But she wants to go home to Kansas. Only one person can help her, and that is the country’s famous Wizard. So Dorothy and her friends take the yellow brick road to the Emerald City, to find the Wizard of Oz...

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People love and need animals. They keep them in their homes and on their farms. They enjoy going to zoos, and watching animals on films and on TV. Little children love to play with toy animals.

But people are a great danger to animals too. They take their land, and cut down the trees where animals have their homes. They pollute the rivers and seas, and kill big animals for their skins or for medicine. Now there are about 7,000 species of animals in danger. What can we do to protect the animals in danger?

25 million people come to England every year, and some never go out of London. But England is full of interesting places to visit and things to do. There are big noisy cities with great shops and theatres, and quiet little villages. You can visit old castles and beautiful churches – or go to festivals with music 24 hours a day.

Everyone knows about Brazil’s beautiful beaches, the Amazon rainforest, and the wonderful Carnival of Rio de Janeiro. But there is a lot more to Brazil than this: here you can find interesting old towns, modern cities, and thousands of different kinds of animals and plants. It is home to world-famous artists and writers, and international sporting events like the World Cup and the Olympics, too.

What is Japan? It is everything new and modern: the Tokyo Sky Tree, 634 metres high; amazing cameras and phones; karaoke and manga; trains going past at 300 kilometres an hour. And it is everything ancient too: beautiful palaces; high mountains and hot springs; cherry blossom in the spring; quiet gardens with water and trees. Here the past meets the future all the time. From sumo wrestlers to robots, Japan has something amazing for everybody.

Hollywood – nine big white letters against the Hollywood Hills. Every year millions of people come from all over the world and look up at this famous sign. Why do they come? They come to see the stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, and to see the hand and foot prints outside Grauman’s Chinese Theatre. They come to visit Universal Studios, and perhaps to see a movie star or two. Most of all, they come to be in the most famous place in movie history – exciting, wonderful Hollywood!

‘One day, I’m going to be famous,’ John Lennon said when he was young – and soon he was! His band The Beatles became one of the greatest in the world, and people loved them. After John Lennon went solo, he wrote some of the most important songs of all time. He was a family man and a peace protestor – he wanted to change the world. But one autumn day, four gun shots rang out across New York, and took away that dream for ever…

Come with us to London – a city as old as the Romans, and as new as the 21st century. There are places to go – from Oxford Street to Westminster Abbey, from Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre to Wimbledon Tennis Club. And things to do – ride on the London Eye, visit the markets, go to the theatre, run in the London Marathon. Big, beautiful, noisy, exciting – that’s London.
What can you do in New York? Everything! You can go to some of the world’s most famous shops, watch a baseball game, go to the top of a skyscraper, see a concert in Central Park, or eat a sandwich in a New York deli. And then wait for you. Open the book and come with us to this wonderful city.

‘It’s a good place for gold,’ said people in the 1840s, and they came from all over the world. ‘It’s a good place for a prison,’ said the US government in the 1920s, and they put Al Capone there on the island of Alcatraz. ‘It’s a good place for love,’ said the hippies in the 1960s, and they put flowers in their hair and came to Haight Ashbury. And San Francisco is still a good place – to take one hundred photographs, or see the Chinatown parade, or just to sit in a coffee shop and be in this interesting, different city.

More than 20 million visitors come to Scotland each year. Some love it for its long white beaches and quiet green hills. Some like the busy cities, with their shops and museums, castles, and parks. Others come to see the home of their parents and grandparents, to hear Scottish music, to find their family tartan. And some come to visit the whisky distilleries, eat wonderful food, and go to one of the world’s biggest street parties. Scotland has something for everybody. Come and find what Scotland has for you.

On a quiet sea, the biggest ship in the world is waiting. There is no noise from the engines. Up in the night sky there are hundreds of stars. Behind the ship, an iceberg – a great mountain of ice – goes slowly away into the black night.

In the beautiful first-class rooms, rich passengers eat and listen to music. Down in the third-class cabins, families sleep. An exciting new life is waiting for them in America.

But for many of the people in this small city on the sea, this is their last night alive...

‘The bride wore a long white dress, with flowers in her hair. After the wedding, there was a party, and people gave presents to the bride and groom.’ This wedding was nearly two thousand years ago, in Rome. Some things don’t change. But some things do. Today you can have a wedding on a mountain, or under the sea, or ‘Elvis’ can sing for you. And different things happen in different places. Little birds made of paper, small trees, money in the bride’s shoe, and lots of noise – they are all important for weddings somewhere. Welcome to the wonderful world of weddings!

Everybody took photos of Prince William when he first arrived at the University of St Andrews. Crowds of photographers came to the little Scottish town next to the sea and took pictures of this new student – the 19-year-old grandson of the Queen of England.

But nobody photographed Kate Middleton on her first day at the university. She moved in quietly, ready to begin her studies in Art History. She was just an ordinary student with an ordinary future in front of her. Or was she?
What does the name ‘Agatha Christie’ mean? To many people, it means a book about a murder mystery – a ‘whodunnit’. I’m reading an Agatha Christie,’ people say. ‘I’m not sure who the murderer is – I think it’s…’ But they are usually wrong, because they are not easy to guess the murderer’s name before the end of the book.

But who was Agatha Christie? What was she like? Was her life quiet and unexciting, or was it full of interest and adventure? Was there a mystery in her life, too?

There, on top of the mushroom, was a large caterpillar, smoking a pipe. After a while the Caterpillar took the pipe out of its mouth and said to Alice in a slow, sleepy voice, ‘Who are you?’ What strange things happen when Alice falls down the rabbit-hole and into Wonderland! She has conversations with the Caterpillar and the Cheshire Cat, goes to the Mad Hatter’s tea party, plays croquet with the King and Queen of Hearts...

‘I want to learn to fly,’ Amelia Earhart tells her family one evening. But it is 1920. Flying is expensive and dangerous, and most people think it is for men, not women. But nothing can stop Amelia Earhart, and she works hard to be a pilot. Soon, she is breaking records for flying further and higher than anyone before. She shows the world that anything is possible – for women and not just men.

Marilla Cuthbert and her brother Matthew want to adopt an orphan, to help on the farm at Green Gables. They didn’t want a girl, but how can they send a child back, like an unwanted parcel? So Anne, a place with a face… and freckles, and who talks and talks.

There has been a ghost in the house for three hundred years, and Lord Canterville’s family have had enough of it. So Lord Canterville sells his grand old house to an American family. Mr Hiram B. Otis is happy to buy the house and the ghost – because of course Americans don’t believe in ghosts. The Canterville ghost has great plans to frighten the life out of the Otis family. But Americans don’t frighten easily – especially not two noisy little boys – and the poor ghost has a few surprises waiting for him.

‘Then a letter came for Aloo from a famous college in America. They offered him a place… a place with a scholarship. Aloo could not believe it at first. He read the letter again and again.’

The stories in this volume of World Stories come from Malawi, South Africa, and Tanzania, and are by African writers Steve Chimombo, Farida Karodia, and M. G. Vassanji.
England in 1647: King Charles is in prison, and Cromwell’s men are fighting the King’s men. These are dangerous times for everybody.

The four Beverley children have no parents; their mother is dead and their father died while fighting for the King. Now Cromwell’s soldiers have come to burn the house – with the children in it.

The four of them escape into the New Forest – but how will they live? What will they eat? And will Cromwell’s soldiers find them?

Mr Ross lives on an island where no visitors come. He stops people from taking photographs of him. He is young and rich, but he looks sad. And there is one room in his house which is always locked.

Carol Sanders and her mother come to the island to work for Mr Ross. Carol soon decides that there is something very strange about Mr Ross. Where did he get his money from? How can a young man buy an island? So she watches, and she listens – and one night she learns what is behind the locked door.

Ellen Shore’s family is an ordinary American family, and Ellen is six years old when her brother Al is born. Her parents are very pleased to have a son, but Ellen is not pleased, because now baby Al comes first.

And when they are adults, Al still comes first. He begins a rock band and makes records. Soon he is rich and famous – very rich, but he gives nothing to his sister Ellen. She has a difficult life, with three young kids and very little money. And she learns to hate her rich, famous, unkind brother...

This is the story of Karen Silkwood. It begins with her death.

Why does her story begin where it should end? Certain people wanted her death to be an ending. Why? What were they afraid of? Karen Silkwood had something to tell us, and she believed that it was important. Why didn’t she live to tell us? Will we ever know what really happened? The questions go on and on, but there are no answers.

This is a true story. It happened in Oklahoma, USA, where Karen Silkwood lived and worked... and died.

In the mountains of Transylvania there stands a castle. It is the home of Count Dracula – a dark, lonely place, and at night the wolves howl around the walls.

In the year 1875 Jonathan Harker comes from England to do business with the Count. But Jonathan does not feel comfortable at Castle Dracula. Strange things happen at night, and very soon, he begins to feel afraid. And he is right to be afraid, because Count Dracula is one of the Un-Dead – a vampire that drinks the blood of living people...

Richard Walton is in trouble again. He has lost his job, and he has borrowed money from his sister, Jennifer – again. And now he has disappeared. Jennifer is looking for him, and so are the police. They both have some questions that they want to ask him. How did he lose his job? Why did he fly to Frankfurt? Who gave his girlfriend the very expensive gold ear-rings?

Only Richard can answer these questions. But nobody can find Richard.

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In Sweden nobody wants a troll to come into their garden, but how do you stop them? On a lonely road at night in Oman, Abdul’s car breaks down and he takes a ride with a stranger, but perhaps it is safer to walk. In England some young people play a scary game, and in Asia, a soldier returns home—

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Every country in the world has stories about ghosts and spirits and monsters of one kind or another. Some people believe in ghosts and some don’t—but everyone enjoys a good ghost story. All they could hear was the wind, and the waves. All they could see was the night. They could not see the ship, broken in two, or the people holding on to the dark wet rock, slowly dying of cold. And they could not hear the cries for help—only the wind. How could a man and his daughter save the people on the rock? They only had a little wooden boat in that wild and dangerous sea.

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This famous play by William Shakespeare is one of the finest in the English language. Why does Hamlet, the young Prince of Denmark, look so sad? Why does he often say strange things? His family and friends are worried about him. Perhaps he is mad! But Hamlet thinks that he has discovered a terrible secret about a recent crime in his family. Now he has no time for Ophelia, the sweet girl who loves him, or his friends, who were at school with him. He sits alone, and thinks, and plans. What will he decide to do? Will he ever be happy again?

There were six of them—three Katherines, two Annes, and a Jane. One of them was the King’s wife for twenty-four years, another for only a year and a half. One died, two were divorced, and two were beheaded. It was a dangerous, uncertain life. After the King’s death in 1547, his sixth wife finds a box of old letters—one from each of the first five wives. They are sad, angry, frightened letters. They tell the story of what it was like to be the wife of Henry VIII of England.

Who wants to live in a house, wear clean clothes, be good, and go to school every day? Not young Huckleberry Finn, that’s for sure. So Huck runs away and is soon floating down the great Mississippi River on a raft. With him is Jim, a black slave who is also running away. But life is not always easy for the two friends. And there’s 300 dollars waiting for anyone who catches poor Jim...
In the jungle of Southern India the Seeonee Wolf-Pack has a new cub. He is not a wolf – he is Mowgli, a human child, but he knows nothing of the world of men. He lives and hunts with his brothers the wolves. Baloo the bear and Bagheera the panther are his friends and teachers. And Shere Khan, the man-eating tiger, is his enemy.

Kipling’s famous story of Mowgli’s adventures in the jungle has been loved by young and old for more than a hundred years.

It is hay-making time on the Wookey farm. Two brothers are building the haystack, but thinking about other things - about young women, and love. There are angry words, and then a fight between the brothers. But the work goes on, visitors come and go, and the long hot summer day slowly turns to evening.

Then the sun goes down, covering the world with a carpet of darkness. From the hedges around the hayfield comes the rich, sweet smell of wild flowers, and the hay will make a fine, soft bed...

All he wanted to do was to marry the woman he loved. But his country said ‘No!’ He was Edward VIII, King of Great Britain, King of India, King of Australia, and King of thirty-nine other countries. And he loved the wrong woman.

She was beautiful and she loved him – but she was already married to another man.

It was a love story that shook the world. The King had to choose: to be King, or to have love... and leave his country, never to return.

There are two love stories in this fast-moving comedy. Brave young Claudio and Leonato’s pretty daughter Hero are in love and want to marry, but Don John has a wicked plan to stop their wedding. Will he succeed, or will the truth come out? Will Claudio and Hero marry, after all?

Beatrice and Benedick are always arguing with each other, but how do they really feel? Perhaps they are more interested in each other than they seem to be! Their friends work hard to bring them closer together.

The room was on the fourth floor, and the door was locked – with the key on the inside. The windows were closed and fastened – on the inside. The chimney was too narrow for a cat to get through. So how did the murderer escape? And whose were the two angry voices heard by the neighbours as they ran up the stairs? Nobody in Paris could find any answers to this mystery.

Except Auguste Dupin, who could see further and think more clearly than other people. The answers to the mystery were all there, but only a clever man could see them.

Alegra is an unusual name. It means ‘happy’ in Italian, but the little girl in this story is sometimes very sad. She is only five years old, but she tells Adrian, her new friend, that she is going to die soon. How does she know?

And who is the other Allegra? The girl in a long white nightdress, who has golden hair and big blue eyes. The girl who comes only at night, and whose hands and face are cold, so cold...

A housewife, a tramp, a lawyer, a waitress, an actress – ordinary people living ordinary lives in New York at the beginning of the twentieth century. The city has changed greatly since that time, but its people are much the same. Some are rich, some are poor, some are happy, some are sad, some have found love, some are looking for love.

O. Henry’s famous short stories – sensitive, funny, sympathetic – give us vivid pictures of the everyday lives of these New Yorkers.
Northanger Abbey
Jane Austen
Retold by Rachel Bladon

Catherine is spending the summer in Bath. It is a new world for Catherine, who has never left her home village before. There are dances, visits to the theatre, her new friends Isabella Thorpe and Eleanor Tilney... and Eleanor’s brother Henry, who she likes at once.

For Catherine, life is about love and adventure. So when she is invited to Northanger Abbey, the Tilney’s home, it seems full of mystery. But soon Catherine begins to learn a few lessons about real life – about who her friends are, and why, for some people, money is more important than love.

One day, a farmer tells a farm boy to take everything out of an old building and throw it away. ‘It’s all rubbish,’ he says.

In the middle of all the rubbish, the boy finds a beautiful old piano. He has never played before, but now, when his fingers touch the piano, he begins to play. He closes his eyes and the music comes to him – and the music moves his fingers.

When he opens his eyes again, he knows that his life is changed for ever...

Everybody has bad dreams. Horrible things move towards you in the dark, things you can hear but not see. Then you wake up, in your own warm bed, and turn over to go back to sleep.

But imagine that you wake up on a hard floor, in a darkness blacker than the blackest night. You listen to the silence, and smell a wet dead smell. Death is all around you, waiting...

In these stories by Edgar Allan Poe, death whispers to you from every dark corner, and fear can send you mad...

It is 1547 in London, and Tom is a pauper. His father sends him onto the streets of London to beg for money every day, and hits him when he brings nothing back. But Edward is a prince, the son of King Henry VIII, and he has everything.

There is something very unusual about these boys: they are from different worlds, but they look the same. When they meet one day, a mistake puts each boy into the wrong life. So what happens when a prince lives as a pauper, and a pauper lives as a king?

Red Dog was a Red Cloud kelpie, an Australian sheepdog. His life was full of excitement and adventure. He travelled all over Western Australia, and never really had an owner. But he had many, many friends, and he always knew where to go for a good meal.

As they walk through a park in the distant future, Harl and Ellen talk about their work and their lives. But they will never have a life together because their work as scientists is more important to them than their love. Harl plans to leave Earth, on a long and dangerous journey through space. Ellen plans to stay on Earth, to change the way the human mind works.

When Harl returns to Earth, Ellen will be long dead... and the world will be a very different place.
In 1659 Robinson Crusoe was shipwrecked on a small island off the coast of South America. After fifteen years alone, he suddenly learns that there is another person on the island. Will this man be a friend – or an enemy?

Romeo is sent away from Verona, hope begins to die. For a time, Romeo and Juliet manage to keep their love secret. But when Juliet manages to keep everything about them. When he looks carefully at a footprint in the sand, I went over to look at it more carefully... It was a footprint – the footprint of a man!

Sherlock Holmes is famous around the world. When the police cannot solve a crime, they turn to Holmes. He never misses a clue, and when he looks carefully at a person, he can understand everything about them. These are two of the best Sherlock Holmes stories. In ‘The Dead Coachman’, Holmes investigates a burglary and a murder while he is staying in the countryside with his friend Doctor Watson. In ‘The Last Mystery’, Holmes is in danger from the evil Professor Moriarty, who is as clever as the detective himself. They are both ready to fight to the death. But who will win?

Sherlock Holmes is the greatest detective of them all. He sits in his room, and smokes his pipe. He listens, and watches, and thinks. He listens to the steps coming up the stairs; he watches the door opening – and he knows what question the stranger will ask. In these three of his best stories, Holmes has three visitors to the famous flat in Baker Street – visitors who bring their troubles to the only man in the world who can help them.

Arnold Bennett is famous for his stories about the Five Towns and the people who live there. They look and sound just like other people, and, like all of us, sometimes they do very strange things. There’s Sir Jee, who is a rich businessman. So why is he making a plan with a burglar? Then there is Toby Hall. Why does he decide to visit Number 11 Child Row, and who does he find there? And then there are the Hessian brothers and Annie Emery – and the little problem of twelve thousand pounds.

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From Nigeria to New Zealand, from Jamaica to Malaysia, from India to South Africa, these stories show us that the human heart is the same in every place. People everywhere have the same feelings of fear and pain, happiness and sadness. Bookworms World Stories collect stories written in English from around the world, and the eight stories in this book were selected from the winning entries in the Commonwealth Short Story Competition. All the stories in this edition are from two previous Bookworms titles: Cries from the Heart and Songs from the Soul.
When Ping sees Hanno in the zoo, he is excited, but also unhappy. Hanno is a magnificent African gorilla, big and black and much stronger than a man. But how can this wonderful wild animal live in a cage, behind bars and locked doors? Then Hanno escapes from the zoo. And a few doors? hinter bars and locked wild animal live in a cage, how can this wonderful stronger than a man. But big and black and much magnificent African gorilla, also unhappy. Hanno is the zoo, he is excited, but When Ping sees Hanno in

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Richard is bored with the quiet life of his village. He would like to have a motor-car and drive it... very fast. But Richard lives in a future world where there are no cars, only bicycles and small villages and green forests.

And now he is 12 years old, and like the other children, he must do his Year of Sharing. He must learn how animals share his world; the wild animals. He must learn to live with. It means the end for many animals, people, even whole islands – or the beginning for growing food in the Sahara.

Follow its story, from the forests of Central America hundreds of years ago, through Africa, Europe, and the United States, to the growing markets of India and China. Perhaps you need a little something to eat while you read...

You can drink it, and you can eat it. You can even make buildings, dresses, and hats out of it. You can give it to somebody as a present, or you can buy it for yourself. And of course you can eat it. Dark chocolate, milk chocolate, white chocolate, chocolates with gold on the outside – everybody loves chocolate.

It’s a terrible problem – or it’s really not as bad as people say. There will be sudden big changes – or slower changes that we can learn to live with. It means the end for many animals, people, even whole islands – or the beginning for growing food in the Sahara. What is the true story about climate change? Who is right – and what can we do about it? If we learn about the past, then perhaps there will be time to make changes for the future...

Some call it football, some call it soccer, and to others it’s the beautiful game. By any name, it’s a sport with some fascinating stories. There is a game that lasts for two days where many players never see the ball. There’s the French writer who learned lessons about life from playing football, and the women players who had to leave the club for two days where many players never see the ball. There’s the French writer who learned lessons about life from playing football, and the women players who had to leave the club grounds because ‘Women’s football isn’t nice’. The cups, the leagues, the World Cup finals, the stars, the rules – they’re all a part of the world’s favourite sport, the ‘Beautiful Game’.

There are many different Irelands. There is the Ireland of peaceful rivers, green fields, and beautiful islands. There is the Ireland of song and dance, pubs and theatres – the country of James Joyce, Bob Geldof, and Riverdance. And there is the Ireland of guns, fighting, death, and the hope of peace. Come with us and visit all of these Irelands – and many more...

‘Ask not what your country can do for you - ask what you can do for your country.’ More than fifty years ago, the new US President, John F. Kennedy, spoke these words. Millions of Americans listened, and they were filled with hope. With Kennedy as president, surely there was a great future ahead for their country. But Kennedy would not finish his four years as president. In November 1963, the world stopped as terrible news came from Dallas, Texas...

‘What does the world look like from the moon?’ ‘How do our bodies work?’ ‘Is it possible for people to fly?’ ‘Can I make a horse of bronze that is eight metres tall?’ ‘How can we have cleaner cities?’ All his life, Leonardo da Vinci asked questions. We know him as a great artist, but he was one of the great thinkers of all time, and even today, doctors and scientists are still learning from his ideas. Meet the man who made a robot lion, wrote backwards, and tried to win a war by moving a river...
Marco Polo and the Silk Road
Janet Hardy-Gould

For a child in the great city of Venice in the 3rd century, there could be nothing better than the stories of sailors. There were stories of strange animals, wonderful cities, sweet spices, and terrible wild deserts where a traveller could die. One boy listened, waited, and dreamed. Perhaps one day his father and uncle would return. Perhaps he too could travel with them to great markets in faraway places. For young Marco Polo, later the greatest traveller of his time, a dangerous, exciting world was waiting...

Even as a young boy, Muhammad Ali knew that he wanted to do great things in his life, and make changes in the world. By the time he was eighteen, Ali was an Olympic Champion in boxing, and he went on to be World Champion three times. But Ali's fights were not just in the boxing ring. He fought for other things too: for peace, for black people's rights, for the sick, and for those in need. This is the story of how he became "The Greatest".

Thousands of years ago, people looked out across an ocean and asked themselves, 'What is on the other side?' And the bravest of them began to travel and find the answers – beautiful islands, frozen lands, different peoples...

Every four years, the world's best athletes come together for one of the most exciting competitions in sport: the Olympic Games. After years of training, competitors in more than 40 different sports win and lose their events, and set new world records, in front of crowds of people.

And there are still interesting questions about the oceans. Why does the water go up and down twice a day? Why do most animals and plants live near the land? And what can possibly live at the bottom of the ocean, thousands of metres down, where there is no light? Surely nothing can stay alive in a place like that...

Deep rivers, tall trees, strange animals, beautiful flowers – this is the rainforest. Burning trees, thick smoke, new roads and cities, dead animals – this is the rainforest too. To some people the rainforests mean beautiful places that you can visit; to others they mean trees that they can cut down and sell.

Between 1950 and 2000 half of the world's rainforests disappeared. While you read these words, people are cutting down rainforest trees. What are these wonderful places that we call rainforests – and is it too late to save them?

In English-speaking countries around the world people celebrate Easter, Valentine's Day, Christmas, and other special days. Some celebrations are new, others, like the summer solstice, go back thousands of years.

What happens on these special days? Why is there a special day for eating pancakes? Who is the 'guy' that children take onto the streets in November? And where do many people like to spend the shortest night of the year in England?

Come on a journey through a year of celebrations, from New Year's Eve to Christmas.

Stephen Hawking was one of the greatest scientists and thinkers of our time, and is famous around the world because he wrote and talked about cosmology – the science of the universe – in a way that people could understand. He had a terrible disease called ALS, and for many years could only move and speak with the help of machines. But this did not stop him working to try and understand our world better. Will people travel in time one day? Where did the universe come from? Most of us cannot even begin to think about questions like this – but Stephen Hawking was always looking for the answers.
The job was too good. There had to be a problem – and there was.

John Duncan was an honest man, but he needed money. He had children to look after. He was ready to do anything, and his bosses knew it.

They gave him the job because he couldn’t say no; he couldn’t afford to be honest. And the job was like a poison inside him. It changed him and blinded him, so that he couldn’t see the real poison – until it was too late.

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On a day in 1821, a man and six children stood around a grave. They were burying a wife and mother. The children were all very young, and within a few years the two oldest were dead, too.

Close to the wild beauty of the Yorkshire moors, the father brought up his young family. Who had heard of the Brontës of Haworth then? Branwell died young, but his sisters became famous writers.

But they did not live to grow old or to enjoy their fame. Only their father was left, alone with his memories.

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The murder plan seems so neat, so clever. How can it possibly fail? And when Sonia’s stupid, boring little husband is dead, she will be free to marry her handsome lover. But perhaps the boring little husband is not so stupid after all...

Murder plans that go wrong, a burglar who makes a bad mistake, a famous jewel thief who meets a very unusual detective... These five stories from the golden age of crime writing are full of mystery and surprises.

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When men find gold in the frozen north of Canada, they need dogs – big, strong dogs to pull the sledges on the long journeys to and from the gold mines. Buck is stolen from his home in the south and sold as a sledge-dog. He has to learn a new way of life – how to work in harness, how to stay alive in the ice and the snow... and how to fight. Because when a dog falls down in a fight, he never gets up again.

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Every town should have a ‘card’ – someone who gets talked about, someone who does mad and wonderful things, someone who makes you laugh. Bursley in the Five Towns has a ‘card’: Edward Henry Machin (Denry for short). Denry begins life in a poor little house where the rent is 23 pence a week. But before he’s 30, he’s made a lot of money, and had more adventures than you and I have had hot dinners. The town of Bursley never stops talking about him. Whatever will young Denry do next?

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The job was too good. There had to be a problem – and there was.

John Duncan was an honest man, but he needed money. He had children to look after. He was ready to do anything, and his bosses knew it.

They gave him the job because he couldn’t say no; he couldn’t afford to be honest. And the job was like a poison inside him. It changed him and blinded him, so that he couldn’t see the real poison – until it was too late.
But on Christmas Eve three spirits come to visit him. They take him travelling on the wings of Christmas past, present, and future – and Scrooge learns a lesson that he will never forget.
These love stories are by US writers Kate Chopin, Stephen Crane, Sarah Orne Jewett, O. Henry, and Canadian writer Lucy Maud Montgomery (author of the famous *Anne of Green Gables*).

For 50 years after Dr Watson’s death, a packet of papers, written by the doctor himself, lay hidden in a locked box. The papers contained an extraordinary report of the case of Jack the Ripper and the horrible murders in the East End of London in 1888. The detective, of course, was the great Sherlock Holmes – but why was the report kept hidden for so long? This is the story that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle never wrote. It is a strange and frightening tale…

‘Nani Tama looked at each of us – Dad, Auntie Hiraina, my cousin Timi, and myself. His eyes were angry. “You futility want me to die here in this room? Looking at these four walls? When the whakapapa is not yet finished?”’

But Nani Tama gets his own way, and his grandson drives him through the night, to find the missing pieces from the family history. The stories in this volume of *World Stories* are by New Zealand writers James Courage, Witi Ihimaera, Philip Mincher, and Joy Cowley.

This is a love story you won’t forget. Oliver Barrett meets Jenny Cavilleri. He plays sports, she plays music. He’s rich, and she’s poor. They argue, and they fight, and they fall in love. So they get married, and make a home together. They work hard, they enjoy life, they make plans for the future. Then they learn that they don’t have much time left. Their story has made people laugh, and cry, all over the world.

‘There are broken hearts and kisses and then weddings, so this is a story about love. There are actors who are funny because they cannot act, so it is also a story that makes people laugh. And there are fairies, spirits of the night, so it is a story about mischief and magic too. What happens when love and laughter come together with magic in an Athenian forest?’

*A Midsummer Night’s Dream* was written in about 1596 and is one of Shakespeare’s most popular plays. It has been retold for *Bookworms*, not as a play, but as a story.

Charles Bravo died from the poison antimony. He took three days to die, and the doctors could do nothing to help him. There were three people who had reasons for wanting Charles Bravo dead – Florence Bravo herself, Charles Bravo’s new young wife, Dr James Gully, Florence’s former lover; and Mrs Jane Cox, Florence’s friend and companion.

But the enquiry into the death in 1876 could not decide who the murderer was, and for more than 130 years people have wondered who did kill Charles Bravo…

Life is sweet for Othello. He is deeply in love with his new wife, Desdemona, and as the Duke’s general, he is the most important person in Venice’s army. But Othello does not know that his flag-bearer, Iago, hates him and wants revenge. As Iago begins to succeed with his clever plans, a frightening emotion takes hold of Othello: will jealousy destroy him? This is one of Shakespeare’s most famous tragedies, retold here as a story, not a play.
When Tug wakes up, he is not in his own bedroom at home. The door is locked and there are bars across the window. Loud music hammers through the house and through his head. Then a woman comes in and says that she is his mother, but Tug knows that she is not his mother.

Outside, Jinny stares at the lonely house on the hill. She hears strange noises, and she turns away.

He smiled, showing teeth yellow from cigarette smoke. He looked at his desk diary, then at her papers again. ‘Mmm… a hundred pesos a month. Why, that’s one thousand two hundred pesos a year. Surely, you can afford to buy me a forty-peso dinner!’

Fourth-year-old Molly and her cousins Daisy and Gracie were mixed-race Aborigines. In 1931 they were taken away from their families and sent to a camp to be trained as good ‘white’ Australians. They were told to forget their mothers, their language, their home.

‘We have to leave our house in London,’ Mother said to the children. ‘We’re going to live in the country, in a little house near a railway line.’

And so begins a new life for Roberta, Peter, and Phylis. They become the railway children – they know all the trains, Perks the station porter is their best friend, and they have many adventures on the railway line.

But why has their father had to go away? Where is he, and will he ever come back?
Little Mary Lennox is a bad-tempered, disagreeable child. When her parents die in India, she is sent back to England to live with her uncle in a big, lonely, old house. There is nothing to do all day except walk in the gardens – and watch the robin flying over the high walls of the secret garden… which has been locked for ten years. And no one has the key.

When a large plane is hijacked, the Prime Minister looks at the list of passengers and suddenly becomes very, very frightened.

There is a name on the list that the Prime Minister knows very well – too well. There is someone on that plane who will soon be dead – if the hijackers can find out who he is!

And there isn’t much time. One man lies dead on the runway. In a few minutes the hijackers will use their guns again. And the Prime Minister knows who they are going to kill.

In our world today a hummingbird is a small, brilliantly coloured bird in tropical forests.

In the far distant future, Hummingbird (Hummy for short) is a girl of 16 who lives somewhere in the Galaxy, on a planet called Just Like Home. She has the name ‘Hummingbird’ in big letters on all her clothes, but she has never seen a real hummingbird. She has never seen any living animal or bird at all.

The Book of Remembering says that there were once many animals on a planet called Earth, but that was long ago.

The human mind is a dark, bottomless pit, and sometimes it works in strange and frightening ways. That sound in the night… is it a door banging in the wind, or a murdered man knocking inside his coffin? The face in the mirror… is it yours, or the face of someone standing behind you, who is never there when you turn round?

These famous short stories by Edgar Allan Poe, that master of horror, explore the dark world of the imagination, where the dead live and speak, where fear lies in every shadow of the mind…

On a stormy winter night, a stranger knocks at the door of a shepherd’s cottage. He is cold and hungry, and wants to get out of the rain. He is welcomed inside, but he does not give his name or his business. Who is he, and where has he come from? And he is only the first visitor to call at the cottage that night…

In these three short stories, Thomas Hardy gives us pictures of the lives of shepherds and hangmen, dukes and teachers. But rich or poor, young or old, they all have the same feelings of fear, hope, love, jealousy…

Conradin is ten years old. He lives alone with his aunt. He has two big secrets. The first is that he hates his aunt. The second is that he keeps a small, wild animal in the garden shed. The animal has sharp, white teeth, and it loves fresh blood.

When a stormy night, Conradin prays to his god, but no god answers. He does one thing for him, just one thing.

This collection of short stories is clever, funny, and shows us ‘Nature, red in tooth and claw.’ In other words, it is Saki at his very best.
Sam Sylvester is a teacher who wants his class to have ambition, and to do great things in life. So he enters them for a sporting competition against the rich students of Greycoats School.

The team that he has chosen for the competition think Sam has gone crazy. ‘Who, Sir? Me, Sir?’ says ‘Never in a million years!’

‘Who, Sir? Me, Sir?’ says little Hoomey, his eyes round with horror. ‘We’ll go mad about them!’

But for a century people have been coming to climb Everest – some alone, or in groups, but all with a dream of going to the highest place in the world. This is the story.

It’s an exciting life – full of fast cars, money, and travel. The names of Formula One champions are known all over the world. And everywhere young drivers dream of success one day in Monaco, Melbourne, Monza...

But it is a difficult life too. Drivers need strong bodies – and minds. They need to think quickly, drive hard, and sometimes look death in the face. This is the dangerous, exciting world of Formula One – where the world’s best drivers have only seconds to win or lose a race.
Our world is changing fast. We can travel and speak to people around the world, and use computers to do all kinds of things. But in some places, children go to bed hungry at night, and cannot drink clean water. And many species of animals and plants are now in danger as our climate changes and pollution worsens.

These are just a few of today’s many important global issues. So how and why are they changing, and are there any answers to these problems?

You’re fast asleep, and nothing is happening. Or is it? In fact, your body is hard at work. Your lungs are taking oxygen from the air, and your heart is pumping blood round your body. Millions of pieces of information are travelling backwards and forwards to your brain all the time. Muscles are repairing themselves, and in your lymph nodes special cells are cleaning germs and waste from the body. You may think that nothing is happening, but in the extraordinary machine that is the human body, it is very busy indeed...

It is hard to imagine the modern world without information technology. At home, at work, and at play, mobile phones, emails, and computers have become part of daily life.

The story of information technology is a story of machines – from the ancient abacus to the small powerful computer chips of today. But it is also a story of people. Meet a woman who wrote computer programs two hundred years ago, a teenage girl in extraordinary times. After the war, the diaries became famous around the world. This is the story of the diaries of Anne Frank’s early years, and of her life during and after the time in hiding.

From 1942 until 1944, Anne Frank and her family lived secretly in a few small rooms at the back of her father’s office in Amsterdam, never leaving the building. Like many other Jewish families at that time, they were hiding from Hitler’s Nazis.

While she was in hiding, Anne wrote diaries which described her secret life, and the loves, hopes, fears and dreams of a teenage girl in extraordinary times. The United States in the 1950s and 1960s was a troubled place. Black people were angry, because they did not have the same rights as whites. It was a time of angry words, of marches, of protests, a time of bombs and killings. But above the angry noise came the voice of one man – a man of peace. 'I have a dream,' said Martin Luther King, and it was a dream of blacks and whites living together in peace and freedom. This is the story of an extraordinary man, who changed American history in his short life.

What will we do when there is nowhere to put our rubbish? Every day, all over the world, people drop cans, boxes, paper, and bottles into bins and never think about them again. And the rubbish mountains get bigger and bigger. But there is another way – a way that makes old paper into houses, broken bottles into jewellery, and old cans into bridges.

For the car that saves energy.

By growing like a plant...
Is there anyone who has not looked at the dark sky, and the shining points of light above us, and asked themselves questions about what is out there? Where did our planet come from? When did the universe begin? Could we come from? When did the United States of America? And the story of what it means to be an American and immigrant.

Begin a journey into space – where spacecraft travel at thousands of kilometres an hour, temperatures are millions of degrees, and a planet may be hard rock – or a ball of gas. In space, everything is extraordinary...

Everybody knows about the United States of America. You can see its capitals, hear its music, and eat its food just about everywhere. Cowboys, jazz, hamburgers, the Stars and Stripes – that’s the United States.

It’s a country with many stories to tell. Stories of busy cities, beautiful forests and parks. Stories of a country that fought against Britain, and then against itself, to make the United States of today.

Stories of rich and poor, black and white, Native American and immigrant. And the story of what it is like to be an American today...

It is 1866, and there is trouble in the world’s oceans. What is the extraordinary thing that people have seen there, travelling faster than a whale and cutting holes in the bottom of the strongest ships?

Dr Aronnax joins the search for the ‘monster’, hoping for an exciting adventure. But when he meets the mysterious Captain Nemo, his adventure becomes more extraordinary than he had ever imagined, and he discovers a new underwater world, full of wonders, but of strange dangers too...

General Sternwood has four million dollars, and two young daughters, both pretty and both wild. He’s an old, sick man, close to death, but he doesn’t like being blackmailed. So he asks private detective Philip Marlowe to get the blackmailer off his back.

Marlowe knows the dark side of life in Los Angeles well, and nothing much surprises him. But the Sternwood girls are a lot wilder than their old father realizes. They like men, drink, drugs – and a lot wilder than their old days.

When Black Beauty is trained to carry a rider on his back, or to pull a carriage behind him, he finds it hard at first. But he is lucky – his first home is a good one, where his owners are kind people, who would never be cruel to a horse.

Why aren’t the students at Mangrove High School allowed to study maths or use computers? Who are the strange Wardens who watch over them all the time? And is someone listening in on their thoughts, when they are sent to The Room? Finn and Ellie both know that something isn’t right in their world. But when they start asking questions, their lives are turned upside-down – and suddenly even their families are no longer what they seemed. Finn is in great danger, but when his brother Adam offers to help, he needs to find out fast if he can really trust him...
Life in the small English town of Cranford seems very quiet and peaceful. The ladies of Cranford lead tidy, regular lives. They make their visits between the hours of twelve and three, give little evening parties, and worry about their maid-servants. But life is not always smooth – there are little arguments and jealousies, sudden deaths and unexpected marriages…

Mrs Gaskell’s timeless picture of small-town life in the first half of the 19th century has delighted readers for nearly 150 years.

It was a very inconvenient time for murder. Florence was full of Christmas shoppers and half the police force was already on holiday.

At first it seemed quite an ordinary murder. Of course, there are always a few mysteries. In this case, the dead man had been in the habit of moving his furniture at three o’clock in the morning. Naturally, the police wanted to know why. The case became more complicated. But all the time, the answer was right under their noses. They just couldn’t see it. It was, after all, a very ordinary murder.

Three different parts of the world, but all of them dangerous, lonely places. Three different women, but all of them determined to go – and to come back alive!

Robyn Davidson walked nearly 3,000 kilometres across the Australian desert – with a dog and four camels. Arlene Blum led a team of ten women to the top of Annapurna – one of the highest mountains in the world. Only eight came down again.

Naomi James sailed around the world alone, with a dog and four camels. Robyn Davidson walked across the Australian desert – with a dog and four camels.

In the second century AD, the Ninth Roman Legion marched into the mists of northern Britain, not one man came back. Four thousand men disappeared, and the Eagle, the symbol of the Legion’s honour, was lost.

Years later there is a story that the Eagle has been seen again. So Marcus Aquila, whose father disappeared with the Ninth, travels north, to find the Eagle and bring it back, and to learn how his father died. But the tribes of the north are wild and dangerous, and they hate the Romans…

You are walking through the streets of London. It is getting dark and you want to get home quickly. You enter a narrow side-street. Everything is quiet, but as you pass the door of a large, windowless building, you hear a key turning in the lock. A man comes out and looks at you. You have never seen him before, but you realize immediately that he hates you. You are shocked to discover, also, that you hate him.

Who is this man that everybody hates? And why is he coming out of the laboratory of the very respectable Dr Jekyll?

Elizabeth Gilbert, a successful writer, had everything – a husband, friends, a big house in New York. But one day she realized she did not want any of it. A new relationship brought more heartbreak, deep depression followed, and in desperation, she started to pray. She decided to spend a year without any new relationships, to travel in Italy, India, and Indonesia, searching for meaning in her life.

This memoir is the true story of her journey of discovery through pleasure, religion, and back to love again. It has also been made into a major movie.

Emma Woodhouse, beautiful, clever and rich, has no wish to marry, but she enjoys making matches for those around her. It was Emma who found the perfect husband for her governess Miss Taylor. So when her dear friend Mr Knightley tells her that she should let people choose their own husbands and wives, she will not listen. But does Emma really understand people as well as she thinks? And is she even right about her own feelings, when she says that she will never fall in love?
horses which talk…
ghosts from the past and
and a flying island, meets
He visits a land of giants
of many surprises which
gave a great shout.'
I was so surprised that I
only 15 centimetres tall…
a very small human being,
when I looked down, I saw
up my body to my face, and
moving along my leg and
'Soon I felt something alive
moving along my leg and
up my body to my face, and
moving along my leg and
my brothe…
The Price of Peace: Stories from Africa
Retold by Christine Lindop

Careful, Connie, please. Your little sister’s eyes are looking angry. Look at the sudden lines around her mouth. Connie, a sister is a good thing. Even a younger sister. “Mercy, who are you going out with?”

Connie gets an answer to her question, but it is not the answer she wants to hear. And what is the price of peace between sisters? The stories in this volume of World Stories come from Sierra Leone, Malawi, Ghana, Zimbabwe, and Nigeria, and are by African writers Abioseh Nicol, Ken Lipenga, Ama Ata Aidoo, Paul Tiyambe Zeleza, and Sefi Atta.

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Great Crimes

It is more than 40 years since the Great Train Robbery. But what happened to the rest of the money that was taken? Two million pounds has never been found. Perhaps some of the robbers would like to know the answer to this question too?

Many great crimes end in a question. Who really killed President Kennedy? Who knows the truth about Azaria Chamberlain? Not everyone knew the answers. Perhaps some people might have liked to know the answer too…

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Who could imagine then what was waiting for Nelson Mandela – the tireless struggle for human rights, the long years in prison, the happiness and sadness of family life, and one day the title of President of South Africa?

The History of the English Language

About a quarter of the people in the world today speak or use English. In homes and schools, offices and meeting rooms, ships and airports, people are speaking English…

How did English begin, and what will become of it? The history of English is a journey through space and time, from thousands of years ago to today and beyond, and to all parts of the world. Come on that journey and meet the monks and soldiers, the kings and scientists, the printers, poets, and travellers who have helped to make the English of today.

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When her father dies, Aku-nna and her young brother have no one to look after them. They are welcomed by their uncle because of Aku-nna’s ‘bride price’ – the money that her future husband will pay for her.

In her new, strange home one man is kind to her and teaches her to become a woman. Soon they are drawn together – until, finally, something has to break.

‘Please, Mr Murdstone! Don’t beat me! I’ve tried to learn my lessons, really I have, sir!’ sobs David. Although he is only eight years old, Mr Murdstone does beat him, and David is so frightened that he bites his cruel stepfather’s hand. For that, he is kept locked in his room for five days and nights, and nobody is allowed to speak to him. As David grows up, he learns that life is full of trouble and misery and cruelty. But he also finds laughter and kindness, trust and friendship… and love.

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I lit a match to see…' in the dark, counting. people in the house! But there were only 13 there – all 13. Thirteen? with us, until we were all the others found us, hid person – not speaking, not with this cold game, I had to hide in the hand. Now, because of the and-seek'. In the dark, I lights out and played 'hide-and-seek'. In the dark, I had to hide in the cold with…  with this cold game, I had to hide in the hand. Now, because of the and-seek'. In the dark, I had to hide in the hand.
When Carruthers joins his friend Arthur Davies on his yacht Dulcibella, he is expecting a pleasant sailing holiday in the Baltic Sea. But the holiday turns into an adventure of a different kind. He and Davies find themselves sailing in the stormy waters of the North Sea, exploring the channels and sandbanks around the German Frisian Islands, and looking for a secret – a secret that could mean great danger for England.

Erskine Childers’ novel, published in 1903, was the first great modern spy story, and is still as exciting today as it was a hundred years ago.

Sometimes the Dashwood girls do not seem like sisters. Elinor is all calmness and reason, and can be relied upon for practical, common sense opinions. Marianne, on the other hand, is of course, full of passionate and romantic feeling. She has no time for dull common sense – or for middle-aged men of thirty-five, long past the age of marriage.

The Greek island of Corfu lies like a jewel, green and gold, in the Ionian sea, where dolphins swim in the sparkling blue water. What better place for an out-of-work actress to relax for a few weeks?

The wind is strong on the Yorkshire moors. There are few trees, and fewer houses, to block its path. There is one house, however, that does not hide from the wind. It stands out from the hill and challenges the wind to do its worst. The house is called Wuthering Heights.

‘Curtis Colt didn’t kill that liquor store woman, and that’s a fact. It’s not right that he should have to ride the lightning – that’s what prisoners call dying in the electric chair. Curtis doesn’t belong in it, and I can prove it.’ But can Curtis’s girlfriend prove it? Murder has undoubtedly been done, and if Curtis doesn’t ride the lightning for it, then who will?

‘Mrs Proudie, the warlike wife of the new Bishop of Barchester, brings the Reverend Slope into the Bishop’s Palace to help dominate her husband and the local clergy. But Slope is a snake in the grass, determined to win advancement for himself – even to fight Mrs Proudie.’

This classic comedy novel is Trollope’s most famous work. Their battle becomes a furious dance, involving rich, pretty Widow Bold, man-eating Signora Neroni, confused Parson Quiverful and his fourteen noisy children.
They said Steve Biko was a man of violence; then why did he talk of peace? They said he wanted revolution; so why did he talk of friendship? They said he died of hunger; why was his body broken and bruised?

This is the story of a man’s fight with the government of South Africa. It is the story of all people who prefer truth to lies. It is the story of all people who are not afraid to die.

Dublin, Ireland, in the early years of the twentieth century. It is a poor city, and there is hard drinking, dishonesty, and violence just beneath the surface everywhere you look. Glance inside a few people’s lives, and you soon find loneliness and disappointment, self-hate, and despair.

The people in these stories are paralysed: locked into the circles of their everyday lives, where they are caught waiting between life and death. For some, there is a way out – but will circumstances, or their own fear, stop them from taking it?

On a beautiful summer evening in the quiet town of Marlow, a young woman is walking home from church. She passes a man who is looking at the engine of his car. He turns round, smiles at her, and throws acid into her face.

Then her father, the scientist George Ashton, disappears. And her sister, Penny, discovers that her husband-to-be, Malcolm, is a government agent. Why has Ashton disappeared, and why is Malcolm told to hunt for him? Who is George Ashton, anyway? And who is the enemy?

Flies are a nuisance. They are annoying when they buzz around you, but you can brush them away with your hand. After all, a fly is only about half the size of your fingernail. But suppose it wasn’t. Catch a fly and look at it closely – look at its head, its eyes, its legs. Now imagine that this thing was the size of a human being...

These eight stories offer horror in many shapes and forms, in worlds full of monsters and evil spirits, where terror lies waiting in the shadows, and where the living and the dead dance hand in hand.

Jane Eyre is alone in the world. Disliked by her aunt’s family, she is sent away to school. Here she learns that a young girl, with neither money nor family to support her, can expect little from the world. She survives, but she wants more from life than simply to survive: she wants respect, and love. When she goes to work for Mr Rochester, she hopes she has found both at once. But the sound of strange laughter, late at night, behind a locked door, warns her that her troubles are only beginning.

There are so many things that a mother wishes to teach her daughter. How to lose your innocence but not your hope. How to keep hoping, when hope is your only joy. How to laugh for ever.

This is the story of four mothers and their daughters – Chinese-American women, the mothers born in China, and the daughters in America. Through their eyes we see life in pre-Revolutionary China, and life in downtown San Francisco; women struggling to find a cultural identity that can include a past and a future half a world apart.

On the Polar ice-cap, 640 kilometres north of the Arctic Circle, the deadly, icy winds can freeze a man to death in minutes. But the survivors of the crashed airliner are lucky – they are rescued by three scientists from a nearby weather station.

But why did the airliner crash in the first place? Who smashed the radio to pieces? And why does the dead pilot have a bullet hole in his back? The rescue quickly turns into a nightmare: a race through the endless Arctic night, a race against time, cold, hunger – and a killer with a gun.
London in the 1830s was no place to be if you were a hungry ten-year-old boy, an orphan without friends or family, with no home to go to, and only a penny in your pocket to buy a piece of bread.

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