

## 5-6 Booklist by Title - Full

When using this booklist, please be aware of the need for guidance to ensure students select texts considered appropriate for their age, interest and maturity levels.

PRC	Title/Author	Publisher	Year	ISBN	Annotations
ID 1209758	(Be smart about) Screen time!	Little Brown	2024	9780316575546	This book will help you stay in charge of who you are - on and off your
825	Brian, Rachel 10 little insects Cali, Davide & Pianina, V (ill)	Wilkins Farago Pty Ltd	2012	9780987109910	device.  10 intelligent insects, each with something to hide, are invited to a secluded island for the weekend. One by one, unusual things start to
917732	10 Minutes of Danger Heath, Jack	Scholastic Australia	2022		happen and they begin tracking a murderer.  20 stories. 20 dangerous situations. 20 brave kids. 10 minutes to escape. Dodi is in the blast radius of an asteroid on a collision course with Earth. Gary is stuck up a tree with a giant tsunami wave fast approaching. Tatum is climbing a caldera when an earthquake makes the volcano erupt.
21158	100 scientists who made history Mills, Andrea & Caldwell, Stella	Dorling Kindersley	2018		From brainy biologists and clever chemists to magnificent mathematicians and pioneering physicists, discover 100 remarkable scientists who shaped our world.
41505	100 things to know about food Baer, Sam & Firth, Rachel & Hall, Rose & James, Alice & Martin, Jerome	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2017	9781409598619	This informative book is filled with 100 fascinating facts about food: from how to grow a burger in a laboratory, to how many bees it takes to fill an orchard with apples. It contains bright, enticing illustrations, detailed facts on each page, an index and glossary, as well as internet links to specially selected websites which contain more information.

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1D   885983	100 things to know about music Usborne	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9781474996730	This book is for you if you like to explore unusual facts. Read this book to find out about a robot rover that sang its own birthday song, how NASA made music for aliens, the world's biggest bell that has never been rung, how rap could rescue endangered languages, if you want to sing opera you must first learn how to fight, synchronized swimmers hear music in their bones, how a deaf percussionist uses her foot as a huge ear and many more fun facts
751193	100 things to know about saving the planet Various	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2020	9781474981835	Could we generate all the power we need from the sun and the wind? How do woolly sweaters help penguins in peril? Would building a giant sunshade in space stop the world from overheating? Find the answers to these questions and more in this bold, graphic and exciting book, full of big, small and unexpected ways to save the planet.
5891	100 things to know about science Frith, Alex & Lacey, Minna & Martin, Jerome & Melmoth, Jonathan	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2015	9781409582182	Find out about familiar and less familiar topics, from the Earth's magnetic poles to spider venom and black holes. Lots of facts and colourful infographics cover one hundred science topics.
774391	100 things to know about the oceans Various	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2021	9781474953160	From phantom islands to fish who sleep in pyjamas, if it lives in, travels on or affects the ocean, you will read it here. With 100 facts, finding out something new is guaranteed.
995900	100 things to know about the unknown Firth, Alex & Martin, Jerome & James, Alice et al.	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2023	9781803705286	A colorful information book filled with 100 fascinating and mind-blowing facts. Scientists and historians have discovered a lot about our past, our future and how the world works, but SO MUCH remains unknown.
3094	100 women who made history: remarkable women who shaped our world Caldwell, Stella & Hibbert, Clare & Mills, Andrea & Skene, Rona	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2017	9780241257241	From queens to scientists to artists to sportspeople, this book provides fascinating facts about the women who have impacted history. Including the stories of women who were famous at the time, and ordinary people whose impact has become known as time progresses, 100 Women Who Made History is an engaging insight into their impact on the world.
40528	100% wolf Lyons, Jayne	Penguin	2020	9781761040207	Freddy Lupin is from a noble family of werewolves, but his first transformation ends in disaster when he turns into a yapping poodle instead of a fierce wolf. Now Freddie's Uncle want to turn him into minced meat!  Just when he thinks things cant get any worse he goes into dog prison. Who is the sinister man following him and his doggy friend? Can Freddy prove that he is 100% wolf and save the werewolf pack from disaster?
87206	101 ways to save the earth Bellamy, David & Dann, Penny (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2008	9781845079246	This book deals with the fragility of our planet's ecosystem. Topics include household recycling, earth-friendly shopping tips, biodegradable products and links for further information.

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1D  1052142	11 Ruby road: 1900 Barka, Charlotte	Walker Books	2024	9781760657949	Dorothy and her family have moved from their farm to the city and life is very different. She struggles at school and dreams of writing and acting. With the help of her new Ruby Road friends and with the support of her family, Dorothy discovers that she can follow her dreams and also find an ingenious way to help the local suffragists in their fight for women's right to vote!  Join Dorothy and her family at 11 Ruby Road in 1900, as Federation is dawning and a new century begins.
1209716	11 Ruby road: 1925 Barkla, Charlotte	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760657956	It is 1925 and Bert Mueller and his German-Australian family have moved from Ipswich to their new house at 11 Ruby Road. Bert's father has been deported to Germany after the Great War, and with Dad still absent, Bert is unsure about moving away. But the city means opportunity and jobs for his mother and older siblings. And for the grown-ups, it also means fun - dressing up, going out, and all that jazz. Bert loves jazz too, but he's too young for the clubs, and instead his time is spent at his new school where the kids play cricket, not music.  But with the help of a Gramophone, Bert has a solution. He will start his own jazz club, and 11 Ruby Road has the perfect spot to host it. But as prejudice about Bert and his German family start to affect their new life, Bert has to find a way to save his jazz club and his family.
1209875	113th assistant librarian, The Wilson, Stuart	Penguin Books Australia	2024	9781761342257	Oliver Wormwood hurries to the trade fair. He hopes to find his new life in a trade his father would be proud of but after a series of calamities Oliver is left with no prospects until he meets a mysterious man on the edge of the fair. The man was flustered, and late and before Oliver knew he found himself the 113th Assistant Librarian. But things don't go quite as planned. By the end of the first day he witnesses a death, is frozen by a book and meets a lot of cats. With the help of a strange girl called Oliver will he ever learn to protect the library and live longer than the 112 assistant librarians before him?
4983	1836 Do you dare: Fighting bones Laguna, Sofie	Penguin Books Australia	2014	9780143307556	In 1836, Irish brothers, Danny and Declan Sheehan, are inmates at Tasmania's Point Puer prison for convict boys. When tragedy strikes and the prison bully is on the rampage, escape is the brothers only chance to survive.

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1D 34251	1841 Do you dare: The bushranger's boys Lloyd, Alison	Penguin Books Australia	2014	9780143307563	When Captain Ross shoots Jem's dog, Jem dreams of retribution. So, when a bushranger takes the Captain's horse and clothes, Jem isn't a bit upset, although he is still stuck on the Captain's homestead, far from the only family he knows. But, Alfie, the cook's son, and his mate, Tommy, an Aboriginal boy, become Jem's staunch supporters, even when his decisions aren't so smart. Join the three boys as they hole up in a secret hideout, rescue a puppy and meet a real live bushranger.
35728	1844 Do you dare: The last horse race Moloney, James	Penguin Books Australia	2014	9780143307822	Within the rough and ready frontier settlement of Moreton Bay, which later became the city of Brisbane, Toby and his mates roam free, and linger at the fringes of the grown-up world. They are particularly interested in horse racing. But, it's a dangerous world and when Toby decides to take part in a race through the streets, he doesn't realise it will be a matter of life and death.
7080	1854 Do you dare: Eureka boys Matthews, Penny	Puffin Australia	2015	9780143308454	Henry lives with his father and sister on the Victorian goldfields. Still mourning the loss of his mother and baby brother, Henry helps his father mine their claim, hoping to strike it rich. But they can't afford a mining licence so are at the mercy of corrupt police. When Henry meets a new friend, he enters a world of politics, riots and rebellion that will lead him to Eureka Stockade, one of the defining moments in Australian history.
2943	1915 Do you dare: Jimmy's war Clark, Sherryl	Penguin Books Australia	2015	9780143308027	Jimmy's Dad died two years ago and older brother Arthur is in Egypt preparing enthusiastically for battle. Twelve year old Jimmy is now the man of the house. As Mum's health is fragile, Jimmy is forced to leave school and become the breadwinner, scraping together barely enough to cover minimal food and the rent. When Arthur returns, badly injured, Jimmy's life gets even harder, although there's still time for football.
18878	1931 Do you dare: Tough times Mitchell, Simon	Penguin Books Australia	2014	9780143308010	During the Great Depression, when his father loses his job, Tom Parker sets out to save his family from eviction. He confronts bullies, financial hardship and prejudice but his determination and never-say-die attitude is as strong as his loyalty to his family.
1	20,000 leagues under the sea Verne, Jules	Scholastic US	1990	9780590451796	The classic tale of an expedition to destroy a terrifying sea monster that becomes an undersea mission. It involves a visit to the sunken city of Atlantis in a giant submarine, the Nautilus, commanded by the mysterious Captain Nemo.

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ID   997696	300 minutes of mystery Heath, Jack	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781761200793	10 stories. 10 mysterious situations. 10 brave kids. 30 minutes of clues. Mercer stole a secret message. What happens when the spies find out? Hamzi is trapped in a maze. Why is his brother trying to kill him? Charlene's room escape game suddenly turns deadly. Can she figure out why?
17400	31 ways to change the world Taylor, Tanis	Walker Books	2010	9781406327809	An entertaining, colourful book containing scrapbook style images, illustrations and bits of information you would normally not even think about. We are reminded that change happens when we work together to make small changes. A great book to encourage children to get involved and make a difference.
18364	43 Bin Street Michael, Livi	Orchard Books	2005	9781843627258	Kiko and Nattie are flies whose job it is to clean up after humans. When their house is occupied by Mrs Spick who has dangerous amounts of fly spray, they become flies with a mission.
379	45 & 47 Stella Street and everything that happened Honey, Elizabeth	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2000	9781865080901	The families and friends who live in Stella Street lead fascinating lives.
587902	52 Mondays Ciddor, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760523480	For Anna, the quest to find the most beautiful doll she has ever seen is the most important thing in the world. But it's only one of the adventures to be had growing up in 1960s Australia. Was it really such a short time ago that there were no computers, no mobile phones no seatbelts? That milk was delivered to your front door every morning, and animals lived in tiny concrete cages at the zoo. Anna and her family celebrate birthdays and Passover, navigate friendships, illness, surprises and mishaps - all the lessons that come with growing up. And through it all, Anna never loses sight of her dream: to find an antique doll to love and treasure.
15591	68 teeth Moloney, James	Penguin	2005	9780143301912	Jack is fishing when he attracts something much bigger than barramundi. A crocodile has entered the river on his family's property and it's hungry.
15952	88 Lime Street: The way in Kirby, Denise	Omnibus Books	2015	9781742991009	When Ellen arrives at her new house, an old mansion with actual towers, she senses something stirring. When the dried-up fountain in the overgrown garden suddenly spouts water and weird messages appear, Ellen is determined to get to the bottom of the mystery. But, first, she needs to find a way into the peculiar tower with no door.
1700	A is for Australia Lessac, Frane	Walker Books	2015	9781922179760	From Bondi Beach to Rottnest Island, travel around Australia and uncover many exciting facts.

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ID   902479	A is for Australian reefs Lessac, Frane	Walker Books	2022	9781760652258	Along the shore of Australia, underwater reefs are bustling with the most amazing sea creatures living on the planet. What can blow bubble rings and swim through them? What has teeth on its eyeballs? What creature hides by moving? What poops out sand? Discover the answers to these questions plus many more incredible facts in this fantastic undersea exploration of Australian reefs.
	A murder most unladylike - Wells and Wong mystery series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	A Tale of Fontania series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	A-Z of Inventions and Inventors series Stoyles, Pennie & Pentland, Peter				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	A-Z of scientific discoveries series Stoyles, Pennie & Mulvany, Christine				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1019704	A-Z of who I could be, The Dalton, Chloe & Siew, Kim (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761180422	"The A-Z of Who I Could Be" by Chloe Dalton and Kim Siew is an inspirational and beautifully illustrated picture book that showcases remarkable Australian athletes across 26 different sports. The book uses simple and engaging language to tell the stories of these elite athletes, and each story is accompanied by vibrant illustrations that bring the athletes' journeys to life, highlighting themes of perseverance, dedication, and success.

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1D 14931	Hathorn, Libby (comp) & Allen, Cassandra (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2010	9780733320194	A rich variety of poems from classic favourites by Banjo Paterson, Henry Lawson and C J Dennis, to contemporary works by Libby Hathorn, Max Fatchen and Steven Herrick.
	Àbout animals series Davey, Owen				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
903368	Accidentally Kelly Street Stewart, Briony	Affirm Press	2022	9781922848055	A new family arrive at a new house on a new street in a new neighbourhood. Being new can feel lonely, but on Kelly Street the neighbours are warm and welcoming, and small acts of kindness go a long way. Soon enough, strangers have become friends, and a new house becomes a home.
15263	Across the line Garnsworthy, Penny	Dragonwick Publishing	2006	9780977522453	Casey doesn't know whether he has stumbled across an alternate reality during his rugby league match, or if he has lost his mind completely. A story about sport, science and families.
750973	Across the risen sea Macdibble, Bren	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760526054	Neoma and Jag and their small community are 'living gentle lives' on high ground surrounded by the risen sea that has caused widespread devastation. When strangers from the Valley of the Sun arrive unannounced, the friends find themselves drawn into a web of secrecy and lies that endangers the way of life of their entire community. Soon daring, loyal Neoma must set off on a solo mission across the risen sea, determined to rescue her best friend and find the truth that will save her village.
18327	Action Jackson Greenberg, Jan & Jordan, Sandra & Parker, Robert Andrew (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2005	9781845073268	In 1950, Jackson Pollock started to paint 'Lavender mist'. Through information and quotations, we get an insight into the life of an artist who dared to be different, his inspiration and thought processes and how he created his paintings.
614603	Admin use only #2 2024 PRC team		2019	9780143505747	A replacement title for a PRC title removed from the booklist while the Challenge is open.
579246	Admin use only #3 2024 PRC Team		2018	9780143505730	A replacement title for a PRC title removed from the booklist while the Challenge is open.
36204	Admin use only #4 2024 PRC Team		2016	9780143505723	A replacement title for a PRC title removed from the booklist while the Challenge is open.
20324	Admin use only #5 2024 PRC Team		2015		A replacement title for a PRC title removed from the booklist while the Challenge is open.
4652	Admin use only #6 2024 PRC Team		2017	9780143306535	A replacement title for a PRC title removed from the booklist while the Challenge is open.

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1D 22017	Admin use only #8 2024 PRC Team		2010		A replacement title for a PRC title removed from the booklist while the Challenge is open.
886454	Admin use only #9 2024 PRC Team		2022	9781760897161	A replacement title for a PRC title removed from the booklist while the Challenge is open.
1209882	Adrift Guerrero, Tanya	Farrar, Straus and Giroux	2022	9780374389659	Two cousins; Coral & Isa Although the two can barely stand the thought of being apart while Coral's family goes on a sea voyage, things take a turn for the worst when the boat capsizes and Coral's family is lost at sea. Coral, who washes up alone on an island, fights to survive while Isa, at home on Pebble Island, remains hopeful that her cousin is still alive. The experience in a most difficult time is agonising and vastly different for both cousins as they wonder if they will they ever be reunited? This is an insightful and heartfelt book that balances a strong representation of Filipino culture with a heartfelt message about how it is okay to not be okay.
5525	Adventures of Catvinkle, The Perlman, Elliot & Stitzel, Laura (ill)	Penguin	2017	9780143786368	A cat and dog can't be friends. When a pampered cat is forced to share her home with a lost dog, sparks are set to fly. But if Ula the dalmatian can just keep Catvinkle talking, maybe she can stick around long enough for the sparks to fizzle. A heartwarming story about finding a best friend.
71389	Adventures of Robin Hood, The Green, Roger Lancelyn & Hall, Arthur (ill)	Puffin UK	2010	9780141329383	Robin Hood, the legendary outlaw hero, and his band of Merry Men hide in Sherwood Forest and steal from the rich to save the poor. Robin must outwit his evil enemies, Guy of Gisbourne and the treacherous Sheriff of Nottingham.
14242	Adventures of Robin Hood, The Williams, Marcia	Walker Books	2007	9781406311372	Presented in comic strip and storyboard format, the eleven segments cover the origins of Robin Hood, the outlaws who became his Merry Men and his benefactors.
6682	Adventures of Scarygirl, The Jurevicius, Nathan	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781742372938	Abandoned on a remote peninsula, Scarygirl is rescued by Blister, a large friendly octopus. Blister and Scarygirl become best friends. But no one knows where Scarygirl came from, or who she really is, and her dreams are full of strange and disturbing visions.
41094	Adventures of Stunt Boy and his amazing wonder dog Blindfold Barr, Lollie	Pan MacMillan	2014	9781742613673	Everyone said his dad's motorbike crash was an accident but he doesn't believe them, not even for a second, and Stunt Boy is going to prove it. With his amazing wonder dog Blindfold and his best friend Benny, Stunt Boy has to find out who is trying to sabotage their Stoked Stunt Circus and stop them.

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1D   660695	Adventures on trains: The highland falcon thief Leonard, MG & Sedgman, Sam & Paganelli, Elisa (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2020	9781529013061	Mystery abounds and friendship blooms as 12 year old Hal travels with his Uncle Nat on the final journey of the historic royal coal-fired steam locomotive, the Highland Falcon. What Hal didn't expect was discovering there was a stowaway. The twists and turns of adventure aboard a train full of notable aristocrats and society highlights such as actress Sierra Knight, Prince and Princess of Scotland,, Lady Elizabeth Lansbury, Countess of Arundel, Baron Wolfgang Essenbach and son Milo, take a dramatic turn when Lady Lansbury's pearl earings and Lydia Pickle's diamond brooch go missing and the realisation that there is a thief on board! Can Hal, his new friend and Uncle Nat put the clues together before Inspector Clyde and Sergeant Prattle or will the thief get away under the very nose of Hadrian the royal guard. A journey of a lifetime from London to Scotland return is the only time to solve this mystery.
565	African critters Haas, Robert B	National Geographic Society	2008	9781426303173	Stunning photographs and engaging stories provide a rare glimpse into the struggles for survival in the African wilderness. The book includes arge critters such as the big cats, elephants and rhinoceros, and small critters such as the dung beetle.
4908	Aftershock Ashley, Bernard	Frances Lincoln	2011	9781847800558	Makis and his mother, Sofia, escape a devastating Greek earthquake, which took his father's life. London is a very different place and students tease him about his language and culture. Makis quickly earns a place in the school football team. Sofia, isolated by her grief and lack of English, sinks into depression. Makis has a brilliant idea to help her but competing loyalties mean that something has to give.
6280	Agatha Oddly: The secret key Jones, Lena	HarperCollins Australia	2018	9780008211837	Agatha Oddly is a girl who has embraced her namesake and aches to be a detective just like Agatha Christie. And she's well-equipped to do just that, having read hundreds of mystery novels and collected disguises and all the tools of the trade. When a few events all line up to suggest that she has the key to solve a mystery that has the whole of London's attention, she springs into action. Living in the groundskeeper's cottage in Hyde Park, Agatha's adventures are set in the beautiful and the dark parts of London.

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1D 4263	Agent nomad: Deadly magic Melki-Wegner, Skye	Penguin Random House Australia	2017	9780143780403	After their mission in London, Nomad, Riff, Phoenix and Orbit are back at HELIX, training to master their magic. But things have changed. Nomad's secret is out. Her peers know she is a Witness; a sorcerer with the rare ability to read others' magic. This causes ripples at HQ, especially when it means that Steel, the most popular cadet in her class, is no longer the centre of attention. But there are greater threats than new rivals. When the cadets are sent to New Zealand to investigate a top-secret case, they find themselves in more danger than they bargained for. With no one to trust and time running out, it's a race to stop the Inductors before they have enough power to destroy HELIX for good.
12879	Agent Nomad: The eleventh hour Melki-Wegner, Skye	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2017	9780143780151	Spies. Secrets. Sorcery. Natalie Palladino was a normal fifteen-year-old, at a normal school, about to face a normal maths test. Now her codename is Nomad, and she's training to become a secret agent for HELIX. No one can know that sorcery exists. No one can know that HELIX protects humanity from the Inductors. And no one can know that Nomad is a Witness, with a dangerous magical gift. The Inductors are hunting her. If they find her, they will kill her. But there's a traitor inside HELIX, and only a Witness can identify them. The problem is, Nomad hasn't mastered her powers. She can't levitate, fight or wield magic like her fellow recruits. If she's the only hope to stop a sorcerous bomb being detonated, the world is in trouble. The eleventh hour is coming
660697	Agents of the wild: Operation Honeyhunt Bell, Jennifer & Lickens, Alice	Walker Books	2020	9781406388459	Agnes Gamble never knew there was a secret agency for protecting rare and endangered animals. When a talking shrew takes her to the headquarters, she is is keen to impress Commander Phil with her trial role in Operation Honeyant. Hopefully Agnes will become a permanent SPEARS agent.
9314	Aladdin and other tales from the Arabian nights Kerven, Rosalind & Mistry, Nilesh (ill)	Dorling Kindersley	1998	9780789453891	A retelling of the classic tales of the Arabian Nights, with beautiful illustrations and detailed historical information.
871548	Alex and the alpacas ride again Lefroy, Kathryn	Fremantle Press	2022	9781760991739	Alex thought she'd saved the world last summer, but it turns out she only completed half the job. This time around she is battling not one, but two evil spirits, determined to destroy life as we know it. Alex will need all the help of the alpacas and more to meet the challenge.

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1D 6491	Alex and the alpacas save the world Lefroy, Kathryn	Fremantle Press	2018	9781925815412	Alex is expecting a pretty boring summer. But when Mum takes her to visit her cranky old grandfather on his farm in Tasmania, weird things start to happen. The weirdest of all? Her grandfather's alpacas can talk! Then things go from strange to scary, and Alex must use all her brilliance and bravery to survive the sinister forces threatening life as she knows it.
1017873	Alex: Through my eyes Hawke, Rosanne & White, Lyn (ed)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781760877002	Thirteen-year-old Alex lives on a drought-affected property in South Australia with his mum, his dad, his kelpie dog Tangi and colt Jago. For years it hasn't rained enough for them to put a crop in. And while all the farmers in the area are suffering, Alex's dad is struggling more than most. As the drought stretches on, Alex helps his mum with the farm work while longing for the father he once knew.  When Bonnie moves in on the neighbouring property with her cameltraining family, even feral dogs and a missing classmate cannot stop the newfound friends' passion to make a difference to the environment and their community. Will Alex's dad recover - and will the rains ever return?
7274	Alexander the great: reckless conqueror Wilkinson, Carole	Black Dog Books	2004	9781876372330	Believing he was descended from Achilles and Hercules, Alexander set out to better their heroic deeds. For eight years, he led the Macedonians, mostly on foot, defeating huge armies and proving to be either a brilliant warrior or a ruthless invader.
20616	Alfred's war Bin Salleh, Rachel & Fry, Samantha (ill)	Magabala Books	2018	9781925360608	Alfred was just a young man when he was injured and shipped home from France. Neither honoured as a returned soldier or offered government support afforded to non-Indigenous servicemen, Alfred took up a solitary life walking the back roads - billy tied to his swag, finding work where he could.
995977	Alias Anna Hood, Susan & Dawson, Greg	HarperCollins Children's Books	2023	9780063083905	The inspiring true story of two jewish girls Zhanna and Frina who are from Ukraine during World War 2. A story about courage, talent and persistence to escape war and the power of music to help overcome the challenges through difficult times.
846231	Alice in wonderland graphic novel Punter, Russell & Bursi, Simona	MacMillan	2020		When Alice follows a white rabbit into his burrow, she enters a fantastic world of weird and wonderful characters. Lewis Carroll's classic fantasy story is faithfully retold in this gorgeously illustrated comic book adaptation.
4	Alice's adventures in Wonderland Carroll, Lewis	Penguin	2003	9781904351832	On an ordinary summer's afternoon, Alice tumbles down a hole and an extraordinary adventure begins. In a strange, fantasy world, with even stranger characters, Alice finds herself growing more and more curious by the minute.

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ID 9727	Alice's food A-Z Zaslavsky, Alice	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2015	9781922179388	Dip in and taste, in this edible adventure. Packed to the brim with funny food facts and clever cooking tips, as well as kid-friendly recipes, this book is ideal for the fact-hungry, the food-obsessed or those who just like to mess about in the kitchen.
7028	Alive in the death zone Hall, Lincoln	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2008	9781741663372	Mountaineer Lincoln Hall's miraculous story of climbing the world's highest mountain, being left for dead near the summit and then returning to life and safety. The world, including his family, had been told he was dead. Frostbite claimed Lincoln's fingers and toes and he lost nearly twenty kilograms. A story of courage and sheer determination.
6	All about Anna and Harriet and Christopher and me Hathorn, Libby	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	1999	9780733611483	Disasters seem to happen when Anna goes to visit her cousins every Saturday.
15514	All about Jada Mundine, Anthony & Luxton, Peter & Mundine, Danielle (ill)	Indij Readers	2004	9780975686003	This is a photo diary of the life of young Jada, daughter of boxer Anthony Mundine, the author of this book. Jada's special connection to her famous father inspired a tattoo.
7016	All cats have asperger syndrome	Jessica Kingsley Publishers	2006	9781843104810	The similarities between cat behaviour and human personality are explored. Using photographs, a sensitive comparison is drawn between the humorous behaviour of cats and the behaviour of children which may be indicative of Asperger's syndrome.
871762	All four quarters of the moon Marr, Shirley	Penguin	2022	9781760899554	Peijing and Biju find themselves in a new and very different country with their mum, dad and grandmother. While all family members must come to terms with the new and strange place, the girls find friends and a community at school, something the adults do not have to help them adjust. The family are faced with many kinds of change and each member will respond in their own way to these changes.
660390	All of us: A history of Southeast Asia French, Jackie & Hooker, Virginia & Wilson, Mark (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2019	9781460750025	Read a story that began 200,000,000 years ago of fascinating lands, including our very own Australia, that are linked together by seas and monsoon winds. Journey along with two children across eons of time and the changing lands of Southeast Asia. Discover with them a world filled with traders, adventurers, conquerors and ordinary people struggling for independence. This is a story of the hopes and challenges of a history that includes us all!
	All stars netball series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.

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1D 1209727	All the beautiful things Nannestad, Katrina & Heiduczek, Martina (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780733343148	The Nazis want everyone to be the same. If you're different, you don't belong.
					Not belonging is dangerous
					Anna's little sister, Eva, is frail and needs time to learn new things. She has a huge heart and a gift for loving, but Hitler doesn't value such riches. And so she's hidden away. Safe for now, but with the threat of discovery always near.
					Anna does her best to bring joy and light to Eva's small life with stories, trinkets and treasures from the outside world. But soon, more children need hiding. Risks are taken - by Anna, by her best friend Udo, by a Nazi seamstress and feisty Brunhilde. Until Anna wonders if any of them will make it through the war
1209860	All the colours of the rainbow White, Rae & D'anthes, Sha'an (ill)	Lothian Books	2025	9780734423061	Jem is an active child. They bounce and spring and run. But Jem isn't sure if they are a girl or a boy. They like 'girl' things and 'boy' things and all the colours of the rainbow. When Gran tells them to wear a dress, Mum says "you can wear whatever you want". Jem discovers that it is okay to like all the colours and just be yourself.
9321	All the questions you ever wanted to ask Adam Goodes Williams, Jane & others	Indij Readers	2003	9780975064061	Three children interview great Aussie Rules footballer and role model for indigenous kids, Adam Goodes, who plays for the Sydney Swans.
618089	All's faire in middle school Jamieson, Victoria	Penguin USA	2017		Eleven-year-old Imogene (Impy) has grown up with two parents working at the Renaissance Faire, and she's eager to begin her own training as a squire. First, though, she'll need to prove her bravery. Luckily Impy has just the quest in mind- she'll go to public school after a life of being homeschooled! But it's not easy to act like a noble knight-in-training in middle school. Impy falls in with a group of girls who seem really nice (until they don't) and starts to be embarrassed of her thrift shop apparel, her family's unusual lifestyle, and their small, messy apartment. Impy has always thought of herself as a heroic knight, but when she does something really mean in order to fit in, she begins to wonder whether she might be more of a dragon after all.

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1D   924190	Allergic Lloyd, Megan Wagner & Nutter, Michelle Mee (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2021	9781761128523	At home Maggie is the odd one out. Her parents are preoccupied with the new baby they're expecting and her younger brothers are twins and always in their own world. Maggie thinks a new puppy is the answer but when she goes to select one on her birthday she breaks out in hives and rashes. She's severely allergic to anything with fur! Can Maggie outsmart her allergies and find the perfect pet?
2281	Along the road to Gundagai O'Hagan, Jack & McLean, Andrew (ill)	Omnibus Books	2014	9781862919792	The words of this familiar song Australian song have inspired the illustrations to tell the story of young soldiers away fighting in World War
1142223	Always was, always will be Muir, Aunty Fay & Lawson, Sue	Magabala Books	2024	9781922777614	This book celebrates the strength, wisdom and bravery of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples defending their lands and rights through history. It takes a close look at some of the iconic First Nations protest movements since 1788 and the great change they achieved as a result. Understanding our past helps us see how far we have come. It also shows us how we must continue to work towards healing and understanding.
567922	Amal unbound Saeed, Aisha	Text Publishing Co	2018	9781925773026	Twelve-year-old Amal loves learning and dreams of becoming a teacher. Then something unimaginable happens. After an accidental run-in with the son of her village's corrupt landlord, she is forced to work as his family's servant to pay off her own family's debt. At the opulent and corrupt Khan estate, Amal realises she will have to find a way to work with others in order to bring about change, and to achieve her dreams.
1186202	Amari and the Night Brothers Alston, B. B	Egmont Childrens	2022	9780062975171	Amari Peters has never stopped believing her missing older brother, Quinton, is alive. Not even when the police told her otherwise, or when she got in trouble for standing up to bullies who said he was gone for good. So when she discovers a ticking briefcase in his closet containing a nomination for a summer tryout at the Bureau of Supernatural Affairs, she's certain the secretive organisation holds the key to locating Quinton - if only she can wrap her head around the idea of magicians, fairies, aliens, and other supernatural creatures all being real. Now she must compete for a spot against kids who've known about magic their whole lives. No matter how hard she tries, Amari can't seem to escape their intense scrutiny and doubt. With an evil magician threatening the supernatural world, and her own classmates thinking she's an enemy, Amari has never felt more alone. But if she doesn't stick it out and pass the tryouts, she may never find out what happened to Quinton.

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903289	Amazing animal journeys Cossins, Jennifer	Lothian Books	2022	9780734421432	Come along on these amazing animal journeys. Did you know Arctic terns fly from the Arctic to the Antarctic and back every year? Or that the wildebeest migration in East Africa is so vast it can be seen from buter space?
4911	Amazing animals of Australia's national parks Newton, Gina. M.	National Library of Australia	2017	9780642278883	The animals of Australia are amazing. Find out what some of them look like and where you might see them. Whether you're on a trip to a national park or relaxing in a comfortable spot, you'll love dipping into this book. It includes 55 national parks and reserves and is full of up-to-date fascinating facts for more than 120 animal species, large and small.
82967	Amazing bike ride, The Nicholson, Lori & Emerson, David	Wombat Books	2010	9781921633126	This is the real life account of the seemingly impossible ride from Tamworth to Port Macquarie which Lorin undertook as a sixteen year old school student. With his father as backup, Lorin rode his trusty, old mountain bike 275km across the Great Dividing Range in just three days and with less than ten per cent vision.
705699	Amazing islands Weiss, Sabrina & Hyndman, Kerry (ill)	What on Earth Books	2020	9781912920150	Discover 100 of the planet's most magical islands - their wildlife, trees, diversity, people, treasures, and more - in this beautifully illustrated book. From islands that have been taken over by animals to disappearing islands, islands made of shells, artificial islands, and even islands that were once prison colonies, Amazing Islands is a whirlwind tour of some of the smallest landmasses in the world and celebrates island life in all its extraordinary diversity.
1767	Amazing Spencer Gray, The Fitzpatrick, Deb	Fremantle Press	2013	9781922089328	Spencer Gray is twelve - finally old enough to join Dad in his glider. His mates are going to be so jealous. Going up is awesome, but when disaster strikes, Spencer will need to be nothing short of amazing.
15670	Amazing story of Adolphus Tips, The Morpurgo, Michael & Foreman, Michael (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2005	9780439796613	Set in wartime Devon, this is the diary of plucky young Lily Tregenza whose town is invaded by escaping evacuees and American soldiers. When Lily enlists the help of two young, black American soldiers to find her missing cat, there are surprising results.
4214	Amelia Dee and the peacock lamp Hirsch, Odo	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2007	9781741753011	The large old house where Amelia, a young and talented writer lives, holds a secret that is linked to the origins of a rare brass lamp, decorated with animals and peacocks.

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1D   7074	Amina's voice Khan, Hena	Simon & Schuster	2017	9781481492072	Amina and her best friend are starting year six and changes are happening around Amina which worry her. Her best friend now wants to change her Korean name to an English name and wants to hang out with one of the popular girls. Amina feels like she is losing her closest friend and wonders if she must also change to keep her friend. Events happening around her cause her to see both the challenges and rewards of being Pakistan American.
903341	Amira's magpie Gordon, Kate & Brennan, Krista (ill)	Wombat Books	2021		Amira has a magpie. He is the most beautiful, strangest of creatures. Amira imagines her magpie flying across the world, to visit the family she left behind when she escaped her homeland. And as she flies, she flies with him and she is free. Amira's Magpie is a story of friendship, family and escape; of bravery and resilience in the face of hardship. It is the story of hope we find in small happinesses, even when it seems like all hope is lost.
	Amulet series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
5126	Anastasia on her own Lowry, Lois Ancient and Medieval people series Park, Louise & Love, Timothy	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	1998	9780440402916	When Anastasia and her father are left on their own, they find out just how hard housekeeping really is.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
14223	Ancient Egypt: tales of gods and pharaohs Williams, Marcia	Walker Books	2011	9781406326680	Full of mystery and adventure, the stories of the Egyptian pharaohs and their ancient gods are steeped in thousands of years of history. includes nine stories of Ancient Egypt, retold in comic strip style.
10	Ancient Rome: a guide to the glory of imperial Rome Stroud, Jonathan	Larouse Kingfisher Chambers	2000	9780753452356	An illustrated guide to the wonders of the civilisation of Ancient Rome.

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ID  1019831	Andromache between worlds Bergmoser, Gabriel	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2024		Andromache Peters wants a normal life but this is almost impossible when your parents were famous adventurers who saved the world and nobody will let you forget it. Add to this the fact that her father has been missing for twelve of her fourteen years, her mother has retreated into her grief and Andromache has been expelled from yet another school. But when a mysterious stranger reveals to her that her father is not only still alive but trapped in a parallel world, Andromache is thrown into a daring journey across other universes to find and save the father she never knew. It's a journey so strange and dangerous that it will forever transform Andromache's life into anything but normal.
70363	Angel creek Rippin, Sally	Text Publishing Co	2011		There are only two things that Jelly likes about the new house on Rosemary Street, the old apricot tree and the creek over the back fence. One night, Jelly and her cousins spot something in the creek's dark waters. At first, they think it's a bird but it's a baby angel with a broken wing. Jelly decides to keep it. But, she soon discovers that you can't just take something from where it belongs and expect that it won't be missed.
2855	Angel fish Wilkinson, Lili	Black Dog Books	2009		Historical novel based on the medieval Children's Crusades. Stefan, a charismatic, religious leader, has convinced Gabriel that only children will be able to liberate the Holy Land from the Infidel. Together, they raise an army and make the arduous journey over the Alps. The power of Stefan's promises dim as they suffer many misadventures.
12	Angel with a mouth-organ, The Mattingley, Christobel & Lacis, Astra (ill)	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	1985	9780340384442	Two children listen to their mother's memories of wartime.
11265	Animal architects Nicholson, John	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2003		An illustrated, factual book about shells, nests, mounds, bowers, galleries, dens and lodges. These are homes that animals around the world build to shelter themselves and their young.
6049	Animal ark: The purrfect sleepover Daniels, Lucy	Hachette Children's Books	2018		Amelia and Sam love helping out at Animal Ark vets, especially when they get to look after adorable kittens! But when Amelia cat-sits troublesome kitten Luna, the little cat causes a big problemWith the naughty kitten, Amelia's new cat Star AND a cat event at Animal Ark, everything's going cat crazy!

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ID   4757	Animal eco-warriors Gill, Nic	CSIRO	2017	9781486306213	Meet the super dogs, hero rats and cyborg bees keeping our environment safe. Come on an action-packed adventure with an amazing mob of animal eco-warriors as they use their special talents to help solve our planet's environmental problems! From the nosy noses of biosecurity beagles at airports to rats learning to sniff out landmines in war-torn landscapes, animals are using their unique abilities to help make the world a better and safer place. With fantastic colour photos of animal eco-warriors at work, this book is full of fun facts on how animals are helping humanity work towards a more sustainable future. There are also plenty of tips on how you can make a difference to the planet. Join the animals eco-warrior team today!
587876	Animal life cycles Midthun, Joseph & Hiti, Samuel (ill)	World Book	2014	9780716628200	Discover why some duck eggs are brown, or why amphibians, fish and reptiles have so many babies. From the macabre caterpillar wasp to the caring kangaroo, the complexities of animal kingdom life cycles are explored in a colourful, humorous graphic novel.
	Animal stars series French, Jackie				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
923384	Animal toolkit, The Jenkins, Steve & Page, Robin (il)	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9780358244448	What do apes, birds and crabs have in common? They all use tools in clever ways. Find out why dolphins use sponges or how the corolla spider uses seven small quartz rocks to detect prey. Can you guess what a raptor does with a burning stick, or how a bear makes use of a rock? The Animal Toolkit is filled with fascinating facts about these and other clever creatures.
3734	AniMalcolm Baddiel, David	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2016	9780008185152	Malcolm doesn't like animals. Which is a problem because his family loves them. Their house is full of pets. What the house is not full of is stuff Malcolm likes. Such as the laptop he wanted for his birthday. The only bright spot on the horizon is the Year 6 school trip, tooh no! A farm! Over the next few days, Malcolm changes. He learns what it's really like to be an animal. A whole series of animals, in fact. It does make him think differently. And speak differently. And, um, smell differently. But will he end up the same as before?

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7000	Animalium Broom, Jenny & Scott, Katie (ill)	Templar Publishing	2014	9781783700608	Welcome to the virtual museum. Wander the six galleries, which present the animal kingdom - Invertebrates, Fish, Amphibians, Reptiles, Birds and Mammals. Each chapter features a different branch of the tree of life, from the simple sponge to the enormous elephant.
8730	Animals at war George, Isabel & Jones, Rob Lloyd	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2007	9780746077016	A collection of true stories about animals that have been involved in war. The book looks at how horses, dogs, birds and other animals have contributed to war efforts. Moving stories and great photos to match.
1011	Animasaurus: Incredible animals that roamed the Earth Turner, Tracey & Russell, Harriet (ill)	Bloomsbury	2016	9781408884850	From gigantic sharks to giant sloths, meet the beasts of the past. Find out about the fascinating prehistoric creatures that once walked, swam and hunted our planet. Compare these with living animals, to discover creatures from throughout Earth's history.
	Animorphs series Applegate, K A				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
756047	Anisa's alphabet Dumbleton, Mike & Simmerville, Hannah (ill)	MidnightSun Publishing	2020	9781925227574	For many refugees the alphabet represents the start of a new language and a new future, but Anisa's Alphabet is different.  A poignant and highly imaginative telling of one girl's story which will appeal to children and adults alike. Come with Anisa, and see things through her eyes.  In this picture book, Anisa takes the reader though the alphabet, describing her journey from an unnamed war-torn country to a refugee camp, then on to an overcrowded boat towards supposed freedom and security.
	Anne of Green Gables series Montgomery, L M				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
17	Antarctica McDonald, Kellie	Reed Library	1996	9781863910491	This book contains a vast amount of information about the environment and life in Antarctica.

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ID 82528	Antarctica book, The: Living in the freezer Norman, Mark Dr	Black Dog Books	2007	9781921167867	Antarctica is at the bottom of our planet and the coldest place on earth. Find out about the animals that live there and how these clever creatures survive. Includes detailed information, beautiful colour photos and a scale to measure each animal against humans.
	Antarctica series Reid, Greg				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
14507	Antarctica: the heart of the world Tulloch, Coral	ABC Books	2006	9780733312304	Take a journey to Antarctica with this comprehensive and highly illustrated guide. Learn about Antarctica's unique geography, its rare beauty, the captivating animal and plant life, human exploration and scientific research. Discover what it's like to live in an Antarctic station and how to survive on the ice.
9561	Anthology for the earth Allen, Judy (ed)	Candlewick Press	1998	9780763603014	A collection of writings by people of many cultures and countries, including Sir David Attenborough, a Kapayo Indian chief, and an eleven year old boy. All talk of the need to treat the earth with care to preserve it for future generations.
115582	Anthony Browne's King Kong Browne, Anthony	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2005	9780552553841	This the traditional story of King Kong, brought to life with Browne's wonderful and unique illustrations of the apes. It is a very moving and exciting retelling of the story.
15037	Anton rocks on Metzenthen, David	Penguin	2004	9780143301400	Anton might only be little in stature but he has a great talent. By the time he reaches high school, Anton has heard all the size jokes. His resourcefulness and music save the day and the Rock Eisteddfod.
660747	Anzac girl: The war diaries of Alice Ross- King Simpson, Kate & Racklyeft, Jess (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9781760637019	This is the true story of a young nurse, Sister Alice Ross-King, who provided invaluable medical help to countless soldiers during the First World War. This story of heroism, love, and bravery is told with direct references and samples from her diary, letters, and photographs. She went on to become the most decorated woman in Australia.
26566	ANZAC heroes Gill, Maria & Ivancic, Marco (ill)	Scholastic New Zealand	2016	9781775433637	From nurse and pilot to soldier and spy, find out about thirty ANZAC heroes, who risked everything, left everything and lost everything as they participated in World Wars I and II.

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ID   46921	ANZAC sons: Five brothers on the Western Front Marlow Paterson, Allison	Big Sky Publishing	2015	9781925275148	The Great War was a senseless tragedy that brought sorrow to families all over the world. This is the story five brothers who served, compiled from over five hundred letters and postcards, written from the battle front. From the training grounds of Victoria, Egypt and England, to the Western Front battlefields, this compelling, true story was compiled by the granddaughter of a surviving brother. This is a story of mateship, bravery and sacrifice, and a heartbreaking account of a family torn apart by war.
4016	Applesauce weather Frost, Helen & Bates, Amy June (ill)	Candlewick Press	2016	9780763675769	When the first apple falls from the tree, siblings Faith and Peter know that it is applesauce weather. And that means that Uncle Arthur should be here. It seems like he needs a little more time to grieve. This is the first year without Aunt Lucy after all. This is a heartfelt tale about the strength and love of family and the power of a good story.
15481	Apprentice witch, The Nicol, James	Chicken House	2016	9781910655153	Arianwyn fails her witch's assessment. To the delight of her arch-rival, Gimma, Arianwyn is awarded the dull bronze disc of an apprentice and, in disgrace, sent to protect the remote, dreary town of Lull. But, Arianwyn's new life is far from boring. Dark spirits and strange creatures creep out of the wood. And just as Arianwynn starts to get her feet under her, shadows start to creep into her own magic.
1080658	Apprentice witnesser, The MacDibble, Bren	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180781	Lodyma Darsey is the Witnesser of Miracles who investigates miraculous events and spins them into stories she tells at the night markets. Orphan Bastienne Scull is her apprentice? Foster child? Basti isn't sure but is making herself real useful standing in for Lodyma's lost family. Because ten years ago, after her husband and elder son died of a sickness that continues to sweep the land, Lodyma sent her younger son to live with the isolated mountain men, and he hasn't been heard of since. Basti and Lodyma might not be a proper family, but neither of them have anybody else until, one day, news of a miracle reaches them and, when Lodyma and Basti investigate, what they discover will change their lives.
21638	Archie Cupid and Lizzie Imp England, Kathryn & Sheehan, Peter (ill)	Puffin Australia	2006	9780143302049	Archie Cupid is a perfect angel. Lizzie Imp is just perfectly naughty. They don't like each other until Archie's arrow and Lizzie's spitball miss their targets and everything changes.

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1D 7536	Archie Greene and the magician's secret Everest, D D	Faber & Faber	2014	9780571309054	On his twelfth birthday, Archie Greene receives a mysterious present, an old book, written in a language he doesn't recognise. It comes with a Summoning - Archie must travel to Oxford to return the book to the Secret Library. But, the magical book under Archie's protection is dangerous, and dark spirits hunt it out. In this magical world, bookshelves are enchanted, librarians are sorcerers and spells come to life.
7083	Archie's letter: an Anzac Day story Flanagan, Martin & Walters, Ainsley (ill)	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2011	9780980794878	The story of an ordinary man who went to fight in World War II. It tells how he dealt with his wartime experiences, how, at the age of ninety one, he agreed to meet a group of elderly Japanese women interested in world peace, and how he could never forget the young men who were with him during the war and who didn't come back.
45647	Are trees alive Miller, Debbie S	A & C Black	2012	9781408173893	Although trees are plants and humans are animals, we have many similar characteristics. This book describes those characteristics, and celebrates some of the magnificent trees that grow on our planet, along with the diversity of life that surrounds them.
29844	Ariki and the giant shark Davies, Nicola & Kinnear, Nicola (ill)	Walker Books	2018	9781406369793	Ariki is not like the other children on Turtle Island. She belongs heart and soul to the sea, where she plays all day with the dolphins and turtles. One day, a giant shark appears and the fishermen are too afraid to go out. Without fish the people will starve - and only Ariki can save the day!
116036	Art fraud detective Nilsen, Anna	Kingfisher	2000	9780753411957	The security guard at the Town Hall Gallery has a big problem. Some of the priceless masterpieces have been stolen and replaced with cunning forgeries. The guard needs your sharp eyes and patience to identify the take paintings.
15731	Art, history, place Nicholls, Christine	Working Title Press	2003	9781876288433	A recognised art expert looks at the astonishing diversity of visual work done by Indigenous Australians today, while exploring the traditions and influences that shaped their work. Although much Indigenous art is part of an artistic movement over forty thousand years old, Indigenous artists also have a remarkable capacity to use new media, styles and subject matter in their work.

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1D 1019865	Artezans: The forgotten magic Lapinski, L.D.	Orion	2024	9781510113015	Edward Crane has always feared he won't have any magic at all. Sure, he's part of a powerful magic Artezan family, but he's adopted. His twin sister, Elodie, isn't so worried, but then everything always seems to work out perfectly for her.  So when Ed discovers he does have an Artezan power after all, he's relieved. And it's more than he ever could have imagined - in fact, it's a dream come true.  But the problem with dreams is that sometimes they twist themselves into nightmares. And with Ed's new abilities growing by the day, there's a chance that this nightmare will become all too real.
10192	Artie and the grime wave Roxburgh, Richard	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781760292140	Artie and his best friend, Bumshoe, have stumbled upon a Cave-of-Possibly-Stolen-Stuff, and a gang of shady characters, including scary Mary, fang-toothed Funnel-web and the devious Mayor Grime. Artie and Bumshoe's attempt to solve the mystery sparks a chaotic chain of events that involves kidnapping, puppy-dog cutlets, modern art and pioneering the sport of the bungee- wedgie. Winner Book of the Year Award Speech Pathology Australia 2018 (8-10 Years Category)
12365	Artists are crazy and other stories Catran, Ken	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734404756	Eight wry and brilliant stories that tell the truth behind some of history's great moments. It includes stories about Leonardo da Vinci, Vikings, Christopher Columbus and the mummy of the great counsellor to the Pharaoh Rameses.
689238	As fast as I can Tangey, Penny	University of Queensland Press	2020	9780702262814	Ten-year-old Vivian is determined to compete at the Olympic Games one day. So when Vivian discovers she has a talent for cross country running, she's excited her Olympic dream might come true. But then a family illness is uncovered and all of Vivian's plans begin to unravel. Can she keep her hopes alive? Or will she be stopped in her tracks?
23	As I grew older Abdulla, Ian	Scholastic Australia	1993	9781862911833	lan Abdulla tells of his life and experiences growing up in a traditional Aboriginal family, living the Nunga way of life on the Murray River in the 1950s.
24	Ash Road Southall, Ivan	Front Street Books	2004	9781932425116	A group of children have to battle a bushfire with only two elderly men to help them.
21059	Ash Rover: keeper of the phoenix Darlison, Aleesah	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd			Ash Rover stumbles across a phoenix egg, but this magical bird is going to bring danger to his village. Ash is soon on a desperate quest to save his family and friends.
88118	Asphalt and feathers Sydney Youth Writing Competition	Sydney Youth Writing Competition, Inc	2008	9780980581102	Be inspired to write by reading the winning poems, short stories and plays from students in Years 3-6 in the 2008 Sydney Youth Writing Competition. Participants had to include the signature words, feathers and/or asphalt, in their entries.

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1D   751115	Aster's good, right, things Gordon, Kate	HarperCollins Australia	2020		I can't let go of them - the good right things - because if I do I'll turn into a cloud and float away, and a storm will come and blow me to nothing. Eleven year old Aster attends a school for gifted kids, but she doesn't think she is gifted al all. If she was, her mother would not have left. Each day Aster must do a good right thing a challenge she sets herself, to make someone's life better. Nobody can know about her things, because then they wont count. Then she meets Xavier, who has his own special mission. When they do these together, Aster feels free but if she stops doing her good right things will everything fall apart?
	Asterix series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
886456	Astonishingly good stories Spratt, R A	Puffin Australia	2022	9780143779261	A lovestruck merpig, a peppermint-stick Parthenon, a vegetarian spider and so much more!  From R.A. Spratt, bestselling author of Friday Barnes and Shockingly Good Stories, comes this collection of twenty terrific stories featuring Greek myths and fractured fairytales as told by Nanny Piggins (the world's most glamorous flying pig), a mystery investigated by Friday Barnes (girl detective) and a series of tales so tall they will give you altitude sickness.  This book will delight children from four to one hundred and four. Just the thing for reading at bedtime, when you're supposed to be doing your homework or when you've been chased up a tree by an escaped rhinoceros and you're waiting for the zookeeper to arrive.
9199	Astrid Spark fixologist: the girl with the incredible, magnetic fingers D'Ath. Justin	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2002	9781865087184	The silly, inventive and fun adventures of a girl with a magnetic finger.
660724	Astronauts: Women on the final frontier Ottaviani, Jim & Wicks, Maris (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2020	9781250760036	The U.S. may have put the first man on the moon, but it was the Soviet space program that made Valentina Tereshkova the first woman in space. It took years to catch up, but soon NASA's first female astronauts were racing past milestones of their own. The trail-blazing women of Group 9, NASA's first mixed gender class, had the challenging task of convincing the powers that be that a woman's place is in space, but they discovered that NASA had plenty to learn about how to make space travel possible for everyone.

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3867	Atlas of oddities: discover the amazing and diverse world we live in Gifford, Clive & Worrall, Tracy (ill)	Egmont Childrens	2016	9781405281362	Living on the planet are more than 7 billion people, all with their own interests, traditions and ways of life. And the extraordinary scenery, from the icy poles to scorching hot deserts, lush tropical rainforests, giant rocky caves and canyons, remarkable rivers, lakes and seas, also provides a home to a phenomenally wide range of different animals and plants. This unbelievable round-the-world adventure will take you through all of our continents and countries, and on the way you will get to see just how diverse the world can be. The beautifully illustrated maps feature key aspects, such as borders, capital cities and major rivers, and are perfect for engaging young readers.
660189	Atticus Van Tasticus Daddo, Andrew & King, Stephen Michael (ill)	Puffin Australia	2019	9780143796541	Climb onboard the pirate ship Grandnan and adventure with Atticus and his wiley crew as they search for treasure, brave the elements and battle the meanest pirates on the seas. An action packed and highly improbable adventure full of funny cartoon illustrations and puns that will tickle your funnybone!
751035	Atticus Van Tasticus: The treasure of treasures Daddo, Andrew & King, Stephen Michael (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2020	9781760892869	With the Map of Half Maps finally in the hands of Atticus and his crew, the rest should be easy, right? Wrong! Rattling skeletons, ghosts, monsters from the deep, killer sucking sands and a boiling hot tub are just some of the obstacles between them and certain treasure.
10569	Audacity: stories of heroic Australians in wartime Walker, Carlie & Hatherly, Brett (ill)	Dept of Veterans' Affairs & Australian War Memorial	2014	9781877007934	The eleven Australians featured may not have used the word 'audacity' to describe their acts of bravery, for which they won awards and honours. But, each of them took risks in wartime, helping others against extreme dangers which could have cost them their lives. Stories of soldiers, prisoners of war, nurses, airmen and sailors are told, with the backdrop of the many wars involving Australia over the last one hundred years.

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ID   855823	August & Jones Harry, Pip	Lothian Books	2022	9780734420350	Eleven-year-old Jones Kirby has just moved to Sydney from her farm in country New South Wales. She's missing her alpacas and wide-open paddocks and can't get used to her family's tiny city apartment. She's also worried that her vision is blurry - she lost her eye to cancer as a toddler. Could it be another tumor?  Enrolling at her new school, Jones meets shy, awkward August Genting. He loves fun facts, the library and knitting as much as Jones loves rock climbing and being outdoors. Who would have thought they'd become fast friends?  At home, August's parents are fighting. And for Jones, the news from the doctor is not good. To cheer themselves up, the pair hatch a brilliant plan: the August and Jones Must-See Bucket List. Together, this brave duo will set out to meet a rare monkey, run across the Harbour Bridge and even climb Australia's highest mountain."
885151	Augustin and the hot air balloon Metzenthen, David	Ford Street Publishing	2022	9781925804966	Augustin is a poor boy who lives in a barn. Celine is a rich girl who lives in a mighty palace. They are both adventurous. Their world's collide during a one of their daring adventures which lands them in a world of terrible trouble and dangerous secrets.  David Metzenthen has combined fact with fiction to create a story of wonder, mystery and excitement.
570821	Aussie legends alphabet Feiner, Beck  Aussie notables series Drummond, Allan & Lumsden, Glenn (ill)	ABC Books	2017	9780733338946	There are Australians from all works of life. Some have famously contributed to our history. Here is a list of 26 colourfully presented in alphabetical order.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Aussie stars series McCallum, Grant				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.

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ID   785301	Aussie stem stars: Eddie Woo Lim, Rebecca	Wild Dingo Press	2021	9781925893403	Named as one of the world's Top ten teachers, Eddie Woo has already packed a lot into his short life. Australian High School Maths teacher, education ambassador and advisor, author, TV Host and 'WooTube' sensation, Eddie has been putting the magic into maths for the past ten years.
785309	Aussie stem stars: Fiona Wood Burne, Cristy	Wild Dingo Press	2020	9781925893281	Fiona Wood is a plastic surgeon whose expertise in burns treatment came to the world's attention in 2002 in the wake of the Bali bombings. From defending the weak and fixing the broken to fighting for her chance to study medicine, the story of plastic surgeon and spray-on skin inventor Fiona Wood shows us the value of dreams, hard work, and having the courage to do what is right.
785415	Aussie stem stars: Gisela Kaplan Gale, Emily	Wild Dingo Press	2021	9781925893465	Gisela Kaplan's story begins in post-World War II Germany. Despite incredible challenges as a child, she retained a profound curiosity, care and compassion for all living things. Her captivating, ground-breaking scientific research on Australian magpies, tawny frogmouths and other iconic bird species, as well as primates, make Prof. Kaplan a world-leading expert in animal behaviour, especially of Australian birds. Professor Kaplan is on a mission to spread the word about how intelligent and surprising birds are, before time runs out for many of them.
660483	Australia remembers Paterson, Allison	Big Sky Publishing	2018	9781925675771	Every year there are special days when we remember all those who have fought in the past to keep Australia free and those who still fight today to keep us safe. On 25 April - Anzac Day - and on 11 November - Remembrance Day - we stop to think about those people and how much they have done for us. Australia Remembers presents a detailed explanation of the origins and traditions of Anzac Day and Remembrance Day, exploring both their connections and significance to young Australians today.
886017	Australia's dangerous bush creatures Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2022	9781925868869	Australia has many venomous, dangerous and scary animals. This book is an adventurous exploration of our most feared wildlife. It is overflowing with visual storytelling, maps and facts about Australian snakes, sharks, spiders, crocodiles, stingrays, mosquitoes, goannas, ticks and more.
13384	Australia's deadly and dangerous animals: fact file Cermak, Michael (phot)	Steve Parish Publishing Pty Ltd	2007	9781741931327	Find out about fifty-six species of Australian animals categorised as deadly, dangerous, harmful or disease carrying. Interesting information and close-up coloured photographs of snakes, crocodiles, insects, spiders, marine life and mammals indicate their physical characteristics, the effects of their venom, where they are commonly found and the number of human deaths they cause.

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1D   886016	Australia's endangered bush creatures Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2022	9781925868876	Australia has some of the richest ecosystems in the world. Sadly, it also has one of the highest extinction rates. This is a comprehensive look at our endangered species.
12682	Australia's neighbours: Indonesia Hinchey, Jane	Redback Publishing	2018	9781925630060	Indonesia is the world's largest island country, with 17,508 islands, of which about 6,000 are inhabited. Find out what life is like in Indonesia. Discover Indonesia's ethnic diversity and how people live, work and play. Learn about the events that shaped this fascinating country.
1075805	Australia: Country of colour Racklyeft, Jess	Affirm Press	2023	9781922863881	With its vivid red dirt, big blue skies, wild green bushland and golden sandy beaches, Australia is a country of extraordinary colour.  Here is a celebration of the stunning plants and animals of this colourful country, from vibrant pink Flame Peas to startling blue Fairy Wrens, electric yellow Billy Buttons, glossy black Tasmanian Devils, and many more.  Come and take a closer look at nature's paintbox and the rainbow of life that lives in Australia, from one of our best-loved picture book creators.
1092485	Australian backyard birds Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2023	9781922800237	Australian Backyard Birds explores the secret life of our colourful, characterful Australian birds.
593287	Australian birds Chun, Matt	Little Hare Books	2018	9781760502003	It took millions of years of isolation and a diverse range of habitats for Australian birds to evolve the way they did. The result is many of the world's most striking and beautiful birds, including some that are stranger than fiction. 16 remarkable species are featured in this beautiful book. From the iconic cockatoo, to the endangered cassowary, Australian Birds has been carefully curated to inform and entrance readers of all ages.
12671	Australian landscapes: Water Dixon, Rachel	Redback Publishing	2018	9781925630237	Australia is the second driest continent on Earth, after the Antarctic. The availability of water has defined the spread of human settlement, from the arrival of the first Aboriginal Australians over 50,000 years ago, right up until the present. Water is precious in Australia and it is not a free resource. Discover the role in human history of the hidden, underground water sources across Australia and see how the presence or lack of water has affected our geography, economy and history.

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ID	Australian Library series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
1212133	Australian outback birds Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2024	9781922800718	Australian Outback Birds explores the secret lives of our wild and unique Australian birds. The wonderment of these stunning creatures, delivered with an engaging cinematic punch, will excite the imaginations of children for life, and fully engage any adult with a love of birds.
660323	Australian sea life Chun, Matt	Little Hare Books	2019	9781760504694	Lurking under Australia's oceans live a vast array of stunning and sometimes dangerous creatures. Sixteen of them have been featured in this stunning book. From the dangerous Great White Shark to the delicate Weedy Sea Dragon learn some new facts about how they live and be amazed by the beautiful illustrations.
5855	Australians all Wheatley, Nadia & Searle, Ken (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781741146370	Covers the history of our continent from the Ice Age to the Apology, from the arrival of the First Fleet to the Mabo Judgement. Some of the subjects of the eighty mini-biographies of young Australians have become nationally or even internationally famous. Others were legends in their own families and communities.
	Averil series Barwick, John				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
14990	Avoid being a convict sent to Australia Costain, Meredith & Antram, David (ill)	Koala Books			A light-hearted but factual account of the social conditions and crimes that led to convicts being transported to Australia. An accurate and vivid account is given of life when Australia is reached. Cartoon-style illustrations add to humour.
6357	Awful Auntie Walliams, David & Ross, Tony (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2014	9780007453610	Stella Saxby is the sole heir to Saxby Hall. But, awful Aunt Alberta and her giant owl will stop at nothing to get it from her. Luckily, Stella has a secret, and slightly spooky, weapon up her sleeve.

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ID 1209823	Aye spy Stelzer, Cameron	Daydream Press	2024	9780987461582	The city of towers. The city of spies. On the eve of the summer solstice, Dart and Anna are without a captain and without a plan. With a deadline to meet and the clock ticking down, they will need every trick up their sleeves just to stay in the game. But do they have what it takes to outsmart an entire city of spies?
15195	B is for bravo Burgemeestre, Kevin	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734405357	Facts about aircraft and flight. Dramatic illustrations take you on an alphabet journey through the last hundred years of flight from boomerangs to modern planes, including the Flying Doctor, Scramjet engine research and Charles Kingsford Smith.
620083	Baby business Seymour, Jasmine	Magabala Books	2019	9781925768671	
14442	Bad eggs Wide, Steve & Mackintosh, Michelle (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734405661	Hard Boiled Egg has a mystery to solve in the fridge. It takes him through all the shelves as he tries to catch the Bad Eggs. A very punny story, written in simple text.
28	Bad girls Wilson, Jacqueline	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	1997	9780440863564	Mandy has been picked on at school for as long as she can remember. She can't believe it when cheeky, daring Tanya wants to be her friend. But, Mum thinks Tanya is not a suitable friend and, when Tanya shoplifts, there is trouble ahead.
1785	Bakir and Bi Boyd, Jillian & Mordey, Tori-Jay (ill)	Magabala Books	2013	9781921248863	Bakir and Mar live on a remote island called Egur with their two young children. While fishing, Bakir comes across a very special pelican named Bi. A famine occurs, and life on the island is no longer harmonious. One day Bakir and Bi disappear and Mar and the children are forced to make the journey to another island by canoe and so begins the adventure.
	Ball stars series Lawrence, David				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D   804719	Ballad of Melodie Rose, The Gordon, Kate	University of Queensland Press	2021	9780702263217	When Melodie Rose is abandoned on the steps of Direleafe Hall, she realises she must be a ghost. Strangely, she is not sad. With the three other ghostly girls who haunt the school and a gloomy crow on her shoulder, Melodie has never felt more at peace. Finally, she has a place to call home.  So when the Lady in White arrives with plans to flatten the beloved school, Melodie Rose must act fast to save all she holds dear. But what can one powerless ghost do?
9351	Ballet Bussell, Darcey	Dorling Kindersley			Meet Darcey Bussell, a principal dancer with the Royal Ballet in London, who has performed in many theatres. With Patricia Linton, a teacher at the Royal Ballet School, Darcey introduces you to all the key aspects of the magical world of ballet.
31	Ballet shoes Streatfeild, Noel	Penguin	1984	9780140300413	Three orphaned sisters are sent to ballet school for training and are determined to make their name famous.
6313	Ballet Stories Davidson, Susanna & Daynes, Katie & Cullis, Megan & Courtauld, Sarah & Gilbert Nanos, Yvonne (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2018	9781474922050	A beautifully illustrated collection of twelve classical stories, which will whisk you away to the magical world of Ballet. Dance with the Nutcracker Prince, soar with the Firebird and delight in the drama of Romeo and Juliet.
772877	Balloon girls Pitt, Darrell	Text Publishing Co	2021	9781922330567	Times are tough in the small town of Yallaroo where Ally Simpson has lived her whole life. The whole area is in drought and people are going broke or moving away. So when Ally hears about a competition to win the trip of a lifetime to visit the Smithsonian Museum in the USA, she knows she's got to do everything she can to try and win.  Ally enlists her best friends Harmony and Ping to help her plan the most impressive experiment she can imagine: to send a video camera to the edge of space, and prove once and for all that the earth is round. At first, Ally is pretty sure she's got the whole competition stitched up. But then, as one disaster after another derails her plans, she begins to learn the importance of staying grounded even while she's aiming for the sky
32	Bamboo flute, The Disher, Garry	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2002	9780733615887	Twelve year old Paul tries to raise the spirits of his father and others during the Great Depression by reintroducing music into their lives. A tramp, Eric the Red has shown Paul how to make a bamboo flute.
846118	Banjo Tully D'Ath, Justin	Ford Street Publishing	2021	9781925804904	Banjo Tully hasn't ever given much thought to climate change. But when he meets 'conservation nut' Mai Le - after the worst drought in living memory puts his future in jeopardy - Banjo sets out on an 800-kilometre solo horse ride. It's a journey that could not only save his family's farm, but also change the planet.

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1D 1215794	Banned books, crop tops, and other bad influences Young, Brigit	Roaring Book Press	2024	9781250901514	Rose is a good Jewish girl. She listens to her parents and follows every rule. After all, they're there for a reasons, right? And adults always know best.  Talia, the new girl from New York City, doesn't think so. After only a week at school, her bad reputation is already making enemies. First on the Charlotte, Rose's lifelong best friend.  So why can't Rose stop wondering what it would be like to be Talia's friend? And why does Rose read a banned book that she recommends? Rose doesn' know. But the forbidden book makes her ask questions she's never thought of in her life. So when Talia suggests they start a banned book club, how can Rose say no?
201					Pushing against her parents, her school, and even Charlotte opens a new world for Rose. But when some of Talia's escapades become more scary than exciting, Rose must decide when it's right to keep quiet and when it's time to speak out.
984	Barack Obama: hope for the world Alexander, Tim	Orion	2009	9781409113140	Every page includes facts and photos about Barack Obama's childhood days, his rise to the top job in the world and how he plans to change America, and the world, for the better.
27230	Barlay Kickett-Tucker, Cheryl & Gibbs, Tracey (ill) & Morgan, Sally (ed)	Fremantle Press	2010	9781921696114	Sometimes, grown-ups tell scary stories to teach kids a lesson. And, sometimes, those scary stories turn out to be true. Sarah, Jay and Rene find out the hard way what sort of tale their Nan's Woordatj story is when they wander off into the bush, despite her warnings.
56180	,	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2011	9781864718836	Barry has awesome powers, which he releases from the back of the couch where he is stuck, to save the Earth from falling apart.
12327	Beatty, Scott	Dorling Kindersley			A celebration of the Warner Brothers animated series, packed with images from the TV show and the comic books it inspired. Contains indepth profiles of the main heroes and villains, and annotated illustrations of the key weapons and places.
4573	Batsford books of Music for children, The Rumens-Syratt, Rebecca	Batsford	2016	9781849943093	Music is great because it means we can sing along to our favourite songs, play instruments with our friends and read sheet music- it's like a secret code. With this book you will be a marvellous musician in no time.

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1D  1096796		Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761212635	Batthew has a nose for trouble, and when the world's smelliest flower goes missing, he and best friend Lavender are on the case! Sent as a seed by his parents before they vanished on a scent expedition, the Titan Arum is a link to his family and his past. Now Batthew and Lavender have just three days to locate the flower before it withers and dies - along with any clues to the whereabouts of his parents. Will they find the flower or will the scent be lost forever?
	Battle boy series Carter, Charlie & Jeffery, Russell (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
22989	Battle of Britain: a Second World War spitfire pilot 1939-1941 Priestley, Chris	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407103709	Harry Woods is a proud spitfire pilot in the fledgling Royal Air Force of 1939. All he has ever wanted to do, since he saw his first plane, is be a pilot. But, now, all he can remember are the roar of the engines and the rattle of machine guns. His friend, Lenny, has lost a leg in a dogfight with the German Luftwaffe. Harry is determined to fight on bravely for all he holds dear but the dangers are terrible and the thrills exhausting.
14098	Battle of the jade horse Lloyd, Alison	Puffin Australia	2012	9780143305774	Battle of the Jade Horse Author: Alison Lloyd Hu and Ren are friends during the second century in China. Their families come from different social classes and each must make choices that may hurt their friendship. How will their friendship be able to survive?
8412	Oxenham, Darlene & Gibbs, Tracey (ill) & Morgan, Sally (ed)	Fremantle Press	2010	9781921696060	When Annie's dad promises her a beach sports car, she imagines a bright red hotrod with racing car stripes. But, it will take a lot of work to turn Dad's battered old bomb into the car of Annie's dreams. Then again, hard work can sometimes make the rewards seem so much sweeter.
	Bear Grylls survival skills handbooks series Grylls, Bear				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 26246	Bear Grylls: Spirit of the jungle Grylls, Bear	Pan Macmillan London	2016	9781509828623	Mak and his family are in India. Things are going well until their raft is capsized on a wild river and Mak is separated and lost deep in the Indian Jungle. Can Mac survive long enough to find his way out of this strange, unfamiliar and dangerous landscape of bugs, bats, monkeys, snakes, bears, wolves, panthers and worst of all poachers? And if he can survive, will he really want to leave?
34	Beast Wild, Margaret	Scholastic Australia	1992	9781862911468	Eleven year old Jamie, a fearful boy, confronts his biggest fear, the class bully. Through his ordeal, he comes to realise that, while magic can't stop bad things from happening, intelligence and courage can.
660612	Beast of Buckingham Palace, The Walliams, David	HarperCollins Children's Books	2019	9780008385644	The year is 2120. Prince Alfred, a sickly boy of twelve, has never known life outside Buckingham Palace, but evil forces are at work and he must do battle with the king of the beasts, the Griffin
23503	Beast of Hushing Wood, The Wang, Gabrielle	Penguin Random House Australia	2017	9780143309178	Ziggy Truegood feels a threatening presence in her tiny town of Hushing Wood, which is deepened by a recurring nightmare she has. When Raffi, an exotic young boy, and his grandfather come to town Ziggy's fears intensify. Unfortunately, her own wise and knowledgeable grandfather is ill, unable to help her. She wonders are the pair there to save her or to hunt her?
871645	Beatryce prophecy, The DiCamillo, Kate & Blackall, Sophie (ill)	Walker Books	2022	9781529503623	One night a bedraggled girl is discovered in a stable by a monk. She only remembers her name is Beatryce and that she can read and write. In a time when only the monks and nobles were permitted to do this, the monk knows she is special and dangerous. Hunted by the king's men, will she find her way home to fulfil her destiny?
669543	Become a leader like Michelle Obama Moss, Caroline & Erkas, Sinem (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2020	9780711245174	From her early life to living in the White House we learn how she used her global platform to bring about change. Using key lessons from her work we learn new skills we can all apply to our own lives.

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1D  1209894	Bee squad, The: Boosting biodiversity in your neighbourhood Friedlander, Judy	NewSouth Publishing	2025	9781742238227	From the coast of Western Australia to Sydney's suburbs, young people are discovering nature in their neighbourhoods and setting up nesting boxes for birds, cleaning up waterways, planting to attract bees and koalas, and building insect hotels. They're learning about amazing native species and finding ways to protect them.  The Bee Squad inspires you to take part in these exciting adventures and projects that support threatened species by doing things like: -learning how to put together a nature sleuth toolkit -planting to attract pollinators -using the tally sheet to record flora and fauna sightings -following the tips to ace your wildlife photography.  The best part is, you don't need to live near a national park or protected area to get involved - you can make a difference from your balcony, backyard, local park or school.
1915	Beetle boy Leonard, M G & Sarda, Julia (ill)	Chicken House	2016	9781910002704	When his dad mysteriously goes missing from his job as Director of Science at the Natural History Museum, Darkus Cuttle moves in with his eccentric uncle. Next door live two lunatic cousins with an enormous beetle infestation. But, the beetles are anything but ordinary. They're an amazing, intelligent super species, and they're in danger of being exterminated. Darkus and his friends must save the beetles. But, they're up against the mad scientist of fashion and haute couture, Lucretia Cutter, who has dastardly plans for the bugs.
35	Beetle soup: Australian stories and poems for children Morrow, Robin (comp) & King, Stephen Michael (ill)	Scholastic Australia	1996	9781863885928	An anthology of Australian stories and poems with whimsical pictures.
	Before they were famous series Corby, Caroline				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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36078	Beginner's guide to revenge, The Musgrove, Marianne	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2012		At just thirteen, Romola has changed school five times and always has trouble making friends. By chance, she meets Sebastian and they help each other resolve some serious feelings of injustice. Romola is having trouble with some friends who are being mean to her and Sebastian is missing his dad. If someone did something very hurtful to you and you had a perfect way to pay them back, would you do it? Romola and Sebastian have to make just such a decision.
1078782	Being Jimmy Baxter Lloyd, Fiona	Puffin Australia	2023		It's not eggsactly easy being Jimmy Baxter 'cause:  -The real Jimmy's hiding inside  - Ned Kelly's giving him the evil eye  - Mum's stopped going to work and stays in bed  - There's no eggs in the fridge - or anything else.  AND there's new jobs, bad-at-school brains and a whole lot of trouble called Duke.  But then there's Mac.
12770	Belonging Baker, Jeannie	Walker Books	2004		This wordless picture book, with exquisite collage illustrations, explores the re-greening of a city, the role of community and the significance of children, family and neighbourhood in changing the urban environment.
7709	Beowulf Morpurgo, Michael	Walker Books	2006		Beowulf, the fearless warrior battles three evils that terrorise the entire kingdom of Denmark. He slays Grendel the merciless ogre and his vengeful sea hag mother. In his old age, Beowulf faces a bloody struggle with the deadly dragon of the deep in which he may not be as successful as in his youth.
903346	Berani Kadarusman, Michelle	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781761068027	Ari and Malia are both students in Indonesia, but one comes from a wealthy family and the other from a farming family in a small village. Both of them find themselves tied up in moral and ethical dilemmas where their actions, while so clearly right to them,, will not be popular with family or friends. Knowing the right thing to do does not mean it is an easy choice.
10812	Best mate Morpurgo, Michael	HarperCollins Australia	2007	9780007262434	Joy and heartbreak combine in this bittersweet tale of a champion greyhound's journey through life as he passes from owner to owner. A wonderful story of the bond between a pet and three families who get back much more than they could have imagined from allowing a dog into their lives. This book is also known as Born to Run.
1096775	Best of Story Factory, The: Volume 1 Keenan, Cath (ed)	Sydney Story Factory	2021		The best of Story Factory Volume 1 showcases an amazing collection of prose by young writers through their participation in writing workshops which continued through the Covid-19 pandemic in Australia. Skillfully written personal and funny perspectives and ideas of what it means to write to an audience getting across what they think and feel.

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1D  1096782	Best of Story Factory, The: Volume 2 (younger readers edition) Keenan, Catherine (ed) & Short, Richard (ed)	Sydney Story Factory	2022	9781922719102	Thoughtful,warm, insightful, interesting and funny these stories come together to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Story Factory. From talking flowers, superheroes from the neighbourhood and the Museum of COVID-19, these young authors have created and edited their own words about things their audience may like and enjoy reading, from dream to grandmother's museum.
1176958	Best witch in Paris, The Crozier, Lauren	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790880	Luna swaps her moonstone ring for a boobook owl in the Lost forest while promising to keep the bird hidden. This is not easy when the fearsome Madame Valadon (the Best Witch in Paris) is missing her boobook owl and will do anything to find it. Could it be that Luna has Madame Valadon's boobook owl familiar? A familiar can only belong to one witch. Luna needs to solve the puzzle and avoid Madame Valadon's clutches. This is a magical adventure that will make any reader smile.
24183	Beth: the story of a child convict Wilson, Mark	Lothian Books	2016	9780734416773	After being caught stealing on the streets of London, Beth is sent to Australia as a child convict on the First Fleet. Through Beth's story, we discover the unbearable hardships those first convicts suffered, not only on the long journey to Sydney Cove but also in the two years of near-famine following their arrival. A story inspired by the life of the youngest female convict with the First Fleet.
660400	Beverly, right here DiCamillo, Kate	Walker Books	2019	9781406391633	Beverly Trapinski has buried her beloved dog. One of her three friends has suddenly moved away without a goodbye. Her father is long gone and her mother does not seem interested in what Beverly does. It is August, 1979 and it seems that the only thing for Beverly to do is leave town. At age 14, she finds herself in a new town with a job clearing tables, but she knows this is not enough. If she can only open her heart a little, she will find that the small town is full of people who need a little more in their lives too.
836	Beware of the storybook wolves Child, Lauren	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2000	9780340779163	This book with colourful illustrations and an interesting layout will tell you what to do if the wolves ever escape from your storybook.
10695	Beyond the knock-knock door Monk, Scott	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741664072	After ruining a classmate's costume party, the Bowman triplets are chased into the city sewers. Locked inside, they discover a gateway to another world where sharks fly, swashbucklers scheme and party costumes become real. The triplets are mistaken for famous heroes and must fight the biggest trouble of all.
38	BFG, The Dahl, Roald	Puffin UK	2001	9780141311371	The big friendly giant captures Sophie but he only wants to keep her, not eat her, as the other giants would.

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1D 1019868	Bidhi Galing: Big rain Heiss, Anita & Campbell, Samantha (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2023	9781761105258	Told from the point of view of Wagadhaany, a Wiradyuri girl who loved dancing, this is the story of the Great Flood of Gundagai in 1852. Wiradyuri heroes, Yarri and Jacky Jacky paddled bark canoes through raging floodwaters, risking their own lives to save countless others. Learn history through Wiradyuri language and marvel at the beautiful illustrations in this book.
	Big bash league series Panckridge, Michael				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
33129	Big book of Antarctica, The Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2017	9781742034188	Antarctica is the driest, coldest and windiest continent on Earth. Even though it is a harsh and difficult place to live, Antarctica is home to more than a thousand plant and several hundred animal species. Antarctica has 90 per cent of Earth's ice and plays a major role in our weather. Scientists from around the world live and work in Antarctica to better understand the future of our planet. Welcome to The Big Book of Antarctica.
2400	Big book of Aussie dinosaurs Richards, Kel & Singleton, Glen (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742830568	Everything you have ever wanted to know about when dinosaurs ruled Australia.
903077		Hachette Australia	2022	9780734419996	Explore some of the most surprising and awe-inspiring exhibits and museum collections on Earth. From microscopic star diamonds to a poomaking machine, discover amazing and fascinating exhibits around the world.
63187	Big book of fantasy quests Dixon, Andrew	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2006	9780746070383	Detailed and colourful fantasy-adventure scenes filled with things to find, mysteries to solve and colourful creatures and characters to outwit.
923455	Racklyeft, Jess				Big Cat is mysterious. Big Cat is chaotic. Big Cat is lawless. Catherine is not. She likes things to be neat, tidy and orderly. But when the two meet, they discover they have more in common than they think and that sometimes the best adventures can be found in your own backyard.
3053	Big dig, The McKinlay, Meg	Walker Books	2009	9781921529139	When the Newton Community Pool is closed until further notice, Nathan and his mates are unimpressed. The alternative, the BayView Leisure Centre, might be modern and flashy, but it is steamy, crowded and no fun. But, Nathan has an idea that is so brilliant in its simplicity. They can dig themselves a pool in the backyard.

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35281	Big little book of happy sadness, The Thompson, Colin	Random House Children's Books	2008	9781741662573	One Friday, George visits the animal shelter and, in the very last cage, he sees Jeremy, a sad dog who looks as lonely and lost as George feels.
	Big Nate series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
12972	Big picture book of environments, The Long, John	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2008	9781741754605	With stunning images and fact boxes, this book reveals Earth's diversity and beauty. It explores the effects of changing climate on environments around the world including the great rivers, deserts, Arctic regions, cities and forests.
14856	Big picture book of human civilisation, The Long, John	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2009	9781741757002	If you love facts and figures or you are a budding scientist, this book will tell you about the great advances and crises of human history, from 20, 000 years ago until now. Read about the first cultivated crops, the taming of cats and dogs, the discovery of electricity, the earliest city and lots more.
18392	Big picture book, The Long, John & Choo, Brian (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2005	9781741143287	Description of Planet Earth's history from twelve billion years ago until now. Also includes a prediction about its future.
603343	Big picture, The: Men who changed the world Jones, Grace & Rumblelow, Matt (ill)	The secret book company	2019	9781912171842	Throughout time men have accomplished some great things. Read about some very famous men and discover what they have done and how it has impacted the world we live in today.
603312	Big picture, The: Women who changed the world Jones, Grace & Rumblelow, Matt (ill)	The secret book company	2019	9781912171835	Women can do amazing things, this book looks at some very famous women and what they have achieved in their lives. Learn more about some women you may have heard of, and find out about some women from the past who changed how things were done.
19816	Bill rules Fensham, Elizabeth	University of Queensland Press	2010	9780702238482	Bill and Matty are the best of friends and neighbours which leads to exciting adventures and, sometimes, more than a little trouble. When Bill learns that his father is coming home from jail, his world is tipped upside down. Worries start to mount but Matty has an idea to help Bill. But life doesn't always go according to plan.
18412	Billie and the parent plan Bryant, Ann	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2005	9780746067550	Billie's mum is getting married to a bald, old man. Billie doesn't fit in with her uncool stepfather and her posh stepsister and would rather live with her best mate, Archie. A funny book about Billie's valiant attempts to resist her new family.

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73198	Billionaire boy Walliams, David	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2010	9780007445349	Joe Spud is the richest twelve year old because his father reinvented toilet paper and became rich. He owns a racing car and a crocodile, but the one thing he can't buy is a friend. When he changes schools, he encounters twin bullies, a greedy lunch lady and new friends.
15134	Billy Mack's war Roy, James	University of Queensland Press	2004	9780702234798	When Captain Mack is released from prison camp at the end of the war, no-one is sure what to expect, least of all his son Billy. He might be the same man who went off to war full of hope and pride or his experiences may have changed him forever.
2305	Billy that died with its boots on, The Whiteside, Stephen	Walker Books	2014	9781922077431	Paying homage to the rhythms, word play and humour of Banjo Paterson and C.J Dennis the author has looked to everyday Australian activities, landscapes and people for inspiration. The 65 poems are gathered in fifteen loose groupings including animals, leisure activities, and places. Best read to or with someone.
751154	Bindi Saunders, Kirli & Leffler, Dub (ill)	Magabala Books	2020	9781925936667	Meet 11-year-old Bindi. She's not really into maths but LOVES art class and playing hockey. Her absolute FAVOURITE thing is adventuring outside with friends or her horse, Nell. A new year starts like normal -school, family, hockey, dancing. But this year hasn't gone to plan! There's a big art assignment, a drought, a broken wrist AND the biggest bushfires her town has ever seen!
14038	Bionicle: legacy of evil Farshtey, Greg	Scholastic UK	2006	9780439828079	The Piraka are the embodiment of evil. It is a mystery how they met, what caused them to join forces and how they learnt about the Mask of Life. Even more mysterious is the seventh Piraka.
14259	Bird Martin Vidal, Beatriz	Simply Read Books	2015	9781927018644	Let your imagination fly in this evocative, wordless picture book.
846157	Bird singers, The Wersocki Morris, Eve	Hachette Australia	2022	9781444963328	Sisters Laylah and Lizzy always loved the ancient myths, legends and fairy tales of Poland told to them by their grandmother. But when sinister things start happening on their holiday, they discover that some myths are more real than they could ever have imagined
895459	Birdbrain Hawkins, Kelli Anne	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9781460759219	When seven strangers arrive at a small Australian caravan park to tell Hadley Boggs that her dad is the long lost heir to the kingdom of Ludrovia, she can hardly believe it. Soon Hadley jets off to an exciting new life where she is a princess and meets dancing goats. But then she discovers the president's secret deal to sell the country to a cheese loving billionaire. She knows she must act. But can she save Ludrovia before everything turns to fondue?

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1D 45953	Birds of prey close up Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2016	9781742033341	Take a closer look at these amazing predators. They use their keen eyesight, curved beaks, sharp talons and powerful legs to hunt, capture and kill their prey.
1078058	Birdsong Balen, Katya	Barrington Stoke	2022	9781800900981	Annie has lived through a car accident but a damaged hand has left her musical dreams in tatters. Will she find the confidence to play again and to dare to dream of the healing powers of music? A new friend and a blackbird might make all the difference.
2245	Birthday book, The: An illustrated treasury of stories and poems Morpurgo, Michael (ed) & Blake, Quentin (ill)	Jonathan Cape	2008	9780224083607	A collection of fact and fiction, some extracts and some complete works, with a common theme of birthdays. Illustrations by Quentin Blake add a lovely dimension.
660758	Birthday boy Baddiel, David & Field, Jim (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2017	9780008200510	Sam Green can't wait until his eleventh birthday. He is really looking forward to it and wishes it was his birthday every day. At first, it's quite exciting when his birthday happens again the next morning. And again. And again. But sometimes you have to be careful what you wish for
6470	Bit of a hero, A Phinn, Gervase	Andersen Press Ltd	2009	9781842709092	Tom is finding it hard to come to terms with the death of his father, a firefighter, who lost his life trying to save a child. Life just gets worse when a bully joins his class at school and Mum meets a new man. Tom wonders whether he can find the courage within himself to stand up to the bully, and to accept the many changes in his life.
43	Blabber mouth Gleitzman, Morris	Pan MacMillan	1992	9780330273534	Rowena cannot speak. Unlike Rowena, her father, whom she decides to change, is blundering and enthusiastic and obsessed with country music.
88179	Black Baron Opie, Robyn	Walker Books	2008	9781921150586	Black Baron was the best racing cockroach ever, in fact he was unbeaten. He lived a secret life of privilege and fame hidden under Jake's bed, until the day that Jake's mum discovered him. Black Baron must survive the exterminators if he is to live to race again.
5625	Black book of colours, The Cottin, Menena & Faria, Rosana	Walker Books	2010	9781406322187	An extraordinary and unique picture book, complete with Braille and embossed illustrations. All black in colour, it is stylistically striking and offers the sighted reader an unparalleled insight into the interpretation of the world from the perspective of a blind child.

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1D   723924	Black brother, black brother Parker Rhodes, Jewell	Little, Brown Books for Young Readers	2020	9780316493802	Sometimes, 12-year-old Donte wishes he were invisible. As one of the few black boys at Middlefield Prep, most of the students don't look like him. They don't like him either. Dubbing him "Black Brother," Donte's teachers and classmates make it clear they wish he were more like his lighter-skinned brother, Trey.  When he's bullied and framed by the captain of the fencing team, "King" Alan, he's suspended from school and arrested for something he didn't do.  Terrified, searching for a place where he belongs, Donte joins a local youth center and meets former Olympic fencer Arden Jones. With Arden's help, he begins training as a competitive fencer, setting his sights on taking down the fencing team captain, no matter what.  As Donte hones his fencing skills and grows closer to achieving his goal, he learns the fight for justice is far from over. Now Donte must confront his bullies, racism, and the corrupt systems of power that led to his arrest.
586765	Black Cockatoo Merrison, Carl & Hustler, Hakea & Leffler, David (ill)	Magabala Books	2018		Mia rescues a dirrarn black cockatoo, and faces her biggest challenge yet when she chooses to care for the bird, knowing it is her totem animal. Mia feels powerless to change the things she sees around her, until she explores the fragile connections of family and culture and discovers her own inner strength.
3585	Black Lotus, The Fanning, Kieran	Chicken House	2015		Ghost, Cormac and Kate are junior recruits of the Black Lotus, an underground school for ninjas. When a powerful weapon is stolen, the three of them must battle through sixteenth-century Japan and present-day New York to stop a power-hungry shogun from destroying the city. Betrayal and the testing of friendships combine in a battle for world supremacy.
45	Black ships before Troy, The: The story of the Iliad Sutcliff, Rosemary	Frances Lincoln	2000	9780711215221	An illustrated story of Homer's Iliad that climaxes with the story of the Wooden Horse of Troy.
9757	Black Sunday McHugh, Evan	Omnibus Books	2016	9781743627990	Nipper only wants to be one thing, a lifesaver. In his world, they're larger than life, walking, talking heroes. Nipper's too young but he starts to train in secret, challenging himself in the Bondi surf. But, his secret comes to light one hot Sunday in 1938, a day that has become infamous in Australia's history. Based on a true story.

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ID 83964	Black swan, The Bridle, Celia	Windy Hollow Books	2010	9781921136566	A black swan escapes from a cage and flies away to another land, where villagers welcome her to settle. They believe that birds bring good fortune and, each year, the villagers build nests beside the lake to lure them. The people ask the swan to incubate an egg found in one of the nests. When the ground shakes and everyone is afraid, the swan asks them to leave their valley.
2696	Blackbird fly Kelly, Erin Entrada	HarperCollins Children's Books	2016	9780062238627	Apple is twelve and a bit of a social outcast at school. When she finds out she is on the list of the ugliest girls in her class, her world is shaken. Her so-called friends abandon her and music becomes her main escape. By escaping into music and with the help of the school music teacher, Apple finds her strength and some real, supportive friends along the way. For anyone who has ever felt like they just don't belong.
8177	Blading Mason, Paul	Hodder & Stoughton	2001	9780750227834	Advice to the beginner blader, whether young or old, on what equipment to use, where to skate and styles of blading, competitions and sponsorship. Introduces sports that use blading like hockey and speed skating.
2225	Bleakboy and Hunter stand out in the rain Herrick, Steven	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702250163	Some things are too big for a boy to solve. Eleven year old Jesse is tackling many problems in life, especially fitting in to a new school. He must confront the school bully and try to come to terms with many other issues like whaling, poverty in Africa and, of course, parents. Luckily, he meets Kate who has curly black hair, braces, an infectious smile and needs Jesse's help.
130804	Blind trek Kennedy, Jim	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143302469	Hilton and Tim can't stand each other. They are forced together via their parents' friendship and their bike has crashed in the middle of nowhere. The only way home is to walk. Danger lurks and, if the boys are to survive, they must work together.
7050	Blitz: a wartime girl's diary 1940-1941 Cross, Vince	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407103716	Edie and her little brother, Tom, are evacuated to rural Wales during the Blitz on London. Many parents sent their children to live in a safer place when German bombs rained down on the major cities of England during World War II. For Edie and Tom it is not a happy solution. Edie struggles to mother and protect Tom in harsh countryside with an austere family and an unfriendly school community.
1982	Bloodhound boys: great blood bank robbery Cranna, Andrew				The undead world has many dangerous creatures, many of which Rocky the werewolf and Vince the vampire meet in their search to find who has robbed the city's blood bank.
1384	Bloodhound boys: monster truck tremor dilemma Cranna, Andrew	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781922179326	Rocky and Vince are competing in a monster truck race. Full of twists and turns, the lethal race will send the boys way off track.

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1D 39179	Bloody tower: a Tudor girl's diary 1553-1559 Wilding, Valerie	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407104775	It is after Henry VIII's death and King Edward is very sickly. Queen Mary will come to the throne, ousting Lady Jane Grey. Mary's executioners will be busy removing her perceived enemies. Even Princess Elizabeth, the future queen of England, is imprisoned in the Tower. Tilly Middleton, who lives in the Tower of London where her father works, finds she has an important role to play.
567898	Bloom Maclear, Kyo & Morstad, Julie (ill)	Harper	2018	9780062447616	Beauty. Colour. Doubts . As a little girl in Rome, Elsa Schiaparelli was told she was not pretty. What is beauty Elsa wondered as she grew older. So she sought out beauty around her and found it everywhere: in the colours and scents of the Rome flower market, in the garden, and in the attic of her family home, buried in a chest of old dresses. She found affection from her dear uncle in Milano. She developed an artist's eye and imagination. These bloomed in the wildly imaginative dresses, hats, shoes, and jewellery that made her an important name in fashion. Defining beauty on her own creative and rebellious terms was the key to Elsa Schiaparelli's happiness and success, and is still seen today in her legacy of wild imagination. Daring and different, Elsa Schiaparelli used art to make fashion, and it was quite marvellous.
34429	Blossom Janu, Tamsin	Scholastic Australia	2017	9781742991641	Lottie is excited when a lost little girl arrives on her doorstep. Lottie, who only has Uncle Bobby in the world has always wanted a sister. Blossom isn't like other kids. She doesn't speak and is obsessed with her flower, refusing to go anywhere without it. Everything changes when Blossom gets sick and is taken away to hospital. Lottie with her friends must do whatever it takes to rescue her.
1019733		HarperCollins Children's Books	2023	9780008614393	The Blunders are the most blundersome family in the blundering history of blunderdom. They live in Blunder Hall. When the Blunders are about to lose their home, how will they come together to save it?
12950	BMX: extreme sports Job, Chris	Raintree	2003	9781844430888	One of a series of books about extreme sports. With action photographs, diagrams and a glossary of terms, this book tells you about the history, how to get started, the equipment and tricks of BMX riding.
31613	Bob Mass, Wendy & Stead, Rebecca	Text Publishing Co	2018	9781925603590	Livy has visited her maternal grandmother before, on her farm outside of Melbourne, Victoria - but, she was only five years old then, and she can't seem to remember much. Ten year old Livy returns from the USA to visit again, with her family and new baby sister Beth-Ann. Her grandmother shows her around, reminding her of all the fun they had last time she stayed, but only Livy seems to recall a 'wrong chicken'

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1D 4842	Bob the railway dog Fenton, Corinne & McLean, Andrew (ill)	Black Dog Books	2015	9781922179890	In the early days of the railway, when shiny new tracks were opening vast areas of Australia, there was an adventurous dog who was part of it all. As the tracks were being laid, he was there on the train, riding in his favourite spot on top of the Yankee engine. Everyone knew him. The true story of Bob the railway dog, who had adventure in his heart and the rattle of the rails in his soul.
49	Bog bodies: mummies and curious corpses Prior, Natalie Jane	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1994	9781864482430	All the facts necessary to know about dried, pickled and frozen preserved people are contained in this unusual book.
1078774	Bold and brave women from Shakespeare Shakespeare, William & Stadtlander, Becca (ill)	Walker Books	2020	9781406394344	Stories of twelve of Shakespeare's courageous, strong-willed and determined characters, including Viola, Cleopatra, Portia, Lady Macbeth and Margaret of Anjou, are brought to life with Becca Stadtlander's rich and evocative illustrations.
1233641	Bold Ben Hall: What does it mean to be a hero? Masson, Sophie	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2025	9781760658403	
9255	Bollygum Fleming, Garry	Weldon Kids	1995	9781875875085	A beautifully illustrated story with a strong conservation message.
37132	Bones Crisp, Maureen	Penguin NZ			Twins, Danny and Nicki, notice that their dog, Patch, is bringing home bones to bury in the garden. The only problem is that the bones look like human bones. The police are called in and their dad's prize-winning flowers are dug up. When they follow Patch around the neighbourhood, they get a very big surprise indeed.
15334	Bony fish, sharks and rays Silkstone, Barry	Reed Library	2001	9781863911405	Excellent information, photographs and diagrams provide details about the appearance, food, habitat and reproduction of bony fish, sharks and rays.
5446	Book Agard, John & Packer, Neil (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9780744544787	For centuries, I've told other people's stories. Now it's time to tell my own. Discover the evolution of the printed word, told by one who knows - Book. Book takes us on a wonderful journey, from its origins in oral story and doodling in clay, to papyrus, parchment and paper, and to the e-book of today.

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1D 5432	Book of answers, The: An Ateban Cipher novel Tait, A L	Hachette Children's Books	2018	9780734417695	Gabe and his companions journey to a remote mountain citadel where they learn the secret of the mysterious encrypted book that he has been tasked with protecting. But their enemies are close behind them, and new dangers lie ahead.
9271	Book of Australian ballads, The King, John Anthony	Pan MacMillan	1990	9780333477199	A collection of Australian lyric poetry.
34248	Book of Australian birds Hope. Charles	Wild Dog Books	2016	9781742034010	Australia is a large country with a wide range of climates and habitats. Our island continent is home to animals not found anywhere else. Many of these are birds and they are among the most recognisable creatures on Earth. Welcome to the fascinating world of Australian birds.
31568	Book of Australian minibeasts, The Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2016	9781742034126	Australia is a large country with a wide range of climates and habitats.  Our island continent is home to spiders, bugs, beetles and all sorts of other creepy-crawlies not found anywhere else. Welcome to the fascinating world of Australian mini beasts.
809126	Book of chance, The Whiting, Sue	Walker Books	2021	9781760651367	Chance is in Year 7 and thinks she has it all - a loving mother, dog Tiges, best friend and almost-sister next door. But when a reality TV team makes over her house, she discovers newspaper cuttings from the past that cause her to question the world as she knows it and everyone in it.  Then she finds herself caught between two realities, identities and worlds. Face-to-face with the truth, Chance has a very difficult decision to make, which almost splits her in two. This powerful story explores what is true and what is fake in today's world. And while Chance is all about the truth, she ponders whether "Maybe being truthful was really just a big lie".
846214	Book of curious birds Cossins, Jennifer	Hachette Australia	2021	9780734420473	Birds are unique creatures. From their unusual appearance to their unique behaviour, they really are one of the most fascinating species in the animal kingdom. In this book you will learn that birds are awesome, and deserve our love, care and respect.
4209	Book of f1rsts Buckley, James (ed)	Scholastic Australia	2010	9781741696820	Eleven selections of bizarre trivia, fascinating facts, feats and world records. Categories such as Air and Space, Entertainment, Technology and Transportation are included in this eclectic collection.

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1D   688273	Book of hopes, The: Words and pictures to comfort, inspire and entertain children in lockdown Rundell, Katherine (ed)	Bloomsbury	2020	9780852295298	Completely free for all children and families, the extraordinary collection of short stories, poems, essays and pictures has contributions from more than 110 children's writers and illustrators, including Lauren Child, Anthony Horowitz, Greg James and Chris Smith, Michael Morpurgo, Liz Pichon, Axel Scheffler, Francesca Simon and Jacqueline Wilson. Stories to make you smile, poems to make you laugh, and plenty of hope for everyone! Available from https://literacytrust.org.uk/familyzone/9-12/book-hopes/
	Book of lies series Moloney, James				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
6310	Book of poetry Taplin, Sam & Swarner, Kristina (ill)		2018	9781474957373	Inside this book are many worlds. Inside this book you will find beautifully written poems and beautifully drawn illustrations.  A treasure trove of famous classics and new and exciting poems, this is a great read for students of all ages.
43476	Book of secrets, The: An Ateban Cipher novel Tait, A L	Hachette Children's Books	2017	9780734417671	Gabe has lived at the Abbey, learning the skills of the monks, since he was left on the doorstep as a baby. When he is plunged into catastrophe following the discovery of a dying monk who then vanishes, Gabe has to leave the Abbey for the first time in his life. Lost in the forest and unsure of what to do, he is found by a group of misfits who defy all expectations. Together, they come up with a plan that will lead them all towards their ultimate goal of being able to live normal lives.
864220	Book of Stolen Dreams, The Farr, David	Simon & Schuster	2023	9781665922579	Plunged into danger when they help their father steal a forbidden book, Rachel and Robert are forced to go on the run. To save their father from prison, they must discover the truth about The Book of Stolen Dreams. But the cruel and powerful President Malstain knows its secret and will stop at nothing to snatch the book's magic for himself. The hunt is on.
660581	Book of stone, The Greenwood, Mark & Tulloch, Coral (ill)	Walker Books	2019	9781760650872	Every stone has a story, the echo of a memory, a walk in the wilderness, a time and a place lived and loved. This book is about these stones.  Mark has collected stones of all shapes and sizes since he was a kid and now he wants to share his passion in a book (unlike all other other rock and mineral books) that explains the special connection that can be enjoyed when one pays attention to the stones that are all around us and can mean so much, if we take the time to appreciate them.

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1D 1243	Book of when, The Jaffe, Laura & Cointe, Francois (ill)	Abrams Books	2008	9780810972407	Useful and thoughtful information to keep you thinking. This book tells you lots of things such as when we started looking at ourselves in the mirror, when we started taking holidays and, even more interestingly, when we started to think that children are actually people.
9284	Book of wizards, The Manning-Sanders, Ruth	Methuen	1982	9780416218909	Stories in this collection include Aladdin, Jack and the Wizard, Silver Penny and Two Wizards with many more.
877868	Book of wondrous possibilities, The Abela, Deborah	Penguin	2022	9781761044021	With only books for comfort and a mouse as his only friend, when Arlo meets Lisette he is thrust into a world of danger and magic, kidnappers and cliff hangers. Arlo discovers that when people you trust believe in you, you can find the courage you need to face your fears and help your friends and yourself.
903292	Book that no one wanted to read, The Ayoade, Richard & Freeman, Tor (ill)	Walker Books	2023	9781536222166	Have you ever thought about how it feels to be a book? To be left under a whiffy pant pile or shelved, forever collecting dust? To have your pages bent backwards or your spine BROKEN? What if you don't have a sparkly unicorn or dragon adorning your cover - who will pick you out of the bookshop then? This is the story of the sadly neglected Book That No One Wanted To Read - can its destiny change when it finally meets the right reader? Spoiler alert: yes.
944242	Bookseller's apprentice, The Mellor, Amelia	Affirm Press	2022	9781922400871	Loaded with tricks, riddles, magic and mayhem this race-against-time adventure is set in Melbourne in 1871. Twelve-year-old Billy Pyke has a talent for sorting things out, whether it's his chaotic family home or the busy book stall at Paddy's Market, where he works for Mr Cole. When his new friend Kezia warns him of a sinister magician called the Obscurosmith, Billy is shocked by her stories of magical deals gone horribly wrong. Then, on the night of the fire, Billy realises that if the Obscurosmith is to be stopped, he'll have to do it himself. The duel begins but, even with Kezia help, will Billy's magic be enough?
24511	Boomerang and bat Greenwood, Mark & Denton, Terry (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			In 1868, a determined team of Aboriginal stockmen set off on a journey across the world to take on England's best cricketers. Led by star all-rounder Johnny Mullagh and wearing caps, embroidered with a boomerang and a bat, the team delighted crowds with their exceptional skills. The men were the first Australian cricket team to tour England and this is their story.
628086	Boot: Small robot, big adventure Hegarty, Shane & Mantle, Ben (ill)	Hodder Children's Books (UK)	2019	9781444949360	When Boot awakes in a rubbish compactor with only two and a half memories he knows that he must escape and find his owner, Beth. But a small robot in a big world will have to overcome a lot of danger if he is to ever find his friend

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9348	Boots and all Clark, Sherryl	Penguin	2003	9780143300359	A father lost his own career as a soccer star through injury. He is determined to experience glory through his son. Unfortunately, his son has come to hate the game and the real soccer talent of the family is the boy's sister.
53	Booyooburra Fogarty, Lionel	Hyland House	1993	9781875657100	The history of the Murri people of Waka Waka.
941501	Bored: Evie dreams big Stanton, Matt	ABC Audio - Enterprises	2023	9780733342066	Evie lives on Turtle Place, and she's bored. She is making plans, actual plans, to build her own house. Only, it seems that everyone else that lives on Turtle Place has an opinion they'd like to share. Frog and Milo want to build something totally different. Mr Santos is grumpy, Mrs Katz is spying on her, her sister is the most annoying person in the world, and her parents don't believe in her. But she has a plan, and she dreams big.
2826	Born to bake Gwynne, Phillip & Smith, Craig (ill)	Puffin Australia	2005	9780143302261	Rick has decided he is just average, not good, not bad, just average. When Rick discovers he is born to cook, he is no longer just average. The trouble is that his baking is now in competition with his Mum.
29362	Born to run: Cathy Freeman, my story Freeman, Cathy	Penguin Books Australia	2007	9780143302384	Cathy Freeman's own story of her childhood, her loving family and her sporting achievements. Cathy shares the personal philosophy that has led to her success and the joy she has always found in life.
	Borrowers series Norton, Mary				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
886459	Boss ladies of science Marsden, Phillip	Lothian Books	2022	9780734421227	Boss Ladies conquer in this celebration of inspiring and empowered scientists from around the world. At the top of their fields across all areas of science these amazing women answer big questions and invent grand solutions. Every boss lady was once a little kid with a huge dream. Let their trials and triumphs inspire you to work hard at what you love, no matter whether you fail or succeed.
942	Boss of the pool Klein, Robin	Scholastic Australia	2009	9781862916401	Required to accompany her mother, who works at a hostel for the disabled, Shelley is more than a little unhappy. Eventually, she chooses to teach Ben, who is mentally disabled and very fearful of the water, how to swim.

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ID 895	Botanicum Wills, Kathie & Scott, Katie (ill)	Templar Publishing	2016	9781783703944	This museum is open all hours. It houses an extraordinary collection of plants, from tiny algae to fascinating carnivores. Gloriously coloured fungi and lichens are here, too. Find out why some plants are green and others are not, how some plants live in water while others are suspended in mid-air, and how some plants feed on flesh. Plants give us some of our biggest, smallest, oldest and smelliest forms of life on Earth. Experience a virtual museum through this fascinating and beautiful book.
706547	Bowl full of peace, A Stelson, Caren & Susaka, Akira (ill)	Walker Books	2020	9781541521483	Grandmother's bowl has been passed from mother to daughter over generations. It sits on the table each evening between Sachiko's family who are grateful for the food they eat. One day soldiers arrive and planes begin flying overhead telling the people war is coming to the seaside town. The family and community are suddenly devastated at the dropping of the atomic bomb, and the effects follow the survivors for years to come. Later, when father returns to the rubble, grandmother's bowl is found miraculously in one piece. This true story was put together over several interviews with the real owner of the bowl who wanted to tell her family story of resilience, devastation and the quest for peace.
569191	Boy at the back of the class, The Rauf, Onjali Q	Hachette Children's Books	2018	9781510105010	At the back of the class there was an empty chair, but then one day a new boy arrives. Everyone wants to know more about this boy. He disappears at break times, he speaks no English and he is really good at soccer. Alexa and her friends learn that Ahmet has a big problem so they set about trying to help. They devise a plan, but what happens when they try to follow through with the plan?
120082	Boy from Bowral, The Ingpen, Robert	Walker Books	2008	9781921150647	Don Bradman's performances are unequalled by any batsman in the history of cricket. Read about his life from the early years playing with a makeshift bat in his Bowral backyard through to his famous bodyline series against England and his comeback after the War. Lots of statistics and illustrations.
660620	Boy giant: Son of Gulliver Morpurgo, Michael & Foreman, Michael	HarperCollins Australia	2019	9780008347925	"We were the truth of our own story.  Me, and the two tiny people on my shoulder, in the middle of the sea"  War has forced Omar and his mother to leave their home in Afghanistan and venture across the sea to Europe. When their boat sinks, and Omar finds himself alone, with no hope of rescue, it seems as if his story has come to an end. But it is only just beginning.  Because in the end, a little hope makes a big difference

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30340	Boy like me, A Hathorn, Libby & Whatley, Bruce	ABC Books	2013	9780733331350	Fragile and sometimes fleeting, peace can be lost and found in all of us, no matter who or where we are.
6097	Boy overboard Gleitzman, Morris	Penguin	2002	9780141308388	Jamal and Bibi are Afghani asylum seekers whose most precious possession is their soccer ball. They dream of being international soccer stars in a land where they don't have to worry about their ball hitting a landmine.
987826	Boy who didn't want to die, The Lantos, Peter	Scholastic UK	2023	9781761299643	Peter and his parents set out from a small Hungarian town, travelling through Austria and then Germany together. Along the way, unforgettable images of adventure flash one after another: sleeping in a tent and then under the sky, discovering a disused brick factory, catching butterflies in the meadows - and as Peter realises that this adventure is really a nightmare - watching bombs falling from the blue sky outside Vienna, learning maths from his mother in Belsen. All this is drawn against a background of terror, starvation, infection and, inevitably, death, before Peter and his mother can return home.
7822	Boy who fell off the Mayflower, The Lynch, J P	Walker Books	2015	9781406361636	In London, a young indentured servant, John Howland, is preparing for a sea journey to America. Religious persecution has fuelled the departure of many Pilgrims. By great good fortune, John survives falling overboard and earns his keep ashore by helping to scout a safe landing site. But, in the new land, food is scarce and living conditions are deplorable. Soon, John is forced to make a huge decision about his future.
2735	Boy who sailed ocean in an armchair, The Williamson, Lara	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2015	9781409576327	Eleven year old Becket Rumsey is all at sea. In the middle of the night, his dad has run away with him and his brother, Billy. They've left everything behind, including their almost-mum, Pearl, who gives great hugs. Their father tells them they need not contact Pearl, not even to say goodbye, and that they're starting at a new school after their holiday. Becket just wants is his family to be whole again. With lots of stories, one thousand paper cranes and a snail, Beckett is determined to make his wish come true.

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ID   803472	Boy who stepped through time, The Ciddor, Anna	Murdoch Books Australia	2021	9781760526443	When Perry steps into a crumbling ruin while on holiday in France, he is not expecting to be transported back 1700 years to Roman times. While he hunts desperately for a way home, he must blend in as a slave, even if it means eating mice for dinner!  Gradually, Perry is caught up in the fascinating world of grand Villa Rubia and a life he could never have imagined. But when he makes a new friend, he thinks he might already know her terrible fate.  Perry is faced with an impossible choice: to find his way home or stay and guard his friend's life and risk being trapped in the past forever!
53388	Boy who swam with piranhas, The Almond, David & Jeffers, Oliver (ill)	Candlewick Press	2013	9780763661694	As Stan journeys away from the life he's always known, he mingles with a carnival full of eccentric characters and meets the legendary Pancho Pirelli, the man who swims in a tank full of perilous piranhas. Will Stan be bold enough to dive in the churning waters himself and choose his pwn destiny.
13297	Boy who would live forever, The Simons, Moya	Puffin Australia	2003	9780143300311	Daniel is cursed with the fate of staying twelve forever. He doesn't know how or why. For two hundred years he has coped with the joy, and more often grief, it has caused him. Then he meets Sally and her daughter, Holly. Now it really matters.
846058	Boy with wings, The Henry, Lenny & Ferrell, Keenon (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2021	9781529077315	Tunde is different. His friends are different too. But there is something amazing about to happen to Tunde. Wings! And an impossible mission. Could he be the only one who could save the Earth? Luckily, he has the support of his friends and family but will they all be able to fly in the face of danger?
750998	Boy, the wolf and the stars, The Plozza, Shivaun	Puffin Australia	2020	9781760893453	In the land of UIV, stars no longer exist. Legend says they were devoured by a greedy wolf. When night falls, the shadow creatures are free to roam, and the villagers must stay home and light candles to keep safe.  Bo is a loner, shunned by the villagers because they don't understand how he survived a whole night in the woods, when his mother abandoned him as a baby. Mads the woodcutter is his guardian, but when he unexpectedly dies, Bo is sent on an epic quest. Accompanied by his only friend, Nix the fox, he must solve the riddles to find three magical keys, then find the wolf who stole the stars, and set them free. And if he manages to set them free, he can make a wish.

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1D 59506	Boys without names Sheth, Kashmira	HarperCollins US	2010	9780061857621	Eleven year old Gopal and his family leave their rural Indian village to find work in the big city, Mumbai. When a stranger promises Gopal a job, he jumps at the offer. But Gopal has been deceived. In a stuffy sweatshop, he and other boys are forced to work for no money, little food and without talking. Late one night, when Gopal shares kahanis, or stories, he realises that storytelling may help their survival, and escape.
130802	Boys' book, The: How to be the best at everything Enright, Dominique & Macdonald, Guy & Catlow, Niki (ill)	Hardie Grant Egmont	2007	9781921288128	An informative book that provides a diverse range of fun facts. Easy to read, interesting snippets of information including how to perform magic, get rid of hiccups or read tea leaves.
41497	Brambleheart Cole, Henry	HarperCollins US	2016	9780062245441	Twig is looking for who he will be in life. In the Hill, everyone studies a craft and becomes a Master's apprentice, but first you have to be good at something. Twig tries very hard in all his classes, but his imagination wanders to his favourite books or the delicious mayapples growing beyond the scavenge yardand then, well, he loses his focus. Unsure if he'll ever amount to anything, Twig sets out on a journey to discover himself. However, instead of finding answers, he stumbles upon a dragon's egg which soon hatches. But when he learns that his secret might hurt others, he's forced to make a choice between his place in the world and the feelings in his heart. And will protecting his new friends help him discover who he is meant to be?
869417	Brand new boy Almond, David & Altes, Marta (ill)	Walker Books	2020	9781406358087	The new boy is certainly strange. He is very polite and knows a lot of things in a very proper way. He is also amazing at soccer, but there is something odd about him. It could be the people who are always watching him and won't let him do things like eat chips. It could be that George just needs a chance to get away with the other kids and play if his minders only let him.
	Bravelands series Hunter, Erin				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
6981	Bravo Billy Arena, Felice	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2000	9780207198342	Thirteen year old Billy is passionate about his guitar and his favourite band.

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1D 1048699	Break: A Click graphic novel Miller, Kayla	Walker Books	2024	9781760655198	"Spring Break is full of possibilitiesbut not for Olive.  This year, Olive is leaving her friends and all of their exciting vacation plans behind to visit her dad at his new apartment in the city.  Goober is thrilled to spend a whole week with their father and has a long list of activities for their time together. Olive, on the other hand, still remembers the hurt of their dad moving halfway across the world. She would rather spend time with her friend Bree or scrolling through her new phone to keep up with everything she's missing back home than catch up with him.  As the week winds on, the normally easygoing Olive finds feelings of loneliness and resentment throwing her out of whack. Is there any hope of salvaging the visit-or will Olive's Spring Break be a Spring Bust?
6276	Bridget, a new Australian Moloney, James	Scholastic Australia	2015	9781742990989	During the Irish potato famine, Bridget's family has been turned out of their home and their only refuge is the workhouse, where living conditions are hard and the food sparse. For Bridget and her sister, Maeve, their one chance is to take a ship to a new country and become Australians. They must survive the journey then face the many challenges that await them in a new, far away land.
751219	Brightly woven Bracken, Alexandra	Quercus Children's Books	2021	9781786541567	Extraordinary things just don't happen to fourteen-year-old Sydelle Mirabil, a talented weaver who dreams about life outside of her tiny village. But that all changes when a mysterious young wizard named Wayland North appears and asks for Sydelle's help. He's got a shocking secret that could stop a war between kingdoms-if he can reach the capital with the news in time. North needs a navigator who can mend his magical cloaks, and Sydelle is perfect for the job.  As Sydelle and North race against the clock to deliver their message, they must contend with unusually wild weather and a dark wizard who will do anything to stop them. But the sudden earthquakes and freak snowstorms may not be a coincidence. As Sydelle discovers more about North's past and her own strange abilities, she realizes that the fate of the kingdom may rest in her fingertips.

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ID   660318	Brilliant ideas of Lily Green, The Sibrerry, Lisa	Hardie Grant Egmont	2019	9781760503659	Twelve-year-old Lily Green has brilliant ideas. She loves concocting unusual beauty products sure, they're often disasters, but every inventor has to start somewhere! And her family's salon seems like just the place. If only it still had customers  When Lily accidentally mixes up a string of wild and wonderful gloop from the mysterious plants in her neighbour's garden, she thinks she's struck gold. Her products work like magic, and she's sure they'll save the failing salon. But are Lily's creations as enchanting as they seem?
5573	Brindabella Dubosarsky, Ursula & Joyner, Andrew (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2018	9781760112042	Pender lives with his father, in a honey coloured sandstone house with green shutters, on the edge of the bush. While out walking, Pender finds a kangaroo shot by hunters and with a joey in her pouch. Pender and his father rescue the young kangaroo, Brindabella, and take her home. Soon they form a close and touching friendship, but kangaroos are not dogs and Brindabella yearns to be free.  Their paths do cross again but not how you would imagine.
43479	Bring it on Stanley, Jo	The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd	2017	9781760409470	Sarah loves to crack jokes, but no one at her new school is laughing, not even her first day buddy Hanh. Even worse, no one at Milsborough West Primary surfs and that's Sarah's favourite thing in the world! Sarah is a big fan of Aussie Rules football, but she has never played. Will coach Shawna let Sarah join the Flyers and be part of the team?
1021250	Britannica all new children's encyclopaedia Lloyd, Christopher (Ed) & Ruffle, Mark & Tite, Jack (ill)	Britanica Books	2020	9781912920471	Britannica's All New Children's Encyclopaedia is a treasure trove of information for people who love facts. With detailed colour illustrations, whether you are fascinated by ancient history, the outer reaches of space or sustainability, this encyclopaedia has something for you!
59	Brocky's bananagram Metzenthen, David	Scholastic Australia	2003	9781865045788	Matt Brock and his friend write a message on a banana which is to be shipped out from his dad's plantation. What a surprise when they receive a reply.
12548	Bronze and Sunflower Wenxuan, Cao & Wang, Helen (trans)	Walker Books	2015	9781406348460	In China, during the Cultural Revolution, Sunflower, a young city girl, moves to the country. Life is lonely and isolated until she meets Bronze, who, unable to speak, is ostracised by the village boys. The pair becomes inseparable. When Bronze's family agrees to take Sunflower in, she is overjoyed and Bronze has got the sister he always wanted. But, life is hard and Bronze's family can barely afford to feed themselves.

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ID   649005	Bruno the boisterous blue dog from the bush Osborne, Robyn & Phillips, John (ill)	Big Sky Publishing	2018	9781925675504	Barefoot Bob and Bruno live together in a broken down barracks surrounded by the beautiful Aussie bush. Although they don't have much in the bank, they are the best of buddies and life is bonzer. Then one day Bob hits the bonanza and everything changes. Without a backward glance, Bob and Bruno move to the big smoke. But is this fancy new life better than the one they had in the bush? An alliterative, humorous tale which celebrates mateship and introduces young readers to the quintessential language of the Australian bush.
18462		Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2006	9780340911846	Bullies push you around, bigmouths make sarcastic comments about you and so-called friends tell your secrets. Don't feel like a loser, just build up your defences. This book shows you how.
6348	Bully chip, The Wood, Glenn	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781921977640	A year after they defeated the evil Lester Smythe, Callum, Sophie and Jinx are having problems with two bullies who are targeting them at school. The friends do not back down and take on the bullies. But could the bullies' evil power be the work of Lester Smythe again.
6477	Bungawitta Rodda, Emily	Scholastic Australia	2011	9781862918337	The town of Bungawitta is so dry that the youngest resident, Glory-Alice, has only ever seen rain on television. The residents have to work out how to bring people to the dying town, where the sun always shines.
2963	Bureau of Mysteries Harper, H J & Ziersch, Nahum (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2012	9781742752143	George Feather lives an uneventful life. That is, until he falls down a chimney and discovers the Bureau of Mysteries, an eccentric group of investigators and codebreakers who live between the floors of a hotel. George is recruited and with his partner, Imp, must follow trails of evidence and try to crack the codes left behind by the suspects. The tricky cryptic clues must be solved in time to save the city.
1980	Burning the bails: the story of the ashes Bell, Krista & Walters, Ainsley (ill)	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2013	9780987313980	When Russell witnesses his mother burning wooden bails from a friendly cricket match between Australia and England, little does he know just how important that night becomes in sporting history.
63	Burnt stick, The Hill, Anthony & Sofilas, Mark (ill)	Penguin	1996	9780140369298	An Aboriginal boy is removed from his mother, despite her desperate efforts to disguise his fair skin by rubbing him with charcoal from a burnt stick.
2693	Dennis, C J & Huxley, Dee (ill)	Black Dog Books			It's Christmas in the bush and the sun burns hotly through the gums.  Down the road old Rogan comes for a bite of tucker and a beer. Mum's in the kitchen cooking up a turkey and plum pudding. A famous Australian poem revisited.
120128	Bush tucka, good tucka Brown, Jan & Madden, Robert (ill)	Indij Readers	2007	9780980359367	An hilarious trip to the supermarket for two Aboriginal kids and their weary Nan to buy bush tucka, sees the children being both cheeky and rambunctiously helpful. Contains bush tucka recipes for banana jelly and fried scones.

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ID 28038		Pearson Education Australia	2009	9781740703994	Two elders share the stories and knowledge of food and medicine from Jarlmadangah Burru and the Nyikina people who live there.
8850	Bushrangers Rushby, Pamela	Harcourt Education Australia	2003	9781740659789	Interesting information about some of the more colourful characters in Australia's bushranging history.
15060	Bushrangers, heroes, victims or villains Bruce, Jill B & Wade, Jan (ill)	Five Senses Publications	2013	9780731811915	Read about what made people choose to become bushrangers. Readers can decide whether the bushrangers' actions made them victims, villains or heroes.
33951	Butterflies close up Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2014	9781742033044	Butterflies undergo one of the most amazing transformations experienced by any living creature. Take a closer look at these beautiful, flying insects.
64	Buzzard breath & brains Moloney, James	University of Queensland Press	1998	9780702229565	The funny and moving sequel to, Swashbuckler. When the principal's prized rose garden is vandalised, Rex and Tony, get the blame. But it is a set-up, and Tony is ""making enquiries"". Rex discovers a dilemma, a new friend and even netball.
	Cairo Jim series McSkimming, Geoffrey				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
12431	Call of the Osprey Jorgensen, Norman & Harrison-Lever, Brian	Fremantle Press	2004	9781920731854	When Tom offers to help the captain restore an old steam boat, he enters a world of blisters and barnacles, pirates and gun-runners, shipwrecks and sea creatures. As Tom works side by side with the captain, their friendship grows and strengthens.
871638	Callers, The Thomas, Kiah	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9781460762141	In Elipsom, Calling is a coveted skill. Despite being born into a family of Callers, Quin doesn't have the gift. But everything changes when instead of summoning an object, Quin makes something disappear. The discovery this leads to changes his whole world and he must decide where his loyalties lie and follow his moral compass.
1034	Callie Park, Ruth	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2009		A reissue combining two books, Callie's castle and Callie's family. Callie's castle is already on the PRC booklist with ID 67. You can read Callie's family using the ID number 1034. Callie is an ordinary child living in an extraordinary old house. She is bitterly disappointed when she is just one month too old at twelve to be able to go to Denmark with her dad as no-one can afford the adult fare she now needs.
67	Callie's castle Park, Ruth	HarperCollins Australia	1994	9780207186240	Callie's Grandpa Cameron discovers a secret room in the roof of her house and it becomes her secret hideaway.

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ID   901458	Calling of Jackdaw Hollow, The Gordon, Kate	University of Queensland Press	2022	9780702263484	When Jackdaw Hollow is orphaned by a lightning strike, he is taken in by the headmistress of Direleafe Hall. Even though he grows up with her love and care, he feels undeserving, as if the universe made a mistake in sparing him. As he searches for the reason he survived the storm, he befriends Angeline, a wildling girl who knows where her destiny lies - the circus.  But when he goes too far in trying to find his own calling, will he lose sight of what's most important?
18382	Cameras in Narnia Brodie, Ian	HarperCollins NZ	2005	9781869505806	Detailed book of the making of the film, 'The Chronicles of Narnia'. A fascinating look at the process of film-making.
2948	Camp crazy Trewin, Trudie	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd			Daks and his mates are camping. No parents, just four mates alone with nature. But then they find a hidden camp. Is it the legendary Jungle Jim or someone much more sinister.
38087	Camp croc Trewin, Trudie	Walker Books	2011	9781921720031	Camp Trib is legendary and Daks is finally there after years of waiting. So, too, are some wildlife smugglers. It's a jungle out there and Daks and his mates are in for an unexpected adventure at camp. Perhaps, they should be more afraid of the smugglers than the wildlife.
797478	Camp: A Click graphic novel Miller, Kayla	Walker Books	2022	9781760654924	Olive and Willow are off on a two week summer camp. They plan to do everything together, but with so many new people and activities, the two girls are pulled in different directions. Willow is not as confident as Olive and relies on her for comfort. Olive wants to try all the things camp has to offer. This puts an enormous strain on their friendship which may not ast the summer camp.
21346	Can we save the tiger Jenkins, Martin & White, Vicky (ill)	Walker Books	2011	9781406319095	Tigers are big, beautiful and fierce. But, like many other animals, they are in danger of becoming extinct, with fewer than two thousand five hundred breeding adult tigers left in the world. But, the outlook is not all gloomy. Positive action is taking place to protect this threatened species as well as other endangered animals such as the bison, the Antarctic fur seal and the kakapo.
1045	Cannily, cannily French, Simon	Penguin	1999	9780141305240	Constantly moving, Trevor is always the new boy. His home is a caravan and school is a strange desk in an unfamiliar classroom. He has his way of coping, of fitting into each new place but this time it's different and things start to go horribly wrong.

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ID	Captain Congo series Starke, Ruth & Holfeld, Greg (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
26342	Captain Cook and the Endeavour Lefroy, Mike	Black Dog Books	2010	9781742031286	Captain Cook was from a poor farming family and his ship, the Endeavour, was originally named the Earl of Pembroke. After their voyages around the world, both came to be celebrities in history.
120129	Captain Cook's apprentice Hill, Anthony	Penguin Books Australia	2008	9780143004820	When young Isaac Manley sailed from England with Captain James Cook on the Endeavour in 1768, no one knew if the mysterious southern continent really existed. During his three years at sea, Isaac witnessed floggings, huge storms, press-gangs and violent clashes as well as the tropical beauty of Hawaii and the wonders of New Zealand.
18337	Captain Fact's human body adventure Knife & Packer	Egmont Childrens	2005	9781405217699	Fantasy characters travel through the body explaining various organs and their functions. A fun and matter of fact look at the internal functions of the human body, both pleasant and unpleasant.
71	Captain Mack Roy, James	University of Queensland Press	1999	9780702231070	Danny has a difficult time at school. The school bully picks on him and Danny's friend, Captain Mack, still thinks that he is a POW and wants to return home.
825557	Caravan at the edge of doom, The Beckett, Jim	HarperCollins Australia	2021	9781405298285	Four exploding grandparents. Twenty four hours in the Land of the Dead. One Epic adventure. An action packed, magical story full of humour and heart.
901546	Caravan at the edge of doom, The: Foul prophecy Beckett, Jim & Muza, Olia (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9781405298292	Twelve year old Harley just wants a normal life, but it is her destiny to be a Legendary Hero in the Land of the Dead. Now it is time for Harley to travel back through the Portal of Doom and rescue her best friend, battle with a massive fish and solve a mysterious prophecy. This is an incredible adventure including a dangerous toilet and a perilous rescue.
18484	Carbonel: the prince of cats Sleigh, Barbara	Penguin	2005	9780141319735	A young girl buys a broom that belonged to a witch and a black cat, Carbonel, comes along as part of the deal. With the help of a little boy, they try to break a spell to help Carbonel reclaim his position as king of cats.
667561	Cardboard kingdom Sell, Chad	Random House Children's Books	2019	9781524719388	With a lot of cardboard, tape and imagination, the neighbourhood has become transformed into a kingdom of magic, mayhem, heroes and villains. Everyone has a role to play!

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1D   5305	Care and feeding of a pet black hole, The Cuevas, Michelle	Simon & Schuster	2018	9781471170188	Stella Rodriguez learns the hard way that caring for a black hole can be a rather complicated thing. They are fantastic at swallowing stuff - all the stuff she no longer wants around, like scratchy sweaters and her brother Cosmo's annoying toy. More importantly Stella finds that she can get rid of other things, things that remind her of her dad, who died recently, things that remind her to be sad. It's gets even more interesting when the black hole accidentally swallows something far too precious to lose and Stella has to go deep inside on an epic, interstellar adventure to save her whole world. Who knew that have a pet black hole could be so much trouble?
1019842	Caroline Wilson, Mark	Windy Hollow Books	2023	9781922081018	You may have heard the name of Caroline Chisholm but her devotion to the poor and needy is a part of Australian history that is not often told. Caroline' is an inspiring retelling of the life of one of Australia's most famous women. Her selfless devotion to people in need changed the lives of many for the better and she is an inspiring hero deserving of recognition.
806	Cartboy and the time capsule Campbell, L.A.	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743314807	Hal Rifkind wonders why he can't have the easy life he craves - a room of his own, time to play video games with his best mate Arnie and most of all, surviving grade six. Instead he has to share his room with his twin baby sisters, is only permitted 15 minutes of video games on weekends and he has a year-long history assignment to complete.
1019793	Casander Darkbloom and the threads of power Staff, PA	Walker Books	2023	9781529506280	When Cas meets a girl named Warrior, he enters a magical world that is waiting for Cas to save it. But first, Cas must master his magical abilities at Wayward School.
619992	Castle Hill rebellion Michaels, Chrissie	Scholastic Australia	2019	9781742991863	When Joe is dragged into a deadly plot by rebellious convicts at the Castle Hill prison farm, he quickly realises it does not pay to be their enemy. He has been quietly working out his sentence as a shepherd boy and does not want to draw any additional attention.  However, Joe eventually finds himself amidst a desperate bid for freedom in the first convict uprising against the colony of New South Wales.
119514	Castles Thompson, Colin	Red Fox	2007		A totally creative picture book which will fascinate children. Thompson's imaginary castles will provide endless hours of enjoyment for the readers as they move from page to page.
596826	Cat called Trim, A Fenton, Corinne & Smith, Craig (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760631840	Trim was a cat born for adventureThis is the true story of a courageous, mischievous and fearless cat called Trim, who sailed with Matthew Flinders on his voyages to map the coastline of Australia and beyond.

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1D 4642	Cat mummy, The Wilson, Jacqueline & Sharratt, Nick (ill)	Corgi Books	2009		Verity is devastated when Mabel, her adored cat, dies. School lessons about the Ancient Egyptians lead Verity to attempt to honour Mabel with an Ancient Egyptian mummification. Verity's mum died during childbirth and her dad and grandparents have avoided speaking to her about it, but now it is time to talk.
1030431	Cat's Cradle: The golden twine Rioux, Jo	First Second	2022	9781250625366	Dreaming of one day taming monsters, orphan street urchin Suri finds her self-confidence, cleverness, and ambition serving her well when a mysterious new wagon holding something monstrous joins her merchant camp.
751079	Catch me if I fall Jonsberg, Barry	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021		Brother and sister Ashley and Aiden share a special bond as identical twins. While much of the world has been drastically changed by environmental catastrophe, they live a privileged life thanks to the work of their scientist mother. When Aiden comes to Ashley's rescue he is hurt and their life gets turned on its head.
685292	Caterpillar summer McDunn, Gillian	Bloomsbury	2019	9781526606266	Cat seems to be the only one to be able to understand, calm, and even find her lilttle brother Chicken when he is having a meltdown. Since the death of their father, Cat takes on the role of a parent more and more as her mother spends more time at work. When a job opportunity arises for their mum, Cat and Chicken find themselves spending the summer with grandparents they've never met on an island they have never visited before. It might be terribly awkward or it might be a chance to come together as a family.
76	Cathy Freeman Dolan, Beth	Heinemann	1997	9781863918619	A biography of one of Australia's most famous athletes and one of the books in the Young Achievers series.
18688	Catland Starke, Ruth	Penguin	2005	9780143302018	Having to stay with her Dad, his new wife and two stepdaughters when her mum goes to India is not as bad as Rose first thinks. Her stepmother is mounting a campaign against cats and a neighbour who has lots of them. Rose finds a solution.
15365	Cats in Krasinski Square, The Hesse, Karen & Watson, Wendy (ill)	Scholastic US			The cats in Krasinski Square once belonged to someone and so did a young girl whose family has been destroyed by war. Even as she and her sister struggle to survive amid the war's chaos, they risk their lives in a plan to help others.
1209929	Caution! this book contains deadly reptiles Tutt, Corey & Williams, Ben (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025	9781761181030	Corey Tutt a Kamilaroi man OAM of Yuin Country NSW and Ben Williams, Jangala/Jaburrah from Warlmanpa Country NT with the knowledge of many others have brought together this book about reptiles across 20 First Nations Country and language that you may not know about, are they endangered? Facts about Deadly Reptiles!

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4303	Cedar, seals and whaling ships Nicholson, John	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2007	9781741750034	Explores the developing technology and economy of Australia at the hands of the new white settlers: whaling, sealing, farming, timber-felling, ship-building, exploring and transporting goods by land and sea.
21693	Celebrating Australia: a year in poetry Marwood, Lorraine	Walker Books	2015	9781925081022	A collection of poems connected by many of the key days and celebrations throughout the year in Australia. It includes special days such as Chinese New Year, Harmony Day, Diwali, Ramadan and ANZAC Day, as well as important days like your birthday and the first day of school.
587879	Cells to organ systems Midthun, Joseph & Hiti, Samuel (ill)	World Book	2014	9780716618409	If you have ever wondered what a cell is, or how they make life, this book will explain it all. Go on a journey of discovery with humorous, colourful cartoon characters, to learn what cytoplasm, vacuoles, and chromosomes are, and how they form part of you.
720988	Center of gravity Grimes, Shaunta	MacMillan	2021	9781250763075	Tessa has always been anxious, but it's become worse since her mother died a few months ago.  To calm herself down she cuts out photos of missing kids from milk cartons and keeps them in a file. It helps her feel like she's not alone. Her friends are drifting away. Then worst of all, Tessa's dad announces suddenly that he's getting married - and that his fiance is pregnant. His fiance's parents gift them a house at the beach, and Tessa must move. As Tessa navigates new friendships with a group of misfit boys and a new stepmother, she realizes she must let go of old friends and old habits if she wants to regain control of her life.
587746	Centre of magic, The Freeman, Pamela & Gamble, Kim (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1998	9781864488548	A power-hungry wizard has let loose the Wild Magic, and every creature in its path is transformed. An earl becomes a cat, a coachman turns into a ferret, the chancellor is suddenly a hobgoblin, even King Max begins to change. Will Floramonde ever be the same again? Princess Betony and Prince Basil are determined to find the wizard and rescue their country, braving wolves, giants and other dangers along the way. But they need help, and it comes from a surprising source.
42065	Certain music, A Walters, Celeste & Spudvilas, Anne (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741663334	In 1823, a young, lonely girl spends much of her time hiding in the Vienna Woods. She spies an old man, a composer, and they form an odd friendship which develops through their mutual love of music. A story of how she triumphs over difficult circumstances and how people can help each other.

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ID  1209717	Charles Dickens' Great expectations: Abridged for younger readers Kennedy A.L. & Dickens, Charles & Sorrentino, Flavia (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529501926	Pip spends his formative years haunted by a brief and scary encounter with an escaped convict. As an adult, he unexpectedly comes into a fortune and sets about becoming the kind of gentleman that can woo the stunning but cold Estella. What does Pip lose in his pursuit of great expectations?What, if anything, will make him finally rediscover himself?
1128	Charlie and the chocolate factory Dahl, Roald	Puffin UK	2002	9780141311302	Willy Wonka, the eccentric chocolate-maker, opens his doors to the public. Young Charlie Bucket and four unworthy fellow winners, have the opportunity to discover some extraordinary secrets. For Charlie, life will never be the same again.
4599	Charlie and the great glass elevator Dahl, Roald	Puffin Australia	2007	9780141322698	Charlie Bucket has won Willy Wonka's chocolate factory and is on his way to take possession of it, in a great glass elevator. When the elevator makes a fearful whooshing noise, Charlie and his family find themselves in splendid orbit around the Earth. A daring adventure has begun, with Willy Wonka leading the way.
14199	Charlie and the karaoke cockroaches Brough, Alan	Pan MacMillan	2017	9781743548448	"I didn't want the exterminator to be flattened by a flying sink. I just wanted a home for the cockroaches." Charlie is thrown into an adventure when his new friend Vivien hands him a mysterious box and makes him swear to look after it no matter what
1267	Charlie and the war against the grannies Brough, Alan	Pan MacMillan	2016	9781743540121	"I didn't want Mrs Cyclopolos to explode. I just wanted a paper round." Charlie find himself at war with the grannies after they squirt hot sauce in his face and make him think he's dead. Throw in a glass eye, snot-covered hankies and some mysterious underground people, and you have a fantastic adventure!
80	Charlie Carver stacks it Stiller, Laurie	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	1997	9780091832964	Quirky tales and scientific principles are included in the bizarre disasters that befall the Carver family.
617176	Charlie changes into a chicken Copeland, Sam & Horne, Sarah (ill)	Penguin	2019	9780241346211	Charlie McGuffin is just an ordinary boy dealing with a range of typical problems. However, one day his life is completely turned upside down when he discovers he can transform into different animals! How will Charlie find a way to deal with his new powers and keep clear of the resident school bully?
14338	Charlotte and the starlet Warner, Dave	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2007	9781741661248	Charlotte is a thirteen year old girl with aspirations of joining the Junior Olympic Equestrian Squad. She loves riding and knows she is good but nothing has prepared her for the dirty tricks that other competitors have up their sleeves.
1019894	Charlotte Bronte's Jane Eyre: Abridged for younger readers Lawrence, Patrice & Bronte, Charlotte	Walker Books	2024	9781529506624	A delightful retelling of the classic story Jane Eyre. The story follows orphan Jane and her courage to be brave throughout her time at the mysterious Thornfield Hall. Even when things are unexpectant Jane shows resourceful to follow her vision to be loved and wanted.

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ID 81	Charlotte's web White, E B	Puffin USA	1973		Charlotte, the spider, spins messages in her web to help save her friend, Wilbur, the pig.
75725	Chaucer's Canterbury tales Williams, Marcia	Walker Books	2007	9780744570076	Nine classic tales of Chaucer, including The Knight, the Miller, the Reeve, the Wife of Bath, the Franklin, the Clerk, the Summoner, the Pardoner and the Nun's Priest, are presented in comic style format. Chaucer is also represented as a character, who greets and farewells the readers.
628160	Cheeky dogs: To Lake Nash and back Bell, Johanna & Beasley, Dion (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760528119	Meet deaf artist, Dion Beasley, and the people he calls family. Dodging road trains by day and giant blue monsters at night, Dion weaves his way through life on an electric scooter, collecting rocks and dogs to make art. In his dreams he sees animals from overseas and his mother's country, Lake Nash, but every morning, without fail, he puts on his favourite socks and gets ready to feed the dogs. Is it time yet?
1217	Chelonia Green: champion of turtles Mattingley, Christobel	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			Michelle, alias Chellie, (Chelonia is the scientific name for the green turtle), lives with her parents on a remote island off the coast of Queensland. When a cherished loggerhead turtle dies after being choked by a carelessly discarded fishing line, Chellie sets out on a clean-up campaign, using some very effective letter writing and emailing.
5370	Chess nuts Lawrinson, Julia	Puffin Australia	2010	9780143304708	Jackson is sporty and popular. Anna is number one in the school chess squad. These two will have to get along once the game changes. Includes schoolyard banter.
616954	Chester Parsons is not a gorilla Ford, Martyn	Faber & Faber	2019	9780571332236	When Chester discovers he can mind jump, he becomes a hit on his sister Amy's YouTube channel. An instant star, he does his most daring mind jump yet, into the brain of Tito the gorilla. The trouble is, when he tries to return to his own body - it's gone! Has it been stolen? But who would want it, and why? And how come Chester suddenly wants to search Amy's hair for fleas? The quest to find the answers takes him on a journey beyond his wildest imagination.
10869	Chewing-gum kid, The Dawe, Bruce	Penguin	2002	9780143300052	Simon Bright has a feeling that this week is going to be different and he's right. After the discovery of the Super-Gum, his life changes.
9252	Chicken Stu Luff, Nathan	Scholastic Australia	2010	9781741695564	Stu is a wuss, a weakling, a soft city kid. His cousins are tough farm kids who are daredevils. When Stu is packed off to the country for the summer, he has to face the dangers that lurk behind every tree, demonic lambs, yabby-infested tanks and, worst of all, his cousins.

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ID 660744	Chicken's curse, The Watts, Frances	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9781760525569	Felix works for the general, but not for much longer! He escapes the generals camp and runs straight into Livia. When they realise, they are both heading to Rome, they decide to travel together, along with a sacred chicken, that has also left the general's camp. The journey takes them across several lands, with many adventures and new people, both good and bad. Will the sacred chicken help to get them to their final destination or will he be side-tracked by his love of cake?
1209936	Chickenpox Lai, Remy	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025	9781250863294	When Abbey's friend Monica gets chicken pox and then it comes to her family and they are to stay at home for two weeks her life is upended. How can she possibly retain her friendship if she has to play games and distract her brothers and sisters from scratching and fighting amongst themselves. She was the big sister, the responsible one and it was not what a 12 year old Abbey wishes for. But through it all she realises something good is happening through the spots and itches. But being cut off from friends was difficult. Hilarious and funny you really will not want to stop reading this.
82	Chickpea Syme, Marguerite Hann	Scholastic Australia	1998	9781863886420	Hooman, a young Iranian Australian boy, lives with his widower father and irritating younger sister, Mina. His pet hen, Chickpea, becomes broody over a clutch of infertile eggs and refuses to leave the nest.
647189	Child of St Kilda Waters, Beth	Child's Play International Ltd	2019	9781786281876	Norman John Gillies was one of the last children ever born on St Kilda, five years before the whole population was evacuated forever. People had lived on these islands for over 4000 years, developing a thriving, tightly-knit society. Why and how did this ancient way of life suddenly cease in 1930?
84	Child's dreaming Gilbert, Kevin	Hyland House	1992	9780947062972	Kevin Gilbert is an Aboriginal artist and poet and his poems focus on the Australian outback, in particular, the fauna.
983	Child's introduction to ballet, A Lee, Laura & Hamilton, Meredith (ill)	ABC Books	2007	9780733323447	Experience dance in a whole new way by listening to the accompanying CD while reading about the history of ballet and its most famous dancers, composers and choreographers. Find out about the different ballet steps and positions, and read the wonderful stories of the world's greatest ballets.
616952	Children of the dragon: The race for the red dragon Lim, Rebecca	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760297374	On their way to the Wudang Mountains to discover the fate of Qing's father and sisters, Qing and Harley make an unscheduled stop after they hear rumours of an ancient vase emblazoned with a red dragon. Enemies are everywhere, and Harley and Qing must race evil forces across Hong Kong and Southern China to find the legendary vase. Qing's magic is growing in power, but is it enough to counter the human and otherworldly forces that are determined to stop them at all costs?

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1D   571053	Children of the dragon: The relic of the blue dragon Lim, Rebecca	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2018	9781760297367	Harley Spark is just an ordinary thirteen-year-old kid who lives with his mum, Delia. Rumour has it that his dad, Ray, is an international crime figure with a talent for nicking old, valuable things. So when Harley finds an antique Chinese vase on the footpath, something compels him to stuff it under his school jumper and run for home. Little does he know he's about to reignite a centuries-old war between two ancient, supernatural families
7984	Children of the king, The Hartnett, Sonya	Penguin	2012	9780670076130	Cecily, Jeremy and a young refugee, May, have been sent to live with Uncle Peregrine in the country, safe from the war in London. But, when Cecily and May find two mysterious boys hiding out in a nearby castle ruin, and Jeremy runs away to London to help in the war effort, several destinies come together to make an extraordinary adventure.
9315	Children of the new forest, The Marryatt, Captain F	Wordsworth Editions Ltd	2002	9781853261107	Cavaliers and Roundheads battle it out in the turbulent setting of the English Civil war, providing the background for this classic tale of four orphans trying to survive in the forest.
903378	Children of the Stone city Naidoo, Beverley	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2022	9780008471774	Adam, his sister Leila and their friend Zac live as Nons under the Permitted ruling class. But when Adam and Leila's father dies unexpectedly, their mother faces losing her permit to live in the Stone City and risks being sent back to where she was born, on the other side of the Wall. Before music loving Adam can implement his plan to save Mama, Zac is arrested for a bold prank that goes wrong, with repercussions for them all.
4445	Children's treasury of Milligan, A Milligan, Spike	Viking UK	2001	9781852278915	A rare and delightful collection of Spike Milligan's humour for children that includes 'Best of silly verse for kids', 'Milliganisms' and more.
846141	Chime seekers, The Montgomery, Ross	Walker Books	2021	9781406391190	Yanni resents being a big brother but when his baby sister is stolen by an evil faerie, Yanni must race against time before she is lost forever. Battling goblins and dodging potentially fatal faerie trickery, Yanni, with the help of his cousin Amy, discovers that courage, trust and love can be powerful weapons against the darkest evil.
10910	Chinaga Calandar Talan agrica	Black Dog Books	2009	9781742030746	They look cute and cuddly but don't underestimate them. Our closest living, animal relatives use tools to hunt, can hold a grudge and even use computers to communicate.
	Chinese Calendar Tales series Brennan, Sarah				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID 21422	Chook called Harry, A Gwynne, Phillip & Denton, Terry (ill)	Puffin Australia	2009	9780143303473	There are ten chooks in the chook house and Chris collects the eggs every day. When his favourite chook, Happy Harry, stops laying, Chris's Dad says that she's not pulling her weight and will have to go. Chris must work out a way to save her. Some derogatory language used in context.
	Choose your own adventure series Montgomery, R A				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
81625	Christian the lion Bourke, Anthony & Rendall, John & Knowles, Ruth (adapt)	Random House Children's Books	2009	9781862309562	Two young Australian men, Ace and John, who were living in London in the swinging 60s, bought themselves a real lion cub from Harrods department store. This book follows their journey to raise a lion cub in a big city and then attempt to return him to the wild, with the support of famed lion expert, George Adamson.
7234	Christina's Matilda Wignell, Edel & Botte, Elizabeth (ill)	IP (Interactive Publications Pty Ltd)	2011	9781921479878	Most people know the words to the song Waltzing Matilda and that it was written by the poet Banjo Paterson. But, not many know the origin of the tune. In 1885, Christina Macpherson played an old Scottish marching tune and Banjo Paterson, who was visiting the family, liked it and wrote words to accompany the music. Banjo and the song became famous but Christina's role was forgotten until the 1970s.
1175450	Chronicles of a lizard nobody Ness, Patrick & Miller, Tim (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529517958	Zeke's assumption that his role as Hall Monitor will be boring could not be more wrong. Pelicarnassus - fellow student, bully, and aspiring supervillain - is holding a grudge which quickly escalates. How will Zeke respond? Will he rise to the challenge of saving the school - and possibly the world - from a power-hungry pelican? A truly bonkers, must-read tale of friendship, courage, and craziness.
	Chronicles of Krangor series Pryor, Michael				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1209697	Chronicles of Whetherwhy: The Age of Enchantment James, Anna	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008611583	In Whetherwhy, everyone possesses magic tied to the changing seasons, but only a rare few are Enchanters, born with the ability to control all four seasons. When 13 year old Juniper learns she is an Enchanter, she is invited to study at Thistledown Academy. Her twin brother, Rafferty, determined not to be left behind, follows her to the city of Stormgrove where he begins an apprenticeship at a bookbindery.
4970	Chronologica: Incredible years that defined history, The Bloomsbury & Powell, Debbie (ill) & Hancher, Adam (ill)	Bloomsbury	2016	9781472932945	Chronologica is an informative and entertaining glimpse into history, beautifully illustrated and full of incredible facts. This book has a combination of both major and lessor known historical events, ranging from Napoleon Bonaparte, the first emperor of France, to Adolphe Sax, who patented the Saxophone. Chronologica is full of facts and figures, and will entertain history buffs and inspire some new ones.
36171	Cicada summer Constable, Kate	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2009	9781741758283	Two years ago, Eloise's mother died and, over time, sadness has taken her voice. Her father, preoccupied with grandiose schemes that allow him to run from his own grief, ignores what is happening with Eloise's quietness. When Eloise meets Anna, a girl from another time, things begin to change as Eloise finds the peace and safety she needs to heal.
751162	Cinders and sparrows Bachmann, Stefan	HarperCollins US	2020	9780063060562	Orphaned housemaid Zita Brydgeborn receives a letter delivered by a scarecrow and discovers that she has inherited a castle and a magical legacy as a witch. Her new guardian, Mrs Cantanker reluctantly begins teaching Zita charms & spells. She soon forms friendships with the servants and some of the castle's more friendly supernatural occupants, including a talking statue and the ghost of a dog. As Zita explores the castle's quirky changing landscape and embraces her newfound magical skills she becomes determined to solve the mystery of what has really happened to her family.
34385	Circle Baker, Jeannie	Walker Books	2016	9781406338010	Each year, bar-tailed godwits undertake the longest migration of any bird. They fly from Australia and New Zealand to their breeding grounds in the Arctic, and then back again. The godwits follow invisible pathways that have been followed for thousands of years, while braving hunger and treacherous conditions to reach their destination.

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ID   89141	City of Ember, The DuPrau, Jeanne	Corgi Books	2008	9780552559980	Endless darkness is threatening the underground city of Ember. Food is in short supply, corruption is spreading and the lights keep failing. Soon Ember could be engulfed by darkness. Lina and Doon must find a way to escape before the lights go out forever.
35556	City of secret rivers, The Weinstein, Jacob Sager & Cook, Euan (ill)	Walker Books	2017	9781406368857	Hyacinth is not at all pleased to move to London with her mother, partly because she still hopes her parents might get back together. Even her love of history does not make London more appealing, even less so when she opens her grandmother's farewell gift of a book titled A History of the Sewers of London (which she is bored enough to actually read), although she is puzzled, intrigued and a little anxious when the accompanying card foretells terrible danger, with no clue as to what it might be. She soon discovers a world of magic and strange creatures and places. All is definitely not what it seems and it is not at all certain whom she can trust. With her mother's life at stake Hyacinth must use all her skills to find the right path to prevent a catastrophe.
	Clarice Bean series Child, Lauren				Spunky 12-year-old Clarice Bean Tuesday and her adventures at home and at school!  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
857907	Clash: A Click graphic novel Miller, Kayla	Walker Books	2022	9781760655174	Natasha is going to be one of the coolest kids in Year 6. Everyone wants to be her friend, including Olive. Olive tries her best but they always seem to clash, whats going on? Olive feels that her friends are starting to like Natasha more than her who could blame them, she is so cool. Olive is just well, Olive.
783569	Class full of lizards, A Hart, Alison	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760877378	It's the first day back at school and I've already got three questions:  1. When is my family's disgusting diet going to end?  2. How will I finish my group project on time?  3. Why is my best friend Alex suddenly not talking to me?  If that's not bad enough, the classroom is overrun with lizards. At least things can't get worse, right?

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1D   18481		Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2005	9780385608350	Em and her siblings are devastated by their dad's departure. Em escapes to a fantasy world with the help of a reindeer glove puppet.
18361	Clemency Pogue: fairy killer Petty, J T & Davis, Will (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2005	9780689872365	When Clemency is attacked by a mean fairy, she shouts, 'I don't believe in fairies' and accidentally kills six of them. This funny story describes her efforts to put things right.
797479	Click: A Click graphic novel Miller, Kayla	Houghton Mifflin	2019	9781328707352	Olive is a popular and happy year five girl with lots of friends, but when she finds herself on the outside of several groups formed to enter the school's talent show, she feels resentment and is hurt at being left out. With some good advice from her aunt, she decides she can do an act on her own and finds a new level of confidence in herself.
846110	Climate action: what happened and what we can do Simon, Seymour	HarperCollins Children's Books	2021	9780062943309	Around the world, young people like Greta Thunberg, Xiye Bastida Patrick and countless others are taking action to combat climate change and raise awareness. This book explains the devastating effects of climate change and how humans have contributed to the problem. It shares the stories of young people who have become an important part of the solution.
888	Cloud road, The Carmody, Isobelle	Penguin	2013	9780670075188	Adventure and danger follow Bily, Zluty, Redwing and the Monster as they cross a desert and journey through high stony mountains in search of a new home.
60376	Cloudchasers, The Hunt, Steven (ill) & Richardson, David	ABC Books	2009	9780733322259	In the grey streets of Bankertown, Alice dares to rebel, escaping into the clouds in a hot air balloon. She is determined to restore imagination and freedom to Bankertown, but the terrifying Catcher is on her trail.
68863	Cloudchasers, The: the east wind Hunt, Steven (ill) & Richardson, David	ABC Books	2009	9780733325687	Alice, Thomas and Spinner are being pursued by the Catcher through many terrifying and fantastic cloud lands, in their search for the Banker's father and to expose secrets to save Bankertown.
6502	Coat, The Hunt, Julie & Brooks, Ron (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781741146059	The Coat stood in a paddock at the end of a row of strawberries. It was buttoned up tight, stuffed full of straw and it was angry. It recognises itself as a top-of-the-line coat and feels wasted as a scarecrow. When a gust of wind fills the arm of the scarecrow, a man walking along the path thinks it's waving. The man puts on the coat and a magical adventure begins.

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ID	Coco Banjo series Gemmell, N J				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1082798	Code Name Kingfisher Kessler, Liz & Dean, David (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2024	9781398512511	Liv is trying to research her family tree but her grandmother isn't interested in helping. Delving into the past brings up an amazing wartime story of bravery, betrayal and daring defiance. Who was Code Name Kingfisher and how did children become spies in Nazi occupied Holland? Liv is about to find out.
	Code name series Harvey, Jacqueline				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
3107	Coding projects with Scratch made easy Setford, Steve & Woodcock, Jon	Penguin Books Australia	2017	9781740331852	Get ready to learn a whole new language: computer coding. Teach yourself how to create your own computer projects using this Scratch programming workbook. Perfect for beginners, with easy-to-understand, engaging instructions and no complicated jargon.
3642	Cogheart Bunzl, Peter	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2016	9781474915007	Lily's dad, the inventor, has gone missing. He may even be dead! But Lily doesn't believe it and her mechanical fox, Malkin, has heard whispers about a new invention her dad was working on before he vanished, that may hold the key finding him. But the mission to return Lily's father won't be easy or safe and just who are those creepy mirroreved men?
	Colour graffix series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
988126	Come together: Things every Aussie kid should know about the First Peoples Firebrace, Isaiah & Biumaiwai, Jaelyn (ill)	Hardie Grant Egmont	2022	9781741178166	In this essential book, Isaiah, a Yorta Yorta and Gunditjmara man, establishes a foundation of First Nations knowledge with 20 key topics.

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1D 47444	Comet in Moominland Jansson, Tove; Portch, Elizabeth (trans)	Puffin Australia	2011	9780141328614	Moomintroll learns that a comet is heading towards Moominvalley. So, he and Sniff, the small animal, set out for the observatory on the Lonely Mountains to seek advice from the Professor. On the way, they meet interesting people and have some narrow escapes.
25277	Coming home McGuiness, Sharon & Melville, Shannon (ill)	Wombat Books	2012	9781921633775	Gemma watches her dad as he sits alone in his tangled garden. She doesn't understand why he seems so sad. Gemma's dad is experiencing depression and Gemma wonders what she might be able to do to help him.
85274	Complete adventures of Blinky Bill Wall, Dorothy	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2009	9780732284343	Discover an Australian classic, Blinky Bill and his wonderful adventures.
363	Complete adventures of Snugglepot and Cuddlepie, The Gibbs, May	HarperCollins Australia	1990	9780207167300	Snugglepot and Cuddlepie feature in this Australian classic. They are two gumnut babies who live in the bush and have adventures with their bush friends and the big bad Banksia men.
35121	Composer is dead, The Snicket, Lemony & Stookey, Nathaniel (music)	HarperCollins US	2009	9780061236273	In this perplexing murder mystery, everyone has a motive, everyone has an alibi and nearly everyone is a musical instrument. But, the composer is still dead. Join the inspector as he interrogates all the unusual suspects. Hear what happened on that fateful evening by listening to the accompanying CD, featuring author, Lemony Snicket, and Nathaniel Stookey's music performed by the San Francisco Symphony.
660424	Cooee Mittigar Seymour, Jasmine & Mulgo Watson, Leanne (ill)	Magabala Books	2019	9781925936865	Cooee mittigar. Come here friend and join our Daruga mudjin. Let's make some budyeri dreaming. I will teach you of Darug life.
694059	Cookie and the most annoying boy in the world Huq, Connie	Piccadilly Press	2019	9781848128095	Cookie's life is a disaster, her best friend is moving away and the most annoying boy in the world is buying her favourite kitten at the pet shop. And then he joins her class at school!! And then he moves in next door!! But their is a glimmer of hope and Cookies love of science is about to come in handy
846084	Cooking club detectives, The Jozefkowicz, Ewa	Head of Zeus	2021	9781789543605	The local community centre is about to be shut down. All the clubs and classes are held here for the kids after school. Erin has just moved in and has started exploring her new community. She quickly makes new friends at school and joins a cooking club held at the local community centre. The news of it closing is terrible for them all. Is there anything they can do to save it? Who and why would they be shutting down such an important centre to the community? Maybe Erin and her friends can get to the bottom of it!

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1D 941502	Cool code, The Langeland, Dierdre & Mai, Sarah (ill)	Clarion Books	2022	9780358549314	Zoey has been homeschooled her entire life. So when her parents announce it's time for her to attend the local school, she's terrified about how she'll cope. In an attempt to fit in, Zoey develops an app called the Cool Code with a cute llama avatar that will tell her everything from what to say to what to wear based on pop culture algorithms she's uploaded. But when the app gives her ridiculous advice, awkwardness and hilarity ensues. With a few upgrades and a bit of debugging from the coding club, the app actually works. Zoey becomes really popular and gets her pulled in all kinds of directions, including away from her real friends.
1089042	Cora seen and heard Louise, Zanni	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760657666	Calling all year 5 & 6 students. This is the book for you! Cora, a quiet, shy, forgettable 12 year old whose family moves interstate. What a great opportunity to reinvent yourself. But is it? Should we all just be happy with the skin we are in?
13788	Coral reef book, The Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2016	9781742034140	Coral reefs have existed for millions of years and are found in tropical waters around the world. These ecosystems are home to a diverse range of animals and plants. Australia's Great Barrier Reef is the longest barrier reef in the world, stretching for more than two thousand kilometres. Find out about the beautiful, colourful and richly diverse world of coral reefs.
660320	Corner park clubhouse: The secret life of Lola Bell, Davina				When lifelong friends Lola, Belle, Maisie and Sophia reunite at their beloved Corner Park Clubhouse for the winter school holidays, Lola has a great idea: they'll enter the local drama competition! It's the perfect way to spend as much time together as possible, and there are prizes for best actor, director and sets. As an artist, Lola's determined her sets will win - but there's just one problem. She can't figure out what to paint, or even how to get started. And that's because of something that happened at her super sophisticated art school last term something Lola can't discuss with anyone.  Not her bestie, Belle, who's brought her new friend Matilda home for the holidays. Not Maisie, who's always busy with gym. Not Sophia, who's focused on her secret crush. And not even her cool older sister, Tally, who's at a conference in New York. With no-one to turn to but herself, can Lola figure out how to get her creativity back - before it's too late?
15058	Corroboree Wallam, Angus & Kelly, Suzanne & Macdonald, Norma (ill)	University of Western Australia Press	2004	9781920694142	It is springtime, Wirrin's favourite time of the year. He will go hunting with his father, digging with his mother and gathering with his grandmother. People are coming from far and wide for the big corroboree and Wirrin will see all his cousins.

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1D 44073	Cosmic Boyce, Frank Cottrell	Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2008	9780330440868	Liam is not your usual twelve year old boy. For a start, he is man-size and is always being mistaken for his father. This is Liam's opportunity and his greatest dilemma. Yesterday, he was just a kid, now he is stuck in space, perhaps forever, with hilarious results. But, the greatest lessons he learns are about fatherhood.
1019808	Cosmic wonder Benham-Yazdani, Ashley	Candlewick Press	2023	9781536223231	When the comet looked down to the Earth, the humans gazed right back.  Every seventy-six years or so, Halley's Comet passes the Earth on its orbit, catching snapshots of how the planet and the Earthlings that live there change over time. Even though the comet's path continually leads it back into the vast universe, it always looks forward to its return to Earth to see what humans will accomplish next.  Told with wonder and striking illustrations, this story follows Halley's Comet as it traces the journey of human civilization over the thousands of years it has travelled the Earth.
643365	Costa Banana: The gruesome general Douglas, Jozua & Hees, Elly (ill)	Affirm Press	2019	9781925870091	Welcome to Costa Banana, where the President makes everyone eat Banana soup on Fridays. He's strong, he's unstoppable, he's completely bonkers. So when his kids discover a plot to overthrow the President he doesn't believe them. With robotic flies, banana guns and a gruesome general, will Rosa and Fico be able to save the day?
	Countdown to danger series Heath, Jack				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1019824	Countdown to yesterday Marr, Shirley	Penguin Random House Australia	2024	9781761340598	James' family is changing, and he doesn't like it. He wants to travel back in time and live in one of his favourite memories, but which one will he choose? How will he choose? And can his new friend Yan really build a time machine?  What would you do if you had six memories to go back to? How would you choose?

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ID 4195	Counting lions Cotton, Kate & Walton, Stephen (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2015	9781847807212	Exquisite large and detailed charcoal drawings of ten endangered creatures. Poetic text notes each creature's particular qualities and behaviour, and why these animals must be cherished and protected.
1019648	Country town Martyn, Isolde & Ridgeway, Robyn & Hogan, Louise (ill)	Ford Street Publishing	2023	9781922696359	A wonderfully illustrated story of a fictional small country town in Australia. The book goes through from First Peoples' camp in the 1820s to Carols by Candlelight at the local showground. An excellent way to read the history of our nation.
18498		Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2004	9780732992057	Red is obsessed with painting but life on the drought-affected farm, combined with his father's need for expensive heart surgery, makes it unlikely he will pursue his artistic dream. Then a mysterious stranger buying artistic cow pats arrives.
48993	Cowzat Atherton, Bruce & Redlich, Ben (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2010	9781921136658	At last the true, well almost, story of how cricket was invented. Told in rollicking verse and with zany illustrations, this book will bowl you over.
18396	,	Harcourt Children's Books	2002	9780152163501	A beautiful retelling of a classic Japanese folk tale about a sail maker and his wife. Exquisitely illustrated in traditional Japanese style.
	Crawf's kick it to Nick series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
9965	Crazy classrooms Cookson, Paul	Frances Lincoln	2015	9781847805058	Friends and bullies, first day and last day, school dinners, playtime and staffroom stowaways. This book is all about your school so open the door and enter. Fifty fantastic poems about school that will speak to anyone who has ever started at a new school, been bullied or is just feeling a little lost at school.
751092	,	HarperCollins Australia	2020	9780008390211	Prepare to be amazed. Fascinating and fabulous facts about birds. Marvel at bird's bizarre behaviours. Delight in their diversity and enjoy their incredible personalities in this loving homage to all things avian. Bird brains may be small, but they are dense. Some birds have as many neurons as small primates. Some birds have even been observed making and using tools. Read this book to learn lots of facts about birds in a fun way.

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ID  1335419	Creature clinic Aung Than, Gavin	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2025	9781761215599	Welcome to Creature Clinic, where a team of dedicated doctors and nurses at the world's finest and only hospital look after mythical creatures. Here, everyone from trolls and unicorns, to tooth fairies and giants, can expect the very best treatment. Well, with one exception: humans are absolutely, 100% not welcome. So when doctor-in-training Kara Orc discovers an injured human child at the hospital, her world is turned upside down. Sure, most humans are dangerous, destructive beasts, but Kara took an oath to help all creatures. Even humans deserve care and compassion! But how long can she keep such a big secret from her boss who happens to be her mother? And what happens when the human child whose name is Mitch decides that he wants to stay at Creature Clinic?
18559	Creatures of the rainforest Brim, Warren & Eglitis, Anna	Magabala Books	2006	9781875641994	Warren Brimm and Anna Iglitis embark on a cross-cultural journey to show us the remarkable array of creatures that inhabit the Queensland rainforest.
2975	Crenshaw Applegate, Katherine	HarperCollins Children's Books	2015	9780007951185	When Jackson's father becomes ill and cannot work, the family is struggling to pay the rent or buy food. When it seems they could lose everything and face homelessness, Crenshaw, Jackson's imaginary cat, comes back into his life to help them.
18502	Crime of the agent-mariner, The Santaklaus, Pia & Flowers, Tony (ill)	Bitter Beat	2006	9780975828601	A story told whimsically in poetry of an agent-mariner who sets out on his ship and finds a real mermaid. A satirical, moral tale, with sophisticated illustrations, that condemns greed and exploitation.
18732	Crimpy's cartooning for kids Crimp, Daryl	HarperCollins Australia	2006	9781869505905	A cartoonist gives step-by-step strategies for practising drawing skills, supported by puzzles that revise earlier material.
578	Crocodile attack Peguero, Leone	BlueCat Books	2004	9780957842243	In a true story, a twelve year old girl receives a reward for bravery following a crocodile attack in the Northern Territory. Fact and opinion surrounding the story are explored in reports, maps, signs, letters, newspaper articles and storytelling.
24638	Crocodile book: armoured and dangerous, The Douglas, Malcolm	Black Dog Books			From crocodiles that protect their babies by scooping them up into their mouths to those that can hold their breath for up to two hours, this is a fascinating, sometimes scary, introduction to the wild world of crocodiles.
8827	Crocodile Jack Norrington, Leonie & Denton, Terry (ill)	Puffin Australia	2011	9780143305958	Jack is surprised but delighted when his big brother, Tom, invites him to go fishing. Of course, there's a catch. Jack is just the right size to fit through the shed window to borrow Dad's favourite fishing lure. There's also another job for Jack, he's to be the lookout to spot crocodile bubbles while Tom and his mate fish for barramundi.

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ID   903357	Crookhaven: the school for thieves Arcanjo, J. J.	Hachette Australia	2023	9781444965735	Gabriel Avery usually only pickpockets to feed himself and his grandma but when he is recruited to Crookhaven, a school for honourable thieves, he learns so much more. With classes in Deception, The History of Crookery and Tricks of the Trade, Gabriel and his new friends hone their unusual skills and talents, but will it be enough when they have to face the ruthless Nameless, ex-students of Crookhaven who are anything but honourable?
20548	Crossing Norton, Catherine	Omnibus Books	2014	9781742990286	Cara lives in the shadow of the Wall, a wall which protects its citizens from the outside world. By following the government's rules, Cara and her sister are safe, even when their parents are away doing important work for the government. When Cara befriends Leon and Ava, she begins to question what she has always known. Ava doesn't seem to think the rules are all that important. Perhaps that is why she disappears.
687443	Crossover, The Alexander, Kwame	Houghton Mifflin	2019	9781328575494	"With a bolt of lightning on my kicksThe court is SIZZLING. My sweat is DRIZZLING. Stop all that quivering. Cuz tonight I'm delivering," announces dread-locked, 12-year old Josh Bell. He and his twin brother Jordan are awesome on the court. But Josh has more than basketball in his blood, he's got mad beats, too, that tell his family's story in verse, in this fast and furious novel of family and brotherhood.
6677	Crow country Constable, Kate	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2011	9781742373959	Sadie has moved to the country with her mum, although she would have preferred to stay in Melbourne with her friends. Life takes an unexpected turn when Sadie has an unusual encounter with a crow on a dried-up lake, and then meets Lachie Mortlock. Living in the country takes on new meaning, especially when Crow gives Sadie a secret to keep and a mystery to solve.
903306	Crunch: Click graphic novel, A Miller, Kayla	Walker Books	2022	9781760655181	Olive is balancing the too-many things she wants to do with the too-few hours in the day to do them. When everything adds up, suddenly it's crunch time! It's no secret that Olive loves trying new things. Between taking guitar lessons, making a short film, joining Berry Scouts, and leading the charge on her school's dress code reform, Olive has her hands full! But she enjoys being busy, so staying on track with her jampacked schedule should be no problem right? As weeks fly by, it gets harder and harder for Olive to find time for her activities, never mind time for herself. Will she be able to accomplish her goals, or will all her sizzle turn to fizzle?

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9785	Crystal run, The O'Flanagan, Sheila	Hodder Children's Books (UK)	2016	9781444927061	When Joe accidentally runs through a portal, he lands in a camp training teenagers to become Runners. Each cycle, three Runners are sent to place the power sources that will secure the shield that protects their land and keeps the enemy away. Once this is done, a toxin is released into their bodies and the Runners die. No one is permitted to return through the shield and nobody can remain in enemy territory. It's Joe's turn on the next Run. He is desperate to return to Earth.
660423	Cunning crow Dreise, Gregg	Magabala Books	2019	9781925768862	Way back, before once-upon-a-time, there was the Dreamtime when all the birds were white. One of those white birds was a crow called Waan. One day a big storm came through and a magnificent rainbow appeared. When the birds passed through the rainbow, one by one, their feathers took on its beautiful colours. Waan flew through the rainbow too and his feathers became a beautiful red and orange. But Waan was jealous of the other birds. He wanted to be more beautifully coloured than anyone. So Waan hatched a cunning plan. But things did not go the way Waan wanted
846189	Curiosities, The Fraillon, Zana & Lesnie, Phil (ill)	Hachette Australia	2021	9780734417848	With the Curiosities, a whole world of wonders and possibilities awaits Miro wakes one morning to find the world isn't quite the way he thought it was. When the Curiosities choose Miro as the one they nest on, Miro is led to discover all the marvels waiting in the shadows where no-one else looks. Sometimes though, the Curiosities can make Miro feel alone and invisible in the darkness.  But perhaps Miro isn't as alone as he thinks
2982	Cyclone French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2016	9781743623596	On Christmas Eve in 1974, tropical cyclone Tracy devastated the city of Darwin. It caused massive destruction and trauma. This is the story of the city's indomitable spirit and life after the cyclone.
19490	D-Day: a Second World War soldier 1944 Perrett, Bryan	Scholastic UK	2009	9781407103723	The story of Andrew Pope, commander of an infantry platoon, who took part in the Normandy landings on 6 June, 1944, later known as D-Day and the turning point of the Second World War. Andrew tells how his men prepared for and of the fierce battles that took place once they were ashore. This is Andrew's part in the biggest amphibious military operation in the history of the world.
9205	Daddy Long-Legs Webster, Jean	Dover Publications	2002	9780486423678	An enchanting classic set in a boarding school. An orphan attempts to identify and come closer to her benefactor.

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1D 15917	Dads have no shame Faulkner, Carol & Rogers, Gregory (ill)	Puffin Australia	2005	9780143301783	Sarah is unhappy as she has to help her Dad with a garage sale. When their neighbour sets ups his own garage sale, the battle is on to see who will get the most customers. Sarah is really embarrassed as she watches just how far Dad will go to win.
12938	, i	White-Thomson Publishing Ltd	2002	9780750240161	When Tenzin Gyatso was four years old, the religious leaders of Tibet declared him to be the fourteenth Dalai Lama, the highest-ranking monk in Tibetan Buddhism. The Dalai Lama spreads a message of compassion and peace in the world.
580944	Dam, The Almond, David & Pinfold, Levi (ill)	Walker Books	2018	9781406304879	Before the land is flooded and the valley is lost forever, a father and daughter visit the homes and fill them with music which will last forever. A song for that which was and that which will be.
14885	Danny Allen was here Cummings, Phil	Pan MacMillan	2007	9780330422949	Danny, his brother and sister and their friend, Mark, get up to all sorts of hilarious, hair-raising mischief. But, Danny and his family must face the biggest challenge of all, life without their farm.
11485	Danny da Vinci: the giant horse of Milan Whatley, Bruce & Smith, Rosie	ABC Books	2007	9780733319150	Humorous description of the creation of da Vinci's Horse of Sforza statue. Danny da Vinci and his best friend, Mick Angelo, are apprentices in Uncle Leo's art studio when he is commissioned to make a giant, marble horse.
41499	Danny da Vinci: The secret of the Mona Lisa Smith, Rosie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	ABC Books	2017	9780733326059	Danny da Vinci and his best friend Mick Angelo are artistic adventurers who share a passion for painting and sculpture. Every year the Duke of Milan holds an art exhibition, and this year the Duke has asked Danny's Uncle Leo to paint his portrait. Danny and Mick want to enter something in the exhibition too, something special. Danny's sister Lisa has an idea, but why should they listen to her? She's such a moaner!
87322	Danny the champion of the world Dahl, Roald & Blake, Quentin (ill)	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2007	9780141322674	Danny loves his life with his dad in the little gypsy caravan. His dad never runs out of wonderful stories. When Danny discovers his father's secret, he's off on the adventure of a lifetime, involving an hilarious pheasant-snatching expedition, and a daring plot to get the better of the horrible Mr Victor Hazell.
24009	Darcy Moon and the deep-fried frogs Carvell, Catherine	Fremantle Press	2014	9781922089717	Darcy Moon is an ordinary girl with ordinary problems. She's low on cash and low on the necessary street cred to fit in with the cool crowd. But, Darcy's life is about to take a great leap forward. When a freaked-out frog asks for help, it's up to her to fix the food chain, save the swamp and prove that money can't buy everything.
846190	Dare to be different: Inspirational words from people who changed the world Brooks, Ben & Winter, Quinton (ill)	Quercus Children's Books	2022		A rich exciting compendium for children of speeches, letters, stories and poems by people who have all used words to do wonderful things in this world.

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1D 1076	Darius Bell and the crystal bees Hirsch, Odo	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			The disappearance of bees heralds huge changes on the Bell estate. Without bees, there won't be honey or, more importantly, crosspollination of the fruit and vegetables, which Mr Fisher and his family sell in order to survive. Darius comes up with a complex plan that involves an enthusiastic teacher. But, Darius must deliver fabulous costumes to the school principal so that the school can win a highly contested parade.
43511	Darius Bell and the glitter pool Hirsch, Odo	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2009	9781741757163	The Bell family's ancestors were showered with honours, gifts and grants of land. In exchange, they have bestowed a Gift, every twenty-five years, on the town. Now, it's Darius's father's turn but there is no money for an impressive gift. When an earthquake reveals a glorious cave, Darius thinks he might have found the answer.
	Darkmouth series Hegarty, Shane				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
7860	David and the scavenger prince Timmis, R J	Zeus Publications	2017	9780987111340	It's the last week of school term and David can't wait to return to Hydrenia for the Easter holidays. But when Dad forces him to see accomplished therapist Uncle Darius, David soon learns therapy is the last thing on his uncle's mind. Unlike his parents, he actually believes David's stories are true and he has the evidence to prove it. He blackmails David to steal mythril from Esmorde in exchange for the safety of his family and friends.  Finally presented with the chance to get his uncle off his back, David unwittingly sets off a chain of events that threatens the peace of Esmorde, and possibly the universe itself
6298	David Astle's 101 weird words (and 3 fakes) from ambidextrous to zugzwang Astle, David & Tippett, Paul (ill)  David Beckham Academy series, The The David Beckham Academy staff	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2018	9781760633660	Are you a dictionary detective? This is a dictionary with a difference. Packed with weird words, cool facts, punny jokes, riddles and a mystery to solve, get set for a fun read. Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D   25920	Day to remember, A French, Jackie & Wilson, Mark (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2012	9780732293604	A moving look at the history of Australia's and New Zealand's involvement in warfare through the lens of a single day - Anzac Day - revisited on notable years between 1915 and 2012.
659189	Days of in between, The Fenton, Peter Valentine	Scholastic Australia	2019	9781760662523	It's the last summer of the 1970s, and as 12-year-old Toby heads to the coast on a longed-for summer holiday, he finds himself almost invisible to his newlywed father and step-mum.  Toby's loneliness lifts when he meets Tara, the daughter of the local shark fisherman, who is dealing with family issues of her own.  A terrifying incident on the old wharf begins a dramatic chain of events within the small coastal town revealing secrets and creating ripples through both Toby's and Tara's families. A lyrical novel of the joys of childhood, friendship, facing truths, the trials of growing up and the days of in between.
35048	Dead certain Gould, Sally	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2011	9781921529900	Max has a plan. A plan to help out his favourite uncle one last time. Dad will probably ground him and he won't be able to go to Thomo's go-kart party but Max knows exactly what he has to do. In fact, he's dead certain.
895460	Dead good detectives McLachlan, Jenny	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9781405298155	Twelve year old Sid Jones loves playing creepy games in the graveyard with her best friend Zen. She is not expecting to accidentally release a 300 year old pirate and his shouty ghost parrot from the dead. This leads Sid to the Halfway House, which is a mysterious inn full of lost souls trapped there by a sinister landlord. The ghosts need Sid's help to escape. But someone else is watching and they are not happy.
100	Dead meat. Simons, Moya	Scholastic Australia	1993	9781862911857	Danny is an ordinary boy in an ordinary family who seems to attract amazing and funny experiences.
1019794	Deadlands, The: Hunted Melki-Wegner, Skye	Walker Books	2023	9781529516241	When the Fallen Star struck, some dinosaurs survived, but grew alert. They learnt to speak. To dream. To wage war. As the last dinosaur kingdoms continue to fight, Eleri, the disgraced son of a prince, is banished to the merciless Deadlands for saving an enemy soldier. To survive the dangers of the scorched desert he joins a herd of other young exile. But when Eleri and his fellow misfits discover the horrific truth behind the war, the unlikely heroes must do all they can to save their kingdom from a secret plot that could destroy them all.

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1D  1078769	Deadlands, The: Survival Melki-Wegner, Skye	Walker Books	2024	9781529518597	After destroying the Carrion Kingdom's stronghold, Eleri and his fellow exiles have thwarted the carnivore's invasion for now. But the enemy is regrouping, preparing for an even more fearsome war- one that could annihilate the surviving dinosaur kingdoms. Knowing their cunning foes will seek vengeance, the exiles must risk their lives to warn the war-torn herds and convince them to stand together for the future of Cretacea.
	Deadly D & Justice Jones series Prince, Scott & Hartley, David				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
7078	Deadly sisters of Worawa Deadly sisters of Worawa & Heiss, Anita & Ware, Shelley	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2018	9780648260431	Deadly Sisters of Worawa, written by thirteen young women from Worawa Aboriginal College, was produced during an Indigenous Literacy Foundation writing workshop. In their book, the students write about themselves, their families, their sacred places and the things they've achieved that make them proud. They've also written some powerful and moving poetry, and created some amazing artwork, all of which combined reveals how deadly these Worawa sisters are.
846267	Dear Greta Poshoglian, Yvette	Penguin	2022	9781761043789	This was meant to be Alice's year to shine. But things are already going wrong. School. Friends. Family Through her letters to Greta Thunberg, Alice finds herself opening up about her lifeand starts to believe that she can make a difference - a big one.
14663	Dear Olly Morpurgo, Michael	HarperCollins Australia	2000	9780006753339	The stories of a young man, his little sister and a baby swallow are intertwined simply to reveal the high price a young man pays when he gives up a lucrative career in vet science to bring joy and laughter to briphans in Africa. The values he puts on love, laughter and the chance to see gorillas in the wild make it all worth it.

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1D 676687	Dear Sweet Pea Murphy, Julie	HarperCollins Australia	2019	9780062977267	Patricia is called Sweet Pea by everyone except for Daisy Mae, the eccentric old lady who lives in between Sweet Pea's two houses. When her parents decided to separate, Sweet Pea's mother thought it would be a great idea for her dad to move in two doors up and decorate her new bedroom at dad's exactly the same as the one she's always known and loved at home. It probably wasn't as great an idea as her mum thought.  With the town gossiping about the reasons for her parents' divorce, a few too many misunderstandings with her best friend, and trying to succeed at the secret mission crazy old Flora Mae has given her, Sweet Pea might not be feeling too sweet at all.
102	Dear writer Gleeson, Libby	Penguin	2001	9780141312705	Lizzie and her friend want to surprise their teacher with a visit by his favourite author for the teacher's birthday in Book Week.
18376	Death in a nut Maddern, Eric & Hess, Paul (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2005	9781845070816	When Jack's mother is very sick, he is able to prevent her dying by squeezing Old Man Death into an empty hazelnut. But, trouble begins for the people and the food in the village and Jack learns a powerful lesson about life and death.
18404	Death of a princess Geason, Susan	Little Hare Books	2005	9781877003905	Set in Ancient Egypt, the book follows the murder investigation of the Pharaoh's daughter. The story follows Meryet-Neith, the harem's beautician, who needs to find the truth or risk becoming a scapegoat for the murder.
1357801	Deep dark: A Cassia Stone mystery Nabi, Zohra & Escobar, Paola (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2025	9781398532922	When children start to disappear from around the streets of London, Cassia Throne and her friends decide to investigate. As they slowly starts to unravel the deep conspiarcies at the heart of the city she learns there is more to London than meets the eye. Underground tunnels open a new world for Cassia but can she rescue the children trapped there or will the whispers of a beast below the city swallow her too?
12342	Deep water Forrestal, Elaine	Penguin			Tori has heard a dog howling. He is not sure if he imagined it or if it is, as his cousin Bronte says, Axle's ghost. Thinking that, perhaps Axle could be alive after all. Tori sets out to solve the mystery but discovers more than he expected to find.
909658	Deep: Dive into hidden worlds McGeachin, Jess	Welbeck Publishing	2022	9781913519483	What hidden worlds lie beneath your feet? Or in the deepest parts of the ocean, where not even sunlight can reach? Come on a journey to meet glowing deep-sea creatures, zombie-making fungi and the trillions of tiny workers that live inside your own body. But be warned, things can get a little strange in the deep.
1408	Deltora book of monsters, The Rodda, Emily & McBride, Marc (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2001	9781865043692	A colourful bestiary that depicts the terrifying creatures of Deltora's forests, mountains and deserts.

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ID	Deltora Quest series Rodda, Emily				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	Deltora Shadowlands series Rodda, Emily				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
15876	DemiChat and the Kent Street mystery Brisland, Toni	Sid Harta Publishers	2010	9781921642357	Lord Flannery is a beagle, recently retired from Scotland Yard's dog squad. Flannery meets DemiChat, an exotic cat, who spends her time watching old Sherlock Holmes movies. She is most impressed with Flannery's real life crime experiences. When they see suspicious activity on a building site opposite, the pair set off in pursuit of a kidnapper and find themselves in Paris and Rome.
944033	Democracy! Bunting, Philip	Little Hare Books	2023	9781761211478	What you say (and how you say it) has the power to change the world. Democracy gives you that power. Democracy is people power. But does democracy really matter? How does it work? And what exactly is democracy, anyway?! Get set to speak up and learn how you can create positive change in your corner of the world.
889	Demon dentist Walliams, David	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780007453566	Strange things were happening when children would put their teeth under the pillow for the tooth fairy. In the morning they would find a dead slug, a spider, a slimy eyeball or much, much worse. Alfie is determined to find the culprit, whilst evading the social worker who has started visiting his home.
103	Demon headmaster, The Cross, Gillian	Oxford University Press	2001	9780192718556	There is something sinister going on at Dinah's new school. The headmaster has a weird kind of control over the pupils.
9408	Depression years, The Irvine, Nance	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd			Through words and illustrations, this book describes both the grim poverty and the happy side of life during the Great Depression in Australia.
751051	Derek Dool supercool: Going viral Beck, Adrian & Edgar, Scott (ill)	Penguin	2020	9781760892968	Derek is on a mission to go viral. After all, what is more super cool than being an internet hit? The only problem is thinking of a super cool viral idea, nothing is working out as expected. But Derek is not one to give up, he is determined to achieve viral victory- even if it's the last thing he does.

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974361	Desert jungle Baker, Jeannie	Walker Books	2023	9781406387872	Chico's grandpa has taken him on holiday where he grew up as a child, out in the desert. Chico has no interest in exploring the land the desert jungle frightens him, and he'd much rather play on his his tablet. Grandpa decides that it is time to show Chico the secrets and the wonders that the desert has to offer so that he will not fear it but, instead, welcome it, embrace it and help protect it. Grandpa shows Chico paths through the cactus and the scrub, teaches Chico the plants' names ocotillo, cholla, cirios, pin cushion, fishhook and, soon, Chico begins to understand the wonders of the wild. He learns the value of watching, waiting and listening for all the life that hums within his desert home.
1286607	Design & building on country Page, Alison & Memmott, Paul & Douglas, Blak (ill)	Thames & Hudson	2024	9781760763565	What do you need to know to prosper as a people for 65,000 years or more? Join designer and artist Alison Page alongside anthropologist and architect Paul Memmott as they share some of the incredible inventions created by the oldest continuing culture in the world.
587850	Detention Bancks, Tristan	Puffin Australia	2019	9780143791799	Sima and her family are pressed to the rough, cold ground among fifty others. They lie next to the tall fence designed to keep them in. The wires are cut one by one. When they make their escape, a guard raises the alarm. Shouting, smoke bombs, people tackled to the ground. In the chaos Sima loses her parents. Dad told her to run, so she does, hiding in a school and triggering a lockdown. A boy, Dan, finds her hiding in the toilet block. What should he do? Help her? Dob her in? She's breaking the law, but is it right to lock kids up? And if he helps, should Sima trust him? Or run? This moment, these decisions, will change the course of their lives.
833168	Devils in danger Wheeler, Samantha	University of Queensland Press	2021	9780702263293	Eleven-year old Killarney thinks school is boring. She'd rather be exploring the wilderness around her Tasmanian hometown or helping her hairdresser mum. When strange things start to happen-ear splitting screams in the dead of the night and missing items found under the house-Killarney is too busy solving the mystery to do schoolwork. Before long she discovers the culprit: a wild Tasmanian devil, denning under the house. When rumours about dangerous devils being spreading, Killarney is determined to protect her precious visitor, but can she convince an entire town these wild creatures are worth saving?

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1D 7730	Dexter: the courageous koala Blackadder, Jesse	ABC Books	2015	9780733331787	Ashley has been longing for a pet of her own but her plans for a puppy fall through. Instead, her parents send Ashley on a holiday to her eccentric Aunt Micky. There, Ashley saves an injured mother koala and her joey Dexter. When a storm cuts off the only access road to the vet, Ashley must find the courage to find another way to safety.
	Diamond Brothers series Horowitz, Anthony & Beech, Mark (ill)				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
3742	Diamond horse, The Gregg, Stacy	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2016	9780008124397	A priceless diamond necklace holds a secret- the stories of two different girls. Anna Orlov lives in a beautiful snowbound palace, home to a menagerie of wonderful animals: tigers, wolfhounds and horses, but also her cruel brother Ivan. So when Anna defies her father's wishes she has no idea of the dangers to come. Soon Anna, her tiger and her horse will be fighting for survival in the frozen wilds. Valentina is a circus performer with a very special horse and big dreams. A girl who sees beyond the bright lights of the big top. A horse with an incredible future
	Diamond Spirit series Wood, Karen				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	Diary of a 6th grade ninja series Emerson, Marcus & Lee, David (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1209935	Diary of a marine biologist Thomas, Anita & Wilkins, Sarah (ill)	Walker Books	2025	9781760656997	Follow a week in the adventures of a marine biologist and learn about our magical, mysterious watery world.

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1D 19059	Diary of a minecraft zombie: Bullies and buddies Zombie, Zack	Scholastic Australia	2016	9781743811511	Zack is busy with Creepy, Steve and his ghoulfriend, Sally Cadaver. He doesn't have time, or the guts, to deal with the new kid at school, a giant Zombie called Mutant, who teams up with Mike Magma, the school bully. Will Zack and his friends survive a dodgeball game against Mike and Mutant?
30821	Diary of a minecraft zombie: Scare of a dare, A Zombie, Zack	Scholastic Australia	2016	9781743811504	Twelve-year old Zack is a Minecraft Zombie with four great friends, an annoying younger brother, endless tests at Scare School and a Zombie sweetheart to impress. When his biggest schoolyard rival dares him to touch an Iron Golem, Zack needs to find out whether he has the guts to touch the Golem and impress the girl.
14478	Diary of a wildlife photographer Latta, Jan	True to Life books	2013	9780980872729	A journal covering fourteen years of adventures with, and taking photographs of, animals in the wild. The author and photographer has held the throat of a cheetah, been charged by a rhino and had heart-stopping moments with wild elephants and hippos. There are wonderful recollections of playing with baby pandas in China, walking with lions in Botswana and being groomed by a chimpanzee. Stunning photographs.
	Diary of a wimpy kid series Various				++++Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
10241	Green, Jessica	Scholastic Australia			Jillian James burning ambition is to belong to the popular Princess Group. They accuse her of being a dork because she sits next to Nigel. In a rocky ride through year five, Jillian learns that being a Princess isn't the only thing in life worth achieving, and that true friends can come in different shapes and sizes.
1209749	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781406395471	The dictionary is not like other books. Her story is not clear like those of the books around her. The dictionary has all the words used by all those other books, but as she brings these words to life things do not come together clearly or calmly.

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ID   581515	Different boy, A Jennings, Paul & Kelly, Geoff (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2018	9781760523503	The ship was a towering fortress looming over the pier. Anton stared enviously at the emigrants lining up in front of the wide gangplank. Heading off on a voyage to a land of peace and plenty. Leaving the land of broken buildings and crushed hopes behind. Looking forward to sunshine and steaks. How he wished that he was one of the lucky ones.' Loosely based on Paul Jennings' journey to Australia as a 'ten pound Pom', the story of Anton, who escapes from an orphanage and successfully stows away on a boat headed for the land of 'sunshine and steaks' has a timeless reality of its own. It is a tale of loss, guilt, mistaken identity and taking risks but also surprisingly heartwarming and heartbreaking.
3335	Different dog, A Jennings, Paul & Kelly, Geoff (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2017	9781760296469	I'll tell you something, Chase. Don't beg. Some people beg because they have nothing. But a dog should never do it just because someone says the word beg'. The unforgettable story of a boy who cannot speak and the day he finds his voice.
652380	Different land, A Jennings, Paul & Kelly, Geoff (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760528720	Christopher is twelve thousand miles from home. The pub has a dirt floor and the owner is as rough as guts. The forest hides snakes, feral pigs and a dark secret. Mysterious, bold and strange. Expect the unexpected. And watch your step. Enter this place and you will be different for ever.
7181	Different like Coco Matthews, Elizabeth	Candlewick Press	2007	9780763625481	Coco Chanel rose from poverty to become the founder of the famous fashion house of Chanel. The original and appealing illustrations give an extra dimension to the biography.
866313	Different sort of normal, A Balfe, Abigail	Puffin Australia	2021	9780241508794	The true story of one girl's journey growing up autistic, and the challenges she faced in the 'normal' world.
14094	Digger the dog who went to war Wilson, Mark	Lothian Books	2015	9780734415745	Inspired by a true story, a young soldier smuggles his dog onto his troop ship when he leaves to fight in World War I. Together they face the triumphs and tragedies of the Western Front.
21156	Dinosaur atlas Rooney, Anne & Gilleard, James	Lonely Planet Publications			From giant sauropods and horned dinosaurs, to duckbills and ferocious theropods, kids will discover how the dinosaurs evolved, what they looked like and how they hunted. Plus, we've included the latest finds and theories.
7970	Dinosaur knights Bauer, Michael Gerard	Omnibus Books	2009	9781862917958	A team of scientists are trying to transport a live dinosaur to the future by stretching time. When the dinosaur becomes stranded in the Middle Ages, it crosses the paths of twin brothers, Roland and Oswald, who are struggling to save their father from a corrupt official. Roland dreams of being a knight while Oswald imagines a future as a physician. Meeting the dinosaur changes their lives forever.

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1D 10912	Dinosaur record breakers Naish, Darren	Scholastic Australia	2012	9781742832586	Want to know what the biggest dinosaur is far discovered was? What about the smallest? The most colourful? Most feathery? All that and more is revealed in this book, as well as some amazing facts about the dinosaur's contemporaries - the pterosaurs and marine reptiles. Travel back in time and imagine what life was like in the Mesozoic Era.
46336	Dinosaurs eye to eye Woodward, John	Dorling Kindersley	2010	9781405347693	Come face to face with the fiercest, wildest, most incredible creatures that ever roamed the earth, all captured in deadly detail. Find out why dinosaurs look the way they do, where they lived and explore their habitats.
107	Dinotopia Gurney, James	HarperTrophy	2003	9780060530648	This is a pseudo-factual account of the relationship between humans and dinosaurs.
1626	Disappearing act Moloney, James	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2014	9780732295752	Matt Cooper is twelve, and spends his time honing his magic skills and tricks. His great-grandfather, Mattheus, was a magician whose career came to a disastrous end when a trick he performed backfired. What neither Matt nor Mattheus realise is that there's an even older story behind the failure of Mattheus' disappearing trick.
9021	Discovery of dragons, The Base, Graeme	Penguin	1998	9780140565133	Stimulating, intricate illustrations take us into the magical world of dragons.
	Diva series Lawson, Sue				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	DK findout series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID	DMAG Tonkin, Dorothy (ed)				A magazine format mix of movie, games and book reviews with some educational and informative articles, a project pull-out with teaching notes and lots of interesting information and ideas for pre-teens. Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
109	Do not go around the edges Utemorrah, Daisy & Torres, Pat (ill)	Magabala Books	1992	9780958810111	Fifteen poems by an Aboriginal author are illustrated with vibrant colours and borders.
1038935	Do penguins' feet freeze? The Natural History Museum	CSIRO	2023	9781486317820	Do Penguins Feet Freeze? is a wonderfully weird collection of questions and answers about our natural world, written by the expert team at the Natural History Museum, London. Packed with colourful images throughout, this book reveals: Why do rabbits eat their own poo? How do polar bears stay warm? Can dolphins talk to each other? Why does rain smell? How clever is an octopus? Which animal has spines in its throat? Why do goats scream and faint? Will an asteroid hit Earth? Why are flamingos pink? Do birds sneeze? Why do honeybees dance? and many more cool and quirky facts that prove nature is often stranger than fiction!
12425	Do-wrong Ron Herrick, Steven & Magerl, Caroline (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2003	9781865086613	Ron is a gentle, well intentioned boy who always seems to do the wrong thing at the wrong time or the right thing at the wrong time or the wrong thing at the right time, until he befriends Charlie, a guinea pig, and Isabelle, his new neighbour.
40736	Dog gone Poustie, Carole	Avant Press	2010	9780980448450	Ish's dog is gone. Vanished in a country town. Mum's on holiday, Dad's in Sydney and Ish and his bossy sister, Molly, are staying with Gran. There are no clues, only something mysterious and ghostlike in the town's graveyard. Then, a bully from the local school starts to blackmail Ish. He thinks things can't get any worse. But, he's wrong.
4719	Dog lost Ramage, Jan & Simmonds, Brian (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2015	9781922081612	A wandering dog, a cattle dog, a dog that loves the land. With master by his side, the wilderness is no stranger. Until the storm comes.
6820	Dog on the tuckerbox, The Fenton, Corinne & Gouldthorpe, Peter (ill)	Black Dog Books	2008	9781742030081	Bill and his bullock team delivered supplies and news to settlers in remote parts of the country. His best mate was Lady, his brave and faithful dog. One day, when the axle on the bullock dray split, Bill went for help, leaving Lady on watch on the tuckerbox. Based on a true story about Lady's loyalty and the monument erected to honour her.

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1D   579487	Dog runner, The Macdibble, Bren	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760523572	Ella and her brother Emery are alone in a city that's starving to death. If they are going to survive, they must get away, upcountry, to find Emery's mum. But how can two kids travel such big distances across a dry, barren, and dangerous landscape? Well, when you've got five big doggos and a dry-land dogsled, the answer is you go mushing. But when Emery is injured, Ella must find a way to navigate them through rough terrain, and even rougher encounters with desperate people.
4951	Dog squad Costain, Meredith	Walker Books	2009	9781921529160	For the dog squad, no job is too small, no mission too dangerous. Especially if there's cash involved. When they take on Operation Collect Big-time, things don't go to plan and they wonder if they have bitten off more than they can chew.
23033	Dog wars Wagner, Michael	Black Dog Books	2004	9781876372545	Narrated by a flea that jumps from dog to dog, inciting them to fight and causing chaos. As the dogs become increasingly unhappy and morose, the flea reassesses his actions and decides to attack a human instead.
21749	Dog, Ray, The Coggin, Linda	Hot Key Books	2015	9781471403194	Twelve year old Daisy has just died in a car crash. But, in a twist of fate and through a heavenly bureaucratic mistake, Daisy ends up in the body of a dog. She may now be inhabiting a dog's body but, inside, Daisy is still very much Daisy - bouncy, loyal, positive and energetic. Daisy's only thought is to somehow reunite with her parents, who she knows will be missing her. This is how she meets Pip, a boy who is homeless and on his own journey.
5646	Doldrums, The Gannon, Nicholas	Greenwillow	2015	9780062320940	Archer B Helmsley is a dreamer who lives in a house full of curiosities and his overprotective mother. His famous grandparents vanished while exploring an iceberg in Antarctica. Archer is lonely until he meets Oliver, more of a worrier than a warrior, and Adelaide, a mysterious Parisian girl with a wooden leg. Together, they plan to embark on a rescue mission to Antarctica. If only Archer's mother would let him leave the house.
5755	Dollmaker of Krakow, The Romero, R M	Walker Books	2017	9781406375633	Karolina is a doll, and when the dollmaker of Krakow needs her the most, she leaves her Land of the Dolls to enter the human world and give him what he needs - love, friendship and courage. This a holocaust story that represents Polish fairy tales, kindness and love and the beautifully imperfect magic that only the very best humans have the potential to weave.

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37655	Dolphin book: good vibrations, The Weir, Jeff	Black Dog Books	2009	9781742030753	Dolphins are our closest relatives in the ocean. They are warm-blooded mammals and give birth to fully formed babies that feed on milk from their mothers. Dolphins love to play and often swim with humans at the beach. Dolphins are usually friendly but they are wild predators and can be aggressive.
42897	Don't breathe a word Musgrove, Marianne	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741662962	Mackenzie and Tahlia have lived with their grandfather since their parents died. Lately, Grandpa hasn't been himself and people are starting to notice. They try to hide his irrational behaviour but Mackenzie must make some difficult choices to protect those she loves.
129369	Don't forget me Cobber: Australia and the First World War Anderson, Matt	ANZAC Day Commemoration Committee QLD Incorporated	2006	9780975712351	A comprehensive account of World War 1 and Australians' battlefield experiences at Gallipoli, on the Western Front and in the Middle East. Includes the desert campaigns fought by the lighthorsemen and the contribution of the Navy, Flying Corps and the nurses. Includes colour images and black and white photographs.
111	Don't pat the wombat Honey, Elizabeth	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2000	9781865080888	A boy's warts-and-all recount, with drawings and photographs, of the weird and wonderful antics at a typical Grade 6 school camp, and featuring a loner called Jonah and an explosive teacher called The Bomb.
9374	Down the hole: up the tree, across the sandhills, running from the state and Daisy Bates Williams, Edna Tantjingu & others	IAD Press	2000	9781864650242	In the past, Aboriginal people had to hide their children to help them escape from the authorities coming to take them. Includes strong, distinctive illustrations and Aboriginal English with phrases in Yankunytjatjara.
1277836	Down the plot hole Byrd, Annaleise	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2025	9781760659059	Neighbours and reluctant reading partners Basil and Terry are once again reading The Complete Fairytales of the Brothers Grimm. Last time, they found themselves plunged into the fairytale world, where everyone was losing the plot. This time, words - well, chickens - are disappearing! Will the boys be able to stop the plot holes from destroying everything including their way home?
19627	Down-to-Earth guide to global warming David, Laurie & Cambria, Gordon	Scholastic Australia	2007	9781741691245	Find out about the scientific basis of global warming and its effects on the weather, animals and plants. Practical steps to help are included as well as interesting facts and lots of photographs. The book ends optimistically with useful and attainable methods that can impact positively on the world.

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1D 43443	Dr Boogaloo and the girl who lost her laughter Nicol, Lisa	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2017	9780143782599	Dr Boogaloo was no ordinary doctor. Not at all like the one you might visit if you had a sore tummy. No, Dr Boogaloo was a very different type of doctor. He treated folks who suffered from rather unusual complaints. And how did he treat them? Why, with the most powerful medicine known to mankindMusic! Blue was no ordinary girl. For starters, her name was Blue. But what was truly extraordinary about Blue was the fact that she hadn't laughed for 712 days. Not a hee hee, a ho ho or even a tiny tee hee. According to Dr Boogaloo, music can cure anything. But no laughter was definitely a case for alarm. Can Dr Boogaloo compose a cure before Blue loses her laughter forever?
20711	Dr Karl's big book of amazing animals Kruszelnicki, Dr Karl	MacMillan	2016	9781743547434	From creepy crawlies and the world under the water to the biggest, longest, loudest, sleepiest and stinkiest animals of all. Here are lots of facts to astonish, puzzle and perplex, codes to crack, things to draw and colour, odd ones out, and differences to spot,
	Dragon Blood Pirates series Jerris, Dan & Walker, Rory (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
41853	Dragon legends Passes, David	Pavilion	2012	9781843652120	Look inside the mythical and fantastic world of dragons. A magnificent mixture of heroic myths, stories and folktales from the storytelling traditions of India, Greece, England, Wales, Sweden and China.
5064	Dragon with a chocolate heart, The Burgis, Stephanie	Bloomsbury	2017	9781408880319	All Aventurine wants to do is explore the world outside of her family's mountain cave. However, as a young dragon, her tough scales haven't fully developed yet, so the outside is too perilous (or so her family says). She is determined to fly on her own and prove them wrong by capturing the most dangerous prey of all- a human. But when that human tricks her into drinking an enchanted hot chocolate, Aventurine is transformed into a puny human girl- no sharp teeth, no fire breath, no claws. Still she's the fiercest creature in these mountains, and now she's found her true passion-chocolate!
1234004	Dragon's treasure, The Greenwood, Mark	Fremantle Press	2024	9781760993948	In 1931, four children make a remarkable discovery on a remote beach. But this is only one of many astonishing finds in the same area: silver coins, treasure mystery chests, strange objects and an unidentified skeleton. What mysteries are yet to be revealed?

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1D 40734	Dragonfly song Orr, Wendy	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781760290023	The firstborn baby daughter of a priestess is cast out and, after raiders kill her adopted family, she is abandoned, anonymous and mute. Called No-Name, the cursed child, she is raised a slave. At twelve, she learns that her real name is Aissa, the dragonfly. Every year, the Bull King takes two young children to brave the bloody bull dances in his royal court. None has ever returned. But, for Aissa, it is the only escape. She is resilient, resourceful and fast but, to survive the bull ring, Aissa will have to learn the mystery of her true nature.
	Dragonkeeper series Wilkinson, Carole				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	Dragons of Deltora series Rodda, Emily				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
18375	Draw Aussie animals Isham, Marion & Steve	Bandicoot Books	2001	9780958653664	An interesting way to learn about Australian animals by learning how to draw them.
4514	Drawn onward McKinlay, Meg and Frazer, Andrew (ill)	Fremantle Press	2017	9781925164848	From the masterful pen of multi-award-winning Meg McKinlay and dynamic new illustrator Andrew Frazer, Drawn Onward explores shifting perspectives and the inner voice. The text is a palindrome that takes readers from the glass half empty - 'There is no light on the horizon and it is foolish to think you can change anything at all' - to the glass half full-You can change anything at all. It is foolish to think there is no light on the horizon.'
112 21653	Dream of seas, A Norman, Lilith Dream of the thylacine, The	Random House Australia Pty Ltd Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			Set in Bondi, a boy moves from the country to the city following the death of his father.  The last of the thylacine, or Tasmanian Tigers, died in Hobart Zoo in the
	Wild, Margaret & Brooks, Ron (ill)				ate 1930s. With actual images of this animal incorporated within the text and landscapes, you can almost feel its anguished cry for freedom. The verse is powerful and succinct urging a respect for what is no more.

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617336	Dream riders: Frankie Bloom, Laura & Blackadder, Jesse	Walker Books	2019	9781760650513	Frankie's dream of owning a horse becomes more of a nightmare when it turns out to be a shaggy disobedient pony. Now she will never fit in with the girls in her new town, especially Violet. If only her new friend Shannon, the horse whisperer, can help her then all of her dreams may come true.
751153	Dream riders: Kai Bloom, Laura	Walker Books	2020	9781760652029	Without a saddle or a bridle, all that's left is the truth. Kai thinks he doesn't care about horses- until he meets Monty, the little Brumby who the dream riders rescue and bring back to The Pocket. But Kai has to go back to the city, so Kai's sister finds a way for Monty to come too. There's a lot for them to learn together about friendship and fitting in. And when Monty faces his biggest challenge yet, Kai needs to draw on everything he's got to make sure Monty doesn't have to do it alone.
2933	Dreams of freedom Amnesty International & various	Frances Lincoln	2015	9781847804532	Quotations by seventeen eminent people explore the many different aspects of freedom. The freedom to have an education, the freedom not to be hurt or tortured, the freedom to have a home and the freedom to be yourself.
18423	Drift house: the first voyage Peck, Dale	Bloomsbury	2005	9780747580355	Susan and her two younger brothers go to stay with their eccentric uncle on a remote Canadian lake. His house turns out to be a ship and they embark on a voyage across the Sea of Time to stop diabolical Queen Octavia and her plan to banish time.
12358	Drop kick, The Wickes, Annette	Omnibus Books	2003	9781862915152	The members of Duncan's family are sports mad and have heaps of trophies. Duncan is the odd one out and not good at any sport.  Duncan's Dad says he can have a pet of his own if he kicks the winning goal for the football team.
35460	Dropping In Havel, Geoff	Fremantle Press			Sticks and Ranga live on the same street, go to the same school and love skateboarding and PlayStation. When new kid James arrives in his wheelchair, Sticks isn't sure they can be friends. But, Sticks quickly discovers that while Cerebral palsy stops James from doing some things, it hasn't dulled his sense of humour, and he's pretty brainy, too. The one thing James can't do is skateboarding. But, a beat-up old couch, a couple of skateboards and a steep hill might solve the problem.
22985	Drought French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2018		remember when rain stopped, When day by day the water dropped, All across a sun-bleached land, Drought spread its withered, deadly hand.
846168	Drover McMullin, Neridah & Anthony, Sarah (ill)	Walker Books	2021	9781760652081	A drover's life is one of hardship and daring, but also one of mateship and adventure. This tells the story of Edna Jessop who was one of the few female drovers who worked at this dusty and dangerous job.

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1D   783576	Drum roll please it's Stevie Louise Hennessy, Tanya & Hedstrom, Leigh (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760526412	Meet Stevie Louise. She is an entrepreneur (that's like a business person), an entertainer (obviously), and an extrovert on the inside (wait, is this a thing?).  Stevie has a BRILLIANT PLAN. She's going to have fun, make money,
					and most importantly, make sure the Brooke Street kids stay best friends forever.  Then a new neighbour arrives and threatens to derail all Stevie's plans. And then real disaster strikes. But the show must go on. After all, Stevie is a professional.
2183	Duck and the Darklings, The Millard, Glenda & King, Stephen Michael (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			Grandpapa's eyes shine brightly when he remembers the beauty of the world. Now they all live underground and Peterboy wants to find something to bring the light back and keep it there. What he finds is an injured duck.
1536	Duck for cover Jennings, Paul, Greenwood, Ted & Denton, Terry (ill)	Penguin	1996	9780140346077	A large-format joke book with a couple of levels of interpretation so readers will find something new with each reading.
55512	Duck in the gun, The Cowley, Joy & Belton, Robyn (ill)	Walker Books	2009	9781921150838	The general and his men are about to fire on a town they are at war with. But, the Gunner has bad news for the General. They can't load the gun because a duck is nesting inside it.
	Dummies Junior series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1019918		HarperCollins Australia	2021	9780063039124	Welcome to Dungeon Academy, where monsters and creatures train for the dark world that awaits just beyond the dungeon walls! But Zellidora "Zelli" Stormclash is a bit different. She's the one thing monsters and creatures of the Forgotten Realms fear the most: Zelli is a human! Knowing she'll never be accepted, Zelli's parents disguise her as a minotaur in hopes she'll blend with the academy's monstrous surroundings. Zelli does her work, keeps to herself, and becomes "invisible" to everyone.  While in History of Horrible Humans class, Zelli learns of the great human adventurer, Allidora Steelstrike, who oddly resembles her. Could Zelli also be a Steelstrike? Seeking answers to her true lineage, Zelli embarks on a dangerous adventure.

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1D 1019919		HarperCollins Australia	2021	9780063039148	Something BIG has come knocking on the gates of Dungeon Academy! The undefeated Waterdeep Dragons have arrived for the Tourney of Terror games, which happens every fifty years and features every monster'ss favorite sport: Goreball!  The Dungeon Academy Flumphs are outnumbered, outsized, and outmonstered! But our hero, Zelli Stormclash (a forbidden human, secretly disguised as a minotaur), is no stranger to impossible odds. Just a few weeks ago, Zelli and her crew, the Danger Club, came faceto-face with a maniacal necromancer and his army of undead! If this wasn't enough to raise scales Zelli's reoccurring nightmare of a dark entity annihilating her world may be more than just a bad dream. Something sinister is lurking in the halls of the academy, and only Zelli seems to notice. But when Zelli uncovers a dark past hidden beneath Dungeon Academy, she unlocks something that will concern everyone at school, every dragon at Waterdeep, and everything within the Forgotten Realms.
943507	Dunggiirr Brothers and the caring song of the whale, The Smith, Shaa	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760526313	Welcome to Ngambaa Country on the mid-north coast of New South Wales. I am Aunty Shaa and this is the story of the Koala Brothers, the Dunggiirr Brothers. This is the story of our Country. We live the story of being saved by Dunggiirr and we do a ceremony to keep it alive. It is this story and memory we share with you in this book.
1209824	Dust till dawn Stelzer, Cameron	Daydream Press	2024	9780987461599	The desert awaitsWhen the full moon rises over the blood-red dunes, charioteers gather for the Desert Dash - a race of speed, strength and skill. But Dart and Anna have come to the Sea of Dust seeking so much more than victory. With danger at every turn and enemies out for revenge, can they survive until dawn in the thrilling conclusion to Platinum Pie Rats?
660743	E-boy Do, Anh	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			Ethan is supposed to be doing regular teenage things. He is not supposed to be in hospital getting a brain tumour removed by Gemini, a high-tech android doctor. But just as the operation begins, the building is hit by an unusual bolt of lightning.
763768	E-boy 2 Robofight Do, Anh & Wahl, Chris (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760877859	Last week, Ethan was a teenager who was lying in hospital with a brain tumour. Now, he has the superhuman power to hack into any computer system with his mind. Ethan and Dr Penny are battling the android healer turned deadly assassin. The Robofight Games might be the perfect cover for their mission. Or they might find themselves in even more trouble.

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ID   901545	E-boy 4: A new Gemini Do, Anh & McEwan, Tim (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760879037	Ethan was a normal teenager, until a freak lightning strike gave him the ability to hack into any electronic device-with his mind!  When Ethan's link to Gemini breaks down after a mid-air battle, he and Doctor Penny decide to fix the android. But all the equipment they need is with the enemy!  Can Ethan, Doctor Penny and Gemini work together to outsmart the dangerous Agent Ferris and infiltrate enemy headquarters
977705	E-boy5: Superhuman army Do, Anh & Baez, Marcelo (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761065668	Somewhere deep in the ocean lies the key to superhuman strength. Ethan's powers will be put to the ultimate test when he, Penny and Gemini find themselves in a desperate race to reach the mythical power source before Agent Ferris and his army of androids. Will they make it in time to seize the Grapes of Atlantis?
7466	Eagle in the snow, An Morpurgo, Michael & Foreman, Michael (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2015	9780008134174	Barney's home in Coventry has been bombed along with most of the other houses in the street so he and his mother are on a train to Cornwall. But even a train is not safe as it comes under fire by a couple of Messerschmitt aircraft, only just escaping destruction in a tunnel. Barney's fear of the dark is gradually eased when a stranger begins a story as they wait for the all clear. And what a story it is. A young soldier in World War 1 became the most decorated Private of that war due to his bravery, loyalty and mateship. But one of his actions, at the time seen to be the right thing to do, turned out to have some terrible consequences. It is up to him to make things right.
686887	Earth heroes: 20 inspiring stories of people saving our world Dyu, Lily, & Lay, Jackie (ill)	Nosy Crow Ltd	2019	9781788008525	With twenty inspirational stories celebrating the pioneering work of a selection of Earth Heroes from all around the globe, from Greta Thunberg and David Attenborough to Yin Yuzhen and Isatou Ceesay, each tale is a beacon of hope in the fight for the future of our planet, proving that one person, no matter how small, can make a difference.
4945	Earth to Daniel Rees, Gwyneth	Bloomsbury	2016	9781408883013	I felt like a visitor from another planet instead of a normal human being who actually belonged on planet Earth. Daniel has moved and has to start at a new school. And to make matters worse, his mum is his new school principal! As if things are not bad enough, when his dad goes overseas, his mum starts to act really strange and does some really embarrassing things. Daniel wonders if this has anything to do with an illness that she had a long time ago. His mum needs help and it looks like Daniel has to be the one to save her.

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ID 9276	Earthfasts Mayne, William	Hodder & Stoughton	1995	9780340653272	Time travel and adventure intersect in this initial volume of the trilogy of the same name.
12015	Eating things on sticks Fine, Anne	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9780385616027	Harry has burned down the house by mistake. He is saved from having to stay at Aunt Susan's because he can blackmail his Uncle Tristram over the cat incident. So, they are off on holidays with the very comely Morning Glory on her strange island home where Harry will very much be the gooseberry, and a trouble-making one at that, and they will start by eating nettle pancakes and end up eating things on sticks.
15310	Echidna Pyers, Greg	Echidna Books	2002	9781740707756	Interesting facts about the unusual life of Australia's echidna. Excellent diagrams and photographs show the different stages of development. Includes a fact file and glossary of terms.
890147	Eddie Albert and the amazing animal gang: The curse of the smuggler's treasure O'Grady, Paul	HarperCollins Children's Books	2022	9780008446871	Eddie and best friend Flo are spending the Easter holidays on the Romney Marshes with Aunt Budge and all his animals - Butch the dog, Bunty the hamster and pirate goldfish Dan and Jake.
					When the terrible Rancid Twins arrive in town, set on uncovering the secret mystery of the smugglers' treasure, Eddie and Flo are drawn into a thrilling new adventure. Eddie must use his ability to speak to animals to enlist the help of two elegant alpaca, a friendly sheep called Doris and a famous film-star rabbit to save the day and reveal a treasure of epic proportions.
696282	Eddy Popcorn's guide to parent training White, Dee & Johnston, Benjamin (ill)	Omnibus Books	2020	9781743834022	The school holidays have started and Eddy Popcorn is grounded until his homework is finished. Faced with no beach and no mates Eddy puts all his energy into writing a helpful book for kids 'Eddy Popcorn's guide to parent training'!
	Edgar & Ellen series Ogden, Charles				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	Edsel Grizzler series Roy, James				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 12387	Egg drop Grey, Mini	Jonathan Cape	2002		A quirky story about a young, independent egg who wants to fly. The egg doesn't want to wait or listen to advice.
846055	Egg marks the spot Timberlake, Amy & Klassen, Jon (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760877057	Skunk and Badger both find themselves in difficult situations with careless friends and family. Skunk suggests they go on a rock finding expedition to take their minds off their troubles, and to try and find a very special rock to complete Badger's collection. A simple camping trip gets complicated quickly by Skunk's giant backpack and a very special chicken with a very big secret.
5312	Egghead Scott, Clare	Walker Books	2008	9781921150814	Paddy is excited when his teacher announces a week-long experiment. He imagines an awesome experiment with interesting potions and eruptions. Too bad the experiment is not what it's cracked up to be.
660623	Eight princesses and a magic mirror Farrant, Natasha & Corry, Lydia (ill)	Head of Zeus	2019	9781788541152	Mirror, mirror on the wallwhat makes a princess excellent?' The magic mirror is the thread that connects the worlds of ten very different Princesses after an enchantress flings her magic mirror into the universe. Ten short stories. Ten very unusual Princesses. Ten Princesses who are brave enough to be themselves. The answer to the question is not what you expect it to be.
114	Eighteenth emergency, The Byars, Betsy	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2000	9780099408673	Mouse and Ezzie have concocted seventeen hilarious emergency procedures for coping with life's dramas, but they are not prepared for the eighteenth emergency.
630979	El deafo Bell, Cece	Harry N Abrams Inc	2014	9781419712173	Going to school and making new friends can be tough. But going to school and making new friends while wearing a bulky hearing aid strapped to your chest? That requires superpowers! In this funny, poignant graphic novel memoir, author/illustrator Cece Bell chronicles her hearing loss at a young age and her subsequent experiences with the Phonic Ear, a very powerful - and very awkward - hearing aid.
115	Eleanor, Elizabeth Gleeson, Libby	Penguin	1998	9780141303024	Eleanor finds her grandmother's diary in the old schoolhouse where she did her lessons.
	Elementals trilogy Kaufman, Amie				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D   5280	Elephant in the garden, An Morpurgo, Michael & Foreman, Michael (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2010	9780007339563	It's 1944 and Elizabeth's father is fighting with the German army on the eastern front. In Dresden, Elizabeth, Karli and their mother are fleeing the city as the allied bombs fall. They face a torturous journey through a perilous, snow-covered landscape to reach the safety of the west. It would be hard enough, without an elephant in tow.
9961	Elephant man Di Fiore, Mariangela & Hodnefjeld, Hilde (ill) & Hedger, Rosie (trans)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781760292201	Joseph doesn't look like other people. His skin is thick and lumpy, his limbs are oddly shaped, and his head has a big, bony lump. People call him Elephant Man and scream in terror when they see him. But, inside, Joseph longs for a friend to understand him. Based on the famous, true story of Joseph Merrick.
22102	Elephant mountain Brian, Janeen & Rippin, Sally (ill)	Puffin Australia	2008	9780143303282	Kasem is thrilled when he is given responsibility for baby elephant, Pooky, and promises the elephant that he will always look after him. Kasem has to remember many important things and wonders whether he will be able to keep his promise to Pooky.
773007	Eliza Vanda's button box Rodda, Emily	HarperCollins Australia	2021	9781460759608	Milly is feeling unsettled. Things are changing in her life over which she has no control. When mysterious newcomer Eliza Vanda sets up shop in the sleepy seaside town of Tidgy Bay, Milly is curious. Eliza is a dressmaker with a difference. In every garment she sews magical buttons. The buttons enable their owner to signal Eliza when she is needed. When she asks Milly to run an errand for her, it is not to the corner shop. Buttons three, attend to me! Take me where I want to be! If Milly speaks these words and touches the magic buttons in her pocket, she is whisked away to a fantastical place with intriguing inhabitants who need her help. Will Milly be brave enough to overcome what lies ahead?
9409	Eliza, Eliza, the biography of Eliza Winstanley Irvine, Nance	Mulini Press	1997	9780949910721	Told through words and illustrations, the story of Australia's first leading ady and the first Australian actress to gain overseas success.
	Elizabella series Norton Lodge, Zoe & Norton Lodge, Georgia (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 11696	Elizabeth and Zenobia Miller, Jessica	Text Publishing Co	2016	9781925355031	Timid Elizabeth and her unusual, fearless friend, Zenobia, arrive at Witheringe House, the old manor where Elizabeth's father and his beloved sister, Tourmaline, lived as children. Peculiar things begin to happen, especially in the forbidden East Wing. Sometimes, the flowers and vines of the wallpaper seem to be alive. A mirror has a surface like the water of a pond and an old book tells a different story after midnight. Zenobia is thrilled by the strangeness but Elizabeth is not so bold. Until she makes a mysterious and terrifying discovery.
1226217	Elizabeth: The story of an Australian pioneer Wilson, Mark	Windy Hollow Books	2025	9781922998101	Elizabeth Macarthur was a true Australian pioneer. This book celebrates her life and achievements. In a society that was dominate by men, who thrived as a mother, businesswoman and farm manager. An inspirational Australian story.
660712	Ella at Eden: New girl Sieveking. Laura	Scholastic Australia	2020	9781743834930	Ella has started at her new high school, she is getting to know her new friends and enjoying the many things the school has to offer. Until things start to get complicated, she insults the school diva, hears a ghost in the dorm and items start to mysteriously disappear. Can Ella catch the thief and solve the mystery?
696367	Ella at Eden: The secret journal Sieveking, Laura	Scholastic Australia	2020	9781743834947	Ella has settled into Eden College. She loves her new friends and her school. When Ella accidentally uncovers a hidden diary her curiosity is sparked. She follows the clues and discovers there is more to Eden college than meets the eye.
1580		HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2003	9780007171682	Ella is given a blessing at birth, the gift of obedience, by a very stupid fairy. It proves to be a mixed blessing for Ella who literally has to do what anyone, and everyone tells her.
15181	Ella's big chance Hughes, Shirley Ellyse Perry series Various	Red Fox	2005	9780099433095	An updated version of Cinderella with a surprise ending.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
705674	Eloise and the bucket of stars Brian, Janeen	Walker Books	2020	9781760651879	Eloise has spent her life at the orphanage doing chores and being a good example for the younger children, but she cannot win favour with cruel Sister Hortense. Eloise holds on to hope of a family of her own, but she is also becoming aware of the world outside the orphanage and city gates. She feels a connection to something greater than the strict rules and limited experiences of the orphanage; something magical.

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ID   903362	Elsewhere Girls Gale, Emily & Weetman	Text Publishing Co	2021	9781922330451	Cat and Fanny live in Sydney but more than one hundred years apart. Cat has started a new school and is struggling with the commitment needed for her early morning swim sessions. Fanny, who dreams of being a champion, is struggling to get more time in the pool. A mysterious switch in the cool water of Wylie's ocean baths leads them to adventures and a new understanding of themselves.
587527	Elsie Mae has something to say Cavanaugh, Nancy J	Sourcebooks Inc	2017	9781492668183	Elsie Mae is pretty sure this'll be the best summer ever. She's sure that the letter she's written to President Roosevelt will save her beloved Okefenokee swamp and make her a major hometown hero. What's more, Elsie Mae gets wind of hog bandits stealing from swamper families, and she sees another opportunity to make her family proud. But when her cousin Henry James shows up and ruins her investigation, Elsie Mae will learn the hard way what it really means to be a hero.
569196	Embassy of the dead Mabbitt, Will	Hachette Children's Books	2018	9781510104556	When Jake Green meets a spooky old bloke in a dark alley one evening, a series of unfortunate events is set in motion. Jake is given a box containing a severed finger, which summons a grim reaper to drag him to the Eternal Void, and now they are running for their lives - even though Stiffkey, the spooky old bloke, is already dead. Now that he can see and speak to ghosts, Jake finds himself the leader of a strange little gang - Stiffkey the undertaker, Cora - the hockey stick wielding poltergeist, and Zorro the ghost fox. They have one mission - get the finger to the Embassy before the baddies can find it and use it to unleash hell on earth while keeping ahead of Mawkins, the grim reaper. Will they make it in time and avoid everlasting damnation in the void?
578873	Emergency echo Ivanoff, George	Penguin Random House Australia	2016	9780857988782	Twelve year old Alice is an ordinary girl living in the outback mining town of Mount Magnet. One morning, during a game of backyard cricket, she is struck down with the crippling pain of acute appendicitis. Shockingly, the nearest hospital is hundreds of kilometres away and a violent storm is rapidly approaching. An urgent call is made to the Royal Flying Doctor Service. The pressure is on for the RFDS to safely transport Alice to medical attention before it is too late.
7856	Emil and the detectives Kastner, Erich	Arrow / Random House	2001	9780099413127	When Emil's money goes missing on the train to Berlin, his determination to get it back leads him to team up with the local detectives.

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ID	Emily Eyefinger series Ball, Duncan				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	Emmie & friends series Libenson, Terri				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
9442	Empty frame Pilling, Ann	HarperCollins Australia	2003	9780007121540	Max, one of the three children spending their holidays with a cousin at The Abbey, hears a woman crying on his first night there. He investigates and discovers that the sixteenth century portrait of Lady Alice is now just an empty frame.
9219		Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2002	9780375922879	Descriptions of procedures and items such as Einstein's pickled brain will fascinate older primary readers.
10510	Endangered Wilkinson, Rick	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2002	9781865086644	Looks at endangered animals and what wildlife organisations are doing to increase the animals' chances of survival.
831	Enemy, The Cali, Davide & Bloch, Serge (ill)	Wilkins Farago Pty Ltd	2007	9780958557184	There's a war on. We see something that could be a desert, in which there are two holes. In the holes are two soldiers. They are enemies.
119	Enora and the black crane Meeks, Arone Raymond	Scholastic Australia	1991	9780868966441	An aboriginal story that tells of Enora's fascination with the coloured birds of the forest.
	Eric Vale series Bauer, Michael Gerard & Bauer, Joe (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
27079	Escape from kids' club Gwynne, Phillip	Puffin Australia	2010	9780143305620	Max, Lily, Boaz and Jesse are stuck in Kids' Club at an island resort, forced to watch endless Pirates of the Caribbean re-runs while their parents relax by the pool. After eight days, they decide to break out and let the real fun begin.

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1D 1136	eSide Alexander, Goldie	Five Senses Publications	2013	9781741307740	Sam and her mother live in the rear of the Conch Cafe, close to Sam's best friend Melody. The building is owned by greedy witch Hecate who will do everything in her power to own the cafe's Good-Luck-Conch. After Hecate steals the shell and the cafe burns down, the girls have a series of adventures in eSide where they must travel through dangerous digital worlds before they can recover their conch.
10336	Esty's gold Arrigan, Mary	Frances Lincoln	2009	9781845079659	The 1840's potato famine in Ireland and the death of her father dramatically change thirteen year old Esty's life. The remaining family members migrate to Australia in the hope of making their fortune. The goldfields, Ballarat and the Eureka Stockade feature in the life of this feisty heroine.
686619	Eureka! A story of the Goldfields Wilson, Mark	Hachette Children's Books	2020	9780734416810	Molly and her father have emigrated to Australia to try their luck as gold prospectors in Ballarat, Victoria. Life on the diggings is hard and Molly misses her mother, who died before they left England.  A Chinese teenager, Chen, shows Molly and her Papa how to pan for gold and helps them when their food and money run out. Not everyone on the goldfields is friendly, however. Chen and other Chinese diggers are often bullied and the police lock up miners who haven't paid the exorbitant gold licence fee. Before long, Molly, Papa and Chen are caught up in a protest that will become known as the Eureka Rebellion a legendary battle that will profoundly affect them all.
1247	Evan's Gallipoli Greenwood, Kerry	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743311356	Evan is 14 when his father decides they should deliver some comforting goods to the Allied soldiers. They are ill-prepared for the danger, horrors and hardship they will encounter at war.
1209696	Evenfall: The golden linnet Armstrong, Alexander	Farshore	2024	9780008552695	An ancient magic. A deadly enemy. A reluctant hero. 12-year-old Sams world is blown apart when he discovers that his family was once at the heart of a secret society, The Order of the Evening, that had long protected the world. Now a powerful enemy is closing in, destroying all in its path to find the Orders hidden palace of Bellasis and the source of its powerful magic. Only Sam can stop them. But first, he must bring the Order together again. The clock is ticking. Dark forces are massing. Sam must undertake perilous journeys, determine friend and foe, and discover his true powers. For this boy holds the future of the world in his hands. Its time to enter a world of magic, intrigue, danger and glory, if you dare!

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1D 6028	Every minute in Australia Poshoglian, Yvette	Scholastic Australia	2012	9781742832128	Ever wondered what is happening every minute in Australia? This book will tell you how much tomato sauce will be consumed, money spent on bottled water and how many cars will cross the Sydney Harbour Bridge, blus much more.
5000	Every minute on Earth Murrie, Steve & Matthew & Lloyd, Mary Anne (ill)	Scholastic US	2007	9780439908870	Packed with interesting and entertaining facts about the things that happen on Earth every sixty seconds. To whet your appetite, 2,000 thunderstorms occur, 45 million gallons of water go over Niagara Falls, 2,271 working satellites orbit Earth, a hair grows 0.00027 inch and 15,000 gallons of air are inhaled by a blue whale.
17630	Everything you need to know about the human body Dr Macnair, Patricia	Kingfisher	2012	9780753431979	Packed with information, amazing facts, questions and creative activities, this human body encyclopedia will tell you everything you want to know about what the body can do, the human life cycle, food and digestion, the brain and the senses, structure and movement, and much more.
902463		Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2022	9781760654207	On a stormy night off the coast of southern Australia, a ship transporting a cargo of exotic animals tosses and turns in enormous seas. Rhino senses they are in grave danger  Not far away, ten-year-old Evie and her grandfather shelter in their crumbling, once-grand old home. They know too well how deadly storms can be. When all is calm, Evie treks over the dunes to the sea and makes a discovery that will change her life, and Rhino's, forever.  Will the tragedies of their pasts finally be put to rest?
705686	Evie and the animals Haig, Matt & Gravett, Emily (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781786894311	Evie is a girl with a special talent! She can talk to the animals! But whens she sets the school rabbit free she gets into big trouble. She promises her dad she won't talk to the animals anymore. But one day missing' posters for all the animals in her neighbourhood start popping up all over the streets. With the help of Granny Flora, Evie uses her magical gift to find out who is behind the disappearances.
9687	Evolution of Calpurnia Tate, The Kelly, Jacqueline	Henry Holt & Co	2011	9780312659301	The summer of 1899 is hot in eleven year old Calpurnia Tate's sleepy, Texas town. She begins a nature diary and, intrigued by an invasion of large, yellow grasshoppers, spends more time with her remote and cantankerous grandfather, an avid naturalist. When they are about to make an amazing discovery, the reality of Callie's situation catches up with her. She's a girl, expected to cook and clean and sew.

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1D   833005	Exit through the gift shop Master, Maryam	Pan MacMillan	2021	9781760983512	Anahita Rosalind Ghorban-Galaszczuk (yes, that really is her name but you can call her Ana) is discovering that life is absurd. As if dying of cancer at the age of 12.5 isn't bad enough, she still has to endure daily insults from her nemesis, Alyssa (Queen Mean) Anderson.  Ana's on a wild roller-coaster of life and death, kindness and cruelty, ordinary and extraordinary.  And she's got a few things to do before she exits
	Exploding endings series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
3857	Explore Australia: the kid edition Scott, Janine	Explore Australia	2015	9781741174908	A travel guide for kids covering destinations and activities all around the country. Packed with fun facts, beguiling history and tips on what to see and do, the guide is organised into state chapters, highlighting the top attractions in each capital city and a range of holiday regions. There are also sections on weird place names, how to read maps and Aussie road signs.
35560	Explorer, The Rundell, Katherine	Bloomsbury	2017	9781408885284	After surviving the crash of their small plane in The Amazon, four children with no food, water or hope of rescue. But, details of another earlier person takes our four survivals on an suspenseful adventure through the forest, on the river and through the ruins of this mighty forest.
1470	Extra time Gleitzman, Morris	Puffin Australia	2013	9780143307754	Matt is a talented young soccer player who is selected to travel to England to join the Premier League, with his ten year old sister as his manager.
	Extraordinary lives series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 1232876		Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2025	9781760657833	This is a story so strange, it might almost be unbelievable. Sisters Lake and Birdy are latest arrivals at the Charitable Home for Poor Unfortunates Touched by Tragic Circumstances. If you think that sounds bad, thats just the beginning. Luck is not on the sisters side, it seems. Or is it? Depending on the way you look at it, together these sisters are capable of surviving everything and anything. But it is going to take all of Lake and Birdys courage to face their biggest misfortune of all: the dreadful, the awful, the terrible Miss MacGregor.
	Extreme adventures series D'Ath, Justin				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
25541	Extreme animals: the toughest creatures on Earth Davies, Nicola	Walker Books	2006	9781406305593	Fascinating insight into how animals can survive some of the harshest conditions on the planet. Find out how sperm whales and elephant seals can stay underwater for up to 50 minutes and lots more interesting and unusual facts.
	Extreme jobs series Hyland, Tony				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
47787	Extreme sports Evans, Lynette	Scholastic Australia	2009	9781741694598	An engaging look at some very extreme and whacky sports, including parachuting and skydiving, baseboarding and blading, bungee jumping and extreme ironing.
	Eyewitness series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
9224	Faber book of Greek legends, The Lines, Kathleen	Faber & Faber	2001	9780571206728	Greek legends for the younger reader.
44877	Face to face with wild horses Momatiuk, Yva & Eastcott, John	National Geographic Society	2009	9781426304668	Meet the wild horses and find out lots of information, including how they became wild, how they communicate, the difference between a wild horse and a domesticated one, and how their habitats are threatened.

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ID   864510	FACTopia Hale, Kate & Smith, Andy (ill)	Walker Books	2021	9781912920709	Did you know that a squid has a brain shaped like a doughnut? Or that some butterflies drink turtle tears? Welcome to FACTopia, a world of perfectly amazing facts, all of which are verified by Encyclopaedia Britannica! Every fact in the book is connected to the next in an ingenious trail of information. Hop from topic to topic in unexpected and hilarious ways, and discover extraordinary facts about space, bones, dinosaurs, goats, spiders, crocodiles, sharks, robots, Ancient Rome, kings and queens, pharaohs, and more. But there's not just one trail through these pages: sometimes your path branches and you can choose to jump to a totally different (but still connected) part of the book. Discover where your curiosity will take you!
	Fair dinkum series French, Jackie & Sheehan, Peter (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
7762	Fairy four-eyes Matthews, Penny & Quay, Emma (ill)	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143302773	A star ballerina doesn't want to wear glasses with her tutu or dance with the only boy in ballet class who is new and who has become the teacher's favourite.
	Fairy realm series Rodda, Emily				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
950163	Fall of the school for good and evil Chainani, Soman & RaidesArt (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2023	9780008554606	Nolan Hawker has been training at The Peak, a secret spy school that dispatches elite operatives to protect the innocent. His first mission is to go undercover at Blu Xpanse, an oceanic lab where a brilliant geneticist is making super-sized cockroach-like creatures that may have the potential to save the world. But Nolan isn't the only one with a secret identity - a Swarm agent has also infiltrated Blu Xpanse and Nolan has only days to uncover their identity and stop their doomsday plan.

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1D 5078	Fall, The Bancks, Tristan	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2017	9780143783053	Sam is staying with his crime reporter father as he recovers from a knee operation when he is woken shortly after 2am by loud voices arguing in the flat above. Curious he opens the window to hear more clearly when suddenly a man-sized shape falls the six floors to the garden below. Sam goes to his dad's room to wake him, only to discover that he is gone. Fearful that it may be his father lying in the garden he struggles on his crutches downstairs only to discover that there is no one there. But someone is watching Sam and now Sam is in danger too.
16165	Falling angels Thompson, Colin	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2010	9781741664201	Sally could fly before she could crawl, travelling across the world to visit beautiful remote areas. She longs to share this world with her grandmother.
718072	Family Muir, Aunty Fay & Lawson, Sue & Seymour, Jasmine (ill)	Magabala Books	2020	9781925936285	Family. Listening. Sharing. Learning. Connecting. Heart and home. Family. Family is a thoughtful contemplation for all to learn the different ways that family makes us whole. This beautifully illustrated children's picture book shows everyone that "family" can be about heart and home; an endless sky; stories and songs. It "learns" us how to be with each other and with Country. Families come in all shapes and sizes, and this remarkably simple story teaches us all, that family can be many things.
125	Family from one end street, The Garnett, Eve	Puffin UK	2010	9780141329673	Set thirty years ago, a dustman's large family all had various ways of entertaining themselves, despite the family's lack of money.
1847	Ciddor, Anna				Nomi is one of nine children living in Poland in the 1920s. Their family is so large, they need to live across two apartments. Their father is a Rabbi and there are many customs to follow, many revolving around food. But, the biggest adventure of all is when big sister Adina is told she is to be married, at the age of fifteen, to someone she has never met. Based on the author's real family, the Rabinovitches dance, laugh and cook their way through an extraordinary life in 1920s Poland.
3534	Famous Lawrinson, Julia	Penguin Books Australia	2009	9780143304685	Mrs Pavlich tries to convince Sophie that being famous isn't a job but Sophie and several other students don't think this is right. After all, they have seen plenty of people who are famous for doing nothing in particular. When Sophie gets a chance to go on her favourite TV game show, Mega Match, and gets close to winning, she has to make a choice.
12686	Famous Australians: Australian children's authors Dixon, Rachel	Redback Publishing	2017	9781925630169	Famous Australians presents short biographies of people who have made notable contributions to society, and who have helped make sport and children's literature such important and popular aspects of Australian culture!

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ID 12690	Famous Australians: Australians at the olympic games Dixon, Rachel	Redback Publishing	2017	9781925630176	Famous Australians presents short biographies of people who have made notable contributions to society, and who have helped make sport and children's literature such important and popular aspects of Australian culture.
	Famous five series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2868	Famous Five's survival guide, The Blyton, Enid	Hodder Children's Books (UK)	2008	9780340970836	For Famous Five fans of all ages, this book is an interesting mix of fact and fiction. Find out how to survive a shipwreck, pack a rucksack, crack a secret code, use interrogation skills and find a secret passage plus an unsolved mystery from the past. A nostalgic look at the Five will appeal to older fans as well.
28346	Famous horse snatched Holper, Paul & Torok, Simon & Axelsen, Stephen (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2006	9781405037327	When a famous racehorse is stolen from Zac's uncle, Zac and Hannah are in hot pursuit, tracking down the thieves who are trying to pull a fast one on the racing world. Follow the clues and the red herrings, collect the evidence and check out the suspects to solve the crime of the missing racehorse.
42742	Fantastic flying books of Mr Morris Lessmore, The Joyce, William Edward	Simon & Schuster	2013	9780857079442	Morris Lessmore loved words. He loved stories. He loved books. But every story has its upsetsEverything in Morris Lessmore's life, including his own story, is scattered to the winds. But the power of story will save the day.
	Fantastica series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
126	Far out, brussel sprout Factor, June & Viska, Peter (ill)	Brolly Books	2009	9781741833089	A collection of school yard play rhymes.
	Far-flung adventures series Stewart, Paul & Riddell, Chris (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D   578972	Fast flight Ivanoff, George	Penguin Random House Australia	2016	9780857988829	Dillon is your typical eleven year old boy who loves to play cricket and is forever getting into trouble for his messy room. He's just a normal kid except for the fact he has a rare genetic disorder and desperately needs a liver transplant. One day, in the middle of the night, Dillon and his family receive a call from a distant hospital. A donor liver is available. The Royal Flying Doctor service is the only available option to transport Dillon to the hospital and into his new life.
1657	Fat and juicy place, The Kidd, Diana	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	1992	9780207167867	At the back of Jack's school is a special place. He can't tell anyone except his mate, Lizard, about all the things that can happen there. When Jack meets the mysterious Birdman, he learns secrets about the past that he just can't tell anyone.
5473	Fat Head the bird Lawson, Liam & others	Indij Readers	2007	9780980359350	Liam tells the story of Fat Head, the bird, who sometimes gets up to mischief. Liam learns the value of pet ownership and why we need rules.
660388	Fate of Fausto, The Jeffers, Oliver	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2019	9780593115015	Fausto believed he owned everything in the world, from flowers to trees and mountains. One day he decides to inspect the world he owns, and let each thing under the sun know he is the boss.
129	Father Sky and Mother Earth Noonuccal, Oodgeroo (Walker, Kath)	Jacaranda	1992	9780701630348	An illustrated book depicting environmental concerns by Oodgeroo Noonuccal, a poet and an activist for Aboriginal rights.
4265	Faunaverse: Australian wildlife in poetry Dudley, Alexander & Sullivan, Jane	Fremantle Press	2016	9780994558107	How much do you know about Australian animals? Have you ever heard of the Pobblebonk who lives underground? Or how about the deadly Assassin Bug? Or maybe you are familiar with Boyd's Forest Dragon? These are just some of the weird and wonderful but 100% real animals you will meet in Faunaverse. A collection of poems aimed at educating readers about Australia's unknown and misunderstood wildlife. The poems are loaded with facts and information, perfect for curious minds of all ages. Poems are accompanied by beautiful wildlife photography by the authors.
1019893	Feather Leonard, M.G.	Walker Books	2024	9781529506112	On a school trip to the Royal Swan Natural History Museum, Ava finds herself at the centre of a hundreds of invaluable bird of paradise skins from the Alfred Wallace Collection have been stolen! When she discovers a large jet-black feather, she's sure it's a clue, but the police won't listen to her. Slipping away, she takes the case to the Twitchers in an investigation that leads them to the bizarre and sinister world of fly-fishing, and to a mysterious girl with a pet Raven called Caliban and a dangerous ring of thieves and smugglers

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591169	Feather, The Wild, Margaret & Blackwood, Freya (ill)	Little Hare Books			In a world of shadows and ruin, a majestic feather drifts from the clouds to bring redemption and hope.
53305	Feathered soldiers Farrer, Vashti & Small, Mary & Alger, Elizabeth (ill)	ANZAC Day Commemoration Committee QLD Incorporated			Pigeons may be taken for granted but they have played a very important part particularly for Australia during World War II. One pigeon flew sixty-four kilometres in fifty minutes through a storm to save a shipload of ammunition. Amusing drawings highlight fascinating facts and true stories in this illustrated tribute to Australia's wartime messenger pigeons.
3184	Feathers Cummings, Phil & Lesnie, Phil (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2017	9781760157357	The sandpiper stretched its wings in the chilling breeze. It knew it was time to leaveso it took flight. Follow the feathers as they fall along this exquisite journey of heartache, hope and home.
130	Feathers and fools Fox, Mem	Harcourt Children's Books	2000	9780152004736	A modern fable about some peacocks and swans that allow their fear of each other to destroy them.
1209771	Fern's School for Wayward Fae: The graveyard gift CJ, Piper	Walker Books	2024	9781760659288	Rosemary Thorpe has aways been a bit different. She has the uncanny and unfortunate ability to foresee people's deaths, which tend to land her in hot water. Well, not actual hot water where it lands her is a place between worlds called Fern's School for Wayward Fae, where Rosemary learns that her powers come from being part fae. At Fern's school, Rosemary meets other who are part fae - including Trym, her banshee roommate whose screams can kill, and Essie, a djinn who grants wishes. But just as Rosemary settles in, a student vanishes in thin air. And it's up to all the kids to use their curious gifts to find their missing friend
1066675	Ferris DiCamillo, Kate	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760659240	Ferris Wilkey's summer is full of surprises. Her little sister, Pinky, has vowed to become an outlaw. Uncle Ted has left Aunt Shirley and is painting a mural in the basement. Ferris' grandmother Cherisse sees a ghost who has wild, impractical, illuminating plans. How can Ferris satisfy a ghost with Pinky terrorising the town, Uncle Ted sending her to spy on her aunt and her father battling an invasion of cheeky racoons?
942779	Feylawn Chronicles book 1: Book of fatal errors, The Slater, Daska	Farrar, Straus and Giroux	2020	9780374301194	Without mistakes, there wouldn't be stories. Rufus doesn't make mistakes, he makes fatal errors. But when Rufus and his cousin, Abigail, become dangerously entangled in the world of the mischievous and immortal feylings and their battle against greedy goblins with an evil plan, any move he makes might be his final fatal error - or his most spectacular beginning.

PRC	Title/Author	Publisher	Year	ISBN	Annotations
1D   903265	Fifth quarter, The Dawson, Mike	Pan MacMillan	2021	9781250244185	Lori discovers a love for basketball even though she is not very good. She decides that she wants to put in some practice and become a more important part of her year 5 basketball team. When another girl in her school also shows the same interest, Lori is not sure if she is trying to take something from Lori, or if her intentions are good. For fans of basketball and graphic novels.
	Figgy series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
35563	Fighting stingrays, The Mitchell, Simon	Penguin Random House Australia	2017	9780143784104	Charlie, Masa and Alf are best mates - loyal and adventurous. They're the Fighting Stingrays. In between school, swimming and fishing on idyllic Thursday Island, they have a ripper time role-playing bombing missions and other war games. But when Japan enters World War II, the Fighting Stingrays are told that one of their own is now the real-life enemy. Drawn into a dangerous game of cat and mouse in the Torres Strait, their friendship and loyalties are tested as the threat of invasion looms closer.
568870	Finch Matthews, Penny	Walker Books	2018	9781760650759	For years, Audrey has always believed she is destined to be alone. Even her younger sister calls her 'Nerd Girl'. However, her life is about change forever following her family's relocation to a vineyard in outback Australia. Upon arrival, Audrey meets a mysterious boy named Finch, who seems to understand her like no one else. There's just one problem, no one in the town even knows Finch exists.
131	Finders keepers Rodda, Emily	Scholastic Australia	1997	9781862913608	While playing a computer game, Patrick is transported into a parallel world and invited to participate in a TV game show.
1019828	Finding Bear Gold, Hannah	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008582029	Since returning home from her adventures in the Arctic, April has really struggled to fit in. Her mind and her heart are back in the ice and snow with her unlikely polar bear companion. She remains bound to Bear despite the distance. When April finds out that when an animal resembling Bear is shot, she must return and make sure her friend is safe. The Arctic, however, is no safe place for anyone.

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1D 37994	Finding Gobi Leonard, Dion	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2017	9780008244521	Finding Gobi is the ultimate story of hope and friendship - proving time and time again, that dogs really are 'man's best friend'. In 2016, Dion Leonard, an ultramarathon runner, stumbled across a little stray dog while competing in a gruelling 155 mile race across the Gobi Desert. The pup earned the name 'Gobi' as she went step for step with Dion, keeping pace with him for nearly 80 miles. What Gobi lacked in size, she made up for in heart. Dion had always focused on winning, but as he witnessed the incredible determination of this small animal, he felt something inside him change. This is a story of a life changing friendship between one man and a little stray dog.
587891	Fing Walliams, David & Ross, Tony (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2019	9780008349080	Meet the Meeks! Myrtle Meek has everything she could possibly want. But everything isn't enough. She wants more, more, more! When Myrtle declares she wants a FING, there's only one problem: What is a FING? Mr and Mrs Meek will do anything to keep their darling daughter happy, even visit the spooky library vaults to delve into the dusty pages of the mysterious Monsterpedia. Their desperate quest leads to the depths of the jungliest jungle where the rarest creatures can be found. But will they ever find a FING?
11675	Finn family Moomintroll Jansson, Tove; Portch, Elizabeth (trans)	Farrar, Straus and Giroux	2010	9780312608897	It is spring in the valley and the Moomins are ready for adventure.  Moomintroll and his friends Snufkin and Sniff, find the Hobgoblin's top hat, all shiny and new, and just waiting to be taken home. However, they soon realise that this is no ordinary hat. It can turn anything, or anyone, into something else.
6166	Fire French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742838175	One small spark brought fire awake, winding like a small black snake. Fire flickered, fire crept, flames snickered, bushfire leapt.
8686	Fire pony, The Philbrick, Rodman	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2005	9780746065082	Imagine you have only one person in the world to love and take care of you and that person has a dangerous secret. Roy and his brother Joe Dilly, blessed with the talent of horse whispering, try to find a home in America's deep south.

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1D 10490	Fire stallion, The Gregg, Stacy	HarperCollins Australia	2018	9780008261412	Hilly's costume designer mother is on a trip from New Zealand to Reykjavik to work on a film about a mythological warrior girl called Brunhilda. At the last minute, Hilly gets to join her. What she thought would be weeks of sitting around on boring film sets soon changes when she lays eyes on Mjolnir, or Hammer, the huge and spectacular Icelandic horse who will star in the film. Then, Hilly finds herself caught up in the world of Gudrun, the cultural consultant on set, and before she knows it, Hilly is far more invested in the story of Brunhilda and her fight for survival than ever could have been predicted.
751034	Fire star, The Tait, A L	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2020	9781760897079	Maven and Reeve are maid and squire, teenagers who are committed to their Master and Mistress and drawn together to solve the mysterious disappearance of a magnificent jewel with a cursed history.
13999	Fire within, The d'Lacey, Chris	Orchard Books	2001	9781841215334	When David moves in with Liz and Lucy, he discovers hand crafted, clay dragons that come to life and have magical powers. David's personal dragon inspires him to write a story about the adventures of their local squirrel population.
45469	Firefly code, The Blakemore, Megan Frazer	Bloomsbury	2017	9781681195278	Living a normal life on Firefly Lane, Mori and her friends are safe and have never had to question anything or wonder about how their lives came to be. This all changes when Ilana moves into town - a girl that seems so perfect yet acts so strangely sometimes. Mori and her friends become curious about Ilana and what her background is. Secrets are revealed and decisions must be made.
587176	Firewatcher: Brimstone Gardiner, Kelly	Omnibus Books	2018	9781742994277	December 1940, London: Christopher Larkham finds an ancient Roman ring inscribed with a phoenix. As he takes shelter from the firestorm of the Blitz, the ring glows, and pushing open a door, he finds himself in 1666 and facing the Great Fire of London. Fire-and-brimstone preacher, Brother Blowbladder, and his men of the Righteous Temple have prayed for the ancient gods of fire to bring flames down upon London, a city of sin. Could Christopher be their messenger? Or was it the strange girl on the quay who drew him back in time? Why do the Righteous men wear the same phoenix symbol as the engraving on Christophers ring?

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1D   660710	Firewatcher: Phoenix Gardiner, Kelly	Omnibus Books	2020	9781742994284	May 1941. The London Blitz is reaching its fiery climax. Christopher Larkham, a Fire Watcher is facing a dilemma. He is trying to untangle the truth of an ancient Roman ring he has found, while confronting the greatest fires in the city's history.  Christopher tries to go back to 1666 to find his new friends and learn more about the power of his phoenix ring. Instead, he is transported to a smaller, older river port known as Lundenwic, where the Saxon community faces an invasion by the dreaded Vikings. Why has the ring brought him here, and how can he get back to his own time?  Phoenix is the second, thrilling instalment of the Fire Watcher trilogy, blending time-travel, history, mystery, action and adventure.
5513	Firewood & rabbits Jackson, Ron	Indij Readers	2007	9780980359343	In this picture book autobiography, Ron Jackson describes his eventful childhood as one of thirteen children in a stockman's family living in isolated Balranald. He discusses home schooling, catching rabbits, and collecting firewood in a homemade boat.
88016	First light Stead, Rebecca	Text Publishing Co	2011	9781921758256	Peter is thrilled to be going to Greenland where his father studies climate change. But, on the ice cap, Peter is troubled by visions that both frighten and entice him. Thea has never seen the sun. Her people, suspected of witchcraft, retreated to a secret world deep within a glacier. As Thea dreams of a way back to the surface, Peter's search for answers takes him to her hidden world.
	First peoples series Sertori, Trisha				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
875661	First scientists, The: Deadly inventions and innovations from Australia's first peoples Tutt, Corey & Douglas, Blak (ill)	Hardie Grant Egmont	2021	9781741177527	Have you ever wondered what the stars can tell us? Did you know the seasons can be predicted just by looking at subtle changes in nature? Maybe you have wondered about the origins of glue or if forensic science is possible without a crime scene investigation. Australia's First peoples have the longest continuing culture on Earth and their innovation will amaze you as you leaf through the pages of this book, learning fascinating facts and discovering the answers to life's questions.

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ID  1019771	First summer of Callie McGee, The Tait, A. L.	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781760260163	In the last summer before high school Callie McGee is wondering who she really is and how she'll go at her new school. An annual family holiday will be the catalyst for finding her voice and being brave and solving a mystery along the way.
579463	Fish in a tree Mullaly Hunt, Lynda	Puffin Australia	2015	9780142426425	Ally is smart, but no one can see this. She's even been smart enough to fool most of the adults in her life so far. But when Mr Daniels arrives to teach her class, he sees through her bravado. Ally can't read and Mr Daniels can see this. But with his help, maybe Ally can beat the bullies and learn to trust those around her again.
135	Five children and it Nesbit, Edith	Puffin Australia	1996	9780140367355	When Cyril, Anthea, Robert, Jane and their baby brother go digging in the gravel pit, the last thing they expect to find is a Psammead, an ancient Sand-fairy. Having a Sand-fairy for a pet means having one wish granted each day. But, the children don't realise all the trouble that wishes can cause.
22546	Five children on the Western Front Saunders, Kate	Faber & Faber	2014	9780571310951	The sequel to 'Five children and It' is set on the eve of the First World War. The five children have grown up and the war will change their lives for ever. The sand fairy has become a creature of stories until he suddenly reappears. The siblings are pleased to have something to take their minds off the war but, this time, the Psammead is here for a reason, and his magic might have a more serious purpose.
136	Five times dizzy Wheatley, Nadia	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	1997	9780733606168	A Greek family run a deli in Newtown in Sydney, but Ya Ya, the grandmother, is homesick for Greece.
	Fizzlebert Stump series Harrold, A F & Horne, Sarah (ill)	rustrana i ty Ltu			Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
14207	Flags and emblems of Australia Bruce, Jill B & Wade, Jan (ill)	Five Senses Publications	2013	9780731811731	A reference book containing detailed information, colourful illustrations and facts about Australia's historic coat of arms and the interesting animal, bird and flower emblems of the States and Territories.
5907	Flight Wheatley, Nadia & Greder, Armin (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2015	9781922081483	Tonight is the night. The family has to flee. Set in biblical times, a small family sets off across a desert in search of refuge from persecution in their own country. Beset by heat and thirst, and threatening tanks, they travel towards a refugee camp and safety, while they wait for asylum in another country. An ancient story becomes a fable for our times.

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ID 601782	Flights of fancy: Stories, pictures and inspiration from ten Children's Laureates Blake, Quentin & Fine, Anne & Morpurgo, Michael & Wilson, Jacqueline & Rosen, Michael	Walker Books	2019	9781406387858	Start a poem with Michael Rosen, act out a story with Julia Donaldson and get doodling with Chris Riddell. In this lively anthology, bursting with scraps of stories, poems, plays and pictures, the UK's best-loved writers and illustrators share their top tips and ideas to inspire budding artists and writers. What are you waiting for? Discover your creativity now!
34750	Flint heart, The Paterson, Katherine & Paterson, John & Rocco, John (ill)	Candlewick Press	2011	9780763647124	Enchanting fairytale in traditional format with goodies, baddies, queens, kings, wild and wonderful creatures, and a happy ending.
	Flitterwig series Cullen, Edrei				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
137	Flock of blats, A Stephens, Michael	HarperCollins Australia	1998	9780207196447	This is an intergalactic adventure with unexpected characters and events.
6862	Flood French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2011	9781742830728	The rain stopped but the wall of water surged, sounding like a helicopter. Sounding like a flood.
91122	Floods family files, The Thompson, Colin	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781864719420	Fantastically cynical picture book exploring Flood's everyday life and family history. The more you know about traditional vampires, warlocks, literary monsters and B-grade horror movies, the more you will enjoy it. Be prepared to use your brain to solve the riddles and the dictionary to get all the jokes.
35957	Floods, The: better homes and gardens Thompson, Colin	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741662559	After years on the run, the Floods are coming home to Transylvania Waters. And just in time too. Since Nerlin and Mordonna fled, things have gone from worse to much worse. King Quatorze has bled the country dry. He's even sold everyone's shoelaces. It's time for life with a lot less cabbage and a lot more chocolate. But, first, the Floods have to get rid of the old king.
6085	Flora & Ulysses: the illuminated adventures DiCamillo, Kate & Campbell, K G (ill)	Candlewick Press	2015	9780763676711	It begins, as the best superhero stories do, with a tragic accident. Ulysses, the squirrel, never saw the vacuum cleaner coming. Flora Belle Buckman, who has read every issue of the comic book, Terrible Things Can Happen to You, steps in to save him. Ulysses now has powers of strength, flight and misspelled poetry. Flora will be changed too, as she discovers the possibility of hope and the promise of a spacious heart.
12772	Florence Nightingale: the lady of the lamp Barnham, Kay	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2003	9780750240185	Florence Nightingale's intelligence, determination and bravery made hospitals cleaner and safer, and saved countless lives through her work. This provides an insight into her life.

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1D 138		Penguin Books Ltd, UK	1994	9780140361476	Simon and his classmates have to take part in a science project that involves taking care of a six pound bag of flour - a pretend baby.
83210	· ·	Child's Play International Ltd	2006	9781846430718	Brigg, a sad-looking kid, lives in a grey building and works in a grey library in a cold, colourless city. Dangerous books are kept in the library. When Brigg finds one of these books and sees pictures of beautifully coloured things called flowers, he wonders what it might take to fill a whole city with flowers.
15130	Fly a Rebel Flag, The battle at Eureka Annear, Robyn	Black Dog Books	2007	9781921167430	The diggers were fed up. Ever since the gold rushes began, police had hounded them about their licences. The diggers of Ballarat took up arms, built a stockade and swore to defend themselves. That twenty minute battle changed Australia forever.
750945	Fly on the wall Lai, Remy	Walker Books	2020	9781760652654	Henry Khoo's family treats him like a baby. He's not allowed to go anywhere without his sister/chaperone/bodyguard. His (former) best friend knows to expect his family's mafia-style interrogation when Henry's actually allowed to hang out at her house. And he definitely CAN'T take a journey halfway around the world all by himself! But that's exactly his plan. After his family's annual trip to visit his father in Singapore is cancelled, Henry decides he doesn't want to be cooped up at home with his overprotective family and BFF turned NRFF (Not Really Friend Forever). Plus, he's hiding a your-life-is-over-if-you're-caught secret: he's the creator of an anonymous gossip cartoon, and he's on the verge of getting caught. Determined to prove his independence and avoid punishment for his crimes, Henry embarks on the greatest adventure everrr hoping it won't turn into the greatest disaster ever.
3942	Flyaway girls, The Lawrinson, Julia	Puffin Australia	2015	9780143308652	Chelsea is the hardest worker in her gymnastics club and she's determined to make it. But, new girl Telia has more natural talent and Chelsea is jealous. She feels awful because she actually likes Telia. And, it's not only envy that is bothering Chelsea. She's got family issues and her school friends are acting weirdly. It's time for Chelsea to figure out what's really important and, maybe, take a leap into the unknown.
139	Flying emu and other Australian stories, The Morgan, Sally	Penguin	1997	9780140381917	Twenty stories about how the world began and the events that followed. They are based around a host of characters, including Australian animals, non-native animals, spirits, planets, the sun and moon, and humans. The title story, The Flying Emu, tells of a beautifully-coloured emu who learns about vanity and immodesty when he and his friends race to the sun.

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1D 1738	Flytrap McDonald, Meme & Pryor, Boori Monty	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2002	9781865086088	The story of a lie that gets out of control. Nancy is worried. She's told her teacher she has something that she doesn't, and now Miss Susan wants her to bring it in to show the class.
1739	Foggy Baillie, Allan	Penguin	2001	9780141310411	Little Bay Village has a gigantic problem and it needs a wizard to solve it. When Meg and Russ are given the desperate mission to find the wizard known as Foggy, they find that he may be more trouble than he's worth.
12116	Follow that bus Hutchins, Pat & Hutchins, Laurence (ill)	Red Fox	1992	9780099932208	Two bank robbers find more than they bargained for when they encounter a group of school children visiting a farm.
864779		Nosy Crow Ltd	2021	9781788008440	Maggie has grown up without her father. He is alive but obsessed with finding the creation of Dr Frankenstein. When her father is forced to come back and care for Maggie, she becomes mixed up in his latest quest to find the monster. The adventure takes Maggie from continent to continent where she meets extraordinary people, both kind and cruel.
1075174	Food wise: A kid's guide to fighting food waste and saving the planet Bell, Lucy & Leonardi, Lucy	Pantera Press	2023		Do you know about half of all fruit and vegetables produced end up as waste, and each year, Australians throw away enough food to fill 17,000 iumbo jets? You can use Foodwise to find simple and delicious ways to stop our food from ending up in landfill. Packed with awesome activities, fun facts and 50 delicious recipes, Foodwise will help you become a food genius in no time - all while saving the planet! So come on, join a new generation of food-waste warriors, fighting to keep food on plates, in tummies and out of the bin!
9354	Football Lineker, Gary	Dorling Kindersley	2000	9780751327793	Gary Lineker, who captained his national team, played in two World Cups and is a TV commentator, shows beginners all the techniques of football and leads young players through the rules, essential skills and special team tactics.
1277767	Football GOAT, The: Mbappe v Haaland Oldfield, Matt & Burkett, Seth & Leydon, Dan (ill)	Walker Books	2025	9781529521115	Get ready for the superstar clash of Mbappe v. Haaland in the ultimate football debate. Compare all the latest data, including stats, facts and stories, then decide which football legend is the greatest of all time.
1209850	Oldfield, Matt & Burkett, Seth & Leydon, Dan (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529521023	Messi or Ronaldo: Who is the greatest football player of all-time? Compare all the latest data, listen to the arguments and then decide which of these footballing legends is the GOAT!
1083092	Football superstars: Aguero rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2021	9781783126316	Sergio Aguer is a star from Argentina who first made it big in Brazil as a goal kicker. His coach when he made his first team debut said he was humble even in success. He is an awesome football player and the best striker in the world in 2021. This is about Kun as he was known and he is so very good.

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ID  1083094	Football superstars: De Bruyne rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2021	9781783126330	Kevin De Bruyne had a football plan at the age of 11 and proved that he was a future star when he shot goals and went on to join a Golden Generation of brilliant Belgium players. He was a top scorer and eventually signed up to a London club Chelsea and play premier league where he rules with many honours and awards!
1133396	Football superstars: Football rules the world Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2023	9781783129768	From Lionel Messi's World Cup triumph and England's Lionesses EUROs glory, to the greatest goals and pioneering players, FOOTBALL RULES THE WORLD brings you the most incredible true stories from the biggest game on the planet!
1186654	Football superstars: Hazard rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2021	9781783125852	Is Eden Hazard your ultimate football hero? He was one of the best footballers in the Premier League as a Chelsea player, scoring 110 goals in all competitions, before joining Real Madrid. Encouraged by his parents, discover how Eden started kicking a ball at the age of four! He spent hours practising his now world-class skills and has become one of the most feared attacking midfielders. Includes quizzes, stats and little known facts.
1246398	Football superstars: Kane rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2020	9781783125364	Is Harry Kane your ultimate football hero? He was the first player to score 100 goals for Spurs in the Premier League and is an awesome striker for England too, winning the Golden Boot at the 2018 FIFA World Cup. But it hasn't always been easy for Kane. When he was just eight years old he was released by Arsenal, but Kane has never been one to give up. Discover how Kane signed for local rivals Spurs and then became their star striker and a living legend.
1296854	Football superstars: Mbappe rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2020	9781783125357	Discover how Kylian Mbappe went from the Paris suburbs to scoring in the 2018 World Cup Final and became a global soccer sensation at the age of 19.
1083095	Football superstars: Messi rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2023	9781783129232	Discover how Lionel Messi from Argentina created a world famous career and see why Messi Rules! In this informative graphic account impress your friends with knowledge of his nickname the Flea when he went to play in Barcelona at age 13.
1019859	Football superstars: Pogba rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan	Welbeck Publishing	2021	9781783126323	Find out how a boy from the Paris suburbs went from youth superstar to one of the best playmakers in the game of football and became a World Cup winner. Read about every one of Paul Pogba's key stats, little-known facts and complete the quizzes. This illustrated biography will have you wanting to read more of the Football Superstars series.

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1D 1246396	Football superstars: Ronaldo rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2020	9781783125333	Discover how Ronaldo went from kicking bottles in the streets of Madeira to becoming an idol at Manchester United, Real Madrid and Juventus. Learn how Ronaldo scored over 700 career goals, won the Champions League five times, and became the most followed person on Instagram!
1019697	Footy tail, A Johnston, Alexander & Dreise, Gregg	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761180316	Inspired by the South Sydney Rabbitohs, written by NRL star Alex Johnston and illustrated by celebrated First Nations artist Gregg Dreise, this rhyming picture book about an underdog team of bunnies who are up against the stronger teams of animals is a wonderful story of unity, togetherness, resilience and teamwork.  A fluffle of Bunnies play at the park. They sprint and they tackle from dawn until dark, They always train hard, but it's never enough the other teams are just bigger and stronger. It's tough!  Join AJ and his teammates, Cody and Latrell, and the Bunnies on their triumphant footy journey from being the competition underdogs to unlikely winners, with a little help from some friends - especially a wise and confident Crow!
8576	For keeps: A treasury of stories, poems and plays Various	NSW Department of Education	2016	9780731387465	A treasury of stories, poems and plays celebrating one hundred years of The School Magazine. Discover some of the finest writing and illustration from the pages of the longest running children's magazine in the world. Meet larrikins and chatterboxes, brave hearts and lost souls, best mates and wise elders. Encounter ghosts and fairies, monsters and aliens, a cranky parrot and a talking carrot.
	For sale or swap series Brugman, Alyssa				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
751151	Forest in the tree, The: How fungi shape the earth Wild, Ailsa & Reed, Aviva & Barr, Briony & Crocetti, Gregory	CSIRO	2021	9781486313310	This is a story about trees and fungi connected through a 'wood wide web' - told by one tiny fungal spore  A little fungus meets a baby cacao tree and they learn to feed each other. They cooperate with a forest of plants and a metropolis of microbes in the soil. But when drought strikes can they work together to survive?

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567911	Forest, The Bozzi, Ricardo & Lopiz, Violeta & Vidali, Valerio (ill)	Enchanted Lion books	2018	9781592702183	A book about the journey of life, from our wide-eyes of childhood through the tangles and brambles, into our end.
751078	Forever horse, The Gregg, Stacy	HarperCollins Australia	2020	9780008332358	Maisie has always loved horses. She is also a talented artist. The opportunity arises for her to study in Paris. While in Paris two things happen that dramatically change her life. She finds the childhood diary of famous horse artist, Rose Bonifait who passed away in the nineteenth century and she meets the beautiful black stallion, Claude. As the two girls' stories emerge, tragedies unfold, both past and present. This is a powerful story showing the lengths these two girls go to when they know it is the right thing to do.
1932	Forgotten pearl, The Murrell, Belinda	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2012	9781742753690	When Chloe visits her Grandma Poppy, she learns just how close the Second World War came to destroying her family. In 1941, Poppy lived in Darwin, far from the war. When Japan attacked, everything Poppy held dear was threatened. Her brother was taken prisoner-of-war and her home town became a war zone. Poppy and her mother fled to Sydney, only to find that the danger followed them there.
983001	Fortune maker, The Norton, Catherine	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2023	9781460763155	Maud Mulligan is 12 years old and her life in the slums of London is going from bad to worse. Fortune telling is all the rage but Maud wonders if it's better not to know what's coming. When she is suddenly pulled into the car of a rich and commanding woman, Maud must use all of her wits, determination, new found friends and special gift to take hold of her own destiny.
1919	Forward march Mattingley, Christobel & Kennett, David (ill)	Omnibus Books	2016	9781742990804	On ANZAC Day in Australia, people of all ages and nationalities gather at war memorials for the dawn service and line city streets to watch the march. This national day of mourning and commemoration honours the men and women who returned from war, and those who did not.
	Foul play series Palmer, Tom				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID  1019284	Four eyes Ogle, Rex & Valeza, Dave (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781338574968	Sixth grade isn't as great as Rex thought it would be. He's the only kid who hasn't had a growth spurt, and the bullies won't let him forget it. His closest friend is unreliable, at best. And there's a cute girl in his class who he can't stop thinking about. With so much going on, everything is a blur - including Rex's vision! So when he discovers that he needs glasses, and his family can only afford the ugliest pair in the store, any hope Rex had of fitting in goes completely out of focus.
929	Four seasons of Lucy McKenzie, The Murray, Kirsty	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743317020	The painting of Spring was as bright as a sunny day and the tiny yellow flowers which covered the fields were dancing with the breeze. When Lucy comes closer, she hears a voice calling from the other side and reaches through the painting.
9765	Fourteenth summer of Angus Jack, The Storer, Jen & Gifford, Lucinda (ill)	ABC Books	2015	9780733334436	Since moving to Australia with their father, Angus Jack and his sister, Martha, have moved house constantly. They end up living next door to a peculiar old lady called Reafen, who runs a second-hand shop, full of strange and weird objects. To Angus and Martha, Reafen seems harmless enough. But, Reafen draws Angus into her world of ancient feuds, Wild Magick, the secret dealings of vikings and goblins, and all those who have lived in the Old Realm.
846147	Fowl twins get what they deserve, The Colfer, Eoin	HarperCollins Children's Books	2021	9780008475260	For almost two years, Lord Teddy Bleedham-Drye has been plotting revenge against the Fowl Twins. Teddy plans to give them exactly what they deserve, permanent death. When Teddy mounts a deadly attack on Myles from his weaponised jet, Beckett and Specialist Lazuli Heitz succeed in disarming the dircraft and causing an accident that kills Lord Teddy. But does it really? Ghosts, clones, missing mums and fairy magic all come into play in this explosive and utterly ridiculous showdown between the twins and their worst enemy.
660548	Fowl twins, The Colfer, Eoin	HarperCollins Australia	2019		Myles and Beckett Fowl are twins but the two boys are wildly different. Beckett is blonde, messy and sulks whenever he has to wear clothes. Myles is impeccably neat, has an IQ of 170, and 3D prints a fresh suit every day - just like his older brother, Artemis Fowl.  A week after their eleventh birthday the twins are left in the care of house security system, NANNI, for a single night. In that time, they befriend a troll on the run from a nefarious nobleman and an interrogating nun both of whom need the magical creature for their own gain

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ID   751121	Fowl twins, The: Deny all charges Colfer, Eoin	HarperCollins Children's Books	2020	9780008324872	Artemis Fowl has wandered off to the moon but his younger twin brothers can still be found in their family mansion. The Twins get up to their normal adventures as they investigate some interesting events. Join Myles and Beckett as they work to save their friends, their family, and themselves in an adventure that challenges even the genius of Myles Fowl.
143	Fox Wild, Margaret & Brooks, Ron	Kane/Miller	2001	9781929132164	A story about an unusual friendship between a dog and a magpie. Magpie's wing is injured in a fire and she can no longer fly. She is looked after by Dog, who is blind in one eye. He wills Magpie to get better and enjoy her life again. The friendship continues until Fox arrives. Seeing the pair cosily together, Fox conspires to separate them.
30237	Framed Boyce, Frank Cottrell	MacMillan	2006	9780330434256	Dylan, the only boy left in his tiny Welsh village, has no-one to play with and his family's business is going broke. When a mysterious convoy of trucks arrives with a precious cargo to hide in a disused mine, Dylan must save his family.
	Francis Bacon series Measday, Stephen				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1991	Frank Davies and the amazing frog catapult Clifford, Rohan	Penguin	2014	9780143307532	Frank Davies is in trouble again, at school and at home, but everything changes when the frog turns up. The adventures begin when one huge luminous frog and Frank Davies set out on a mission to destroy one thousand evil giant toads.
	Frankie Fish series Helliar, Peter & Vamos, Lesley (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Frankie Foster series Ure, Jean				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID   21383	Frankie Fox girl spy: Operation boy band Poshoglian, Yvette & Davis, Jacqui (ill)	Lothian Books	2015	9780734415707	Agent Frankie Fox is undercover, visiting an international kid's robotics competition. She's investigating the evil Alliance's robot army, when she discovers that the world's number one boy band is brainwashing kids to serve the Alliance. To try and save the day, Frankie will need to solve puzzles, deprogram evil robots and sneak backstage at a concert. But, her best friend won't forgive her if she breaks up the band.
16169	Frankie Fox girl spy: Ready, set, spy Poshoglian, Yvette & Davis, Jacqui (ill)	Lothian Books	2015	9780734415684	Frankie Fox has realised she is being trained to be a spy. She has a spy manual which helps her learn to solve problems and use cool technology. When Frankie's billionaire inventor dad is kidnapped by a mysterious, evil group, the Alliance, it's up to Frankie to get him back. She'll have to solve mind-bending puzzles and work head-spinning gadgets to do it. Frankie must move quickly from school kid to super spy.
64341	Freaky Whiting, Sue	Walker Books	2009	9781921150791	When Jayden is sent to stay with relatives that he hardly knows, he thinks things can't get any worse. But he's wrong. They live in the country, in a town with no skate park. What's worse, they are cactus freaks with a yard full of spiky plants. Then, when Aunty Nina and Uncle Trev buy a new cactus, things get really freaky. The cactus seems to be coming alive.
15432	,	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2005	9780759320314	Brian Hubble becomes the protector of a fairy in the form of his little neighbour, Sebastian, and discovers his talent for writing while starring in a Squeezee commercial. He also discovers how television makes life appear different to reality.
6684	Freddy Tangles: Champ or chicken Brand, Jack & Jellett, Tom (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2015	9781760110352	Freddy Tangles is in trouble with everybody, again. New boy, Hugo, initially very popular, has become a bully and turned Freddy's friends against him. Freddy will have to do something spectacular to prove he's no chicken and win back his friends.
8068	Freddy Tangles: Legend or loser Brand, Jack & Jellett, Tom (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2015	9781760110345	Freddy Tangles and his friends are in danger. No one is scarier than the big bully, Sid Malone. Freddy must come up with a plan but this will be difficult because he's even afraid of his little sister.
11144	Freeze a crowd Jennings, Paul & Greenwood, Ted & Denton, Terry	Puffin Australia	1996	9780140564891	A fascinating collection of witty puns, jokes, riddles and visual jokes.

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1D   12013	Frieda, a new Australian Musgrove, Marianne	Scholastic Australia	2016	9781742991146	Frieda, her sickly mother and her father travel from Germany to Australia, looking for a better life. Nervous and excited about Adelaide, a drought-stricken town with hordes of flies and barefoot children, Frieda is keen to make friends. But, as the First World War takes hold, the Germans are now seen as the enemy. Rumours begin to circulate that Frieda's father is a spy. Frieda has her own battles to fight. She begins to wonder whether she should change her name and hide all trace of her culture.
	Friends series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	Friendship dolls series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1245	Friendship matchmaker goes undercover, The Abdel-Fattah, Randa	Omnibus Books	2012	9781862919488	Lara's friendship matchmaking days are over, until things get complicated. The playground is in chaos, kids are arguing and crying all over the place and when a recently arrived refugee students starts in Lara's class, the challenge of finding him a friend is too much for her to resist.
51994	Friendship matchmaker, The Abdel-Fattah, Randa	Scholastic Australia	2011	9781862919204	At her school, Lara has a mission to help other children make and keep friends. Lara gives advice and rules for friendships, and is even writing a manual about it. When a new girl comes to school, everything starts to unravel. As Lara embarks on a competition to find a best friend for the most difficult client ever, she comes to see the true value and importance of friendship.
995975	Friendship survival guide Young, Caroline & Various (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2023	9781803704616	If you are shy and have trouble making friends or seem to have trouble keeping them, this book is the book for you. This has lots of friendly advice to guide you through the ups and downs of friendship and how to navigate them.
1103850	Frog book, The: Nature's alarm Lawson, Sue & Holt, Guy (ill)	Wild Dog Books	2023	9781742036571	What animal can drink and breathe through its skin, jump up to 30 times its length and taste with its eye? Frogs are important to the health of the environment. Find out how they are natures alarm.

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3586	Frogkisser Nix, Garth	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2017	9781760293512	Anya and her older sister Morven are the Princesses of Trallonia. But life is not easy for the royal sisters, especially since their evil step-step-father Duke Rikard has arrived with plans of ruling the kingdom for himself. Worse still, he is a clever and powerful sorcerer whose latest spell has turned Morven's boyfriend Denholm into a frog! While Morven doesn't seem to even care about losing her friend, it's now up to Princess Anya, Ardent the talking royal dog and a magically transformed newt to save both Denholm and the Kingdom from the ambitions of the wicked Duke Rikard. Steeped in fairy tale lore, this book is a celebration of fantasy writing.
41059	Frogs closeup Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2016	9781742033990	Frogs go through an amazing transformation during their life cycle and are well adapted to living on land and in water. Take a closer look at these incredible amphibians.
15141	Frogs of Australia Swan, Gerry	New Holland Australia	2000	9781864363333	Highly informative little guide to Australian frogs. Clear and fascinating photography accompanies detailed information. Interesting facts will appeal to frog enthusiasts.
28334	From little things big things grow Kelly, P & Carmody, K & Hudson, P (ill) & Kalkaringi School Children (ill)	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2008	9780975770887	The iconic song by Paul Kelly and Kev Carmody recounts the story of when Vincent Lingiari and other Gurindji workers walked off the Wave Hill cattle station in 1966. What began as a strike over wages and conditions became an eight year long struggle for the return of traditional lands. Illustrated by Gurindji schoolchildren.
569498	Front desk Yang, Kelly	Walker Books	2018	9781760650469	Mia Tang is only ten years old. Her parents have moved their family from China to the USA in search of a better life. Only what they have found is hardship and discrimination. When Mia's parents get the opportunity to run a motel, Mia helps out on the front desk, cleaning and getting to know the longer term residents of the motel. Through kindness, her family starts to create community. But the big question - will Mia ever be allowed to use the motel's swimming pool?
	Fudge series Blume, Judy				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
148	Fungus the bogeyman Briggs, Raymond	Puffin UK	1990	9780140542356	A strip cartoon book about a miserable Bogeyman called Fungus, his wife Mildew, and son, Mould.

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ID   660425	Funny bones Temple, Kate & Jol (ed)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760524333	If you think you've heard every funny story there is then think again! Funny Bones is a super-huge collection of rib-tickling stories, cartoons, comics, jokes and much, much more that's bound to get even the most serious kid laughing.
	Funny kid series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
751171	Future friend Baddiel, David	HarperCollins Australia	2020	9780008334222	Pip is lonely and bored. She goes to virtual school on her G-Glasses. She only has a talking cat and parrot to hang out with, and she can't leave her LivingSpace due to the extreme heat and floods outside.  Until the day that Pip explores a glowing ring in a lab and finds herself in a warehouse, in 2019. She meets boy-inventor Rahul who is also lonely and bored. Together, Rahul and Pip are no longer lonely. But they have a whole load of new problems like hiding talking animals from
					Rahul's parents and finding a way back to the future.  And just maybe saving the world
1823	Fuzz the famous fly Rodda, Emily	Omnibus Books	2002	9781862913929	Fuzz endeavours to cope with the intrusions of stardom.
39611	Fuzzy mud Sachar, Louis	Bloomsbury	2015	9781408864746	Tamaya and Marshall walk to and from school together. But, to avoid Chad, the school bully, they decide to go through the off-limits woods. The next day, Chad doesn't turn up at school. No one knows where he is and Tamaya's arm is covered in a burning, itchy wound. A chain of events follows and, as the authorities and the United States Senate become involved, what they uncover might affect the future of the world.
2336	Gallipoli Greenwood, Kerry & White, Annie (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743621295	Dawn approaches on 25 April 1915 and ANZACs Bluey and Dusty sail towards Gallipoli. As their ship gets closer, the two friends hear the noise of battle. Will they be brave enough for what lies ahead of them.
1209827	Game on Alcott, Dylan & Regan, Fiona & Ziersch, Nahum (ill)	ABC Books	2024		Dylan, his bestie Hannah, and friends Yusuf and Gemma are all starting high school. How will each navigate the joys and challenges of this new environment? Will their friendship survive? And, at a time where EVERYTHING feels personal, will Dylan learn that not everything is about him?

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1D 1019623	Game on: Glitched Snape, Emily	EK Books	2023	9781922539410	Discovering another app on their babysitter's phone, Liam sends the brothers travelling through time. Landing in earlier versions of their home town, they find themselves in the Stone Age, Roman times, the Middle Ages and prehistoric times with dinosaurs. To return to their own time, they're going to have to solve riddles whilst dodging woolly mammoths, jousting knights and every kind of disgusting bodily fluid you can think of. Can they survive the dangers, solve the riddles and get back before the phone battery dies, and they're stranded in another time forever?
6648	Gangsta Granny Walliams, David	HarperCollins Children's Books	2011	9780007371440	Ben is bored beyond belief after he is made to stay at his Grandma's house. She's the boringest Grandma ever. All she wants to do is to play Scrabble and eat cabbage soup. But, there are two things that Ben doesn't know about his Grandma. They involve an international jewel thief and stealing the Crown Jewels.
846206	Gangsta Granny strikes again Walliams, David & Ross, Tony (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2021	9780008262204	Daring thefts of priceless treasures are all over the news. The crimes have the pawprints of international jewel thief The Black Cat - Ben's very own Gangsta Granny - all over them. But with Granny gone, who on earth could pull off such daring heists? Can Ben crack the case?
32611	Gaolbird: True story of William Swallow, convict and pirate, The Barnard, Simon	Text Publishing Co	2017	9781925498172	It's 23 October 1821 and convict William Swallow stands on the deck of the Malabar for muster. He is wearing a canary yellow convict uniform and his legs are chained. He's just completed the 121-day sea voyage from London to Hobart Town, but his wild and audacious adventures have barely begun. He'll soon ditch the convict uniform and the chains, take part in a mutiny, become a pirate captain and fool the world in what just might be the most outrageous and unbelievable true story in Australia's convict history.
9327	Garden of Empress Cassia, The Wang, Gabrielle	Penguin	2002	9780143300274	Mimi has mysterious and powerful pastels and can draw a garden so beautiful and magical that real people are transported inside it. But, it would be very unfortunate if the ancient pastels were to fall into the wrong hands.
697193	Gargantis Taylor, Thomas	Walker Books	2020	9781406386295	A ferocious storm is raging in Eerie-on- Sea. An ancient artifact filled with a wondrous light has washed up on the beach and a mysterious hooded stranger has just checked into the Grand Nautilus Hotel. Herbie and Violet know that these events are connected and that they must act fast to save the town. But their investigation may just lead them to the cold, dark bottom of the sea.

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1D 1209752	Genius ears: a curious animal compendium Anlauf, Lena & Konstantinov, Vitali (ill) & Yarbrough, Marshall (trans)	North South Books	2024	9780735845626	Ears can do much more than just pick up sound waves. In the animal kingdom, ears are sometimes an animal's strongest asset! For example, a fleeing black-tailed jackrabbit uses the position of its ears to help it confuse its pursuers and get away from danger. Some animals can close their ears to protect their bodies or use them to cool down or stay warm. Whether long, tuft, or goblin, ears can tell a lot about animals and their habits and habitats.
876370	Gentle genius of trees, The Bunting, Phillip	Scholastic Australia	2021	9781760975173	What could we clever humans ever learn from trees? Take an unashamedly anthropomorphic wander through the woods to learn a few life lessons from our foliaged friends. The Gentle Genius of Trees is a small forest of facts exploring the brilliance of trees, from photosynthesis, to symbiosis and the wood-wide web.
1017767	Geomancer: in the shadow of the wolf queen Millwood Hargrave, Kiran	Orion	2023	9781510107854	Ysolda has lived her life in the shadow of the wolf queen's tyrannical rule but, safe in her forest haven, she has never truly felt its threat.  Until one day when a mysterious earthquake shakes the land and her older sister Hari vanishes in its wake.  Accompanied by her loyal sea hawk, Nara, Ysolda embarks on a desperate rescue mission. But when she is forced to strike a bargain with the wolf queen herself, she soon finds herself embroiled in a quest for a magic more powerful - and more dangerous - than she could ever have imagined
6346	George Gino, Alex	Scholastic US	2015	9780545812542	When people look at George, they think they see a boy. But, George knows she's a girl. She secretly calls herself Melissa and loves to read her hidden stash of magazines, with ads for lipstick and perfume. George desperately wants to win the role of Charlotte in her class production of Charlotte's Web so that her mum will finally see her as a girl, and accept that she's transgender. With the help of her best friend, Kelly, George comes up with a plan, not just to be Charlotte but to let everyone know who she is, once and for all.

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1D 29439	George Parker goes global Metzenthen, David	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2018	9781760523466	George Parker and Chase Landon-Bond may attend the same Boarding School but there the similarity ends. George is scientific, cautious and a pyjama wearing nerd. Chase is popular, rich, carefree and impulsive. After his latest haircut goes seriously wrong, George sparks interest from the unlikely Chase. He sees George's potential in helping him complete a rescue mission. George doubts his abilities to help Chase but finds himself, time and again, getting the two of them out of tricky situations.
4493	Get a grip, Cooper Jones Whiting, Sue	Walker Books	2010	9781921529788	Cooper Jones longs for the time when life was simple, when all he needed to worry about was whether to change his undies or make do. Now, his life has become all too complicated. Set against the backdrop of a fiery summer, Cooper needs to realise that sometimes you just need to get a grip.
32671	Get coding Whitney, David & Beedie, Duncan (ill)	Walker Books	2016	9781406366846	In this fun guide to coding for beginners, learn how to develop real coding skills by following step by step instructions and completing six exciting missions. Code your own website, app and game, and learn html, CSS and JavaScript.
877965	Get me out of here! Foolish and fearless convict escapes Deeves, Pauline & Wilson, Brent (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760526993	Meet the convicts behind Australia's most rascally, dastardly prison escapes. Gifted geniuses or total goofballs? You be the judge!  Featuring Moondyne Joe, Mary Bryant, and a guy who put on a kangaroo skin and hopped away (literally), this fun and engaging collection brings Australia's early colonial past to life.
	Get real series Kettle, Phil & Webb, Melissa (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D   705202	Ghost Reynolds, Jason	Atheneum books	2016	9781481450164	Running. That's all Ghost (real name Castle Cranshaw) has ever known. But Ghost has been running for the wrong reasonsit all started with running away from his father, who, when Ghost was a very little boy, chased him and his mother through their apartment, then down the street, with a loaded gun, aiming to kill. Since then, Ghost has been the one causing problemsand running away from themuntil he meets Coach, an ex-Olympic Medalist who sees something in Ghost: crazy natural talent. If Ghost can stay on track, literally and figuratively, he could be the best sprinter in the city. Can Ghost harness his raw talent for speed, or will his past finally catch up to him?
6549	Ghost and the goggle-box, The Ball, Duncan	HarperCollins Australia	1997		The clean-up of dead Uncle Arnold's Sydney house becomes a weird experience when Roger discovers that the old man is haunting the television set.
992547	Ghost book Lai, Remy	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761065477	July Chen sees ghosts. But her dad insists ghosts aren't real. So she pretends they don't exist. Which is incredibly difficult now as it's Hungry Ghost month, when the Gates of the Underworld open and dangerous ghosts run amok in the living world. When July saves a boy ghost from being devoured by a Hungry Ghost, he becomes her first ever friend. Except William is not a ghost. He's a wandering soul wavering between life and death. As the new friends embark on an adventure to return William to his body, they unearth a ghastly truth -f or William to live, July must die.
	Ghost club series Abela, Deborah				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
14872	Ghost hunters and the incredibly revolting ghost Funke, Cornelia	Chicken House	2007	9781905294121	Tom's basement is inhabited by Hugo the ghost. The only way to get rid of the ghost in the basement is to remove the incredibly revolting ghost that now inhabits Hugo's house.
6390	Ghost in my suitcase, A Wang, Gabrielle	Penguin Books Australia	2009	9780143303794	When Celeste travels to China to visit her grandmother, she uncovers an incredible family secret. And with this secret comes danger and adventure. If Celeste is to save her family and friends, she must learn to harness her rare and powerful gift as a ghost-hunter.

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1D 18541	Ghost of a chance Panckridge, Michael & Harvey, Pam	HarperCollins Australia	2007	9780207200632	Ling and her friends find their beach holiday has some mysteries in store. Ling is visited at the same time each night by a girl ghost. When she feels the ghost needs her help, a race begins to solve the ghost's problem. The children soon realise any danger they will face is not with the ghost.
669402	Ghost of Howlers Beach, The French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2020	9781460757727	Butter O'Bryan lives in a very small castle with his father and three aunts. Butter has been told there are ghosts at the nearby isolated Howlers Beach, but are there? How can the children Butter plays cricket with on the beach simply vanish? Who are these children and why do they refuse his help? Butter is certain they're hiding a secret and he's determined to uncover it.
9246	Ghost of Thomas Kempe, The Lively, Penelope	Egmont Childrens	1992	9780749707910	The ghost of a 17th century sorcerer attempts to recruit James Harrison as his apprentice.
43758	Ghosts Telgemeier, Raina	Graphix	2016	9780545540629	Catrina and her family are moving to the coast of Northern California because her little sister, Maya, is sick. Cat isn't happy about leaving her friends for Bahia de la Luna, but Maya has cystic fibrosis and will benefit from the cool, salty air that blows in from the sea. As the girls explore their new home, a neighbour lets them in on a secret: There are ghosts in Bahia de la Luna. Maya is determined to meet one, but Cat wants nothing to do with them. As the time of year when ghosts reunite with their loved ones approaches, Cat must figure out how to put aside her fears for her sister's sake and her own.
54945	Ghostscape Layburn, Joe	Frances Lincoln	2008	9781845077686	Time is running out for Aisha, the Somali refugee girl, who has found herself transported back to the time of the Blitz in London. Although Aisha is full of fear and horror because she already knows the future of her original school building, she is still compelled to try to save her new friend, Richard, and his aged grandfather, during the terrible bombing of the Second World War.
903326	Giant Skinner, Nicola & Sorrentino, Flavia (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2023	9780008422462	Minnie has never known any other home than her mostly quiet and comfortable community on the island she has lived her whole life. Despite Minnie having to endure some terrible pains due to a mysterious condition, her life is good and made safe by her caring servant who also happens to be a giant. Every child on the island has a giant servant who stays with them until the time comes when they must say goodbye- something Minnie is dreading but her giant, Speck, is dreading even more as this means she will be turned to stone and used for building material. To avoid this, Minnie runs away and sets off a series of events which has giant consequences for all on the island.

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1D 154	Giant devil-dingo, The Roughsey, Dick	MacMillan			The legend of Gaiya, the giant devil-dingo belongs to people from the Cape York Peninsula.
15451	Giant scrub python, The Baldwin, Grace MacDonald	Word Weavers Press	2003	9781877073106	The giant scrub python is rarely seen by the locals so when Sam and Davey first encounter it, they are terrified but curious. When an illegal animal trader hears about the snake, he is anxious to catch it, even though it is a protected species.
6652	Giant's necklace, The Morpurgo, Michael & Smith, Briony May (ill)	Walker Books	2016	9781406357127	It's the final day of the holidays, and Cherry resolves to collect the last few shells she needs to complete her necklace. She's determined it will be fit for a giant. Then the clouds roll in and the sea becomes a writhing grey monster and Cherry is cut off from the shore. The only way to escape is through an old tin mine deep in the rocks, which hides a ghostly secret of those who have gone before.
4321	Giants, trolls, witches, beasts: Ten tales from deep, dark woods Phillips, Craig	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2017	9781760113261	Some fairy tales are about fairies, others are about unicorns, but there's none of those in this book. This beautifully illustrated graphic novel brings together fairy tales of the darker, scarier kind from all corners of the world. Full of monsters, trolls and witches these retellings will enchant those new to the tales and delight returning readers with its full colour pages and lively re-crafting of these classic stories.
3823	Gigantic book of genes, The Hendry, Lorna	Wild Dog Books	2016	9781742034102	Look at the people in your family, do they all look similar? How closely are you related to your cousins, a chimpanzee and a banana? Whose fault is it that you cannot roll your tongue? Find out in the Gigantic book of genes.
1209742	Giraffe island Chanfreau, Sofi & Chanfreau, Amanda (ill) & Marshall, Julia (trans)	Gecko Press	2024	9781776575657	Vega lives on the magical Giraffe Island with her father and Grandad Hector. Vega sees things no one else can and extraordinary animals keep her company. Rabbits with four ears, horses as small as cats, beetles as big as guinea pigs, even frumbimbles and spoonlurks from her grandfather's garden. Vega has never met her mother and when she asks Dad and Hector, they reply in riddles. So Vega and her friend Nelson set off to find their own answers. Clues from Hector's garden and a pen pals' letter lead them across the sea. First stop, the circus.
1330254	Girl and the ghost, The Harvey, Jacqueline & Yi, Anne (ill)	Penguin	2025	9781761349409	Josephine has moved from Australia to France as her family has bought a chateau. Finding a beautiful locket in her room leads to ghosts and a mystery. Art thieves, a French boy and starting a whole new life is a lot for Jet to deal with.

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ID   903259	Girl called corpse, A Carter, Reece & Howe, Simon (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781761066788	With a body made of wax, seaweed for hair and polished abalone shells for eyes, Corpse is trapped in the Witches' shack, seemingly forever. But Corpse has questions about who she was and how she died. As she sets off on a dangerous quest to find the answers to these and more questions, she must outwit sinister characters with an evil plan and finds unexpected allies which just goes to show that, even when you're dead, true friends will help you when you need them most.
682660	Girl from the sea Wlld, Margaret & Tanner, Jane (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9781760524302	Who lives in that cottage by the sea? I wish. I wish. I wish it was me. A ghostly tale of longing.
653175	Girl geeks: Game on! Miles, Alex	Penguin Random House Australia	2019	9780143795063	As well as being a skater, Niki is a huge gamer and plays with a team in an online eSports league. The other girl geeks don't know much about gaming but Niki's enthusiasm is contagious! When the country's biggest eSports event opens up a junior comp, Niki can't wait to play. She signs up and meets her online friends for the first time - they're all boys and are shocked to discover she's a girl! An unexpected event occurs, which sees Niki in danger of not being able to play in the tournament. Will her girl gang come to the rescue and turn this game from off to on?
653173	Girl geeks: The hackathon Miles, Alex	Penguin Random House Australia	2019	9780143795056	Hamsa's teacher has announced that their class will be doing their very own hackathon. A hack-a-what? thinks Hamsa. She doesn't know anything about tech or coding! Things get worse as Hamsa is split up from her best friends and put with Eve, the new girl, shy and studious Maggie and skateboarder Niki. Ugh - they're destined to fail! The girls need an idea - and fast. Can Hamsa and her team come up with the goods or will things fall apart as she plays it too cool for school?

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1D   751160	Girl of the southern sea Kadarusman, Michelle	University of Queensland Press	2021	9780702262937	A gifted student, Nia longs to attend high school so she can follow her dream and become a writer. She has notebooks filled with stories she's created about the mythological Dewi Kadita, Princess of the Southern Sea. But her family has barely enough money for food, let alone an education, so Nia's days are spent running their food cart and raising her younger brother.  Following a miraculous escape from a bus accident, Nia is gifted with good-luck magic. Or at least that's what everyone's saying. Soon their family business is booming and there might even be enough money to return to school. But how long can her good luck last?  When a secret promise threatens everything she's hoped for, Nia must find a way to break the mould and write her own future.
567893	Girl on wire Estela, Lucy & Hurst, Elise (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2018	9780143787167	She stands, motionless, as the cold breeze bites her cheeks. She stands for hours, but the girl on wire knows that she must begin. A story about courage and confidence while growing up.
3201	Girl savage, The Rundell, Katherine	Faber & Faber	2011	9780571254316	Wilhelmina lives a picturesque existence, running wild and free on an African farm with her horse. Every day is beautiful as she savours the reckless abandon of a carefree existence. However, one day her home is sold and Wilhelmina is sent to boarding school in England. She must learn to live and survive in this strange and unforgiving new world.
12344	Girl underground Gleitzman, Morris	Penguin	2004	9780143300465	Bridget wants a quiet life, including, if possible, keeping her parents out of prison. A boy called Menzies makes her an offer she can't refuse. They set off on a desperate, daring adventure to rescue two kids from a detention centre in the desert.
50321	Girl who brought mischief, The Nannestad, Katrina	ABC Books	2013	9780733332005	Ten year old Inge Maria comes to live on a tiny island in Denmark with her grandmother. She is strict and the villagers too think that girls should not run wild or speak too much. Inge tries to fit in but her fun loving mischief and mishaps start to change the way the villagers feel.
4876	Girl who rode the wind, The Gregg, Stacy	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2016	9780008124311	Twelve-year-old Lola is desperate to become a jockey. And when her grandmother takes her to Italy for the summer, it seems like those dreams are coming true. The ultimate street race, the Palio, awaits her! But as Lola learns more about the Palio, she discovers dark family secrets that has hung over their name ever since the Second World War. Can Lola prove herself against the toughest of riders? And can she heal the heartbreak that has haunted her family all these years?

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ID   846164	Girl who said no to the Nazis, The Kaye, Haydn	Faber & Faber	2021	9781782692751	Nazi Germany, 1942. As World War Two rages, Sophie Scholl reunites with her beloved brother Hansin Munich. Soon she meets his young student friends. Like her they can take no more of the war. Then leaflets calling for a revolt against Hitler start appearing, put out by a mysterious group called the White Rose. The Gestapo is determined to hunt them down and Sophie finds herself in terrible danger.
750728	Girl who stole an elephant, The Farook, Nizrana	Nosy Crow Ltd	2020	9781788006347	Chaya can talk her way out of anything, except stealing the Queen's lewels. Even if she had the best reasons the King did not want to know. She ends up escaping on the back of an elephant and leads her friends on a jungle adventure, where leeches lurk and revolution is stirring. This is where Chaya's most dangerous idea takes shape. Maybe she can leave her village a thief but return a hero.
574731	Girl who thought in pictures, The Finley Mosca, Julia & Rieley, Daniel (ill)	The Innovation Press	2017	9781943147304	When young Temple was diagnosed with autism, no one expected her to talk, let alone become one of the most powerful voices in modern science. Yet, the determined visual thinker did just that. Her unique mind allowed her to connect with animals in a special way, helping her invent groundbreaking improvements for farms around the globe!
587619	Girl with a mind for math, The: The story of Raye Montague Finley Mosca, Julia & Rieley, Daniel (ill)	The Innovation Press	2018	9781943147427	Meet Raye Montague-the hidden mastermind who made waves in the U.S. Navy! After touring a German submarine in the early 1940s, young Raye set her sights on becoming an engineer. Little did she know sexism and racial inequality would challenge that dream every step of the way, even keeping her greatest career accomplishment a secret for decades. Through it all, the gifted mathematician persisted-finally gaining her well-deserved title in history: a pioneer who changed the course of ship design forever.
14751	Girl, the dog and the writer in Rome, The Nannestad, Katrina	ABC Books	2017	9780733338175	For the first ten years of her life, Freja and her mother Clementine have roamed the Arctic in search of zoological wonders. Happy, content, together. Freja and Clem. Clem and Freja. But now, everything is changing, and Clementine must send Freja away to live with her old friend Tobias, a bestselling crime writer and, quite possibly, the most absent-minded man on earth. Tobias is not used to life with a child, and Freja isn't used to people at all, but together they stumble into an Italian adventure so big that it will change things forever.
660687	Girls can fly Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ambelin	Magabala Books	2020	9781925936759	Girls can fly! Every girl is the star in her own life story. Stretch out your arms, aim for your dreams, believe in your wings and breathe in the sky. Girl for you, anything is possible. Your future is amazing. Fly high!

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ID	Girltopia series Rogers, Hilary				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4081	Give peas a chance and other funny stories Gleitzman, Morris	Penguin Books Australia	2007	9780143302629	Fourteen clever, funny tales, featuring a host of crazy characters. While Ginger and her dog organise the ultimate party, Wilton the worm meets Aristotle the nose germ in an unexpected location and Ben tries to save the world by not eating his vegetables.
157	Gizmo, The Jennings, Paul	Puffin Australia	1998	9780140370904	When a boy steals a Gizmo for a dare, weird things began to happen.
660369	Glimme, The Rodda, Emily & McBride, Marc (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2019	9781862919570	Finn loves to draw. It helps him escape his hard life in the village of Wichant. Finn's imagination comes to life on the pages of his sketchbook where the shapes of dragons, ogres and giants lurk beneath the surface of the rugged cliffs and coastline. Is he drawing what exists beyond the veil? He is soon to find out when his grandfather sells him to the mysterious housekeeper from Edge House and he slips through a magical painting into another world. A mighty fantasy adventure with extraordinary illustrations that will transport you into the wonders and perils of the Glimme.
	Glister series Watson, Andi				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
916559	Glow, The Laguna, Sofie & McBride, Marc (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023		Megan is obsessed with drawing fantastical creatures, and she shares her drawings with her best friend Li who writes stories to go with the pictures. When everyone in town, except the two girls, is immobilised by a strange glow coming from their devices, Megan and Li, have to overcome their fear and work together in a desperate battle to against the sinister monster that has ensnared everyone else around them.
578967	Go girl: A storybook of epic NZ women Else, Barbara	Penguin	2018	9780143771609	A book of inspirational stories New Zealand women who have achieved great things, risen above the odds and made positive change to the world. Incluides the stories of Dame Whina Cooper, Janet Frame, Farah Palmer, Lucy Lawless, Nancy Wake, Lorde, and more.

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ID 9372	Goanna jumps high Urandangi State School	Magabala Books	1999	9781875641451	Students try to win a high jump contest in a zone sports competition but, to do this, their goanna must jump higher than a competing kangaroo. Illustrated by primary pupils.
633930	Goat on a boat Dent, Nick & Houghton, Suzanne (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2019	9781760669164	When a goat arrives on a rocky island, the resident sheep are afraid he will eat all their grass. But this goat has hidden talents This humorous story for children has an important message to convey.
3025	Goblin mafia wars: Wanted dead or deader Green,D C	Ford Street Publishing	2016		Goblin Mafia Wars is action packed, monster filled adventure that will have you hooked from the opening pages. You will laugh and you will squirm as the race to save the world's last dragon's eggs and halt a full blown goblin war gets under way. Can the dragons be saved? And will earth be spared?
1019877	Goblin's revenge, The Prentice, Andy & Knight, Tom (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2024	9781803706467	The evil wizard Darkmoon is hunting down the last few rebels who dare to oppose him and the only one who can save them is YOU. In this magically illustrated adventure, every choice is yours, and your survival depends upon the decisions you make. Who to fight? Who to trust? In a book where nothing is as it seems, even the pictures hold secrets that must be unlooked.
4953	Goblins & ghosties: Stories of darkness from around the world Pearson, Maggie	Bloomsbury	2015	9781472913692	If you like stories that are a bit dark and creepy or make you jump when things go bump in the night then this is the book for you. Filled with traditional tales from around the world about ghosts and ghouls, the biggest problem might be getting to sleep after reading them. Including twenty-five tales about vampires, demon dogs, ghosts, brownies werewolves and much more this is a great book for all lovers of fairy tales, folk tales, and ghost stories and for those who just love the scary stuff!
158	God beneath the sea, The Garfield, Leon & Blishen, Edward	Hamilton	1997	9780241139554	A recreation of Greek legends.
33722	Godwits, The Pickworth, Bruce & Robertson, Lorraine (ill)	Bullawai Books	2016	9780994611802	A boy in China is waiting. The godwits will soon land on his favourite beach. But things are changing and there are plans to build houses on this very beach. Wei is determined this will not happen. A new leader has been chosen to lead the godwits from Australia to Wei's beach. Will the birds make it and will the beach still be there. A book about one brave bird and one heroic boy.
15143	Gogo fish, the story of the WA state fossil emblem Long, John	Western Australian Museum	2005	9781920843083	In 1986, a 375 million year old fossil fish was discovered in Western Australia. This book tells how the Gogo fish fossil was discovered and how a campaign by students at a Perth primary school helped to make it the state's fossil emblem.

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1D 83685	Going for broke McKinlay, Meg	Walker Books	2008	9781921150616	Nathan Foley wants more than just a participation award, he wants to be in the book of world records. His hairbrain attempts to break a world record with his two, less than helpful friends, Ronnie and Weasel, are more likely to result in his death by misadventure than great recognition.
160	Going for kalta: hunting for sleepy lizards at Yalata Edwards, Yvonne & Day, Brenda	IAD Press	2004	9781864650129	Kalta is the Aboriginal word meaning ""sleepy lizard"". In this picture book, the reader is shown how the Yalata community catch and cook kalta.
18393	Gold quest	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2005	9780340788585	Trace the journey of a gold mask in Egypt centuries ago. It is melted down to become a prize at the Colosseum, a gift for Queen Elizabeth I, counterfeit coins, a toothpick holder at Versailles, gold buttons on a waistcoat and a necklace in New York.
1019914	Golden swift, The Grossman, Lev	Bloomsbury	2022	9781526647641	It's been a year since Kate and Tom became conductors on the Great Intercontinental Railway, and life has changed completely! Delivering animal passengers to their rightful habitats using their very own secret steam train, The Silver Arrow, is exciting and magical and fulfilling.  Until one day a new and mysterious train almost rams them off the track! Its name? The Golden Swift. Kate catches a glimpse of the conductors. They're children, like them, and they're dropping animals off at all the wrong stations!  Kate is determined to catch up with their rivals and confront them. Her actions will lead to an adventure bigger than she could have dreamed of, racing through the highlands of Western Scotland, diving down deep into the oceans on a magical submarine, meeting a talking tortoise, and finding out about a whole new way to offer endangered animals safe and lasting homes.
780139	Golden tower, The Murrell, Belinda	Penguin	2021	9781760897093	In her wildest dreams, Sophie never thought she might be kidnapped by a cat and taken to a world of flying horses and wonder - but also magic, mystery and danger!  Transported to the land of Tuscia, Sophie accidentally saves the daughter of a wealthy family and is swept along on their journey to the Golden Tower.  Now she is the only one standing between sisters Isabella and Bia and the terrible fate their stepmother has planned.  Sophie doesn't think she is brave enough, but with the help of a talking cat, a stableboy and some very tiny mischief-makers, she might be able to save the day.

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37699	Goldfish boy, The Thompson, Lisa	Scholastic Australia	2017		Matthew likes everything to be very clean and stays safe in his room to keep away from germs. He watches his neighbours but hates going outside. When a toddler goes missing Matthew is the last person to have seen him alive. Can Matthew overcome his fears, turn detective and solve the crime?
903320	Goldilocks zone, The Sheneman, Drew	Harper	2021	9780062972361	What makes Earth so special? Join Goldilocks and her best friend, Baby Bear, on an interstellar adventure to learn all about our solar system in this informative, hilarious, and 100 percent factual nonfiction picture book.
34144	Goldseekers, The Bastian, Greg	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2006	9780207200847	It is the 1850s on the Australian goldfields. People are caught up in the, often violent, grip of gold fever. Miju and her brother, kidnapped from their homeland, are working to earn their passage home. Racism and robbery make their quest more difficult.
162	Good luck to the rider Phipson, Joan	Pan MacMillan	2001	9780330362740	A story about the adoption of a foal and a girl's first year at boarding school.
660048	Good, the bad, and the silly, The Dickson, John & Emmerichs, Bern (ill)	Berbay Publishing	2019	9780648397373	The Good, The Bad and The Silly' is a taste of the intriguing history of Australia to alert young readers of the storytelling treasures to be unearthed in Australia's settlement history.
901583	Goodbye year, The Gale, Emily	Text Publishing Co	2022		"It is the start of 2020 and Harper is excited about her final year at Riverlark Primary.  But one by one things go wrong. Her best friends are made school captains and don't seem to have time for her anymore. Her parents take jobs overseas, so she is bundled to stay with her grandmother, who she hardly knows. Then Covid arrives bringing more things to worry about. Harper's special year is turning out to be nothing like she hoped it would be.  And then there is the ghost.  Who is the boy in the library? Why is he here? Will he help Harper find a way to be happy with her goodbye year?"
4251	Goodly and Grave: In a bad case of kidnap Windsor, Justine	HarperCollins Children's Books	2017		Employed as the new boot girl at Grave Hall, Lucy Goodly is in a tough situation. Who will take care of her well-meaning, but gambling parents? How will she get back to her beloved home, and what is REALLY going on at Grave Hall? This is book one in the Goodly and Grave trilogy, featuring magic, exotic animals, adventure and kidnapped children.

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1D 11472	Goodly and Grave: In a deadly case of murder Windsor, Justine	HarperCollins Children's Books	2017	9780008183561	Lucy Goodly is a magician. Not a very knowledgeable one, and rather young too, but she is learning. Still in the employ of Lord Grave (and Boot Girl of Grave Hall - for all appearances), she and the members of MAAM (Magicians Against the Abuse of Magic) are investigating the thefts of magical items and soil from churchyards. Can Lucy and Lord Grave solve the mystery and stop a seriously magical plot?
	Goosebumps series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
29436	Gorilla book: born to be wild, The Litchfield, Carla	Black Dog Books	2009	9781742030883	Gorillas are the world's biggest primate. They are often portrayed as aggressive but are actually shy, peaceful and remarkably intelligent vegetarians.
	Goth Girl series Riddell, Chris				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
164	Gowie Corby plays chicken Kemp, Gene	Penguin	1984	9780140313222	Gowie is not a chicken but spending the night at Cricklepit School, where ghosts are rumoured to roam, is a big dare to accept.
4755	Grace Gleitzman, Morris	Penguin Books Australia	2009	9780670073900	Eleven year old Grace knows only one world of her mum, dad, twin brothers and the strict religious community they belong to. Her relationship with God is central to her life but Grace is also stubborn, butspoken and independent. When her dad is thrown out of the church for asking questions, Grace is torn between staying in the church and keeping her family together.

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1D 14399	Grace on the court Proud, Maddy	Piccolo Nero	2018	9781760640330	It was simple for Netball nerd Grace Parker and her best friends, Stella and Mia, at primary school, where back then her biggest problem was persuading her parents to buy her tickets to see Friday at Five, the world's hottest boy band. Unfortunately, high school is a new story. Grace's greatest rival on the court, Amber Burns, just made the same netball team as her. Her twin brother, Gus, is devastated he didn't make it into the top team. Tyler, her older brother, is ignoring her. And if that wasn't enough for a 13-year-old girl to handle, a popular dreamy boy is suddenly paying her a lot of attention
1066660	Grace the amazing Darlison, Aleesah	Wombat Books	2024	9781761111174	Grace Marshall is eleven years old. She is curious, creative and dreams of becoming a magician, Grace the Amazing. Her only friend is her art teacher, Pamela. When she discovers Pamela is dying, Grace is determined to find a miraculously magical cure and, along the way, she asks the big questions about life, love and friendship.
12359	Gracie and the emperor Broome, Errol	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2003	9780186508880	Gracie has been told many stories about the emperor, Napoleon Bonaparte, who will stop at nothing to rule the world. When the dreaded man comes to the island where Gracie lives, she wants to run away but she has nowhere to go.
9339	Grandad tree, The Cooke, Trish & Wilson, Sharon	Walker Books	2001	9780744578751	An apple tree in the garden represents the changing stages of life. Children play in the tree's shade with their grandad in summer and rake its leaves in autumn. The continuing presence of the tree supports them as they come to accept his death.
166	Grandad's gifts Jennings, Paul & Goldthorpe, Peter (ill)	Penguin	1998	9780140548129	Shane's curiosity gets the better of him as he must know what is in the forbidden cupboard.
1041323	Grandfather Emu Collard-Spratt, Rhonda & Ferro, Jacki	Boolarong Press	2021	9781925877861	Poor old Grandfather Emu can hardly walk or see. Of all the bush animals, who will lead old Weitj to the creek for food and water? In this fun Aboriginal Dreaming story, children learn how Mother Yonga Kangaroo got her pouch, and the importance of taking the time to help.
167	Grandma Cadbury's water world Bates, Dianne	Hodder & Stoughton	1997	9780733604720	Life is never dull with Grandma Cadbury, especially at a beach resort.
	Grandma Dangerous series Mitchell, Kita & Reed, Nathan (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID 12103		Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2000	9780733611780	When a young girl's grandmother dies, she hears the comment, 'Who will ever step into her shoes?' She finds grandma's shoes and goes on a journey, filled with images of her beloved grandma. Powerfully depicts healing after a loved one's death.
15039	Grandpa's angel Bauer, Jutta	Walker Books	2005	9781844280346	Grandpa tells his grandson about his life and guardian angel during a dark period in history. Watercolour illustrations add to this endearing story.
4357		HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2015	9780008135195	Jack's Grandpa wears his slippers to the supermarket, serves up tinned tongue for dinner and often doesn't remember Jack's name. But, he can still take to the skies in a speeding Spitfire and save the day.
45705		IP (Interactive Publications Pty Ltd)	2013	9781922120250	Shy and over-protected, Tim is the new kid in a small country town. He's slow to make friends and becomes involved with the school bully. Tim is pressured into visiting a mysterious, old woman, Granny Rags, a reclusive old lady, rumoured to be a witch. Tim gradually finds out Granny Rags' story and one visit turns to several. Soon, Tim find himself involved in a mess of corruption, secrets and danger.
9313	Grave catastrophe, A Hilton, Nette	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734404947	An ex-guide dog, now retired, must use all his seeing-eye dog skills to solve the murder of one of the neighbourhood cats. He tells the story of the crime for which he stands accused and which he must solve to be acquitted.
16458	Great animal search, The Young, Caroline & Jackson, Ian (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2005	9780746067178	Packed with puzzles and fascinating facts about animals.
6341	Great Barrier Reef book: solar powered, The Norman, Mark		2009	9781742030319	The Great Barrier Reef is so huge it can be seen from space and the whole thing runs on solar power. The wonders of the Great Barrier Reef and the need to protect it are revealed through beautiful photographs, interesting information and a glossary of terms.
37135	Great buildings Clements, Gilllian	Frances Lincoln	2011	9781847800367	Throughout history, people have overcome every challenge to create fantastic buildings that have shaped the world. From the ancient pyramids to the tallest skyscraper, each building has its own history, unique features, brilliant architects and builders. Timelines show other buildings being constructed at the time and how they reflected the societies in which they were designed and built.
170	Great deeds of heroic women, The Saxby, Maurice		1992	9780872263482	This book profiles eighteen women through the ages.
171		Millennium Press	1993	9780855749859	A collection of exciting stories of heroic deeds through the ages.

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ID 2014	Great escape from city zoo, The Riddle, Tohby	HarperCollins Australia	1997		An anteater, elephant, turtle and flamingo break out of the City Zoo and, disguised, manage to blend in for a time and enjoy their freedom in the city. Sepia drawings are a highlight of this escape adventure.
903376	Great Gallipoli escape, The French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2023		Sixteen-year-old Nipper and his Gallipoli mates Lanky, Spud, Bluey and Wallaby Joe are starving, freezing and ill-equipped. By November 1915 they know that there is more to winning a war than courage. The Gallipoli campaign has been lost.  Nipper has played cricket with the Turks in the opposing dug-out, dodged rocket fire and rescued desperate and drowning men when the blizzard snow melted. Based on the extraordinary last weeks of the Gallipoli campaign, this is the fascinating story of how 150,000 men, their horses and equipment were secretly moved to waiting ships without a single life lost.
172	Great Gilly Hopkins, The Paterson, Katherine	HarperTrophy	2003		Gilly is a foster child who lives in the hope that her beautiful mother will come and claim her.
12956	Great Montefiasco, The Thompson, Colin & Redlich, Ben (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2004		The Great Montefiasco never gets anything right. When he meets `The Fabulous Betty' things still go wrong but sometimes two wrongs do make a right. Inspiration and hope for all the lonely people.
10949	Great plague, a London girl's diary 1665- 1666, The Oldfield, Pamela	Scholastic UK	2008		It is 1665 and the Great Plague is spreading. Thirteen year old Alice Paynton wants to return to London, to the happy life she had there, raised by her father and her Aunt Nell in the time of King Charles II. Her girlhood days turn to fear and horror as the sickness strikes, and Alice's account includes the story of the bubonic plague and the Great Fire of London in 1666.
751045	Great realisation, The Roberts, Tomos & Nomoco (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2020		From simple acts of kindness, to the creativity within us all, The Great Realisation is a celebration of the many things that have brought us together at a time of crisis. It captures, with magical resonance, the thoughts and feelings of millions worldwide as we adapt to a new way of life, cast aside old habits and reflect on what truly matters to us. It is a story for all readers, young or old, who dare to dream of a fairer, kinder, more loving world.
24305	Great shave, The Scott, Clare	Walker Books	2008		Stix and his mates think it's a great idea to temporarily dye their hair green when they go to watch their favourite band, the Screaming Greenie Meanies. But, after the concert, the green will just not wash out. When school goes back and the principal insists the green hair has to go, Stix discovers there is something even worse than green hair.

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ID 22461	Great space race, The Mowll, Joshua	Walker Books	2010	9781406309379	Captain Eric 'Ace' Crankshaw and his robot monkey, Barry, enter a race into space so that Eric's family can be debt free with the ten million dollars in prize money. But, musician Eric ends up having to attempt to save the world instead.
14293	Great switcheroo, The Fusillo, Archimede & Vane, Mitch (ill)	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143302568	Best friends Ray, Matty and Lurch are planning their best-ever prank to swap all their neighbours' pets. They think they will be legends but their efforts backfire.
751133	Greatest inventor, The Brooks, Ben	Hachette Australia	2020	9781786541123	Victor is a boy who loves to take his tortoise to the highest mountain in his village to watch the sunrise each day. On the day he sees a peddler approaching in his wagon, everything changes and Victor is forced to leave behind everything he knows in search of a cure to the magical curse that has been placed on his parents and the whole village. Along the way, he finds a group of friends who help him to see that it takes all kinds of people to make the world go around.
43487	Greatest magician in the world, The Edmondson, Matt & Parsons, Garry (ill)	MacMillan	2017	9781509806188	Elliot is mad about magic. Completely and utterly mad. It's all he talks about, all he thinks about, and even all he dreams about! And it's not surprising, because magic is in Elliot's blood. His great grandfather had once been known as The Greatest Magician in the World and Elliot is desperate to follow in his footsteps. But it's tricky when the only magic book in the library is missing half its pages, and there's no one around to teach you. But all that's about to change when Elliot discovers a long lost letter from his great grandfather and embarks on a magical adventure that could change his life forever!
59509	Greek myths Williams, Marcia	Walker Books	2006	9781406303476	Eight Greek myths are retold in colourful, comic strip style. Read about Theseus, conqueror of the dreaded Minotaur; the mighty Heracles and his twelve tasks; the tragic lovers, Orpheus and Eurydice; Perseus, the Gorgon-slayer; the musician Arion and his rescue by the dolphins; Pandora and her little box of horrors; the feather-clad fliers, Daedalus and Icarus; and the weaving contest between Ariachne and the goddess Athene.
173	Greek myths for young children Williams, Marcia	Walker Books	1994	9780744530759	A comic book style is used to retell Greek myths for children.

PRC	Title/Author	Publisher	Year	ISBN	Annotations
ID   984529	Greenwild: The world behind the door Thomson, Pari & Paganelli, Elisa (ill)	MacMillan	2023	9781035015733	Daisy Thistledown is on the run after escaping boarding school to find her missing mother. She is being chased through London by someone who doesn't want her to find out the truth. She stumbles through a hidden doorway into another world - the Greenwild, a place of botanical wonders and green magic. A place that holds the key to finding Daisy's mother; and someone wants to destroy it. Daisy must band together with a botanical genius, a boy who can talk to animals and a cat with an attitude. Together they will uncover the truth about who she really is, and seek to save Greenwild itself
	Grim and grimmer series Irvine, Ian				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1023600	Grimmelings, The King, Rachael	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781991006646	Be careful what you wish for The same evening Josh Undehill went missing, the black horse appeared on the hill above the house. Ella knows that words are powerful. So she should have known better than to utter a wish and a curse on the same day. Who is Gus, the boy with the impish grin, who seems to appear in answer to her wish? What does the black horse want? And what of her grandmother's warning of creatures that dwell in the lake?
	Grimsdon series Abela, Deborah				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Grimstones series Asphyxia				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
175	Grinny Fisk, Nicholas	HarperCollins Australia	1984	9780003300208	Tim, Beth and Mac suspect that Great Aunt Emma, Grinny, isn't what she pretends to be.

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1D 9311	Grommet saves the world Moloney, James	Puffin Australia	2003	9780143300540	Grommet is a thirteen year old troublemaker who gets a job as an undercover agent at a fun park trying to catch a saboteur. He survives a terrifying ordeal suspended upside down from a stopped rollercoaster, and other misadventures.
9262	Groovy Greek hero raps Mitton, Tony	Watts Publishing Group	2002	9781841218076	Heracles and Theseus are the subjects of humorous poems.
15127	Guess who's coming for dinner Kelly, John & Tincknell, Cathy	Templar Publishing	2004	9781840116281	Horace Pork-Fowler's diary reveals an interesting invitation to Eatem Hall, the very strange abode of Dr Hunter. It appears to be an innocent weekend but it becomes doubtful that Horace and his lovely wife will survive.
1216	Guinea pig town and other animal poems Marwood, Lorraine & Daoud, Amy (ill)	Walker Books	2013	9781922077424	With sections on birds, Australian animals, pets, marine animals, farm animals, 'creepy crawly' ones and those in the wild, here is a huge variety of subject matter in many poetic forms including haiku, rhyming and non-rhyming verse using language to create wonderful word pictures for all who love animals as well as those who don't.
56549	Guiness world records: Science and stuff Guiness World Records	Wild Dog Books	2017	9781910561638	Strap in for a mind-boggling look at the record-breaking world around us. From the science of slam dunks and the smelliest substances to over-engineered inventions and the physics of cats, you'll find page after page of amazing facts and information. Inside you will also find some sensational experiments to try at home yourself.
13821	Gumnut babies: 100 years Gibbs, May	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)			Celebrate the publication of May Gibbs's first book, Gumnut babies, in 1916. This collector's book includes seven stories - Gumnut babies, Gum-Blossom babies, Flannel Flowers and Other Bush Babies, Boronia babies, Wattle Babies, Nuttybub and Nittersing, and Chucklebud and Wunkydoo.
846245	Gus and the starlight Carless, Victoria	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2022	9781460760642	Gus Able and her family are on the run, from her mum's ex-boyfriend and from desperate ghosts who want her mum's help. When they end up in a small town running an old drive-in movie theatre called the Starlight Gus hopes this is the fresh start they need. Despite living in a smelly old caravan, the Able family work hard to make the Starlight a success, but the current owner seems to be working against them. Gus wonders if this new town could be the forever home she's been wanting for so long.

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1D 627328	Guts Telgemeier, Raina	Scholastic US	2019	9781743832684	A late night stomach bug seems to stay with Raina long past the regular time period, and the doctors tell her nothing is wrong. Raina has growing fears about all sorts of areas of her every day life and these fears will not go away. Neither will her stomach bug. This is a biographical graphic novel about how our mind and body seem to work against us sometimes, and how talking about our problems can bring people together and lead to solutions.
7940	Guys read: Terrifying tales Scieszka, Jon (ed) & Grimley, Gris (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2015	9780062385574	A bone-chilling collection of eleven original ghost stories, perfect for sharing around the campfire, reading under the covers with a flashlight and scaring your friends' pants off. A creepy-fun read, if you're brave enough.
8119	Gymnastics Jackman, Joan	Dorling Kindersley	2000	9780751327991	Shannon Miller tells you how she became a champion gymnast. With the help of dynamic photographs, young gymnasts give tips and reveal the secrets of their skills and agilities.
8423	Gypsy magic Simons, Moya	Scholastic Australia	2002	9781862915145	To solve a local robbery, three children become detectives with the assistance of some gypsy magic.
777701	H is for Happiness Jonsberg, Barry	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9781760527402	Introducing Candice Phee: twelve years old, hilariously honest and a little odd. But she has a big heart, the very best of intentions and an unwavering determination to ensure everyone is happy. So she sets about trying to 'fix' all the problems of all the people (and pets) in her life.
22488	H.O.U.S.E. Machowiak, A & Mizielinski, D; Wojcik- Leese, E (trans)	Gecko Press	2010	9781877467660	Discover thirty-five extraordinary houses, designed by the world's most prominent architects. Houses that look like pears, inflatable houses, igloos, tea houses and tree houses. Explains the inspiration behind each design and the materials used, including ecological options.
18572	H2O stories of water Hamilton, Margaret (comp)	ABC Books	2005	9780733315220	Australia is an island surrounded by ocean. Children grow up near the sea, have holidays by the sea or spend time on rivers, canals and dams. This collection of stories highlights the influence of water on children's lives.
12343	Hair of the skeleton Freeman, Pamela	Koala Books			When the residents of Tiger Beach Village claim to be visited by a ghost, Jake, Peter and Ruby set up a stake-out to catch the ghoul. Their surprise to find that the ghost is definitely not dead soon turns to determination to figure out who it is.
815796	Half a man Morpurgo, Michael & O'Callaghan, Gemma (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781406351330	Michael has spent his life trying not to stare at his grandfather's scars. His grandfather's gruff manner and upsetting appearance always kept Michael from getting close. One summer, Michael must stay with his grandfather and he finally gets the courage to look directly at his grandfather and ask him to tell his story.

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ID   36901	Half-moon investigations Colfer, Eoin	Miramax Kids	2006	9780786849574	Fletcher Moon has graduated to be a fully qualified private detective. He's also only twelve years old. When a series of mysterious crimes occur across town, Fletcher finds himself in an exciting adventure, some violent incidents and in real danger.
28483	Halfling Lloyd, Rebecca	Walker Books	2011	9781406327298	Danny finds caring for his disabled dad very draining. Day to day tasks are repetitive and boring. But, all of that changes when Danny's neighbour goes away and asks him to feed the tropical fish. Danny discovers a secret in his neighbour's house that will change his life forever. He doesn't know much about sea creatures but he's sure that what he finds is extremely rare and magical.
178	Halfway across the galaxy and turn left Klein, Robin	Puffin Australia	1996	9780140379419	A family from the planet, Zyrgon, arrive on Earth after travelling half way across the galaxy and turning left.
3098	Halo Corder, Zizou	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2010	9780141328300	Halo, abandoned as a baby and raised by centaurs, captured and torn from her happy home, disguises herself as a boy to have any freedom. Still under constant threat of enslavement and exposure, she lives the myths, legends and culture of ancient Greece from warring Sparta to Athens, searching for her identity.
12372	Handful of blue, A Ford, Vince	Scholastic New Zealand	2003	9781869435615	More than an approaching cyclone hangs over Jeremy's family. His parents are struggling to save the farm during a drought and he spends his time squabbling with his younger sister, fishing with his best mate and failing to stay out of trouble. Includes some colloquial language within context.
29318	Handkerchief map, The English-Hawke, Kiri	IP (Interactive Publications Pty Ltd)	2014	9781922120861	Through letters written to loved ones, three characters reveal their most intimate thoughts about the conflict in World War II. Franz, a young Nazi soldier, has begun to question the rightness of the cause. Helga is a Russian girl, bent on joining the resistance. Susanna, a Jewess, has been separated from her husband and children, and condemned to the cruelty of a concentration camp.
7714	Hanna: my Holocaust story Alexander, Goldie	Scholastic Australia	2015	9781743629673	Hanna Kaminsky loves gymnastics, her best friend, chicken soup and reading. But, in September 1939, her happy life disappears. The Nazis have invaded Poland and are herding all Jewish people into ghettos in the cities. Hanna's family are forced into hiding in the country but this means trusting others. Hanna and her family are caught and sent to the Warsaw Ghetto where they must use whatever skills they have to survive.
2079	Hannah's winter Meehan, Kierin	Penguin	2001	9780141000442	Contemporary and humorous, this story is dotted with snippets of Japanese language and culture, as Hannah and her ghost friend attempt to solve an ancient riddle.

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8700	Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tales Zwerger, Lisbeth (ill)	Penguin USA	1991	9780698400351	Eleven favourite Hans Christian Andersen classic stories, superbly bound and illustrated to celebrate his 200th birthday. Includes 'The princess and the pea', 'The emperor's new clothes', 'The Sandman' and The Nightingale'.
601775	Hapless hero Henrie James, Petra	Walker Books	2019	9781760650834	Twelve-year-old Henrie is the first girl heir of the Melchior family in 200 years. This was deemed a dereliction of duty by the formidable Octavia Melchior, head of the House of Melchior (HoMe). For HoMe is in the business of heroes for hire. Boy heroes, that is. Girls have no place. When Henrie receives a mysterious note, it sets off a chain of events including a kidnapping, a fancy skateboard manoeuvre and a private jet and she discovers something rotten at the heart of HoMe. As past, present and future collide, HoMe is poised to come tumbling down unless a new kind of hero can emerge from the rubble.
568907	Happiness box, The: A wartime book of hope Greenwood, Mark & McLean, Andrew	Walker Books	2018	9781925081381	In 1942, Sergeant 'Griff' Griffin was a prisoner of war. With Christmas approaching, he decided to make a book for the children cooped up in nearby Changi Prison. The book was said to contain the secrets to happiness. Open this book and learn the true and inspirational story of the making of the Happiness Box book.
484	Harriet Hill, Anthony	Penguin	2006	9780143302087	Harriet, a tortoise hatched in the Galapagos Islands, was brought to Australian in the 1800's. This is the true story of Harriet's life from colonial days to her death at 176 years old at Australia Zoo in 2006.
	Harriet Bright series Craig, Claire & Feddersen, Melanie (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
180	Harriet the spy Fitzhugh, Louise	Yearling	2001	9780440416791	Harriet spies on all the people in her neighbourhood and writes notes about them in her book.
6469	Harry and Hope	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2015	9780007512263	Hope lives with her mum in the Pyrenees. It's always been just the two of them until Frank, a free-spirited traveller, arrives with Harry, his stubborn rescue donkey. Hope and Frank form a close bond and she feels lost when Frank decides to move on. Frank was more than just mum's boyfriend and understood Hope better than her mother does. Hope promises to look after Harry and, slowly, another special bond is made.

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1D   5063	Harry Kruize, born to lose Collins, Paul	Ford Street Publishing	2017	9781925272628	Harry Kruize is feeling the weight of the world on his shoulders. His father has left, starting another family elsewhere and he is the target of bullying at school, leaving him friendless and lonely. A term-long class assignment involving the writing down of personal wishes and documenting how they might be fulfilled allows Harry to tell his innermost feelings. He has six seemingly impossible wishes ranging from a normal family life, a dog, a friend, a certain bully to stop using him as a punching bag and to be an author. All of these will never happen or will they?
4637	Harry Miller's run Almond, David & Rubbino, Salvatore (ill)	Walker Books	2015	9781406362244	Liam just wants to go out running with his mates. It's not long till the Junior Great North Run. But, Mam needs him to help old Harry clear out his house. Harry knows a thing or two about running. He says when he was a lad, he ran twenty-one kilometres, from Newcastle to South Shields. This is the story of that day. Sweltering heat, clattering boots, briny sea air and the heavenly taste of ice cream.
	Harry Potter series Rowling, J K				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Harry Potter universe series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
751195	Hat-trick Teddy Tedesco, James	Pan MacMillan	2021	9781760982911	Twelve-year-old Teddy is a footy star in the making. He plays rugby league at home on the farm. He plays for the Menangle Meerkats with his friends from school. But when a storm turns his team's playing fields into a mud-pit, Teddy is faced with the worst decision of his life: if he wants to keep playing, he will need to switch teams from the Meerkats to their arch rivals - the Camden Rams. But can a Meerkat really be a Ram? Based on James's own footy-playing childhood, Hat-Trick Teddy encourages kids to follow their dreams regardless of the obstacles in their way.

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1D 79983	Hate that cat Creech, Sharon	Bloomsbury	2009	9780747599807	Jack is pleased that Mrs Stretchberry is his teacher again this year. The only problem is she likes cats and he hates them. Or, at least, he does until he gets to know some kittens and reads some poetry about cats.
184	Hating Alison Ashley Klein, Robin	Puffin Australia	1998	9780140316728	Alison is a perfect only child who has everything - beauty, clothes and money. Erika is so jealous, she has to find a way to get rid of Alison Ashley, once and for all.
916536	Hats of Marvello, The Graham, Amanda & Naidu, Lavanya (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2023	9781460714645	No matter how much Olive longs for a pet rabbit. it is never going to happen. Not when she lives in an Australian country town where most people think they are a pest. So imagine Olive's shock when she unexpectedly finds not one, but one hundred and one rabbits. And one of them can talk.  How Olive will hide and protect the rabbits will be her greatest challenge and adventure. She is also preparing for the Year 5 play. At least she has her costume ready. But the old top hat she found in the local op shop is very odd and strange.
3955	Haunted Orman, Lorraine	Walker Books	2009	9781921150821	When Georgia and her brother, Ned, are sent for a holiday on their relatives' farm, they are not happy. Ned makes friends with his cousin so Georgia explores the farm on her own, discovering an old homestead which she thinks will make a cool hideout. But, Georgia is not alone and is befriended by a mysterious girl, Lily, who is not what she seems. The children soon discover they are playing with fire.
	Hazel Green series Hirsch, Odo				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
15447	Head space: one brain, two occupants Harris, Christine	Penguin	2004	9780143300670	While on school camp, Tenille has an accident that leads to a close encounter with an alien called Zem. In fact, the alien is too close, closer than she could ever imagine.
22044	Heart and the bottle, The Jeffers, Oliver	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2010	9780007182343	Once there was a girl whose life was filled with wonder at the world around her. Then, one day, something happened that made the girl take her heart and put it in a safe place. However, after that, it seemed that the world was even emptier than before. It takes another little girl to demonstrate that life is there to be lived.

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1D 57379	Heart of magic Matthews, Penny	Walker Books	2008	9781921150685	Stacey wishes she could be more like her friend, Twyla. Twyla is confident, Stacey isn't. Twyla is daring, Stacey isn't. When a gypsy gives Stacey a gold heart pin, everything changes and Stacey starts behaving like the person she has always wanted to be.
870595	Hedgewitch McKenna, Skye	Welbeck Publishing	2023	9781801300681	Cassie Morgan is at boarding school and hates it. She is ignored or bullied by both staff and students, but she stays because of a promise she made to her mother, her only family, and whom she hasn't seen for 7 years. Suddenly, Cassie finds out that she has a relative in the small town of Hedgely, who is a witch. Cassie sets off to Hedgely to discover herself, become a witch and find her mother.
2144	Heidi Spyri, Johanna	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2001	9780694014538	At five, little orphan Heidi is sent to live with her grandfather in the Swiss Alps. The villagers are afraid of him but Heidi is fascinated by his long beard and bushy eyebrows. She loves her life, playing in the sunshine amongst the goats and birds. But, one terrible day, Heidi is collected by her aunt and made to live with a new family in town. Heidi can't bear to be away from her grandfather and wants to find her way back up the mountain.
1239088	Heist: The great chocolate caper McKerrow, Joel	Penguin	2025	9781761350276	Meet the Heist squad. aka a motley crew of hot-headed misfits who hate each other but LOVE chocolate. But then they discover a sinister chocolatey plot, right in the bowels of their high school, that will threaten the entire human race with utter annihilation. Can they put aside their differences to achieve the most audacious chocolate heist ever and save the world?
1089077	Helios book, The Carter, Slade	MidnightSun Publishing	2024	9781922858412	Twins Hugo and Kitty are visiting rural Australia on holiday. They befriend their neighbour, Lucas, who has invented the Helios Book, a solar device that will transform global energy use. Desperate to escape those who seek to steal the Helios Book, the twins follow a fairy wren through a wombat burrow and find themselves in a new world. Will this world offer the twins the haven they so desperately need, or do new dangers await?

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1D 774216	Hello and welcome Dreise, Gregg	Penguin Random House Australia	2021	9781760898328	"Hello and welcome to our corroboree. Hello and welcome to our gathering. Father Sky, Mother Earth, together here with me. Different colours, different people, together in harmony." Feel the welcome as we celebrate Indigenous culture, Elders and future generations. Join the corroboree in the traditional Gamilaraay language of the Kamilaroi people as we listen and learn together. A wonderful companion to Gregg Dreise's highly acclaimed My Culture and Me, this joyful picture book celebrates Australia's Indigenous heritage and the diversity we enjoy today.
682662	Hello, hello Spinifex Writing Camp	Magabala Books	2020		A family is walking home on a very dark night. It;s hard to see clearly - what is that shadow? And what is that noise???  Turn the pages of this intriguing and atmospheric book and join the family as they discover what the dark night is hiding.  Hello, Hello was written and illustrated by students from Laverton, Menzies and Tjuntjuntjara remote community schools at the third Spinifex Camp, sponsored by the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. The students were joined by ILF ambassador and award-winning illustrator Ann James and singer/songwriter Chris Aitken, and together they have produced a book that will intrigue, surprise and delight readers of all ages.
567945	Hello, universe Kelly, Erin Entrada	HarperCollins Australia	2018	9780062877505	Four students from the same school will discover they are stronger and incredible in their own ways. In the course of the day these four children and a guinea pig discover the magic of acceptance and friendship. Each have their faults and differences and frightening moments bring out the best in others too. A story of friendship and bullying.
580933	Help around the house Gleitzman, Morris	Penguin	2018	9780143793236	Ludo's dad has just been elected as an Independent in Federal Parliament, which means a big move to Canberra. Top on his list of priorities is to find the local Scout group and continue his journey with the Scouts. Little does he realise just how important his scouting skills will turn out to be.
737758	Helping our planet Bingham, Jane & Fox, Christyan (ill) & Leschnikoff, Nancy (ill) & Rojo, Sara (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2020	9781474982764	There's no doubt about it, our planet is in trouble. So what can YOU do to help? This hands-on guide to practical choices and actions provides helpful checklists of things you can do. You'll find clear guidelines on planet-friendly shopping, eating and travel, as well as ways to save energy, deal with waste, and get drastic about plastic. With the help of this book, YOU can make a difference to the future of our planet.

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1D   699051	Henrie's hero hunt James, Petra	Walker Books	2020	9781760650858	It's not easy being a hero. Ask Henrie Melchior. She's about to begin her very first Hero Hunt. Marley Hart needs a hero, but she's not convinced Henrie's the hero for her. When a message from the grave, a missing Egyptian statue, a pea man and secret codes collide with Violetta Villarne from Villains Incorporated. Henrie Melchior wishes she'd never left HoMe. Two girls. One boy. A great aunt. A mystery.
4976	Henry and the guardians of the lost Nimmo, Jenny	Egmont Childrens	2016	9781405280877	The yellow letter arrived on a Saturday, otherwise Henry would have been at school. The envelope was such a bright, sunny colour, no one would have believed that it contained a bombshell. Less than 10 minutes after the arrival of the mysterious letter, Henry is on the run with his Auntie Pearl, possibly never to return home. Henry has a secret. He is twelve, but he hasn't aged a day since the moment he was thrust a hundred years into the future. Now his secret has put him in danger. His only hope is the protection of the Guardians of the Lost.
9975	Henry Hoey Hobson Bongers, Christine	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2010	9781864719956	Henry Hoey Hobson arrives at his sixth school, a small, Catholic school, to discover he is the only boy in his grade. There are three male misfits a year below him. Fatherless, friendless and non-Catholic, Henry earns a reputation as a vampire when ill-fitting braces make his mouth bleed.
1133231	Her Majesty's league of remarkable young ladies Stegert, Alison D.	Chicken House	2023	9781915026095	An exciting adventure through a Victorian world of villains, plots and spies. Full of spectacular gadgets and inventions sure to make the mind boggle. Winifred Weatherby is a feisty girl-genius and inventor who must protect the Queen of England while saving her own father.
3802	Her mother's face Doyle, Roddy & Blackwood, Freya (ill)	Scholastic US	2009	9780439815017	Although Siobhan's mother died when she was small, she can remember her mother's hands, her voice and her words. But, no matter how hard she tries, Siobhan cannot remember her mother's face. She'd ask her father but he is too sad and Siobhan carries her grief deep within her. One day, a woman shows her how to remember and has a message for Siobhan's father.
682621	Her perilous mansion Williams, Sean	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9781760877361	In a strange mansion miles from anywhere, an orphan named Almanac and a twelfth daughter named Etta find themselves working - and bickering - side by side in the largely deserted rooms. But soon they realise that the house and its inhabitants are not quite what they seem, and there's more at stake than just their jobs. Can they solve the puzzle of Her Perilous Mansion before it's too late?

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ID 4130	Here comes trouble Bates, Dianne	Dragon Tales Publishing	2015	9780992523961	Nine year old Sam is always in trouble. He has a kind heart but more challenges than most children his age. After getting into trouble with the police, Sam thinks things can't get any worse. But, it seems that this is just the beginning.
669414	Here in the real world Pennypacker, Sara	HarperCollins Australia	2020	9780008371692	Ware is looking forward to a summer with his lively grandmother instead of the loud and sweaty recreation centre where he is usually sent. However, after his grandma has an accident he finds himself sent back to the dreadful rec centre. Then he meets tough but secretive Jolene who brings him to an abandoned chuch which becomes a place of refuge, but this special place is threatened and Ware promises to save it. Can he be this hero in the real world?
15144	Heritage & places Chapman, Helen	Heinemann	2004	9781740701952	Heritage is a complex concept. Heritage helps to make us who we are and shapes our local community and our country. Selected Australian heritage sites introduced in interesting photographs, location maps and websites for further research.
	Heritage Heroes series Various				Stephanie Owen Reeder's award-winning Heritage Heroes series retells the remarkable true stories of famous Australians, while providing historical insights into their lives.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2311	Hero Lean, Sarah	HarperCollins Children's Books	2014	9780007512249	Leo dreams of being a hero. In his imagination, he is a fearless gladiator but he wants to be a hero in real life. When the boys at school dare him to do something he knows is wrong, Leo lets everybody down.
1108116	Heroes of Olympus : The mark of Athena Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2020	9780141335766	It was the first time they had sat down together- just the seven of them. The Prophesy of the Seven was unfolding at last. The giants would be waiting. Gaia was rising. And unless they succeeded in this quest the world would be destroyed. The old score had to be settled to bring the god's two natures into harmony. They have to work together or Gaia will destroy us. Leo is the helmsmen of the Argo II, the entire ship a weapon hovering above the Pomerian Line!

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36023	Heroes of Olympus, The: The lost hero Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2010	9780141334011	Jason has a problem. He doesn't remember anything before waking up on a school bus holding hands with a girl. Apparently she's his girlfriend Piper, his best friend is a someone called Leo, and they're all students in the Wilderness School, a boarding school for "bad kids." Piper has a secret. Her father has been missing for three days, and her nightmares reveal that he's in terrible danger. Now her boyfriend doesn't recognize her, and when a freak storm and strange creatures attack during a school field trip, she, Jason, and Leo are whisked away to someplace called Camp Half-Blood.  Leo has a way with tools. His new cabin at Camp Half-Blood is filled with them. What's troubling is the curse everyone keeps talking about, and that a camper's gone missing. Weirdest of all, his bunkmates insist they are all-including Leo-related to a god.
23897	Heroes of Olympus: Son of Neptune, The Riordan, Rick	Hyperion Books	2012	9780141335735	Percy is confused. When he awoke after his long sleep, he didn't know much more than his name. His brain-fuzz is lingering. Somehow Percy managed to make it to the camp for half-bloods, despite the fact that he had to continually kill monsters that, annoyingly, would not stay dead. But the camp doesn't ring any bells with him.  Hazel is supposed to be dead. When she lived before, she didn't do a very good job of it. When the Voice took over her mother and commanded Hazel to use her "gift" for an evil purpose, Hazel couldn't say no. Now, because of her mistake, the future of the world is at risk.  Frank is a klutz. His grandmother claims he is descended from ancient heroes, but he doesn't see it. He doesn't even know who his father is. He keeps hoping Apollo will claim him, because the only thing he is good at is archery. His big and bulky physique makes him feel like a clumsy ox, especially in front of Hazel, his closest friend at camp.
8826	Heroes of the Kokoda track Brasch, Nicolas	Black Dog Books	2011	9781742031347	In 1942, a World War II campaign between Australia and Japan occurred on a track, the Kokoda Trail. The track begins in Kokoda, in Papua New Guinea, and winds its way through rugged mountains towards Port Moresby. The Kokoda Track is only one hundred kilometres long but the tropical conditions made it a mudslide. Australian troops were ill-equipped and unprepared, and completely outnumbered.

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751116	Heroes of the secret underground Gervay, Susanne	HarperCollins Children's Books	2021	9781460758335	Twelve-year-old Louie lives with her brothers, Bert and Teddy, and their Hungarian grandparents, in the Majestic Boutique Hotel, an old-world establishment surrounded by magnolia trees and an aura of peace. But when Louie finds an old rose-gold locket covered in mysterious writing, she learns that it isn't just the magnolias her grandparents have carefully cultivated at the Majestic -with their peace and tranquility comes secrets they would prefer remain buried.  As Louie and her brothers attempt to discover the truth, they are thrown back in time to 1944, into the middle of their grandparents' experiences in Nazi-occupied Budapest. The old locket holds the mystery of the young heroes of Budapest's secret Jewish underground, and the history Louie's grandparents want to keep hidden. And until it can be revealed, there can be no peace for anyone - in the past, present or future.
883560	Heroes, rebels and innovators: Inspiring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from history Wyld, Karen & Biumaiwai, Jaelyn (ill)	Hachette Australia	2021	9780734419835	Powerful and exciting: here are seven inspiring stories about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from history. Amongst these are Patyegarang, a Darug woman who worked with a British officer of the First Fleet, teaching him words from local Aboriginal languages - together they made the first written record of any Aboriginal languages; Mohara Wacando-Lifu, a woman of Torres Strait Islander, Niue Islander and Papua New Guinea heritage and the first Indigenous woman to receive the Royal Humane Society's Gold Medal for bravery; Yarri and Jacky Jacky, who led the rescue of sixty-nine people during the Gundagai floods of 1852.
568100	HerStory Halligan, Katherine & Walsh, Sarah (ill)	Nosy Crow Ltd	2018	9781788001380	This is not just history, it's Her Story! It is the story of brave leaders, talented artists, gentle healers, committed teachers and gifted problemsolvers. It is the story of women and girls who bravely faced challenges, overcame difficulty or danger, and even gave up their lives to follow their dreams and make the world a batter place.
14269	Hester the jester Clark, Margaret & Denton, Terry (ill)	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143302483	Hester wants to be the next court jester, but it is unheard of for a girl to take on that role. There is also the slight problem of a king who is quite happy to chop off heads if he is displeased. Hester must fulfil her ambition without losing her head.

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ID  1174884	Hi from outer space Katauskas, Fiona	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761069260	Alex wants to win the National Young Cartoonist Competition. She's got the talent, but what should she draw? Along comes Hi, an alien from the planet Wendy. Hi is also working on a project: he has three days to learn about Earth's leaders for his Earth Studies class. Hi's Earthly visits sets in motion a chain of extraordinary events, including a viral TikTok, a shoe-shop haunting and an astronomically wild rock concert!
582876	Hidden figures: The true story of four black women and the space race Shetterly, Margot Lee & Freeman, Laura (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2018	9780062742469	Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden were good at mathreally good. They participated in some of NASA's greatest successes, like providing the calculations for America's first journeys into space. And they did so during a time when being black and a woman limited what they could do. But they worked hard. They persisted. And they used their genius minds to change the world.
18645	Hidden monastery, The Wang, Gabrielle	Penguin	2006	9780143302681	Peng meets Jax after he fell from the stars. Twelve years later, Jax stumbles across a hidden monastery, deep inside an ancient park and begins to discover his destiny, what it means to be a Peng Master. Contains some martial-arts style violence.
1124	Hiding Edith Kacer, Kathy	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2011	9781742375298	The true story of Edith Schwalb, a young Jewish girl, sent to live in a safe house after the Nazi invasion of France in 1938. An entire village heroically conspired to conceal hundreds of Jewish children, who went to the local school, roamed the streets and ate good food, all without having to worry about concealing their Jewish identity.
871798	High-Rise Mystery Jackson, Sharna	Knights of	2023	9781999642518	Summer in London is hot, the hottest on record, and there's been a murder in The Tri: the high-rise buildings which is home to resident know-it-alls, Nik and Norva. Who better to solve the case, armed with their curiosity, home-turf knowledge and unlimited time - until the end of the summer holidays anyway.
75259	Highway girl: an English girl's diary 1670 Wilding, Valerie	Scholastic UK	2009	9781407108704	When Susannah and her brother are orphaned, she is forced to live on the charity of distant relatives in England while he seeks his fortune in America. When news arrives that her brother is dangerously ill, Susannah will stop at nothing, even highway robbery, to get the money she desperately needs to save his life. It is 1670, when times are hard and punishments harsh.

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1D   587807	Hilda and the hidden people Davies, Stephen & Miller, Seaerra (ill)	Flying Eye Books	2018	9781911171447	Meet Hilda: explorer, adventurer, avid sketchbook-keeper and friend to almost every creature in the valley! Join our beloved heroine as she encounters her very first troll, negotiates peace with some very persnickety elves, and reunites two lovelorn ancient giants. Fantastic creatures and daring adventures are all just part of another average day for Hilda, but what will she do if she is forced to move to Trolberg city, far away from her beloved valley home?
	Hilda graphic novel series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1019853	Hilda's world: A guide to Trolberg, the wilderness and beyond Hibbs, Emily & Chan, Jason (ill)	Flying Eye Books	2023	9781913123239	Join Hilda whilst she discovers the world of the fantasy land, Trolberg! Explore the city, wilderness and much more. Includes maps, top tips of things to do whilst visiting Trolberg!
4520	Historium Nelson, Jo & Wilkinson, Richard (ill)	Templar Publishing	2015	9781783701889	Welcome to the virtual museum. The galleries, which are based on the geographical location of the archaeological finds, include Africa, America, Asia, Europe, The Middle East and Oceania. See objects of beauty, objects of functionality, objects of war, objects of life, death and burial. As you wander from room to room, explore the magnificence of what civilisations have left behind over thousands of years of human history.
8309	Hobbit, The: An illustrated edition Tolkien & Wenzel, D (ill) & Dixon, C & Deming, S (adapt)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2001	9780345445605	Prelude to The Lord of the Rings series in which Bilbo Baggins, at the request of the great wizard, Gandalf, sets off on an adventure fraught with danger. Nasty things adventures, they often make you miss dinner. Bilbo reclaims the dwarves' treasure and discovers the all-powerful ring that binds them all.
751152	Hold on! Saving the Spotted Handfish Newton, Gina M & Tribout, Rachel	CSIRO			Have you ever seen a fish that could do a handstand? This is the story of a quirky and primitive little fish that is famous for two things: walking on its 'hands' (pectoral fins), and being the first marine fish anywhere in the word to be listed on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species. The Spotted Handfish has survived since the time of the dinosaurs until now. Invasive sea stars, pollution and climate change mean that this unique Australian is in real trouble raise your hand if you want to know more!
40213	Home Oliver, Narelle	Omnibus Books	2006	9781862916692	When their cliff top habitat is destroyed by fire, a pair of peregrine falcons must find a new one. They end up in the city but they wonder if they will be able to make it to their home.

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1D 193	Home among the gum trees: the story of Australian houses, A Nicholson, John	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1997	9781864480955	The complete history of Australian homes from pre-European settlement to modern day dwellings.
30126	Honey bees close up Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2014	9781742033440	Not only do bees provide us with honey and beeswax, they are responsible for much of the food we depend on every day. Take a closer look at these important insects.
9210	Honey spot Davis, Jack	Currency Press	1988	9780868191638	Through the friendship between a black boy and a white girl, race relations and conservation are dealt with in this play.
903240	Honour among ghosts Williams, Sean	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781761065767	When Penny's father is arrested for thievery, she is convinced that he has been framed. But by whom? Together with the magistrate's son, a traveller and a magical scribe's apprentice, Penny soon uncovers more crimes - and it's always the rich being burgled and the poor being blamed. The town is in uproar, and a mysterious inspector arrives, but can they be trusted? How will this plucky foursome untangle the truth and put things right?
	Hooey Higgins series Voake, Steve & Dodson, Emma (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Hoofbeats series Duey, Kathleen				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
11267	Hoosh: camels in Australia Brian, Janeen	ABC Books	2005	9780733315046	Information about the camels of the desert and their role in Australia's development. Coloured photographs and maps cover every imaginable aspect of camels and their presence in Australia.
871669	Hope on the horizon Rauf, Onjali Q & Lundie, Isobel (ill)	Hachette Australia	2022	9781526364418	Author Onjali Q Rauf shares some of her favourite books and characters as she leads readers on a journey to better understand how our own actions, and the actions of others, can have great and positive effects on others. Navigating our world can be an adventure where even small acts of kindness can have an enormous impact.

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33324	Horse called Darling, A Stephens, Delwyne	Puffin Australia	2010	9780143304692	Penny has to cope with the saddest moment in her life, involving her pony, Manny. Everyone is willing her to come back and compete in the next event. Hopefully, a horse called Darling will encourage her.
12571	Horse called Elvis, A Heffernan, John	Five Senses Publications			Matt befriends an abused horse, Elvis, that touches the lives of his family struggling to stay together. Some coarse language and cruelty to animals in a realistic story of a father's efforts to overcome his own shortcomings for love of his children.
46389	Horse for Angel, A Lean, Sarah & Blythe, Gary (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2013	9780007455058	Nell is surprised when her mum wants her to stay with her family in the country. While unpacking her bags she is startled by a large wild horse and a mysterious girl, which leads Nell on a mystery and a chance to discover secrets about herself.
	Horse mad series Helidoniotis, Kathy				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4013	Horses: a complete guide for young horse lovers Gardini, Lauryn	The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd	2008	9781742113524	Whether you own a horse or just dream about it, find out everything you want to know about caring for horses, identifying breeds and colours, and basic riding skills.
17912	Hounds of the Morrigan, The O'Shea, Pat	Oxford University Press	2009	9780192728722	Set in the west of Ireland, this story tells of the coming of the Great Queen, the Morrigan, who is bent on bringing destruction to the world. Only Pidge and Bridget can stop her and their task seems impossible as they're constantly trailed by the Queen's hounds. But, they're aided in their quest by a host of willing helpers, a glorious array of unforgettable characters from Irish legend and lore.
1153328	House at the end of the sea, The Adams, Victoria M	Andersen Press Ltd	2024	9781839134234	After a family tragedy, Saffi has to move to her grandparents' spooky B&B by the sea. The walls change colour, a stanger's face appears in the mirror, and she hears eerie music at night. When a group of mysterious guests arrive at midnight, Saffi becomes enmeshed in her family's dar, magical secret
15097	House of Narcissus, The Wild, Margaret & Harris, Wayne (ill)	ABC Books	2001	9780733310492	A beautiful house in Venice, rich in history, revisits its past stories in the context of the present. It is a house that has shunned all inhabitants but eventually it welcomes a fragile cat and opens its heart to life.

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1D 70026	House of secrets Columbus, Chris & Vizzini, Ned	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780007490141	When Brendan, Cordelia and Nell move to Kristoff House they have no idea that they are about to unleash the dark magic locked within. Now the Walker family must battle against deadly pirates, bloodthirsty warriors and a bone crunching giant. If they fail they will never see their parents again and a crazed witch will take over the world.
43812	House of secrets: Battle of the beasts Columbus, Chris & Vizzini, Ned	HarperCollins Australia	2014	9780007490172	Brendan, Cordelia and Nell are trying to save the world, but they better be able to fight for their lives. Just when they thought they had defeated the Wind Witch forever, their home is blasted into a crazy world of battles beasts and cyborgs. From the searing heat and clashing swords of the Colosseum, to the snow capped Tibetan mountains and some seriously freaky monks - the stakes have never been higher.
587868	House on the mountain, The Holcombe, Ella & Cox, David (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760636968	There is a fire coming, and we need to move quickly. Mum and Dad start packing bags, grabbing woollen blankets, the first-aid kit, torches, and then the photo albums. Dad puts Ruby on her lead and ties her up near the back door. My chest feels hollow, like a birdcage.
6818	House that was built in a day, The: ANZAC cottage Everett, Valerie & McGuire, Barbara	University of Western Australia Press	2007	9781920694715	A community in Western Australia decided to honour the ANZACs by building a house in one single day and giving it to a returning wounded ANZAC soldier. It is the oldest memorial in Western Australia and one of the oldest nationally.
903315	House that wasn't there, The Arnold, Elana K	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9780062937070	As Oak and Alder start school together, they can't imagine ever becoming friends. But the two of them soon discover a series of connections between them mysterious, possibly even magical puzzles they can't put together. At least not without each other's help.
568871	House with chicken legs, The Anderson, Sophie	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2018	9781474940665	Marinka lives with her grandmother Baba Yaga. Baba Yaga's job is to guide people through The Gate into their next life. Their house has a gate made of bones and chicken legs. A couple of times a year, the house stands up in the middle of the night and walks to another location. This sounds exciting, but Marinka longs to stay somewhere long enough to make real friends. Based in Slavic folklore, this novel is about finding your own way in life even when you think your destiny might be decided.
21155	How animals build Butterfield, Moira & Hutchinson, Tom	Lonely Planet Publications	2017	9781786576620	Do bees need cement mixers to build hives? Do beavers use cranes to construct dams? No, of course not! Like many animals, they're building geniuses who don't need building site tools to create incredible work. Welcome to nature's very own, super-clever world of construction.

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1D   35727	How do you burp in space Goodman, Susan & Slack, Michael (ill)	Bloomsbury	2013	9781599900681	Here is a travel planner for all those who dream of taking a holiday in outer space. Includes what to pack, how to get there and home again, what to wear, how to sleep, brush your teeth and even burp in space.
113069	How high can a kangaroo hop French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2008	9780732285449	Discover the lost monster kangaroos, how indigenous people hunted and used kangaroos, how to tell a kangaroo from a wallaby and what to do if you find a kangaroo by the side of a road.
23614	How I alienated my grandma Main, Suzanne	Scholastic New Zealand	2015	9781775433064	After discovering a long buried, mysterious device in his back yard, Michael inadvertently causes his Gran to become inhabited by an alien. Michael and his best friend, Elvis set out to remedy the situation, only to discover the future of the Earth is at stake. Elvis is the expert in science fiction and technology, while Michael is quick thinking and can scheme his way out of trouble, as quickly as he gets into it.
35596	How Lunchbox Jones saved me from robots, traitors and Missy the Cruel Brown, Jennifer	Bloomsbury	2015	9781681194417	Luke Abbott's school is the losing-est school in the history of losing. And that's just fine for him. He'd rather be at home playing video games and avoiding his older brother Rob and the Greatest Betrayal of All Time. But now he's being forced to join the robotics team, where surely he'll help uphold the school's losing streak. He'll also meet a colorful cast of characters, including: Mikayla, the girl who does everything with her toes; Jacob and Jacob, who aren't twins but might as well be; the sunflower seed-obsessed Stuart; and Missy the Cruel, Luke's innocent-looking bully since they were six-years-old. But it's an unlikely connection with a mysterious boy known only as "Lunchbox Jones" that will change Luke's life. Turns out, Luke and Lunchbox Jones have a lot more in common than just robots.
15575	How nearly everything was invented by the Brainwaves MacLeod, Jilly & Swerling, Lisa (ill) & Lazar, Ralph (ill)	Dorling Kindersley	2008	9781405329781	Through labelled diagrams, the Brainwaves present the inventing of the lens, steam engine, light bulb, generator, internal combustion engine, transistor, gunpowder, and many other everyday inventions and scientific discoveries.
660538	How not to be popular Paterson, Cecily Anne	Wombat Books	2019	9781925563658	Maddie tries to be nice to everyone. Even weird, chicken-obsessed Tahlia. But she'd way prefer to hang out with the cool girls at school. The only problem is that they don't seem interested in her, at least not until Year 6 camp.  That's when Maddie has a decision to make: how far will she go to be popular? Will she be able to live with the guilt when she finally has everything she's been hoping for?

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1D  1019896	How to avoid being eaten by sharks and other advice Larkin, John & Krebs, Chrissie (ill)	Walker Books	2024		This hilarious guide will aim to give you answers to some of life's odd questions. Whether you've ever worried about being eaten by a shark or abducted by an alien this book will weigh up some of the evidence for or against.
1259617	How to be a good enough kid Peel, Alice & Feiner, Beck (ill)	NewSouth Publishing	2025		The guide to help children develop resilience, take on the life skills and emotional dilemmas 'good enough' kids face every day. Packed with advice on how to be mentally fit and resilient and how to deal with lealousy among other emotions, How to be a fantastic sensational good enough kid also includes 'non-painful' ideas on practising gratitude, and is chock-a-block with fascinating brain facts and inspiring stories.
17139	How to be a great detective Dubosarsky, Ursula	Penguin	2004		Claudia is convinced the stain on the path is blood. That means murder and she wonders who is dead and who is the killer. Claudia sets out to gather the evidence and to bring the killer to justice, jumping to conclusions along the way.
825564	How to be a hero: Take up the quest Weldon, Cat	Pan MacMillan	2021		Whetstone is a wannabe thief. Lotta is a wannabe Valkyrie. A case of mistaken identity will bring the two of them together on a quest that will have you wondering what will happen next and whether they will both achieve their goals. Will one of them become a hero? What is a hero anyway?
885159	How to be Prime Minister and survive grade five Fitzgerald, Carla	University of Queensland Press	2022	9780702265587	When an everyday dad accidentally becomes Prime Minister it throws his family into a new world. One with new rules, and a new school. This is a challenge on its own. When he disappears, his daughters need to cover for him and get the opportunity to make some big decisions regarding their future.
18321	How to catch a fish Thornton, J D	Scholastic Australia	2005	9781865046549	Factual guide for people who fish. Contains images, diagrams and text boxes with descriptions and Information about different breeds.
2268	How to eat fried worms Rockwell,Thomas	Bantam Doubleday Dell Publishing Group Inc	1996	9780440445456	The humorous account of a fifty dollar bet for Billy to eat fifteen worms.
2270	How to guzzle your garden French, Jackie	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK			This book enables the reader to select seeds, grow, cook and eat the produce.
15348	How to live forever Thompson, Colin	Red Fox	1998		A boy in search of a missing book, lost over two hundred years ago, looks in a library that holds a complete collection of all the books ever published. The shelves come alive at night when the watchman has fallen asleep.

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1D   652725	How to make a movie in 12 days Hardy, Fiona	Affirm Press	2019	9781925870657	Twelve days. Five kids. Many special effects. One giant mystery. Hayley Whelan has spent her whole life dreaming of making a horror movie - and not just the type of movie that kids make on their dodgy second-hand iPhones. When her grandma passes away, she inherits the money for a proper, grown-up camera. But before Hayley even calls Action!', strange things start happening Someone is sabotaging Hayley's movie - but who? Why? And can Hayley finish her movie in time for the premiere?  From Australia's brightest new middle-grade talent comes this love song to movies, friendship and the summer holidays.
682392	How to make friends with the sea Guerrero, Tanya	Farrar, Straus and Giroux	2020	9780374311995	Pablo is homesick. He's only twelve years old, but he's lived in more countries than he can count. After his parents divorced, he and his mother have moved from place to place for years, never settling anywhere long enough to call it home. And along the way, Pablo has collected more and more fears: of dirt, of germs, and most of all, of the ocean.  Now they're living in the Philippines, and his mother, a zoologist who works at a local wildlife refuge, is too busy saving animals to notice that Pablo might need saving, too. Then his mother takes in Chiqui, an orphaned girl with a cleft lip and Pablo finds that through being strong for Chiqui, his own fears don't seem so scary. He might even find the courage to face his biggest fear of all and learn how to make friends with the sea.
486	How to raise and keep a dragon Topsell, John & Nigg, Joseph (ed)	HarperCollins Australia	2006	9780732284091	All you need to know about choosing and raising your dragon. Detailed information on differing breeds, the advantages of one over another as a pet and valuable information on equipment and lifestyle changes that may be required.

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1D 1209892	How to sail to somewhere Barton, Ashleigh	Hachette Australia	2025		Release date: March 25, 2025 Beatrice Glass - Bea - lives in a tiny fishing village that's sleepy all year until the summertime, when the tourists flock in and most of the locals leave. But summer is also when Bea's favourite person in the entire world, her fun and hilarious uncle, Byron, comes to stay.  On their last day together the previous summer, Byron had given Bea an intriguing antique book containing a map of Somewhere, a mysterious island off the coast, and promised that next summer they'd sail to Somewhere together for their best adventure yet.  That was last year. Now summer has arrived, but Byron hasn't. And now it looks like he never will.  Are the book and Byron's disappearance linked? Byron has left some clues for Bea - a scavenger hunt of sorts designed to bring her and her new friend, Arabella, together and give Bea one last magical summer. Could Somewhere hold the key to both Bea's and Arabella's future?
17231	How to save the universe in 10 easy steps Rushby, Allison	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014		Cooper and Molly are twins but, on the eve of his tenth birthday, Cooper discovers Molly is actually an alien sent to protect and help him fulfil his destiny. One day, he is going to save the universe. Cooper doesn't think he has any special skills so he wonders how on earth, or rather Peregrination, is he going to do it.
626733	How to save the whole stinkin' planet Constable, Lee & Hart, James (ill)	Penguin	2019		Attention all waste warriors, this is a garbological adventure for you.  From the moment you dive into the rubbish bin, you will be on an interactive journey of investigation and experimentation to earn badges and save the whole stinkin' planet.
3701	How to speak dolphin Rorby, Ginny	Scholastic US	2015		Lily's life seems to revolve around her half-brother, Adam, who has autism. She has little time for friends or activities. Her stepfather doesn't acknowledge that Adam needs to attend a special school and Lily has yet to get over the grief of losing her mother in a car accident. When Adam meets Nori, a young dolphin with cancer, they bond instantly. But, Lily wants to get real help for Adam and help Nori to regain her freedom, without betraying her family.

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1D  1209888	How to survive on the moon: Lunar lessons from a rocket scientist Morancy, Joalda & Cushley, Aaron (ill)	St Martin's	2025	9781916745001	How do you stay alive in a place where everything is trying to kill you? In this book, Rocket Scientist Joalda Morancy teaches you how to dodge deadly radiation, escape choking clouds of moon dust, and grow essential food so you don't starve. You'll also learn how to live in underground lava tubes and even have a go at using a giant space catapult.
803452	How to talk to a tiger and other animals Bittel, Jason & Buzzell, Kelsey (ill)	Magic Cat Publishing	2021	9781913520076	This book brings together the language and sounds of over 100 animals and creatures. Explore the way creatures and critters communicate in the wild.
1089056	How to teach grown-ups about climate change Daniels, Patricia & Belcha, Aaron (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781804660300	Lots to think about in this entertaining and meaningful guide. Time to have an informed talk to the adults about what we can do about Climate Change. This guide will enable youth to get the message across in a fun, truthful and questioning way that will convince the grown-ups with facts that even the scientists think are weird. Can they pass the test at the end? And who in Australia has heard of the extinction of the Bramble Cay melomys? While not the end of the world it cannot get worse and this book will teach you and your grown-up why.
871650	How to teach grown-ups about Pluto Regas, Dean & Blecha, Aaron (ill)	Britanica Books	2021	9781913750503	It's about time the grown-ups got up to speed After all, Pluto hasn't been a planet since 2006! In this guide from Britannica astronomer Dean Regas reveals why Pluto was kicked out of the planet club.
1017960	How we came to be: Creatures of camouflage and mimicry Bayly, Sami	Lothian Books	2023	9780734421371	Discover the secrets behind some of the natural world's most unusual creatures of camouflage and mimicry. Find out about the chameleon who changes colour to communicate with its friends, the burrowing owl who copies the sound of a fiercer animal to protect itself from threats, and the harlequin filefish that has come to smell like coral to blend in with its surroundings.  You'll be amazed by how these clever creatures use disguise and imitation to find food, send out warning signals and, most of all, avoid predators!

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1D  1209731	Howzat Pat! Dare to bowl Hartley, David, Geddes, Serena & Cummins, Patrick	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9781460764688	I'm Pat Cummins and I love playing cricket. I love it so much that I sleep with my bat!
					There's BIG NEWS in my family - we're moving from the coast all the way to the mountains and I'm NOT HAPPY about it. I have LOTS of questions, like
					-Will I FIT IN at my new school? -How will I make new FRIENDS? -What's there to DO in the MOUNTAINS?! -MOST importantly - WHERE WILL I PLAY CRICKET?!!!
					If you want to know the answers to these questions, too - READ THIS BOOK!
774422	Huda and me Hayek, H	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760526023	Left behind in Melbourne after his parents have to leave for Beirut unexpectedly, 12 year old Akeal finds himself, along with his six siblings, being held to the whims of an atrocious babysitter. Through the bold plans of younger sibling Huda, Akeal then finds himself roped into a courageous adventure with Huda travelling abroad as "unaccompeed" minors.
	Huggabie Falls series Cece, Adam & Weldon, Andrew (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
35705	Hunters and hunted Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2014	9781742033365	The animal kingdom is a dangerous place, especially at mealtimes. While hunters are out searching for their dinner, the hunted are using all sorts of tricks just to stay alive. Welcome to the frightening and dangerous world of the hunters and the hunted.
6541	Hush treasure book, The Various	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2015	9781760112790	A joyous compilation of short stories, poems and artwork by 30 renowned Australian authors & illustrators. A CD of music is included.
871673	I am Cody Hat, Aggie & Tate, Crystal (ill)		2022	9781922717702	Five year old Cody was asked, "How can you tell if someone is a boy or a girl, or both, or neither?' Cody's response was profoundly pragmatic. Well, it's not their hair or their clothes. It's actually in their heart. You can't just tell. They have to tell you.' This is Cody's story of opening her heart to her mum.

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ID   815351	I am every good thing Barnes, Derrick & James, Gordon C	Egmont Childrens	2021	9780525518778	l am a non-stop ball of energy. Powerful and full of light. I am a go-getter. A difference-maker. A leader. Step inside the mind of the confident narrator of this book! He is proud of everything that makes him who he is. He's got big plans, and will see them through. He's creative, adventurous, smart, funny. A good friend. A superhero. Sometimes he falls, but he always gets back up. And other times he's afraid, because he's often misunderstood. So, slow down, look and listen as he shows you who he really is
	I am Jack series Gervay, Susanne & Wilcox, Cathy (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
201	I am Susannah Gleeson, Libby	Penguin	2000	9780141306131	Susie is devastated when her friend moves away and an old lady comes to live in Kim's old house.
12500	I did nothing: the extinction of the gastric- brooding frog Crew, Gary & Wilson, Mark (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2004	9780734405074	Zeek learns the fate of what might have been the last Gastric-Brooding Frog. Sadly, the frog, which may have held the secret of a cure for cancer, was known for just nine years before all trace of it was lost in the wild.
203	I hate Fridays: stories from Koala Hills Primary School Flynn, Rachel	Penguin	1991	9780140341027	An interlinked collection of stories about the hilarious goings-on at Koala Hills School.
504		Penguin	2004	9780143301790	Karen hates sport. When her family gives her an ultimatum about playing sport, Karen gives it her best shot but there aren't many sports that value perfect, pink fingernails. Karen must find a sport or miss out.
7093	I open the door Spinifex writing camp & James, Ann & Dreise, Gregg & Watson, Judy	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2017	9780994465450	Open the Door contains nine interconnected stories, all of which begin and end with opening a door. The young author/illustrators at the 2016 Spinifex Writing Camp were encouraged to let their imaginations run wild, and the result is a book that will simply take your breath away. Prepare to be intrigued, surprised, fearful and delighted as you turn the pages to follow the adventures of what happens when a door is opened.
12332	I said nothing: the extinction of the paradise parrot Crew, Gary & Wilson, Mark (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734405593	Young Harry tells the story of the death of the last Paradise Parrot, possibly the most beautiful of all Australian birds. While he tries to blame trappers for the bird's extinction, he soon realises that he must take some responsibility himself.

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1D 12333	I saw nothing: the extinction of the thylacine Crew, Gary & Wilson, Mark (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734404725	Rosie witnessed the capture of the last thylacine (tiger-wolf) in Tasmania. She is concerned that she may have been able to do something to save it, and so save the species from extinction.
37000	I survived the Japanese tsunami, 2011 Tarshis, Lauren & Dawson, Scott (ill)	Scholastic US	2013	9780545459372	Ben has already suffered the loss of his Dad in a car accident, but a family trip to Japan holds even worse things for Ben, his Mum and brother - they arrive in time for the 2011 earthquake and tsunami. The devastation is immense, will Ben find his family again? Ben learns important lessons about survival and hope. He comes to understand that the Japanese will to be strong and patient in the face of disasters will get them through this terrible time and help Ben himself to move forward.
10417	I survived the shark attacks of 1916 Tarshis, Lauren & Dawson, Scott (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2010	9780545206952	Chet Roscow is ten and feeling lonely living with his Uncle Jerry in a new town. When news stories about shark attacks on the coast come out, everybody thinks it is a great joke. On the east coast of America in 1916 no one had heard of anyone being attacked by a shark before. Chet and some friends trick each other by pretending to be sharks. But when Chet is attacked by a real shark in the creek he has to find someone who believes him, before it is too late.
1019839	I survived the shark attacks of 1916: The graphic novel Tarshis, Lauren	Scholastic US	2021	9781769112845	Chet Roscow is finally feeling at home in Elm Hills, New Jersey. But Chet's summer is interrupted by shocking news. A great white shark has been attacking swimmers along the Jersey shore, not far from Elm Hills. So when Chet sees something in the creek, he's sure it's his imagination until he comes face-to-face with a bloodthirsty shark!
1019840	I survived the sinking of the Titanic 1912 Tarshis, Lauren & Dawson, Scott	Scholastic US	2010	9780545206945	Ten-year-old George Calder can't believe his luck he and his little sister, Phoebe, are on the famous Titanic, crossing the ocean with their Aunt Daisy. The ship is full of exciting places to explore, but when George ventures into the first class storage cabin, a terrible boom shakes the entire boat. Suddenly, water is everywhere, and George's life changes forever.
1019841	I survived the sinking of the Titanic 1912: The graphic novel Tarshis, Lauren	Scholastic US	2021	9781761128448	George Calder must be the luckiest kid alive - he and his little sister, Phoebe, are sailing with their aunt on the Titanic, the greatest ship ever built! George can't resist exploring every inch of the incredible boat, even if it gets him into trouble. But one night while George is off exploring, a terrible boom shakes the entire boat. Soon the impossible is happening: The Titanic is sinking. George has always gotten out of trouble before. Can he survive this nightmare?

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ID   587820	Ice monster, The Walliams, David & Ross, Tony (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2018	9780008297244	When Elsie, an orphan on the streets of Victorian London, hears about the mysterious Ice Monster - a woolly mammoth found at the North Pole - she's determined to discover more A chance encounter brings Elsie face to face with the creature, and sparks the adventure of a lifetime - from London to the heart of the Arctic!
777153	Iceberg Saxby, Claire & Racklyeft, Jess (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760526047	In the final freeze of an Antarctic winter, green tails wave across a starfull sky, as if to farewell endless nights. If this world looks empty, look closer Penguins trek across the ice to their winter homes. As the temperature warms, birds fly above on their long migrations. And with the advent of summer, beneath an iceberg, the sea is teeming with life. Ocean, sky, snow and ice - minute greens and giant blues - dance a delicate dance in this evocative portrayal of the life cycle of an iceberg.
1818	Ida B Hannigan, Katherine	HarperCollins Australia	2007	9780007234202	Ida B and her parents have a great life on the orchard and homeschooling Ida B. But then, life goes to a million miles beyond wrong and Ida has to return to school.
570823	If I was Prime Minister Feiner, Robin	ABC Books	2018	9780733338953	The Prime Minister makes decisions that affect us all. Being the Prime Minister is an important job. Imagine if children made all the decisions and what would happen.
846239	If the world were 100 people McCann, Jackie & CUshley, Aaron (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2021		Imagine the world's population as 100 people: what would it look like? There are almost 8 billion humans living on Earth, but it's tricky to picture so many people! So instead, let's imagine the whole planet is a village where 100 people live each person representing around 80 million people in the real world. So what does our global village of 100 people look like? Are they all grown-ups? Are there more males or females? How many have black hair or blue eyes? What languages do they speak? Who can read and write? How many have access to the internet or have enough food to eat? Does everyone have access to electricity or clean water?  Big ideas are broken into bitesize chunks through clever illustration and graphic design.  If we focus on just 100 people, it's easier to see the things we have in common, and the things that make us different. So come and meet the people in our global village, and think about the big questions that affect us all!
18522	If the world were a village Smith, David J & Armstrong, Shelagh (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2006	9781741148152	Full of interesting statistical information about the world's population as if the world was a village of one hundred people. Easy to comprehend and fascinating.

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1D 6917	iF a mind-bending new way of looking at big ideas and numbers Smith, David & Adams, Steve (ill)	New Frontier Publishing	2015		Some things are so huge or so old that it's hard to wrap your mind around them. But, if we took these big, hard-to-imagine objects and events and compared them to things we can see, feel and touch then, instantly, we would see our world in a whole new way.
59415	iHarry Croasdale, Laurine	Puffin Australia	2011		Having a father who designs the latest mobile phone technology is awesome, except Harry's mother won't allow him to have his own phone until high school next year. When his dad shows him the latest prototype, Harry cannot resist borrowing it to test. At first, its capabilities are astounding until the phone begins take on a life and personality of its own. Even Bozo, the school bully, cannot compete.
65426	Iliad and the odyssey, The Williams, Marcia (retell)	Walker Books	2006		The segments cover 28 short, exciting, retold incidents from Homer's The Iliad', including the Greek/Trojan War, the Trojan Horse, and the characters of Helen of Troy, Paris, Achilles, and 'The Odyssey' including his battles with Cyclops, the Sirens and the Scylla.
6105	Illustrated book of ballet stories, The Newman, Barbara & Tomblin, Gill (ill)	Dorling Kindersley	2010	9781405359009	Discover all the magic, excitement and beauty of famous ballets. See now ballet dancers perform, what their costumes convey and interesting snippets about each ballet.
855566	Illustrated encyclopaedia of dangerous animals, The Bayly, Sami	Hachette Australia	2020		With more than sixty of the most deadly and dangerous animals from across the world to explore, every page of this beautifully illustrated volume is more eye-opening than the last. You will learn interesting facts about these fascinating species, (many of which you won't have even known were deadly) such as how they have adapted to survive and whether we should be threatened by these animals or appreciate them for their incredible features. Children and adults alike will pore over the breath-taking scientific illustrations of unusual animals from the geography cone snail to the wolverine, the Irukandji jellyfish to the slow loris, debating their relative dangerous features, learning about science and nature along the way.
1209686	Illustrated encyclopaedia of extinct animals, The Bayly, Sami	Lothian Books	2024		Find out how these species fit into the history of the animal kingdom and why they have become extinct or are under threat. Featuring detailed scientific illustrations and riveting facts about sixty amazing animals, including the Western black rhino, thylacine, dodo, South Island giant moa and Tapanuli orangutan, as well as megafauna such as the giant wombat-like diprotodon and the crocodile-like Quinkana.

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ID   846089	Illustrated encyclopaedia of peculiar pairs in nature, The Bayly, Sami	Lothian Books	2021	9780734420046	Discover the most curious relationships in the natural world. The relationships between these peculiar pairs could be mutualistic, communalistic, parasitic or predatory. There are so many surprising partnerships from frogs and tarantulas, to sponges and crabs.
660607	Illustrated encyclopaedia of ugly animals, The Bayly, Sami	Hachette Children's Books	2019	9780734419019	Enter the world of ugly animals in this gallery of the animal kingdom's most unusual and beauty-challenged species. Featuring sixty breathtaking scientific illustrations, and facts about the thorniest creatures the natural world has to offer. Celebrate the beauty of ugliness from the naked mole rat to the goblin shark, it's time to let ugly shine!
207	Illustrated mum, The Wilson, Jacqueline	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2000	9780440863687	The story of Dolphin, a young girl, living with her mother's depression and a sister, Star, who is on the verge of adulthood. Both cope with living in a very dysfunctional household but their eccentric mum has real difficulties.
21272	Imaginary, The Harrold, A F & Gravett, Emily (ill)	Bloomsbury	2014	9781408852460	Rudger is Amanda's best friend. He doesn't exist but nobody's perfect. Only Amanda can see her imaginary friend. That is, until the sinister Mr Bunting arrives at Amanda's door. Mr Bunting hunts imaginaries. Rumour says that he eats them. And, he's sniffed out Rudger. Soon, Rudger is alone and running for his imaginary life. A boy who isn't there will have trouble surviving without a friend to dream him up.
4962	Imagining the future Torok, Simon & Holper, Paul	CSIRO	2016	9781486302727	Get prepared for the fantastic future with this guide to the unbelievable and incredible inventions just over the horizon. Flying through time and flying in cars. Living underwater and living forever. Robot servants. 3D printed food. Wouldn't it be amazing if science fiction became science fact?
660550	Impossible boy, The Brooks, Ben	Hachette Children's Books	2019	9781786540997	When Oleg and Emma invent a new classmate called Sebastian, they are amazed when he appears in their secret den. Sebastian is different. The three friends are soon chased by the Institute of Unreality, who want to capture and erase Sebastian, to restore order o the world.
5839	In the lamplight Wolfer, Dianne & Simmonds, Brian (ill)	Fremantle Press			If you enjoyed the award-winning Light Horse Boy and Lighthouse Girl, you will also enjoy In the Lamplight. This book draws on Australian war history with the protagonist being Rose, a young English girl turned nurse who cares for and falls in love with Jim - the Light Horse Boy. On the long journey back to Australia they experience the appalling loss of life due to the Spanish flu epidemic. But that is not the only challenge they face together.
9292	In-line skating Herran, Joe & Thomas, Ron	Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2004	9780732979089	A book for in-line skating enthusiasts.

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1D 208	Incredible cross-sections (Stephen Biesty's) Biesty, Stephen & Platt, Richard (ill)	Dorling Kindersley	1993	9780863188077	These cutaway drawings contain minute details and explanations of technological marvels.
1897	Incredible powers of Montague Towers, The Sunderland, Alan	Scholastic Australia	2016	9781760153649	Ageing superhero, the Cape of Justice, asks Montague's help to deal with his pursuers who are using cryptic messages. Over six days, Montague is endowed with a new super power each day - superpower, hypnotic power, invisibility, laser vision, flight and, finally, super speed. When Monty's nose twitches and he sneezes, the next superpower arrives. But, Monty doesn't time his sleuthing well, sometimes with disastrous results, as he searches for the evil Lord Bentwordle, who is trying to commit the crime of the century.
	India - land, life and culture series Sachdev, Rosemary & Marwaha, Jatinder (phot)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
9307	Indigo blue Watson, Jessica	Hachette Children's Books	2018	9780734418135	Alex feels like a fish out of water in her new hometown - the sleepy little lakeside village of Boreen Point where she is reluctantly sent to live with her slightly eccentric aunt for her final year of high school. None of Alex's classmates could care less about the new girl, so Alex couldn't care less about themor so she tries to tell herself. As a distraction from what is quickly shaping up to be a very lonely year, Alex spends her savings on a rundown little yacht and throws herself into restoring it. A curious discovery leads to the beginnings of a friendship, but it's Sam - the sailmaker's apprentice - and his mysterious ways that capture Alex's attention and force her to question what is real and what matters most.
120133	Indij sports report: XVIII Commonwealth Games, Melbourne Leon, Emily & others & Quilliam, Wayne (ill)	Indij Readers	2007	9780975686188	A scrapbook-style presentation of fascinating Commonwealth Games facts and photos, gathered by Aboriginal students.
88037	Indonesia book, The: A people, a place, a culture Kerta, Sadriani Wayan	Black Dog Books	2010	9781742030937	Indonesia is our closest neighbour, made up of over seventeen thousand islands, with a population of over 230 million people. Explore this country of many languages, peoples, cultures and customs. Large glossy photographs provide additional understandings in this easy to read book. Find out which city is known as the Big Durian or on what the Garuda is.

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1D 13215	Infamous D'Ath, Justin	Holy Angels	1999	9781875930036	Tim Chambers has a secret. It all begins when there is a report of a sighting of a Tasmanian tiger and Tim has a plan that could make him famous. He has the best of intentions but things don't go at all according to his plan.
10356	Infinity Drake: The sons of Scarlatti McNally, John	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2014	9780007521593	Infinity Drake, also known as Finn, is on holiday with his mad scientist uncle when they are summoned. Scarlatti, a lethal bio-weapon, has been released, with terrible consequences for mankind. Uncle Al must shrink a military team to track down and kill the beast. When Finn gets shrunk, he and three soldiers begin a desperate race to destroy the beast that's very angry and many times their size.
1209903	Inkbound: Meticulous Jones and the skull tattoo Leathley, Philippa	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2025	9780008660956	On her tenth birthday, Meticulous Metty, Jones receives her fate, as all children do, in the form of a magical tattoo on her hand. She hopes that her tattoo will reveal an exciting destiny: travel, discovery or adventure. What appears is a skull in the palm of a violet glove, Mettys fate is to be a murderer. When Mettys father disappears in mysterious circumstances, Aunt Magnificent takes her to the glittering city of New London, filled with magic, wonder and enchantment. But when Metty hears rumours of a shadowy organisation known as the Black Moths, she begins to suspect they are connected to her own dark fate
660774	Inkling Oppel, Kenneth	Walker Books	2018	9781406380583	The Rylance family is stuck. Dad's got writer's block. Ethan promised to illustrate a group project at school, even though he can't draw. Sarah's still pining for a puppy. And they all miss Mom so much more than they can say.  Enter Inkling. Inkling begins life in Mr. Rylance's sketchbook. Then one night the ink of his drawings runs together - and leaps off the page! This small burst of creativity is about to change everything.  Ethan finds him first. Inkling has absorbed a couple of chapters of his math book - not good! - and the story he's supposed to be illustrating for school - also not good. But Inkling's also started drawing the pictures to go with Ethan's story, which is amazing! It's just the help Ethan was looking for! Inkling helps the rest of the family too. For Sarah he's a puppy. And for Dad he's a spark of ideas for a new graphic novel. It's exactly what they all wanted.
12948	Inline skating: extreme sports Glidewell, Steve	Raintree			One of a series of books about extreme sports. With action photographs, diagrams and a glossary of terms, this book tells you how to get started with inline skating, the equipment required and tricks that can be done.
210	Inside the Australian Ballet Lawrenson, Diana	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2001		All facets of creating a performance of a ballet, from the costumes to the scenery, are described in this book.

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ID   855799	Interned Rushby, Pamela	Walker Books	2022	9781760653019	It's 1914. Gretta lives a privileged life in Singapore, the daughter of a businessman; Tilly lives a modest life in Brisbane, the daughter of a baker. When war breaks out and both countries turn on their families for being German, the two girls find themselves taken from their homes, interned at a camp in rural New South Wales. Far away from everything they have ever known, Gretta and Tilly are forced to face prejudice, overcome adversity and to make their own community.
59973	Into the deep: life through the depths of the ocean Norman, Mark & Paul, David	Black Dog Books	2010	9781742031514	From the surface to the deepest depth, meet the amazing, bizarre and, sometimes, creepy creatures that live in the ocean.
55089	Into the fire Panckridge, Michael & Harvey, Pam	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2008	9780207200618	The story centres around a group of five friends, each of whom has their own ordeal in the face of an oncoming fire, and their attempts to protect family and possessions. As the fire approaches, a valuable brooch is stolen. The friends come together, using ingenuity and skill, to outsmart the thieves.
1209759	Into the ice: Reflections on Antarctica Lester, Alison & Tulloch, Coral	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781760526061	Go on an extraordinary journey with Alison Lester and Coral Tulloch, two of Australia's most celebrated creators, as they share their reflections on Antarctica: sketches, writing, paintings, journal entries, their own and others'. This is a book for explorers and dreamers of all ages, and for anyone who wants to be inspired by the wonder of Antarctica.
588216	Into the jungle: Stories for Mowgli Rundell, Katherine & Williams, Kristjana S (ill)	MacMillan	2018	9781509822317	This wise and witty companion to Rudyard Kipling's 1894 classic is likewise a series of connected stories about the man-cub Mowgli and his adventures among the animals in the Indian jungle. It includes all the priginal favourites like Baloo and Bagheera and gives female characters, like Mother Wolf, a more prominent role in Mowgli's upbringing. The timely theme of the possibility of understanding and empathy across species, cultures, and genders will resonate with contemporary readers.
18468	Invisible friend, The Arnold, Louise	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2005	9780340892978	Tom's family has moved and he now goes to a new school. Tom is finding school very difficult because Big Ben and his group take great delight in harassing him. Tom's saviour is Grey Arthur, a ghost, who is just as miserable.

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1D   660610	Invisible in a bright light Gardner, Sally	Head of Zeus	2019	9781789544848	The stage is set. Take your seats. It's 1870: in the Royal Opera House in a freezing city by the sea. Above is a chandelier, shaped like a galleon. It sparkles with the bright light of seven hundred and fifty candles. These lights are in memory of a vessel and its passengers who vanished without a trace.  Oh no. It is falling. It splinters into a thousand tiny pieces. Celeste finds herself in the gutter of Time where she must play a terrifying game called the Reckoning to save those she loves.
14962	Iris and the tiger Hall, Leanne	Text Publishing Co	2016	9781925240795	Twelve year old Iris is sent to Spain to ensure that her elderly and unusual aunt leaves her fortune and sprawling estate to Iris's scheming parents. From the moment she arrives, Iris knows something isn't right and that her aunt is hiding something. There's an odd feeling around the house, where time moves slowly and Iris's eyes play tricks on her. In the wild, untamed forest, a mysterious animal moves in the shadows. When Iris discovers a painting, she sets out to uncover the animal's real identity, putting her life in terrible danger.
211	Iron man, The Hughes, Ted	Faber & Faber	1989	9780571141494	A strange metal-eating, iron man is befriended by a young boy and taken to a scrap yard to eat the metal there. When an alien beast threatens the community, the iron man defends everyone.
648	Iron soldiers: a story of arms and armour Luckett, Dave & Bond, Joseph	Omnibus Books	2005	9781862914292	In medieval times, it was the job of the blacksmith and, later, the armourer to make more and more sophisticated armour until a revolutionary development reduced it to just so much scrap metal.
212	Is it true, Grandfather Lohse, Wendy & Sands, Jenny (ill)	Scholastic Australia	1996	9780333666814	Grandfather tells the story to the villagers of his first adventures in the cave when he was eight years old.
4961	Is this a poem? Stevens, Roger	Bloomsbury	2016	9781472920010	This book is full of many different types of poetry. There are advertising ingles, football chants and even raps. There are also some brilliant tips to help you write poetry of your own.
8096	Island of beyond, The Atkinson, Elizabeth	Lerner Publishing Group	2016	9781467781169	Martin is eleven years old and thinks these summer holidays could not get any worse. His father drives him to the island where he spent this own summer holidays with his brother and in the care of an aunt. While Aunt Lenore and her brother Ned are not your average elderly and dotting relative. Everything about the Island of Beyond is not what you would expect. This includes tree climbing and canoeing new friend Martin makes named Solo.  Martin learns about friendship and family and secrets this summer.

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ID 11573	Island of Dr Libris, The Grabenstein, Chris	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2015		Billy is spending the summer in a lakeside cabin, belonging to the mysterious Dr Libris. But, something strange is going on. Whenever he opens the books in Dr Libris' private bookcase, Billy can hear sounds coming from the island in the middle of the lake. The clash of swords, the twang of arrows and, sometimes, the ground shakes. It's almost as if the stories he's reading are coming to life. But, that's impossible.
6089	Island of lost horses, The Gregg, Stacy	HarperCollins Australia	2015		When twelve year old Beatriz stumbles across a wild mare with strange markings, she can't believe it's real. Yet, from that moment on, the strongest connection grows between them, and Beatriz begins to uncover an incredible history. Centuries ago, Felipa and her horse, Cara Blanca, were running for their lives. As the fates of Beatriz, Felipa and their horses become entwined, Beatriz realises that the future of the world's rarest horses depends on her.
660786	Isle of the Lost, The De La Cruz, Melissa	Scholastic Australia	2018		Many years ago, all the evil villains were banished from the kingdom of Auradon to the Isle of the Lost. The Isle is a dark and dreary place protected by a force field that makes it impossible for them to leave. Stripped of their magical powers, the villains and their children now live in total isolation, forgotten by the world. The only hope of escape is to find the Dragon's Eye which is hidden. Legend says that only the cleverest, evillest and nastiest villain can find it. So, Mal (Malificent's daughter) and Evie (the Evil Queen's daughter) ioin forces with Carlos (De Vil) and Jay (Jafar's son) in their quest to find the Dragon's Eye.  They find out that being good ain't so bad and sometimes it even helps!
1209822	Isle of wonder Stelzer, Cameron	Daydream Press	2024		All's not well on the carousel. With erupting geysers, a deadly mirror maze and the electrifying Serpent's Fury roller coaster, the Isle of Wonder is not for the fainthearted. When rival apprentices, Dart and Anna, scramble ashore with the rest of their crew, they wonder just how many enemies an abandoned theme park can hold.
25952	It goes without saying Schulz, Charles M	Ravette Publishing	2007		A tour through fifty years of the cartoon strips, Peanuts, revealing the philosophy of Charles M Schulz at its silent best. Actions speak louder than words in this feast of visual annecdotes and comments on life. Everyone can identify with, or knows someone just like, Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus, Schroeder, Snoopy or Woodstock.

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1D 6285	It's a story, Rory! Watts, Frances & Legge, David (ill)	ABC Books	2018	9780733335938	Rory has never been in a story before and he's not even sure how one works. Luckily, he and his friend Milly have a helpful voice on the page (that's me, the narrator) to guide them on an amazing adventure as they encounter an exciting plot, spectacular settings and some very funny characters. So, open the cover and discover how stories are made.
1138110	It's boba time for Pearl Li! Chen, Nicole	Quill Tree Books	2024	9780063228627	A story about finding independence, friendship, standing up for what's important Pearl Li loves to crochet cute dolls and hang out at her favourite tea shop, Boba Time. Its quirky owner, Aunty Cha, is the only adult Pearl can confide in about her artsy hobby - her family is tech-obsessed and has no time to care.  Pearl finds out that Boba Time is in financial trouble and she bravely starts a business selling her crochet dolls to raise the money needed to save Aunty Cha's shop. Trouble is, it's harder than she thought it would be, and it means fights with family, friends and more issues along the way
871599	It's our business to make a better world Hui, Rebeca & Bray, Anneli (ill)	Magic Cat Publishing	2022	9781913520434	Young people can make a difference. Meet 12 children from around the world who are already actively campaigning for change. Learn about the projects they are involved in and discover how you can make the world a better place.
1083344	It's the sound of the thing Clarke, Maxine Beneba	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2023	9781761212123	This collection revels in the joy of language and offers accessible, relatable, and exciting poems that shine light on the everyday realities of young people.
18603	It's true: animals are electrifying Wilkinson, Rick & Looby, Ric (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2005	9781741143430	A book full of wonders, from snakes that can fly to eggs that can talk, from eels discharging 500 volts to lizards spurting blood from their eyes. Lots of interesting facts and fascinating information about how animals adapt to their environment in bizarre and unexpected ways.
18586	It's true: Burke & Wills forgot the frying pan Gregg, David & Harvey, Roland (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2005	9781741144727	Quirky facts and incidents about the expeditions of early Australian explorers.
18322	It's true: hauntings happen and ghosts get grumpy Costain, Meredith & Smith, Craig (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2006	9781741146080	Fascinating collection of stories about ghosts, aliens, psychics and other unusual things.
503	It's true: space turns you into spaghetti Catchpole, Heather & Woods, Vanessa & McKenzie, Heath (ill)	·			Appealing, illustrated fact book on space exploration. Focuses on astronauts, habitable planets, gas giants and physics of space. Suggests simple experiments and activities.
18107	It's true: you eat poison every day Macinnis, Peter & Guthridge, Bettina (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2006	9781741146264	Facts and accounts about poisons used for cures but often killing people by accident.

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ID 18110	Bursztynski, Sue & Vane, Mitch (ill)	,			A fetching book about spies. It links good storytelling and factual information with humorous pictures.
2739	It's true: your hair grows 15 kilometres a year Lawrenson, Diana & Hobbs, Leigh (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2004	9781741142723	This book is full of hair-raising facts about follicles, frizzy hair, hairy heads and baldness. Imagine sleeping on a horse hair mattress or dyeing your hair with leeches soaked in vinegar. Find out how a single strand of hair can show if you've been poisoned.
20823		Random House Children's Books	2011	9781742750712	Jemma lands a babysitting job in Rosethorne, one of the famous witches' houses near her home. The house is supposedly haunted by a sad little girl. When Jemma discovers a beautiful ivory rose locket, she sees a terrifying flashback and wakes up in 1895, where she becomes an apprentice maidservant. But. all is not well in the grand house. Young heiress Georgiana is constantly sick and Jemma suspects she's being poisoned.
	Izzy Folau series Harding, David & Folau, Izzy & Fosdike, James (ill)				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
23027	J.M. Barrie's Peter Pan: Graphic novel Stref (adapted and drawn) & Cramb, Fin (coloured)	Birlinn Ltd	2015	9781780272900	A retelling that captures all of the magic and excitement of the original in a dreamily illustrated graphic novel that the whole family can enjoy. New readers of J.M. Barrie's classic tale won't be missing out on anything from the original novel in this faithful full colour rendition while returning readers will adore the new full colour illustrations that bring the tale to life as never before.
22965	Jabber-Walking Herrera, Juan Felipe	Candlewick Press	2018	9780763692643	Can you walk and talk at the same time? How about Jabberwalk? Can you write and draw and walk and journal all at the same time? If not, you're in luck: exuberant, blue-cheesy cilantro man Juan Felipe Herrera, Poet Laureate of the United States, is here to teach you everything he knows about being a real-life, bonified, Jabberwalking poet! Jabberwalkers write and speak for themselves and others no matter where their feet may take them - to Jabberwalk is to be a poet on the move. And there's no stopping once you're a Jabberwalker, writing fast, fast, scribble-poem-burbles-on-the-run. Scribble what you see! Scribble what you hear! It's all out there - vamonos!

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ID	Jack and the geniuses series Nye, Bill & Mone, Gregory				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
23340	Jack Fortune and the search for the hidden valley Purkiss, Sue	Alma Books Ltd	2018	9781846884283	An orphan child full of mischief, Jack lives with his crotchety widow aunt in eighteenth-century England. His naughtiness knows no limits, and when one day he goes a step too far, Aunt Constance decides that she's had enough: from now on, his bachelor uncle can take care of him. Uncle Edmund is in no way prepared for a boy with boundless energy and an impish streak - and anyway, he's off to the Himalayas to search for rare plants! But Aunt Constance is absolutely determined, and Jack's uncle has no choice - he will have to take the boy with him.
	Jack Mason adventure series Pitt, Darrell				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Jack Stalwart, secret agent series Singer Hunt, Elizabeth & Wiliamson, Brian (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2064	Jack's bugle Bell, Krista & Elliott, Belinda (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2014	9781922081292	Aidan leaves the farm to join the war, along with his bugle. He is excited by the promise of travel, adventure and new friends, using his bugle to inspire his battalion.
660776	Jake Atlas and the tomb of the emerald snake Jones, Rob Lloyd	Walker Books	2017	9781406361445	Indiana Jones meets Mission Impossible (meets a squabbling family from the suburbs). Jake Atlas, Tomb Robber, Treasure Hunter and Trouble-Maker is a schoolboy with terrible grades and even worse behaviour. He has a way of causing trouble that drives people nuts especially his sister Pan. Now he and Pan are members of a super high-tech treasure hunting team searching for a lost tomb in the deserts of Egypt so they can save their parents from being turned into mummies by an evil cult.

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ID   947309	Jamie: A joyful story of friendship, bravery and acceptance Lapinski, L. D.	Orion	2023	9781510110922	Jamie Rambeau is a happy 11-year-old non-binary kid who likes nothing better than hanging out with their two best friends Daisy and Ash. But when the trio find out that in Year Seven they will be separated into one school for boys and another for girls, their friendship suddenly seems at risk. And when Jamie realises no one has thought about where they are going to go, they decide to take matters into their own hands, and sort it all out once and for all.  As the friends' efforts to raise awareness eventually become a rooftop protest against the binary rules for the local schools, Jamie realises that if they don't figure out a way forwards, they might be at risk of losing both their friends forever
2377	Jamil's shadow Harris, Christine	Puffin Australia			A young, orphaned boy keeps to himself, tending his herd of cattle and remaining apart from others in his small Turkish village. When a stray dog follows him home, Jamil finds that he can't get rid of it. A challenging read.
903242	Jammer, The Weetman, Nova	University of Queensland Press			Fred has moved around her whole life, one small town after another, and never minded starting over. She's always had her mum, her dad, and her love of roller derby. On the track she's Fred or Dead, the star lammer, a gun at smashing through a line of bodies and scoring for her team.  But Fred's life has fallen apart, and now she can't imagine ever putting her skates on again.  On a road trip to Melbourne with her dad, Fred meets a bunch of people who think they know what's best for her. And although Fred tries to avoid it, roller derby has a way of barging back into her life. A true jammer could push through anything, but Fred doesn't know who she is anymore.  What do you do when the thing that could save you is the thing that hurts the most?
793	Jandamarra Greenwood, Mark & Denton, Terry (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781742375700	Set in the Kimberley region in north-west Australia, this is the story of a young warrior born to lead. To the settlers, he was an outlaw to be hunted. To the Bunuba, he was a courageous defender of his country. This story of conflict and divided loyalties gives a unique insight into an extraordinary man and a tragic but important part of Australia's history.

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7048	Japarrika Tiwi College Alalinguwi Jarrakarlinga & Lawrence, David & Ware, Shelley	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2017	9780143790280	Kay-Bell loves to play footy. All she wants to do on the field is make her family and the Tiwi people proud. But when Aunty B gets in the way of her dream of kicking goals for the Tiwi Warriors, Kay-Bell must enlist the help of her friends and brother on a wild journeyWill she survive the water buffaloes, dugongs, crocodiles and stormy weather to make it to the big game?
15050	Jason and the golden fleece Riordan, James & Cockcroft, Jason (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2005	9781845070618	The epic story of Jason's quest for the golden fleece is retold for junior readers. Each short chapter adds another part to this riveting tale.
	Jasper Zammit series Abela, Deborah & Warren, Johnny				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Jedi Academy series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
35607	Jehan and the quest of the lost dog Hawke, Rosanne & Stewart, Briony (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2017	9780702259609	Jehan has lost his home and family in a devastating flood in Pakistan. Lost and stuck in a tree he hears a dog barking. Jehan rescues the dog, Lali, and he's no longer alone, but she keeps paddling away from him, swimming further into the floodwaters. So Jehan is forced to follow her, but will the dog's quest lead them to safety, and to their families? Or to more danger?
7761	Jennie Gallico, Paul	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2016	9780007395194	Have you ever wondered what it's like to be a cat? Peter is about to find out. Waking from a serious accident, he finds himself transformed into a snow white cat and is forced out onto the streets of London. But the life of a street cat is tough and Peter is struggling to survive. Then he meets Jennie - kind and streetwise, she befriends Peter and together they embark on an epic adventure. Will Peter have what it takes to survive this new world?

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1D 2388	Jenny Angel Wild, Margaret & Spudvilas, Anne	Penguin	2002	9780140545258	Jenny's little brother, Davy, is very ill and her mother says that no one will be able to keep him alive. But, Jenny thinks that as long as she watches over Davy, nothing can happen. An emotionally charged story about a young girl's courageous stand, and the uncertainty and beauty of life.
2390	Jeremy Jeremiah Barron, Antonia	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1996	9781863738606	This is a time-slip story of friendship and of Australia's early gold-mining days. Jeremy makes contact with a boy who lived in Jeremy's house a hundred years before.
79876	Jewel fish of Karnak, The Base, Graeme	Penguin	2011	9780670074679	In ancient Egypt, Jackal and Ibis are given a task by Cat Pharaoh, to travel along the Nile to retrieve the previous jewel fish from Crocodile Prince. Contains hieroglyphics and a jewel puzzle.
699176	Jibbernocky Thomas, Ben & Kershaw, D (ed)	Black Hare Press	2020	9781925809572	Monsters, snarks, Alice in Wonderland retellings, Jabberwocky-inspired poems, fairies, dancing elephants and talking mice thrilling, creepy, funky and spooky! Stories and poems inspired by the greatest storyteller of our time.
2441	Jim's lion Hoban, Russell & Deacon, Alexis (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781406346022	Jim is ill in hospital and his dreams are fearful and wild. His nurse gives him a mission, to find in his dreams his animal finder, who can guide him home wherever his illness takes him.
8456	Jinxed McDougall, Jill	Walker Books	2008	9781921150593	When Jinx accidentally smashes her next door neighbour's python tank with a misplaced totem tennis ball and is expected to replace it, she needs to make some cash fast. No slow and steady job for Jinx, but all her get rich quick schemes are going awry.
15146	Jirrbal: rainforest Dreamtime stories Barlow, Maisie (Yarrcali) & Anning, Michael (Boiyool) (ill)	Magabala Books	2001	9781875641062	Aboriginal dreaming stories of the Jirrbal people. Contains factual narratives about the author's life and the rainforests of North Queensland. Traditional language words of the Jirrbal people are included.
815434	Jo: An adaptation of Little Women (sort of) Gros, Kathleen	HarperCollins US	2021	9780062875969	With the start of eighth grade, Jo March decides it's time to get serious about her writing and joins the school newspaper. But even with her new friend Freddie cheering her on, becoming a hard-hitting journalist is a lot harder than Jo imagined.  That's not all that's tough. Jo and her sisters - Meg, Beth, and Amy - are getting used to a new normal at home, with their dad deployed overseas and their mom, a nurse, working overtime.  And while it helps to hang out with Laurie, the boy who just moved next door, things get complicated when he tells Jo he has feelings for her. Feelings that Jo doesn't have for himor for any boy. Feelings she's never shared with anyone before. Feelings that Jo might have for Freddie.  What does it take to figure out who you are? Jo March is about to find out.

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1590	Jodie: this is the book of you Abdel-Fattah, Randa	Omnibus Books	2013	9781742990101	Best friends Jodie, Rania and Deyana can't believe what they have found in the school library. A mysterious book that writes itself, just for them. Jodie's life is difficult enough. Her father is in a new relationship and Jodie is trying to get used to having a stepsister. The advice the book is giving Jodie is so confusing. She is perplexed about the ghostly writer and what it wants.
12934	John Lennon: voice of a generation Gogerly, Liz	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2002	9780750239486	
13645	Joke trap, The Glover, Richard & Gordon, Gus (ill)	ABC Books	2007	9780733320552	Jesse's dad makes terrible jokes. Ben's dad sings all the wrong lyrics to songs. The embarrassment is ruining their social life. The kids hope to cure their dads with a taste of their own medicine but they're not sure dads will ever stop doing THAT joke.
2415	Joseph Fienberg, Anna & Gamble, Kim (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2001	9781864481709	An attractive version of the old testament story about Joseph.
742	Josie and the Michael Street kids Russon, Penni	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143303442	When Josie moves house with her Mum, she is a million miles away from her best friend, the beach and everything. But, when Josie finds a secret treasure map, her world in Michael Street becomes exciting.
18563	Josie under fire Turnbull, Ann	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2004	9780746060322	Josie's stays in London during the terrible bombing attacks of 1941, while her mother nurses her ailing grandmother. Josie struggles with her own feelings of inadequacy and her brother's very unpopular decision not to go to war.
14818	Journey from the centre of the earth Carmody, Isobelle & McBride, Marc (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734403766	The story of a duck that was left behind at the centre of the earth and his friendship with a strange mushroom creature. A deeply philosophical book that deals with the eternal question, why.
2930	Journey, The Sanna, Francesca	Flying Eye Books	2016	9781909263994	To escape the turmoil and tragedy brought by war, a family leaves their home and everything they know to embark on a very long journey,
14433	Judas donkey, The Broome, Errol & Thompson, Sharon (ill)	Fremantle Press	2003	9781920731182	Francesca desperately wants a horse of her own. When her grandpa brings home the Judas donkey, Francesca is less than impressed. But, Judy is not an ordinary donkey.

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1D   846201	Julia and the shark Millwood Hargrave, Kiran & de Freston, Tom (ill)	Hachette Australia	2021	9781510107779	My name is Julia. This is the story of the summer I spent living in a lighthouse. The summer I almost lost my mum, and found a shark older than trees. Don't worry though, that doesn't spoil the ending Julia has followed her mum and dad to live on a remote island for the summer - her dad, for work; her mother, on a determined mission to find the elusive Greenland shark. But when her mother's obsession threatens to submerge them all, Julia finds herself on an adventure with dark depths and a lighthouse full of hope
217	Julie of the wolves George, Jean Craighead	HarperCollins US	2003	9780060540951	An Inuit girl runs away to regain her traditional Eskimo culture and becomes lost on the frozen Arctic tundra. Only the wolves can help her. Julie's survival depends on the leader of the pack.
579230	Juliet nearly a vet: Collection 1 Johnson, Rebecca	Penguin	2013	9780143786917	Juliet is 10, and she's nearly a Vet. She and her best friend Chelsea just LOVE animals. Juliet has a dog and two guinea pigs already, but if she's going to be the World's Best Vet, she needs a lot more animals to learn from. Juliet and Chelsea get involved in a series of exciting adventures where they, among other things, organise a pet sleepover, take part in a pony show, help baby farm animals to be born, and care for injured wildlife after bushfires. does it all go smoothly? Come on in and find out!
579225	Juliet nearly a vet: Collection 2 Johnson, Rebecca	Penguin	2014	9780143786924	Juliet and her best friend Chelsea love helping all kinds of animals, because Juliet is going to be a vet and Chelsea the world-famous animal trainer. Join them on their exciting adventures in this wonderful story collection as they rescue animals in trouble at the beach, become unior Zookeepers for the day, search for lost dogs after a storm, and care for classroom pets - and their teacher.
	Julius Zebra series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 1019748	Juniper's Christmas Colfer, Eoin	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2023		Embark on a Christmas escapade with eleven-year-old Juniper Lane. In her quest for help, she turns to a mysterious woodsman in her local park, suspecting he might be none other than Santa himself. In an unexpected turn, Juniper finds herself exposed to the enchantment of the North Pole. Accompanied by a neighbor who has always believed in Santa, a young reindeer in training, and a cunning crime boss determined to steal Santa's magic, Juniper's journey unfolds with Eoin Colfer's characteristic enthusiasm and cheerfulness. With vibrant, festive illustrations, this enchanting tale is beautifully wrapped, promising to ignite the Christmas spirit within the entire family.  Celebrate the holiday season with a narrative filled with hope, magic, and the quest to rescue Santa Claus.
22763	Just a dog Bauer, Michael Gerard	Omnibus Books	2010		Mr Mosely isn't a purebred dog but he's just the dog that Corey and his family want. He is loyal, protective and loving. And, he is much more than that. He might well be the one thing that holds them all together.
4233	Just call me Spaghetti-Hoop Boy Williamson, Lara	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2017		Adam Butters discovers that before he was adopted his name was Ace, and that is a great name for a superhero. This amusing, heart-warming and heart-breaking story tells how Adam tries to find his birth mother and show her how she could love a him as a superhero. Things never go as planned and Adam has his work cut out for him.
2562	Just one wish Rippin, Sally	Puffin Australia	2009		Penny has moved to Australia from China and her English is very limited. She misses her friends and her cousin is determined to make her life miserable at their school. When Penny's grandmother gives her a magic Chinese pouch, Penny has just one wish to make things right.
	Just series Griffiths, Andy & Denton, Terry (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
219	Just so stories Kipling, Rudyard	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2001		Distant lands, the beautiful gardens of splendid palaces, the sea, the ungle and its beasts, even the desert, are the exotic settings for classic stories that deal with the origins of things in the animal world, such as how the elephant got his trunk.

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1D 16200	Kakadu calling Christophersen, Jane Garlil	Magabala Books	2007	9781921248009	An elder of the Bunitz clan living in Kakadu National Park tells stories of children living in the far north. There is the story of Burrki, a ten year old boy living on his own in the wilderness, of two brothers who have a misadventure at sea and of Maidje and her cousins learning how to gather and cook food, even snakes.
	Kalika magic series Hughes, Karen				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
833	Kampung boy Lat	Wilkins Farago Pty Ltd	2009	9780980607000	Illustrated story of a Muslim boy's adventures and mischief-making, fishing trips, religious education and work on his family's rubber plantation in Malaysia. However, the traditional way of life in his village (kampung) is steadily disappearing.
4113	Karlson flies again Lindgren, Astrid & Ross, Tony (ill)	Oxford University Press	2009	9780192727749	Smidge lives with his family in an ordinary house in Stockholm. His extraordinary friend, Karlson, lives on the roof of his house. The roof is a good place to live when you have a propeller on your back and can fly. Karlson believes he is the world's greatest at everything. Enjoy reading about these unlikely friends who have fun gobbling buns and haunting the babysitter.
659	Kaspar prince of cats Morpurgo, Michael & Foreman, Michael (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2008	9780007266999	At the beginning of the twentieth century, Johnny Trott, a bell-boy at London's prestigious Savoy Hotel, befriends a guest, the Russian aristocrat, Countess Kandinsky. She trusts him to look after her special cat, Prince Kaspar, and a series of events are set in motion that take Johnny and Kaspar all around the world, and change his life forever.
797410	Keeper of the Lost Cities Messenger, Shannon	Simon & Schuster	2012	9781398524040	Sophie can hear people's thoughts. She knows it's strange, that is until she meets Fitz, who also reads minds. Before she knows it, Sophie is being transported to another world where she will be asked to leave everything she knows behind forever. Who is she and what powers does she possess that can save the people she loves?
5340	Kensuke's kingdom Morpurgo, Michael	Egmont Childrens	2000	9780749736392	An adaptation of the Robinson Crusoe story, a family's sailing adventure turns into a story of survival following a storm.

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ID	Kensy and Max series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
14534	Kerenza, a new Australian Hawke, Rosanne	Omnibus Books	2015	9781742990606	In 1911, Kerenza's da (father) can no longer get work as a miner in Cornwall. She doesn't want to leave her village and take a ship to Australia but Kerenza can be brave for her dad's sake. Where he sees a farm, Kerenza and her Mam see endless mallee scrub, flies and hard work. It's almost too much to bear but the Mallee has its own beauty, and family and new-found friends might just make it her home.
719888	Key to finding Jack, The Jozefkowicz, Ewa	HarperCollins Australia	2020	9781800240421	Flick adores her big brother and often sits with him in the evenings solving riddles he shares with her. She knows she will miss him when he goes on holiday to South America. Then, something happens, an earthquake! Right where her brother is meant to be. Flick is desperate to find him, when she uncovers a clue in his bedroom, she begins to unfold new mysteries about her brother that could possibly lead to his whereabouts. Will she find him in time? A compelling story that shares the special relationships between siblings and friends.
18440	Kick in the head, A Janeczko, Paul B. & Raschka, Chris (ill)	Candlewick Press	2005	9780763306625	A vibrant collection of poetry designed to introduce readers to a wide variety of poetic forms.
	Kid normal series James, Greg & Smith, Chris & Salcedo, Erica (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
660668	Kid who came from space, The Welford, Ross	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK			In a small village where everyone knows everyone, a girl goes missing on Christmas Eve. While the rest of the town is in a frenzy looking for the girl, her brother, Ethan secretly knows she is safe, but needs help getting home. With the help of his new friend, Iggy, and an oddly hairy and peculiar stranger, Ethan will go on an incredible journey to ger his sister home.
4958	KidGlovz Hunt, Julie & Newman, Dale (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2015	9781742378527	KidGlovz is a musical genius. His gift is so precious that he's kept under lock and key. But, when a young thief helps him escape, Kid must embark on a perilous journey through which he will discover the terrifying nature of his talent.

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1D   751119	Kidnap on the California Comet Leonard, M.G. & Sedgman, Sam	Pan MacMillan	2020	9781529013085	Harrison Beck (Hal) joins his uncle aboard the California Comet for a grand train adventure across America. But when the daughter of a billionaire train-enthusiast goes missing he finds himself with a mystery to solve. With the help of his new friends can Hal find the girl before the trip's end?
803724	Kids fight climate change Dorey, Martin & Wesson, Tim (ill)	Walker Books	2021	9781406393262	Will you act now to save our planet? The world is in trouble and it needs superheroes like YOU to help save it. Two minutes is all the time it takes to fight climate change and make a difference. Find out how you can become a #2minutesuperhero. Take on these simple two minute challenges and help make difference to save the planet and protect the environment.
596749	Kids who did: Real kids who ruled, rebelled, survived and thrived Murray, Kirsty	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760524470	When the future looks dark, courageous kids bring light and hope into the world. Forty true stories celebrate kids who have protested, prayed, rebelled, saved lives, earned a fortune, lost everything, become world famous, or fought to survive war or oppression. Fearless kids, feral kids, Olympic champions, human-rights crusaders, climate-change warriors, princes and prisoners, workers and whiz-kids - they all show the true courage of kids. From the distant past to the present moment, kids have made their mark on history, and now they're set to change the world.
1019783	Kind of spark, A McNicoll, Elle & Wilson, Kay (ill)	Walker Books	2023	9781913311056	A Kind of Spark is a story about courage, friendship and what it means to be different. Bullied by her teacher and abandoned by her best friend, Addie lives every day knowing what it is like to be different. When she learns about the witch trials that happened in her hometown, she knows there is more to the story of these 'witches', just as there is more to her. Can she make the town see that being different is not something to be feared; can she challenge the way they see her?
24757	Kindness club, The: Chloe on the bright side Sheinmel, Courtney	Bloomsbury	2017	9781681195315	Chloe Silver is good at looking at the bright side. But staying positive has been difficult since her parents divorced and she had to start at a new school. When Chloe is given the chance to try out for the exclusive It Girls Club, things are finally looking up again. Then Chloe is assigned a science project with offbeat Lucy Tanaka and brainy Theo Barnes. Together they create an experiment that tests how people react to different acts of kindness, officially forming the Kindness Club. Lucy and Theo are fun to be around, and their new club means a lot to Chloe. But the It Girls don't want to share Chloe with anyone else. Can she find a way to be kind to all of her friends, and still stay true to herself?

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ID  1078775	Kindness project, The Abela, Deborah	Penguin	2024		Ms Skye thinks kids can change the world with a Kindness Project. Nicolette wants to but how can she when Layla treats her like she's invisible and DJ picks on everything she says? Leaf thinks Nicolette can be a superhero. So maybe if they work together they just might do it.
21162	King of birds, The: Gamayun tales Utkin, Alexander	Nobrow	2018		This Tale from Slavic mythology, skilfully retold in graphic novel format, will have readers of all ages anticipating the tales concluding chapters. Vividly illustrated in a style reminiscent of the Russian folk illustration from whence the tale originates, this is a story of courage, love and wisdom for fans of folk tales, fairy tales and mythology.
12898	Kingdom for a hat, A Heimann, Rolf & Spooner, John	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734405494	King Gregorius thinks he's the best king in the world, a great poet and very wise judge. But, his people are not as silly as he thinks they are. They bring about his downfall simply by following his orders. It all starts with a crazy-looking hat.
	Kingdom of silk series Millard, Glenda & King, Stephen Michael (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Kingdoms and Empires series Moriarty, Jaclyn & Canby, Kelly (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1250480	r	HarperCollins Children's Books	2025		Kip lives on a mountain in South Africa. She rides horses at Sunnybrook Ranch and a magical creature called Buffel is her loyal companion. Life is good. But when her roof falls in and her dad can't afford to fix it, Kip vows to save the day. She knows there's treasure in the Karoo desert. Unfortunately, there are also killer leopards and cowboy ghosts, and a film set full of dodgy Hollywood people. Knowing who to trust will be her toughest battle yet.

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1D 1019689	Kip of the mountain Gourlay, Emma	HarperCollins Australia	2023	9781922033093	Kip is desperate for a best friend. She has difficulty at school with bullies and the teacher is not too nice either.  She gets 'gifted' a kitten like creature and names his Buffel. She loves him and will do anything for him.  Buffel listens to Kip, which isn't something she gets a lot of. So, when Buffel gets kidnapped, Kip will do anything to get him back. Kip will have to use all her ingenuity and bravery to get Buffel home. Luckily she has made a new class friend, who helps her on the rescue mission. This story is an action-adventurous mystery, with a touch of magic, taking the reader from the mountains to the sea.  Kip's unique and believable voice provides a solid scaffold for this zany world where armadillos can become car wheels, and squirrels do their own ironing.
9241	Kite rider, The McCaughrean, Geraldine	Oxford University Press	2001		Located in China in the period of the Mongols, this story follows Haoyou's intrepid adventures across oceans and the skies.
6165	Kittens in the kitchen (Animal Ark 1) Daniels, Lucy	Hodder Children's Books (UK)	2006	9780340877036	Set in the UK, Mandy helps her veterinarian parents after school. She must find suitable homes for the school cat's kittens.
12969	Lacemaker and the Princess, The Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker	Simon & Schuster	2007	9781416925958	Eleven year old Isabelle is a lacemaker like her mother and grandmother in the town of Versailles. It is the year 1789 and the eve of the French revolution. Isabelle is caught between being the Queen's daughter's companion, amid the luxury of the royal court, and having to earn a living lacemaking to keep her family alive.
1743	Lake Mungo: our story Mitchell, J & McDougall, W	Indij Readers	2007	9780980359329	The spectacular scenery around Lake Mungo, at Willandra Lakes Region in south-west NSW, is described and its problems such as soil erosion are discussed. Accompanied by beautiful black and white photography.
17466	Lake of the lost Jones, Carol	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2004	9780734406460	Kimmi and Oliver are horrified when their parents make them move to a remote Pacific Island. Kimmi tries to stay out of trouble but trouble finds her.
707969	Lampie Schaap, Annet	Pushkin Press	2017	9781782692621	Lampie's job is to help her dad. He's unable to light the lamp in the lighthouse, so she has to do it for him. One stormy night she runs out of matches and the light goes out. A ship is wrecked on the rocks and Lampie is in disgrace. She is sent to be a maid at the Admiral's Black House. She arrives to the rumour that there is a monster at the top of the tower inside the house but what she finds is intriguing, but no monster. Along with a cast of mermaids and pirates, and set against a winswept coastal backdrop, Lampie has to fight to grow up and find her place in the world.

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ID   671343	Land of forgotten girls, The Kelly, Erin Entrada	HarperCollins Australia	2017	9780062238658	Soledad has always been able to escape into the stories she creates. Just like her mother always could. And Soledad has needed that escape more than ever in the five years since her mother and sister died, and her father moved Sol and her youngest sister from the Philippines to Louisiana. After her father leaves, all Sol and Ming have is their evil stepmother, Vea. Sol has protected Ming all this time, but then Ming begins to believe that Auntie Jove - their mythical, world-traveling aunt - is really going to come rescue them. Can Sol protect Ming from this impossible hope?
1153331	Land of Lost Things, The: Adventures Unlimited Griffiths, Andy & Hope, Bill (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2024	9781761268267	Hey, you - yes, YOU!  Remember the time we went to the Land of Lost Things to look for my lucky rabbit's foot and then we got lost too?  That was one of our most exciting, surprising and knuckle-headed adventures ever.  What? You don't remember? Well, have I got a story for you!  It all started like this
1209735	Landovel: The poison taster Rodda, Emily	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761069758	Derry remembers nothing before his capture by the vicious sea raider Cram. Gifted with the ability to read, he has seen and knows things about the sinister El. Now that he's been rescued his challenges are just beginning. Coded journals, friends and foes. He will need to be strong and wise for the dangerous journey ahead. Part One of the Landovel Quest trilogy.
1019622	Lani and the universe Carless, Victoria	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2024	9781460763933	Lani Scrub has a plan: study hard and become a world-renowned scientist like her hero, Kit Galway, who wrote The Meaning of the Universe. The plan is ruined when Lani's mum decides to 'find herself' by joining a nature-loving community called Passing Waters. Lani should have known things were up when they got backyard chickens. At Passing Waters Lani fails every test thrown her way - despite coaching from nine-year-old nature kid Lentil and a chef/astronomer named Meadow. Turns out failing is hard, and what's worse is their tree change is making her question the meaning of the universeAnd when the community's future is threatened, will Lani Scrub pitch in to save the day?

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1D   751182		HarperCollins Australia	2021	9780008411282	April has a once in a lifetime chance to spend six months in the Arctic circle with her scientist father and no one else. She hopes this time alone with her father will help reconnect them after the sad death of her mother, but the work of a climate scientist in an age of melting ice caps is never ending. Bear Island has not had a polar bear in decades due to the loss of ice, but as April finds herself wandering further and further on the island, she meets an unlikely, unhealthy and unforgettable new friend.
2740	Last dragon charmer, The: Villian keeper McKay, Laurie	Harper	2015	9780062308443	Nothing is more important than slaying a dragon. It will make Prince Caden's father proud, and grant him the title of Elite Paladin like his seven older brothers. But there is one big thing standing in Caden's way: he has been mysteriously transported from his home in the Great Winterlands of Razzon to Asheville, North Carolina-a land with no magic and no dragons. Or so he thinks. But what if Caden's destiny isn't to slay a dragon after all?
1329973	Last egg, The Laguna, Sofie & Racklyeft, Jess (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025	9781761180330	A mother bird sits patiently on her three beautiful eggs. Not long now she thought. Then one morning there were four eggs and the mother bird felt nothing but love for the new addition. Not knowing who the egg belongs to mother bird is determined to hatch the egg even after her own eggs had hatched and chicks flown away. What is in the egg?
846100	Last kids on earth and the doomsday race, The Brallier, Max & Holgate, Douglas (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2021	9780008491338	Jack Sullvan wants to be voted in as the mayor of Mallusc City. He has mastered the art of zombie control, taken down massive monsters, and survived the most epic road trip ever. He is ready for anything. The Destructor of Worlds has nothing on him, his awesome gang of monster fighting friends or his radical zombie squad. Whatever it takes, he is going to win the Doomsday Race and save the world.
903253	Last kids on earth and the forbidden fortress, The Brallier, Max & Holgate, Douglass (ill)	Penguin Random House Australia	2022	9780008582340	Me, Jack and my best friend against the whole world of evil. With the Cosmic Hand starting to take over my whole body in a strange way. Thrull is getting closer and closer to his ultimate destruction of the whole world.

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ID 1019735	Last kids on earth and the monster dimension, The Brallier, Max & Holgate, Douglas (ill)	Farshore	2023	9780008638115	Jack is an amazing zombie slaying master of cool with an awesome cosmic hand to prove it. He is reporting from the Apocalypse once again. Thrull, the Destructor of Worlds, has everything he needs to complete the Tower and bring back Rezzoch who wants to destroy the world.  Jack and his friends are stronger than ever and travelling further than ever.  Saving the world doesn't end at home. So hop in. Next stop is the Monster Dimension.
1209819	Last life of Lori Mills, The Boucherat, Max	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008666484	Lori is old enough to stay home alone! She insists. She's almost twelve which means she's almost a teenager. When she gets her wish, she prepares for a night playing her favourite online game, but a dark force inside the game seems to know she is alone and begins to stalk her. She quickly realises that neither her game nor her own home is safe anymore.
855844	Last light horse, The Wolfer, Dianne & Simmonds, Brian (ill)	Fremantle Press	2022	9781760991302	136,000 Australian horses were sent to fight during the First World War. Just one came home. From the high country in Victoria to the desert sands of Egypt, from the waters off Gallipoli to the battlefields of France, This is the extraordinary story of Sandy, the only returning warhorse.
	Laugh your head off series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1199013	Laughter is the best ending Master, Maryam & Hicks, Astred (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2024	9781761560132	Zee is a loner. She likes to read Oscar Wilde and watch documentaries all day which, according to her parents, is not normal for 13 year olds. So they decide to send her on a five-day holiday camp, hoping she'll make at least one friend.  Now, Zee would rather take a bath in Tabasco sauce than attend a camp called Youth Fusion. But with influencer Tiffanee and super-nerds Jonah and Moses, she soon finds herself in the middle of a hair-rising mystery, hurling her into some fierce detective work and bringing her face to face with the notorious Old Bat Viv.
18698	Leaf litter Tonkin, Rachel	Bandicoot Books	2001	9780207198229	Leaves, twigs and bark collect on the ground in forests all over the world. We call it leaf litter but it isn't really rubbish at all. Superb, detailed illustrations explore what goes on in a small patch of leaf litter beneath one tree.

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ID   569187	Leave taking Marwood, Lorraine	University of Queensland Press	2018	9780702260117	Toby and his mum and dad are leaving their family farm after the death of Toby's younger sister Leah. Together they sort through all of their belongings and put things aside to sell or throw out. Toby doesn't want to leave the only place he's called home. As his last day on the farm approaches, Toby has a plan to say goodbye to all the things and places that mean something special to him and Leah. With the help of his best friend, Trigger the dog, he learns what it means to take your leave.
6101	Leaving the lyrebird forest Crew, Gary & Laffan, Julian (ill)	Lothian Books	2018	9780734418432	Alice loves the bush where she lives. She has a deep connection to a lyrebird who visits her 'every other day' and develops a close friendship to an elderly neighbour who loves the bush as much as she does. An amazing surprise discovery motivates her to make decisions about her future.
16456	Left and right Hendry, Lorna	Wild Dog Books	2017	9781742034430	Left and right are all around us. From our hands and feet to our eyes and ears, the notion of left and right is inescapable. Left and right control how we travel and play sport, and even how we eat. The vast extent of how this deceptively simple subject shapes our lives is revealed in the Left And Right book!
15116	Legend of Big Red, The Roy, James & Dale, Rae (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2005	9780702235283	Liam and Barney persuade their parents to let them camp out alone overnight to catch Big Red, the legendary giant cod rumoured to live in Bailey's Swamp. Darkness, strange noises and a thunderstorm test their determination and bravery.
12336	Legend of Lasseter's Reef, The Greenwood, Mark	University of Western Australia Press	2003	9781876268992	The legend of Harold Lasseter who found a fabulous reef of gold in the desert. Lasseter returned with six companions but he could not find the site again. Despite help from nomads he never makes it home.
1209826	Legend of the lighthouse moon Edwards, Helen	Roaring Book Press	2024	9781763526013	13-year-old Mona and her younger brother Albert live with their grandparents at a remote lighthouse on Kangaroo Island. Together, they keep the lighthouse operational.  Mona has complicated feelings about her recent type 1 diabetes diagnosis. It is through her engagement with the local sea lions and learning about an ancient legend that she finds the inner strength to work through these feelings. Additionally, and unexpectedly, she also begins to unravel the mystery of her missing father.

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ID	Legends (including Anniversary & League of) series Panckridge, Michael				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Legends of League series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
587803	Lenny's book of everything Foxlee, Karen	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2018	9781760528706	Lenny Spink is a watchful, caring, and sharp older sister to Davey, her sweet, charming and unusually big younger brother. She is ever mindful of the challenges and moods of her single parent mother, the curious lives of the various characters in her neighbourhood, and the dark reality which comes with her brother's rare disease causing him to grow at an unhealthy and alarming rate. The regular arrival of 'Burrell's Build-lt-at-Home Encyclopedia' give Lenny and Dave a window to a broader world and feeds their imagination and curiosity.
50474	Liar & spy Stead, Rebecca	Text Publishing Co	2012	9780385737432	George is having trouble with some boys at school, his dad has lost his job and so his mum has started working all the time. They had to sell their house and move into an apartment. But, moving into the apartment block does bring one good thing - Safer, an unusual boy who lives on the top floor. He runs a spy club and is determined to teach Georges everything he knows.
15425	Liar: the true story of David Mortimore Baxter Tayleur, Karen	Black Dog Books	2007	9781921167737	David's exaggerations become lies that result in some complicated situations with his teacher and classmates. He almost learns his lesson.
1096789	Flannery, Tim & Flannery, Emma & Ramiro, Xavi (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761211744	An accessible and often funny accounting of the tens of thousands of species that live on and in the human body.
1019825		Puffin Australia	2023	9781761047640	When you are born, you make up a song It doesn't rhyme, and it isn't long A song of everything you hold dear It's your own tune, it's loud and clear And your whole world is in it"

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ID  1019846	Lift-the-flap questions and answers about refugees Daynes, Katie & de Sousa, Ashe & Drachkovska, Oksana (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2023	9781803709987	Have you ever wondered - why new people arrive in your school, town or community? What it might feel like for them? How life might be better for them? A refugee can answer these questions and as you read through this book you develop an understanding of how to hep them and learn about the sudden, difficult, frightening and tiring situations they have experienced through the beautiful details and cleverly designed illustrations by Ukrainian artist Oksana Drachkovska.
17038	Light horse boy Wolfer, Dianne & Simmonds, Brian (ill)	Fremantle Press	2013	9781922089137	In 1914, best mates, Jim and Charlie, abandon the Australian outback for the excitement and adventure of the war to end all wars. Jim is not quite old enough but he lies about his age. Jim and Charlie think joining the Light Horse Regiment is a bit of an adventure and that the war will be over in a few months. But, they quickly discover the brutal realities of life on the frontline.
903234	Light in everything Balen, Katya	Bloomsbury	2022	9781526647405	Zofia and Tom could not be more different. While one is bold and seemingly fearless the other is shy and nervous. When their worlds are brought together they have to learn to trust and conquer their fears.
9600	Lighthouse kids, The Chase, Diana	Fremantle Press	2003	9781863683463	Ellie and Davey have lost their mother and have been sent to live with a grandfather. In his attic, they discover somethingthat beloged to their mother, This leads to an adventure, involving unscrupulous seal hunters and mysterious caves.
1066783	Like a charm McNicoll, Elle	Penguin USA	2022	9780593649138	Edinburgh is a city filled with magical creatures. No one can see them except Ramya Knox. As she is pulled into her family's world of secrets and spells, Ramya sets out to discover the truth about Hidden Folk with only three words of warning from her grandfather: Beware the Sirens.
58837	Lilli and her shadow Dudgeon, Pat & Laura & Gibbs, Tracey (ill) & Morgan, Sally (ed)	Fremantle Press	2010	9781921696053	Lilli's family is moving from the bush to the city and Lilli is sure she'll be horribly lonely. She'll miss the mangoes, she'll miss her cousins and, most of all, she'll miss her Nan. But, Nan sends a special friend south with Lilli, a secret Shadow to look after her. And, Lilli discovers life in the city isn't so bad after all.
2363	Lillipilly Hill Spence, Eleanor	Text Publishing Co	2013	9781922147172	At the end of the nineteenth century, Harriet Wilmot and her family have come to live in an inherited house in a New South Wales town. Despite the heat and unconventional schooling, Harriet is in awe of Australia and much prefers it to dreary old London. Not all the Wilmots agree. Harriet breaks rules and expectations in her efforts to convince her family to stay in this new and exciting land.

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1D 227	Lily and me Aaron, Moses	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	1996	9780091830311	Moses Aaron tells the story of how he met Lily, a cancer patient in the Children's Hospital, and how he told her stories throughout her treatment.
23610	Lily in the mirror Hayes, Paula	Fremantle Press	2016		Lily loves all things dark and mysterious. So, when she discovers a magic mirror in a locked room, it seems like a dream come true. With a new friend who needs her help and an older brother who needs to get a life, Lily will require all eleven fingers at her disposal, plus a hefty slice of Grandad's chocolate cake, to fix a long-forgotten mystery that's very close to home.
	Lily Quench series Prior, Natalie Jane				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4901	Lion drummer Wang, Gabrielle & McLean, Andrew	Puffin Australia	2008		Lulu dreams that, one day, she will be the lion drummer in the Chinese dragon parade. But, through years of tradition, the drummer has always been a male and Lulu is told that girls cannot learn the drums.
1092	Lion: A long way home Brierley, Saroo	Penguin Books Australia	2017		It is hard to imagine being lost and not finding your way home again. Saroo Brierley became lost on a train in India at the age of 4. Not knowing the name of his family or where he was from, he survived for weeks on the streets of Kolkata, before being taken into an orphanage and adopted by an Australian couple. This is the story of Saroo's journey to finding his way back home, through his memories, using a map of India and poring over satellite images on Google Earth. This incredible true story is about one man's journey back to India to see if he could find his mother.
587869	Little bird's day Morgan, Sally & Warrkatja Malibirr, Johnny (ill)	Magabala Books	2019	9781925768923	A day in the life of Little Bird as she sings the world alive, flies with Cloud, travels with Wind, nestles with Moon and dreams of flying among the stars.
1209906	Little bones Bigna, Sandy	University of Queensland Press			Bones has a fascination with drawing animal skeletons and collecting small dead things. Her friends think she's weird and Bones is on her own after losing her brother in an accident. Her mum has gone too. When a tiny baby bird comes back to life Bones makes an unexpected friend. How can she let Bird go when she doesn't want to say goodbye?
231	Little brother Baillie, Allan	Penguin	2004		Vithy is in war-torn Cambodia searching for his only remaining family member, his older brother.

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1D 14959	Little chef, big curse Cotton, Tilney	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742832692	Eleven-year-old Matty desperately wants to be a famous chef and escape his horrible aunty. His opportunity comes when a grand cook-off is held, to see who can entice the finicky princess to eat. Unwittingly, the princess is the victim of an alien curse, designed to leave a foul taste in her mouth.
601804	Little Frida Browne, Anthony	Walker Books	2019	9781406381221	A lonely little girl dreams of flying. But is it only in her imagination that she can escape her troubles and travel to a surreal land. There a friend awaits her, strange and familiar at the same timeInspired by the art of Frida Kahlo and based on the true story of her imaginary childhood friend, this is a touching story about creativity, hope and belonging.
2321	Little fullas rap at the games Prior, Chasity & McIntosh, Kelli & Hughes, Sharon	Indij Readers	2007	9780975686171	A group of Aboriginal children rap and chant their way through a day at the Melbourne Commonwealth Games, and learn about their culture from their Elders.
50901	Little Fur: the legend of Little Fur Carmody, Isobelle	Penguin Books Australia	2009	9780143300724	Little Fur is an elf troll who lives in a secret wilderness at the heart of a great human city. She is a healer of the environment and connected to the earth. One day, Crow tells of humans who are coming to burn the trees. To protect her home and her friends, Little Fur must venture into the dangerous human world.
772107	Little Lion: A long way home Brierley, Saroo & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Penguin	2021	9780143795094	Can you imagine being lost and not finding your way home again? Saroo Brierley became lost on a train in India when he was only five. He survived for weeks on the streets, before being taken into an orphanage and adopted by his Australian family. Despite being happy, Saroo always wondered about where he was from. And one day, after years of searching, he miraculously found what he was looking for. This incredible true story celebrates the importance of hope and never giving up.
5461	Little lunch: Triple the games Katz, Danny & Vane, Mitch (ill)	Walker Books	2018	9781760650278	This is what happened during Little Lunch: Tamara tried to find a new walking buddy for the school walkathon, Rory decided he was going to be Prime Minster of the whole country and the girls got into a big noisy argument and wound up locked inside the toilets. A lot can happen in fifteen minutes!
13614	Little Manfred Morpurgo, Michael & Foreman, Michael (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2011	9780007339679	Charley and her brother, Alex, are walking their dog, Manfred, on the beach when they meet two old men staring out to sea. They meet by chance and discover how the men are involved in their mother's past and where the name for their dog really came from.

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ID 2637	Little prince, The de Saint-Exupery, Antoine	Wordsworth Editions Ltd	2002	9781853261589	The whimsical story of an airman's discovery of a very appealing small boy from another planet in the desert. A thought-provoking allegory of the human condition that has become a classic.
846228	Little prince, The Greig, Louise & Massini, Sarah (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2021	9781405288125	The stars hide a little laughing prince. What is hidden is beautiful!  Based on the classic novel by Antoine De Saint-Exupery.
48081	Little prince, The Sfar, Joann & Ardizonne, Sarah (trans)	Walker Books	2010	9781406325447	A stunning, graphic adaptation from Antoine de Saint-Exupery's classic children's book, Le Petit Prince, which tells the whimsical story of an airman's discovery of a very appealing, small boy from another planet. A thought-provoking allegory of the human condition.
637427	Little wave, The Harry, Pip	University of Queensland Press	2019	9780702260476	When a country class from remote Mullin have the opportunity to visit Manly beach, three very different outsiders discover themselves and each other. Noah, Lottie and Jack have to learn to value themselves, as they confront bullies, grief, mental illness, and poverty. This trip to the beach could be the beginning of beautiful friendships.
648959	Little Witch: Plots & Potions Darlison, Aleesah	Big Sky Publishing	2018	9781925675252	When Courney learns she is off to school camp she is far from impressed. Hiking, rock climbing and white-water rafting are not her usual go to activities. When Courtney discovers the devious plans of some people at camp she must use some powerful potions and spells to rescue those in danger.
648965	Little Witch: Secrets & spells Darlison, Aleesah	Big Sky Publishing	2016	9781925520101	Courtney can't believe she is stuck in Mixton Bay for the summer with no friends, TV or pizza. When Courtney finds a mystical 'Book of Spells' with her name on the box, you could say that Courtney's boring holiday starts to get a whole lot more interesting. With the help of her new friend, Justice, and a special cat, Courtney's life is about to change forever.
51430	Little wooden horse, The Wilson, Mark	Windy Hollow Books	2010	9781921136535	In eighteenth century London, two children, Elizabeth and Tom, are so hungry, they steal a loaf of bread from the bakery. They are caught and transported to Australia aboard a convict ship. Their time on board is harrowing and the voyage is certainly not smooth sailing. By the time they arrive in New South Wales, Tom is ill with fever and his fate unknown.
699179	Littlelight Canby, Kelly	Fremantle Press			When bricks start to go missing from the town of Littlelight, the mayor whips his citizens into a frenzy of aggravation. But when the townspeople find the thief, and her motive, they discover perhaps it is the mayor who is the problem.
3776	Littlest witch, The Allars, Martine	Pan MacMillan	2010	9780330423571	Thirteen year old triplets, Gwen, Nel and Rain discover that they are a witch, an elf and a vampire. Their lives take an extraordinary twist as they are thrown into another world in their quest to defeat Driath, the most evil witch of all.

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9227	Livewire investigates Aboriginal studies: traditional technologies Cahir, Sandra	Cambridge University Press	2002	9780521526708	In Indigenous peoples' culture, technology means making tools and other useful things from natural materials such as wood, stone and animals' skins. Find out about traditional technologies, thousands of years old, that are used for fishing, hunting and preparing food.
774429	Living the confidence code Kay, Katty & Shipman, Claire & Riley, Jillellyn	HarperCollins Children's Books	2021	9780062954114	The inspiring true stories in this book, prove that no matter who you are or how old you are, nothing is out of reach when you decide to try. Reading each story motivates you to turn your thoughts into action: your dreams into reality. The best way to understand confidence and learn how to harness its secret powers is to see it in action for yourself. From Bali to Brazil, South Africa to Seattle, Australia to Afghanistan, these girls are pursuing their passions, struggling and stumbling, but along the way figuring out how to build their own special brand of confidence. The girls you meet in this book are change makers. We can all learn from their bravery and resilience.
	Living with the land series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
632807	Lizard's tale Chan, Weng Wai	Text Publishing Co	2019	9781925603910	It is 1940 and WWII is being fought in faraway Europe. Lizard lives in Singapore's Chinatown, surviving on odd jobs and petty theft. When Boss Man Beng asks him to steal a teak box from a suite in the glamorous Raffles Hotel, he has no idea how dangerous it is. A sinister man appears and Lizard's best friend, Lili, shows up with unexpected fighting skills and her eye on the box. Lizard then becomes entangled in an exciting adventure in a world of coded secrets, Japanese invasion plans and undercover spies.
30678	Lizzie and Margaret Rose Rushby, Pamela	Omnibus Books	2016	9781742991528	In 1940, bombs are falling in London. Ten year old Margaret Rose survives a deadly raid but her family and home are destroyed. In faraway Townsville in Queensland, Margaret's aunt is ready to take her in but her cousin, Lizzie, is not so sure and certainly doesn't want to share her room. But, first, Margaret Rose must undertake a long and dangerous voyage to a strange country, also at war. She knows it's not going to be easy, and Lizzie's not about to make it any easier.

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1D 18446	Lizzie's wish Geras, Adele	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2004	9780746060308	The story of a young girl in Victorian England who's mother, after her father's death, has remarried a gentleman disliked by Lizzie. She is sent to London to stay with her aunt and uncle during the lead-up to the birth of a sibling.
2659	Loaded dog, The Lawson, Henry & DePierre, Daniel (ill)		2010	9781921378508	Gold miners Andy, Dave and Jim are sinking a shaft at Stoney Creek. After a hard day's fishing, Andy and Dave decide that it would be easier to blow the fish out of the waterbut their young dog becomes curious about their experiment, with explosive results!
982313	Locked out Lily Lake, Nick & Gravett, Emily (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2021	9781471194849	Llly requires regular hospital trips to treat a body which is failing her. This frustrates her greatly and also fuels her worry that the baby her mum is about to have will be easier to love and push Lily to the shadows. It is these shadows in her family home where Lily encounters the monstrous replacement parents who have a terrible plan for Lily. It is with great surprise that Lily discovers several animal companions to help her defeat the monsters in the shadows.
53918	Locket of dreams, The Murrell, Belinda	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741662917	Sophie falls asleep wearing a locket which belonged to her great-great-great-grandmother and is magically transported to 1858 to learn the truth about Charlotte Mackenzie, how she came to be in Australia and what happened to the family's priceless sapphire.
1209770	Loki: A bad god's guide to making enemies Stowell, Louie	Walker Books	2024	9781529515800	Loki's fourth doodle-packed diary in the number one best-selling series. Loki has made a fair few enemies during his time in Asgard. Too many to count and certainly too many to remember. When the elf, Vinir beams Loki aboard his chariot and challenges him to a magical duel, Loki hasn't got a clue why. Sweet talking his way out of a fight by pointing out there's little honour in duelling someone who can't remember how they wronged you, and even less in picking on a child, Loki is returned safely to school. That is until Vinir shows up in child form, as resolute as ever about seeking that duel and vengeance.
751177	Lola in the middle Paterson, Cecily Anne	Wombat Books	2020	9781925563900	Whether it is on the netball court, stuck between best friends arguing or parents fighting Lola always caught in the middle. How can she choose sides? Now that Lola has been made captain and her team looks like making the State Finals she has even bigger problems and choices to face. Her doctors say she might have to stop playing the game she loves and Lola's mother agrees that netball is not good for her health Lola feels like she's losing from all sides! Will she always be stuck in the middle or will she find a way to stand up for herself?

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ID  1019706	Lonely lighthouse of Elston-Fright, The Carter, Reece	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761066795	Flip Little is extremely proud of his family history - the official lightkeepers of Elston-Fright; the lighthouse keepers. When the light is missing, it is up to Flip to restore the protection the lighthouse has always offered to the people of the town.  But, the light is not the only thing that goes missing! There are mysteries and secrets to uncover, and magic and magical beings to combat. But will help come from the most unexpected place?  Can Flip and his friends Corpse and Girl save their friend and restore the lost magic before it's too late?
5795	Long class goodnight, The J, Sammy	Bonnier Publishing Australia	2018	9781760409531	Justin Monaghetti is destined to be a loser. His new school is terrifying. His only friend wants to run away forever and he's just been given detention for something he didn't do. Justin isn't going to accept his fate without a fight. to survive his first day of high school, he'll need a few tricks, a bit of luck and an ingenious plan to mess with the rules.
40570	Long walk to water, A Park, Linda Sue	Clarion Books	2012	9780702238703	Based on a true story, this is a dual narrative about the harsh realities of life in Sudan. Nya's story relates to her daily struggle for water and survival. Salva's journey spans fifteen years after rebels attack his village and he is forced to flee into the bush to avoid being recruited. He joins hundreds of displaced people heading for a refugee camp in Ethiopia, all the while searching for his family.
947319	Look both ways: a tale told in ten blocks Reynolds, Jason	Atheneum books	2020	9781481438292	This story was going to begin like all the best stories. With a school bus falling from the sky. But no one saw it happen. They were all too busy. Talking about boogers. Stealing pocket change. Skateboarding. Wiping out. Braving up. Executing complicated handshakes. Planning an escape. Making jokes. Lotioning up. Finding comfort. But mostly, too busy walking home. Jason Reynolds conjures ten tales (one per block) about what happens after the dismissal bell rings, and brilliantly weaves them into one wickedly funny, piercingly poignant look at the detours we face on the walk home, and in life.

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ID   990355	Looking after Country with fire: Aboriginal burning knowledge with Uncle Kuu Steffensen, Victor & Steffensen, Sandra (ill)	Hardie Grant Egmont	2023	9781741177824	For thousands of years, First Nations people have listened and responded to the land and made friends with fire, using this knowledge to encourage plants and seeds to flourish, and creating beautiful places for both animals and people to live.  Join Uncle Kuu as he takes us out on Country and explains cultural burning. Featuring stunning artwork by Sandra Steffensen, this is a powerful and timely story of understanding Australia's ecosystems through Indigenous fire management, and a respectful way forward for future generations to help manage our landscapes.
6286	Looking after your mental health James, Alice & Stowell, Louie	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2018	9781474937290	Looking After Your Mental Health provides an informative and thoughtful exploration of mental health targeted at pre teens. It provides helpful, frank and sensitive discussion on a wide range of topics, from navigating friendships and relationships, to coping with changes at home, to safe use of the internet and the potential impact of social media. Looking After Your Mental Health is an introductory guide to mental health self care.
9259	Looking for Atlantis Thompson, Colin	Dragonfly Publishing	1997	9780679885474	A young boy mourning his dead grandfather, a seafaring adventurer, tries to find Atlantis.
845952		Scholastic Australia	2013	9780439823326	Some mysteries are too dangerous to leave alone Nate's not happy about his family moving to a new house in a new town. After all, nobody asked him if he wanted to move in the first place. But when he discovers a tape recorder and note addressed to him under the floorboards of his bedroom, Nate is thrust into a dark mystery about a boy who went missing many, many years ago. Now, as strange happenings and weird creatures begin to track Nate, he must partner with Tabitha, a local girl, to find out what they want with him. But time is running out, for a powerful force is gathering strength in the woods at the edge of town, and before long Nate and Tabitha will be forced to confront a terrifying foe, and uncover the truth about the Lost Boy.

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1D   784580	Lost child of Chernobyl, The Bate, Helen	Otter-Barry books	2021	9781913074715	One April night, people living near Chernobyl see a great flash in the skyEveryone is told to move out of the forbidden zone around the destroyed nuclear reactor, but two stubborn old ladies, Anna and Klara, refuse to leave.  Nine years later, the forest wolves bring a ragged child to their - a child who has been living with wolves in the forbidden zone. Who is the lost child of Chernobyl and will Anna and Klara be able to find the child's family after all this time?  Inspired by the real events of the global environmental disaster at Chernobyl in April 1986, this haunting and deeply relevant graphic novel is about the place of humans in the natural world, about healing, survival and the meaning of home.
8855		National Geographic Society	2008	9781426303210	When the Japanese invaded the Dutch East Indies, now Indonesia, four year old Annelex Hofstra was taken to a Japanese prison camp. Her carefree, comfortable world was turned upside down. Annelex describes her over three years in the camp, living in fear of punishment, starvation, infection and separation.
720722	Lost city, The Hocking, Amanda	Pan MacMillan	2020	9781529001303	Nestled agains the coast lies a forested kingdom filled with wonder and secrets. Ulla Tulin was abandoned as a baby and raised amongst the Kanin, like many half-blood trolls. And though she was hidden because of her heritage, she never forgot her origins. So when Ulla is hired by an institution that helps those like her, she's delighted.  She teams up with the handsome Pan Soriano, a half-human researcher. However, their efforts to find her family are blocked when it seems Ulla, with her own unique gift, may be more successful. But as Ulla and Pan dig deeper, they find someone will do anything to keep these mysteries hidden.
20479	Lost sapphire, The Murrell, Belinda	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2016	9781925324112	Marli is staying with her dad in Melbourne, and missing her friends. Then she discovers a mystery- an abandoned mansion, Riversleigh, is to be returned to her family after many years. Marli sneaks into the locked garden to explore, and meets Luca, a boy who has his own connection to Riversleigh.  In 1922, Violet is fifteen and lives at Riversleigh. Her life is filled with boating parties, picnics and extravagant balls. An army of servants looks after her family- including the young Russian chauffeur, Nikolai. Over one summer Violet must decide what is important to her.

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1D   650044	Lost stone of Sky City, The Waugh, HM	Fremantle Press	2019	9781925815948	Sunaya's peaceful village life is turned upside down when a simple mountain mission turns into a death-defying quest for survival. Winter treks to summer pastures, mythical Ice-People that are scarily real, avalanches, ice falls, power plays, mysterious magic and surprising friendships - it seems not everything in life is set in stone
871634	Lost whale, The Gold, Hannah & Pinfold, Levi (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2022		Though Rio is still a boy, he has been caring for his mother for as long as he can remember. When she has to go to the hospital for an extended period, Rio must go to stay with a grandmother he has never met in a small seaside town far away from home. Here he makes an unexpected connection to his mother and a new community when he finds a remarkable drawing of a grey whale in his mother's old bedroom.
	Lost world circus series D'Ath, Justin				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1638	Lots Martin, Marc	Viking Children's	2016	9780670078943	Come on a guided tour around the world and discover the many things that make each place unique. Sleepy sloths, colourful cows, prolific pastries, staggering skylines and teeming traffic; you'll be surprised what you find along the way. There' so much to discover, experience and learn from our planet.
6805	Lottery boy Byrne, Michael	Walker Books	2015	9781406358292	Since his mother's death, Bully has lost his old life. Living rough in London with his dog, Bully can't imagine his future. But, one day, Bully finds a winning lottery ticket in the last birthday card his Mum ever gave him. It suddenly offers such hope. If only he can get to his prize on time. But, life is not that simple. Bully's struggle to survive just got a whole lot harder. They're after him on the streets, everyone wants a piece of him.
3851	Lotterys plus one, The Donoghue, Emma	MacMillan	2017	9781509803194	Meet the Lotterys: a unique and diverse family featuring four parents, seven kids and five pets all living happily together in their big old house, Camelottery. Nine-year-old Sumac is the organizer of the family and is looking forward to a long summer of fun. But when their grumpy and intolerant grandad comes to stay, everything is turned upside down.

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1D 2702	Lottie project, The Wilson, Jacqueline & Sharratt, Nick (ill)	Corgi Books	2008	9780440868538	Miss Beckworth insists on calling her by her proper name, Charlotte, and makes her sit next to Jamie Edwards, the most stuck-up, boring boy in the class. Now they have to do a project on Victorian times. Charlie learns a lot about friendship, teachers and how lucky she is not to be living in Victorian times.
17531	Louis beside himself Fienberg, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781742379944	When a burglar jumps through the kitchen window one night, Louis knows he should get him in a wrestling-hold while he has the advantage, but his heart is hammering and his legs feel like wobbly air. Louis Beside Himself is a hilarious and companionable story about losing your words, finding your courage and arm-wrestling your way out of big trouble.
687906	Louisiana's way home DiCamillo, Kate	Walker Books	2018	9781406387544	When Louisiana Elefante's granny wakes her up in the middle of the night to tell her that the day of reckoning has arrived and they have to leave home immediately, Louisiana isn't overly worried. After all, Granny has many middle-of-the-night ideas. But this time, things are different. This time, Granny intends for them never to return. Separated from her best friends, Raymie and Beverly, Louisiana struggles to oppose the winds of fate (and Granny) and find a way home. But as Louisiana's life becomes entwined with the lives of the people of a small Georgia town including a surly motel owner, a walrus-like minister, and a mysterious boy with a crow on his shoulder - she starts to worry that she is destined only for good-byes. (Which could be due to the curse on Louisiana's and Granny's heads. But that is a story for another time.)
13144	Love that dog Creech, Sharon	Bloomsbury	2001	9780747556169	Narrative poem about an endearingly unassuming, straight-talking boy who discovers the powers and pleasures of the poems studied at school with his teacher, Ms Stretchberry. He creates a poem about his new dog and writes to one of the poets.
32359	Luck of the buttons, The Ylvisaker, Anne	Candlewick Press	2011	9780763650667	Twelve year old Tugs Button lives in a small town in USA in 1929. Her eccentric family hasn't known much luck over the years and Tugs vows to turn that around, When she befriends popular Aggie Millhouse, wins a new camera and stumbles into a mystery only she can solve, things begin to change. It just may be that being a Button is precisely what one funny, spirited, and observant young heroine decides to make of it.
5106	Lucky Button Morpurgo, Michael & Foreman, Michael (ill)	Walker Books	2017	9781406371680	Jonah is so busy caring for his mother that he has no time to make friends. When life seems most bleak, the discovery of a lucky button connects him to Nathaniel, a foundling boy from the eighteenth century. Nathaniel's story and his button just might be the lucky token Jonah needs.

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ID 4455	Lucky Thamu Kickett-Tucker, Cheryl & Tucker, Jaylon & Gibbs, Tracey (ill)	Fremantle Press	2015	9781925161304	These school holidays, Eli is going by himself to visit his much-loved Thamu (grandfather), who lives near the goldfields. They're going camping and prospecting, and Eli will listen to Thamu's stories and learn about country. But, when they camp to speck for gold, Eli seems more interested in chasing a white rabbit.
240	Lucy in the leap year Wheatley, Nadia & Searle, Ken (ill)	Scholastic Australia	1994	9781862912458	Lucy's whole world is her home and her father and their life together.
29475	Lucy the good Musgrove, Marianne & Orsini, Cheryl (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2008	9781741662955	Lucy van Loon knows she's a good girl. She wonders why she's always sitting on the Time Out chair. After all, she had a good reason for tipping Jacinta's pencils all over the floor and for shrieking when her grumpy aunt called her a greedy liar. Her aunt has brought something from Holland that Lucy wishes she'd never seen. Now, she has to figure out how to avoid it, and fast. It's time to prove she really is Lucy the Good.
32726	Lucy the lie detector Musgrove, Marianne & Orsini, Cheryl (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2010	9781741664553	Lucy is off on her adventures again, with friends, enemies and lots of accidents and Funniest Home Video moments.
2722	Luke's way of looking Wheatley, Nadia & Ottley, Matt	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2001	9780733614378	All the boys in Luke's art class see things the same way, except for Luke. When Luke visits an art gallery, he sees some amazing paintings and, whoever created them, sees things just the way Luke does. Luke feels as though he fits in.
	Lulu Baker trilogy series Dunbar, Fiona				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
45692	Lying carpet, The Lucas, David	Andersen Press Ltd	2008	9781842704417	In an unused living room in a large house, there is a tiger rug on the floor, a statue of a little girl on the window sill and an armchair. The tiger cannot see anything except the skirting board and the chair can only look at the opposite wall. When the statue comes to life, the conversation that ensues is highly individual.
916551	Lyle, Lyle, crocodile: The junior novelization Warber, Bernard & Hapka, Catherine	Clarion Books	2022	9780358755432	When shy twelve-year-old Josh Primm finds a singing crocodile in the attic of his new home in New York City, he never expects to find moonlight adventures, friendship and so much fun! But not everyone in the neighborhood takes kindly to Lyle the crocodile, and Josh has to find his inner courage and show everyone that Lyle is extraordinary. Josh and his parents must fight to keep Lyle as part of their family.

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39914	M is for mates: animals in wartime from Ajax to Zep Department of Veterans' Affairs & Australian War Memorial	Affairs & Australian	2009	9781877007392	Without the service of animals, many more Australians would have lost their lives during wartime. This intriguing book presents information about food, equipment, battle environments, war propaganda, uniforms, symbols and transport. Filled with authentic photos, wartime anecdotes and strange but true facts.
31810	M is for mutiny: History by alphabet Dickson, John & Emmerichs, Bern (ill)	Berbay Publishing	2017	9780994384119	A taste of the intriguing history of Australia and the many entry points for readers to explore further. In the late 18th century, ragtag groups of Europeans started to arrive in Australia. Most were convicts, some were soldiers, a few had just run out of choices. They blundered onto an ancient land that had been peopled for 60,000 years. They wanted to make it just like home. They cleared the land, they fenced it, they paved it, and they put buildings on it. All the while, the country's first peoples watched on, bewildered by these clumsy immigrants and their mysterious ways. Why did Sir Joseph Banks hate bananas? Did anyone like William Bligh? Who's afraid of Pemulwuy?
53216	Macbeth, you idiot Henderson, Don	Puffin Australia	2009	9780143304289	Andy Macbeth doesn't mean to be a terrible person but his three spooky aunts have predicted great things for him on the school soccer team. So, when the gorgeous Fifi L'Amour starts to take an interest in him and suggests an easy way to ridicule the coach and take his place, it just might all be too hard to resist.
633372	Maddie in the middle Lawrinson, Julia	Fremantle Press	2019	9781925815931	Maddie Lee is in year six. Her best and oldest friend Katy is busy with school duties and music and scholarship plans, and Maddie feels lost and lonely. Then a new girl starts at school. Maddie wants more than anything to become friends with her. And she does. But Samara's friendship comes at a high price, with consequences Maddie could never have imagined.
	Maddie Ziegler Presents series Ziegler, Maddie				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
53078	Maddigan's quest Mahy, Margaret	HarperCollins NZ	2006	9781869506025	Garland Maddigan, twelve year old daughter of Fantasia's ringmaster, has made this trip before. The journey has frightening new challenges when three mysterious children join the travellers and sinister strangers follow them.

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1D 1094	Made on Earth Korn, Wolfgang	A & C Black	2012		Follow the journey of a red jacket around the world, from being made to going in the rubbish, from the cells of a prison, to a boat floating in the ocean, connecting many people.
6629	Magenta McPhee Bateson, Catherine	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741664089	Magenta is worried her about her dad. He hasn't moved on since the divorce. Magenta is trying to write her fantasy trilogy but, since she registered her father on an internet dating site, she has to spend time pretending to be him and replying to the emails he doesn't know he is receiving. Now, someone wants to meet him.
1016791	Magic awry Armstrong, Sarah	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2023		In this exciting sequel to Big Magic, Potts Travelling Circus is performing in Mullimba showgrounds when Tulsi notices her magic dip for a few seconds but the second time it happens she falls during a flying act. Mum tells her she is the Bringer and she must try to get to the Seat, the home of magic. Tulsi and her best friend Kit have 24 hours to fix magic. She has been practicing magic for 4 months and is 11 years old and faces the worst. Magic energy needs to be strong to travel between parallel universes and whoever is stripping the magic is very dangerous. Brave Tulsi loves her life in the circus and will endure great pain to save it and her friend.
22563	Magic fair, The Morgan, Sally & Gibbs, Tracey (ill)	Fremantle Press	2010		The magic fair has a lot more than just fairy floss and fun rides, it has cakes that jump and pies that fly. Enter but beware. Kayla and her cousin, Phil, soon find out that not all the surprises are nice ones. When Phil is mean to Kayla, the fair takes matters into its own hands in a very unusual way.
9902	Magic misfits, The Harris, Neil Patrick	Little, Brown & Co	2018		When street magician Carter runs away, he never expects to find friends and magic in a sleepy New England town. But like any good trick, things change instantly as greedy B.B. Bosso and his crew of crooked carnies arrive to steal anything and everything they can get their sticky fingers on.  After a fateful encounter with the local purveyor of illusion, Dante Vernon, Carter teams up with five other like-minded illusionists.  Together, using both teamwork and magic, they'll set out to save the town of Mineral Wells from Bosso's villainous clutches.  (Psst. Hey, you! Yes, you! Congratulations on reading this far. As a reward, I'll let you in on a little secret This book isn't just a book. It's a treasure trove of secrets and ciphers and codes and even tricks. Keep your eyes peeled and you'll discover more than just a storyyou'll learn how to make your own magic!)

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ID   618974	Magic Misfits, The: The second story Harris, Neil Patrick	Little, Brown & Co	2018	9781760501730	In this second book, the story is focused on Leila, a girl who lives with her two dads who adopted her, above a magic store. When her parents gave her up as a baby, they gave her a key. She loves her dads, but she really wants to solve the mystery surrounding the key. A mysterious visitor might just be the reason she gets the chance.
245	Magic pudding, The Lindsay, Norman	HarperCollins Australia	1995	9780207188640	A rude, steak-and-kidney-come-what-you-like pudding and his mates Bill Barnacle, Sam Sawnoff and Bunyip Bluegum battle the puddin' thieves in this Australian bush classic.
1079740	Magic's most wanted Whitesides, Tyler	Harper	2022	9780062568380	Mason Mortimer Morrison has bad luck. His Dad is in jail and his grades are terrible. He does not think things could get worse, until two officers from some organisation called Magix show up to arrest him in fourth period. Mason knows he is innocent. He might have to rethink his belief that magic is not real. He might need to run for his life and stop up to save his family. Firstly, he will need to befriend a talking rabbit.
1153333	Magicalia: Race of wonders Bell, Jennifer & Wyatt, David (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529506143	FEEL THE MAGIC. CONJURE THE IMPOSSIBLE.  When her dad is kidnapped by a woman with a giant hamstoceros, Bitsy and best friend Kosh are swept into a secret world of ancient meteorites and strange beasts called magicores, each conjured using a different emotion. Using a powerful bestiary called Magicalia, the friends must quickly become conjurors themselves, before following a trail of clues that will take them from London to India to Paris, in a race to rescue Bitsy's dad from a mysterious villain
	Magician's daughter series Walker, Justyn				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
8150	Magician's elephant, The DiCamillo, Kate	Candlewick Press	2009	9780763644109	The boy, the lost sister, the retired officer, the childless couple, the displaced elephant, the patient nun, the compassionate policeman, the remorseful magician, the bent and broken stonemason and the socialite crippled when the conjured elephant fell through the theatre roof and landed on her legs, all come together in the snow in this meaningful, simply but poetically told story.

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38435	Magpie Davies, Luke & Kiuru, Inari (ill)	ABC Books	2010	9780733322686	Author Luke Davies wrote a poem called Childhood Terror which described, in nine lines, the fear of a magpie attack, and a boy's reaction as his father helps him face that fear. This wonderful picture book turns the poem into a story of a dog and his pup on a journey to find the magpie.
2763	Magpie Island Thiele, Colin & Haldane, Roger (ill)	New Holland Australia	1990	9781863020633	The story of a magpie raised on the Eyre Peninsula that becomes stranded on an island. Humans intervene to help him have a happy life.
9844	Magrit Battersby, Lee & Daoud, Amy (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2016	9781925081343	Magrit lives in an abandoned cemetery. She is as forgotten as the tiny graveyard that surrounds her. One night, a passing stork drops a strange bundle into the graveyard. Master Puppet, her friend and advisor, tells her it is an awful, ugly, terrible thing and she should get rid of it. But, Magrit has other ideas.
16760	Making Jamie normal Pershall, Mary K	Penguin	2005	9780143302032	Alex will be the coolest Year 9 student with the weirdest sister in Year 7 if she can't make Jamie 'normal' before she goes to high school. Jamie doesn't realise how lucky she is getting all this great advice. Some coarse language used in context.
18564	Mal rider, The Flynn, Pat	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2004	9780143302193	Danny discovers girls or, rather, one special girl called Ella, and the joys of riding a malboard. Can he overcome the problems of surfing mates who only accept shortboards? He is new to town and needs a break on the waves and at school.
617339	Malamander Taylor, Thomas	Walker Books	2019	9781406386288	In the basement of the Grand Nautilus Hotel, a mysterious girl crashes into Herbert Lemon's 'Lost & Foundery' crying, "Hide me!" In the window of the Eerie Book Dispensary, a mechanical mermonkey sits and waits. Old Mrs Fossil scours the beach for trinkets. Andout beyond the pier, near Captain Kraken's shipwreck, something stirs. Could the legendary malamander be surfacing in the mist? Who will uncover the secret of the malamander?
8470	Malkin Moonlight Cox, Emma	Bloomsbury	2016	9781408870846	Malkin is a small, black cat with a magnificent tail, who's destined to be a hero. He just doesn't know it yet. In his third life, Wild Malkin falls in love with Roux, a Domestic cat, who likes the comforts of home. Together, they explore the night and have adventures. When Roux's owners decide to move away, she chooses to become a Wild and stay with Malkin. Setting out to find a new home, they stumble across a recycling centre full of cats at war. An extraordinary adventure awaits as Malkin tries to bring peace to the land.

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1D   593267	Mammoth mistake starring Olive Black Miles, Alex & Guesne, Maude (ill)	Affirm Press	2017		Meet Olive Black ten year old superstar. Her latest movie, Mammoth Mistake, has just been released and she is riding the rollercoaster of fame and school. When she gets caught up with the biggest bully in showbiz, everything goes pear-shaped. Olive can't understand how her relationship with her best friend could go so wrong or why she can't fix things just like in the movies.
9272	Man from Ironbark, The Paterson, A B (Banjo)	Collins	1984	9780006615873	When the man from Ironbark visits the local town for a shave, chaos ensues. Because of a Sydney barber's joke on one of their men, long beards become the fashion in a small Australian settlement.
2789	Man from Snowy River & other verses, The Paterson, A B (Banjo)	HarperCollins Australia	1997	9780207191732	A classic collection of forty-six poems by Banjo Paterson.
15320	Man from Snowy River, The Paterson, A B (Banjo) & Blackwood, Freya (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2004		The full text of the classic poem is beautifully illustrated and includes a CD of an unabridged recording.
247	Man, The Briggs, Raymond	Red Fox	1994	9780099108818	A little, hairy man appears in the bedroom of a schoolboy demanding food, clothing and shelter. This story is told in cartoon style.
1209911	Manu!! Fernandez, Kelly	Graphix	2021	9781338264180	Set at a magical school for girls, this graphic novel is about friendship, defying expectations, and finding your place. Manu is always getting into trouble. The headmistress at school believes Manu has the potential to help people with her magic, but Manu would rather have fun than fit in. The other students claim she's secretly a demon and that she was raised by wolves.
28379	Maps Mizielinski, Aleksandra & Mizielinski, Daniel	The Five Mile Press Pty Ltd	2014	9781760065416	Travel the world without leaving home. Fifty two lavishly illustrated maps detail not only geographical features and political borders but also places of interest, iconic personalities, native animals and plants, local peoples, cultural events, and many more fascinating facts associated with each region. This book is a celebration of the world, from its immense mountains to its tiny insects, and everything in between.
97658	Maralinga: the Anangu story Mattingley, Christobel & Yalata and Oak Valley community & Yalata and Oak Valley communities (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2009		In words and pictures, Yalata and Oak Valley community members, with author Christobel Mattingley, describe what happened in the Maralinga Tjarutja lands of South Australia, before the bombs and after.

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750979	Mark Anchovy pizza detective Goldsmith, William	Bonnier Publishing Australia	2020	9781848128613	Colin is a pizza delivery boy with a twist, he is an aspiring detective. But in sleepy Rufflington-on-Sea, there is nothing to solve until the Golden Spatula League come calling. To join their team, Colin, nicknamed Mark Anchovy' has to fly to Rome and track down a prized painting. The main suspect is Big Alan Fresco, notorious art thief and pizza addict.
39926	Marsh and Me Murray, Martine	Text Publishing Co	2017	9781925498011	There's a hill out the back of Joey's house. Hardly anyone goes there - it's not a beautiful place, just a covered-over old rubbish tip. But Joey likes it up there. It's his hill - somewhere he likes to go to wonder about life. He longs to be the best at something, to be a famous astronaut, or mountain climber, to stand out somehow. So when Joey discovers a tree house in an old peppercorn tree on the hill, he is annoyed that someone has invaded his special place. But he is also curious about who the intruder could be. But making contact isn't easy. The tree-house girl is wild and hostile and full of secrets. Joey needs to work out a way to win her over. And as he does, he finds a way to shine.
9355	Martial arts Mitchell, David	Dorling Kindersley	2000	9780751328158	David Mitchell gives expert advice on fourteen of the most popular martial arts. Skilful holds to dramatic throws and kicks are featured.
7799	Martin Bridge: on the lookout Scott Kerrin, Jessica & Kelly, Joseph (ill)	Kids can press	2005	9781553377733	The fast-moving and funny sequel to Martin Bridge ready for takeoff. Young Martin must face three new challenges: spending an afternoon with an irritating houseguest; sharing lunch with a boy who eats erasers; and, embarking on a frantic search for the school's lucky mascot, a parakeet.
15742	Martin Pebble Sempe, Jean-Jacques	Phaidon Press Limited	2006	9780714846224	Martin is a little boy who blushes a lot and is happiest in the summer, when everyone else has a red face too. He sets out to find a reason for his strange affliction and finds a friend, Roddy Rackett, who keeps on sneezing even when he doesn't have a cold. The events of life are quaintly told.

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ID   885158	Marvellers, The Clayton, Dhonielle	Henry Holt & Co	2022	9781460762882	Eleven-year-old Ella Durand is the first Conjuror to attend the Arcanum Training Institute, a magic school in the clouds where Marvellers from around the world practice their cultural arts, like brewing Indian spice elixirs and bartering with pesky Irish pixies.  Despite her excitement, Ella discovers that being the first isn't easy some Marvellers mistrust her magic, which they deem "bad and unnatural." But eventually, she finds friends in elixirs teacher, Masterji Thakur, and fellow misfits Brigit, a girl who hates magic, and Jason, a boy with a fondness for magical creatures.  When a dangerous criminal known as the Ace of Anarchy escapes prison, supposedly with a Conjuror's aid, tensions grow in the Marvellian world and Ella becomes the target of suspicion. With the help of her friends and her own growing powers, Ella must find a way to clear her family's name and track down her mentor before it's too late.
	Mary Poppins series Travers, P L				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2349	Mary's Australia Freeman, Pamela	Black Dog Books	2014	9781922077905	Mary MacKillop watched Australia grow from a collection of small colonies into a nation. Follow the changes Australia underwent during her lifetime.
26674	Master of the fallen chairs, The Porter, Henry	Orchard Books	2008	9781846166259	Thirteen year old orphan, Kim, is sent to live with his elusive guardian, surly tutor and various servants in Skirl, a grand but dilapidated old house with many ghosts and a family curse. When one of the servant girls goes missing, a dark cloud descends on the house. The arrival of a stranger in the dead of night plunges everything further into mystery, and introduces a bit of magic too.
8255	Master, The Havel, Geoff	Walker Books	2009	9781921150852	Rick lives on a farm with his mum and his grandfather. They're a normal family except for one thing. Rick and his Grandpa are engaged in a constant battle of practical jokes, trying to outdo each other and claim the title of The Master. Grandpa thinks that his grandson has much to learn from him but Rick thinks otherwise and devises what he thinks is an unbeatable prank.

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ID 252	Matilda Dahl, Roald	Penguin	2003	9780141314563	Matilda is an exceptional child with magical powers. Her parents have called her some terrible things. The truth is, she's a genius and they're the silly ones. Find out how she gets the better of them and her spiteful headmistress, Miss Trunchbull.
6557	Matty forever Fensham, Elizabeth	University of Queensland Press	2009	9780702237027	Bill and Matty are neighbours and best friends. They share their deepest secrets and lean on each other when things aren't right at home. Bill misses his father and is having a hard time at his new school. Matty is realising that her family is not quite the same as everyone else's. When a new girl decides she wants Bill all to herself, Bill and Matty discover what true friendship means. Some derogatory language used in context.
846205	Max Einstein: world champions Patterson, James & Grabenstein, Chris	Penguin	2022	9781529120172	Twelve year old genius Max and her friends live for adventure. From racing across glaciers in Greenland and flying in a super fancy solar powered jet to Hawaii, they visit the Great Barrier Reef off the coast of Australia and hang out with a robot named Leo. Whenever there is a problem to solve, the friends work better together. But there is an evil group of the rich and powerful who will do whatever it takes to split them up, even as the planet is changing before their eyes.  Max has one more surprise in her playbook and she needs her team around her to pull it off. Whoever said that kids can't save the world?
	Max Remy super spy series Abela, Deborah				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4098	May Tang: A new Australian Beikoff, Katrina	Scholastic Australia	2017	9781742990743	Born in the year of the snake, May Tang is a dreamer who will never be sensible and obedient like her elder sister Jie Jie or clever like her brother Peter. Her parents are worried by rumoured events in China, and May finds herself on her way to a new life in Sydney. It is so different that May wonders if she will ever be able to love her new country.
120136	McFig & McFly Drescher, Henrik	Candlewick Press	2008	9780763633868	McFig and his daughter, Rosie, live in a lovely little cottage far away from anywhere big. One day, McFly and his son, Anton, buy the land next door. Friendship turns to competition when McFly builds a cottage just like McFig's house. When the two start adding things onto their houses, it soon gets out of hand in this tale of jealousy, revenge and death, with a happy ending.

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1D 1872	Me, Teddy McKimmie, Chris	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781760291334	am Teddy. This is my scrap book. It's about me growing up from a tiny puppy, with a boofy head and big, brown, melty eyes, to a big black labrador, weighing forty kilos, and still with a boofy head and big, brown, melty eyes. This is me, Teddy.
903274	Meanwhile back on Earth Jeffers, Oliver Mechanica series Balchin, Lance	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2022	9780008555450	How we battle over borders-told from a family car trip out past the moon.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the
578871	Medical mission Ivanoff, George	Penguin Random House Australia	2016	9780857988805	In the middle of the night, Josh watched a Royal Flying Doctor Service plane land on his family's cattle station to assist his mother during a difficult childbirth. In order to thank the RFDS for their service, Josh decides to organise a community fundraiser. However, his efforts are cut short when he is bitten by a deadly snake. Will Josh get to safety in time?
22317	Meet Banjo Paterson Weidenbach, Kristin & Gulliver Hancock, James (ill)	Random House Children's Books	2015	9780857980083	Andrew Barton Paterson spent his early years in country NSW. He was sent to finish his education in Sydney, where he eventually worked as a lawyer. Paterson missed the bush and, using the pseudonym, the Banjo, after the horse he used to ride, began to write poems and stories that brought the bush to the city. He is famous for The Man from Snowy River and Waltzing Matilda.
3828	Meet Captain Cook Murdie, Rae & Nixon, Chris (ill)	Random House Children's Books	2014	9780857980182	Captain James Cook was an explorer in the British Royal Navy. In 1768, Cook and his crew on the HMB Endeavour set sail from England in search of new lands and scientific knowledge. They discovered the east coast of New Holland (Australia) and claimed it for the King of England in 1788.
18816	Meet Douglas Mawson Dumbleton, Mike & Green, Snip (ill)	Random House Children's Books	2014	9780857981950	Douglas Mawson led the first Australian expedition to the Antarctic. Under extreme conditions, he survived the dangers and challenges of the frozen continent. An inspiring story of courage.
41193	Meet Mary MacKillop Murphy, Sally & Martinez, Sonia (ill)	Random House Children's Books	2013	9781742757216	Mary MacKillop, Australia's first saint, started her first school in 1866. It was the first of many schools she started, to educate any child, no matter how rich or poor.
977760	Meet me at the moon tree Plozza, Shivaun	University of Queensland Press	2023	9780702266171	Carina and her family have moved to a new home. She is determined to find a moon tree. She promised her father and she is determined to keep that promise.

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ID 4843		Random House Children's Books	2014	9780857983879	Nancy Bird Walton grew up during the golden age of aviation. By the time she was thirteen, Nancy knew she wanted to fly. She studied under the famous aviator, Charles Kingsford Smith. This is the story of how Nancy began her career as Australia's first female commercial pilot.
46409	Meet Ned Kelly Brian, Janeen & Adams, Matt (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742757186	Ned Kelly was a notorious bushranger, he lived in Australia's earliest days. Ned was daring and clever and bold, in a suit made of iron, and his story is still being told.
7956	Meet Sidney Nolan Mes, Yvonne & Eterovic, Sandra (ill)	Random House Children's Books	2015	9780857985897	Sidney Nolan is one of Australia's most admired and recognised visual artists. This is the story of how he developed his iconic Ned Kelly series of paintings, brought modernist art to Australia and took Australian art to an admiring international audience.
11852	Meet the ANZACS Saxby, Claire & Berry, Max (ill)	Random House Children's Books	2014	9780857981929	ANZAC is the name given to the Australian and New Zealand troops who landed at Gallipoli in World War I. They embarked on a journey that went horribly wrong. It changed their lives and the course of history. The name is now a symbol of bravery and friendship.
4527	Meet Weary Dunlop Saxby, Claire & Lord, Jeremy (ill)	Random House Children's Books			Sir Edward 'Weary' Dunlop was an Australian Army surgeon during World War II. This is the story of how Weary's bravery and compassion helped to save the lives and bolster the spirits of fellow prisoners of war on the Thai-Burma Railway.
914377	Meeting Cezanne Morpurgo, Michael & Place, Francoise (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781406351132	Yannick's mother requires an operation so he will have to spend the summer with relatives in the South of France. Here, Yannick spends time with his aunt, uncle and beautiful cousin while working at their restaurant and discovering the beauties of the countryside made famous by Cezanne. One evening, Yannick accidentally destroys an art work by the world's greatest artist and must find a way to correct his terrible mistake.
15427	Megan's journey Keir, June	Loranda Publishing	2004	9780975213582	Thirteen year old Megan discovers her mother is still alive and living in Japan. Her mother has remarried a Japanese man who lives a traditional life and they have two children. Megan has difficult choices to make.
2461	Melting pot, The: The diary of Edward, Chek Chee Cheng, Christopher W	Scholastic Australia	2007	9781865049755	It is 1903, the time of the White Australia Policy, and Edward Chek Chee is the son of a mixed marriage. His father is Chinese, his mother Australian and Edward tries to fit in to both cultures. He has to cope with racism at school and bigotry from his cousin at home, while worrying about having to go back to China to understand his ancestral roots.

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1D 1019686	Memory thieves, The Clayton, Dhonielle	Henry Holt & Co	2023	9781460762899	Magic school in the clouds is back in session. As second-year students, Ella, Brigit and Jason, are back to learn new magic but, whilst Ella's fame among Marvellers has skyrocketed ever since she helped thwart the diabolical scheme of the Ace of Anarchy, she and her Conjuror friends are still viewed with suspicion. Add to this, increased schoolwork, a mystery illness affecting the student body, and the dangerous secrets she uncovers about the Conjure architect who built the school, and Ella and her friends must race to save themselves and the Marvellian world before chaos breaks loose.
9289	Mennyms, The Waugh, Sylvia	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2002	9780099433323	A family of rag dolls has survived on its own for forty years until now, but they may not be able to survive if their secret is betrayed.
941486	Message through time, A Ciddor, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761180125	When 11-year old Felix finds a message in a bottle during a family trip to France, he and his unwilling step-sister, Zoe, are flung back 1700 years to Ancient Roman times. They are offered sparrows for lunch and horse-spit as medicine, and that's just the beginning! Back in their own time, they discover they have accidentally brought a high-class and very demanding Roman girl with them. Can they get Petronia back to her time and themselves back to their time before time runs out?
38689	Meteorite kid, The Faulkner, Carol	Walker Books	2008	9781921150807	Morgan is so excited when she thinks she's taken the winning catch in her baseball final but the thing she catches is a strange, blue object. It makes her feel calm and happy but it has different effects on other people.
1038832	Mia Megastar Nicodemou, Ada & Costain, Meredith & Geddes, Serens	Penguin	2024	9781761342158	Mia Megastar is her story of a young Greek/Australian girl growing up above her family store. She has a huge extended family who love getting together with friends and food. Lots of food! Of course, her lunches are very different from everyone else's. She doesn't just have a simple white bread sandwich, but a large lunchbox full of pastries, figs, and assorted dips enough to share with everyone.
1019851	Mic drop: A high rise mystery Jackson, Sharna	Knopf Publishing Group	2024	9781913311032	Nic and Norva are back to solve the mystery death of pop star Trojkat. Can they solve the mystery before the police? Fast paced and full of twists and turns!
14977	Michael O'Loughlin: inside the Sydney Swans (An Indij sport report) Hall, Tammy & others	Indij Readers	2004	9780975686058	Two students and a teacher from Doonside Technology High school interview the talented AFL player, Michael O'Loughlin, who plays for the Sydney Swans.

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ID   777925	Michaela Mason's big list of 22 worries Moses, Alexa	Scholastic Australia	2021	9781743838754	I've been making lists ever since I could write. It relaxes me. By writing my worries down, I feel as if I'm removing them from my mind and leaving them on the paper. My secret worry list is the big boss of lists. Right now, there are 23 worries on it. New school. New Town. 23 worries.
849498	Michaela Mason's big list of camp worries Moses, Alexa	Scholastic Australia	2021	9781743838761	A heartwarming story about a year 5 student who suffers from major anxieties. She is about to embark on the stage 3 camp of a lifetime but could think of nothing worse. She has created a BIG LIST of all the reasons why she should not attend. If that isn't enough, there is a drought in their hometown and Michaela is desperately encouraging everyone to save water. What if it never rains again? What if the town runs out of water and they won't be able to shower or wash their hands anymore? What if there are spiders at camp? What if an escaped prisoner breaks into camp? There are so many what ifs in life - how is Michaela Mason ever going to relax and enjoy life? Making lists is one way to help Michaela deal with so many challenges.
4394	Midnight club, The Howes, Jim & Hurst, Elise (ill)	JoJo Publishing	2007	9780977530496	The animals at The Lort Smith Animal Hospital meet every other midnight to share their stories. From little Dave, the puppy, to Gus, the guinea pig, the chosen animals tell of their own misadventures and share tales such as the story of the purposeful guinea pig, the courageous turtle and the trustworthy snake. The Lort Smith Animal Hospital and Dave are real.
3752	Midnight gang, The Walliams, David & Ross, Tony (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2016	9780008188573	Tom is hit on the head by a cricket ball at boarding school and is promptly sent to hospital to recover from his injury. While there, he becomes involved with the adventures of The Midnight Gang, a gang of patients from the children's ward, who are under the strict control of the hospital's evil, children hating Matron and scarily deformed porter. Will the Midnight Gang accept Tom into the group and can they outsmart the wicked Matron and make all the gang's wildest dreams come true?
257	Midnite: the story of a wild, colonial boy Stow, Randolph	Puffin Australia	1970	9780140304213	This is the story of a bushranger in Western Australia who has four comical animal friends.
1261591	Midwatch, The Rossell, Judith	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761212369	Banished to the Midwatch Institute for Orphans, Runaways and Unwanted Girls, Maggie Fishbone is certain she is in for a life of drudgery. But, she quickly discovers that there's more to Midwatch than meets the eyeMaggie is thrust into adventures and mysteries that she must solve.

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ID 9261	Mighty Greek myth raps Mitton, Tony	Watts Publishing Group	2002	9781841218113	A humorous anthology of poetry including poems on Odysseus in Greek mythology.
23768	Mighty Jack and the Goblin King Hatke, Ben	Roaring Book Press	2017	9781626722668	When Jack's sister Maddy is carried off through a portal by an evil Ogre Jack and Lilly must pull all stops to find her and bring her back home And they do. But what is waiting for them on the other side of the doorway between worlds is an escapade they may not be ready for. Get ready for a goblin, rat, giant and dragon filled adventure between worlds with magic beanstalks and non-stop action that will keep readers on the edge of their seats right until the last page.
751016	Migrants Wantanabe, Issa (ill)	Gecko Press	2020	9781776573134	A wordless picture book soaked in symbolism that shows the hardship, endurance and cost of forced migration. Migrants grapples with difficult themes that are left open ended to invite the reader to draw their own conclusions. Bright, detailed illustrations show the hope and courage of each individual character and why they take such a journey.
12692	Migration to Australia: Refugees Day, William	Redback Publishing	2017	9781925630114	Find out about Australia's responses to people arriving as refugees, from colonial times up until the present. Read about the contributions refugees have made to Australia and the challenges they have faced.
642930	Mika and Max Bloom, Laura	Walker Books	2019	9781760651145	Mika doesn't want to go away with her family for the weekend. It's lucky she does, though, because otherwise she never would have met Max, or stayed with him on the Magic Bus, or sung in public for the first time, or made a game-changing phone call, or swum through shark-infested waters, or discovered The Meaning of Life! And all on the one special day
855841	Mikki and me and the out-of-tune tree Roberts, Marion	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760526795	Eleven-year-old Alberta Bracken is having a terrible summer. Her broken arm means she can't go boogie boarding at the local beath. Her friends are acting weird, and her little sister, Clementine, is being extremely annoying. So when budding filmmaker Mikki Watanabe invites Alberta to make nature documentaries about the private life of trees, Alberta is ready for action! But then they uncover the fate of their beloved pine grove and wonderhow do a couple of eleven-year-olds save a forest before it's too late?
37155	Mill girl, a Victorian girl's diary 1842-1843 Reid, Sue	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407103730	Eliza is shocked when she is sent to the Manchester cotton mills in 1842. The mill is noisy and suffocating, the work is backbreaking and dangerous and the workers are wrecked by poverty, sickness and unrest. Eliza realises she must fight to escape the fate of a mill girl and the miseries of the factory.

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ID  1209724		HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780008710682	Gertrude, Eugenia, and Dee-Dee simply don't belong - not in their town, their adopted family, or their etiquette school. A mysterious invitation from the infamous Millicent Quibb holds the potential to change everything. Will they experience belonging? Will they practice mad science? What life changing adventures lie ahead?
959176		HarperCollins Australia	2023	9781460716090	Nine-year-old Millie Mak has discovered she has a superpower! Using everyday objects, Millie turns them into something beautiful. Through her creativity and clever thinking, Millie also deals with different friendships, tricky family challenges and learning about her world. There are detailed instructions at the back of the book so you can make the special objects Millie creates, and best of all, nothing needs to be bought!
1209699	Millie Mak the mender Pung, Alice & Ng, Sher Rill (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2024	9781460763797	Millie Mak has a superpower. She can make handy and beautiful things from items she finds at home. In story one, Millie is visiting the Aged Care Home where her mother works. She decides to make hats for the residents to cheer them up. When the whole school decides to join in, Millie finds she needs to be more than just a mender of things, but a mender of friendships too. In the second story, Millie finds her skills recognised by a TV show. As Millie and her friends get ready for the recording, they have to work out how to stay true to themselves. Look in the back to find patterns for some of the projects in the book and make them yourself.
15356	Millions Boyce, Frank Cottrell	MacMillan	2004	9780330433310	When a bag full of money drops out of the sky, Damien and Anthony find they are very, very rich. Suddenly, the brothers can buy anything they want except for the one thing they really need. Winner of 2005 Carnegie Medal.
7185	Milo and the restart button Silberberg, Alan	Simon & Schuster	2011	9780857071903	Starting over is like pressing the reset button on a game that makes you lose all your points and wipes out any of the good stuff you've spent hundreds of hours learning. Surviving the year is all Milo has to do. Start to finish in one whole piece. But, it's not just a new school he's dealing with. It's a new house, a new neighbourhood, a whole new life. And, it's one without his mum in it.
20875		Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2010	9781864719949	When grief strikes, you need an ally. For Mimi, that ally is Ableth, the wildly disobedient blue slave. He comes, he goes, he says and does whatever he likes, but he's always there when Mimi needs him most, offering his own brand of crooked wisdom.

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ID 1227725	Minecraft Ironsword Academy: It's now or nether Zane Huett, Caleb & Batson, Alan & Hill, Chris	Farshore	2025	9780008680688	Eek journeys into the Nether alone, and Ash has to go after him. Piglins and Hoglins at every turn make survival seem unlikely! Meanwhile, Po, Harper and their fellow students at Ironsword Academy get into deep trouble with Principal Ferris when they wage a friendly sword fight in the cafeteria. Now they will have to spend the afternoon doing chores around the school instead of playing Minecraft. Will they get done in time to save Eek and Ash?
1151645	Minecraft Ironsword Academy: Ready set respawn Zane Huett, Caleb & Batson, Alan & Hill, Chris	Farshore	2024	9780008666330	After a storm Woodsword Middle school was to be rebuilt and in the meantime students had to attend Ironsword Academy. The Head teacher Mr Ferris is going to pull the plug on the old server which the Minecraft gamers were worried would make things go wrong in their game. Eek is to journey through the game to the end in less than 5 days, will he let us help him and what do we need to get to the end, if the Evoker Kid is trapped in the game we need to protect him too.
	Minecraft series Mojang				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
855796	Ming & Flo fight for the future French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2022	9781460760208	Twelve-year-old Ming Qong is convinced that girls must have changed the world, even if they are rarely mentioned in history books.  So when Ming gets the chance to go back in time, she imagines herself changing destinies from a glittering palace or an explorer's ship. Instead, she ends up in Australia in 1898, living a tough life as Flo Watson on a drought-stricken farm.  Luckily, Ming is rescued by Flo's Aunt McTavish. Wealthy Aunt McTavish belongs to Louisa Lawson's Suffragist Society, who are desperately and courageously fighting for women's rights. And Ming is determined to get involved, to make a difference.

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ID   959188	Ming & Hilde lead a revolution French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2023		Ming Qong is convinced that girls have changed history throughout the world. She has faced danger and adventure when Herstory sent her to the past to witness girls' bravery in the incredible feats left out of histories'. Now Ming asks Herstory for another time travelling quest. Ming finds herself in relative luxury, heading to an unknown destination on a ship carrying royal Saxon sheep, travelling with the girls who care for them.  What do female shepherds have to do with history? Is it even possible for sheep to be royal?  As Ming knows only too well, change is never easy. So how can one girl and a sheep change the world?
1292412	Ming & Maria explore the universe French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2025		Ming has travelled through history to meet girls who have changed the world. However, this time is different as Herstory, History's sister, promises to reveal to Ming something of her own past: her long-lost mother. When Ming washes up on the icy shores of Nantucket Island in 1836 she is saved by the elderly Mrs Sloe and the wealthy Miss Reynolds, but there is no sign of a woman who might be her mother. The island is home to Maria Mitchell, who at seventeen has already published her first papers on astronomy and will go on to inspire scientists around the world for generations to come. Maria's future holds extraordinary promise and fame. But what about Ming? And who is her mother? In this final book in the Girls Who Changed the World series, Ming Qong discovers who she is, and how she, too, will change the world.
895461	Ming & Marie spy for freedom French, Jackie	HarperCollins Australia	2022		Ming Qong is convinced that girls have changed the world throughout history. So when Ming is thrust back in time to Belgium during WW1, she faces a tough choice: will she send coded messages and risk her own life in this war on which the future depends? As Ming learns, change is never easy, so how can one girl change the world?
12424	Minnie and the super guys Godwin, Jane	Puffin Australia	2004		Eleven year old Minnie has no intention of allowing three little troublemakers into her life. But they come anyway, uninvited and unannounced, expecting something from Minnie that she can't possible give.

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ID	Minutes of danger series Heath, Jack				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
18418	Miraculous journey of Edward Tulane, The DiCamillo, Kate & Ibatoulline, Bagram (ill)	Candlewick Press	2006	9780763625894	Edward Tulane, a cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit, loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who adores him. He travels across the country, acquiring new owners and learning some valuable lessons.
1076338	Miraculous sweetmakers, The: The frost fair Hastings, Natasha & Smith, Alex T (ill)	Hachette Children's Books	2023	9780008496067	The Great Frost of 1683 has London in its grip. Thomasina sells sweets on the frozen Thames, and soon hears of rumours of the Other Frost Fair that appears there at night. It is said that if you find the Fair, Father Winter himself will grant you a wish. Thomasina has an impossible wish: the return of her twin brother, Arthur. Thomasina and her new friend Anne soon discover that the Other Frost Fair is not fair at all, and that some wishes never come for free.
28763	Mirror Baker, Jeannie	Walker Books	2010	9781406309140	This innovative picture book is two stories designed to be read simultaneously. We experience a day in the lives of two boys and their families - one from inner city Sydney, Australia and the other from a small, remote village in Morocco, North Africa.
6179	Misfits Calonita, Jen	Sourcebooks Inc	2018	9781492651284	Devinaria dreams of becoming the best creature caretaker in the kingdom of Enchantasia. She can communicate with animals and they already seek her out for help. There is one problem: Devin is twelfth in line for the throne and her invitation to go to the Royal Academy has just arrived, but Devin isn't interested. She really doesn't want to be there, but she has special gifts and is even taken to school in a pumpkin carriage. Will she get along with her roommates? Will she wear her velvet gown? Most importantly, will she follow the rules or search deeper into the mysteries of the Royal Academy?
1019782	Miss Penny Dreadful & the mermaid's locks Rushby, Allison & Marando, Bronte Rose (ill)	Walker Books	2023	9781760655747	Penny and her Aunt Harriet, a writer of penny dreadfuls for the newspapers, explore the mysterious Mermaid of the Thames.  Meanwhile another cryptic postcard arrives from Penny's missing parents. Nothing is as it seems. Will she be able to piece together all the clues?

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ID   886445	Miss Penny Dreadful & the midnight kittens Rushby, Allison & Marando, Bronte Rose (ill)		2022	9781760654030	Penny Pickering is a creative girl with an imaginative, fanciful mind which doesn't quite fit her school for enquiring minds. When her Aunt, a famous authoress, turns up at her school to whisk her away on an adventure, it is like a dream come true for Penny. Penny and her Aunt are fascinated by a group of bewitched kittens who have tea parties, but not all is as it seems.
36943	Miss Understood Roy, James	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2012		Lizzie is in trouble again. This time it was bad enough to get her expelled from school. Lizzie never sets out to make trouble but seems to find it without trying. She is willing to try her hardest to show she is worthy of returning to schools and knows that it will take a lot to prove this to her school principal.
30857	Missile mouse: the star crusher Parker, Jake	Scholastic US	2010	9780545117159	Well-illustrated, sophisticated comic or simplistic graphic novel, in which Missile Mouse, risk taker and rule-breaking, secret agent for the Galctic Security Agency, takes on his sworn enemies at RIP. They use diabolical gadgets, violent weapons and every sneaky trick possible to save or destroy the universe.
	Mission Survival series Grylls, Bear				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
68733	Mission Telemark Mitchison, Amanda	Walker Books	2010	9781406311044	In 1942, four teenagers, trained as Special Operations Agents, are sent deep into Nazi-occupied Norway. Their mission is a dangerous act of sabotage to prevent the Nazis from making the atomic bomb. If they succeed, they must survive for weeks in the frozen wilderness. But, if they fail, Europe faces destruction.
885977	Mission total resilience Middleton, Ant	Farshore	2022	9780755503810	Ant Middleton shares his top tips and tricks for building resilience whilst providing practical exercises for important life lessons for young adults.
6478	Mister Cassowary Wheeler, Samantha	University of Queensland Press	2015		City boy, Flynn, goes to Mission Beach with his Dad to prepare Grandad Barney's banana farm for sale. Flynn has never been north before, even when his Grandad was alive. When Flynn meets local girl, Abby, and finds two lost baby cassowaries, he is determined to find out about Grandad's mysterious death, and why his Dad refuses to talk about. And, he wants to know why his Dad is so scared of cassowaries.

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6040	Mobile phone detective, The Moloney, James	Penguin Books Australia	2010	9780143304838	Renton is visiting his dad in France and everything is brilliant until they stumble across a suspicious meeting by the beach. When his father disappears, it's up to Renton to save the day even though he doesn't speak French and can't drive. Luckily, Renton has his mobile phone.
8675	Molly and Pim and the millions of stars Murray, Martine	Text Publishing Co	2015	9781925240085	Molly has a strange life. At dawn, her mama collects herbs and makes potions, and her house feels like a gypsy caravan. Molly wishes she could be more like her best friend, Ellen, who has a normal life. But, she is also drawn to Pim, who is inquisitive and odd and a little bit frightening. When Molly's mama makes a potion that has a wild and shocking effect, Molly and Pim look for a way to make things right.
1987	Monkey and me Gilman, David	Penguin	2014	9780143308232	Beanie, nicknamed due to hair loss during leukaemia treatment, is a normal, intelligent almost ten year old, getting up to mischief with the best of them. When Beanie, with his older brother's gang, explores the derelict Black Gate, an overhead thumping spooks them. Beanie discovers the cause - a chimpanzee. With the gang's help, in particular their new deaf, signing female member, he attempts to hide Malcolm with hilarious consequences.
8118	Monkey come home Gallate, Bernard	ABC Books	2007	9780733320996	When Avery finds Earl, the monkey, he hides him in his room. His parents are surprised at how much fruit Avery is eating and his mother thinks he needs deodorant. Avery must help Eric before he is discovered by the wrong people.
5409	Monkey hill gold Bernard, Patricia	Cool Dude Books	1992	9781862911338	A miner from the 1860s and his nine year old companion find themselves in contemporary Sydney after their mining blast coincides with 20th century excavation.
29836	Monsters Fienberg, Anna & Gamble, Kim & Axelsen, Stephen (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2018	9781760293369	Tildy knows there are monsters - lolling on her cushions, reading her books, hiding under her bed. They're everywhere! So why can nobody else see them? They make Tildy monstrously miserable, until the new boy comes to school. Hendrik knows there are monsters too, and he knows exactly what to do about them.
129371	Moon bear rescue Dale, Kim	Lothian Books	2006	9780734409386	A village opts to send a lost bear cub to a rescue sanctuary rather than sell it to a bear farm, where it would have died of chronic infections after being ""milked"" of bile for Chinese medicines, the plight of Asiatic black bears in Southern China.

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1D 1209924	Moonboy Ciddor, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025	9781761180743	An engaging time slip novel featuring a present day girl who slips back in time to the exciting days of the first moon landing. Letty is almost 11 and is not happy about having to spend her school holidays with her Nan and visiting her Grandpa, who has dementia and lives in a nursing home. But when a boy named Keith pops up from nowhere in Letty's bedroom, accusing her of invading his room, Letty is astonished. But things become even stranger when she realises she is able to slip back and forth in time. As Keith and Letty share the thrill and excitement of the first astronauts landing on the moon, Letty realises her trips to the past have the power to change history. But what if something she says or does causes a disaster, or messes up the moon landing?
3323	Mort Chatterton, Martin	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2012	9781742753157	By a quirk of DNA and luck, Mortimer De Vere and his family live for millennia. It has its advantages, even when you've lived for ten thousand years longer than the average ten year old. When unwelcome visitors arrive, Mort and his sister have to deal with some of the stranger hobbies they've tried to keep secret from one another and the outside world. Today, might be one of the most eventful in Mort's very long life.
855	Mortal combat: time's running out Chatterton, Martin	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2012	9781742753164	Mort, a mere 10 000 year old boy is on a time-travel adventure and causing chaos as he hurtles through history in his Retro, from World War II to the time of dinosaurs, Vikings and Spanish galleons, having ignored the warnings of his cloned friend Oppy about the possibility of causing a catastrophic rift in time.
35796	Mortified Chatterton, Martin	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742758886	Mortimer DeVere and his sister Agnetha are 10 000 years old and desperate to avoid school. They use a time traveling machine to flee from the strict teacher who would enslave them. As they travel through time and other lands they meet historical figures who are all eccentric. How are they going to navigate between crocodiles, zombies, weird authors and Queen Victoria.
	Mosquito Advertising series Hunter, Kate				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
18377	Mosquito bite Siy, Alexandra & Kunkel, Dennis (ill)	Charlesbridge Publishing	2005		As children play hide-and-seek on a hot summer night, a mosquito, Culex, hides and seeks as well. She must find foodblood to nourish the eggs in her body. Full of facts and interesting pictures.

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ID  1209849	Most haunted castles Fielding, Yvette & Shaw, Hannah (ill)	Andersen Press Ltd	2024	9781839134838	Discover the spooky histories of real-life places in this chilling non-fiction series.
					Ghost hunter Yvette Fielding has been investigating spooky places for over 20 years. This time she is uncovering the ghostly histories of Britain's castles. From Oxford Castle to Bamburgh, these castles are filled with hauntings and spooky histories, brought to life by Yvette and the Most Haunted team's investigations. Dare to discover poltergeist and paranormal activity including the ghost of Anne Boleyn, dastardly poisoners and even Vlad the Impaler!
35554	Most important thing, The: Stories about sons, fathers and grandfathers Wortis, Avi & Wilkins, Sarah (ill)	Walker Books	2017	9781925381634	In this compellingly honest collection of stories, Avi introduces seven boys seeking acceptance, guidance, or just someone to look up to. Luke sees the ghost of his father. Paul takes a camping trip with the grandfather he's just met. And Ryan has some surprising questions for his potential stepfather. Each story shines a different light on the question, 'What's the most important thing a father can do for his son?'
43423	Most magical girl, A Foxlee, Karen & MacKay, Elly (ill)	Knopf Publishing Group	2016	9780553512861	In 1867 London, twelve year old Annabel Grey is primed for a life as a proper young lady. But, when she is placed in the care of two ageing great aunts who run a magic shop, Annabel is thrust into a world of potions, broomsticks, wands and wizards. Evil Mr Angel and his terrifying dark magic extracting machine want to put an end to good magic for ever. The wizards have dreamt of Annabel, the most magical girl, to save London. But, Annabel doesn't even believe in magic or understand the strange powers inside her.
23491	Most marvellous spelling bee mystery, The Abela, Deborah	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2017	9780143786689	India Wimple won the Stupendously Spectacular Spelling Bee and is now invited to London for an international spelling showdown. The town of Yungabilla join forces to help her and her family travel to London. India and her family are invited to Buckingham Palace and she meets old friends and new spellers. When some mysterious incidents threaten to jeopardise the finals, the group sets out to discover who is involved and why.
659105	Most ungrateful girl in the world, The James, Petra & Zabel, Anna (ill)	Penguin	2019	9780143793670	Izzy Winkle has to learn to be rude, really rude. It's the only way she can win the Most Ungrateful girl in the world competition and save the world. Sounds easy, but Izzy's grandmother teaches manners, and insists children use them. Will Izzy be able to break the habits her Grandmother has taught her?

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1D 15430	Mostly true story of Matthew and Trim Golds, Cassandra & Axelsen, Stephen (ill)	Penguin	2005	9780143302179	Mostly true account of the tragic but inspiring life of Matthew Flinders and his cat, Trim. They relate their adventures, as they map and explore Australia, and their eventful return to England. Graphic novel.
2194	Motormouth Clark, Sherryl	Puffin Australia	2010	9780143304432	Since Chris lost his best mate, Dave, cars are all he really cares about. Then Josh Carter moves to town. His dad is a famous racing car driver and everyone wants to be Josh's friend. But as Chris soon discovers, Josh is a bit of a motormouth, and that's where the trouble begins.
12949	Mountain biking: extreme sports Osborne, lan	Raintree	2003		One of a series of books about extreme sports. With action photographs, diagrams and a glossary of terms, this book tells you about the history, the clothing and equipment, and basic techniques of mountain biking.
12947	Mountains: extreme sports Chapman, Garry	Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2001		One of a series of books about extreme sports. With action photographs, extreme facts, mountain jargon and a glossary of terms, this book tells you all you've ever wanted to know about climbing mountains.
262	Mouse and his child, The Hoban, Russell	Faber & Faber	2000	9780571202225	Here is a sweet tale about a pair of wind up mechanical mice, a father and son, who embark on a quest to become self-winding.
1836	Mouse bird snake wolf Almond, David & McKean, Dave (ill)	Walker Books	2013	9781406322897	In a safe and calm world, three children conjure, from twigs and leaves and stones, a mousy thing, a chirpy thing, and a twisty legless thing. But as the children's ideas grow bolder, the power of their visions proves greater and more dangerous than they, or the gods, could ever have imagined.
	Mr Bambuckle's remarkables series Harris, Tim & Hart, James (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
8159	Mr Bean's definitive and extremely marvellous guide to France Driscol, Robin & Hease, Tony	Bloomsbury	2007	9780747589570	Mr Bean gives advice on preparing for an overseas trip in the format of a scrapbook recording his trip to France. He provides advice on how to enjoy French food and art and even suggestions on how to mix important things together.
	Mr Gum series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID 35877	Mr Stink Walliams, David & Blake, QUentin (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2010	9780007279067	Chloe is a lonely girl who has a difficult family life and a hard time at school. She meets the local tramp Mr Stink and befriends him. He is the one of the few people who have ever been nice to her. So when it gets cold and Mr Stink needs a warm place to stay, Chloe invites him to live in the garden shed unbeknownst to her parents. Chloe soon discovers that secrets are not so easily kept and have a way of leading to disaster!
2886	Mrs Whitlam Pascoe, Bruce & Gibbs, Tracey (ill)	Magabala Books	2016	9781925360240	Marnie Clark adores horses and helps out at the local riding stables. She dreams of owning a horse but her Dad is out of work and the family is very poor. Through sad circumstances, Marnie is gifted Mrs Margaret Whitlam, a beautiful Clydesdale, who is bold, fearless and able to jump anything. From the very first ride, Marnie and Maggie get more adventure than they bargained for. Soon, Marnie is learning to negotiate newfound friendships, the pony club and how to stand up for what she believes in.
2907	Muhammad Ali: the greatest Hook, Jason	Hodder & Stoughton	2000	9780750228190	Boxer, Muhammad Ali, is a symbol of courage and conviction, who had a great impact on the 20th century. His life is presented in a very appealing magazine style layout, using photos, text boxes and lots of great Ali guotes.
31113	Mulberry tree, The Rushby, Allison	Walker Books	2018	9781760650292	As soon as she saw the adorable thatched cottage Immy felt it calling deep within her. The house was perfect but it was the ancient, dark, fierce-looking mulberry tree standing outside in the garden that was drawing her in. There was a mystery in this house. The current owners refused to live there until their daughter had celebrated her eleventh birthday and the agent was reluctant to lease it to Immy's family. How could she convince her parents to move in? Escaping the cloud of problems that had haunted their life in Australia had they come to a whole set of new ones in the tiny village in Cambridgeshire, England? Would Immy, soon to be eleven, be safe in this house knowing the legend of the girls who went missing on the eve of their eleventh birthdays? How was the mulberry tree responsible for their disappearance? Would her family ever be whole again?
2979	Mulga Bill's bicycle Paterson, A B (Banjo) & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	ABC Books	2005	9780733316524	A classic collection of humorous Australian poems.
5475	Mummy monster game, The Pond, Roy	Scholastic Australia	1993	9781862911765	Josh, Amy and Harry are consumed by a computer game and become trapped in a terrifying adventure. They must use their wits to escape.

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ID   25771	My Australian story: A marathon of her own Savvides, Irini	Scholastic Australia	2013	9781741699043	Times are tough in Crete and Sophia's father has decided to make a fresh start in Melbourne. Sophia struggles to learn English and to get used to the strange new customs. No matter how hard she tries, no-one at school wants to make friends with a foreigner. Then, her talent for running starts to make a difference. With Olympic fever gripping Melbourne, Sophia's courage and determination is rewarded in unexpected ways, and the 1956 Olympic Games surprises everyone.
32104	My Australian story: Archer's Melbourne Cup, The diary of Robby Jenkins, Terara, NSW, 1860-1861 Farrer, Vashti	Scholastic Australia	2007	9781865049410	It is 1861 and a major horse race, the Melbourne Cup, is about to be run for the first time. Thirteen year old Robby Jenkins is working as a stable hand and is convinced that his favourite horse, Archer, can win. This is Robby's diary about his love of horses, life at the stables and his dreams to become a top jockey.
30792	My Australian story: Atomic testing, The diary of Anthony Brown, Woomera 1953 Tucker, Alan	Scholastic Australia	2009	9781741692174	Anthony and his family move to Woomera for his father's job in the army. His mother cares for Anthony as he recovers from polio. At school, one of Anthony's friends has photos of the rockets at the Woomera munitions base. When a small business arises for the boys, the townspeople become suspicious of Anthony and the police become involved.
3011	My Australian story: Bridging Sydney Farrer, Vashti	Scholastic Australia	2012	9781741699531	It's 1932 and Sydney has hit hard times during the Great Depression. But, the construction of a bridge that will reach across the harbour is setting spirits soaring. Alice and Billy, whose fathers are working on the bridge, tell the story, through their diaries, of building the spectacular Harbour Bridge, which will unify a separated city from the north shore to the working class suburbs of the south.
6772	My Australian story: bushfire Murphy, Sally	Scholastic Australia	2019	9781742994307	Amy loves to read about real life heroes. When she is faced with a life threatening situation at her Gran's house, her understanding of what it takes to be a hero might just save her life, and her Gran's. Summer in Australia means bushfires, and when Amy and her Gran are faced with a bushfire far too close for comfort, Amy knows just what to do.
2451	My Australian story: Convict girl Michaels, Chrissie	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743620151	Mary Beckwith has been sent to the penal colony at Port Jackson, transported with her mother, having stolen some fabric. She describes the hardships endured as well as the growth of the settlement and meeting the indigenous inhabitants. Her story is unlike most others as she joins Nicolas Baudin, the French scientific explorer, as he explores New Holland's coastline in direct competition with Matthew Flinders.

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1D 46962	My Australian story: Escape from Cockatoo Island Poshoglian, Yvette	Scholastic Australia	2013	9781742832456	It is 1879 and life in the Biloela Industrial School is tough for eleven year old Olivia Markham. Her windswept days are filled with sewing, washing and avoiding the girls from the Reformatory School. Sydney is rapidly growing and modernising but Olivia can only imagine what life is like beyond the shores of Cockatoo Island. She dreams of freedom, friendship and, above all, family.
15442	My Australian story: Flying ace, Jack Fairfax, Royal Flying Corps, 1915-1918 Eldridge, Jim	Scholastic Australia	2003	9780439977371	An insight into the world of Jack Fairfax, a nineteen year old fighter pilot in World War 1. Jack takes to the skies and faces the skill of the German ace pilots over the Somme.
9288	My Australian story: Hunt for Ned Kelly, The Masson, Sophie	Scholastic Australia	2010	9781741695649	Jamie and Ellen Ross are alone in the world after the death of their father. Determined to make their fortune, they head to Beechworth, straight into the midst of the search for Ned Kelly, the most notorious bushranger of all time. There are two views of Ned Kelly, a hero wronged by the police or a cold-blooded murderer.
51036	My Australian story: My father's war Masson, Sophie	Scholastic Australia	2011	9781741698282	Marie's dad has been away for two years, fighting on the Somme battlefields in northern France. There hasn't been any word from him for months, no letters or postcards. Marie and her mother decide to travel to France, to try and find out what has happened to him. Marie experiences first-hand what war is like, as she tries to piece together the clues behind her dad's disappearance.
17687	My Australian story: New gold mountain, The diary of Shu Cheong, Lambing Flat, New South Wales, 1860-1861 Cheng, Christopher W	Scholastic Australia	2005	9781865048512	Shu Cheong, with his father and uncle, sets off on the arduous journey to Australia's goldfields, hoping to bring back wealth for their village. But, following their deaths, Shu cannot return home without his father's body so must stay in Australia alone. Relations between the European miners and Chinese are tense and violent attacks against the Chinese are common.
16093	My Australian story: Our Don Bradman, The diary of Victor McDonald, Sydney, 1932 Allen, Peter	Scholastic Australia	2004	9781865045917	Like many Australian boys in the 1930s, Victor McDonald is cricket mad. Life is hard during the Great Depression, Victor's father has lost his job and the family is moving to Sydney. Victor keeps a diary that includes his meeting with Don Bradman.
15128	My Australian story: Our enemy, my friend, The diary of Emma Sheldrake, Adelaide Hills, 1915 Blackman, Jenny	Scholastic Australia	2005	9781865045269	Told in diary form by a young girl in an Australian village. It is 1915 and Australia is involved in World War 1. Emma writes of the perils and difficulties of wartime and the hatred against the German settlers in the area.

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1D 4189	My Australian story: Our race for reconciliation Heiss, Anita	Scholastic Australia	2017	9781760276119	It's 2000 and the Olympics are going to be held in Australia. In a year of surprises, enthusiastic runner Mel finds out that her hero Cathy Freeman is coming to talk at her school, and her family is heading to Sydney! It becomes an unforgettable journey to Corroboree 2000, bringing together all Australians as they march and sing to celebrate Australia's Indigenous heritage, and to acknowledge past wrongs.
63454	My Australian story: Outback, The diary of Jimmy Porter, Central Australia, 1927-1928 Harris, Christine	Scholastic Australia	2005	9781865048505	Jimmy Porter has moved to central Australia, to the middle of nowhere, to live with his uncle's family who are three days walk from the nearest neighbour. Life in the outback in 1927 is tough but people cope and Jimmy learns to adjust. When disaster strikes, Jimmy and his cousins must get help. This is Jimmy's diary, which tells how he adjusts, about the characters he meets and his experiences.
14839	My Australian story: Riding with Thunderbolt, The diary of Ben Cross Baillie, Allan		2004		Life on the run with Captain Thunderbolt, famous Australian bushranger. Based on true story of young Ben Cross and the historical figures that he meets. Although his life is exciting, Ben reflects on the ethics of the choices he has made.
7554	My Australian story: The bombing of Darwin, The diary of Tom Taylor, 1942 Tucker, Alan	Scholastic Australia	2002	9781865043630	Strong family and community ties are tested in this fictionalised account of the days prior to the bombing of Darwin.
26045		Scholastic Australia	2010		Prior to the 1930 Melbourne Cup horse race, an attempt was made to kill Phar Lap, the horse who won the race. Eleven year old Sally Fieldling's father is investigating and she documents the case, or what she learns of it, in her diary.
3740	My Australian story: Vietnam Challinor, Deborah	Scholastic Australia	2015	9781743628003	It's 1969, many social changes are underway and man is headed for the moon. Twelve year old Davey lives to surf with his older brother, Tom, and listen to the latest hits. His cherished goal is to win the inaugural Under-14 Surf Championship with his best friends, Johnno and Pete. But, when Tom is drafted into the army and sent to Vietnam, everything changes and the far-away war creates waves very close to home.
23911	My brilliant body with the gross bits left in MacDonald, Guy	Buster Books	2008	9781905158911	This book tells you everything you need to know about your body from head to toe plus things you probably don't want to know. Find out about the inner workings of the human body in a very funny way.
30982	My brother Huxley, Dee & Huxley, Oliver (ill) & Huxley, Tiffany (des)	Working Title Press	2016	9781921504853	When a grieving brother sets out to find his lost sibling, his quest takes him on an ethereal journey across land and sea. He visits fantastic, floating cities and medieval towns, vast open grasslands and eerie, silent forests. Eventually, he arrives in place of timeless beauty and light.

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1D   846120	My brother Ben Carnavas, Peter	University of Queensland Press	2021	9780702263330	Luke and his big brother Ben spend the summer on the banks of Cabbage Tree Creek. Quiet Luke sketches birds, while Ben leaps off the Jumping Tree. The boys couldn't be more different but they share the same dream: winning a boat so they can explore the creek properly. Then Ben starts high school and the boys drift apart. When Luke catches Ben sneaking out at night, he knows his brother's up to something, but what? A timeless story of birds and boats and of brotherly love that is bigger than a wedge-tailed eagle, bigger than the sky.
1153323	My brother, Finch Gordon, Kate	Simon & Schuster	2024	9780645869347	How does a family move on when a member suddenly disappears? Can they? Finch and Wren are less than a year apart and they have a strong bond even if Wren sometimes resents her brother for always being the centre of attention. Three years later, Wren is about to start high school but the loss of her brother and the mystery surrounding his disppearance still occupies so much of her time and thoughts. Fortunately, Wren meets a new and mysterious girl in high school who Wren must learn to trust with her family's sad story and her own intense grief if they can be good friends.
33130	My contemporary art book Ryan, Kate & Bennett, Cally (ill)	National Gallery of Victoria	2017	9781925432466	Meet some of today's leading artists and designers from different parts of the world. Read their stories, find out what inspires them and discover the ideas behind their works of art. Each artist has included an art activity for kids to make at school or at home.
14651	My country Mackellar, Dorothea & McLean, Andrew (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2010	9781862917309	The poem, My Country, is widely regarded as the universal statement of why Australians love their country. Stunning watercolour illustrations capture the diversity of the landscape and its colours.
642921	My culture and me Dreise, Gregg	Penguin Books Australia	2019	9780143789376	Feel the rhythm of the music, from your heart down to your feet. Enjoy the movements of melodies, as clapsticks keep a strong beat. This is my culture. This is me.
92409	My dad thinks he's funny Germein, Katrina & Jellett, Tom (ill)	Black Dog Books	2010	9781742031217	My Dad thinks he's funny. Whenever I say, 'I'm hungry', Dad says, 'Hello Hungry. Pleased to meet you.' My Dad thinks he's funny. But he's not. A book for anyone whose dad has made them laugh, or cringe.
903365	My deadly boots Merrison, Carl & Hustler, Hakea & Samantha, Campbell (ill)	Lothian Books	2022	9780734421456	Spikes on the bottom boots, my favourite colour boots, making me too deadly.  Can the shoes on your feet really make you jump higher? Walk taller?  Dream bigger?  A joyous, empowering story about finding confidence within yourself, boots or no boots,

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1D 2578	My dog doesn't like me Fensham, Elizabeth	University of Queensland Press	2014		On his eighth birthday Eric is allowed to choose a puppy from the dog shelter. Ugly, so named because of a comment made by his sister, lives up to all of Eric's expectations for a little while but soon he realises that Ugly wants to be with mum, he is growing rapidly and becoming difficult to control as well as destroying everything he can get his mouth into.
936306	My Father is a Polar Bear Morpurgo, Michael & Sala, Felicita (ill)	Walker Books	2023	9781406365863	Andrew thinks he has seen his long lost father dressed as a polar bear on a show poster. The boys have so many questions and are understandably curious, so they try to find a way to get to the theatre and find out for sure if the polar bear is their dad.
265	My father is not a comedian Dubosarsky, Ursula	Penguin	1999	9780141302089	Claudia gets herself and her father into a predicament and has to help her father get out of it.
12335	My father's boat Garland, Sherry	Scholastic Australia	2002	9780590478687	A Vietnamese-American boy spends a day with his father on his shrimp boat, listening as he describes how his own father fished on the South China Sea. They talk about going back to Vietnam one day.
7422	My friend Flicka O'Hara, Mary	HarperCollins US	2006	9780060512620	Ken is a daydreamer and a disappointment to his demanding father. When Ken finds Flicka, a wild filly, his growing love for the horse helps Ken to grow up and gain self-assurance.
267	My Hiroshima Morimoto, Junko	HarperCollins Australia	1995	9780207188732	Recollections of life before and during World War 2, and the horrific aftermath of the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima. Provides a potent warning of the dangers of nuclear warfare.
32350	My horrible cousins and other stories Alexander, Goldie	Teaching Solutions	2009	9781921454721	The short stories feature girls as the main characters, girls who are strong and resourceful, overcome adversity, solve problems, and are determined and passionate about causes.
51414	My island home Murray, Neil & children from Papunya & Galiwinku (ill) & Hudson Peter (ill)	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2010	9780980564334	Everyone who loves Australia can appreciate the beauty and diversity of our wonderful country, shown through Neil Murray's song lyrics and beautiful landscape illustrations by the school children of the Kintore and Galiwinku communities.
49510	My life as an alphabet Jonsberg, Barry				Candice's home is a bit hard, with her baby sister no longer with them and her parents both depressed. Her only friend, Douglas Benson from Another Dimension, wants to leave and return to the universe he claims he came from. Her penpal is not returning any of her letters and she just doesn't know what to do about her teacher's lazy eye.
268	My life in dog years Paulsen, Gary	Thorndike Press	2000	9780786227402	The author's real life adventures, and the dogs he shared them with, make fascinating and absorbing reading.

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73786	My mother's eyes: the story of a boy soldier Wilson, Mark	Lothian Books	2009	9780734410894	William was only 16 years old when he enlisted for the First World War. Like many other under-age boys at the time, he was accepted into the Australian Imperial Force and sent to the battlefields of France. His letters home from the front reveal how, for the boy soldiers, the 'great adventure' became a tragedy.
8437	My name is Rose Grindley, Sally	Bloomsbury	2011	9781408814024	Rose is a young Romany gypsy girl who travels around Romania and Europe in a caravan with her family. Her life is happy, playing music with extended family and friends, until Rose suddenly finds herself an orphan after a dreadful car accident.
569140	My outback childhood: Growing up in the Territory Tapp Coutts, Toni	Lothian Books	2018	9780734418333	Toni Tapp Coutts was raised on a remote cattle station in the Northern Territory. Her descriptions of life on the land, battling snakes, spiders and goannas as well as the weather will enthrall readers.
1273538	My pet croc Vee, Dani & Faber, Jules (ill)	Larrikin House	2025	9781922804983	Felix Marigold is given an extraordinary pet to look after by his Aunt Opaline (who also happens to be a famous scientist), but it doesn't take him long to discover that Jupiter is a crocodile. With his best friend Autumn and her pet ferret, Felix sets out to save Jupiter and defeat the four evil Caitlins who might just ruin everything.
270	My place Wheatley, Nadia & Rawlins, Donna (ill)	Pearson Education Australia	2000	9780582811072	Using maps, the author traces the history of one special Australian heighbourhood back two hundred years.
9256	My place in space Hirst, Robin & Sally & Harvey, Roland (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			When an arrogant bus driver asks Henry and his sister, Rosie, if they know where they live, Henry tells the driver a good deal more than just his address. He launches into a lengthy and lucid explanation of the solar system, solar neighborhood, galaxy and supercluster to which Earth belongs. A clever blend of fact with fiction in this unusual picture book.
18516	My scary fairy godmother Impey, Rose	Orchard Books	2005	9781843626831	Isabella goes to live with her scary but glamorous cousin, Maxine.  Maxine takes one look at mousy, little Isabella and decides the one thing she needs is a complete makeover.

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1059	My secret war diary by Flossie Albright Williams, Marcia	Walker Books	2008	9781406309409	Flossie is just nine years old when, in 1939, Britain declares war on Germany and her father leaves the family home to join the army. Flossie is left to bring up her baby brother and to face a whole host of new experiences on her own. Her diary becomes an outlet for relaying all the news from at home and abroad.
271	My side of the mountain George, Jean Craighead	Puffin USA	2001	9780141312422	Sam is determined to survive in the woods and keeps a journal to describe the birds and animals with which he learns to live. A tale of the determination and bravery of a city boy who refuses to give in.
14068	My sister has a big black beard & other quirky verses Ball, Duncan & Millard, Kerry (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2009	9780207200892	Sisters with beards, exploding bullies, a nightmare driving test, a girl whisked away by aliens and poor old Uncle Norm who got sucked up in a lightning storm. A collection of quirky, delicious and outrageously funny poems.
69818	My sister Sif Park, Ruth	University of Queensland Press	2009	9780702237010	Fourteen year old Erika and her sister, Sif, are desperately homesick and flee the city to return to their island home. However, they find the locals are frightened by the changes occurring and the cracks forming in their once-perfect home. Erika and her family also feel the threat of the encroaching world. When a young American shell-collector uncovers a long-held family secret, Erika must prevent his revealing it.
13123	My story: Snowy, the diary of Eva Fischer McHugh, Siobhan	Scholastic Australia	2003	9781865045634	Eva Fischer has moved from Sydney to Cabramurra, the highest town in Australia. She is surrounded by people of every nationality, with different languages, food and customs, who have come to work on the Snowy Mountains Scheme.
9763	My story: the trenches, Billy Stevens, the Western Front 1914-1918 Eldridge, Jim	Scholastic Australia	2002	9780439994224	Two sixteen year olds put their ages up to join the Armed Forces and fight in the Great War of 1914-1918. An honest account of the horrors of war in the trenches, particularly sensitive and heartbreaking. Fictitious, with historical notes and photos.
927633	My strange shrinking parents Sworder, Zeno	Thames and Hudson (Australia) Pty Ltd	2022	9781760761233	It goes without saying that we all believe our parents to be strange, but growing up while my parents were shrinking is definitely unusual. A heartbreaking and heart-warming story of the sacrifices parents make for their children.
1212158	Myke Mollard's mini to maxi: Australian creatures from microscopic to monstrous Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press			Through Myke Mollard's rich visual storytelling, Mini to Maxi explores the scale of our natural world. From the microscopic to the monstrous it is delivered with engaging cinematic punch, exciting any child's imagination and fully engaging anyone with a love of nature and science.
15352	Mysteries & marvels of nature (Usborne) Dalby, Elizabeth	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2003	9780746052983	Spectacular animal and plant photographs with interesting information about the wonders of nature.

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1D 9248	Mysteries of Harris Burdick, The Van Allsburg, Chris	Houghton Mifflin	1996	9780395827840	Fantasy black and white illustrations provide inspiration for readers to create stories of their own.
	Mysterious world of Cosentino series Cosentino & Heath, Jack & Hart, James (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
7047	Mystery at Manyallaluk Manyallaluk School	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2015	9780992478063	When all the pawpaws go missing from a pawpaw tree in the school garden, and then all the bananas from the banana trees too, each student at Manyallaluk School has a theory. It has to be the crows! Or could it be wild pigs? Or even an emu? Who or what is stealing fruit from their beautiful garden? How will the mystery be solved?
1122600	Mystery of the forever weekend, The Thompson, Lisa	Scholastic Australia	2024	9780702322648	Life is changing for Cory and he doesn't like it or understand why. A school bully has decided to target Cory and this includes trying to move in on his best friend. He has concerns about his parents and he is struggling in school. All this paused when he finds himself caught in a time loop and his weekend never ends. This might be a case of careful what you wish for.
78662	Mystery of the mummy's mask, The Holper, Paul & Torok, Simon & Axelsen, Stephen (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2007	9780330423373	Zac and Hannah are at the Clairesville Museum when the museum's most exciting exhibit, the gold burial mask of the famous pharaoh, Ramses II, is about to be unveiled. But, the mask has vanished. Follow the clues and the red herrings, collect the evidence and check out the suspects to solve the crime of the missing mask.
15354	Naked bunyip dancing Herrick, Steven	•			Funny and, sometimes, poignant verse novel about the kids in class 6C. They get a new male teacher, a pony-tailed hippy, who helps them put on an end of year concert.
2500	Name at the end of the ladder, The De Roo, Elena	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781922244475	Everyone has to wait until their twelfth birthday for the Name Bank to decide each person's name. Usually, safe botanical names are chosen. September wants a special, unique name and is enticed by spooky Madame Alcina to be able to choose her own name by playing a board game. What she is not told is that, so far, no one has managed to win and some players have not reappeared. Every dice roll leads to danger.

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ID	Nanny Piggins series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
855819	Nano: the spectacular science of the very (very) small Wade, Dr Jess & Castrillon, Melissa (ill)	Walker Books	2021	9781406394603	Everything is made of something but the way we make things, from the materials we use to the science and technology involved, is changing fast. Learn how nanotechnology is the way of the future!
273	Nargun and the stars, The Wrightson, Patricia	Puffin Australia	1988	9780140307801	Simon lives with his cousins in Australia. He sees a star-like creature that moves at night and becomes involved in a life and death struggle.
768239	Nat enough Scrivan, Maria	Scholastic UK	2020	9780702300486	Making friends isn't easy, but losing them is even harder! Natalie has never felt that she's enough - athletic enough, stylish enough, or talented enough. And on the first day of middle school, Natalie discovers that things are worse than she thought - now she's not even cool enough for her best friend, Lily! As Natalie tries to get her best friend back, she learns more about her true self and natural talents. If Natalie can focus on who she is rather than who she isn't, then she just might realize she's more than enough, just the way she is.
	Nathan Nuttboard series Eaton, Anthony				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Natural disasters series Park, Louise				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
43056	Nature explorer Burnie, D & Morgan, B & Walker, R & Woodward, J	Dorling Kindersley	2010	9781405354042	Become an expert nature explorer with fifty easy-to-do activities, which can be done in the park, the garden or at home. From studying bird behaviour to growing crystals, you will discover lots about bugs, birds, rocks, fossils and many other wonders of nature.

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ID 4807	Nature's day Maguire, Kay & Kroll, Danielle (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2015	9781847806086	Discover the world of wildlife on your doorstep. Beginning in spring, this book revisits nine different places, during each of the four seasons, and explores the changing scenery and animal life found there.
909576	Naturopolis Frenkel, Deborah & Bartkowaik, Ingrid (ill)	Storytorch Press	2022	9780645191530	Look closer, look with care and you may find a forest Among the steel and stone canyons of the city, nature flourishes in tiny, tenacious ways.
	Navigators series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2423	Nearly impossible dreams Finn, Tara	Green Olive Press	2013	9780987209993	Tara Finn has always loved books and reading. When she was five, she told everyone she was going to be a writer, and at age ten she has published a collection of over thirty of her poems.
9641	Ned Kelly's helmet Stafford, Paul	Crawford House Publishing	2008	9781863333269	Every month, Mrs Bracker has an historical theme for Years 5 and 6 to study, and there's always a prize for the best project. This month, the class are bushrangers holding up local businesses for donations. The prize is a state-of-the-art billy cart so Robbie and the McGoogly will do anything to win, even trying out some ancient technology to locate a real souvenir of the bushranger period.
12939	Neil Armstrong: first man on the moon Goldsmith, Dr Mike	White-Thomson Publishing Ltd	2001	9780750238854	On 20 July 1969, hundreds of millions of people watched on television as Neil Armstrong stepped onto the powdery surface of the moon. This book provides an insight into his life.
9407	Nellie Melba Irvine, Nance	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	1986	9780340397299	Words and illustrations tell the story of the famous opera singer's life.
	Nelly the monster sitter series Gray, Kes				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
276	Nelson Mandela Connolly, Sean	Heinemann	2000	9780431086361	The life and work of a political activist, his imprisonment and election as the president of South Africa.
979	Nelson Mandela Nelson, Kadir	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780062246363	The text shows the path taken by Nelson Mandela, raised in a small community, to defence lawyer, to public protester, through jail and how he became a great political leader. It traces the change in South Africa from apartheid to free state.

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ID   635013	Nema and the Xenos: A story of soil cycles Wild, Ailsa & Reed, Aviva & Barr, Briony & Crocetti, Gregory & Stock, Patricia, S.	CSIRO	2019	9781486312160	The tale of a tiny worm, the bacteria that live inside her, and a tree being munched on by a grub.  When a tree cries out in pain, some unexpected heroes come to the rescue. Nema and her gang of young nematodes (tiny worms) embark on a dangerous journey underground. The Xenos, a group of wise but deadly bacteria, hitch a ride. The story of how they help the tree is full of action, life-or-death challenges and microscopic warfare. It is a story of co-operation and ancient partnership, about events happening all over the Earth, in the hidden worlds beneath our feet.
26544	Neptunia Alexander, Goldie	Five Senses Publications	2013	9781741308716	Cassie is a great swimmer but has to move to a country town with no swimming pool. But when asked to deliver an important message to the underwater city of Neptunia, Cassie has to use all her strength and skill to survive a marathon swim.
2992	Nerdy dozen, The Miller, Jeff	Harper	2015	9780062272638	Neil Andertol is a heroJust not in real life. In video games, Neil - or as his online friends know him, ManofNeil - is a superstar. He's just one spot away from the top score on Chameleon, the cool new jet-flying game where the plane supposedly goes invisible at the highest level. But while ManofNeil can take out a whole squadron of enemy planes, regular Neil still gets picked on by the class bully. Until now. When Neil mysteriously wakes up at an undisclosed military base along with eleven other kids, he learns that Chameleon isn't just a game - it's the training simulator for a real fighter jet! Now the Air Force needs their help piloting the jets on a top-secret rescue mission. Can Neil put his gaming skills to the ultimate real-life test? Because this time Neil isn't just playing for points - he's playing to save the world!
677623	Never lose hope: The story of Australia's first school Wilson, Mark	Hachette Children's Books	2018	9780734416797	John, a convict child, is transported to the penal colony of NSW. Starving and alone, he is taken in by Australia's first schoolteacher, Isabella Rosson. In her simple classroom, John learns to read and write. He never forgets Isabella's lessons, the power of words and the hope for a brighter future.

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ID   574736	Never too young! 50 unstoppable kids who made a difference Weintraub, Aileen & Horton, Laura (ill)	Sterling Publishing Co	2018	9781454929178	From Picasso, who changed the art world forever, to Malala Yousafzai, the brave teen who was shot for advocating education for girls, the 50 kids profiled in Never Too Young! will inspire and empower young readers. Some, like Anne Frank, Ruby Bridges, and Stevie Wonder, are prominent figures, while others are lesser known though their achievements are just as compelling. They come from a variety of historical periods and backgrounds, and have made an impact in politics, sports, the arts, science, and more.
9235	Neverending story, The Ende, Michael	Penguin	1991	9780140317930	Fantastica is slowly decaying, its childlike empress dying. Only a human can set things right. Unicorns, dragons and sprites inhabit this enchanted world, into which Bastian ventures through the pages of an old book.
904421	Neverlanders Taylor, Tom & Sommariva, Jon (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2022	9781761049071	Bee and her fellow runaways are their own found family. So when a stranger named Paco saves her life, Bee invites him to join their crew, thinking he's another lost teen. Someone else the world has overlooked. The truth is Paco's not just a lost teen, he's a Lost Boy from Neverland. And he needs Bee and the others to come back with him.  When the group is then spirited away by a foul-mouthed Tinker Bell, they discover that Neverland is not some fun-filled hideaway. It's a war zone under siege by a horde of pirates with a merciless new leader who will stop at nothing to steal the land's magic. Tink leads a fairy army that barely holds them at bay. Peter Pan is gone. And rest of the Lost Boys have been killed. Paco is all that remains but he hopes that this group of teens will become the new Lost Ones. These young runaways may be Neverland's only hopebut they're about to learn that it'll take a lot more than happy thoughts to win a war.
660583	Nevertell Orton, Katharine	Walker Books	2019	9781406385182	Sometimes it takes a little courage to discover magic. Eleven-year-old Lina has never seen the world beyond the prison camp until the night she escapes with her best friend, Bogdan. As the pair journey across a snowy Russian wilderness, they are pursued by a vengeful sorceress and her pack of shadow wolves. The children will need a lot of bravery and a little sorcery of their own if they are to survive.
12334	New bjorn England, Kathryn	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734403926	Erik the Viking's father and the entire clan have been kidnapped. But, Erik isn't interested in swinging spiky balls and swords, so it is going to be very difficult for him to save his father from the Dorks and the Jerks.

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ID 9229	New book of the pharaohs, The Millard, Dr Anne	Watts Publishing Group	1998	9780749631789	Using the very latest information and in full colour, Dr Millard takes us through some of the mysteries surrounding the life and death of ancient pharaohs. King Tutankhamen and others are featured in this up-to-date look at ancient Egypt.
4759	New boy Earls, Nick	Puffin Australia	2015		Adjusting to a new country and a new school was never going to be easy for Herschelle. It's so different to South Africa. The food is strange and, worst of all, no one understands the Aussie slang that he's learnt on the web. But, it's the similarities that make things really hard. Herschelle will have to confront racism, bullying and his own past before Australia can feel like home.
660624	New kid Craft, Jerry	HarperCollins Children's Books	2019	9780062691194	As he makes the daily trip from his Washington Heights apartment to the upscale Riverdale Academy Day School, Jordan soon finds himself torn between two worlds and not really fitting into either one. Can Jordan learn to navigate his new school culture while keeping his neighbourhood friends and staying true to himself?
	New Solar System series Birch, Robin				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
5099	New South Wales Tan, Linsie	Redback Publishing	2017	9780994624710	Dip into fascinating facts all about New South Wales. Did you know that there are about 100 plants and animals in NSW that are endangered or that people from over 220 countries live in NSW? Read these and many more interesting facts about NSW in this fascinating book.
15152	Ngay janijirr ngank - this is my word Williams, Magdalene & Torres, Pat (ed)	Magabala Books	1999	9781875641475	Raised in Beagle Bay mission, Magdalene had been exposed to her traditional culture by her elders. Her account of the coming of the missionaries, and the resulting destruction of law and culture, is interwoven with the poetry of Nyulnyul stories.
7088	Nginingawila Ngirramini: Our story Tiwi College Alalinguwi Jarrakarlinga	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2016	9780734417077	Nginingawila Ngirramini - Tiwi language for 'Our Story' - is a celebration of pride and a window into the lives of nine talented, intelligent and funny teenage girls from the Tiwi Islands. In this collection of inspiring pieces, the girls share stories about their heroes, their sacred places and the happiest moments of their lives.

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1D   959171	Nic Blake and the remarkables: The manifestor prophecy Thomas, Angie	Walker Books	2023	9781529516326	All Nic Blake wants for her twelfth birthday is for her dad to trust her enough to teach her how to use her Gift to become a Manifestor like him. But before she has a chance, she's faced with a shocking revelation. Nic and her two friends are thrown into a terrifying quest to find a powerful magical object and save her family.
18699	Nicholas and the chronoporter Monkfish, Rowley	Puffin Australia	2006	9780143302001	One of the many inventions of Nicholas is a belt that lets him travel through time. His teacher sees it as a way to gain world domination. They become locked in an hysterical, time-hopping battle that Nicholas has to win to save the world.
	Nicola Berry series Moriarty, Liane				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
12810	Night of the fifth moon Ciddor, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2007	9781741148145	Ket is desperate to learn the druid's secrets. He can predict the future from the stars, understand the raven's cry and speak words of power that can halt a battle. Five other fosterlings are competing with him to become the chosen one and, at each new moon, one of them is sent away. Friendships are strained as they all try to impress the druid.
772895	Night ride into danger French, Jackie	HarperCollins Australia	2021	9781460758939	Jem's dad drove the Cobb and Co mail coaches between Braidwood and Goulburn, it was dark and dangerous work. They only drove at night, but sometimes Paw let Jem take the reins. This was a difficult job with 5 horses up front and passengers in the carriage. Tonight, was going to be an even more interesting drive - although they didn't know that. Jem was sitting on top of the carriage with his Paw, the mail had been packed, a mystery passenger was on board, an extremely heavy trunk too as well as all sorts of obstacles along the way. What were the secrets the passengers on this particular coach ride hiding?
79289	Night school Carmody, Isobelle & Spudvilas, Anne (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2010	9780670072071	A group of children spend the night in a big old school and go on a chilling journey of self-discovery when they decide to play a game. They must travel from room to room, picking up a lantern and writing down their names to ward off the dark. But, the old school holds a secret that they must confront if they are to succeed in their journey.

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1D 16016	Night they stormed Eureka, The French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2009	9780732285418	It's 1854 and the Ballarat goldfields are a place of dreams and rebellion as Sam, a homeless teenager, is called back to the past. As the summer days get hotter and the miners protests are ignored, Sam experiences at first-hand the power of a united stand which will change her life forever.
1162138	Night War, The Brubaker Bradley, Kimberley	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790637	In 1942 much of France is occupied by the Nazis. Separated from her parents, 12 year old Miri is Jewish and not safe. Entrusted with 2 year old Nora, the girls flee to a small village where Nuns will look after them if they pretend to be Catholic. Miri takes the chance to help others at great risk to herself. Can she forgive herself for those she couldn't save and will she be able to save Nora and herself?
3144	Nimbin, The Wagner, Jenny	Penguin	2001	9780140362978	One summer, Philippa's life is changed forever when she meets a furry, shadowy little creature called a nimbin, who adopts her and takes over her beach bag as its home. A delightful tale about a mythical Australian creature.
1077273	Nina Peanut is amazing Bowie, Sarah	Scholastic UK	2024	9780702329876	Nina Peanut creates amazing videos - so why is it only her nan and best friend Brian who watch them? Surely everyone should be interested in her SERIOUS and NOT-STUPID videos about potatoes with faces? Nina dreams about being as popular as class queen bee Megan Dunne, who films NOT AMAZING AT ALL content of her pampered dog, Princess Trixie Bell. So when Nina's stinky cat Les wanders into one of Megan's videos by accident, and goes viral, Nina and Les are suddenly internet famous! But is overnight stardom as wonderful as Nina always imagined it would be?
650042	No ballet shoes in Syria Bruton, Catherine	Nosy Crow Ltd	2019	9781788004503	Eleven year old Aya has arrived in Britain with her mother and baby brother seeking asylum from Syria. A local ballet teacher notices Aya's talent and her fascination with the dance classes. While Aya finds friends and begins to settle into life in Britain, she and her family must fight for survival and to stay in the country.
885991	No boundaries Fieseler, Clare & Salazar, Gabby	National Geographic Society	2022	9781426371769	25 women, 25 exciting careers and every one is possible if you are willing to dream big and work hard. From mountaineer to astronomer, citizen scientist to volcanologist, enjoy their stories and learn some fun facts about the people, places and creatures of the amazing world we live in.

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1D 2386	No stars to wish on Fraillon, Zana	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743315149	Taken from his home in the middle of the night, Jack is placed in a home for 'Orphans and Unwanted Children.' He loves telling jokes but not many people laugh in the orphanage. There are no names, only numbers on shoes, and Jack has become Number 49. The spirited, ever-optimistic Jack struggles in the loveless, cruel environment and begins to wonder if he will ever return to the family he misses so much.
855848	No way! The wildest mind-blowing facts in the universe Marshall, Dan	Pantera Press	2021	9780648677024	KLAUS (Knowledge Learning and Understanding System) the robot is here to take you on a journey of discovery. With fun facts and challenges to solve, this book of general facts will answer all your questions about space, humans, Earth, science, animals, and maths.
15867	Nobody owns the moon Riddle, Tohby	Penguin	2008	9780670071609	Clive Prendergast is a fox with a regular job and a place to call home in a busy city. His friend, Humphrey, is a struggling donkey with no fixed address. Life in the city isn't easy but a special-looking, blue envelope is about to change everything, at least for one night.
7001	Nobody's boy Bates, Dianne	Celapene Press	2012	9780987255600	Ron's family is broken. He isn't able to live with his mum or dad. Now he's being fostered by his aunt who has three sons of her own. It's a chaotic, angry environment, and Ron isn't at all happy. When strangers, Rosie and Bob, offer to care for him, he jumps at the chance. It's the kind of home he's always dreamed of. There is only one thing missing. He aches to be with his dad.
81508	Noodle pie Starke, Ruth	Omnibus Books	2008	9781862917637	Andy and his father, a Vietnamese former refugee, return to Hanoi for the first time in over twenty years. Andy experiences a real cultural shock as he feels very Australian and doesn't like being called by his Vietnamese name. Over time, Andy discovers a lot about his relatives, his father and himself, as he helps his dad tell them about his life in Australia.
774453	North and South: a tale of two hemispheres Morris, Sandra	Walker Books	2021	9781925381801	From the frozen polar regions to warm ocean currents, scorching deserts to tropical rainforests, animals all over the world respond to the four seasons in very different ways. Their survival depends on it. Learn about their conservation status and see how animals adapt to the changing seasons in their Northern and Southern Hemisphere homes.
19186	Northwood Falkner, Brian & Bixley, Donovan (ill)	Walker Books	2011	9781921529801	Cecilia Undergarment likes a challenge. When she discovers a sad and neglected dog, she is determined to rescue him. But, her daring dog rescue lands her in deep trouble, in the form of being lost in the dark forest of Northwood. A forest where ferocious black lions roam. A forest that hides a secret castle, an unlikely king and many a mystery. A forest where those who enter never return.

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1D   774421	Not all heroes wear capes: 10 things we can learn from the ordinary people doing extraordinary things Brooks, Ben & Baines, Nigel (ill)	Wren and Rook Books	2021	9781526362896	What do you think of when you hear the word 'hero'? Is it the wall-climbing, cape-wearing, villain-fighter you see in comics and films? Heroes can actually come in all forms, shapes and sizes. Some cook for the hungry. Some nurse the poorly back to health. Others raise money for important causes. From small acts of kindness to inventions that have saved the lives of hundreds of people, every person in this book has found their passion - or their superpower. No matter how big or small it might be, your power can be used to change the world for the better too.
17530	Not cricket Caisley, Raewyn	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2005	9780734407924	Twelve year old Nick loves cricket but he isn't going to play next season. Sledging opponents has become the norm at weekend games and Nick doesn't want to be a part of it.
62158	Not my sister Weeks, S	Hodder Children's Books (UK)	2004	9780340866146	Lana's dad and Guy's mum are going to get married but Lana and Guy hate each other. After trying to sabotage the wedding so they don't have to live in the same house, their problems are solved in an unusual way.
	Not-for-parents series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
6474	Note on the door Marwood, Lorraine	Walker Books	2011	9781921720611	Full of warmth and humour, the poems provide snapshots of everyday family life, the fun of a beach holiday, raiding the fridge after school, fighting over whose turn it is to do the dishes, camping in the backyard and much more.
6041	Notebooks of a middle-school princess Cabot, Meg	Pan MacMillan	2015	9781447280651	Twelve year old Olivia Grace considers herself to be totally average. Following her mother's death, Olivia Grace lives with her aunt and cousins, and has never met her father, although she has received letters from him. Olivia's world is turned upside down when the most popular girl at school attacks her for lying. But, rescue is at hand, in the form of a princess who whisks her away in a limousine.
3826	Numbers book, The Hendry, Lorna	Wild Dog Books	2016	9781742034225	Numbers are amazing. They help us make sense of the world around us and we use them in lots of different ways every day. Find out just what numbers are in this fascinating book.
6414	Numerical Street Bell, Hilary & Presenti, Antonia (ill)	NewSouth Publishing	2015	9781742232287	Count as you walk up Numerical Street, every page has a numerical treat. Get your pants altered, get your keys cut, hop, skip or jump up Numerical Street, past cake shops, hair stylists, laundromats, pet stores and shoe repairers, all with their curious wares on display.

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ID   574230	OCDaniel King, Wesley	Simon & Schuster	2016	9781481455329	Daniel is the back-up punter for the Erie Hills Elephants. Which really means he's the water boy. He spends football practice perfectly arranging water cups-and hoping no one notices his strange habits-he calls them Zaps: avoiding writing the number four, for example, or flipping a light switch on and off dozens of times over. He hopes no one notices that he's crazy, especially his best friend Max, and Raya, the prettiest girl in school. His life gets weirder when another girl at school, unkindly nicknamed Psycho Sara, notices him for the first time. She doesn't just notice him: she seems to peer through him. Then Daniel gets a note: "I need your help," it says, signed, Fellow Star Child-whatever that means. And suddenly Daniel, a total no one at school, is swept up in a mystery that might change everything for him. With great voice and grand adventure, this book is about feeling different and finding those who understand.
21194	Ocean and sea Parker, Steve	Scholastic US	2012	9781407131511	Meet ocean creatures up close, from the humblest microbe to the most majestic whale, plus the craziest deep-sea creatures ever seen. Find out how oceans formed, how they work, and why our future depends on them.
751027	Ocean animals Chapman, Blake & Hicks, Astred (ill)	CSIRO	2020	9781486311415	Ocean animals are truly awesome and are also some of the weirdest, sneakiest and smartest animals on the planet. Full of fun facts, sea'lebrity species profiles and amazing pictures, you will learn about issues threatening marine life and tips on how to help protect our amazing ocean environments.
48385	Ock Von Fiend Edwards, Luke	Omnibus Books	2007	9781862917484	A funny, appealing story about Ock, the vampire, who doesn't have many friends because, well, he's a vampire. When Ock gets down about being different, he tries to remember the advantages of super hearing, night vision, vanishing power and his cool teeth.
60413	Octopus's garden, The: The secret world under the sea Norman, Mark	Black Dog Books	2008	9781742030210	For us air-breathing land dwellers, life under the water is curious and amazing. The deeper you go, the more extraordinary life becomes. An amazing variety of octopuses and squids are revealed through beautiful photographs, detailed information and a glossary of terms.
6328	Odd science: Amazing inventions Olstein, James	Pavilion	2018	9781843653738	Would you want your life saved by a slug? or sneakers made from spiders webs? Discover what amazing things creative scientists are investigating in the world around us. Prepare to consider what you know of the world, how could you use your knowledge to make the next cool invention?

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ID 31025	Oddball Brian, Janeen	Walker Books	2008	9781921150562	Sol still can't believe he told Aggo, the school bully and hand ball champion, that he was going to thrash him using hypnotism. Sol is sure that this moment of temporary insanity is going to lead to certain death. Sol wonders whether wit, wisdom or nothing will save him when he has to face Aggo.
7971	Odyssey, The: Usborne graphic legends Punter, Russell & Fiorin, Fabiano	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2018		Brave and clever Odysseus, finished with battle at Troy, longs to return home to his wife and family on Ithaca and put his days of war behind him. His journey home is full of danger and challenges, including giants, the legendary Cyclops, a very angry Poseidon, six headed sea dragons, and more. Homer's epic is retold in comic format to introduce readers to an action packed classic.
568903	Off the track Burne, Cristy	Fremantle Press			Harry is reluctantly hiking the Bibbulmun track with his mother, her friend Ana and Ana's daughter Deepika. at first all he thinks about are snakes, spiders and insects in the bush and no mobile phones. Then, just as he starts to enjoy himself Harry discovers that things can go really wrong in the bush.
885149	Offline diaries, The: As told by Ade and Shanice Adegoke, Yomi & Uviebinene, Elizabeth & Andrews, Tequita (ill) & Burton, Ruthie (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2022		Ade is about to move house and is not at all happy about it! She meets Shanice outside her father's salon and they form an instant connection. Both write in diaries so they connect through their love of writing through their diary entries and through online chatting. As their friendship develops they help each other to settle into the early years of high school, building a strong, supportive connection.
9332	Okra and Acacia: the story of the wattle pattern plate Hathorn, Libby & Stoddart, Brigitte (ill)	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2002	9780733614927	A beautifully written, romantic story, weaving Aboriginal myth with ancient folklore.
	Olive of Groves series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
12328	On a camel to the moon Bloom, Valerie	Chrysalis Books Group	2001	9781841382470	A varied collection of poems about travel from dragons on buses to visiting Jupiter. A thought-provoking anthology with fantastic illustrations.
18653	On country: stories of Nyrlotte Doyle, Fiona & Doyle, Lionel (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2006		A delightful story, set in Cape York, focuses on the relationship between a young Aboriginal girl, Nyrlotte, and her strong grandmother. Granny knows all the stories and can sing a cyclone away, and Nyrlotte knows she should always listen to her Granny's warnings. But listening isn't always Nyrlotte's strong point.

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1D   7677		Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2011	9781921720291	Jane's world has been turned upside down. She has a brand-new sister, and her family has moved to a small town, leaving behind everything she knows. She is sure that she will be miserable. But, a mysterious old lady, a curious boy and an amazing garden prove her wrong.
19321	On track Apel, Kathryn	University of Queensland Press	2015	9780702253737	Two brothers couldn't be more different. Shaun excels at everything, both in the classroom and on the field. His younger brother, Toby, has a stumbly, fumbly body and can't do anything well. He thinks Sports Day is the worst day of the year. So, Shaun can't understand why Toby gets a laptop or why he is now being trained by Toby's coach, and coming to an elite Athletics Camp. It's just not fair.
1367		Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781921720628	Once there was a shepherd, a very special coat and hope. A family during World War I.
18464	Once upon a time in the kitchen Odell, Carol	Citrus Press	2005	9780975102336	Recipes and tales from children's classics let kids cook the food enjoyed by the world's favourite storybook characters.
4675	Once upon an alphabet	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2014	9780007514274	The twenty-six letters of our alphabet work tirelessly to make words that, in turn, make stories. Find out what happens when each of the letters has its own story. Twenty-six entertaining, short stories introduce a host of new characters plus the occasional familiar face.
21160	One beastly beast Nix, Garth	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2008	9781741754681	A collection of four fantastic stories in which rude video pirates kidnap an unfortunate boy, a feisty princess takes on a monster, a foundling is sure his lost parents should be scientific types like him and not the monsters and pirates who keep turning up to claim him, and a rather interesting sea serpent and an enchanted penguin get together.
6895	One beetle too many: the extraordinary adventures of Charles Darwin Lasky, Kathryn & Trueman, Matthew (ill)	Candlewick Press	2009	9780763614362	Find out about Charles Darwin's legendary five year voyage to South America, his love of the natural world and how he formulated his ideas about the way the earth, humans and animals have evolved.
41375	One boy's war Huggins-Cooper, L & Benfold Haywood, I (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2010	9781847801265	Sixteen year old Sydney is overwhelmed by the excitement of the 1914 recruitment campaigns and the bravado of men leaving for the Great War. With enthusiasm, he joins up but soon finds himself in a frontline trench, a long way from home. Reality and the rats begin to bite. Told through Sydney's letters and journal which portray the degradation and disillusionment of life and death in the trenches.

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ID  1209932	One day: a true story of courage and survival in the Holocaust Rosen, Michael & Phillips, Benjamin (ill)	Walker Books	2025	9781529515985	Eugene Handschuh was a Jewish member of the Resistance in occupied Paris. After he was captured by the Nazis, he was placed on a convoy to Auschwitz. Against all the odds, with the help of strangers and fellow members of the Resistance, Eugene and his father escaped the convoy and survived - when so many others did not. Former Poet Laureate Michael Rosen was inspired to tell this story after discovering his father's uncle and aunt were on the same convoy as Eugene, but never returned.
6133	One dog and his boy Ibbotson, Eva & Rentta, Sharon (ill)	Marion Lloyd books	2011	9781407124230	Hal really longs for a dog of his own but his rich parents are against the mess and disruption it would cause. When his father hires a dog from Easy Pets, Hal thinks all his dreams have come true. But, the dog has been hired just for the weekend and, when Fleck is returned, Hal plans to rescue the dog and run away. When Hal teams up with Pippa, who has released a whole lot of unhappy dogs from their cages at Easy Pets, a rollicking canine adventure begins.
38228	One perfect pirouette Clark, Sherryl	University of Queensland Press	2010	9780702238413	Attending the National Ballet School has been Brynna's dream. When her parents move to Melbourne so that she can attend a top ballet school, Brynna wonders why she feels so awful about the move and why her brother is angrier than she has ever seen him. Her mother is working hard to keep the family afloat. For Brynna to realise her dream, something has to give.
895529	One potoroo: a story of survival Jaye, Penny & Rogerson, Alicia (ill)	CSIRO	2021	9781486314645	A conservation story of the Gilbert's Potoroo-Australia's rarest mammal. When a bushfire destroys Potoroo's home, he becomes one of the last surviving Gilbert's Potoroo in Western Australia. Luckily, a team of conservationists knows where Potoroo can go."
73591	One small island Lester, Alison & Tulloch, Coral	Puffin Australia	2011	9780670072361	Macquarie Island lies in the Southern Ocean, between Antarctica and New Zealand. A speck of green in the vast, windswept sea, it is a haven for many creatures that live above and below the waves. The book explores the island's unique geological beginnings, discovery and degradation at the hands of humans, and the battle to restore it today.
9207	One thousand and one Arabian nights McCaughrean, Geraldine	Oxford University Press	1999	9780192750136	A retelling of these fantastic classic tales.
15606	One well: the story of water on Earth Strauss, Rochelle & Woods, Rosemary (ill)	ABC Books	2007	9780733320798	In billions of years, the amount of water on Earth hasn't changed. There is one global well from which we all draw water. How we treat the water will affect every species on the planet now and into the future.

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1D  1209740	One wise sheep Hub, Ulrich & Muhle, Jorg (ill)	Gecko Press	2024	9781776575954	Tonight the sheep can't sleep. The pasture is floodlit by a strange new star and their shepherds have disappeared. They've probably been kidnapped by a UFO. Or perhaps they've gone to see the child lying in a manger that everyone's talking about. The sheep decide to go too. What a surprise the shepherds will get, seeing their sheep turn up after such a long hike! But many pitfalls await an unruly flock in search of good tidings on their first night hike.
587560	Onibi: Diary of a Yokai ghost hunter Sento, Atelier	Tuttle Publishing	2016	9784805314968	Two travellers explore the small cities and towns of Japan's countryside. Curious about the many ghost stories of these areas, they acquire a special camera which promises to capture the images of the many unusual ghosts they hear about on their travels.
1292421	Only branch on the family tree, The Clark, Sherryl	University of Queensland Press	2025	9780702268915	Its always been Gemma and her mum, just the two of them. As close as best friends. But while researching a class project about family, Gemma makes a life-changing discovery. Her nan is not dead, like Mum told her, but alive and well and living close by. Gemma now has huge question marks hanging over her. Why would Mum lie about this? What is her nan like? And what would happen if Gemma tried to find her? The Only Branch on the Family Tree is a story about secrets, forgiveness and finding a way for relationships to blossom.
25200	Ophelia and the marvellous boy Foxlee, Karen	Knopf Publishing Group	2014	9780385753548	Ophelia doesn't believe in anything that can't be proven by science. She and her sister Alice are still grieving for their dead mother when their father takes a job in a strange museum in a city where it always snows. Ophelia soon discovers a boy locked away in a long forgotten room. He is a prisoner of Her Majesty the Snow Queen. And he has been waiting for Ophelia's help.
35568	Opposite Land Hamlyn, Charlotte Rose	Penguin Random House Australia	2017	9780143780816	Welcome to Opposite Land - where socks wear feet, broccoli is meat, behind is ahead, and people poop from their head! After the worst day ever, Steve discovers a strange book written upside down and back to front. That night, when its words become mysteriously clear and Steve begins to read them, she's transported to the topsy-turvy world in the book - Opposite Land. In this extraordinarily peculiar place, roads float in mid-air, people live in giant snail shells and monsters are made of pasta!

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ID 60194	Oracle French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2010	9780732288402	Combines history, myth and fantasy. From beyond recorded time, Jackie French takes us on another historical journey. A chance for one girl who tells the truth to change history, and for her brother, an acrobat who accompanies a daring horse dancer across Greece, to attempt to rescue her.
11387	Orchard book of fairy tales, The Impey, Rose & Beck, Ian	Orchard Books	2005	9781843621812	Classic fairy tales retold with a very slightly, fractured twist for today's kids.
597533	Orchard Underground, The Larkin, Mat	Hardie Grant Egmont	2018	9781760500856	Pri Kohli was the first kid to live in Dunn's Orchard. He knows the town, and knows there are no mysteries or secrets. When Attica Stone arrives and he loses the last tree to make way for more housing estates, his life takes a dramatic turn. Pri and Attica search the forbidden Razzy Wood and discover more secrets and mysteries than they could have ever imagined.
846276	Order of time and Odin's door, The Southall, Scott P	Seaview Press	2022	9780648695462	Anastasia and Edward Upston knew it was strange when the orange light bathed the snow covered fields and dipped beyond the horizon. They knew it was strange that something so beautiful could signal the arrival of something so evil. They knew for sure that when mortals are caught between two bickering gods nothing good could come of it. Surviving the Viking Age may be the hardest thing the twelve year old twins ever have to do, if they can.
846275	Order of time, The Southall, Scott P	Seaview Press	2020	9780648695400	Anastasia and Edward Upton are eleven year old twins who are inseparable and the best of friends, yet they are very different. They tackle the highs and lows of sixth grade. But their life becomes complicated when they discover that their friend and mentor from the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, Dr Gregorian, is part of a secret society called The Order of Time.  It turns out that time is not fixed, it's a fluid continuum where any changes to the past can create changes to the present. It falls to the twins to travel back in time to ancient Egypt where they must overcome deadly assassins, evil high priests and vengeful gods in order to prevent disaster. Their challenge is to navigate all obstacles to preserve the past and then find their way back home.
292	Original Olympics, The Ross, Stewart	Hodder & Stoughton	1999	9780750225564	Drawings, pictures and fictional stories make the facts of Ancient Greece come to life in this book about the ancient Olympics.

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1D   751052	Orion lost Chisholm, Alastair	Nosy Crow Ltd	2020	9781788005920	After a catastrophic Unknown Event leaves the colony ship Orion stranded deep in space, it's up to thirteen-year-old Beth and her friends to navigate through treacherous and uncharted territory and reach safety. But a heavily damaged ship, a mysterious alien species, space pirates, and an Artificial Intelligence which Beth suspects may be lying to her mean that getting home has never been so difficult. Hugely gripping, with incredible twists and a fast-paced, action-packed story, this is an unputdownable science fiction adventure - perfect for fans of Mortal Engines and Star Wars.
705650	Orla and the serpent's curse Haslam, C J	Walker Books	2020	9781406388480	A spooky adventure set in Cornwall; Famous Five with a twist.  A long-dead Cornish witch to thwart and a curse to stop - it's just another family holiday. Orla thought she was in for a relaxing break, but when she finds a mysterious glowing necklace in the woods, it turns out there is a slight possibility she may have uncovered a witch's ancient curse. After meeting a coven of suspicious old ladies, it becomes clear that Orla's arrival in Cornwall is no longer a coincidence. The curse is poisoning the land and destroying everything it touches, and Orla is the one person who can stop it. But she'll need help from the only other member of the family with good instincts - Dave the dog.
751118	Orphans of St Halibut's, The Wills, Sophie & Tazzyman, David (ill)	MacMillan	2020	9781529013375	There's something fishy going on at St Halibut's Home. Life has been perfect since the orphans buried their matron even though it was an accident. Tig, Stef, Herc and Pamela just have to make sure that no one finds out that they are on their own. However, stolen cakes, explosions and a very grumpy goat means that things change quickly from all is good to explosions and all sorts of trouble.
31734	Other brother French, Simon	Walker Books	2012	9781921720833	Kieran wants to fit in and be part of the in-group at school. He wants to be on the football team. But, then, his cousin Bon turns up. Bon doesn't know anything about fitting in. He looks different, he wears the wrong clothes and he says weird things. Even worse, Julia seems to prefer Bon's company to his. Kieran just wants to ignore Bon but, soon, he is forced to make a choice.

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1D   767018	Other words for home Warga, Jasmine	HarperCollins US	2021	9780062747815	Jude never thought she'd be leaving her beloved older brother and father behind, all the way across the ocean in Syria. But when things in her hometown start becoming volatile, Jude and her mother are sent to live in Cincinnati with relatives.  At first, everything in America seems too fast and too loud. The American movies that Jude has always loved haven't quite prepared her for starting school in the US and her new label of "Middle Eastern", an identity she's never known before.  But this life also brings unexpected surprises there are new friends, a whole new family, and a school musical that Jude might just try out for. Maybe America, too, is a place where Jude can be seen as she really
618348	Ottilie Colter and the master of monsters Williams, Rhiannon	Hardie Grant Egmont	2019	9781760500900	Ottilie is back! The first and only girl to be chosen to be part of the Narroway Hunt. But there are new challenges ahead for her. The dredretches are getting worse, and they are getting inside the walls of Fort Fiory! Ottilie and her friends are trying to find out more about the hunt, only to find out that witchcraft may also be involved. No one is safe anymore and they need all the hunters they can get. Will they let the girls at the Fort fight too? Only Ottilie could convince them, but will they listen?
589593	Ottilie Colter and the Narroway Hunt Williams, Rhiannon	Hardie Grant Egmont	2018	9781760500849	Ottilie Colter and her brother, Gully, have always fended for themselves. So when Gully goes missing one night, Ottilie sets out to find him - and soon makes a horrible discovery. Gully has been forcibly recruited by the Narroway Hunt, a secretive male-only organisation that hunts savage, blight-spreading monsters called 'dredretches'. Disguising herself as a boy, Ottilie infiltrates the Hunt - but quickly realises that taking her brother home won't be easy. Trapped in the heart of the dredretch-infested Narroway, it's impossibly dangerous for them to leave. But as she trains to become a Huntsman alongside her brother, hoping for a chance to escape, how long can she keep her true identity a secret?
813627	Ottilie Colter and the withering world Williams, Rhiannon	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2023	9781761212192	Ottilie and her friends are part of the Narrowway Hunt. Flying her Wingerslink her job is to make sure the Narrowway and it's people are safe from the dredretches and to try and stop the Withering Wood. But Whislter has other plans. Plans that would mean something far worse than the dredretches. But what exactly are those plans and why does Whistler need Ottilie's friends to complete it?

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ID	Ottoline series Riddell, Chris				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
8382	Our Aunty Sharon Prior, Chasity & Karen Briggs (ill)	Indij Readers	2007	9780980359305	Popular Sharon is one deadly relative, a proud and gregarious Aunty to all the mob.
	Our Australian girl series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1019712	Our country: Where history happened Greenwood, Mark & Lessac, Frane (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2023	9781760653576	History is out there. In every corner of Australia, the past is waiting to be discovered. Find it in ancient rock art and a haunted convict prison. Explore a cave that echoes with the spirit of resistance. Search for a tree blazed with a fateful message. Visit the site where a legend was born.  Our country is calling.
5500	Our home is dirt by sea Bates, Dianne (ed)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2016	9781925081190	Poetry is magical and funny, and tells stories about life. This collection includes forty-five different kinds of poems, by thirty-five Australian poets. They share, reveal and confess parts of their life experiences in passionate, angry, absurd, moving and hilarious ways.
875694	Our Home, Our Heartbeat Briggs, Adam & Moon, Kate & Sarra, Rachael (ill)	Hardie Grant Egmont	2020	9781760504168	Adapted from Briggs' celebrated song 'The Children Came Back', Our Home, Our Heartbeat is a celebration of past and present Indigenous legends, as well as emerging generations, and at its heart honours the pldest continuous culture on earth.
660681	Our planet Attenborough, David & Whyman, Matt & Jones, Richard (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2019	9780008180317	Discover icy landscapes, dense jungles and endless oceans and learn how our fascinating habitats interconnect to create the one place we call home-Our Planet.
8643	Our stories: Australian Federation Brennan, Net	HarperCollins Australia	2014	9781922179944	Before 1901, the nation of Australia did not exist. Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, South Australia and Western Australia were six separate colonies under British rule. Find out how ordinary citizens became the first in the world to write and vote for their own Constitution, and how they came together to form the nation of Australia.

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34638	Our stories: Australian flags and emblems Tayleur, Karen	Black Dog Books	2013	9781742031095	The story of Australia is told by the flags and the emblems we see around us. They display our past, our cultural heritage, our national treasures and the amazing diversity of each state. Find out about our rich history and what we value.
30522	Our stories: Canberra, Federal capital Hawkins, Tracey	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781922179319	In 1901, when the six British colonies of early Australia came together to form one country, a new capital city was proposed. Find out why Canberra was selected and how it became an important treasure trove of historical, artistic, sporting and scientific achievements. Discover Canberra, the federal capital of Australia.
31845	Our stories: Child convicts Brennan, Net	HarperCollins Australia	2013	9781742032238	In eighteenth century Britain, children were tried in court like adults. Some as young as nine were transported to the colonies. Their names may not be familiar but a child convict became the first person hanged in Australia, another is celebrated on our twenty dollar note and one would count a future prime minister as a descendant. Their stories are ones of survival and building Australia as a nation.
2958	Our stories: Protest in Australia Lawson, Sue	Black Dog Books	2016	9781922244543	Through protest, Australians have united to fight for change and have influenced the outcome of many causes. From human rights to the environment, this book traces Australia's proud history of protest.
31781	Our stories: Sportsmanship Brennan, Net	HarperCollins Australia	2016	9781742032337	Australia's passion for sport often defines our history, our traditions, our values and our identity. These are the stories of the sportsmen and women whose talents have stopped the nation. These are the moments when we threw our arms in the air and cheered.
817	Our village in the sky Brian, Janeen & Spudvilas, Anne (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743318140	Our village sits above the great river, nestled in the Himalayan mountains. This is what we do on summer days when school is closed for holiday time, in our village in the sky.
16831	Our world of water Hollyer, Beatrice	Frances Lincoln			Regardless of the wealth or poverty of countries, water is vital for our survival. The daily lives of six children from Peru, Mauritania, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Tajikistan and California show where water comes from, what it means to them and how they use it. The photographs and real life stories also touch on climate change and pollution.
13703	Our world: Bardi Jaawi life at Ardiyooloon One Arm Point Remote Community School	Magabala Books	2010	9781921248238	This book provides a rare glimpse into the lives of the children of a remote Indigenous community, 200km north of Broome, Western Australia. They carry on the culture of the Bardi Jaawi people as they build fish traps, make spears and boomerangs, hunt crabs, turtles and dugong, learn traditional dances and share traditional stories.

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ID	Out of this world series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
41821	Outbreak Prince, Alison	A & C Black	2008	9780713688405	Miriam's mother is starting to buy extra food to put away. Both her parents insist on calling her by her non-Jewish nickname and Miriam is struggling to understand what is going on. Through talking with friends who have overheard their parents' conversations and listening to the radio, Miriam learns about the coming to power of Adolph Hitler.
9159		HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2012	9780007465927	Lost in a dark, strange forest, Robin is rescued by a crew of misfits, the Outlaws. He seeks justice and revenge against the Sheriff of Nottingham, once and for all.
1023651	Outlaw girls Gale, Emily & Wheetman, Nova	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790231	Kate and Ruby have a lot in common - they both live in the Victorian high country, both are daring and prepared to break the rules and both love riding horses. They could be friends, but they live more than 140 years apart. While Kate is secretly taking supplies to her brother Ned Kelly, galloping through the mountains, she is mysteriously carried through time and finds herself in 2022 where she meets Ruby. When Ruby travels back to 1878 with Kate she gets roped in to helping the Kelly Gang from being found. But Ruby knows that disaster is looming. Is it possible to change history?
751192	Over the moon Shang, Wendy Wan-Long & Keane, Glen (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2020	9780063002432	Fueled with a determination and passion for science, Fei Fei builds a rocket ship to the moon to prove the existence of the Moon Goddess. There she ends up on an adventure of a lifetime, discovering fantastical creatures in a whimsical land. Come along with Fei Fei on this adventure about moving forward, embracing the unexpected and the power of imagination.
1209834	Wilson, Anna	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK			This is the story of the third Paddington movie, Paddington in Peru! Paddington and the Browns are off to visit Aunt Lucy in Peru. When he arrives, however, all is not right - Aunt Lucy has vanished! Join Paddington and the Browns as they embark upon a quest in the jungle of Peru to find Aunt Lucy.
297	Paddock of poems, A Fatchen, Max	Penguin	1987	9780140324761	This is a collection of Australian poetry.

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1D   660426	Paddy T. and the time-travelling trampoline France, Adam & Zainal, Zahra (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2019	9781760523763	A trampoline portal into the future, a magic pencil that can write stories by itself, a trip down a hill that ends up being the holiday of a lifetime. Only the weird and wonderful can happen to Paddy T. in these seven wild action adventures.
	Pages & Co series James, Anna				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
903268		HarperCollins Australia	2022	9780008410858	Milo Bolt is ready to be the hero of his own story. With Uncle Horatio trapped in an enchanted sleep by the power-hungry Alchemist, he sets off with his new friend Alessia to find a cure and save them all. Their journey leads them to the magical treehouse, which is home to the Botanist who is the Alchemist's sworn enemy. Together they hunt for the cure.  But the Alchemist will stop at nothing to unlock the powerful secrets of The Book of Books. Tilly, Pages & Co and the whole world of imagination are under threat as a battle for the fate of bookwandering is set in motion.
64097	Painting the wind MacLachlan, Patricia & MacLachlan, Emily & Schneider, Katy (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2003	9780064438254	A young boy watches various artists who come to his island over the summer. He tries to learn something from each one in the hope that he might, one day, be able to paint the wind.
299		Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2001	9780734403605	The pelicans at Lake Eyre leave for the coast when the lake dries up. Pannikin and mother, Pinta, leave a little too late with the other members of the family.
13454	Paper planes Worland, Steve	Penguin	2015	9780143308744	Twelve year old Dylan Webber lives in a small country town in outback Western Australia. When he discovers a talent for folding and flying paper planes, Dylan aims for the World Junior Paper Plane Championships. He is determined to create a plane to compete with the world's best. During his quest, Dylan makes unlikely new friends, clashes with powerful rivals and comes to terms with his family's past.
43458	Paper planes: 25 superdynamic aeroplanes to make and fly Mitchell, David	Pavilion	2017		25 step-by-step paper aeroplanes for you to make. Clearly arranged, easy to follow and with lots of colour diagrams, this will be a popular book with kids from 7 years to 77 years.
1078779		Dirt Lane Press	2023	9780645352399	A paper-flower girl finds herself unable to survive unless she works for a giant who enforces his own conditions and design for her skills. By her gentle nature she finds a way to respond to escaping the situation she is in through a deceit that brings her success.

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ID 911796	Paradise sands Pinfold, Levi	Walker Books	2022	9781406383942	When a young girl and her brothers step into a ghostly hotel, they fall under the spell of the mysterious Teller. She makes a deal with him to free them all from his haunting paradise. But can she hold up her side of the bargain?
21946	Parent Agency, The Baddiel, David	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2014	9780007554485	I wish I had better parents! Barry said a third time. And suddenly the entire room started to shake Barry Bennett hates being called Barry. In fact it is number 22 on the list of things he blames his parents for, after number 1: being boring. But there is a world where parents don't just have children. That's far too random. Instead, children are allowed to choose their parents. For Barry Bennett, this world seems like a dream come true. Only things turn out to be not quite that simple
22123	Parents are revolting, The Katz, Danny & Vane, Mitch (ill)	Puffin Australia	2008	9780143303077	Terry and her little brother, Harry, always get exactly what they want from their parents. But, the situation changes drastically when Mum and Dad go on strike.
80084	Passing the music down Sullivan, Sarah & Root, Barry (ill)	Candlewick Press	2011	9780763637538	A young boy travels to the hills of Appalachia to meet the old-time fiddle player whose music he admires. A friendship develops that will forge a bond between generations. Under the man's care and instruction, the boy develops. From playing on the front porch to performing at American folk festivals, the two carry on the tradition of passing the music down.
304	Pat Rafter	Harcourt Education	2000	9781863919364	Pat Rafter is a tennis champion who has won the prestigious US Open
64414	Sheppard, Barrie Patterns of Australia Bancroft, Bronwyn	Australia Little Hare Books	2006	9781921049705	twice and been ranked number one in the world.  The illustrations are patterns from ten different landscapes, with a description highlighting some key features. Children can try to find certain objects within each vibrant, indigenous artwork.
783577	Pawcasso Lai, Remy	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021		Every Saturday, Pawcasso trots into town with a basket, a shopping list, and cash in paw to buy groceries for his family. One day, he passes eleven-year-old Jo, peering out the window of her house, bored and lonely. Astonished by the sight of an adorable basket-toting dog on his own, Jo follows Pawcasso, and when she's seen alongside him by a group of kids from her school, they mistake her for Pawcasso's owner. Excited to make new friends, Jo reluctantly hides the truth and agrees to let ""her"" dog model for an art class the kids attend. What could go wrong? But what starts as a Chihuahua-sized lie quickly grows Great Dane-sized when animal control receives complaints about a dog roaming the streets off-leash. With Pawcasso's freedom at stake, is Jo willing to spill the truth and risk her new friendships?

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1D   785306	Paws Foster, Kate	Walker Books	2021	9781760652661	Everything is changing for eleven-year-old Alex Freeman and, as an autistic person, change can be terrifying. With the first day of high school only a couple of months away, Alex is sure that having a friend by his side will help. So he's devised a friend-making plan. But making friends is tougher than Alex expected, and it looks as if his last chance to succeed rests on the shoulders of his dog Kevin.
28050	Pax Pennypacker, Sara & Klassen, Jon (ill)	HarperCollins US	2016	9780008124090	Pax and Peter have been inseparable ever since Peter rescued him as a kit. But, one day, the unimaginable happens. Peter's dad enlists in the military and makes him return the fox to the wild. At his grandfather's house, three hundred miles away from home, Peter knows he wants to be with Pax. Despite the encroaching war, Peter strikes out on his own to reunite with his fox.
846079	Pax: Journey home Pennypacker, Sara & Klassen, Jon (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2016	9780008470289	It's been a year since Peter and his pet fox, Pax, have seen each other. Once inseparable, they now lead very different lives. Pax must protect his litter of kits in a dangerous world. Meanwhile Peter, orphaned after the war, has left his adopted home and joined the Water Warriors, a group determined to heal the land from the scars of the war.  When one of Pax's kits falls desperately ill, he turns to the one human he knows he can trust. And no matter how hard Peter tries to harden his broken heart, love keeps finding a way in. Now both boy and fox find themselves on journeys toward home, healing, and each other.
6219	Peace and me Winter, Ali & El Fathi, Mickael (ill)	Lantana Publishing	2018	9781911373650	This illustrated collection of inspirational ideas about peace is based on the lives of Nobel Peace Prize Laureates of the 20th and 21st centuries, among them Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King Jr., Mother Theresa and Malala Yousafzai.  A must for anyone interested in exploring this essential issue of our times, this child-friendly exploration of what peace means to you and me is a book for every bookshelf.
28003	Peacock detectives, The Nugent, Carly	Text Publishing Co	2018	9781925603705	The last time the peacocks, William Shakespeare and Virginia, went missing Cassie found them sitting on a coiled hose behind the fire station, and Dad called 'Cassie Andersen, Peacock Detective'. So this time she knows what to do - she'll look for clues, write down all the important details in her Notebook for noticing and track them down. But the clues lead her in unexpected directions, and Cassie finds herself investigating a puzzling mystery about her family, searching for a missing friend, and facing her worst fear. And, in the middle of it all, she is working out how to be a writer.

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ID 15180	Pearl of Tiger Bay, The Wang, Gabrielle	Penguin	2004	9780143300830	Annie moves to Tiger Bay where there are lots of secrets to be unravelled. Most mysterious of all is Madam Olenka, who lives in The Pearl, a grand, dilapidated hotel, above the township. Madam Olenka has not spoken to anyone in thirty years.
2027	Pearl verses the world Murphy, Sally & Potter, Heather (ill)	Walker Books	2009	9781921150937	At school, Pearl feels as though she is in a group of one. Her teacher wants her to write poems that rhyme but Pearl's poems don't. At home, however, Pearl feels safe and loved but her grandmother is slowly fading, and so are Mum and Pearl. When her grandmother eventually passes away, Pearl wants life to go back to the way it was.
1862	Pearl-shell diver, The Crabbe, Kay	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781760290474	Thirteen year old Sario lives with his family on a remote Torres Strait island. it's 1898 and the pearl-shell trade is at its height. When his father is coerced to join a white trader on his pearling lugger, Sario must go to work as a swimming diver to support the family. He's excited by the idea of walking on the sea floor but the competition is fierce and the only captain who will take him on runs the worst outfit in the fleet. And, there's the the constant danger of shark attacks and the storm of the century is approaching.
7159	Peasant prince, The Cunxin, Li & Spudvilas, Anne	Penguin	2007	9780670070541	Chinese-inspired watercolours charmingly support this picture-book adaptation of the true story of the life of a boy in Communist China, during the last decade of Chairman Mao's reign. At eleven, Li was plucked from obscurity to train as a ballet dancer, thus escaping his poor, peasant village roots. He travelled the world as a dancer and was finally reunited with his parents.
959178	Pebble and Wren Hallbeck, Chris	HarperCollins Australia	2023	9780358541288	Pebble must leave his forest home and live with humans to unlock his true monster skills. He finds Wren who loves scary things and is happy to help him. They quickly become the best of friends. But can Pebble figure out his new powers? If he can't, he will have to go back home and leave Wren and the human world behind.
801163	Peeves Van Waes, Mike	HarperCollins Australia	2018		Steve (Slim) Pickings has debilitating worries but when they start actually coming alive, Slim in all sorts of trouble. Not only are they wreaking havoc on Slim's life, they are contagious the whole town is being taken over! Can Steve face his fears?
74282	Pencil, The Ahlberg, Allan & Ingman, Bruce (ill)	Walker Books	2008	9781406309621	A lonely little pencil creates things which have a life of their own. All is well until pencil draws a rubber which then creates mayhem. Pencil must work out a way to stop the rubber from rubbing out every drawing.

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1D 4443	Penderwicks on Gardam Street, The Birdsall, Jeanne	Corgi Books	2009	9780440868408	The Penderwick sisters, Rosalind, Jane, Skye and Batty, are ready for an adventure but what happens isn't quite what they had in mind. When Mr Penderwick's sister, their Aunt Claire, decides it's time for him to start dating, it can only mean one thing, disaster.
774379	Penguin bloom (young readers edition) Kunz, Chris	ABC Books	2021	9780733341670	Sometimes stuff happens that you would do anything to try to avoid. But you can't. And that's what happened to us. Penguin Bloom tells the true story of Sam Bloom, a young mother whose world is turned upside down after a horrible accident that means she cannot walk. Sam's husband, mother and three young boys are struggling to adjust to their new life when an unlikely ally enters their world in the shape of a magpie chick they name Penguin. The birds arrival is a welcome distraction and ends up making a profound difference in their lives.
111115	Penguin book, The: Birds in suits Norman, Mark	Black Dog Books	2006	9781921167300	Some are shy, some are curious and some are grumpy enough to give you a slap as you walk by. But, all penguins are amazing. Includes seventeen different species of penguin, with fact boxes and descriptions of penguin physiology and habitats.
1013326	Penny draws a best friend Shepard, Sara	Text Publishing Co	2023	9781922790248	Fifth grader and budding artist Penny Lowry has a multitude of worries - why does the cubby room always smell of farts? Why is my mum suddently acting like she has a secret? And why has my best friend ditched me for the most popular (and meanest) girl in school? Penny chronicles these and other questions in a journal she writes to her dog, Cosmo. Find out how Penny deals with her worries because there's a lot to be worried about in fifth grade, and even more to laugh about!
1019790	Penny draws a school play Shepard, Sara	Text Publishing Co	2023	9781922790408	Penny Lowry is back with more worries and more challenges - what if I don't want a part in the school play? Why do we have to move to a new house? Why does everything keep changing? It's scary moving to a new house, especially one with a strange new neighbour and a bedroom with weird creaky sounds. Even scarier is the school play where everyone has to have a part - even Penny! Change is hard, but lucky for Penny, she has Cosmo the dog and good friends by her side.
308	Peppermint Pig, The Bawden, Nina	Penguin	1997	9780140309447	Poll and her family have to move to a small town in the English countryside in the early twentieth century. They take their family pet, a pig. Now Poll's father has gone away and there is a mystery surrounding his departure.

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ID   6134	Percy Jackson and the lightning thief: Graphic novel Riordan, Rick & Venditti, Robert (adapt) & Futaki, Attila (art)	Puffin UK	2010	9780141335391	Look, I didn't want to be a half-blood. I never asked to be the son of a Greek God. I was just a normal kid, going to school, playing basketball, skateboarding. The usual. Until I accidentally vaporised my maths teacher. That's when things started really going wrong. Now I spend my time fighting with swords, battling monsters with my friends, and generally trying to stay alive. This is the one where Zeus, God of the Sky, thinks I've stolen his lightning bolt- and making Zeus angry is a very bad idea. Can Percy find the lightning bolt before a fully-fledged war of the Gods erupts?
	Percy Jackson series Riordan, Rick				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to ten more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
15453	Pet crabs Simon, Leslie A & Davis, J	Indij Readers	2004	9780975686034	An 'old Koori lad' tricks some 'gungies' (police) about his seafood hunting practices, highlighting laws about Native Title Fishing rights.
643772	Peter & Ernesto: a tale of two sloths Annable, Graham	First Second	2018	9781626725614	Peter and Ernesto are sloths. Peter and Ernesto are friends. But Peter and Ernesto are nothing alike. Peter loves their tree and never wants to leave, while Ernesto loves the sky and wants to see it from every place on Earth. When Ernesto leaves to have a grand adventure, Peter stays behind and frets. The two friends grow even closer in separation, as Peter the homebody expands his horizons and Ernesto the wanderer learns the value of home.
39693	Peter in peril Bate, Helen	Otter-Barry books	2016	9781910959572	Peter is just an ordinary boy, who loves playing football with his friends and eating cake. But, when war comes to his city, Budapest, Peter and his family have to go into hiding.
3322	Peter Pan Barrie, J M	Wordsworth Editions Ltd	2002	9781853261206	In this classic, magical Peter Pan comes to the night nursery of the Darling children. He teaches them to fly and takes them through the sky to Never-Never Land for many adventures, including a battle with the infamous villain, Captain Hook.
12740	Peter Pan in scarlet McCaughrean, Geraldine	Oxford University Press	2006	9780192726209	
3332	Phantom tollbooth, The Juster, Norton	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	1993	9780394820378	A young boy receives a special birthday gift that takes him on a journey through an extraordinary land.

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ID 2837	Phar Lap, the wonder horse Kerin, Jackie & Mullins, Patricia (ill)	Museum Victoria	2008	9780980381313	The story of Phar Lap is famous in Australia's history. His story is told in the form of a ballad accompanied by vivid illustrations that evoke the period.
7983	Pharaoh: death and life of a God Kennett, David	Omnibus Books	2008	9781862915930	Egypt of the Pharaohs comes to life in this brilliant account of the reign of two pharaohs, Seti I and his son, Ramesses II, known as Ramesses the Great. Ramesses reigned as Pharaoh of Egypt for sixty-five years and built more temples than any other ruler in Egyptian history. The life, death and successes of each pharaoh are described against the backdrop of life and customs in Egypt at the time.
310	Pheasant and Kingfisher Berndt, Catherine & Meeks, Arone Raymond (ill)	Scholastic Australia	1998	9781863889742	Beautifully illustrated, by an Aboriginal artist from Cairns, the retelling of how creatures came into the world during the Dreamtime. The author, an anthropologist, lived among the Aborigines in the north of Australia for many years.
89611	Phoebe Nash: girl warrior D'Ath, Justin	Laguna Bay Publishing	2010	9780980566420	Phoebe is holidaying with her family in Africa. From the outset things do not go according to plan as Phoebe becomes involved in an adventure of a lifetime, having witnessed the kidnapping of an African politician, and then being part of his rescue. All this is set in the wilds of Africa, with lions and elephants aplenty.
	Phredde series French, Jackie				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Phyllis Wong series McSkimming, Geoffrey				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.

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ID   628095	Pie in the sky Lai, Remy	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2019	9781760651626	When Jingwen moves to a new country, he feels like he's landed on Mars. School is torture, making friends is impossible since he doesn't speak English, and he's often stuck looking after his (extremely irritating) little brother, Yanghao. To distract himself from the loneliness, Jingwen daydreams about making all the cakes on the menu of Pie in the Sky, the bakery his father had planned to open before he unexpectedly passed away. The only problem is his mother has laid down one major rule: the brothers are not to use the oven while she's at work. As Jingwen and Yanghao bake elaborate cakes, they'll have to cook up elaborate excuses to keep the cake making a secret from Mama.
	Pie rats series Stelzer, Cameron				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
10077	Pied Piper of Hamelin, The Morpurgo, Michael & Clark, Emma Chichester (ill)	Walker Books	2011	9781406315110	In the town of Hamelin, the rich and greedy live like kings and queens, while the poor and sick scavenge rubbish tips for scraps. An orphan boy tells the classic tale of how a plague of rats take over the town and how a fantastic piper offers to rid Hamelin of its rats for a single gold coin. But, when the greedy mayor breaks his word, the piper lures the town's children away.
3347	Piggotts in peril Ball, Duncan	HarperCollins Australia	2002	9780207197833	The Piggotts of Piggot Place return, triumphantly, in this cleverly-paced story of elusive pirate treasure.
312	Pigs and honey Adams, Jeanie	Scholastic Australia	1993	9781863880466	An account of an Aboriginal family on a weekend outing.
313	Pilawuk: when I was young Brian, Janeen	Era Publications			Pilawuk explains that she was one of the Stolen Generation, and describes her life growing up with non-Aboriginal families and her search for her surviving relatives.
570820	Pilot and the Little Prince, The: The life of Antoine De Saint-Exupery Sis, Peter	Pushkin Press	2014	9781782690597	The story of airplanes and flight captured the imaginations of many. This picture book captures the history of flight leading up to World War I, the life of author Antoine De Saint-Exupery and his imaginative work 'The Little Prince'. Featuring imaginative artworks and diagrams.

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1D 3351	Pinballs, The Byars, Betsy	Harper	1977		You can't always decide where life will take you especially when you're a kid. Carlie knows she's got no say in what happens to her. Stuck in a foster home with two other kids, Harvey and Thomas J, she's just a pinball being bounced from bumper to bumper. As soon as you get settled, somebody puts another coin in the machine and off you go again. But against her will and her better judgment, Carlie and the boys become friends. And all three of them start to see that they can take control of their own lives.
7255	Pinhoe egg, The Jones, Diana Wynne	HarperCollins Australia	2007	9780007228553	In the village around Chrestomanci castle, magic is being misused and when Cat Chant finds the Pinhoe egg, chaos begins, and Chrestomanci may not be the one able to bring control to the villages.
3355	Pinocchio Collodi, Carlo	Wordsworth Editions Ltd	2002	9781853261602	The classic tale of Pinocchio, a wooden puppet, carved by Old Gepetto, whose nose grows longer whenever he tells a lie. He runs away and joins a circus but a talking cricket and Pinocchio's guardian fairy save him and his wish is granted.
7014	Pinquo Thiele, Colin & Milton, Mary (ill)	New Holland Australia	1992	9781863025324	The emotional story of Pinquo, a fairy penguin, who lives in a penguin colony in South Australia.
35606		Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2017		After the death of her guardian, Sully, Pip has finally found a family who are planning to adopt her- at least they were until Pip gets into trouble AGAIN. Pip is sure she won't find a home with a regular family. There's only one place she might belong, and that's with the mother she has never met. With her faithful dog Houdini by her side, Pip sets off to find out what has happened to Cass. It's a journey filled with colourful characters, including a musical young woman and a friendly surfer. As Pip draws nearer to Byron Bay, is she prepared for what she will find when she gets there?
15322	Lefroy, Joy & Frylinck, Diana & Duke, Marion (ill)	Sandcastle	2003	9781920731601	Fantastic photographs, diagrams and drawings explain how water was pumped to the Kalgoorlie goldfields because of one man's vision. Told in the style of 'The house that Jack built'.
	Pippa's Island series Murrell, Belinda				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
315	Pippi Longstocking Lindgren, Astrid & Ross, Tony (ill)	Oxford University Press	2015		A humorous story about a super strong, super rich pirate's daughter who has adventures with her two friends, a monkey and a horse.

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933 933	Pirate company: on the trail of the golden toucan Cason, Susan	Omnibus Books	2013	9781742990026	When Tom's famous father fails to return home from an expedition, his corrupt step-mother has the explorer declared dead. Eager to be rid of her stepson, she ships him off to his stuffy old aunt in Boston. But his journey takes an unexpected turn. Before long he is working on a pirate ship and making plans to mount an expedition to discover his father's whereabouts.
877886	Pirate queens: Dauntless women who dared to rule the high seas Lewis, Leigh & Gomez Woolley, Sara (ill)	National Geographic Society	2022	9781426371950	You have heard about all the Pirate Kings but have you heard about the Pirate Queens. They are bold, adventurous and formidable.
30760	Pirate X Clark, Sherryl	University of Queensland Press	2011	9780702238895	Will Shepherd is not having the best of times. After six days on the wintery streets of London, he is beaten and robbed. After losing consciousness, he wakes to find he has travelled back to 1717, to a world of danger. Forced to work on Blackbeard's pirate ship, looting and burning, Will's unlikely friend is Major Bonnet, a disaster as a pirate but the key to his survival.
660325	Pirates: Dead men's tales Rooney, Anne & Wllson, Joe (ill)	Carlton Books	2018	9781783122325	This book takes you on an epic adventure to meet pirates throughout history. Explore what life was really like as a member of a villainous pirate crew. However, don't let the title fool you; information is included about female pirates as well.
46341	Pizza cake Gleitzman, Morris	Puffin Australia	2011	9780143305989	A reader's feast. Ten wonderfully fresh stories, full of imagination and humour.
1209959	Pizza face Ogle, Rex & Valeza, Dave (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781761640155	Rex just wants to feel cool for just one minute, but when a zit appears in the middle of his forehead and he is aware that he smells most of the time, he feels like an alien and no one would understand. His friends are either too angry and alone to help or they are not experiencing puberty yet so he feels weird. With the help of grandma and the unusual friendships he forges at Courtney's party trying not to think of himself but others especially Brody who Rex thinks has a lot more going for himself, but Brody is not easily convinced. Rex also has to problem solve to find ways around his smelliness when he cannot afford deodorant.
1209807	Plague French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781743834824	Grass and wheat-lands spread to the horizon, and so did we, with too few ibis to control us. We could rage across the land. We ate the grass, the leaves, the wheatPlague explores the impact of human decisions on the delicate food chains that exist, through the eyes of the locusts themselves.

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ID 25417	Plague of unicorns, The Yolen, Jane	Zonderkidz	2014	9780310746119	James, an aristocratic son in medieval England, is sent to Cranford Abbey to study under the good monks. The abbey is falling into disrepair and, to make money, the Abbott sells cider made from the golden apples. But, the apples are constantly being eaten by a herd of marauding unicorns. When various methods fail to eradicate the unicorns, James must come up with a plan to eliminate them. He must become a perfect hero and risk his life to save the abbey and the monks, and, hopefully, find a way to return home.
5345	Planetwatch Bramwell, Martyn & Burnie, David & Dicks, Lynn & Few, Roger	Dorling Kindersley	2009	9781740337021	A comprehensive look at life on Earth, a fragile and changing place. Find out how climate change affects the world around us and what might happen in the future to the food we eat, the air we breathe and the land we live on.
19091	Playground Wheatley, Nadia (ed) & Searle, Ken (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2011	9781742370972	Read the true stories about the childhood of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, compiled from memoirs and oral histories. Find out about getting bush tucker, going fishing, taking part in ceremony, playing games and having fun. The warmth of home, the love of family and the strength of community shine through every story. Eighty Elders, both past and present, have contributed their words or artwork.
628192	Playing with collage Baker, Jeannie	Walker Books	2019	9781406378665	A how-to guide to making your own collages, brimful of fascinating hints and tips from a master of the genre, Jeannie Baker. In Playing with Collage, she shares her secrets at last - and encourages her readers to get creative. Within each of this book's four main sections, Jeannie presents an abstract collage of her own and offers suggestions and starting points for beginners. There are no right or wrong answers in this treasure of a book, it's all about trusting your instincts and playing!
2514	Plenty: a place to call home Braxton-Smith, Ananda	Black Dog Books	2014	9781742032429	Maddy receives an unexpected and quite unpleasant tenth birthday present. The family is to move from their inner-city home to the country, to be closer to her rarely-visited grandmother, who is battling the early stages of dementia. Stories by her grandmother and her Sudanese refugee classmate help Maddy to realise the true meaning of home, family and belonging.
3394	Podkin One-Ear Larwood, Kieran & Wyatt, David (ill)	Faber & Faber	2016		As the midwinter feast rolls on, the children gather to hear the storyteller tell tales of the Great warrior, Podkin one-ear. How will the greatest Rabbit that ever lived become the Hero? How will he escape the evil Gorm, and will the children be allowed to hear the end? An eternal story, and the start of a new adventure in the five realms of rabbits.

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ID 5372	Poems by young Australians Vol 6 Petty, Ron (ed) & Grieve, Bradley Trevor (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741664065	Enjoy this collection of bright, witty, powerful and dark poems, written by students from five to seventeen years for The Taronga Foundation poetry prize.
9273	Poems in my luggage Thiele, Colin	Puffin Australia	1989	9780140342796	Includes a wide variety of Australian poems - humorous, reflective, serious and wise.
26707	Polar eyes: a journey to Antarctica Patrick, Tanya & Hutcheson, Nicholas (ill)	CSIRO	2009	9780643096103	Find out where penguins go to dance, what it's like to sleep in an igloo and how ancient ice can be used as a time machine. Take a journey through the scenes and science of one of the most fascinating parts of the planet, and try some hands-on activities. Heat-related activities may require supervision.
	Polly and Buster series Rippin, Sally				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
18565	Polly's march Newbery, Linda	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2005	9780746060315	The new occupants in the apartment upstairs turn out to be two women friends who are heavily involved in the suffragette movement. Polly is inspired by their beliefs and finds herself questioning the views of those around her.
59598	Pompeii: a Roman girl's diary AD78-79 Reid, Sue	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407103082	Claudia lives in Pompeii and begins her diary in August AD 78. She has been to the forum and felt the earth shake. It is a day of portents and omens, and on this same day, she first sees the mysterious slave boy, Aengus. Their paths continue to cross as they live in the shadow of the great volcano, Vesuvius.
5302	Pongwiffy stories, The Umansky, Kaye & Riddell, Kate (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2017	9781471167386	Pongwiffy has just moved into a new cave, and it's dirty, smelly and damp - in other words it's perfect for a witch like Pongwiffy! At least it would be if her next door neighbours weren't a group of extremely noisy Goblins Before long Pongwiffy can bear it no more and enlists the help of her best friend, Witch Sharkadder, to find her somewhere else to live. And that's when the problems really start! Two laugh-out-loud stories of humour and warmth, enticingly mixed with much sludge, slime and very bad habits.
846088	Pony Palacio, R J	Puffin Australia	2021		Silas and his father live a quiet life on the outskirts of a small farming town. Besides his father, Silas' only other friend is a loyal and often helpful ghost, Mittenwool. One day their peaceful life is disrupted when some men show up on horseback to take Silas' father away because they believe he can help them with a very big crime. Silas is faced with conquering his fears of the outside world as he sets out to find his father.

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1D   717669	Pony question, The Merchant, Jackie	Walker Books	2020	9781760651640	Essie likes facts, and the fact is, she's left her love of horses behind her. She doesn't want a new horse and she certainly doesn't need one. Not with the price she would have to pay. That is a line she just won't cross. Except the universe has other ideas and there is a pony that needs her. This pony makes Essie face her past and her future. For the sake of the pony she must face difficult questions. In searching for answers she must decide if she can forgive the past.
579468	Pony with no name, The: Seaview stables Corderoy, Tracey	Simon & Schuster	2018	9781471170416	Bryony knows there is something special about the beautiful bay pony she sees in the woods, she loves him at first sight. The she meets the pony's owner, Georgina, who doesn't seem to care about him at all, she hasn't even given him a name. Georgina is determined to keep Bryony away from the pony. Bryony must come up with a plan quickly or risk never seeing her dream pony again.
895522	Poo, spew, and other gross things animals do! Gill, Nic & Cristescu, Romane & Tribout, Rachel (ill)	CSIRO	2022	9781486314867	Poo and spew isn't just hilariously gross, it is an important survival strategy for animals and insects across the world. From poopy nests to slimy attractors and deterrents, the animal world is disgustingly fascinating. Discover the grossest clues to become a scientific detective.
36815	Pookie Aleera is not my boyfriend Herrick, Steven	University of Queensland Press	2012	9780702249280	In a country town, the kids in class 6A tell their stories. Mick, school captain and sometimes trouble-maker, wants to make the school a better place, while brother Jacob just wants to fly. Shy Laura hopes to fit in with a circle of friends, while Pete struggles to deal with his grandpa's sudden death. Selina obsesses over class comedian Cameron, while Cameron obsesses over Anzac biscuits and Pookie Aleera - whoever that is.
318	Pop-up machines Crowther, Robert	Walker Books	1988	9780744507850	Twenty-eight working pop-up machines feature in this book.
12942	Pope John Paul II: Pope for the people Burns, Peggy	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2001	9780750232487	In 1978, Karol Wojtyla from Poland became Pope John Paul II. Through photographs, quotations and a glossary of terms, this book gives an insight into his life.
	Poppy Fields series Landman, Tanya				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID 2495	Poppy, The Plant, Andrew	Ford Street Publishing	2014	9781925000320	On Anzac Day 1918, a desperate counter-attack in a French town became one of Australia's greatest victories on World War I. A bond was forged and never forgotten by the town and should never be forgotten by Australians.
6709	Pow: meet the renewables Trafford, Caren & Lance, Charlotte (ill)	Etram Pty Ltd	2008		A fun look at how renewable energy can help turn around climate change and all the positive ways you can help. The Renewables want to Power Our World and give everyone a bright, clean, energy-efficient, power-filled, pollution-free tomorrow.
	Practical guide series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4851	Prehistoric marine life in Australia's inland sea Clode, Danielle	Museum Victoria	2015		Step back to a time when Australia's red centre was flooded by a vast shallow ocean, the Eromanga Sea. While dinosaurs stalked the scattered islands that made up the Australian continent, giant marine reptiles ruled the waves. Plesiosaurs and ichthyosaurs swam in an inland sea filled with schools of ammonites. Pterosaurs flew overhead and giant carnivorous amphibians lurked in the rivers.
319	Present takers, The Chambers, Aidan	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	1994	9780099991601	Bullies have spoiled Lucy Hall's birthday and are threatening to ruin her entire year. A gang of aggressive girls has chosen Lucy as their newest target and Lucy is unwilling and unable to defend herself or ask for help.
14976	Preston Campbell edition, The (An Indij sport report) Campbell, Preston & McDougall, Wendy (ill)	Indij Readers	2004	9780975686041	An insight into the life and family of Preston Campbell, a talented player with the Penrith Panthers rugby league team. Exciting layout contributes to the impact of the text and makes information more accessible.
22779	Previously Ahlberg, Allan & Ingman, Bruce	Walker Books	2007	9781844280629	A fascinating backwards walk through familiar narratives that would appeal to multiple age groups, the read to and the reading. A sound knowledge of fairy stories and nursery rhymes and a willingness to think in new ways are prerequisites for enjoying this book to the full.
67810	Priceless painting pinched Holper, Paul & Torok, Simon & Axelsen, Stephen (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2009	9781405037334	A suspicious new art teacher starts at Zac and Hannah's school just as the newspaper headlines announce the robbery of a priceless painting. Follow the clues and the red herrings, collect the evidence and check out the suspects to solve the crime of the missing painting.

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ID   846230	Primer Muro, Jennifer & Krajewski, Thomas & Lusky, Gretel (ill)			9781401296575	Ashley Rayburn is an upbeat girl with a decidedly downbeat past. She has bounced from foster home to foster home and represents a real challenge to the social workers who try to help her, because trouble always seems to find her!  Ashley's latest set of foster parents are Kitch and Yuka Nolan. Like Ashley, Kitch is an artist. Yuka, on the other hand, is a geneticist working for a very high-level tech company. Yuka's latest top secret project is a set of body paints that, when applied to the wearer, grant them a wide range of special powers.  When Ashley discovers the paints, she assumes these are for her, but soon realizes that she's stumbled upon something much bigger and a lot more dangerous. Although she uses her newly discovered powers for good, it's not long before the military becomes wise to what happened to their secret weapon. And this spells big trouble not only for Ashley, but for her newfound family and friends as well."
15446	Prince of butterflies Coville, Bruce & Clapp, John (ill)	Harcourt Children's Books	2002	9780152058548	A beautiful story about John Farrington, a boy who loved butterflies and grew into a man who saved them.
660384	Prince of ponies Gregg, Stacy	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2019	9780008332310	War destroyed the worlds of two young girls decades apart. Their love of amazing stallions will draw them together, and bring peace to them both.
9244	Princess bride, The Goldman, William	Bloomsbury	1999	9780747545187	A classic story of pirates, evil princes, sorcerers and true love.
45243	Princess of Egypt: an Egyptian girl's diary 1490 BC Cross, Vince	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407103099	Asha, the daughter of King Thutmose, does not want to live the constrained life of privileged, pampered Egyptian women. She loves to train her body and her mind, and resents the power and importance of men. One day, a prophecy foretells that a young woman will prove to be the best man in the Two Kingdoms and Asha is caught up in a world of plots, danger and intrigue.
26143	Princess Parsley Rushby, Pamela	Scholastic Australia	2016	9781742991610	Parsley Patterson's first year of high school is not turning out as she had expected. It's not only her name that's the problem. Parsley is targeted by Danielle and her mean group, and bullied about her hippie family and her Possum Creek address. But, just as she decides to keep her head down and try to ignore it all until it blows over, her father's announcement causes the spotlight to rest firmly again on Parsley.
12340	Private and confidential Ripley, Marion & Backhouse, Colin	Frances Lincoln	2003	9780711220973	Laura, an English girl, discovers that her Australian pen pal is blind. She decides to learn to use a Braille machine to send him a get-well-soon card. They are soon sending Braille letters to each other, making their letters private and confidential.

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1D 9920	Problem pony Clark, Sherryl & Young, Noela	Puffin Australia	2006	9780143302599	Beth has always wanted a horse of her own. She is thrilled when she has the chance to look after a pony called Brady. But, Brady is a problem pony who doesn't seem to want to be friends with her.
4935	Probuditi Van Allsburg, Chris	Houghton Mifflin	2008	9781842707005	Calvin and his friends hypnotise Calvin's little sister, Trudy, and make her do lots of silly things. It is only at the last moment, before Mum comes home, that she snaps out of her hypnotic state.
10948	Project, The Falkner, Brian	Walker Books	2010	9781921529795	It all began with a book so boring that nobody would ever read it, the perfect place to hide a terrible secret. Now the book has emerged from its hiding place and the world may never be the same. A prank leads Luke and Tommy into a world of trouble, requiring all their investigative skills to save civilisation from a catastrophic occurrence. World War II, da Vinci's inventions, and time travel all come into play.
31244	Promise, The Guille, Derek & Kaff-eine (ill)	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2012	9780987313966	Australian soldier Nelson Ferguson was wounded in battle by poison gas which damaged his eyes and lungs. These injuries were made worse because Nelson was an artist and a cornet player. After he died many years later, Nelson's grandson wanted to ensure Australians remembered what happened to thousands of young soldiers in World War 1.
707966	Puffin book of big dreams, The Puffin	Puffin Australia	2020	9780241438206	Celebrate Puffin's 80 years of magical storytelling with this wonderful collection of brand-new and beloved stories, poems and pictures.
751000	Puffin little historian: The ANZACs Puffin	Puffin Australia	2020	9781760897024	How did the ANZACs get their name? Lets march back into the past to find out.
15528	Punjabi pappadum, The Newton, Robert	University of Queensland Press	2003		The legendary, mouthwatering Punjabi Pappadum is doing it tough against the flashy new Burger Barn. There's something sinister going on and it's down to best mates Veejay, Dexter and Travis to get to the bottom of it.
1112565	Punycorn Watson, Andi	Clarion Books	2023	9780358571995	A tiny unicorn - big on confidence, low on competence - finds himself 'on duty' when Sir Ogre unleashes his evil army on Carbuncle, the unicorn kingdom. Will Punycorn, thus named because he is a puny unicorn, rise to the challenge? Will his hastily assembled group of misfits be a help or a hinderance in the quest to save Carbuncle?
1174718	Puppet Almond, David & Stewart, Lizzy (ill)	Viking Children's	2024	9781406391619	Silvester is a retired puppet maker, but he makes one last puppet, as tall as a child. He held the puppet's arms out wide and wondered what strange kind of story Puppet might be in. New friends help Puppet discover the world and the joys of imagination.

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1D 1019719	Puppets of Spelhorst: A Norendy tale, The DiCamillo, Kate & Morstad, Julie (ill)	Walker Books	2023	9781536216752	Spelhorst, an old and lonely sea captain, encounters a puppet which resembles a loved one from his past. He unexpectedly purchases the set of puppets and puts a story in motion just as his own story is about to end. The puppets change hands and have unexpected adventures as they wonder just when their story will begin.
8340	Pure chance Rubinstein, Gillian	Walker Books	2004	9780744524000	It's Lizzie's dream to have her own horse. Her family seems to have just enough money for everyone else, except Lizzie.
2176		Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741664164	Pyro Watson loves pirates, treasure and maps. When he is stranded with his Aunt Mor in her caravan on the beach with her latest beau, Pyro calls on Simeon the pirate to pass the time. When Pyro meets another boy, Min, life at the holiday camp becomes more interesting and then dangerous when the local bullies claim territorial rights to the beach.
5250	Quark's academy Pelosi, Catherine	Lothian Books	2018	9780734417800	Quark's Academy is a mysterious and futuristic facility that rewards a lucky few young budding science students a week's summer camp - run by the elusive inventor Quark.  Not your usual educational camp, the children soon learn they will need to use their wits and succeed.
85212	Queasy rider Roy, James	Walker Books	2008	9781921150579	Thicky convinces his mate, Noddy, to help him drag a wreck of a bike, they have discovered in the weeds, back to his place. With Shirley's uninvited help, they hatch a novel plan to make money for the three of them but it may backfire.
15343	Queen Elizabeth II, monarch of our times Barton-Wood, Sara	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2002	9780750238861	Elizabeth II came to the throne in 1953. This is the story of her life before and during that reign. In magazine layout, the book provides interesting and historical information.
15344	Queen Mother, grandmother of a nation, The Wood, Richard & Sara	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2001	9780750232470	The Queen Mum, as she was affectionately known, led an exciting and glamorous life that was changed forever when her husband unexpectedly became King shortly before World War II. Despite his death in 1952, she was rarely out of the spotlight.

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ID  1133742	Queen of dogs Weatherstone, Jen	Walker Books	2024	9781760658588	Maddy's family are talented and ambitious - sporting trophies, top grades, they collect them all. But Maddy would rather spend time with her best friend, her pug Gusto. When Gusto disappears her world changes.  Her search for Gusto reveals a surprising talent and Maddy can't believe her ears. She can understand everything the neighbourhood dogs are saying and suddenly Maddy becomes the go-to canine problem solver. But when more and more dogs go missing, Maddy finds herself with a much bigger problem and she is going to need a lot of friends - two-legged and four-legged - to help her solve it
	Quest of the sunfish series McConnochie, Mardi				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
695151	Quick history of maths, A Gifford, Clive & Young, Michael (ill)	Quarto Group	2020	9780711249011	Maths was not created by cruel people who wanted to make life difficult for young students. Maths is a human story more than it is a story of numbers and symbols. What we study today comes from thousands of years of human civilisation and has changed the way humans live. This sometimes silly book does a great job of explaining some very serious and confusing mathematical subjects.
482	Quicksand pony, The Lester, Alison	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2000	9781863739313	The lives of two children are brought together when Bella, Biddy's pony, is trapped in quicksand in the Australian outback.
3538	Quirky tails Jennings, Paul	Penguin	1995	9780140371017	A collection of humorous short stories of unexpected phenomena with a twist.
	Quizzical series Davidson, Leanne				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.

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1D  1329936	R.I.P Nanny Tobbins Stevens, Lucie	HarperCollins Australia	2025	9781460766521	When Nanny Tobbins fell off a horse and broke her neck, the grown-ups told nine-year-old Albertine she'd never see her beloved governess again. But it simply isn't true. For every night, when the clock strikes twelve, Nanny returns to the nursery. Yet in her new ghostly state, Nanny Tobbins quickly causes chaos in the household and the timing couldn't be more inconvenient. Albertine's stepmother is struggling to settle in, and Papa is much occupied working with Prince Albert on the Great Exhibition. To make matters worse, the grown-ups don't believe in ghosts at all, leaving Albertine to take the blame for Nanny's unruly antics. How will Albertine restore peace to her home before the unthinkable occurs?
825515	Rabbit, soldier, angel, thief Nannestad, Katrina & Heiduczek, Martina (ill)	ABC Books	2021	9780733341465	In the spring of 1942 Sasha and his family are enjoying the beautiful flowers and sunshine while still missing his father who has gone to war and not come back. This peace does not last very long before Sasha is on his own and running for his life across the Russian countryside. Sasha soon finds himself in the company of Russian soldiers and faced with keeping himself and his new friends alive.
5555	Race to Kangaroo Cliff, The McCall Smith, Alexander & McIntosh, Iain (ill)	Birlinn Ltd	2018	9781780274539	The School Ship Tobermory and its brave young crew are journeying to Australia to participate the prestigious Tall Ships race. Along the way, the crew will have to face a series of perilous challenges, including water shortages, crocodile attacks and scuba-diving catastrophes. Will the crew be able to win the race in the face of such adversity?
13103		HarperCollins Children's Books	2017	9780008183325	When Spike gets fired from hospital radio, he decides to launch his own show from a makeshift studio in his dad's shed, under the secret identity of Radio Boy. Spike quickly becomes an underground hit. But will he handle his newfound fame well? Is calling a homework strike a good idea? Will he impress Katherine Hamilton, the girl he wants to marry? Can he keep his identity a secret? The answers to these questions are inside this book. (SPOILER ALERT: mostly the answers are 'no'.)
5720		HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2018	9780008200596	Radio Boy, Spike Hughes continues to broadcast to the world from his garden shed. When Grandad Ray comes to stay Spike invites him to oin the radio show and he is an instant hit with the listeners, at first.
321	Railway children, The Nesbit, Edith	Puffin Australia	2010	9780141321608	A middle class family, living in London at the end of the eighteenth century, falls on hard times when their father unexpectedly goes away. They move to a simple cottage in the country where they befriend the local railway porter who goes by the name of Perks. The children have exciting adventures around the railway but the mystery about their father remains.

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9322	Rain May and Captain Daniel Bateson, Catherine	University of Queensland Press	2002	9780702233371	Rain May and her mum escape their old inner-city life for a dream house in the country. There are more than a few surprises in store like discovering a platypus or the fun of befriending eleven year old, Captain Daniel, who lives next door.
20795	Rainbow bird Cavouras, Czenya	Wakefield Press	2007	9781862547735	An unseen, unnamed narrator takes us on a journey through fear, uncertainty and despair to hope. The book was created by a fourteen year old girl, whose inspiration came from conversations with her grandfather about his trips to Port Augusta's detention centre for refugees and asylum seekers.
323	Rainforests of Australia Churchett, Graham	Jacaranda	1992	9780710630391	Colourful photographs highlight this book about the ecology of Australian rainforests.
324	Ramona the pest Cleary, Beverly	Oxford University Press	2000	9780192750976	Ramona can't understand how she upsets people when she really doesn't mean to be a pest.
	Ramose series Wilkinson, Carole				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
5925	Randall's wall Fenner, Carol	Aladdin Publishing	2000	9780689835582	Randall has found that by building an invisible wall he can protect himself from the judgements of his classmates and his many problems at home. Inside his wall, he can dream and forget about his real life. Living in a house with no running water means Randall can't bathe so he is teased for smelling. One day, Randall makes a friend and slowly, frighteningly, his wall begins to crumble.
	Ranger in Danger series Willmore, Sean & Reynolds, Alison				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
5054	Rania: this is the book of you Abdel-Fattah, Randa	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742990118	The ghost girl has messages just for Rania, if only she could work out what they mean. Rania works hard at school, has great friends and is happy with her life. Rania is delighted when her favourite cousin joins her at school but now Andrea seems to be competing with her. There is so much going on that Rania struggles to know just what to do first.
71498	Raps 4 little fullas Ross, Monkey Mark	Indij Readers	2004	9780975686010	Raps and chants of appeal to Aboriginal children, written by Indigenous Australians.

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ID 25185	Rapunzel's revenge Hale, Shannon & Hale, Dean & Hale, Nathan (ill)	Bloomsbury	2008	9780747587439	A fun reworking of the Rapunzel fairy tale that boasts a strong-willed, plucky heroine in an Old West setting. Expect oodles of hair-braid-lassoing as Punzie takes on the bad dudes and even finds the time to fall in love. Graphic novel.
46252		HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2012	9780007453535	Things are not looking good for Zoe. Her stepmother, Sheila, is so lazy, she gets Zoe to pick her nose for her. The school bully, Tina Trotts, makes her life a miser, mainly by flobbing on her head. And, now, the evil Burt from Burt's Burgers is after her pet rat. I wonder what he wants it for.
	Rats of NIMH series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Raven Lucas series Harris, Christine				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1209734	Raven's eye runaways, The Mabey, Claire	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781991006820	Three friends and a one-eyed raven find themselves up against the rulers who restrict the gifts of writing and reading to an elite few.  They must go on a wild and unpredictable rescue mission. Who and what will they meet along their way? And what is the terrible truth behind everything they think they know about their world?
47146	Raven's mountain Orr, Wendy	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2011	9781742374659	Raven's mother remarries and her new stepfather decides to take Raven and her older sister camping. They go to the mountain of his childhood and Raven is the first to climb to the peak. It's here that things go terribly wrong. The rock under Raven's feet cracks and she falls, crashing down over the edge of the cliff. When she finally comes to, no one answers Raven's calls.

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1D 812	Raymie Nightingale DiCamillo, Kate	Walker Books	2016	9781406363135	When her father abandons the family, young Raymie Clarke hatches a plan. To gain her dad's approval and immediate return, she'll enter and win the Little Miss Central Florida Tyre competition. Raymie must do good deeds and learn to twirl a baton. She must also contend with the frequently fainting Louisiana and the fiery Beverley. As the competition approaches, loneliness, loss and unanswerable questions draw them into an unlikely friendship, and challenge each girl to come to the rescue in unexpected ways.
839070	Real magic Magic, Ash	Penguin Books Australia	2021	9781761043925	Magic is making the impossible possible. And there are tons of tips and tricks in this book, but the real magic is finding the good vibes every day in everything you do. Learn to bring positive energy and positive people into your life. Once you get the hang of it, life gets a whole lot easier and a whole lot more fun.
40661	Really nearly deadly canoe ride, The Metzenthen, David	Puffin Australia	2009	9780143304548	Shiny-boy Diamond and his mate, Pod, have been given an old Canadian canoe, the Wolverine. They decide to canoe from Sockby all the way down to the sea but didn't count on revolting rubbish traps, killer rapids, freaky whirlpools and a container ship ten storeys high.
499	Really really epic mini-bike ride, The Metzenthen, David	Penguin	2006	9780143301219	Pete 'Pod' Podlewski with the bad haircut and his mate, 'Shiny-Boy' Diamond from the wrong side of the tracks, ride their illegal mini-bikes to the end of the disused railway line in search of adventure and girls. Some strong language in context.
12393	Really really high diving tower, The Metzenthen, David	Puffin Australia	2003	9780143300434	Shiny boy and Pod, spend a lot of time at the pool talking, dreaming, making funny remarks to each other about other people who use the pool and trying to impress girls. They often get into trouble with the pool boss for doing silly things.
587834	Rebel voices: the rise of votes for women Stewart, Louise Kay & Knight, Eve Lloyd (ill)	Hachette Children's Books	2018	9781526300232	Published in 2018 to mark the anniversary of Women's right to vote in United Kingdom, this incredibly crafted book documents the story of women's right to vote around the world. From 1893 New Zealand to 2015 Saudi Arabia women and their voices have risen up and united to demand the right to "a voice and a choice".

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ID  1088077	Rebels of Mount Buffalo, The Edwards, Helen	Yellow Brick Books	2023	9780645218077	Last time Clara visited the Mount Buffalo Chalet she was part of a family of four. Now, in 1998, they are only three, each navigating the waves of grief that have followed the death of Clara's twin brother.  Without her twin, Clara's identity is in a state of turmoil. Then, she meets a girl who lives near Mount Buffalo. Clara is surprised to discover that this girl is Guide Alice - a rebellious, gutsy, and adventurous girl who Clara knows from the history books as having spent her life leading people up and down the mountain.  When Clara and Alice are confronted by danger, will Clara rediscover her courage? Will she find the strength to reclaim herself?
896426	Rebound Alexander, Kwame	HarperCollins Australia	2018	9780358494836	Hoop kings SOAR in kicks with wings. Game so sweet it's like bee stings.  It's 1988. Charlie Bell is still mourning his father, and struggling to figure out how he feels for his best (girl) friend, CJ. When he gets into trouble one too many times, he's packed off to stay with his grandparents for the summer. There his cousin Roxie introduces him to a whole new world: basketball. A legend on the courts is born. But can Charlie resist when trouble comes knocking once again?
	Reconciliation in Australia seeries Various				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
6548	Red Gleeson, Libby	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781741758535	Red can't remember the cyclone, doesn't remember her name, where she lived or who her parents are. Is there anyone left in Sydney she can trust to help her discover who she is and why she needs to get to Melbourne so urgently.

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ID   3064	Red pencil, The Davis Pinkey, Andrea & Evans, Shane W (ill)	Little, Brown & Co	2014	9780316247801	Twelve year old Amira's dream is to go to school. But, life in her peaceful Sudanese village is shattered when the terrifying Janjaweed militia arrives. They burn her village and unleash unspeakable horrors. Amira needs to find the strength to make the long journey, on foot, to a refugee camp. Life is tough at the camp until the gift of a simple red pencil opens her mind and all kinds of possibilities. Verse novel about real events.
23669	Red piano, The Leblanc, Andre & Barroux (ill)	Wilkins Farago Pty Ltd	2009	9780980607017	For one young girl, a resident of a labour camp, a run-down, old piano brings some humanity into her life and to a system that has none. Each night, she bravely steals away to play on the battered instrument and, sheet by sheet, she gradually assembles, then copies, the music. One night, she is caught at the piano. A story about international concert pianist, Zhu Xiao-Mei, and the Chinese Cultural Revolution.
23697	1 1137	Scholastic New Zealand	2013	9781775430704	Young soldier Jim McLeod waits in the trenches of World War I for the order to attack the enemy. With him are his friends, and Nipper, the messenger dog. When they charge across no-man's land, Jim is shot and finds himself face to face with an enemy soldier.
1013107	Red vs Blue Tedesco, James & McKenzie, Heath (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2021	9781760982928	A new rugby league team has been created for Teddy and his mates, The Camden Blues. The only problem is they don't have enough players to fill it. Can Teddy and his friends form a team and gel together quickly enough to take on their Camden Red rivals?
74142	Red wind, The Carmody, Isobelle	Penguin	2010	9780670074037	Every year, Zluty journeys to the great forest while his brother, Bily, stays to tend their desert home. And every year, Zluty returns with exciting tales of his adventures. But, when a devastating red wind sweeps across the land, destroying everything in its path, each brother must fight for his survival.

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1D 1089059	Red, white and whole LaRocca, Rajani	Quill Tree Books	2023	9780063047433	Reha feels torn between two worlds: school, where she's the only Indian American student, and home, with her family's traditions and holidays. But Reha's parents don't understand why she's conflicted - they only notice when Reha doesn't meet their strict expectations. Reha feels disconnected from her mother, or Amma. Although their names are linked - Reha means "star" and Punam means "moon" - they are a universe apart.  Then Reha finds out that her Amma is sick. Really sick.  Reha, who dreams of becoming a doctor even though she can't stomach the sight of blood, is determined to make her Amma well again. She'll be the perfect daughter, if it means saving her Amma's life.
4217	Redback mansion Marwood, Lorraine	Five Islands Press	2002	9780864187680	A collection of well-crafted literary poems with a rural theme.
4377	Redwall: the graphic novel Jacques, Brian	Philomel Books	2007	9780399244810	A black and white, beautifully illustrated rendition of the classic story.  Mathias, the young and clumsy field mouse, must take the place of Martin the Warrior and save Redwall Abbey from the vicious rats. Lead by Cluny the Scourge, the rats prove to be devious and merciless enemies and there will be great battles and much sadness before the end.
2810	Reef superstar Killingbeck, Lesley & Toft, Kim Michelle (ill)	Brolly Books	2005	9781877035579	In a wondrous world deep within a coral reef, sea creatures assemble for a contest. Each creature has a special skill or a magic trick to display. Find out who wins the contest to become reef superstar.
66479	Reflections of a solitary hamster Desbordes, Astrid & Martin, Pauline (ill)	Gecko Press	2009	9781877467455	Meet Hamster, completely self-obsessed and passionate about waffles. Join him and his friends, kindly Mole, diffident Hedgehog, selflessly generous Snail and super-confident Rabbit as they prepare for a celebration, set to change everybody's lives. A deceptively simple book includes philosophical musings on life.
885986	Reluctant witch's guide to magic, A Plozza, Shivaun	Penguin	2022	9781761043994	Willa Birdwhistle does not want to be a witch. So when she is told she must choose a coven, she is certain it is a mistake. But it is not. She has only one year to learn how to control her wild magic or she will explode. During that year she faces magical books, an army of cats and a rogue witch who may cause total destruction. Can Willa master her magic and unravel a mystery to save her city, her friends and herself?

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1D 11382	Remarkable secret of Aurelie Bonhoffen, The Abela, Deborah	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781741660951	Aurelie's family owns, runs and performs on Bonhoffen's Seaside Pier. They have been there for decades but a developer is working to have the fair and the Bonhoffen's removed.
15155	Remember me Simons, Moya	Scholastic Australia	2003	9781862915268	A diary is a good way to get rid of the worries that clutter your mind.  Amber needs a diary because her life is getting confusing. Her mum has remarried. Nothing feels the way it should any more, and nothing is ever simple.
70580	Replay Creech, Sharon	Bloomsbury	2005	9780747581864	Leo, a quiet boy nicknamed Sardine because he's the middle child in a boisterous family, is cast in the school play as an old woman. He discovers the journal his father kept at thirteen and finds out there's more to dad than he ever knew.
327	Reptiles Creagh, Carson & Greer, Allen (ed.)	Time Life	1999	9780809492473	Outstanding colour photography with clearly written text presented as informative captions and key paragraphs, on a double page spread for each reptile. Lots of Australian reptiles are featured.
660641	Republic of birds, The Miller, Jessica	Text Publishing Co	2020	9781922268044	Since the war with the republic of birds, magic has been banned and any girl showing signs of magical ability is whisked away to Bleak Steppe, to a life, it is said, of unspeakable horror. When Olga begins to experience strange things, she knows she must keep it hidden from everyone. But when the birds take the thing that is most precious to her, Olga must summon all her courage, and more, to get it back.
660634	Rescue Long, David & Hyndman, Kerry	Faber & Faber	2019	9780571346325	Scrambling from the wreckage of his school after an earthquake, a nine-year-old Sichuan boy rescues two unconscious friends. "I was a hall monitor" he said afterwards. "It was my job to look after my classmates". Whether dragging a friend from a blazing car, leading a search far below the earth's surface, or recovering astronauts from space, the true stories in this book reveal the ingenuity, courage and determination of people all over the world who have risked their lives to save others.
682656	Respect Muir, Aunty Fay & Lawson, Sue & Kennedy, Lisa	Magabala Books	2020	9781925936315	Our way is old, other than red earth, older than flickering stars. Our way is respect. A tender, thoughtful story reminding us to respect others and respect ourselves, Respect is suitable for readers of all ages.

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1D   587662	Restless girls, The Burton, Jessie & Barrett, Angela (ill)	Bloomsbury	2018	9781408886915	For her twelve daughters, Queen Laurelia's death in a motor car accident is a disaster beyond losing a mother. Their father, King Alberto, cannot bear the idea of the princesses ever being in danger and decides his daughters must be kept safe at all costs. Those costs include their lessons, their possessions and, most importantly, their freedom. But the eldest, Princess Frida, will not bend to his will without a fight and she still has one possession her father can't take: the power of her imagination. And so, with little but wits and ingenuity to rely on, Frida and her sisters begin their fight to be allowed to live.
846253	Return to FACTopia! Hale, Kate & Smith, Andy (ill)	Walker Books	2022	9781913750398	Enter Factopia- the amazing world of facts. Every fact is connected in weird and wonderful ways. Choose your own route through the book and discover facts about snowball fights, volcanoes, blue whales and ear wax. Where will your curiosity take you?
1209846	Revenge of the toxic space potato First Dog on the Moon	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761066771	Letitia, Binky and Worried Norman are no ordinary teens. They are the superheroes better known as the Indefatigable EnviroTeens! Unluckily they have been space snorkelled - sucked up by giant tubes, teleported through the galaxy, stripped of their powers and squeezed out onMars?! Forced to join the Great Snorkel Manufactory, the three teenagers overhear the evil Baron Kartuffelpoffen's plan to snorkel up all of Earth's water. It really sucks! Can their trusty sidekicks, Stuart the wobbegong and Beverly the sourdough starter, come to the rescue?
3646	Revolting rhymes Dahl, Roald	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2001	9780140568240	Quite gory but always funny, classic tales retold in a collection for those who love their fairy tales with a satirical, and worldly twist. Meet Cinderella, a young woman who wants to marry a nice, ordinary man and Goldilocks, the house-breaker.
4135	Rich & rare Collins, Paul (ed)	Ford Street Publishing	2015		Enjoy this wonderful variety of short stories, poetry and artwork from forty-eight of Australia's best creators. Find out about a knitting needle ninja, a violin that comes to life, a cat with many names, a love that cannot be bought, an alien invasion and so much more. From humour to horror, thriller to fantasy, encompassing the past, the present and the future.
9956	Richard Hammond's blast lab Hammond, Richard	Dorling Kindersley	2009	9781740337069	Over thirty really cool experiments from the man who loves fast cars and all things scientific, Top Gear's Richard Hammond. Try these experiments at home but note that some require adult supervision. The book gives practical advice on which ones and how to proceed.

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1D   751206	Rick Gino, Alex	Scholastic US	2020	9781338048100	Rick is starting high school and is meeting new kids who we would like to get to know better, but his best friend from primary school, Jeff, is much less kind to people who are different than him. Rick is lucky to have people in his life who he can speak openly and honestly with about the questions he is having about himself as a young man, and about the importance of being true to what you know is right.
	Riddle Gully series Banyard, Jen				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
3654	Riddle of the Trumpalar Bernard-Waite, Judy	Scholastic Australia	2002	9781863884914	When two children want to save the Moreton Bay fig tree in their local park, they are taken back in time to colonial days.
1233657	Ride north De Jong, Maria	Andersen Press Ltd	2025	9781839135200	Twelve-year-old Folly is angry and grieving for her mum. She isn't ready for Dad's plans for a new life in Auckland with his new girlfriend. So Folly runs away with the one person who truly understands: her wise pony, Tooth. With her mother's ashes in her backpack, Folly sets off to the fabled Cape Reinga, the northernmost point of New Zealand. Through tourist towns and wilderness, across beaches, roads and forest tracks, Folly and Tooth find both adventure and hardship. But then a spur-of-the-moment choice sets danger on their tail. Girl and horse must fight to survive together to the very end of the road.
13249	Ride, Ricardo, ride Cummings, Phil & Devries, Shane (ill)	Omnibus Books	2015	9781742990736	Ricardo loved to ride his bike through the village. He rode every day, under endless skies, quiet and clear. But, then, the shadows came and changed Ricardo's life.
7957	Ridiculous story, A Heimann, Rolf	Little Hare Books	2006	9781921049453	A fantastic collection of funny stories about a pirate ship, a singing spider, a dancing cat, a sugar fairy, a widow who was mistaken for a witch and many more unlikely characters.
9353	Riding Green, Lucinda	Dorling Kindersley			Lucinda Green, professional horsewoman, eventer and TV commentator, presents an in-depth beginner's guide to the secrets of riding, from choosing a riding school and mounting for the first time to competing in a show and saddling up.
10937	Rif and the riddle Cason, Sue & Joyner, Andrew (ill)	Puffin Australia	2012	9780143306375	After the death of a prime bull which belongs to the village, young Rif is in big trouble. Rif and his grandfather were supposed to be guarding the bull but they went fishing instead. In his quest to make things right, Rif must face a mountain troll, a pair of tricksters, a terrifying dog and a very tough riddle.

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1D 329	Ring of bright water Maxwell, Gavin	Penguin	2001	9780141308074	Set in the wilds of Scotland, this story follows the adventures of Mijbil, an adorable and mischievous otter.
	Ripley's twists series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
660788	Rise of the Isle of the Lost De La Cruz, Melissa	Scholastic Australia	2018	9781742995861	The Descendants are back again. Auradon is celebrating the annual Seaside Festival, but something goes wrong. King Titans trident has gone missing - through the magical barrier to the Isle of the Lost, where villains are kept in and magic is kept out. Once the rumour spreads, that a magical object is missing, everyone on the Isle of the Lost wants to get their hands on it, especially Uma, Mal's rival since childhood. The future of Auradon is in her hands. Will Mal and the others be able to save the trident before it falls into the wrong hands?
	Rise of the Mythix series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
886014	Rise of the School for Good and Evil Chainani, Soman	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9780008508029	Together, they watch over the Endless Woods. Together, they choose the students for the School for Good and Evil. Together, they train them, teach them, prepare them for their fate.  Then, something happens. Something that will change everything and everyone.  Who will survive? Who will rule the school?  The journey starts here. With magic, surprises and daring deeds at every turn, courage and loyalty will be put to the test, only to lead you to the very beginning of the adventures that are The School for Good and Evil.
2355	Rivertime Balla, Trace	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743316337	A boy and his Uncle Egg are on a paddling trip down an Australian river. They come across a swimming wallaby, a crashing koala and some friendly campers.

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ID   20788	Road to Goonong Cox, David	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2011	9781742375212	The road to Goonong was just a pair of wheel tracks, packed down by buggies and drays that had travelled that way. Our farm, Goonong, was at the end of the road. We had beef and dairy cattle, and plenty of room to play and ride horses. It was a time when timber-cutters felled big ironbarks and blacksmiths' hammers rang out from the forge. The skies were always blue and rain was scarce.
2895	Road to Ratenburg, The Cowley, Joy & Bishop, Gavin (ill)	Gecko Press	2016	9781776570751	Fleeing from their home in an abandoned building as it is demolished, Spinnaker Rat, his wife and four young begin a search for the legendary Ratenburg, a place where it's said rats can live in peace and comfort. But, only if they can survive the perils of the journey. The rats must rely on each other, making the most of each animal's strengths and understanding individual limitations. And, Spinnaker Rat, the father, learns more than he expected.
39203	Road to war: a First World War girl's diary 1916-1917 Wilding, Valerie	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407104614	It is 1917 and Daffy Rowntree's brother has gone missing in action somewhere in Europe in the First World War, known as the Great War of 1914-1918. Daffy is determined to do something to help in the war effort and finds herself in the mud and horror of the battlefields of France amongst the dead and wounded. She drives an ambulance, transports the wounded from the trenches and searches for her lost brother.
38134	Robe of skulls, The French, Vivian & Collins, Ross (ill)	Walker Books	2007	9780744583618	All is not well in the crumbling castle high above the mountain village of Fracture. The sorceress, Lady Lamorna, has her heart set on a new, very expensive robe. To get the cash, she will stop at nothing, including kidnapping, blackmail and more than a little black magic. But she reckons without some heroic, gallant and wicked folk who want to stop her.
330	Robin Hood Early, Margaret	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2000	9780949183941	Robin Hood's classic tales of daring-do in a delightfully aesthetic presentation.
	Robots and robotics series Hyland, Tony				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
33124	Robyn Boid: Architect Coote, Maree	Melbournestyle	2017	9780992491741	Meet Robyn Boid - a small, dedicated bird who loves to build nests and dreams of becoming an architect. She lives at the University, where she listens to the architecture class through the window each day. Eager to learn, Robyn practises building all the important architectural shapes, but all the while, she seeks the perfect design for her very own nest.

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1D 332	Rockhopper	Allen & Unwin Ptv I td	l 1995	9781863736787	Quentin is dominated by an overprotective mother, but he learns self
	Broome, Errol				confidence from Gus, a man with a past.
1875	Rockhopping Balla, Trace	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781760112349	Join Clancy and Uncle Egg on a rambling, rockhopping adventure in Gariwerd (the Grampians), to find the source of the Glenelg River. A story about following your flow, and the unexpected places you may go.
598	Rockstar robbery, The Holper, Paul & Torok, Simon & Axelsen, Stephen (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2007	9780330423380	Hannah's rock star idol, Josh Jamieson, is in town. But, as Zac and Hannah emerge from his packed concert, they discover there's been an explosion at the Central Bank next door and ten million dollars is missing. Follow the clues and the red herrings, collect the evidence and check out the suspects to solve the crime of the missing money.
	Rogues series Tanner, Lian				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4523	Roland and Eugenie Flynn, Rachel & Smith, Craig (ill)	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143302902	Roland knows that girls can be trouble but nothing could have prepared him for Eugenie.
802043	Roller girl Jamieson, Victoria	Penguin	2015	9780141378992	One night Astrid and her best friend taken out on a surprise excursion with Astrid's mother. They expect a very boring night but instead Astrid discovers a love of roller derby. The only problem is Astrid's best friend does not share this interest. Their differences begin to pile up and push them apart. Astrid's summer vacation is full of big challenges but she finds new strengths and new toughness along the way.
14369	Roman invasion: a British boy AD 84 Eldridge, Jim	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407107370	Bran is a prince of the Carvetii tribe in ancient England. He has been captured by the Romans and kept hostage with a legion of Roman soldiers building a military road across his country. Bran is there to ensure their safety and they are keeping his family hostage at their base camp to make sure he complies. But, no-one is safe in newly-conquered Britain.
4921	Roman quests, The: Escape from Rome Lawrence, Caroline	Orion	2016	9781510100237	In Rome in AD 94, the evil Emperor Domitian is busy killing those he suspects of being disloyal to him. When soldiers arrive to seize Juba's family home, his parents help him and his siblings to escape. They travel to their uncle's house in distant Britannia, on the edge of the known world, The children have never been outside on their own or done anything for themselves, having depended on slaves all their lives. Juba's daunting quest is to avoid capture and death, to find a safe haven and save the children.

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1D 8033	Roman quests, The: The archers of Isca Lawrence, Caroline	Orion	2016	9781510100268	Britannia AD 94. On the run from the Emperor Domitian, fifteen year old Fronto has joined the Roman army in order to find security and structure. He wants to be a good soldier but, when his younger sister, Ursula, is captured by a Druid called Snakebeard, Fronto must decide whether or not to leave the army to rescue her. Desertion is punishable by death.
777	Romans, The: gods, emperors and dormice Williams, Marcia	Walker Books	2013	9781406339185	Experience life as an ancient Roman through the rise and fall of Rome, through the eyes of a gladiator, dormouse and berry-nibbler.
	Rondo series Rodda, Emily				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
799	Rooftoppers Rundell, Katherine	Faber & Faber	2013	9780571280599	Everyone thinks that Sophie is an orphan. True, there were no other recorded female survivors from the shipwreck that left baby Sophie floating in the English Channel in a cello case, but Sophie remembers seeing her mother wave for help. Her guardian tells her it is almost impossible that her mother is still alive - but "almost" means that it's not impossible. And you should never ignore a possible. So when the Welfare Agency writes to her guardian, threatening to send Sophie to an orphanage, they takes matters into their own hands and flee to Paris to look for Sophie's mother, starting with the only clue they have - the address of the cello maker.  Evading the French authorities, she meets Matteo and his network of rooftoppers - urchins who live in the hidden spaces above the city.  Together they scour the city in a search for Sophie's mother - but can they find her before Sophie is caught and sent back to London? Or, more importantly, before she loses hope?
334	Rose blanche McEwan, Ian & Innocenti, Roberto (ill)	Red Fox	2004	9780099439509	A picture book that tells of Rose, a little girl living in a small German town during the war, who sees trucks going to a place outside of town and wants to find out more.
660592	Rose Muddle mysteries, The: Amber pendant White, Imogen	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2017	9781474927291	Workhouse girl Rose Muddle is surprised to inherit a powerful amber pendant. But more shocking is the news that a second pendant, held by the treacherous Brotherhood of the Black Sun, could unleash darkness on the world. Along with her friend Rui, and Bahula the monkey, Rose is flung into a daring adventure to stop the forces of evil.

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1D 6239	Rose Muddle mysteries, The: The secret ruby White, Imogen	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2018	9781474927307	When Rose Muddle and Rui Singh travel to India to return a precious ruby, they learn they're being followed by an ominous and mysterious stranger. An evil individual who wants to steal the gem. As a dark curse falls across the land, Rose and Rui find themselves in mortal danger and must uncover a sinister plot before it is too late. Can they uncover the ruby' secrets before their shadowy enemies wreak their deadly chaos?
995916	Rotten! Vultures, beetles, slime, and nature's other decomposers Sanchez, Anita & Ford, Gilbert	HarperCollins Children's Books	2022	9780358732884	From sharks and vultures feasting on animal carcasses to worms, maggots, and dung beetles devouring decaying plants, decomposition is happening everywhere.  Decomposition isn't always ugly and disgusting. And, believe it or not, it isn't always smelly. So unplug your nose! Get ready to take a fascinating trip into the world of rotten.
3707	Round the twist Jennings, Paul	Puffin Australia	2022	9780140342130	From bestselling and beloved author Paul Jennings comes the inside scoop from the making of his Round the Twist stories into the hugely popular TV series, now enjoying a new life on Netflix. Including three short stories that were made into episodes, behind-the-scenes glimpses of the actors and sets, and loads of extra fun tidbits to bring the zany world of Round the Twist to a whole new audience.
	Rowan of Rin series Rodda, Emily				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Roxy Ran series Hall, Tiffiny				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 4814	Ruben Whatley, Bruce	Scholastic Australia	2017	9781743810354	Ruben's dreams were of places that made no sense to him. Places that didn't exist. At least not anymore. Ruben lives in a safe place in a city that takes everything and gives nothing back. He begins to feel that he is in danger and ventures to Block City where he meets Koji. She too has been hiding from the dangers of the industrial city and its excesses. Ruben and Koji realise that if they combine their knowledge of how the city works they can find a way to escape together.
992541	Ruby and the pen Lawrence, David & Dignam, Cherie (ill)	EK Books	2023	9781922539380	Ruby and the Pen is the story of a 12-year-old, cartoon-drawing girl who buys a pen from a mysterious market stall. She soon learns that the pen has a magical power: whatever she draws, happens! Initially the pen protects Ruby from the meanest girls at her new school, but over time the pen's power becomes dangerous. Soon, Ruby has problems galore and one big question to be answered - should she fix all of her problems with the stroke of a pen?
	Ruby Redfort series Child, Lauren				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Ruby Rosemount series Brownlee, Jodie				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
46630		Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2010	9781864719871	Tilly falls asleep wearing a ruby talisman, wishing she could escape to a more adventurous life. In 1789, Amelie-Mathilde is living at the opulent palace of Versailles but her guardians want her to marry the horrible old Chevalier. Amelie-Mathilde falls asleep holding her own ruby talisman, wishing for rescue.
	Rugby League Reads Magazine Hirsch, Suzan & McDonald, Dr Lorraine (ed)				Jam-packed with information on all your favourite Rugby League teams and players. Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID   41514	Rules for stealing stars Haydu, Corey Ann	HarperCollins US	2017	9780062352736	Eleven year old Silly, the youngest of four sisters, is feeling ignored and lonely since their family has moved to her mother's childhood home in a desperate search for the peace her mother needs to stave off the sadness from her past. The house itself plays its part by sharing some of the family secrets through the power of magical wardrobes, each attuned to just a particular sister. However the wardrobes' powers are not always positive and it will take all four sisters working together to avoid the dreadful secrets from the past being repeated.
1883	Rules of summer Tan, Shaun	Hachette Children's Books	2013	9781444908893	A summer in the lives of two boys. Each spread tells of an event and the lesson learned. By turns, these events become darker and more sinister as the boys push their games further and further.
12731	Run, kid, run Daddo, Andrew & Smith, Craig (ill)	ABC Books	2007	9780733319280	School holidays and Mum and the kids are off to the country. Mum is called back to her work where there is a no kid rule. When Mum has to break that rule, Jess and Harrison get into more and more strife.
7748	Run, Pip, run Jones, J C	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2015	9781743319222	Pip Sullivan's tenth birthday was a disaster, and that was only the beginning. With her beloved Sully in hospital and the welfare hot on her heels, Pip needs time, money and a place to stay. She's determined to stay one step ahead of Senior Constable Molly Dunlop. With help from her friends, including a psychic cat and a canine escape artist, Pip must survive on wits and luck to stay out of dreaded foster homes so she can help Sully get better.
49351	Runaway troll, The Haig, Matt	Bodley Head	2009	9780370329888	Samuel Blink has a list of what not to do if you're bored in Norway and want to stay out of trouble. It includes not finding a one-eyed troll under your bed, not hiding the troll in your wardrobe, not lying about why there is a smell of cabbage in your room and not attracting the attention of the most evil troll of all time, the Betterer. Unfortunately, Samuel breaks all his own rules but, luckily, he has a loving little sister.
642937	Runaways, The Stark, Ulf & Crowther, Kitty (ill)	Gecko Press	2019	9781776572342	Grandpa hates being in hospital. He thinks only of the place he was happiestthe island where he used to live. He wants to go back, but they won't let him out of the hospital. So Gottfried Junior, his namesake, helps Grandpa make a plan to run away. They think of everything. Their deception is so complete that when Gottfried Junior finally decides to tell the truth, no one believes him.
3741	Runestone Ciddor, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2002	9781865086897	Oddo, the farmer's son, gets into trouble for doing magic and Thora, the spell worker's daughter, is teased because she can't. Using the power of runes to fix things seems like a good idea, but they discover there's more to it than they thought.

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ID 903260	Runt Silvey, Craig & Acton, Sara (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781761067846	Runt, not so affectionately named by the town folk of Upson Downs, is a solitary stray who wreaks havoc on the town until he meets and befriends Annie, a known fixer. Annie and Runt work together to try to save the family farm but with complications at every turn, it may take more than a few jumps and hurdles to achieve this great feat.
337	Sack, The Mattingley, Christobel	Penguin	1993	9780140365580	When Shane's dad loses his job, everything begins to change.
1019776	Safiyyah's war Khan, Hiba Noor	Walker Books	2023	9781839133138	War comes to the streets of Paris and Safiyyah's life changes for ever.  Her best friend's family have fled, and the bombing makes her afraid to leave the mosque where she lives. But when her father is arrested by the Nazis for his secret Resistance work, it falls to Safiyyah to run the dangerous errands around the city.  It's not long before hundreds of persecuted Jews seek sanctuary at the mosque. Can Safiyyah find the courage to enter the treacherous catacombs under Paris and lead the Jews to safety?
804795	Salih Ahmad Zahri, Inda & Ryan, Anne (ill)	Ford Street Publishing	2021	9781925804645	Like a turtle, Salih carries his home on his back. He must cross a raging sea in search of a safe home. Salih paints his happiest memories and sends them as messages in bottles. Will someone find them and understand? Will Salih find a new home?
1262284	Salty Parsons, Sandy	Faraway Nearby Ink	2024	9780987615770	Dara is starting at a new school and is determined to be popular but it seems Josh her new assignment partner is going to make being popular very difficult. Dara loves to use fancy words so at least their assignment on Ned Kelly's death mask should be interesting. That is until the death mask goes missing from the museum and Josh is convinced the new art teacher Ms Isoba is the thief. As Josh hunts for clues he discovers Ms Isoba isn't the only one hiding Secrets.

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1D 1288273	Sam(ira)'s worst (best) summer Hamza, Nina	Quill Tree Books	2024	9780063024946	Samira knows this is going to be the worst summer ever. Her best friend, Kiera, ditched her for the cool girls. Her parents and older sister are taking a trip to India, so Sammy is staring down endless weeks spent with Imran, her little brother, and her Umma. To top it all off-literally! - her house gets TP'd. The TP'ing upsets Imran, who is convinced that they're being targeted because they're the only brown family on the block. When Sammy attempts to solve the problem, she creates a bigger mess instead. But she also meets new girl Alice, who is determined to figure out who was behind the TP'ing. Suddenly, Sammy's "boring" summer is full of clue-finding hunts, garage band practices, and getting to know her neighbours like never before. But when Kiera starts stealing Alice away, Sammy must decide if she wants to stand up for herself. One thing is certain: This summer is either going to be the worst (or maybe the best) of Samira's life.
15946	Samsara dog Manos, Helen & Vivas, Julie (ill)	Working Title Press	2006	9781876288624	Samsara Dog lived many lives. Some were long, while others lasted only a few days. Dog never remembered them. He lived each life as it came until he learned the most important lesson of all.
	Samurai kids series Fussell, Sandy & Nest James, Rhian (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
340	Sand swimmers: the secret life of Australia's dead heart Oliver, Narelle	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2000	9780850917680	A picture book that follows Charles Sturt's journey north from Adelaide in 1844 and describes the desert environment he encountered.
341		Walker Books	1998	9780744560169	Sarah has come from Maine to live on the prairie farm to be mother to two children, but she misses the sea.
18574		Omnibus Books			Sassycat is lightning fast and beautiful but, so conceited. She places her human carer, Rebecca, in great danger of being possessed by evil ghosts. Sassycat must stop thwarting the local pets and become a team player to protect Rebecca. Usually read by students in Years 9, 10 or above.
13000	Save our sharks Metzenthen, David & Smith, Craig (ill)	Puffin Australia	2012	9780143306405	The Seaport Junior Sharks just can't win a game. Their coach is in trouble, their footy ground is unsafe due to lack of rain and the team needs more players. They are in danger of ceasing to exist but the Sharks never give up.

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1D 17478	Saving Arthur England, Kathryn	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2005		Casey Cantrell's mother buys an antique grandfather clock but when Casey turns the clock's key, she is magically transported back to the time of King Arthur.
846142	Saving Celeste Fombelle, Timothee & Ardizzone, Sarah (trans)	Walker Books	2021		The day that Celeste comes into the boy's classroom changes everything for him. He can't stop thinking about her, and when she suddenly disappears in the smoke filled high rise city, he is determined to track her down. He finds her in the most polluted part of the city. She is sick and weak. As sick and weak as the planet itself. Can he save Celeste and in doing so, save the world? A heartfelt, environmental fable about two children fighting for a better world.
751084	Saving Hollow Woods Haynes, Wendy	Imprint Publishing	2020		Twelve year old orphans Gertrude and Tristan find themselves on a train heading to the countryside. But when they discover a hidden door deep in the woods life on the farm soon takes a twist. They find themselves in Hollow Wood, a land full of Elves, Trolls, goblins and Dwarfs. Strange things start to happen and Hollow Woods is in danger. Can Gertrude and Tristan help save Hollow Wood from the Evil High Elf Folmar?
21033	Saving Moonbeam Clark, Sherryl & Spudvilas, Anne (ill)	Puffin Australia	2009	9780143303602	When Gemma sees a starving, neglected horse, she is determined to help him survive. Gemma soon discovers that, with everyone trying to stop her including the owner and her parents, saving the horse won't be easy.
51064	Saving pandas Litchfield, Carla	Black Dog Books			Cute, cuddly and completely misunderstood, giant pandas are endangered, with fewer than 2500 adults left in the wild. Find out about their life cycle, their diet, mating habits and why we need to protect this endangered species.
587894	Say something Reynolds, Peter H	Scholastic Australia	2019	9781760664992	The world needs your voice. If you have a brilliant idea say something! If you see an injustice say something!
5030	Say yes: Story of friendship, fairness and a vote for hope Castles, Jennifer & Seden, Paul (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			Once there were two little girls who were best friends. They did everything together. As they got older they weren't allowed to do the same thing anymore. Because they looked different. Because of the law. This is a story about the landmark 1967 Referendum, the two women who came together to change the lawand how the Australian beople said yes.
1010483	Scar Town Bancks, Tristan	Penguin	2023	9780143791812	A town submerged by a now leaking dam. What will emerge? Three inquisitive kids find more than they bargain for and have to make decisions that could affect more than just their own lives! Will and his friends were already dealing with BIG challenges but nothing has prepared them for the mysteries that lie ahead.

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1D 18524	Scarecrow and his servant, The Pullman, Philip	Corgi Books	2005	9780440863762	An ordinary scarecrow, struck by lightning, comes to life. Jack becomes his faithful servant. As the scarecrow plunges them into terrifying dangers, Jack does not realises he's being followed by a family desperately wishing it had never happened.
	Scarlet and Ivy series Cleverly, Sophie				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1019703	Scarygirl: The origin story Jurevicius, Nathan	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761069277	Abandoned on a remote beach, Scarygirl doesn't know who she is or where she's come from. Blister, a kind and intelligent giant octopus, wants to keep her safe, but Scarygirl needs answers. Who is the strange man haunting her dreams? Will Bunniguru help her unlock the mysteries of her past? Can she trust the wily forest dwellers? Her journey takes her to the edge, and beyond
	Scholastic question & answer series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
846176	School between winter and fairyland, The Fawcett, Heather	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760526542	Twelve-year-old Autumn is a beastkeeper at Inglenook School for Magicians, which she secretly dreams of attending as a student. Instead, she must care for Inglenook's menagerie of dangerous creatures so the king's future monster hunters can study them. But when she isn't mucking out the griffin stalls, Autumn searches for clues about her twin brother's mysterious disappearance. Everyone else thinks that he was devoured by the terrifying Hollow Dragon, but Autumn isn't so sure.

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751063	School for extraterrestrial girls: Girl on fire Whitley, Jeremy & Noguchi, Jamie (ill)	Papercutz	2020	9781545804933	Tara Smith's parents are super strict with all their rules and routines, and Tara is a dutiful daughter. Rule #1: No friends her own age. Rule #2: keep her bracelet on, or else. But when she breaks her routine - and then loses her bracelet - she's in trouble.  Now outed as an extraterrestrial after wielding fire and losing her humanoid form, Tara is captured by the government. She's given two options: get shipped far away where she won't be a danger to anyone or stay on Earth and join a school for other extraterrestrial girls like her. Things at the school aren't easy - especially for the girl whose only friends were textbooks. But Tara's goal to learn how to control her powers is soon sidelined by the discovery that the people she's called Mom and Dad all these years aren't her parents.
46789	School for good and evil, The Chainani, Soman	HarperCollins US	2013	9780007492930	Every four years, two girls are kidnapped from the village of Gavaldon. Legend has it these lost children are sent to the School for Good and Evil, the fabled institution where they become fairytale heroes or villains. Sophie, the most beautiful girl in town, has always dreamed of her place at the School for Good while her friend Agatha, with her dark disposition seems destined for the School for Evil. But when the two are kidnapped, they find their fortunes reversed
	School magazine - Orbit and Touchdown School magazine team				Any two Orbit or Touchdown magazines can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
3825	School of wizardry Doyle, Debra & Macdonald, James D	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd			Twelve year old Randal's apprenticeship in the School of Wizardry is marred when he realises one of the master wizards is using evil spells to destroy the school and gain supreme power.
751072	School rules are optional Hart, Alison	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9781760525712	It's the first day of school and already Jesse has 3 problems,  1. His teacher is so old she taught his dad.  2. He accidently got voted as school captain and  3. His grade 6 jumper has gone missing before recess.  That's a lot to happen in half an hour, the rest of the day has to be better

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1D  1017956	School trip Craft, Jerry	Quill Tree Books	2023	9780062885531	Jordan's last days at Riverdale Academy will be spent on a school tripto Paris! As an aspiring artist himself, Jordan can' wait to see all of the amazing art in the city of lights. Exotic food, a foreign language and a different culture are just some of the tricky things Jordan and his friends are navigating.
	Schooling around series Griffiths, Andy				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4169	Sci-fi Junior High Martin, John & Seegert, Scott	Scholastic Australia	2017		It isn't easy being the son of two of the smartest people in the galaxy, especially when everyone at your new school expects you to be a genuius too! Kelvin Klosmo and his interterrestial friends will need to work together to save the universe, because you never know in a science space station, if one of the scientists will turn out to be a mad robot.
26153	Science book, The Golion, Matilda (edit)	Dorling Kindersley	2010	9781405354134	Explore science through twenty-four big ideas, the key concepts to help understand how science works in your world. Bursting with facts and close-up graphics, this book explains tricky concepts using accessible visuals. Discover why supercooling frogs show how living things adapt to their environment and how the bumps on a whale's fin help aeroplanes to fly.
689549	Science comics: Crows Vanderklugt, Kyla	Pan MacMillan	2020	9781626728028	A crow befriending a dog and getting it to perform tasks might seem like an unlikley way to begin an information text, but this is exactly what crows are capapble of doing. This science comic explains more and more ways that the crow is one of the smartest animals on the planet through lots of facts and sharing real experiments done showing how crows use tools, trick other animals, and have amazing memories.
1078773	Science factopia! Davidson, Rose & Smith, Andy (ill)	Britanica Books	2024	9781804660249	Grab your safety goggles! Every STEM-tastic fact is connected in amazing and unpredictatble ways. Follow a trail that zooms from facts about sharks eyes to facts about mini motorcycles, and from facts about chemestry to facts about koalas.  And there isn't one trail through these super science facts. Sometimes your path branches, and you can choose to teleport to a completely different (but still connected) part of the book. Where will your curiosity take you?
1153340	Scientists in the wild: Antarctica Scales, Helen & Hendry, Kate & D'hipolito, Romolo (ill)	Flying Eye Books	2024	9781838741228	Join a team of scientists as they explore one of the most remote and fragile environments on Earth - Antarctica.

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ID 638699	Scoop McLaren: Detective editor Castles, Helen	New Frontier Publishing	2019	9781925594836	Scoop McLaren publishes an online newspaper and solves mysteries. When Sonny Fink starts publishing a rival newspaper that reports the news before it happens, Scoop, and her best friend, Evie, are straight on the case.
781958	Scoop McLaren: Waves of mystery Castles, Helen	New Frontier Publishing	2020	9781922326010	Scoop McLaren runs her very own online newspaper with the help of her Evie, her friend and roving reporter. Higgity Harbour is holding a top surfing competition and Scoop's friend, Fletcher, decides to enter. But strange things start to happen and Scoop finds herself sailing into uncharted waters of mystery and suspense. Who is trying to do anything and everything to stop Fletcher from winning? And why? Can Scoop and Evie solve this monster wave of a mystery or are they out of their depth?
885148	Scorpion Falls Chatterton, Martin	Ford Street Publishing	2022	9781922696090	Following the arrival of an unsettling guest in the strange Queensland mining town of Scorpion Falls, teenagers start disappearing. And, when local Theo Sumner tries to dig out some answers, he finds himself being drawn deep into the terrifying underbelly of his home town.
989995	Scout and the rescue dogs Wolfer, Dianne & Flowers, Tony (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2023	9781760655860	The summer holidays have finally arrived and Scout can't wait for her adventure in the big rig with Dad. They're on a mission to deliver donations of dog food to animal rescue shelters in rural Victoria and NSW in time for Christmas. But there are so many sad and lonely dogs at each shelter looking for a new home. Scout thinks she has a great idea to find the perfect owners for these pups. But with reports of bushfires in the area, it's not just the dogs who will need rescuing.
27925	Scream: The human flytrap Heath, Jack	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781760152086	Josh lives in Axe Falls - a town of mysterious disappearances, terrifying visions and unusual events. When his family moves into a spooky old house, and his strange neighbour tells him to GET OUT, he thinks his life is weird enough. But when his best friend's science experiment goes horribly wrong and he finds himself running for his life, Josh starts to wonder what's really going on in Axe Falls and if anyone will survive long enough to find out!
977575	Sea glass Fraser, Rebecca	HarperCollins Australia	2023	9781761111075	Cailin's holiday plans are ruined when she and her mum go to stay with her eccentric grandfather at Whitefoam Cove. She barely knows him and reminders of her father are everywhere. Then, just when Cailin and her grandfather are really connecting, disaster strikes.

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1D 5735	Seahorse Pascoe, Bruce	Magabala Books	2015	9781921248931	Whenever they can, Jack and his family escape to Seahorse Bay. On one visit, Jack is excited to discover a sunken boat, not far off the coast. When he shows his father, they realise it's in pristine condition and decide to take on the challenge of salvaging it. When the mysterious boat is finally raised, the adventure begins.
825622	Seasons in the city McKean, Megan	Lothian Books	2021	9780734420442	Do you know springtime in Tokyo is cherry blossom season? Or that on the longest day of summer in Stockholm the sun stays up for 18 hours?  Seasons divide the year and bring about changes in the world around us. Different seasons bring warm or cool weather; snow or extreme heat; wet, windy weeks or dry, dusty days; and even big weather events like super storms and twisting tornadoes.  Throughout history people have welcomed new seasons with important rituals. Plenty of these traditions continue today, as the change in weather brings different occasions to celebrate and activities to enjoy all year round in many of the world's cities.  Discover what different seasons look like in cities all around the world.
1209714	Seawitch McKenna, Skye, Tomislav, Tomic (ill)  Secret Agent Derek Danger Dale series	Hachette Children's Books	2024	9781801301282	Seawitch continues the adventures of Cassie and her friends and in Cassie's development as a witch. A call for help from Sebastian sends them to Cornwall to investigate an intriguing mystery. They find the Erl King continuing in his plots to cross over from Faery, and the Seawitch incapable of stopping him. What can Cassie and her friends do to stop him? And what will Cassie discover about her mother? Join them in this magical adventure to find out.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official
	Bauer, Michael Gerard & Bauer, Joe (ill)				Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as official choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID   27774	Secret cooking club, The Remington, Laurel	Chicken House	2016	9781910655245	Twelve year old Scarlett is the star and the victim of her mum's popular blog. The butt of school jokes, she's eager to stay firmly out of the spotlight. So, when Scarlett discovers the kitchen next door, left empty by an elderly neighbour in hospital, she begins to bake from the hand written recipe book she finds. As more people find out and Scarlett's confidence grows, The Secret Cooking Club is formed. Scarlett's life changes forever.
660714	Secret friends Laird, Elizabeth & Harris, Alleanna (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2019	9781529015409	Rafaella is new to secondary school as is Lucy. Rafaella is a little different and unsure on how to make friends. In an awkward moment when meeting Rafaella, Lucy calls her a name which will stick with Rafaella and make it even harder for her to make friends. On their walks home from school they begin to form a friendship, and Lucy finds warmth and love in the home of Rafaella's family. However, Lucy keeps this friendship secret and it is only under the most terrible of circumstances that she realises the consequences of her decisions.
1174711	Secret garden rewilded, The Simmons, Anthea	Andersen Press Ltd	2024	9781839134203	Spoilt rich-kid Mia's world is turned upside-down when she is orphaned and whisked away to Mis Tor Manor on the edge of Dartmoor to live with her uncle and cousin Christopher. Mia is appalled to find herself in the remote countryside, in a freezing, crumbling manor. Grieving and missing her old life, she takes an instant dislike to Christopher, who never leaves his bedroom due to illness.  Yet little by little, Mia starts to discover the beauty of this wintry world, and befriends local boy Daniel, who loves animals and teaches her how to ride a Dartmoor pony. One day she discovers a hidden door, covered in brambles and ivy, which leads to a walled garden A special, secret place which needs someone's care to bring it to life once again so nature can flourish.
344	Secret Garden, The Burnett, Frances Hodgson	Oxford University Press	2001	9780192835963	After losing her parents, young Mary Lennox is sent from India to live in her uncle's gloomy mansion on the wild English moors. She is lonely and has no one to play with. But, when she learns of a hidden, secret garden, somewhere in the grounds that no one is allowed to enter, Mary discovers a world she could never have imagined.

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1D  1019880	Secret of the blood-red key, The Farr, David	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2024	9781801311090	After saving the land from the evil dictator Malstain, Rachel has found herself a Keeper of the Key. An honour bestowed on some to guard the Hinterland using the magic held in the key to stop any who would exploit it's borders. Not knowing how to use it Rachel swears she will not rufuse the key when it calls. When Elsa, a young innocent girl, goes missing, the key does call and Rachel finds herself on another adventure, but this time it may not end so well.
6132	Secret of the lonely isles, The Van Os, Joanne	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2011	9781741662528	Jem's world has been turned upside down by a family crisis, and then it gets worse. Along comes Ella, Jem's great-aunt, who's also a solo round-the-world sailor. She decides that what Jem, his sister, Maddy, and brother, Tyler, need is a sea change. Seasickness isn't the only thing that Jem adds to his list of woes. He keeps having strange and troubling dreams, and someone is stalking them.
1236902	Secret of the stone, The Lefroy, Kathryn	Fremantle Press	2024	9781760994648	When Olive and her friends find a mysterious stone and discover it grants wishes, they think their lives are made. Sure, they are going to save the world and all that stuff, but there are a few fun things they want to do first. Then they realise other people are looking for the stone. People who will stop at nothing to get it. As the stakes get higher, secrets are kept, loyalties are questioned, and promises are broken. How much are Olive and her friends willing to risk to make all their dreams come true?
1119030	Secret of the treasure keepers, The Howell, A.M	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2022	9781474991117	In 1948 London is beset by fog and life is hard. The one bright spot for Ruth is the thought of her mum getting a job at the British Museum. They both love archaeology and when Ruth takes a phone call suggesting that buried treasure might be buried on a farm, it seems like all of their hopes and dreams could finally come true. This is a thrilling story of buried secrets, bravery and friendship, inspired by real life events after the Second World War.
18583	Secret world of wombats, The French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2005		An engaging, personalised account of living with wombats. Anecdotal notes made over a number of years make this an entertaining, scientifically interesting and informative book.
9955	Secrets in the Tingle Forest Schofield, Louise	Fremantle Press	2003	9781863683715	The book follows twelve year old Sharni on a journey into the Tingle Forrest. It is exactly a year since Sharni's father died in a horrific forestry incident and she is still in deep mourning. Sharni blames her mother for her father's death.

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ID 625475	Secrets of a schoolyard millionaire Amoore, Nat	Penguin Books Australia	2019		10-year-old Tess is an entrepreneur with big ideas and plans for her future, all involving earning lots of money. When a dodgy neighbour leaves a very full bag of cash in her backyard, her life takes a turn. Together with her best friend Toby, Tess finds that there is a lot you can get with a million dollars, including a whole lot of trouble.
587749	Secrets of a sun king Carroll, Emma	Faber & Faber	2018		It's November, 1922. In a valley in Egypt the tomb of a long dead pharaoh is about to be discovered. The world watches and waits for news with baited breath. Thirteen-year-old Lilian Kaye, who lives in a flat above a shop in London, is eagerly following the story. One morning the news takes a sinister turn: a man- a famous Egyptologist-disappears. All that remains of him are his feet. Then Lil's grandfather is taken suddenly ill, and when a mysterious package turns up for him from the Egyptologist, Lil starts to believe there is truth to the rumours of a pharaoh's curse.
23179	Secrets of Deltora Rodda, Emily & McBride, Marc (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2008		Doran, the Dragonlover, is compelled to undertake the great task of introducing the wonders of Deltora to travellers. Follow his expedition through the seven gem territories and gain an insight into Deltora's dangers, people and places, magic and monsters, creatures and customs. Keen readers may even uncover a hidden message.
18549	Secrets of Eromanga Gwyther, Sheryl	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2006	9780734409126	Ellie loves fossils and has the opportunity to go on a dig with Tom and Peta. When they encounter ruthless criminals illegally mining for valuable fossils, they must work together to survive.
2972	Secrets we keep, The Weetman, Nova	University of Queensland Press	2016		Clem Timmins has lost it all, her house, her possessions and her clothes. Now living in a tiny flat with her dad, she has to go to a new school, far from what she knows. On Clem's first day, she meets Ellie and, to fit in, Clem reveals a secret she immediately regrets sharing. When Clem receives a letter she doesn't want to read, it becomes clear that she can't run from her past forever, especially when the truth appears right in front of her face.
5253	Secrets we share, The Weetman, Nova	University of Queensland Press	2017		Clem is slowly rebuilding her life after a house fire destroyed everything. She's about to start high school with her two best friends and she's finally settled into living with her dad in their tiny flat. But when her mum unexpectedly moves in, Clem feels like there's no space for her. Then she meets Matt, a funny and rebellious fourteen-year-old with family troubles of his own. When everything starts to unravel, Clem must decide which secrets to keep and which to share.

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1066733		Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760653750	This is a Nature Storybook, every wonderful word inside is true. Discover the abundance of insects, butterflies, birds, lizards, snakes and wildlife that get to witness the magnificent Bull Kauri pine growing in the Daintree Rainforest and how over 200 years it grows to be the watchtower of the rainforest. Read this story and learn all about the beauty of the rainforest from the forest floor to the canopy. The adaptation of animals and plants evolving to deal with climate change over the past 130 million years of its life.
1228958	Seekers of the lost cavern: Tomb of the Zombie King Duncan-Watt, Thomas & Perera, Suren (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781761296444	It's not easy being Davern Cavern. Everyone in his family is a supersmart, super-brave Explorer except for Davern. But when Davern's world-famous dad mysteriously disappears, it's up to Davern and his besties, Zara and Woop, to search where no-one else dares. Can Davern and his friends solve the mystery AND survive a zombie curse? And, most importantly, will there be enough brussels sprout sandwiches?!
	Selby series Ball, Duncan				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
31213	Selfish giant, The Wilde, Oscar & Voutila, Rita (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781742376509	The children always played in the giant's garden, but when he returned after years away, he said 'What are you doing here' and the children fled.
1096816	Flannery, Tim & Flannery, Emma & Melrose, Katie (ill)				Dive into the fascinating world of our most fearsome deep-sea predators. Discover little-known facts about sharks: learn about how they hunt and what they eat, how many teeth they have, how they move, the weirdest-looking sharks, and find out if they're scared of people.
4567		Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2010	9781921150661	New Zealand is home to many fascinating creatures. From a prehistoric reptile to one of the world's largest insects, you'll discover some of the most unusual and impressive species on our planet.

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1D 639355	Sensitive Webster, Allayne L.	University of Queensland Press	2019	9780702260483	New town. New me. Thirteen year old Samantha is rebranding herself SJ' and is determined that at her new school the real Samantha will be well hidden. SJ will be strong, confident and eczema free. But it's not easy hiding her skin condition. Will she ever learn to love herself?
	Series of unfortunate events series Snicket, Lemony				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4952	Serpents & werewolves: Stories of animal shape-shifters from around the world Don, Lari & Greenwold, Francesca (ill)	Bloomsbury	2015	9781472916341	Werewolves, talking snakes and cursed princes are the stuff of fairy tales. Stories that we have all heard and enjoyed but with a modern twist. Slimy, ugly frogs wanting a favour, playful sisters who tease their older brother, brides who cannot live with any secrets, and unusual household items that are best left untouched. Stories crafted to be read aloud and shared. Illustrated with simple silhouettes.
871557	Seven days Ferris, Fleur	Penguin	2022	9781761043352	Seven days to solve a century old crime. Seven days to unearth the treasure. Seven days to survive The countdown is on. Ben works to overcome his own shortcomings to set right a wrong and bring some credit back to a wronged family? But, can he live long enough to succeed? A fast paced, action packed story that will make you snigger and gasp, just not at the same time.
637582	Seven keys, The Rushby, Allison	Walker Books	2019	9781760650797	Flossie Birdwhistle is the Turnkey at London's Highgate Cemetery. Seven years have passed since Flossie saved her country from a ghostly invasion during World War II. Since then, things have been quiet. That is, until Flossie's nemesis, Hugo Howsham, reveals a secret the pair have been keeping - the keys of the Magnificent Seven cemeteries can be combined to make a Turnkey not only mortal, but immortal. When Hugo Howsham begins stealing keys, the other Turnkeys turn against Flossie, trusting her no longer. With family, friends and her cemetery in danger, can Flossie find the inner strength to protect everything she has ever cared about?
348	Seven little Australians Turner, Ethel	Penguin	1994	9780140347333	The seven Woolcot's children live in cheerful turmoil with their father who does not understand them and their young mother. Among them is Judy, spirited, brave and clever. A classic story of family life in Australia during the 19th century.

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1D 47694	Shadow Morpurgo, Michael & Birmingham, Christian (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2010	9780007339600	This story is based on two real life events. Never have Aman and his mother needed a friend more than when a Springer Spaniel appears, thin and war-ravaged, in the mouth of their Afghan cave. Nursed back to health by Aman, the dog becomes a constant companion, a shadow. But, as life in war-torn Afghanistan becomes more dangerous, Aman, his mother and Shadow embark upon the treacherous journey from Afghanistan to a relative's home in Manchester, England, where they hope to be safe.
4207	Shadow forest Haig, Matt	Corgi Books	2007	9780552555630	A giant log falls from the sky on to his parents' car and changes forever the lives of Samuel Blink and his sister, Martha. Don't tell Samuel that he is going to be a hero because he doesn't know it yet. Don't tell him he is going to Norway to live with his aunt and uncle beside a mysterious forest into which his loved, little sister will disappear. Samuel doesn't know any of this and it might ruin the book if you tell him.
15530	Shadow snake Svendsen, Mark	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2004	9780734406552	Pud, Cuppy and Skeeta must be real men enough to stay out camping, even after telling really wicked, snake stories. They may be taken by the mutant crocodile-man lurking in the dark shadows. Some coarse language in context.
846812	Shadowghast Taylor, Thomas	Walker Books			In this third adventure, shipwrecked orphan Herbert Lemon, Lost-and-Founder at the Grand Nautilus Hotel, must square off with a creature of town lore as he confronts a shadow from his past. While other towns celebrate Halloween, in Eerie-on-Sea its Ghastly Night, and a grim spirit in a lantern awaits its moment. Legend has it that if people fail to light manglewick candles on Ghastly Night, and if no showman conjures shadow puppets on the pier as an offering, the insulted Shadowghast will seize and devour the shadows of the living. This year, a professional theatre troupe has been summoned, including a raven-haired magician named Caliastra with startling news of Herbies origins. No sooner have the players checked into the hotel than townspeople start vanishing into thin air, including the guardian of Herbies best friend, Violet Parma. Its up to Herbie and Violet to separate truth from sleight of hand and solve the mystery of the Shadowghast lantern before darkness swallows them all.
18655	Shaggy gully times, The French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2007	9780732284107	This week's edition of The Shaggy Gully Times, the punniest newspaper, is jam-packed with exciting news from a small town full of interesting animals we have met before, including barber, Pete the sheep, and Josephine, famous ballerina.

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1D 96461	Shake a leg Pryor, Boori Monty & Ormerod, Jan	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2010	9781741758900	When three young boys go to a pizza parlour and meet an Aboriginal chef who can speak Italian and make a deadly pizza, they're in for a surprise, learning about aboriginal culture in a light-hearted and humorous manner with eye-catching graphic novel style illustrations.
	Shakespeare stories series Matthews, Andrew & Ross, Tony (ill)				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1209776	Shakespeare's first folio: All the plays (Children's edition) Shakespeare, William & Chouhan, Dr. Anjna & Sutton, Emily	Walker Books	2024	9781529514421	The words in this book are Shakespeare's and have been adapted for young readers. The folio was published according to the true original copies seven years after Shakespeare's death in 1623. Beautiful illustrations are inspired by rare books and beautiful historic objects in the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust's collection. Well known verses such as the witches, Double, double, toil and trouble, fire burn and cauldron bubble, and Hamlet's eulogy, To be or not to be, that is the question, encourage performance of these classic works.
943169		HarperCollins Australia	2022	9780062741721	Meet fourteen revolutionary young women who, through their persistence and determination, sparked change in the world and paved the way for the next generation of female trailblazers and activists. Join this celebration of women-and, who knows, maybe you'll be inspired to shake things up one day too!
12329	1 5 /	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2004	9780552546966	A family reluctantly visits an art gallery but, one by one, each member is enthralled by a different picture in the gallery and transported into an imaginative and colourful world.
7151	Bates, Dianne & Rippon, Sally (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd			Julia's life is overshadowed by the death of her little sister. From her forbidden treehouse, Julia can see everything and she hides secret treasures there. In her house, there are secrets too but Julia can't figure them out by herself.
31141	Shark book: The fish with attitude Norman, Mark	Black Dog Books	2008	9781742030128	Sharks have been around since before the dinosaurs and there are more than 370 types of sharks in the world. Some are ferocious and others are just plain shy. Beautiful photographs and detailed information reveal the majesty of the shark and why many varieties are protected.

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1D 779534	Shark caller, The Bethell, Zillah	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2021	9781474966849	Ever since a notorious shark took the lives of her parents, Blue Wing's ambition has been to become a Shark Caller like her guardian. It is a skill that she believes will help her get revenge. But instead, she has been asked to keep Maple, the daughter of a university professor who has come to her island, company while Maple's father searches the island for the answers to a secret he keeps close to himself. Once the two girls stop being angry at their situation, they begin to realise they have a great deal in common and become friends. However, as they begin to unravel the mystery of what brings Maple's father to the island, their friendship and bravery are really put to the test.
352	Sharon, keep your hair on Rubinstein, Gillian	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	1996	9780091831608	This is an illustrated, rhyming book with modern language and scenarios in which Sharon is marrying Jase and moving into his shed which is not quite big enough. Jase has an interesting solution to the problem.
630902	She persisted around the world Clinton, Chelsea & Boiger, Alexandra (ill)	Penguin USA	2018	9780525516996	Women around the world have long dreamed big, even when they've been told their dreams didn't matter. They've spoken out, risen up and fought for what's right, even when they've been told to be quiet. Whether in science, the arts, sports or activism, women and girls throughout history have been determined to break barriers and change the status quo. They haven't let anyone get in their way and have helped us better understand our world and what's possible. In this companion book to 'She Persisted: 13 American Women Who Changed the World', Chelsea Clinton introduces readers to a group of thirteen incredible women who have shaped history all across the globe. 'She Persisted Around the World' is a book for everyone who has ever aimed high and been told to step down, for everyone who has ever raised their voice and been told to quiet down, and for everyone who has ever felt small, unimportant or unworthy.

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ID   630877	She persisted: 13 American women who changed the world Clinton, Chelsea & Boiger, Alexandra (ill)	Penguin USA	2017	9781524741723	Throughout American history, there have always been women who have spoken out for what's right, even when they have to fight to be heard. In early 2017, Senator Elizabeth Warren's refusal to be silenced in the Senate inspired a spontaneous celebration of women who persevered in the face of adversity. In this book, Chelsea Clinton celebrates thirteen American women who helped shape our country through their tenacity, sometimes through speaking out, sometimes by staying seated, sometimes by captivating an audience. They all certainly persisted. 'She Persisted' is for everyone who has ever wanted to speak up but has been told to quiet down, for everyone who has ever tried to reach for the stars but was told to sit down, and for everyone who has ever been made to feel unworthy or unimportant or small.
18436	She's all that: poems about girls Hollyer, Belinda	Kingfisher			Diverse poems for girls bringing together some modern verse and some nostalgic classics. Moving and uplifting, these poems will help girls to find their place in the world.
9201	Sheep-pig, The King-Smith, Dick	Puffin Australia	2003	9780141316000	A piglet becomes famous after being adopted and trained as a sheep dog.
1133450	Shiny misfits Zayid, Maysoon & Amin, Shadia (ill)	Graphix	2024	9781338139280	Bay Ann is a keen dancer who has won a school talent show. This graphic novel follows the perspective of a person with a disability in a inclusive story. Bay Ann sees her disability as a part of her and not a problem. The story is full of friendships, coming of age and a talking cat.
7091	Shock 'em: Stories of the Big River Hawks Various & Heiss, Anita & Phillips, Sandra R.	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2016	9780994465429	Shock 'em! is an expression used by the players of the Big River Hawks for when the football hits the opposing player hard and shocks them, and the title of a new book. Eight players have shared some of their stories of their love for football, their heroes and their special places. The stories are full of tension, drama, highs and lows - along with plenty of shock 'em moments - that characterise playing in the biggest game in the AFL annual calendar.
803715	Shockingly good stories Spratt, R A	Penguin Books Australia	2021	9781761043376	Piranhas on the run, stolen sandwiches, chocolate waterfalls and so much more! From R.A. Spratt, bestselling author of Friday Barnes, comes this collection of twenty short stories featuring fractured fairytales told by none other than Nanny Piggins, previously unpublished Friday Barnes mysteries and a bunch of other hilarious and highly original tall tales. This book will delight kids from seven to seventy, whether they're after a bedtime story, entertainment for a long car ride or distraction in the doctor's waiting room!

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ID 15157	Shoes news Grantford, Jacqui	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2004	9780734405159	A quirky history of shoes interwoven with historical events.
677709	Shoestring: The boy who walks on air Hunt, Julie & Newman, David	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9781760297213	Twelve year old Shoestring, is leaving behind his life of crime and starting a new career with the Troupe of Marvels. He is their lead performer. With an invisible tightrope he has an act to die for. But trouble is brewing. The magical gloves that caused so much trouble for KidGlovz are back. When Shoestring is wearing the gloves it is easy for him to help himself to whatever he likes including other people's hopes and dreams. But when he steals his best friend's mind, he's at risk of losing all he values most.
18700	Shooting star, The Impey, Rose	Orchard Books	2005	9781843625605	Jelly Jackson and her netball team are the clear favourites to win the League Final when their competition is cancelled due to a council ban on competitive sports. They embark on a campaign to convince the community this is a mistake.
4069	Shop at Hoopers Bend, The Rodda, Emily	HarperCollins Australia	2017	9781460753668	Eleven-year-old Jonquil Medway is a girl with more than an unusual name. Quil's parents died in a car accident when she was a baby and she now goes to boarding school. She spends her holidays with an aunt or at camp, which is where Quil is heading when she decides to get off early at a train stop called Hoopers Bend. There is something magical about the shop at Hoopers Bend, and it draws Quil and Bailey into an unlikely friendship as they join to fight to save the shop from developers.
3973	Short Goldberg Sloan, Holly	Scholastic Australia	2017	9781743816516	Julia is very short for her age, but by the end of the summer she'll realise how big she is inside, where it counts. This is the summer she gets cast as a munchkin in a production of The Wizard of Oz. Through some new friendships, and her turn in the spotlight, she finds that she may not be as tall as everyone else, but she more than deserves to hold her head high.
15160	Short and incredibly happy life of Riley, The Thompson, Colin & Lissiat, Amy (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2005	9780734408068	Riley's life is short but happy as he revels in the moment and has no need of material possessions.
798	Shot boom score Brown, Justin & Vane, Mitch (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743313688	Sport loving Toby can't believe his luck when instead of being punished by his parents, they issue him with a sporting challenge. All he has to do is take 20 wickets in the cricket season and make 10 tries in rugby to earn the latest gamebox. But unfortunately the new boy at school seems to be blocking Toby all the way.

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1D 5184	Shout out to the girls: a celebration of awesome Australian women Penguin Random House Australia	Penguin Books Australia	2018	9780143789420	Let's hear it for the Australian women who have shaped our history and are expanding our future! Shout-outs to 50 awesome Australian women with easy-to-read biographies of their incredible achievements. From Cathy Freeman to Turia Pitt, Edith Cowan to Julia Gillard, Mum Shirl to Vali Myers, plus rally car drivers, molecular biologists and more, this book is a celebration of women in all fields, from all walks of life, and from Australia's past and present.
	Shoutykid series Mayle, Simon & Catlow, Nikalas (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
3969	Shrek: the novel Weiss, Ellen	Penguin	2001	9780141312491	A contemporary fairy tale of a monster from the swamp.
354	Shrinking of Treehorn, The Heide, Florence Parry & Gorey, Edward (ill)	Holiday House	1992	9780823401895	Treehorn has a problem. He is shrinking but his parents don't seem to notice.
6653	Sian, a new Australian Luckett, D	Scholastic Australia	2015	9781742990392	Sian is the unlucky, thirteenth child in a Welsh coalminer's family. Life is hard. Her mother died after giving birth to her and her father is grief-stricken. Sian's sister hatches a plan for a better life. It will involve a long ocean voyage but Sian is looking forward to a country where the sun shines and she can go to school, instead of picking coal scraps for pennies. The only problem is, no one must know about their journey.
639349	Sick bay Weetman, Nova	University of Queensland Press	2019	9780702260322	Having met in sick bay, Riley and Meg are intrigued by each other and little by little, as circumstances contrive to bring them together, become friends. Twelve year old Riley must choose between her popular group or the very unpopular Meg. There is a reason behind Meg's odd behaviour. She appears to be a loner, wears slippers and the same ratty t-shirt to school each day, spouts bookish quotes and carries a paper bag. On the surface, Riley appears cool and confident, hanging out with the popular girls and being noticed by the boys. Both girls are hiding secrets that unfold as the end of the year and graduation night looms.

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1D 5120	Side by side in the beginning McMullin, N & Walters, Ainsley	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2010	9780980794809	One hundred years ago, AFL football was quite different. Footy grounds were rough and muddy, and the game was characterised by long, passing kicks. Jumpers were canvas cotton vests, laced up the centre, and shorts were long and worn with long socks. Caps and hats were often worn. These were tough times of war and depression. But, from the very beginning, Collingwood Football Club wanted to win.
4275	Side by side shoulder to shoulder McMullin, N & Walters, Ainsley (ill)	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2011	9780980794823	It's 1935 and Tom is off with Grandpa to watch his favourite team at footy training. As they walk through the gates of Victoria Park, his grandfather removes his black and white Collingwood scarf and gives it to Tom. This scarf has been passed down through generations of Collingwood supporters.
903382		HarperCollins Australia	2023	9781460762653	Evie Hart likes rules. A lot. But as she embarks on her very last year of primary school, it feels like all the rules around her are being broken.  When Evie's class starts learning about the Earth's place in the universe, it makes Evie think about her own place in the world and where she belongs. Which has her more worried than ever.  When your mum writes a horoscope page for a living, it's hard not to think about what the future holds. Especially when she and the only dad Evie has ever known are acting like they're on different planets.  But the more Evie learns about the sky and the stars, the more she learns that changes in the world can't always be controlled. And maybe that's not a bad thing.
3979	Sign of the seahorse, The Base, Graeme Significant people in Australia's history series Barrett, Rees	Puffin USA	1998	9780140563870	An aquatic, colourful gangster tale with a cautionary moral that greed is bad.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website.  Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D   579249	Silent one, The Cowley, Joy	Penguin	2001	9780141310619	When Jonasi was sent from the sea as a boy to grow up in an isolated Pacific Village, no one knew the unique gift he would reveal. Unable to hear or speak, Jonasi retreats to an underwater world where he develops a friendship with a rare white turtle. When the villagers turn their back on Jonasi and believe him and the turtle to be spirits of bad luck, Jonasi must find a way to save the turtle and himself. A mysteriously moving story of a lonely boy and his strange destiny.
17448	Silk & venom Lasky, Kathryn & Knight, C G (photo)	Candlewick Press	2011	9780763642228	Love them or hate them, spiders are feared and misunderstood by many. Join Greta Binford, a biology professor and arachnologist, on a trek to the Caribbean in search of the elusive Loxosceles, a deadly recluse spider. The DNA in its venom may hold the answer to many scientific questions. Amazing photographs will get you up close and personal with many spiders.
769305	Silver Arrow, The Grossman, Lev	Bloomsbury	2020	9781526629418	When Kate is given a colossal steam train for her birthday, she can't believe her luck. After 11 years of waiting, adventure has finally found her! Soon the silver arrow is whisking Kate and her brother Tom to a magical station with passengers standing ready to board. From the porcupine to the pangolin each one is rare wonderful. But these animals have been waiting a very long time. Can Kate deliver them home before it's too late?
15395	Silver donkey, The Hartnett, Sonya	Viking Children's	2004	9780670042401	A blind soldier, who has deserted from the war, wants to return to England to see his brother before he dies. Two young girls befriend him. The soldier shares four stories about donkeys throughout history that have been brave, kind and trustworthy.
1017918	Silver linings Nannestad, Katrina	ABC Books	2023	9780733342257	Nettie Sweeney is the youngest in her family and wishes they had a Mum. When her new Mum finally arrives, it seems like the Sweeney family have it made. But tragedy strikes and nothing will ever be the same again: Nettie attempts to help fix things but will her actions lead to disaster?
886455	Silver sea, The Murrell, Belinda	Penguin	2022	9781761045554	Who do you trust if you have been told to trust no one? Sophie returns to the magical land of Tuscia and is instantly thrown into danger - Nanna and Caterina Rossellana have been kidnapped. To save them, Sophie and Nicco must team up with a theater troupe who are performing for the Mago in the city across the Silver Sea. Can Sophie unravel the political intrigues of Venetto and save the grandmothers? Or will she fall foul of the evil Mago and be thrown into the dungeons to be eaten by the Mostro of the Dark Waters?

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1D 2156	Simple things, The Condon, Bill & Norling, Beth (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743317242	Stephen is not keen to meet his great aunt Lola, who is turning eighty. He discovers she is not only very old but also grumpy and scary. When Stephen meets an unexpected friend, Allie, he shares the simple things in life, like fishing, cricket and climbing trees. A medical emergency with aunt Lola leads to a secret being revealed and Stephen wondering if he has also made another new friend, aunt Lola.
12440	Simpson and Duffy Small, Mary & Kasepuu, Ester (ill)	ANZAC Day Commemoration Committee QLD Incorporated	2001	9780957795747	This is one of the many stories about Simpson and his donkey which has been especially written and illustrated for younger readers.
4008	Singing hat, The Riddle, Tohby	Puffin Australia	2002	9780141313207	When a bird makes its nest on Colin Jenkin's head, his gentle and courteous acceptance redefines his life.
29957	Single shard, A Park, Linda Sue	University of Queensland Press	2012	9780702239373	Tree-ear has a dream. He has watched the master potter, Min, take a lump of clay and shape it into a thing of beauty. Tree-ear wants to perform the miracle too. But, an orphan like Tree-ear can't just walk up to a master potter and ask him to teach his craft. Tree-ear must prove he is worthy so he asks if he can work for him, without pay. Tree-ear has taken his first step but realising a dream can be very hard.
31862	Sir Katherine Brooksbank, Anne	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143302841	When Katherine's parents die of the plague, her grandmother decides it would be safer to raise her as a boy. Little do they know that 'Kit' will be made a knight of King Arthur's court and sent on a dangerous quest to rescue one of the Queen's maidens from a dragon.
15159	Sister chick McDonald, Meme	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2002	9781865089867	The journey of a curlew in its migration from Siberia to Australia and a journey of a child from silence to speech.
9243	Sister Madge's book of nuns MacLeod, Doug & Smith, Craig (ill)	Omnibus Books	2002	9781862910577	An hilarious and irreverent account of convent life, told in cheeky verse.
3928	Sisters Telgemeier, Raina	Graphix	2014	9780545540605	Raina can't wait to be a big sister. But, once Amara is born, things aren't quite what she expected. Amara is cute but she's also a cranky baby, who mostly prefers to play by herself. Over the years, their relationship doesn't improve much. When a baby brother enters the picture and something doesn't seem right between their parents, Raina and Amara realise they must work out how to get along. They are sisters, after all.
	Sisters Grimm series Buckley, Michael & Ferguson, Peter (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID   660791	Sit, stay, love Howard, J J	Scholastic Australia	2016	9780545861571	Cecilia Murray has been wishing for a dog for as long as she can remember. And when a cute pug named Potato is brought in to Orphan Paws, the shelter where she volunteers, she knows he is the dog she's been waiting for. There's just one problem: Eric Chung, a popular, arrogant boy from school, adopts Potato first. What's worse, he hopes to train the little tater to become a show-dog superstar. Cecilia knows that Potato is not cut out for a life of sparkly collars and snobby judges, so she sets out to sabotage Eric's plans. But the more time Cecilia spends with Potato and Eric, the more she questions everything she thought she knew about dog shows and a certain cute show-dog trainer. Can Cecilia save Potato while also listening to her heart?
1141346	Six summers of Tash and Leopold Binks, Danielle	Hachette Australia	2024	9780734421890	Leopold and Alytash - Leo and Tash - are neighbours who used to be best friends, but aren't anymore, for reasons that Leo doesn't entirely understand. But now it's the last week of Year Six and Tash is standing in Leo's front yard with a misdelivered letter - and a favour to ask.  It's a request that will set off a chain of events in their little crescent in Noble Park, a suburb that is changing, and fast.  In the process of solving an unfolding neighbourhood mystery and helping Ms Shepparson, a reclusive neighbour with a tragic past, Leo and Tash each have to confront fault-lines in their own recent histories and families. They will discover that friendships can grow and change, that bravery takes many forms, and that, most of all - whatever the future holds - friends and family are what matter.
358	Sixth worry doll, The Dwyer, Christina	Scholastic Australia	1997	9781863887465	A story reflecting the experience of immigration.
867794	Skandar and the unicorn thief Steadman, A.F.	Simon & Schuster			Get ready for unlikely heroes, magic, secrets and ferocious unicorns. If you never felt that unicorns were made from rainbows, you are in luck - because! Unicorns are not nice!
9290	Skateboarding Herran, Joe & Thomas, Ron	Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2003	9780732979041	A book for skateboarding enthusiasts.
8768	Skateboarding: extreme sports Powell, Ben	Raintree	2003	9781844430918	One of a series of books about extreme sports. With action photographs, diagrams and a glossary of terms, this book shows you the techniques of skateboarding, the equipment and the right gear to wear.

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ID 359	Skating on sand Gleeson, Libby	Penguin	1995	9780140371611	Being the youngest of three girls, Hannah often feels left out, especially when she so desperately wants to learn how to skate.
	Skinny mysteries series Ball, Duncan & David, Mark (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
120068	Skull alphabet book, The Pallotta, Jerry & Masiello, Ralph (ill)	Charlesbridge Publishing	2002	9780881069150	To call it an alphabet book is really misleading. It is a science book and a remarkable study of mammal skulls. For each letter of the alphabet, the reader has to identify, by learning functions of facial bones and teeth, the skull of the mammal.
1019869	Skull, The Klassen, Jon	Walker Books	2023	9781529509571	Otilla is on the run from something unnamed but formidable. The night is cold and dark, but just as she begins to lose her resolve a very large and very old house appears in the forest. The house appears abandoned except for a skull offering shelter but maybe not safety.
751082	Skunk and Badger Timberlake, Amy & Klassen, Jon (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9781760525484	Skunk is Badger's new roommate. Badger who prefers to be left alone doing his Important Rock Work suddenly has his world upended by potato rockets and chickens when Skunk moves in. They say opposites attract but will Badger and Skunk find a way to overcome their differences?
	Sky dragon series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
916540	Sky full of stars, A Jackson, Linda Williams	HarperCollins Children's Books	2023	9780358667209	Thirteen-year-old Rose Lee Carter has chosen to live in Mississippi, even as racial tensions mount. Caught between those who want change by meeting violence with violence and those who believe in peaceful protest, Rose doesn't see a way forward. But when she decides to help Aunt Ruthie start her own business, Rose begins to understand how she can make a difference. Life might be easier in the North but Mississippi is her home and that's worth fighting for. Set in 1955, this novel seamlessly blends a fictional portrait of a young African American girl and the factual events from a pivotal era in American history.

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1D   774238	SkyWake invasion Russell, Jamie	Walker Books	2021	9781406397512	When gaming obsessed Casey Henderson - aka CASEY_FLOW - is invited to attend an international gaming tournament, she is torn by the fact that this would mean her true female identity would be revealed to her team mates and her desire to play the game she loves. This becomes an insignificant drama when the world is turned upside down by a tournament turned alien invasion.
19787	Sleeping beauty, The McAllister, David & Tylesova, Gabriela (ill)	Little Hare Books	2017	9781760129934	The story of The Sleeping Beauty spills over with fairies and princes, passion and despair, magnificence and splendour, and the ballet version of this classic tale is the most romantic and spectacular of all.
55178	Slightly skewed life of Toby Chrysler, The Collins, Paul	Celapene Press	2009	9780975074244	Toby Chrysler's mum has been missing for more than a month. His new friend, Ginger, has lost her dad. And everyone is looking for Toby. An abandoned red shoe and some map coordinates help them in their search for their parents.
1214199	Slouch Wyman, Christina	Farrar, Straus and Giroux	2024	9780374391904	As the tallest girl in the seventh grade, twelve-year-old Stevie receives unwanted attention that weighs on her self-esteem as she navigates family issues and struggles to stand tall on the debate team.
8937	Small change for Stuart Evans, Lissa	Doubleday	2011	9780385618007	When ten year old Stuart moves to a new town at the beginning of the summer holidays, he expects to be bored. Soon, he is drawn into an intriguing adventure when he discovers his missing great uncle was an inventor and magician, who has left him the contents of his workshop, should he ever find it. There are clues and puzzles to solve but what starts as fun ends up as danger.
1209799	Small fry Baddiel, David & Loftis, Cory (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780008621988	The story of one boy and his brilliant burgers. Benny Burns spends every weekend helping his dad by working at their burger van. He invents the best tasting burger ever but then the rival Bonkers Burger boss gets a whiff of his talents. Who makes the best burgers? A competition will decide.
3159	Small things Tregonning, Mel	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781742379791	An ordinary boy in an ordinary world. This wordless picture book tells the story of a boy who feels alone with his worries but who learns that help is always close by.
1209960	Smaller sister Willis, Maggie Edkins	Roaring Book Press	2022	9781250767424	Lucy has always looked up to her big sister, Olivia. But then Livy starts to change, and Lucy discovers that her sister is struggling with an eating disorder. Now Lucy also has to navigate middle school, making new friends, and a mean classmate. In time, Livy and Lucy rebuild their relationship, and learn that a sister is one friend you can never leave behind.

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1D 6184	Smart girls don't wear mascara Paterson, Cecily Anne	Wombat Books	2018	9781925563443	Abby Smart is planning to have the most awesome year ever. She's the leader of the Smart Girls Club and after winning the talent quest, her dream to be a musical singer looks like it might come true. And then Stella turns up, fluttering her mascara eyelashes. She's way too cool for little old Kangaroo Valley. Worst of all, she's making Abby's friends like ridiculous things such as makeup and new music! Abby's plans to have a great year are being turned into dog food. Will Abby follow her friends, or follow her dreams? Because she can't have both. After all, Smart Girls don't wear mascara!
50129	Smarty-cat Dawe, Bruce	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143302537	Barry is more than just clever. He's a talking cat, a TV star and a quiz show champion. Barry is a cat in a million, a real smarty-cat.
361	Smith Garfield, Leon	Sunburst	2000	9780374467623	Smith is a twelve year old pickpocket who finds himself involved in murder, suspense and the London underworld.
1670	Smooch and Rose	University of Queensland Press	2013	9780702249860	When Rose and Gran save a baby koala from a pack of blood-hungry dogs, Rose is so happy - caring for bush babies is her dream. But things change for the worse when Gran gets a letter from the bank. Then Uncle Malcolm mentions bulldozers and Rose realises it's not just her that's at stake.
2772	Smuggler's curse, The Jorgensen, Norman	Fremantle Press	2016	9781925164190	Red Read's life takes a surprising and alarming turn when his mother sells him to an infamous smuggler, plying his trade off the north-west coast of Australia. From terrifying encounters with cut-throat pirates to battling the forces of nature in a tropical typhoon, from dining with head-hunting guerrillas to making meals of monkey stew, Red is in for a hair-raising adventure that may cost him his life.
16091	Snakes, lizards, crocs and turtles of Australia Wilson, Steve	New Holland Australia	2006	9781921073014	Well-presented factual information and stunning photographs about Australian reptiles. Includes a comprehensive glossary, a quiz section and suggested books to read and web sites to view for further information.
18422	Snapshot Swindells, Robert	Barrington Stoke	2005	9781842993477	Victor has a new state of the art digital camera. He can't wait to try it out but taking a photo can change your life. Victor gets more than he bargained for.
3890	Snot Chocolate and other funny stories Gleitzman, Morris	Puffin Australia	2016	9780143309222	Very Yummy Stories. Stop your mum picking her nose, read the secret diary of a dog, catch a bus and then let it go, discover how one slice of toast can make you the most popular person in school, start wearing a crown and give up eating pig-nostril gruel, use a wrecking ball to defeat a bully, show your big sister the very scary secret in your wardrobe, unleash the awesome power of chips, live in a house that gets wiped clean more often than a bottom. Funny stories from a favourite Australian author, Morris Gleitzman.

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ID 4077	Snow goose, The Gallico, Paul	Penguin	2001	9780140299526	A beautiful classic set in a tragic war. The tale of a hunchbacked artist, a girl and a wounded bird that culminates in a courageous act at Dunkirk.
12946	Snow: extreme sports Chapman, Garry	Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2001	9780732964580	One of a series of books about extreme sports. With action photographs, extreme facts, snow jargon and a glossary of terms, this book tells you all you've ever wanted to know about sports in the snow.
9291	Snowboarding Herran, Joe & Thomas, Ron	Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2004	9780732979065	A book for snowboarding enthusiasts.
652807	So she did: The story of May Wirth Genziuk, Simi & Treml, Renee (ill)	Affirm Press	2018	9781925712926	At a time when girls weren't encouraged to be bold and daring, Australian circus rider May Wirth lived by her own rules. Instead of just looking pretty on a fancy circus pony, she longed to do thrilling stunts that would amaze crowds with her courage and skill So she did. Here is the story of a girl from humble beginnings who defied expectations and became the world's bareback riding queen.
959170	So that happened but maybe you already knew that Sussman, Tami	Walker Books	2023	9781760656010	As Nutty plans and prepares for her bat mitzvah, she is suddenly beset with many more challenges than she expected. Not only are her parents having money troubles, but her best friend no longer feels like a girl. Follow Nutty as she tries to keep her family and friendships from falling apart.
15140	So you want to write fiction Bradman, Tony	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2003	9780750236478	A useful overview of the process of writing for aspiring writers. Excerpts from books and helpful addresses and websites are included.
79395	Soccer camp Bedford, David & Brumpton, Keith (ill)	Little Hare Books	2004	9781877003455	The Team is excited to be going to Soccer Camp. They are a little nervous to be playing against the best of the best. They are even more nervous that they will be sent home if anyone finds out that Mark 1 is a robot.
365	Soccer: great moments, great players in world football Lovelock, Damien	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1996	9781864480856	Written by a keen fan of the sport, this book highlights some of the key aspects of soccer, its followers and players.
4996	Socks, sandbags and leeches: Letters to my Anzac dad Deeves, Pauline	National Library of Australia	2016		lvy and her mother live in Australia, far away from where the Great War is raging. Ivy writes to her father, who is fighting overseas, all about life at home. About the socks and sandbags she and her friends make and the leeches they catch to sell to the hospital. The war keeps dragging on and she keeps on writing, hoping her dad returns safe.
1277	Solid rock: sacred ground Howard, Shane & Mutijulu, Kaltukatjara and Imanpu children (ill) & Hudson, Peter (ill)	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2010		This song was one of the first songs of its type to touch on the subject of Aboriginal rights in Australia. Beautiful illustrations by the school children from Mutujulu, near Uluru, Australia.

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ID   885153	Solomon Macaroni and the Cousin Catastrophe Barton, Ashleigh & Davis, Sarah (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2022	9780702265617	You've never met a vampire like Solomon before. He is friendly and polite. But when his parents go on a one hundred year cruise without him, he is not impressed. Especially when it means he has to stay in creepy Transylvania with his uncle, Count Dracula, and six naughty cousins. He ends up in spooky Wildwood on a dangerous mission to try to save his catastrophic cousins and possibly the world A fangtastic tale about loving your family, even when they drive you batty."
1019625	Solomon macaroni and the vampire vacation Barton, Ashleigh & Davis, Sarah (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2023	9780702266300	Solomon is traveling to Paris with his cousins and his Uncle Dracula. To help cheer up their Uncle Dracula, the mischievious cousins steal the Mona Lisa with the help of Mademoiselle Bon-Bon. But things don't go quite as planned.
1019791	Solve your own mystery: The Transylvanian express Jones, Gareth P & Forshaw, Louise (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2023	9781760656591	Private Detective Mr Solstaag and his assistant Klaus have been asked by a mystery client to board a train at Haventry underground station taking its passengers to visit Count Fledermaus's castle. One of the passengers disappears and the trains conductor Mr Rubrick asks the detective to solve the case. A classic 'Who done It?' story to enjoy solving with a surprising end to this hearty horror.
16511	Someday Angeline Sachar, Louis	HarperTrophy	2005	9780747587231	Angeline's mum died a long time ago and her father works on a garbage truck so he can send her to college. Angeline is a genius but works out that people will only like her if she pretends not to be.
903281	Something to say Moore Ramee, Lisa	HarperCollins Australia	2021	9780062836724	Something to say is a delightful fiction story about eleven year old Jenae set in high school. Jenae likes to be alone and is happy with that until Aubrey comes to her school. Will Jenae find her voice and overcome her fears of public speaking and stand up for what she believes in. This story highlights the importance of being a good friend and gaining confidence when you least expect it.
21138	Somewhere else Gordon, Gus	Viking Children's	2016	9780670078851	George has no interest in exploring the world. He's far too busy at home baking fine pastries. That's what he tells everyone when they invite him along on their wonderful adventures. But, George's friend, Pascal, digs a little deeper.
1249	Song for a scarlet runner Hunt, Julie	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743313589	When young Peat is blamed for bringing misfortune to the local settlement, she flees to the marshes. There she is caught by a marsh auntie whose trade is stories that act as gateways, and Peat finds herself trapped in somebody else's life-and-death bargain.

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ID 4944	Song from somewhere else, The Harrold, A.F. & Pinfold, Levi (ill)	Bloomsbury	2016	9781408853368	Frank doesn't know how to feel when Nick Underbridge rescues her from bullies one afternoon. No one likes Nick. He's big, he's weird and he smells- or so everyone in Frank's class thinks. And yet, there's something nice about Nick's house. There's strange music playing there, and it feels light and good and makes Frank feel happy for the first time in forever. But there's more to Nick, and to his house, than meets the eye, and soon Frank realises she isn't the only one keeping secrets. Or the only one who needs help.
846158	Song of Lewis Charmichael, The Laguna, Sofie & McBride, Marc (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760878573	Matthew stood on the snowy peak and stared out at the world spread before him. Beyond those icy plains, the sea; and beyond the sea, a land that floated on the ice. He put the binoculars down and saw valleys and cliffs and rivers all made of snow. Everywhere was white. For as long as he can remember, Matthew has dreamed about the north pole. And one day a crow named Lewis Carmichael lands at Matthews window- a crow who believes in Matthew in the most simple and ordinary ways. Soon, the unexpected voyage of a lifetime begins
19214	Song of the dove Broome, Errol & Kretschmar, Sonia (ill)	Walker Books	2011	9781921529245	The compelling story of the Italian composer Bellini's rise to fame and his forbidden love.
617179	Songbird Laguna, Ingrid	Text Publishing Co	2019	9781925773538	A new house. A new school. A new language. A country far from home. Jamila wants to make new friends and fit in, but it's hard when you miss your best friend at home in Iraq and you're worried about your father's safety in Iraq. Your mother needs your help with simple tasks like shopping and communicating with people. When Jamila joins the school choir, she finds a place where she can belong, a place where she might find a friend and a place where she can dare to hope.
98778	Songlines and stone axes NIcholson, John	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2007	9781741750027	Magical pearl-shell pendants, greenstone axe-heads, belts made of human hair, outriggers for canoes, songs and dances, body paint, feathers, extra strong glue, cloaks made of 80 possum skins sewn with kangaroo sinew were traded around Australia before white settlement. All this happened without money until the Macassans and then the Europeans arrived.

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ID   647916	Sophia and the Corner Park Clubhouse Bell, Davina	Hardie Grant Egmont	2019	9781760503970	Sophia and her lifelong best friends, Belle, Maisie and Lola, are reunited at their old favourite hangout - the Corner Park Clubhouse - after their first term at different high schools. But it soon becomes obvious that, in spite of pinkie swears and promises, they're drifting apart. The one thing keeping them together is the clubhouse, which holds special memories for each of them - and after what happened there last summer, it means more than anything to Sophia. So when they find out it's going to be bulldozed, the girls set out in a race against time to save it - and their friendship - from demolition.
13656	Sophie's secret war: a Second World War girl's diary, 1939-1940 Atkins, Jill	Scholastic UK	2009	9781407108650	Sophie has an important but terrifying role to play in the Second World War. As a citizen of France during German occupation, her youth and frequent bike rides to visit other towns enable her to pass messages under the enemy's nose. She becomes deeply involved in the French resistance and a daring plan to save a young Scottish soldier.
29801	Sorry day Vass, Coral & Leffler, Dub (ill)	National Library of Australia	2017	9780642279033	Maggie holds tight to her mother as they await the long anticipated apology to the Stolen Generations by the Prime Minister. In the excitement of the crowd, Maggie loses touch of her mother's hand and is lost. She is reunited with her mother but the faces and memories of the Stolen Generations are all around them. Two stories entwine in this captivating retelling of the momentous day when then Prime Minister of Australia Kevin Rudd acknowledged the sorrows of the past and said sorry' to Indigenous children who were taken from their homes.
1185511	South with the seabirds McGeachin, Jess	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761068645	Mary Gillham was a naturalist who went all around the world studying nature. The one place she wanted to go - the sub-Antarctic - was however, off limits. However, with determination she was allowed to go and embarked on an adventure with 3 other female scientists to discover the beauty of Macquarie Island.
	Space brigade series Moriarty, L M				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4123	Space games Carter, Mick	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2001	9780734402738	Multicultural science fiction about Johnny, who joins a team of cadets chosen to combat an alien force that threatens the world.

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ID 4126	Space pirates on Callisto French, Jackie	Koala Books	2002	9780864614209	A sequel to, The cafe on Callisto, in which things go wrong on a camping holiday to the planet, Callisto, where everyone is happy and food is unashamedly revered.
5619	Spaced out Simons, Moya	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2011	9781921529917	Centuria, a planet full of new technology and fascinating inventions. A great place for Jesse to spend his two hundred and fifty space credits that he's brought with him from Earth. But, when he rescues a humanlike robot boy, Jesse must go deep into the Farlands around the city to help Michael find his family. Jesse wonders if he will be able to get back to Earth.
15076	Spaceman Bill Kelleher, Victor & Smith, Craig (ill)	Word Weavers Press	2004	9781877073151	When Spaceman Bill lands in Sydney, supposedly from the future, he causes a sensation. Bill may not be what he appears to be.
987857	Spark hunter Wilson, Sonya	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025	9781991142221	Ever since she was a little girl, Nissa has seen mysterious, supernatural lights deep in the forest of Fiordland. She is curious about what they are and why they seem to want her attention. When Nissa sneaks away from her school camp to track down the lights, she finds herself lost in a dangerous wonderland. But Nissa is not the only one at risk - the Fiordland forest and the creatures in it are also under threat. Can Nissa help them and also find her way back home?
80195	Spartacus and his glorious gladiators Brown, Toby & Goddard, Clive (ill)	Scholastic UK	2004	9780439981873	Spartacus, the gladiator who fought for and against the Romans, had a life full of surprises. Learn about the Roman Empire and Spartacus's story from amassing an army inside a volcano to the crucifixion of six thousand slaves.
	Specky Magee series Arena, Felice & Lyon, Garry (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4392	Spectacular Spencer Gray, The Fitzpatrick, Deb	Fremantle Press	2017	9781925164671	Spencer Gray is just an ordinary kid, but he manages to get into some pretty extraordinary situations. Playing soccer at school with his mates he accidentally uncovers a sinister operation and rescues a superendangered marsupial, but in the process he risks becoming superendangered himself.
916634	Spectaculars, The Garnish, Jodie	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2022	9781801312547	When three figures arrive at Harper's window in a flying canoe, they inform her that she is a Spectacular - a magical performer, gifted with special powers from the stars. Harper is thrilled to be part of the Spectaculars' travelling theatre and boarding school but, before long, she and her new friends are plunged into great danger that threatens everything and everyone they love.

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1D   941474	Spellhound: A dragons of Hallow book Tanner, Lian & Soweol Han, Sally (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761180057	What do a minch-wiggin, a Queen, and a rather large magical pup have in common? They need to find the dragon that has turned their worlds upside-down even if it means revealing all they want to keep hidden! A delightfully pleasing whimsical fantasy novel for readers who love Cressida Cowell or Katrina Nannestad.
10026	Spider and the fly, The Howitt, Mary & Diterlizzi, Tony (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2003	9781743478172	The spider entices the fly to come on inside. The fly is not convinced but flattery is so hard to ignore.
66585	Spiderlings and their families Calabrisello, Antonio & Turner, Nadia (ill)	Brolly Books	2008	9781921346439	Spiderlings are baby spiders. This is a lavishly illustrated and factually accurate book about spiders and their families that is both fascinating and just a little bit creepy - in the nicest possible way.
1019684	Spies in the sky McWilliams, Beverley	Pantera Press	2023	9780645624533	Royal Blue is a royal racing pigeon from a long line of champions. Every morning he wakes and spends the day training, but there's a war growing and things are changing. One day the King himself comes to the loft and selects Blue for a special assignment. Blue needs to find the courage to leave his secure home to be a war pigeon and face dangers he never could have imagined, and will he survive to return to his family?
	Spirit Animals series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1209922	Spirit of the crocodile Fa'aoso, Aaron & Tucker, Michelle Scott & White, Lyn	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025	9781743317099	Twelve year old Ezra lives on Saibai Island in the Torres Strait. He loves the island, his family and he also loves a dare. But when one of his dares goes wrong, Ezra realises he needs to make better choices and take responsibility for his actions. As climate disasters threaten Saibai and it's inhabitants, Ezra and his best friend Mason must draw on their courage to help the community survive a massive out-of-season storm.
12452	Spook's shack Orr, Wendy & Millard, Kerry (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2003	9781865086453	Deep in the bush, Finn discovers an old, deserted shack. When a dog growls and a gravely voice snarls, Finn's hair stands up like bristles on a brush. But, there are greater dangers for this beautiful, bushland environment.
375	Spooner or later Jennings, Paul & Greenwood, Ted & Denton, Terry	Penguin	1999	9780140543629	Picture puzzles and humorous drawings highlight this book of word games and spoonerisms.

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ID   771182	Spotlight Raphael, Solli	Penguin Random House Australia	2020	9781760898410	Slam poet and social advocate Solli Raphael shines a spotlight on the concerns teenagers face today with over 30 impressive new poems and performance pieces. He shares his experiences of helping to create change and contribute to a sustainable world. Packed with activities for kids and teens to find their own voices, everyone can be proactive in shaping the future.
595786	Sputnik's Guide to Life on Earth Boyce, Frank Cottrell	Pan MacMillan	2016	9781509819973	The Earth is about to be destroyed, you need to make a list of ten things on Earth that make it worth saving, what will you pick? Prez mets Sputnik, a small loud alien who looks like a dog. They both make a list but they are very different, will they be able to work together and save the world?
628088	Squidge Dibley destroys the school Elliott, Mick	Hachette Children's Books	2019	9780734419422	Meet the most hilarious year 6 class ever, with the worst teacher of all time then add Squidge Dibley, a kid like no other. Everything is about to change!
9401	Stage fright: plays based on the stories of Paul Jennings Tulloch, Richard & Jennings, Paul	Penguin	1996	9780140376913	Scripts for the stage adaptations of four of Paul Jennings' popular stories.
3805	Stand up and cheer Re, Loretta	The Wild Colonial Company	2015	9780992306922	It's 1934 and the Great Centenary Air Race from London to Melbourne will be the biggest and most exciting race that the world has ever seen. Ten year old Jack longs to see the race but he lives in Albury, miles away from the action. But, when a giant Dutch plane is lost in a terrible thunderstorm over Albury, Jack finds himself part of the action.
859	Star Bateson, Catherine	Omnibus Books	2012	9781862919815	Star and her mum used to manage. Now mum's old friend Charlie has moved in and life is topsy-turvy. Star knows she wants a horse and needs a new best friend. But how is that going to happen when no one is listening to her?
7824	Star jumps Marwood, Lorraine	Walker Books	2009	9781921150722	Ruby's family and the dairy farm are struggling through the drought. Life sn't easy, but Ruby is determined to do her own bit to help save her family and the farm.
	Star League series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID	Star of Deltora series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
10759	Star of the show Hilton, Nette & Stewart, Chantal (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2006	9780702235795	Aimee is tired of playing second fiddle to Serena Sweetmay, who it seems, can do no wrong and is great at everything. Aimee is determined to outdo Serena when her class is asked to present the school Christmas play.
23498	Star scouts: Graphic novel Lawrence, Mike	First Second	2017	9781626722804	Avani is the new kid in town, and she's not happy about it. Everyone in school thinks she's weird, especially the girls in her Flower Scouts troop. Is it so weird to think scouting should be about fun and adventure, not about makeovers and boys, boys, boys? But everything changes when Avani is "accidentally" abducted by a spunky alien named Mabel. Mabel is a scout too - a Star Scout. Collecting alien specimens (like Avani) goes with the territory, along with teleportation and jetpack racing. Avani might be weird, but in the Star Scouts she fits right in. If she can just survive Camp Andromeda, and keep her dad from discovering that she's left planet Earth, she is in for the adventure of a lifetime.
19230	Star, The Marshall, Felicity	Ford Street Publishing	2010	9781876462925	Marion, a wooden doll, has her loyal friends, Harley, and Polka, the dog. Marion longs for adventure and is lured by the world of glamour and fame. She becomes a glamorous Star but learns, painfully, that stardom has a use-by-date.
833104	Starboard Skinner, Nicola	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2021	9780008422417	This is the story of Kirsten, an apparently happy and successful eleven-year-old reality-TV star who meets a ship that comes alive. Inspired by the true history of the SS Great Britain, Starboard is about the friendship, heroism and bravery that you can find in others, whether they're made of flesh or iron. It's about going on epic adventures. But most of all, it's about finding out who you really dare to be when you're completely out of your depth.
886026	Stardiving Plant, Andrew	Ford Street Publishing	2022	9781922696021	Fluke dreams of seeing stars. But it's difficult for a young sperm whale to see the sky. When wise old Cachalot challenges him to look down, Fluke discovers stars he could never have imagined!

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ID	Starfell series Valente, Dominique & Warburton, Sarah (ill)				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
2341	Staring owl, The Edwards, Luke	Omnibus Books	2010	9781862919112	Owl began staring as soon as he was born. He makes people feel uneasy with his staring and begins to feel like a weirdo, so he sets out to find somewhere where he feels comfortable being a starer.
1292401		HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2025	9780008626921	Astrid has her wings at last. But, unlike all her Starminster classmates, she can't get them to work, no matter how hard she tries. The formidable new headmistress warns that Astrid must learn to fly soon, or leave London Overhead forever. Then the Month of Birthdays arrives, bringing circus shows, roller coasters, mountains of cake and a legendary series of games, with a prize beyond Astrid's wildest dreams. Astrid knows she has to win: it's the only way she can fix her wings and keep her home. But the games are far more dangerous than she could ever have imagined and someone is out to ensure Astrid never makes it to the end.
1082884		HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008626891	Astrid has lived in the rhubarb shed all her life. Her mother explains that it's dangerous outside. When a stranger with wings unlocks the door, Astrid is taken to to London Overhead, a secret city in the sky for the Librae, winged folk. Astrid is also Librae, and will soon grow wings of her own. But soon she hears rumours of missing children, and realises that her mother may have been right about the dangers awaiting all along.
526	Alexander, Goldie & Hamill, Dion	MacMillan			After initial mistrust, Jackson, a human boy, joins forces with young, telepathic aliens, lyaki and Aari, to overcome a mutiny aboard a starship. A fun-packed, fast-paced, courageous adventure to save the imprisoned crew results.
1330265	Starspill Fisher, Catherine	Simon & Schuster	2025	9781915444684	It's been 140 years since the Wolf swallowed the Sun. The cats in fog- shrouded Starspill want Zac to recover the one of the legendary Embers of the Sun and they've taken his precious secret map to make sure he agrees. This is an adventure Zac, his friend Aly and the people of Starspill will never forget.

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ID 4651	Startling story of Lachlan Macquarie, The: Founding father or failure Sedunary, Michael & Emmerichs, Bern (ill)	Berbay Publishing	2017	9780994384102	Lachlan Macquarie is celebrated for his inspired infrastructure building, as well as his enlightened treatment of convicts and emancipists. His treatment of the Aboriginal population, however, was far from enlightened. So how should history remember this towering figure of Australia's past- founding father or failure?
5359	Stay well soon Tangey, Penny	University of Queensland Press	2013	9780702249945	Stevie has a lot of dreams - more friends at school, better drawing pencils and a pony. When her brother becomes sick, her world is filled with trips to the hospital, where she becomes friends with Lara, an older girl who has cancer.
378	Staying alive in year 5 Marsden, John	Pan MacMillan	1996	9780330358842	Mr Murlin is not an ordinary teacher. His rules are amazing, like eating chocolate in class is compulsory. Johnny and Max love being in his class but still get into lots of scrapes. Contains language and actions that may offend some readers.
8911	Steam, steel and speed Nicholson, John	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2008	9781741750461	Find out how steam power changed Australia. You can read about paddle steamers trading up and down the nation's waterways, steam-powered factories churning out everything from biscuits to iron ships, new railways slashing travel times and all kinds of new jobs for fettlers and firemen, puddlers and pumpers, barge-masters and billy-boys.
7912	Stella by starlight Draper, Sharon M	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	2016	9781442494985	In 1932, ten year old Stella lives in the segregated South of the United States. Some stores she can go into, others she can't. Some folks are right pleasant, others less so. To Stella, it sort of evens out, and the Ku Klux Klan hasn't bothered them for years. But, one late night, Stella and her little brother see something they're never supposed to see, something that is the first flicker of change to come. As Stella's community and her world are upended, she decides to fight fire with fire. She learns that ashes don't necessarily signify an end.
12413	Stella by the sea Starke, Ruth	Puffin Australia	2003	9780143300663	Stella wants a private property that she can call her own, a cubbyhouse with an ocean view. A little advertisement in the newspaper changes her life.
	Stella Montgomery Intrigues series Rossell, Judith				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
8008	Stephen's music Laguna, Sofie & Pignataro, Anna	Lothian Books	2007	9780734410160	When Stephen first hears the sound of the flute his whole world changes. He knows he must have one in his life but he must convince his parents first.

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ID   2931	Stick dog tries to take the donuts Watson, Tom	Harper	2016	9780062457158	Stick Dog and his team of strays are off on another outrageous canine caper. To snatch some breakfast treats for his hungry pals, Stick Dog will need to stop a moving truck, outfox a man on a telephone pole, and calm down a very caffeinated Karen. But that's not all. He'll also need to manage the greatest confrontation in history when his good friend Poo-Poo comes face-to-face with the ultimate enemy; a squirrel! With Stick Dog's smarts, daring, loyalty and patience he just might lead his buddies to the best breakfast ever.
1193371	Stickboy Young, Rebecca & Ottley, Matt	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781742994468	Stickboy lived in wind and dust, where ancient rock loomed like waves waiting to break
30306	Sting Huber, Raymond	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2009	9781921150890	Ziggy's not your average bee in a box. He does not fit in with the honey bees in his hive. He knows that he is different and is determined to find out why. His decision to leave Bee City leads Ziggy into danger and new friendships. Share Ziggy's exciting adventure and find out a lot more about bees, too.
382	Stinky cheese man and other fairly stupid tales, The Scieszka, Jon & Smith, Lane (ill)	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	1993	9780140548969	In this collection of traditional stories, the retelling does not resemble the original tales at all. The humour in this book is in its unusual design.
44093	Stinky Ferret and the JJs Lemon-Scott, Candice	Puffin Australia	2008	9780143303978	Adrian hates ferrets. He thinks they're boring and ugly and stinky. So, when it's his turn to take home Ferret, the classroom pet, Adrian knows he's in for a bad weekend.
1133512	Stitch Kenny, Padraig	Walker Books	2024	9781529517781	Stitch and his friend Henry Oaf were brought to life by the genius Professor Hardacre. But when the Professor's wicked nephew takes over the laboratory, Stitch and Henry must escape - and make their way in a world that may only ever see them as monsters.
85740	Stolen girl Saffioti, Trina & MacDonald, Norma	Magabala Books	2011	9781921248252	When a young girl is taken from all that she knows and loves, she dreams of how she will return to the life she had to leave behind. The book follows one girl who was taken from her home and placed in a children's home. Australian Government policy at the time removed one hundred thousand Aboriginal children who are known as the Stolen Generation.

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1D   5038	Stone man mysteries, The: Stone cold Yolen, Jane & Stemple, Adam & Zangara, Orion (ill)	Graphic Universe	2016	9781512411553	When a gargoyle comes to life and saves Craig from jumping to his death in the city of Edinburgh, Craig is pulled into a high paced world of murder, crime and mystery. A new crime fighting team that includes a hard-nosed priest, a demon gargoyle and a young boy is formed and they will need their wit, skills and a little luck to solve the mysterious murders that are plaguing the citys streets.
660438	Stone sat still, A Wenzel, Brendan	Chronicle Books	2019	9781452173184	A book about a stone sitting still does not seem very interesting until you think about the world around it. The still stone plays a different part for each of the passing creatures over changing time, weather, and geography. You will not step over a simple stone again without thinking of the parts it plays in the world long after you are gone.
9251	Stone swan, The Bell, Helen  Stopwatch series Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ambelin,	Benchmark	2000	9781876615017	A pair of black swans, separated from their flock, is forced to nest alone in shrinking wetlands where they face unknown dangers in changing and increasingly hostile conditions.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal
	Blade & Ezekiel				choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
120065	Stories from the billabong Marshall, James Vance	Frances Lincoln	2008	9781845077044	Ten Aboriginal dreaming stories of the Yorta-Yorta people, with beautiful illustrations and information about the animals.
386	Storm boy Thiele, Colin	New Holland Australia	2002	9781864367669	Storm Boy has a fascinating life along the seashore with his friend, Hideaway, and the pelican, Mr Percival.
572756	Storm keeper's island, The Doyle, Catherine	Bloomsbury	2018	9781408896884	When Fionn Boyle sets foot on Arranmore Island, it begins to stir beneath his feet. Once in a generation, Arranmore Island chooses a new Storm Keeper to wield its power and keep its magic safe from enemies. The time has come for Fionn's grandfather, a secretive and eccentric old man, to step down. Soon, a new Keeper will rise. But, deep underground, someone has been waiting for Fionn. As the battle to become the island's next champion rages, a more sinister magic is waking up, intent on rekindling an ancient war.

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ID   825448	Story doctors Monty Pryor, Boori & Sinclair, Rita (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760526559	This is a book for everybody. Welcome! Take a seat! And listen carefully, because this story has a heartbeat. Can you feel it, there in your chest?  Legendary storyteller Boori Monty Pryor invites us to travel with him from the first footsteps through 80,000+ years of strength, sickness, and immense possibility.  From the very first stories and art, to dance, language, and connection with the land, Boori offers a powerful, beautiful, and deeply rich account of Australia's true history, drawing on a lifetime of wisdom, and on his generous instinct to teach and heal.
387	Story of crow, The: A Nyul Nyul story Torres, Pat (storyteller)	Magabala Books			A traditional Aboriginal story about why crows are black and emus can't fly, written in Nyulnyul and in English.
677977	Story of Doctor Dolittle, The Lofting, Hugo	Puffin Australia	1920	9780099582489	The famous doctor who can speak to animals first appeared in Hugh Lofting's letters to his children during World War I. Written and illustrated by Lofting himself, The Story of Doctor Dolittle follows John Dolittle and his misadventures with a crew of animals that he befriends. After learning he can speak to animals and he transitions from human medicine to veterinary practice, he loses most of his income and human patients. However, word in the animal kingdom spreads of this doctor with an extraordinary gift. Animals travel from far and wide to visit the doctor's practice and receive treatment for their ailments.
9206	Story of King Arthur and his knights, The Pyle, Howard	Dover Publications	1982	9780451524881	Legends and heroic tales are the focus of these classic stories.
4058	Story of life: Evolution Scott, Katie (ill)	Templar Publishing	2015	9781783704446	A graphic guide to evolution and life forms, starting with the first single-cell organisms and ending with modern life forms. Explore extraordinary land, sky and sea creatures, from algae to Archaeopteryx and Pterygotus to Tyrannosaurus Rex. Each life form, whether tiny bacteria or ice-age megafauna, represents its period in earth's history and shows life's incredible diversity.
388	Story of the falling star, The Jones, Elsie	Aboriginal Studies Press	1991	9780855751999	A retelling and recreation of the Paakantji people of the Darling River in New South Wales.

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1D 4830	Story of Tutankhamun, The Cleveland-Peck, Patricia & Greenberg, Isabel (ill)	Bloomsbury	2017	9781408876787	Everything you wanted to know about Tutankhamun is in this graphic novel. But this is not just the story of Tutankhamun. It is also the story of the men who discovered the tomb and the wonderful things they found and learnt there. Readers too will learn about ancient Egyptian fashion about mummification and hieroglyphs and of course read all about the dreaded curse of Tutankhamun. A beautifully illustrated graphic novel for anyone interested in History, Egypt or mummies.
65442	Stranded Ramage, Jan & Wilson, Mark (ill)	Black Dog Books	2010	9781742030975	The bay was awash with stranded whales. Their high-pitched calls filled the air. Ben had to get help. Based on the true story of a town whose people saved 120 beached whales, Stranded is the story of one little whale, and the boy who risked his life to save it.
	Strangest adventures series Adornetto, Alexandra				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Strangeworlds travel agency series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
12945	Streets: extreme sports Chapman, Garry	Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2001	9780732964634	One of a series of books about extreme sports. With action photographs, extreme facts, street jargon and a glossary of terms, this book tells you all you've ever wanted to know about sports on the streets.
4257	Stuart Little White, E B	Penguin			Mr and Mrs Little are delighted with their second son, even if he is a mouse. A fantasy about Stuart, the mouse, and his relationship with his human brother and parents.
1569	Stuck on history Miles, Chris	Black Dog Books	2008	9781742030333	Find out what fascinating things are trapped in the coloured squares that we stick on the corners of envelopes. Includes a timeline of events coinciding with stamp issues.

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33584	Stupendously spectacular spelling bee, The Abela, Deborah	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2016	9781925324822	India Wimple is a brilliant speller. When her family tries to convince her to enter the Stupendously Spectacular Spelling Bee competition, India is reluctant. She remembers the stage fright she got in the school play and she certainly doesn't want to repeat that experience. And, there's also Summer Millicent, who's determined to win and isn't afraid to step on anyone who gets in her way.
77350	Sucked in Parker, John	Walker Books	2008	9781921150623	When Zainey, the brunt of class jokes, sells his prized bike to purchase a mysterious and magic eye, Dan decides to save Zainey from his own stupidity and this useless joke. The eye, however, is not joking. The eye is seriously after blood and it could be Zainey's or Dan's blood that it gets.
78841	Sucked out Parker, John	Walker Books	2010	9781921529689	That creepy eyeball is on the loose again. It has left the back of Old Grimmo's head and is out for blood. Dan and Zainey have to try and capture it before the eyeball finds a new home.
609736	Suite for Human Nature Lampert, Diane Charlotte & Puybaret, Eric (ill)	Atheneum books	2016	9781416953739	Mother Nature is busy caring for the Earth and all of its creatures, but more than anything she desires a child of her own. So she creates one, Fear, but this child is not what she expects, so she tries again. Next she creates Envy, then Hate, Greed and Fickle but none of the children seem to be what she was hoping for. As she works, Mother Nature asks the humans to watch over her children. When the children's personal qualities begin to seep into humanity, Mother Nature becomes distressed and tries to find a solution to her family troubles.

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1D  1209708		University of Queensland Press	2024	9780702268373	When Sid sets off on her annual summer holiday to the Shipwreck Coast, she's desperate for some familiarity after a year of unwanted change. Two weeks with her best friend, Lou, is exactly what she needs. They can continue their search for the millions of dollars' worth of riches that disappeared in a tragic shipwreck over a hundred years ago.  But Lou has brought along her popular new school friend, Hailey, who's more interested in boys than treasure hunting. So while Lou is busy chasing Hailey's approval, Sid is left scrambling to catch up, wondering when everything changed. Can Sid protect her heart from getting
5347	Summerlost Condie, Ally	Penguin	2017	9780141371047	shipwrecked, too?  It's the first real summer since the devastating accident that killed Cedar's father and younger brother, Ben. But now Cedar and what's left of her family are returning to the town of Iron Creek for the summer. They're just settling into their new house when a boy named Leo, dressed in costume, rides by on his bike. Intrigued, Cedar follows him to the renowned Summerlost theatre festival. Soon, she not only has a new friend in Leo and a job working concessions at the festival, she finds herself surrounded by mystery. The mystery of the tragic, too-short life of the Hollywood actress who haunts the halls of Summerlost. And the mystery of the strange gifts that keep appearing for Cedar.
21494	Sunny side up Roberts, Marion	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2008	9781741752366	Sunny Hathaway is eleven years old, an only child, an introvert, a dog lover and part-owner of Pizza-a-Go-Girl, home made pizza delivery service. And, one summer, everything and everyone in her life changes including one step-dad, two siblings, one best friend, one sworn enemy and one long lost grandmother.
977698	Sunshine on Vinegar Street Comer, Karen	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761180132	Freya has moved with her mother from a regional area to the inner city of Melbourne. She has left behind her two best friends, her basketball team and the world she loves the most. She is stuck and needs to develop resilience for a whole lot of issues that come her way: school, kids, netball, eleventh floor apartment and just being the new girl on the block.  What is the connection between Freya and the illuminated skipping girl on the side of her building? Can Freya figure out how to belong on Vinegar Street?

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ID 695248	Super sidekicks 1: No adults allowed Aung Than, Gavin	Penguin	2019	9780143795865	Superheros have it easy. They leave all the messy work to their sidekicks like me while they take all the credit. I'm Junior Justice but you can call me JJ and it's time we made our own team.
695265	Super sidekicks 2: Ocean's revenge Aung Than, Gavin	Penguin	2019	9780143795889	Super-Duper alert! An unidentified object is heading straight for the city, moving fast. Something fishy is going on. The world's superheroes are missing and humankind is under threat from an ancient underwater menace. Can the Super Sidekicks save the planet before it's too late?
815214	Super-secret diary of Holly Hopkinson, The Brooks, Charlie P & Riddell, Katy (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2021	9780008328115	These are the memoirs of ME, Holly Hopkinson, aged almost ten, except without any of the rubbish adults usually put in, thank you very much. My dad just lost his job, which means me and the rest of my family have to leave London and move to the middle of nowhere, which is a TOTAL DISASTER!  But then for my birthday, my eccentric aunt gave me a magic pocket watch, which I can use to hypnotise and CONTROL people. This new power is REALLY FUN and has led to the MOST unexpected thingsincluding a visit to the QUEEN.
6088	SuperCat vs the chip thief Willis, Jeanne	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2014	9780007518630	Tiger is an ordinary, tubby, tabby cat who likes to sleep. Tiger's owner, James, is disappointed because he wanted a fun pet, like a wolf. One day, Tiger licks a toxic sock and is transformed into SuperCat. With his brand new powers and his best friend James, SuperCat must try to save the world, and all the chips, from the dastardly Count Backwards.
27549	Superhero street Earle, Phil & Ogilvie, Sara (ill)	Orion	2016	9781444013887	Michael Mouse lives in a very chaotic household, with younger brothers, a set of twins and a set of triplets. His father is a magician, struggling to keep the household afloat. Mouse sees himself as an aspiring super hero but, when his father suddenly leaves home, Mouse must do more to help around the house. Michael Mouse begins to think he'll never get his chance to be a superhero.
1125049	Superheroes for a day Cormick, Craig & Mullinder, Lauren (ill)	EK Books	2024	9781922539977	Max, Daniel, and Natalie may not be popular, but they do have some special abilities. Some might even call these superpowers! Although these abilities differentiate them from their classmates, they are just the key to restore access to the sports shed and save the school from a day of maths!
1286203	Superteacher Project, The Korman, Gordon	HarperCollins Australia			Oliver Zahn thinks school rules are made to be broken. Especially stupid rules. A new teacher appears at Brightling Middle School and something strange is afoot. Everyone thinks Mr Aidact is unreal. Oliver has to find out what is going on
11663	Surf: extreme sports Chapman, Garry	Macmillan Education Australia Pty Ltd	2001	9780732964610	One of a series of books about extreme sports. All you've ever wanted to know about the sport of surfing with a glossary of terms and surf argon, and extreme facts throughout the book.

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ID 67367	Surface tension McKinlay, Meg	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2011	9781921720284	When Cassie and Liam start swimming at the lake, neither of them realises the dark secrets that lie beneath. As summer heats up, the water level gets lower and lower, and a shocking truth is slowly uncovered.
1277774	Surface Trials, The Waugh, HM	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025	9781761181788	Three days, three clues, one hungry planet. Constant surveillance. The entire universe watching every move. Some will shatter. Most will fail. A select few will make it through, instant celebrities. Welcome to the Surface Trials. The only way into Starquest Academy. For Amethyst Antares, Starquest Academy offers an escape from the prison of her home planet. For Rian - the uber-famous and expertly disguised heir to the universe's two greatest dynasties - failure to get into his own academy is not an option. And Deneb? Well, he's an outlier But this year not everything goes to plan, and Amethyst and her squad find themselves playing for more than Starquest admission. To survive, they'll have to outsmart carnivorous creatures, share dangerous secrets, maintain trust and embrace the most shocking truth in the galaxy.
20348	Surrealism for kids Queensland Art Gallery	Queensland Art Gallery	2011	9781921503344	The surrealists were a clever and cheeky bunch of artists and poets, who loved breaking the rules of art and finding new ways to look at the world. They enjoyed inventing and playing games with word and pictures. You can find out about the main surrealists and have fun at home playing some of their most surreal games and activities.
	Survival guide series Ivanoff, George				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
15347	Survival: life in earth's toughest habitats Taylor, Barbara & Few, Roger (cons)	Dorling Kindersley	2002	9780751339222	Presented in a magazine style, this book provides excellent information about, and photographs of, animals who survive in various difficult habitats around the world.
394	Swallows and Amazons Ransome, Arthur	Red Fox	2001	9780099427339	This series is for sailing and boating fans who love adventures on the water.
49867	Swan kingdom, The Marriott, Zoe	Walker Books	2007	9780744529272	Alexandra is a princess, albeit by her own description, a very plain looking one. She lives happily with the Queen and her three talented brothers but less happily with her father, the King. After her mother is killed by a terrible beast, Alexandra is banished to stay with her aunt and her brothers are exiled. Alexandra must find the inner strength to oppose her step-mother, restore her brothers and, thereby, heal the land.

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ID 4288	Swan song Thiele, Colin	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2002	9780734403254	Mitch Bird, the son of a wildlife ranger, rescues and raises two pelican chicks and hatches a black swan from its abandoned nest. It is a struggle for Mitch to reproduce the natural environment for two pelicans and a black swan.
395	Swashbuckler Moloney, James	University of Queensland Press	1995	9780702228254	Peter's saviour from the school bullies is an unlikely hero dressed in a cape who speaks in old-fashioned English. An exciting, heart-warming story about bringing the truth out in people. A realistic stories with non-stop action.
6388	Sweet Adversity Gwyther, Sheryl	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2018	9781460755105	There's never a good time to be orphaned - or abandoned especially when you are twelve years old, and it's the Great Depression. In 1928, Shakespearean actors, the McAllisters, are forced to leave their daughter Adversity at the Emu Swamp Children's Home. They fully intend to return, but things don't go according to plan. Then, to make matters worse, Scrimshaw, a villainous theatrical agent, hears the talented Addie sing. He plots to use her in his next money-making venture, but when he turns up at Emu Swamp to collect his prize, Scrimshaw finds she's run away. Together with Macbeth, her Shakespeare-quoting cockatiel, Addie is about to embark on the adventure of a lifetime.
1338017	Sweet valley twins: Sneaking out Andelfinger, Nicole & Whittle, Knack (ill) & Lynde, Lyle & Montgomery, Warren	Scholastic Australia	2025	9780593807217	Jessica and Elizabeth's favourite band is finally coming to town, and everyone they know is going but the twins' parents say they can't. Elizabeth might be fine sulking about it, but Jessica is determined to see that concert no matter what - even if she has to sneak out to do it. Will Elizabeth break the rules with Jessica - or will she turn their big night out into a boring night in?
1337729	Sweet valley twins: The haunted house Andelfinger, Nicole & Whittle, Knack (ill) & Lynde, Lyle & Montgomery, Warren	Scholastic Australia	2025	9781761646041	When Nora Mercandy moves to town, she becomes the talk of Sweet Valley Middle School. After all, everyone knows the Mercandy house is haunted. Nora must be a witch! Elizabeth isn't so sure, but when Jessica and the Unicorn Club spread rumours around school, Elizabeth is forced to choose between her new friend and her twin. Can Elizabeth convince Jessica that Nora is just an average girl? Or is Nora hiding something?
4516	Swimming on the lawn Hamid, Yasmin	Fremantle Press	2017	9781925164855	Farida lives with her family in Khartoum, Sudan. For Farida the 1960s are a time of fun and adventure, from riding the train to a remote village by the remains of Nubian pyramids to seeing the twirling dancers of the Mawlid festival. But as columns of black smoke rise on the horizon, can Farida's happiness last?

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ID  1215821	Swing Meeker, Audrey	Feiwel and Friends	2024	9781250864048	Marcus McCalister wants to fit in. So much so that he's still playing on a soccer team with his childhood friend Ted, despite not liking soccer-or Ted-all that much. Izzy Briggs wants to stand out. Being labeled the weird kid' for her bold fashion choices is the price an aspiring designer must pay for a life of greatness-but being confident isn't always easy. So when Izzy and Marcus are paired together to perform a swing dance routine for a gym project, it's no surprise that everything goes up in flames, including their grade in the class. Until their gym teacher proposes a deal: if the pair performs the swing routine in the upcoming talent show, they'll receive extra credit and a passing grade.
397	Switchers Thompson, Kate	Apple	1999	9780786813964	An Irish girl and her strange companion save the world from freak weather by using their ability to switch into animal forms.
45552	Tail of two diggers, A Gillam, John & Fletcher, Yvonne & Durell, Paul (ill)	Returned Services League (RSL)	2016	9780646952260	Digger, a mischievous pup, ran away from home seeking adventure. He became the soldiers' mascot and, during World War I, Digger's adventures were not quite what he expected. He was wounded and befriended by Sergeant James Martin. When he returned home, Digger hated loud noise and certain smells, which reminded him of war. For his bravery and long service, Digger was presented with a silver engraved collar. Based on a true story.
30015	Taj and the great camel trek Hawke, Rosanne	University of Queensland Press	2011	9780702238772	Taj and his camel are on the adventure of a lifetime. They join explorer Ernest Giles to cross the Australian desert, where they encounter wild dogs, poisonous snakes, Aborigines and a constant shortage of water. Taj also learns the hard reality of travelling with animals.
17281	Take it easy, Danny Allen Cummings, Phil	Pan MacMillan	2008	9780330423731	When the family farm is repossessed by the bank, Danny has no alternative but to accept his parents' decision to move to the city and start a new life. But life in the city frightens Danny and he has difficulty adjusting and making friends. A runaway dog helps Danny to adjust.
13117	Tale of Despereaux, The DiCamillo, Kate & Basil Ering, Timothy (ill)	Walker Books	2004	9780744598698	Despereaux is a very small mouse who longs to be near the beautiful Princess Pea. Mouse law forbids any contact between mice and humans. When Despereaux lands in the castle dungeon, he must show enormous courage and ingenuity to escape.
3968	Tale of rescue, The Rosen, Michael J. & Fellows, Stan (ill)	Candlewick Press			When a blizzard traps a family outside in a whiteout, a cattle dog devises a stunning rescue in a moving, suspenseful, and gorgeously illustrated story.
400	Tales from Shakespeare Lamb, Charles & Mary	Penguin	1994	9780140366778	Prose adaptations of twenty of Shakespeare's works written especially for children.

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ID   574727	Tales of a Korean grandmother Carpenter, Frances	Tuttle Publishing	2019	9780804849203	Just as the children of the Kim family are treated to traditional folk tales from their beloved grandmother, the reader is invited into the life of this noble family from an older time. As big and small events happen in the life of the Kim family, grandmother has a different story to share from thousand of years of Korean history and tradition to entertain and to explain everything from why cats and dogs are not friends and to how the Korean people came to be.
686523	Tales of all kinds: The world of Ursula Dubosarsky Dubosarsky, Ursula	The School Magazine	2020	9780731387618	Have you ever had a chaotic birthday party? Have you ever eaten your Teddy Bear? Do you ever wish you had the power to bring an object to life, or to speak to birds? Have you ever done odd jobs around the house to earn pocket money? Do you wish you could speak a secret language? Then this is the magazine for you! Flip open the pages and enjoy your reading adventure!  An amazing publication written by Ursula Dubosarsky, the 2020-2021 Australian Children's Laureate, produced by The School Magazine team of the NSW Department of Education 2020.
18560	Tales of Deltora Rodda, Emily & McBride, Marc (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2005	9781865048079	Questions answered about where the Shadow Lord came from and who were the Masked Ones. The truth about the battles and bloodlines that forged the Deltora adventures are revealed.
15403	Tales of the Trojan war Khanduri, Kamini (reteller) & Anderson, Jeff (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2002	9780746052013	The history of the Trojan war, a well-told story of the folly of gods and men. The Greeks attack Troy to force the Trojan prince, Paris, to return their queen, Helen, the most beautiful woman in the world.
1075644	Tamarra: A Story of Termites on Gurindji Country Wadrill, Violet & Ngarnjal, Topsy Dodd & Leaman, Leah & Edwards, Cecelia & Algy, Cassandra et al.	Hardie Grant Egmont	2023	9781741178302	Tamarra: A Story of Termites on Gurindji Country is a fascinating, illustrated science book that takes kids inside the life of termites through storytelling from the Gurindji People.  Did you know there are four types of termite poo? Or that a warm paste made from termite mound is used to strengthen a Gurindji baby's body and spirit? Or that spinifex (which termites eat) is one of the strongest plants in the world?  Created as a collaboration between over 30 First Nations and non-Indigenous contributors, the story and artworks explore how termites and their mounds connect different parts of Country, from tiny Gurindji pabies and their loving grandmothers, to spiky spinifex plants growing in the hot sun.

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ID   723937	Tamworth Pig stories Kemp, Gene	Faber & Faber	2020	9780571356645	Tamworth Pig is wise and bold and smart. He is the respected pig of the farm and the small English town where he lives. His very good friends, Thomas and Blossom, help Tamworth with his various projects like persuading people to stop eating meat and saving the trees. In turn, Tamworth is always there for Blossom and Thomas, especially Thomas when his mischievous ways get him in more trouble than he can manage.
402	Tangara Chauncy, Nan	Puffin Australia	1987	9780140321852	When Lexie was eight, she discovered an old shell necklace that had belonged to her great-great-aunt. Through the necklace, she meets Merrina, who takes her to a gully that holds a mystery. A combination of fantasy and Tasmanian history.
43471	Tarin of the Mammoths: Clan of wolves Sandhu, Jo	Penguin Books Australia	2017	9780143309383	Tarin's quest to save Mammoth Clan seems increasingly out of reach. Badly injured while fleeing the savage Boar Clan, Tarin and the twins face certain death as the harsh Winter descends. But an unexpected refuge not only saves their lives but offers new friends, and Tarin finally realises his greatest wish. When Spring comes, will Tarin have the strength to leave and continue his dangerous journey?
4934	Tarin of the mammoths: The exile Sandhu, Jo	Penguin Books Australia	2017	9780143309376	Tarin longs to be a hunter, but his twisted leg means he is feared and bullied. After a disastrous mishap, Tarin is forced to leave his family and travel alone across wild, unknown land to save the Mammoth Clan. Battling the hostile and savage Boar Clan, a deadly illness, and treacherous terrain with twins Kaija and Luuka and their wolf cubs, Tarin realises that if they are to survive he must conquer his greatest fear- his inner self- and embrace the magic that is hiding within him.
1209864	Taronga big book of animals Taronga Conservation Society Australia	Penguin	2024	9781761347467	Think you know animals? Bet you didn't know  The most poisonous animal in the world is a frog?  Bilbies can turn over 20 tonnes of soil a year?  Tigers have spikes on their tongues?  Walruses can sing?  Echidna poo is glittery?  Explore these and hundreds more funny, surprising, and completely unexpected facts about creatures from all corners of the globe. This book is packed with charming, vibrant illustrations of over 140 creatures and their habitats, guaranteed to capture your imagination.

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ID   660481	Taylor Turbochaser, The Baddiel, David & Lenton, Steven (ill)	HarperCollins Australia			Amy loves cars, and has always dreamed of being a race car driver. She's always wanted to learn how to driveand now, she finally has her chancein the Taylor Turbochaser!
3027	Teacup Young, Rebecca & Ottley, Matt (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2015	9781743623848	Once there was a boy who had to leave home and find another one.  Among his possessions was a teacup, holding earth from where he used to play.
871542	Team trouble! Woo, Eddie & Hartley, Dave & Vane, Mitch (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2022	9781760983000	A cryptic message, a coded menu, ciphers, skateboard spills Eddie Woo and his best friends Rusty and DT are on a mission to save a friend's home, thwart the plans of evil smugglers and come first in the Triple Threat Quest.
35349	Tears in the jungle Clarke, Daniel & Clarke, William	CTQ Management Consulting	2011	9780646558158	Two brothers, aged ten and twelve, travel to the jungles of Borneo to experience the critically endangered orangutan in the wild. Their story is inspiring.
9230	Technology in the time of ancient Rome Snedden, Robert	Raintree	1998	9780817248765	A look at the innovative tools and methods used by early Romans focusing on weaving, metalwork, food production, transportation, and building plus activities where students can try using the same techniques as the ancients.
700423	Tell 'em Germein, Katrina & Sullivan, Rosemary & the children of Manyallaluk School & Briggs, Karen (ill)	Working Title Press	2020	9781921504921	Tell 'em how us kids like to play. We got bikes and give each other rides. Tell 'em about the dancing and singing, And all the stories the old people know.
9053	Telling lies Glensor, Tricia	HarperCollins NZ	2012	9781869509347	Against the background of paranoia, fear and betrayal that is German- occupied France in 1942, a defiant French family decides to help Paul, a downed New Zealand airman. If they are to hide him, smuggle him to safety and survive, they must weave a web of lies.
977754	Temora and the wordsnatcher Gordon, Kate	Wombat Books	2023	9781761110122	Temora Murphy doesn't fit in with other girls or with her mother, until a birthday wish brings escape through magical books that appear at the bottom of her garden. On her twelfth birthday she makes another wish that transports her to an another world. Inhabitants of this world have long been waiting for her and they appreciate her arrival. When other apprentices catch a magical disease it seems a monster thought long dead could be responsible. Temora realises she must face the darkness to save everyone.
23234	Ten pound pom Wilkinson, Carole & Anelli, Liz (ill)	Walker Books	2017	9781925381214	I don't want to come to Australia. I have just started grammar school. My best friend Sally goes there too. But it looks like there could be another war and Dad has convinced Mum to go. Because we're migrants, the voyage is costing Mum and Dad only 10 pounds each! My brother and I are travelling for free. It's a long way to Australia. What if we never come back to England?

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9350	Tennis Stich, Francesca (ed)	Dorling Kindersley	2000	9780754327844	Meet Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, a professional tennis player who won the French Open when she was only seventeen years old. This comprehensive guide introduces young players to all the basic skills, essential techniques and rules of tennis.
18488	Tennis star Caisley, Raewyn	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2005	9780734407757	Thirteen year old Nathan loves playing tennis. When he is recruited to portray his hero, champion tennis player Richard Krafter, in advertisements, Nathan's ego is enhanced but with negative effects on family relationships and his friendships.
68569	Tensy Farlow and the home for mislaid children Storer, Jen	Penguin Books Australia	2009	9780670073399	Tensy Farlow was dumped, hunted and betrayed, leaving her in mortal danger, without a guardian angel. She is thrown into a gloomy orphanage, which is exactly what the dark world needs.
1885	Teresa, a new Australian Abela, Deborah	Scholastic Australia	2016	9781742990941	During the war, Teresa and her family survived the bombing of their home and went hungry during the long siege of their island. But, life in peace time is still hard. Her parents want a better life and apply to migrate to Australia. But, after the long voyage to Sydney, there are more testing times ahead for Teresa as she tries to learn Australian ways, avoid the bullies and do well at school. She is not about to let anything stop her from making her family and her nanna, back in Malta, proud of her.
2298	Terrible thing that happened to Barnaby Brocket, The Boyne, John & Jeffers, Oliver (ill)	Doubleday	2012	9780857531476	The Brockets are normal and respectable, and they hate anyone who is different. When Barnaby is born, he's certainly not ordinary. He defies the laws of gravity and floats. Barnaby is desperate to please his parents but he just can't keep both feet on the ground. The Brockets decide Barnaby must go. Betrayed and alone, Barnaby floats into the path of a special hot air balloon and begins a magical journey with extraordinary new friends.
751054	Terry Denton's really truly amazing guide to everything Denton, Terry	Penguin	2020	9781760898922	Join Professor Denton as he takes you on a wild adventure exploring our amazing universe and history, the ins and outs of biology and your human body, the fascinating world of geography, geology and the weather! Get ready to laugh and be amazed!
12354	Tessa Lawson, Sue	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734406095	Tessa wants a puppy to keep her company and protect her from her neighbour. Tessa leaves brochures lying around the house for her mother to notices but she's not sure it works. Perhaps her Mum has other ideas.

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1D 42557	Thaddeus Bix and the Pirates of Pepperjack Mansfield, Kylie	Meraki Books	2016	9780994520906	When Thaddeus Bix is kidnapped by a gang of pirates and thrown inside a magical sea chest, he thinks things have gone pretty bad. Little does he know they are just about to get worse. A swashbuckling adventure on the high seas awaits, with Thaddeus and his new friends Molly and Juniper as they attempt to outwit and escape a crew of stinking pirates, wizards, witches, giant talking spiders and worse.
997	<b>3</b> /	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781922179005	Jack and Gilbert made a pact when they were younger - to work together in the mines, just like their fathers and other immigrants. Jack is turning twelve, and the thought of working underground fills him with panic. When Gilbert leaves school to earn a wage, Jack wants to keep his word - but that means facing his fear. All the while his heart is telling him to follow another path. That boy, Jack must find the courage to choose.
688313	That time I got kidnapped Mitchell, Tom	HarperCollins US	2020	9780008292263	Fourteen-year-old Jacob has won a once-in-a-lifetime chance to appear in a Hollywood movie. But when he misses his flight in Chicago and catches the Greyhound to L.A. he meets Jennifer and the real trouble starts. Jennifer in on the run, carrying a mysterious package, and Jacob soon finds himself her unlikely partner in crime on a wild road trip across the USA. Miles of open road lie ahead of them, but the police, a furious grandmother and a sinister figure known only as 'the Cowboy' are just a few steps behind
18542	That's the trick Bell, Krista & Dunk, Sarah (ill) The baby-sitters club (graphic novels) series Various	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2006	9780734408945	This little book will delight word buffs. It contains examples of homonyms with cartoon drawings to illustrate the words.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website.  Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Caddy kids series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID	The Dragons series Thompson, Colin				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Gateway series Jones, Cerberus				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Gerander trilogy series Watts, Frances				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Hidden series Tanner, Lian				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The impossible quest series Forsyth, Kate				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The incorrigible children of Ashton Place series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID	The Indian in the cupboard series Banks, Lynne Reid				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Keepers trilogy series Tanner, Lian				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The land of stories series Colfer, Chris & Dorman, Brandon (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The last thirteen series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The last wild trilogy series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
37496	The mermaid of Warsaw and other tales from Poland Monte, Richard & Hess, Paul (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2011	9781847801647	Enchanting, wicked and often very funny, these eight folk tales from Poland have a timeless, universal appeal.

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ID	The Midnight Children series Halim, Tunku & Chitale, Parag (ill)				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	The Mysterious Benedict Society series Stewart, Trenton Lee				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Peski kids series Spratt, R.A.				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Royal Academy of Sport for Girls series Sieveking, Laura				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The secret histories series French, Jackie				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The silver brumby series Mitchell, Elyne				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID	The Spiderwick chronicles series Black, Holly & Di Terlizzi, Tony (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Swashbuckler series Gardiner, Kelly				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The thing series Falkner, Brian				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The three doors trilogy series Rodda, Emily				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The treehouse series Various				Join Andy and Terry's incredible, ever-expanding treehouse series!  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website.  Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID	The Warlock's child series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The wild magic trilogy Kiernan, Celine				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	The Wombles series Beresford, Elisabeth & Price, Nick (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
3756	Their great gift Coy, John & Huie, Wing Young (photo)	Lerner Publishing Group	2016	9781467780544	Through the eyes of children from many different backgrounds, find out what it would be like to emigrate to the United Sates of America.
5491	Theophilus Grey and the demon thief Jinks, Catherine	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2015	9781760113605	Theophilus Grey heads a team of linkboys who guide Londoners by torch light, through dank eighteenth century alleys. They gather useful information for the master who runs a spy network. When thieves start dropping without a scratch and a wave of crime sweeps the area, Philo wonders if the events are connected. He will need to use all his cunning to uncover the truth behind the demon thief, in time to save his friends.
1801	Theophilus Grey and the traitor's mask Jinks, Catherine	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781760113612	In eighteenth-century London, twelve year old Philo Grey is a linkboy. He collects information to sell. One of his best customers pays good money for intelligence about the Jacobites, who are plotting to overthrow King George. But, spying on the Jacobites is a dangerous business, especially when Philo becomes the target of a rival gang of linkboys. And, Philo's old master has never forgiven him for leaving and will stop at nothing for revenge. Luckily, Philo has friends as well as enemies. He must rely on them as well as his instincts to escape harm.

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ID 24449	•	Quercus Children's Books	2016	9781848668621	On Christmas Eve, eleven year old Mouse, his mother and two sisters are travelling to his grandparents. It's snowing, visibility is bad, and the car crashes off the road. Mouse is thrown from the car and, when he wakes, he's not in his world any more. So begins a quest to find a castle in a world of monsters, minstrels, dangerous knights and mysterious wizards. There's terrifying danger but also more excitement than Mouse has ever known. But, as the cold grows, Mouse's quest becomes more important than ever.
1256651	These long-loved things Pyke, Josh & Ghosh, Ronojoy	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781761293849	Where do they go, these long-loved things? These stories told, these songs we sing? Once a memory is made, it remains. Even when it is forgotten.
751109	They threw us away Kraus, Daniel & Cai, Rovina (ill)	Henry Holt & Co	2020	9781250224408	When Buddy wakes up in the middle of a garbage dump, he is aware he is a teddy bear that was waiting patiently for a child to love him but something has gone terribly wrong. After finding other discarded teddies, he takes lead of the troop who are determined to get back to the store. This perilous and unforgiving journey will present them with unsurmountable challenges which may claim a few of them before the end.
660543	Thing about Oliver, The Kelly, Deborah	Wombat Books	2019	9781925563818	Tilly dreams of becoming a marine biologist, but she doesn't even own a swimsuit. She lives in a drought-stricken town with her mum and brother Oliver who is autistic. Oliver's meltdowns are making life unbearable and after therapy there's no time or money left for swimming lessons. Tilly knows Oliver's needs have to come first but its hard feeling invisible all the time.
15324	Third prince, The Flynn, Rachel	Penguin	2004	9780143301189	When Princess Glori wishes for a charming prince and he doesn't turn up, she gets impatient and wishes again and again. Surprising things may happen.
410	Berndt, Catherine & Meeks, Arone Raymond (ill)	Scholastic Australia	1988	9780725310660	Aboriginal Dreaming stories.
1038	This morning I met a whale Morpurgo, Michael & Birmingham, Christian (ill)	Walker Books	2008	9781406306460	Michael loves an early morning walk along the Thames River to see the water birds. One day, he is surprised to spot a whale in the river. He thinks he must be dreaming when he can hear the whale's thoughts. The whale has come on a long and difficult journey to pass on a very special message to a child. Michael has to try to help deliver the message.

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1D 1019628	This spells trouble Collins, Paul & McMullen, Sean	Ford Street Publishing	2023	9781922696311	Winston is fourteen and apprenticed to the wizard Faramond. Winston's problem (well, one of them) is that he is much brighter than his master, bringing him to the attention of the evil High Sorceress, Yolantha. She needs Winston to help her secure the Imperium Key and access to a world of magical slaves. He wants to stop her and free the magical creatures already in his world. Can Winston and his companions thwart Yolantha's evil plans?
98586	Three cheers for inventors Williams, Marcia	Walker Books	2006	9781406301717	Find out about some great inventors from hundreds of years ago through to the present time. Follow their successes and difficulties and decide who is your favourite inventor. Includes a wide range of inventions from steam engines to mobile phones.
4466	Three Indian goddesses Gavin, Jamila	Walker Books	2011		Enter the magical and exotic world of Indian legends in these three modern stories, inspired by Hindu tales. There are temples, festivals, dancing, curses and battles, as well as three Indian goddesses, Kali, Lakshmi & Durga.
15759	Three Indian princesses Gavin, Jamila	Walker Books	2011		Discover the enchanting lives of three Indian princesses, Savitri, Damayanti and Sita, in these retellings of three Hindu tales. Enter the world of palaces, beautiful jewels, romance, jealousy, secrets and demons.
37064	Three loves of Persimmon, The Golds, Cassandra	Penguin Books Australia	2010	9780143205012	In the 1920s, Persimmon lives a solitary life, pouring her passion into the florist shop she owns in an underground railway station. Her only companion is Rose, a talking cabbage. Intriguing young men come and go but Persimmon has yet to find the love of her life. Beneath the shop lives an enquiring mouse, Epiphany. When Persimmon and Epiphany meet, life will never be the same again.
411	Three way street Nicholls, Bron	Penguin	1984	9780140317763	A realistic novel told by twelve year old Aggie who lives in Melbourne with her mother, siblings and new dog, Bruce.
	Through my eyes series Various				Any two books from this series may be read as Challenge books and up to five more can be read as personal choice books. Go to the online booklists for the PRC ID of the individual books in this series.
4436	Through the looking glass Carroll, Lewis & Tenniel, John (ill)	Puffin UK	2010	9780141330075	One moment, Alice is wondering what life is like on the other side of the mirror, the next she finds herself through the looking glass and in a topsy-turvy land. Alice meets a host of bizarre characters, none of whom are quite what they seem.

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1D 47234	Thunderbolt pony, The Gregg, Stacy	Harcourt Children's Books	2017	9780008257019	Twelve year old Evie has a lot to deal with. First came her dad's cancer followed by the OCD that dominates her life. Now a devastating earthquake has shaken apart her world. When the evacuation starts and Evie realises she must leave her pony Gus behind, she refuses to join the others and sets out with her best friend Gus, dog Jock and cat Moxy to reach the rescue ship. But the earthquakes are not over and time is running out.
12443	Tiff and the trout Metzenthen, David	Penguin	2004	9780141306575	Tiff Porter lives in a tiny, mountain town. She loves trout fishing and her best friend, Cass. As winter approaches and the seasons change, so life will change for Tiff. A challenging read involving a family break-up with some strong language.
414	Tiger in the bush Chauncy, Nan	Pan MacMillan	2001	9780330362566	This is an adventure story about the Tasmanian tiger and a family living deep in the heart of the Tasmanian wilderness.
1209831	Tigg and the Bandicoot Bushranger French, Jackie	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9781460763506	Tigg is orphaned, twelve-years-old, and the youngest bushranger on the Ballarat goldfields in 1859.  When a robbery goes awry Tigg must go on the run, disguised as one of the thousands of Chinese men and boys who brave perilous conditions on the road from Robe in South Australia to the goldfields in Victoria. The danger does not abate. In fact, it multiplies. Who has offered an large reward for Tigg's capture? Should Henry Lau be considered a friend or an enemy? Can Tigg solve the mystery necessary to guarantee safety?
895451	Tilda Whiting, Sue	Walker Books	2022	9781760654634	Tilda has been left by her papa in an orphanage in Adelaide. He promises he will come back to get her after he serves his country in the Boer War. A promise is a promise and keeps the hope alive in Tilda while she waits for his return. But as she waits, she notices that something isn't quite right at the orphanage. Sister Agatha is determined to get Tilda to admit that she is an orphan, and that her papa isn't coming back for her. Tilda holds on to her hope and with her best friend, Annie, tries to get to the bottom of this mystery before it's too ate.
	Time hunters series Blake, Chris				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID   885988	Time out! Woo, Eddie & Black, Jess, & Vane, Mitch (ill)	Pan MacMillan			Eddie Woo is a super sleuth with a mind for maths and a nose for adventure. Join Eddie and his BFFs, Rusty and DT, as they find clues, crack codes and race against time in a hunt for treasure that is both exciting and dangerous.
1108	Timekeeper, The Rodda, Emily	Scholastic Australia	2009	9781862918382	Two worlds, the real world and the one across the Barrier, are in terrible danger. Only Patrick can save them from destruction. The sequel to Finders keepers.
751001	history of our world Goes, Peter	Gecko Press	2020	9781776573004	A comprehensive journey through the inventions, discovered and technology which have shaped the world. When, where and why science and technology happens on a large scale.
5029	Timing the machine	Harbour Publishing House	2016	9781922134530	Is H.G. Wells' legendary Time Machine still travelling into the past, the future, or lost somewhere in the here or now. Take the journey with Enoch as he tries to find out,
	Timmy Failure series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
579250	Ting Ting the ghosthunter Wang, Gabrielle	Penguin Random House Australia	2018	9780143787334	Ting Ting is a ghost-hunter in training. Her adoptive grandmother is Por, the famous ghost-hunter, and Ting Ting's teacher. When Por disappears, Ting Ting must bravely face a powerful spectral enemy. Will she be strong enough to save Por and the villagers?
	Tintin series Herge, Georges Remi				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
15573	Titanic Claybourne, Anna & Daynes, Katie	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2006		The Titanic was one of the largest, most luxurious steamships ever built. Learn about its incredible story from a shipyard in Ireland to the icy Atlantic Ocean where the unsinkable ship met a tragic end on the way to America.
11743	Titanic unclassified Stewart, Alex	A & C Black	2012	9781408160527	Discover the secrets of the Titanic, the ship designed to be unsinkable. Yet, in 1912, on its very first voyage across the Atlantic Ocean, the Titanic did sink, taking the lives of more than fifteen hundred passengers and crew.

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1D 4689	Titanic: an Edwardian girl's diary 1912 White, Ellen Emerson	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407103785	Margaret Anne is plucked from the orphanage to be the companion of a woman who wishes to travel without her husband. She can't believe her luck when wealthy Mrs Carstairs takes her aboard the great ship, Titanic, bound for America, where she can be reunited with her brother. On the journey, she falls in love with a brave cabin boy. But, one freezing night in April 1912, she finds herself caught up in an unimaginable nightmare.
416	Tjarany / Roughtail Greene, Gracie (storyteller)	Magabala Books	1996	9781875641307	The Dreaming stories are told in this book in Kukatja and English, including a Kukatja word list and English translations.
1023589	To and Fro Clifford-Motopi, Anton	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180378	Sam feels like he is a weird looking kid, because he is the only kid he knows who is white and has an afro. He lives with his mum and his dog in Brisbane. One day, a surprise visit causes him to start to question his heritage and who he is. Faced with racist grandmothers, annoying school mates and some big questions, Sam is on a quest to find out who he really is.
23646	To dance: A ballerina's graphic novel Cherson Siegel, Siena & Siegel, Mark (ill)	Aladdin Publishing	2006	9781416926870	Siena was six when her dreams of dance kept skipping and leaping, circling and spinning, from airy runs along a beach near her home in Puerto Rico, to dance class in Boston, and her debut performance with the New York City Ballet. Twirl along with Siena as she shares her story, in words and pictures.
60823	To kill a queen: an Elizabethan girl's diary 1583-1586 Wilding, Valerie	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407108124	In the 1580s, Queen Elizabeth's enemies plot against her, planning to kill her and place Mary, Queen of Scots, on the throne. Kitty Lumdsden's father, Sir Nicholas, is abroad, working on secret projects for the Queen and her brother is mixing with suspicious characters. As Mary's supporters come closer and become more powerful by the minute, Kitty fears that they'll all be thrown into the Tower.
5882	To the goldfields Tonkin, Rachel	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1999	9781864484113	This book depicts many aspects of life in the Victorian goldfields of 1850.
18557	To the light Flynn, Pat & Stewart, Chantal (ill)	University of Queensland Press			Jamie loves surfing which can affect your friendships and your popularity. Jamie tells us about the day to day school and family life of a Year 8 surfer whose eyes are focussed on winning the surfing competition.
15389	To the moon and back Sullivan, Bryan & French, Jackie & Gordon, Gus (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2004	9780207200090	The story of space travel, especially the staff at Honeysuckle Creek Tracking Station in Australia who relayed, to the world, the television pictures of Neil Armstrong's first step on the moon. The real story behind the movie 'The Dish'.

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660190	Toffle Towers: Fully booked Harris, Tim & Foley, James (ill)	Puffin Australia	2019	9780143795421	Toffle Towers hotel has been run by a Toffle for over one hundred years and it's about to be inherited by the next generation. Chegwin Toffle is only ten years old. But he isn't going to let that stop him from turning this run-down hotel into a success. Chegwin is determined to transform Toffle Towers from a boring hotel for grown-ups into an incredibly exciting destination for children (and their families). But running a hotel isn't easy. Chegwin has a lot to learn, and his tendency to drift off into daydreams isn't helping. Chegwin has plenty of ideas. But can he turn his madcap daydreams into reality?
37151	Toilet kid, The Flynn, Pat & Jellett, Tom (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2009	9780702237171	Matt, also known as The Tuckshop Kid, is back. He's lost weight, he's healthier and he has a fabulous girlfriend, Kayla. It all seems great but then there's Kayla's catty girlfriend, Tash, and his old, best friend who isn't his friend at all any more. Matt gets talked into doing something terrible, spying on Kayla, and she finds out. But, Kayla has a terrible secret and maybe Matt is the one who can help her.
	Tom Trueheart series Beck, lan				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
34683	Tom's Midnight Garden: Graphic novel Pearce, Philippa & Edith	Oxford University Press	2016	9780192747051	A graphic adaptation of Philippa Pearce's classic tale from 1958. When Tom's brother gets the measles Tom is sent away to his aunt's house for his own safety. But it is the start of the holidays and Tom could think of nothing worse. But he soon finds that the strange building and its weird occupants will begin him on the biggest and most bazaar adventure of his life. So good he might just decide never to come home. But where is Tom's midnight garden anyway? Is it the future? The past? A dream? A spellbinding fantasy, beautifully illustrated, balancing magic and science fiction in a timeless tale for readers of all ages.

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1D 11699	Tony Hawk, professional skateboarder Hawk, Tony & Mortimer, Sean	HarperCollins US	2002	9780060096892	How Tony Hawk became a professional skateboarder, beginning as a child and following his career through the highs and lows. Some insensitive language used in character and context when speaking about himself, may offend some readers.
420	Too many Captain Cooks Tucker, Alan	Scholastic Australia	1994	9781862912106	A picture book that shows the history of early Aboriginal and European encounters along the Australian coastline.
19812		Frances Lincoln	2011	9781847802347	When African refugees, Emmanuel and Prince, are sent to live with their uncle, he finds them too much to handle and throws the brothers out. Twelve year old Emmanuel knows that he must look after his younger brother. These were his father's last words to him. Without food or money, the boys turn to petty crime to keep themselves alive. And, that's when things start to spin out of control.
3991	Too small to fail Gleitzman, Morris	Puffin Australia	2011	9780143306429	Oliver's parents own their own bank so he has everything a Year Five boy might want. Everything, that is, except the small dog in the local pet shop, which he's not allowed to have. When a mysterious woman buys the puppy and threatens to harm it if Oliver can't return her thousands of dollars, he hatches a plan which includes sixteen camels.
1250419		HarperCollins Children's Books	2025	9781460765401	The problem with Bird Day is that all everyone does is go birdwatching.  Alma's not very interested in birds.  But when she manages to see an extremely rare purple-bellied parrot, it's big news.  She's practically, almost, nearly, entirely famous!  The only problem is no one else saw the parrot  And no one saw Alma see the parrot  And no one has seen the parrot since.  When some so-called 'experts' suggest Alma didn't see the bird at all, she's determined to prove them wrong, no matter what.
3219	Took the children away Roach, Archie & Hunter, Ruby (ill) & Hudson, Peter (ill)	One Day Hill Pty Ltd	2010	9780980564341	From the lyrics of this iconic song a very special book has been created. Featuring the heart wrenching lyrics of Archie Roach and the classic artwork of his late wife Ruby Hunter, this book describes the anguish suffered by the Stolen Generation.

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1D 587797	Top secret undercover notes of Buttons McGinty, Book 1, The Darby, Rhys	Scholastic New Zealand	2018	9781775434979	Buttons McGinty is just your average 12 year old boy, living an easy and carefree existence. That is, until his parents mysteriously disappear and he is transported to a strange school located on a deserted island. Upon arrival, Buttons quickly learns that he must uncover his parents' whereabouts whilst avoiding the suspicion of his evil new principal. Along the way, Buttons meets new friends and is faced with a host of incredible obstacles, including sinister teachers and a genetically enhanced owl!
19121	Toppling Murphy, Sally & James, Rhian Nest (ill)	Walker Books	2010	9781921529429	John is obsessed with dominoes, spending hours setting up lines until a small push causes them to fall as they should. When John's friend, Dominic, is diagnosed with cancer, John and his friends' worlds fall apart. They find ways to support Dom through his illness and gain understanding from an unlikely source.
61947	Topsy-turvy world Murray, Kirsty	National Library of Australia	2013	9780642277497	To the first Europeans who came to Australia, everything seemed topsy turvy. Christmas was in the summer and trees shed their bark but not their leaves. And the animals were bizarre. There was a bird that aughed like a donkey and a type of greyhound that bound along on its hind legs like a hare.
1110613	Tornado French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781760264895	From the award-winning creators of Flood, Fire, Cyclone, Drought, Pandemic, Earthquake and Plague. I was born of twisting air, touching ground and spinning there. Do not laugh, just feed me thunder, I will soar and roar and plunder
751056	Total eclipse of Nestor Lopez Cuevas, Adrianna	MacMillan	2020	9780374313609	All Nestor Lopez wants is to live in one place for more than a few months and have dinner with his dad.  When he and his mother move to a new town to live with his grandmother after his dad's latest deployment, Nestor plans to lay low. He definitely doesn't want to anyone find out his deepest secret: that he can talk to animals.  But when the animals in his new town start disappearing, Nestor's grandmother becomes the prime suspect after she is spotted in the woods where they were last seen. As Nestor investigates the source of the disappearances, he learns that they are being seized by a tule vieja - a witch who can absorb an animal's powers by biting it during a solar eclipse. And the next eclipse is just around the corner  Now it's up to Nestor's extraordinary ability and his new friends to catch the tule vieja - and save a place he might just call home.

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1D 11425	Totally creepy Simons, Moya	ABC Books	2003		Nothing exciting ever happens in Glenville and Gemma is bored over her long summer holidays. When the new neighbours move in across the street, Gemma's life suddenly becomes very exciting.
13363	Toto the ninja cat and the great snake escape O'leary, Dermot	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2017		Toto is no ordinary furry feline. She is almost totally blind, she has Ninja skills and at night she has amazing adventures with her cheeky brother Silver. Recently arrived in London they meet Catface going through their bin one night, and next thing they are trying to capture a deadly king cobra in the city's underground.
1153334	Toxic Johnson, Mitch	Orion	2024		Hidden in the heart of the rainforest is an amazing frog that holds the key to staying young forever. Beautiful billionaire Anura Hegarty says she wants to save the rainforest she's lying. Jessica and Renata are determined to protect the frog from Anura's toxic plans. Dodging blow darts, poachers and giant snakes has them running for their lives, as danger and betrayal lurk around every corner. Can they protect the frog? Can they make it out alive?
54595	Tracey Binns is lost Clark, Sherryl & Apfelbaum, Alexis (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2009		Tracey's school has started a new healthy-eating and exercise program, and the kids are not happy. They're even less happy when Mr Gunning, their dreaded PE teacher, announces that he is taking grade six on a bush survival and fitness camp.
43647	Tracey Binns is trouble Clark, Sherryl & Apfelbaum, Alexis (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2008		While her parents are working hard to provide the perfect life in the perfect house, Tracey Binns is working hard at misbehaving. Called Tracey Trouble or Rubbish Binns by classmates, she prefers to get detention than go home to an empty house. Then, Isabella comes to the school and, to Tracey's surprise, they become friends.
38563	Tracy Lacy for classy captain Lacy, Tania & McDonald, Danielle (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2017		Remember how I was ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN, well pretty sure, probably about 99.7% sure, that I maybe, nearly, might actually get through High School like a normal person? Well SHOCK, HORROR, its not going exactly as I planned Its BETTER!' Tracy Lacy has made it to high school, and Tracy is the king, the queen, AND the star of the schoolshes going to be CLASSY CAPTAIN! (Go Tracy!) Alright, lets face it, it all goes to her head and its a COMPLETE DISASTER. The question is; will her friends stand by her this time?

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1D 12620	Tracy Lacy is completely coo-coo bananas Lacy, Tania & McDonald, Danielle (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2016	9781760279820	I'm absolutely certain, well pretty sure, probably about 99.7% sure, that I maybe, nearly, might actually get through high school like a normal person. Follow the comedic horror of Tracy Lacy's discovery that her perfect plan for being normal is ruined, and the hilarious list of things to fix about herself, as she counts down the days to the start of high school. Is Tracy going to be able to overcome her completely coo-coo bananas-ness?
1209821	Traitor's tail Stelzer, Cameron	Daydream Press	2024	9780987461568	Four new apprentices. Four weeks at sea. One enormous secret. When the good ship Apple Pie is captured by Tasmaniac Devils, sworn enemies Dart the Dragon Slayer and Anna Bravetail must put aside their differences to plan an escape. But will they abandon their ship with a mysterious box hidden aboard?
5112	Trap, The Smelcer, John	Andersen Press Ltd	2008	9781842707395	In the Alaskan wilderness, Albert Least-Weasel is out checking his traplines as he has done for the past sixty years. When he doesn't return as scheduled, his grandson, Johnny, begins to worry. The temperatures are steadily dropping and there are bears and wolves out there. Johnny must decide whether to follow his uncle's advice and wait, or follow his heart and look for his grandfather.
12338	Trapped by the ice: Shackleton's amazing Antarctic adventure McCurdy, Michael	Walker Books	2002		A dramatic introduction to Ernest Shackleton's Trans-Atlantic expedition which was brought to a chilling halt when his ship, Endurance, was gripped by the Weddell ice pack and he, and his crew, had to face appalling conditions.
5056	Travel book, The Croft, Malcolm & Li, Maggie (ill)	Lonely Planet Publications	2017	9781743607718	Take a world tour through 200 countries with this travel book. It is packed full with thousands of amazing facts on wildlife, how people live, sports, hideous and mouth-watering food, festivals and a wide range of other quirky insights on every page. Every single country gets its own dedicated page, and a mixture of photographs and sensational illustrations bring each country to life.
8364	Travels of an extraordinary hamster Desbordes, Astrid & Martin, Pauline (ill) & Burgess, Linda (trans)	Gecko Press			Hamster lives in the clearing among his friends Mole, Snail, Hedgehog and Rabbit. They are very accepting of Hamster, who is unapologetically selfish but, somehow, endearing. Hamster is determined to visit his cousins on the moon. He knows they must be eager to meet him. But, his friends decide to go to the North Pole instead.
14254	Tread softly: betrayal wears a gilded cloak Pennington, Kate	Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2005	9780340873434	Mary Devereux is the daughter of the head tailor in Saltleigh Hall in Tudor England, a time when many wealthy women live trivial and useless lives. One night, she overhears the steward plotting to murder the Queen.

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1D 1290	Treasure box, The Wild, Margaret & Blackwood, Freya (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2013	9780670073658	Peter, a young boy, and his father must flee their town when the enemy orders 'everyone out of their houses'. They take with them a treasure box which contains, 'no rubies, no silver, no gold' but instead holds a book 'about our people, about us'.
48747	Treasure Island Stevenson, Robert Louis	Puffin USA	1994	9780140366723	Following the death of bloodthirsty buccaneer, Captain Flint, young Jim Hawkins finds himself with the key to a fortune. For he has discovered a map that will lead him to the fabled Treasure Island. But, a host of villains, wild beasts and deadly savages stand between him and the stash of gold. Not to mention the most infamous pirate ever to sail the high seas.
751090	Tree beings Huber, Raymond & Severgnini, Sandra (ill)	Exisle Publishing	2020		Trees are essential to our world. Tree Beings is your guide to appreciating trees through the stories of people who love them. So strap on your hiking boots, and enjoy this informative adventure through the wonderful world of Tree Beings!
8100	Tree of life Strauss, Rochelle & Thompson, Margot (ill)	Kids can press	2004	9781553376699	A simple introduction to biodiversity, using a tree as a metaphor to explain how scientists organise life into five kingdoms, each one having thousands of species. Some species are barely hanging on to survival.
15413	Tremada Hoopmann, Kathy	Puffin Australia	2004		Shiana helps a dragon, found injured in the forest behind her home, to find its way home, only to discover that he is the King of Tremada. War between the dragons and gnomes of Tremada is imminent. Shiana has an important role to play.
1108788	Trials of Apollo, The: Burning maze, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241534267	The formerly glorious god Apollo, cast down to earth in punishment by Zeus, is now an awkward mortal teenager named Lester Papadopoulos. In order to regain his place on Mount Olympus, Lester must restore five Oracles that have gone dark. But he has to achieve this impossible task without having any godly powers and while being duty-bound to a confounding young daughter of Demeter named Meg. Thanks a lot, Dad.
					With the help of some demigod friends, Lester managed to survive his first two trials, one at Camp Half-Blood, and one in Indianapolis, where Meg received the Dark Prophecy. The words she uttered while seated on the Throne of Memory revealed that an evil triumvirate of Roman emperors plans to attack Camp Jupiter. While Leo flies ahead on Festus to warn the Roman camp, Lester and Meg must go through the Labyrinth to find the third emperor - and an Oracle who speaks in word puzzles - somewhere in the American Southwest.

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1D  1133516	Trials of apollo, The: Dark prophecy, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241377550	Zeus has punished his son Apollo - god of the sun, music, archery, poetry, and more - by casting him down to earth in the form of a gawky, acne-covered sixteen-year-old mortal named Lester. The only way Apollo can reclaim his rightful place on Mount Olympus is by restoring several Oracles that have gone dark. What is affecting the Oracles, and how can Apollo/Lester do anything about them without his powers? After experiencing a series of dangerous - and frankly, humiliating - trials at Camp Half-Blood, Lester must now leave the relative safety of the demigod training ground and embark on a hair-raising journey across North America. Fortunately, what he lacks in godly graces he's gaining in new friendships - with heroes who will be very familiar to fans of the Percy Jackson and the Olympians and Heroes of Olympus series. Come along for what promises to be a harrowing, hilarious, and haikufilled ride.
1108779	Trials of apollo, The: Hidden oracle, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023		How do you punish an immortal?  By making him human.  After angering his father Zeus, the god Apollo is cast down from Olympus. Weak and disorientated, he lands in New York City as a regular teenage boy. Now, without his godly powers, the four-thousand-year-old deity must learn to survive in the modern world until he can somehow find a way to regain Zeus's favour.  But Apollo has many enemies - gods, monsters and mortals who would love to see the former Olympian permanently destroyed. Apollo needs help, and he can think of only one place to go an enclave of modern demigods known as Camp Half-Blood.

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1D 1133752	Trials of Apollo, The: Tower of nero, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241588086	Will the Greek god Apollo, cast down to earth in the pathetic mortal form of a teenager named Lester Papadopoulos, finally regain his place on Mount Olympus?  Lester's demigod friends at Camp Jupiter just helped him survive attacks from bloodthirsty ghouls, an evil Roman king and his army of the undead, and the lethal emperors Caligula and Commodus. Now the former god and his demigod master Meg must follow a prophecy uncovered by Ella the harpy. Lester's final challenge will be at the Tower of Nero, back in New York.  Will Meg have a last showdown with her father?  Will this helpless form of Apollo have to face his arch nemesis, Python?  Who will be on hand at Camp Half-Blood to assist?
1133738	Trials of Apollo, The: Tyrant's tomb, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241534274	Things are getting very bad, very fast, for Apollo  The former God Apollo is having a pretty rough time of it. Well, for one thing, he's been turned into a human and banished from Olympus. And he's called Lester. But being an awkward mortal teenager is the least of his worries right now.  Though he and some of his friends have emerged from the Burning Maze, rescued the Oracle and lived to fight another day, they can't escape the tragedy that has befallen them, or the terrible trials still to face.  So, with heavy heart, Apollo (OK, Lester) and Meg have a triumvirate still to defeat, oracles to rescue, and prophecies to decipher, so that the world may be saved, and Lester may ascend into the heavens to become Apollo once again.  But, right now, Caligula is sailing to San Francisco to deal with Camp Jupiter personally, and they have to get there first. Failure would mean its destruction
869505	Tricky Vic Pizzoli, Greg	Penguin	2015	9780670016525	Robert Miller, a bright boy and a good student, would grow up to be known by over 40 aliases as he tricked people out of their money from European cities and the United States. His greatest scam would be to sell the Eiffel Tower. Find out how he did this on more than one occasion.

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743	Trolley boys Moloney, James	Puffin Australia	2007	9780143303145	It's summer, it's hot and Brent is stuck collecting trolleys at his local shopping centre. When an attempt at the world-record trolley push ends in disaster and a priceless diamond goes missing, Brent's summer job starts to look a lot more exciting.
83387	Trophy kid, The Flynn, Pat	University of Queensland Press	2010	9780702238406	Marcus is a future tennis star, with a solid forehand, a strong backhand, but his biggest asset is his mind. When Marcus learns he has to win the next state title or lose someone he loves, his mind is tested like never before.
3328	Trouble tomorrow Whitebeach, Terry & Enadio, Sarafino	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2017	9781760291464	Obulejo's name means 'trouble tomorrow' in the Ma'di language, and there is plenty of trouble for sixteen-year-old Obulejo when his town is attacked by Rebel troops. Separated from family and close friends, Obulejo flees into the hills and then makes a terrifying journey, full of danger from wild animals and pursuing soldiers. Once across the border in a refugee camp, he is safer but has no future - until he joins a pioneering peace education program and begins to find ways to create a more helpful life for himself and others.
	Trouble twisters series Nix, Garth & Williams, Sean				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
6207	Troy Thompson's excellent poetry book Crew, Gary	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	1998	9780850918342	An excellent collection of clever poems. The dialogue between student and teacher in Troy's school exercise book is all written in poetry. Just like Mrs Kranke, Troy's teacher, this book will encourage a love of poetry.
754441	Truck Cat, The Frenkel, Deborah & Snell, Danny (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761215766	Along with his human, Yacoub, Tinka travels roads wide and narrow, near and distant. But no matter how much they travel, home feels very far away for both of them. Yacoub drives his truck to make a living, learning the landscape of a new country along the way, and longing for connection. When Tinka and Yacoub are unexpectedly separated, they are determined to find their way back to each other and, in doing so, might find more than they expected.  The official story chosen for ALIA National Simultaneous Storytime 2025, to be celebrated all across Australia and New Zealand! This book is on the 5-6 booklist for 2025 only, and will return to the 3-4 booklist in 2026.

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1D 12326	Truck dogs: a novel in four bites Base, Graeme	Penguin	2003	9780670893331	In a far-off desert world, similar to outback Australia, evolution has taken a turn. It is inhabited by creatures covered in fur but with living steel panels beneath who gnaw on bones, sniff lamp posts and fill up on oil.
120059	True green kids: 100 things you can do to save the planet McKay, Kim & Bonnin, Jenny	ABC Books	2008	9780733322860	Set up a swap club with your friends, plant an edible garden, turn-off appliances, use both sides of the paper, cut-down on packaging organise or a rubbish-free day at school. True Green Kids is full of 100 fun, easy and practical things kids can do to become a green change agent at home, at school and in the community.
18295	True story of Mary who wanted to stand on her head, The Godwin, Jane & Drahos, Zak (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2005	9781741147162	A story in rhyme about a girl who wants to stand on her head. Mary attends a school where one of the school rules is never to stand on your head. Mary is very wilful and there is no stopping her.
	Truly Tan series Storer, Jen & Robertson, Claire (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
18611	Truth about magic, The (School of magic 1) Luckett, Dave	Scholastic Australia	2005	9781862915404	At birth, each human child is bestowed a gift by the Faeries.  Sometimes, these gifts cause their owners much inconvenience. Two children learn the value of their gifts when they are sent to the faery school of magic.
425	Tuck everlasting Babbit, Natalie	Bloomsbury	2002	9780747555957	Drinking the water from a special spring ensures immortality. The Tuck family has become immortal and faces a difficult situation when a girl uncovers their secret.
426	Tucker Abdulla, Ian	Scholastic Australia	1995	9781862912069	Telling the story of his childhood spent living along the Murray River, Ian Abdulla's pictures speak of fishing and hunting with his Aboriginal brothers in the 1950s.
96801	Tuckshop kid, The Flynn, Pat	University of Queensland Press	2006	9780702235672	Matt has a unique ability to help kids make the most of their lunch money at the tuckshop. He's not so good at making friends though. A funny story about friendship and fast food.
	Tuesday McGillycuddy series Banks, Angelica				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D   824	Tunnels of Tarcoola, The Walsh, Jennifer	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781742376752	A network of tunnels leading under the park, a secret exit to an abandoned mansion and a hidden box of documents. It's all very mysterious. When shadowy figures start watching Kitty, David, Andrea and Martin, they know they've stumbled onto more than a forgotten piece of history.
427	Turbulent term of Tyke Tiler, The Kemp, Gene	Faber & Faber	2002	9780571212675	Tyke's good friend, Danny, gets into all sorts of trouble with his practical lokes.
617175	Turkish Charlie Ryan: Canakkale's Anzac hero Gillam, John & Fletcher, Yvonne & Webb, Lillian (ill)	Legends & Lessons	2018	9780646974842	When a young Australian doctor looking for adventure answered an advertisement to join the Turkish army, he didn't realise how monumental that choice would become. As Charles Ryan lands on the beaches of Gallipoli as part of the ANZAC contingent, he knows he is there to fight his former friends. It is this friendship that will initiate the legendary battlefield camaraderie between the Turkish soldiers and the ANZACs.
500	Turn in the grave, A Bowvayne, A E & Snow, Alan (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2004	9780746060278	Young Danny writes a fan email to a deceased horror writer, which enables him to put a hex on his horrid stepmother.
27734	Turners, The Elliot, Mick	Hachette Children's Books	2016	9780734416629	Leo Lennox has a very disappointing thirteenth birthday and an epic problem. Rather than catching the eye of the lovely Lily across the library or hanging out with his buddy Jinx, or even just having a quiet evening with his father and annoying, big sister, Leo has grown a very uncomfortable, quite itchy tail and gained a craving for mice. Something is not right.
29159	Turners, The: Camp freakout Elliot, Mick	Hachette Children's Books	2016	9780734416636	Thirteen year old Leo Lennox has made a massive mistake. The secret that his shape-shifter ancestors have kept hidden for thousands of years is now in danger of being discovered. Leo insisted on going to school camp but he's surrounded every minute of every day by his classmates, including his secret crush and two terrifying bullies. Leo's about to find out just how much he still has to learn about transforming. But, when he discovers a fiendish plot, Leo realises that surviving camp is going to be the least of his worries.
48870	Turning the page Pulman, Felicity & Cox, David (ill)	National Museum of Australia Press	2008	9781876944704	It's 1851 and eleven year old Maggie is living at Springfield, a sheep station near Goulburn. She helps her mother with the laundry and daydreams about getting away and doing something exciting. When she gets the opportunity to help in the nursery at the big house, she also gets the chance to learn to read and write, until her curiosity gets her into trouble.

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1D 31103	Turnkey, The Rushby, Allison	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2016	9781925126921	Twelve year old Flossie Birdwhistle is no ordinary girl. Chosen to be the Turnkey at London's Highgate Cemetery, Flossie has the special task of looking after the souls that reside there. When she discovers the ghost of a mysterious German soldier, far from his home and carrying a strange object, Flossie uncovers a terrible secret that threatens the worlds of both the living and the dead. With the help of the other cemetery Turnkeys, Flossie must unravel the mystery In order to save London.
5981	Turtle trackers Wheeler, Samantha	University of Queensland Press	2018	9780702259951	Ten year old Isaac is always busy helping his mum run a caravan park on the Queensland coast. When he finds a sea turtle nesting on the beach he really wants to be a volunteer turtle tracker. But it is summer and will his mother find time for him to volunteer?
1076914	Tweet Gleitzman, Morris	Penguin			Clyde, a budgie who has grown up with his human family Jay, Poppa, mum & dad. Clyde's bird-brain view of humans and the world has a humorous perspective, but also covers some serious matters with an approach that is not too heavy.  The world is facing some major problems and birds have a message to share. Gathering in greater and greater numbers is finally beginning to get humankind's attention. A silent protest has begun and Clyde is to be a key part of it. Will the humans listen and pay attention to the millions of birds trying to warn against about climate change and protect our planet?  Maybe Jay's missing parents can help unravel the mystery? But where are they? Will Clyde and his best friend (human brother) Jay manage to get the government and world leaders to listen?  Funny, emotional, birdy, lots of birds.
17741	Twilight ghost, The Thiele, Colin	Running Press Kids			Robby has moved from the city to a small town where there is a dilapidated house rumoured to have ghosts. If one of them is seen, disaster soon follows. Robby doesn't really believe until a couple of incidents shake his certainty.
1019743	Twin stars Clutterbuck, Charlotte	MoshPit Publishers	2023	9781923065093	Thousands of years ago in Stone-age Scotland twin brother and sister, thrall-born, have dreams beyond the Custom of the Beaver Clan. Bhoid is a skilled hunter and Sulaire is a healer, but when Bhoid injures the Headman's son whist protecting his sister, he is forced to flee, alone and defenseless. Separated for the first time in their lives, it will take all their skill and courage to survive apart. Will the twins ever see each other again?

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1D  1209958	Twins Johnson, Varian & Wright, Shannon (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2020	9781761126222	Maureen and Francine Carter are twins and best friends. They participate in the same clubs, enjoy the same foods, and are partners on all their school projects. But just before the girls start sixth grade, Francine becomes Fran a girl who wants to join the chorus, run for class president, and dress in fashionable outfits that set her apart from Maureen. A girl who seems happy to share only two classes with her sister! Maureen and Francine are growing apart and there's nothing Maureen can do to stop it. Are sisters really forever? Or will middle school change things for good?
1185	Twins of Tintarfell, The O'Loghlin, James	Pan MacMillan	2016	9781743548097	Life's hard when you're an orphan stuck working in a castle all day. And, it doesn't get any easier for twins Dani and Bart when they end up separated, beyond the castle walls. They meet untold dangers and an assortment of bizarre characters, including a retired witch, a cowardly prince, an evil magician and a sarcastic giant. They not only have to save each other but Tintarfell itself.
	Twisted tales series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2275	Twister Ryan, Chris	Doubleday	2008	9780385612982	After an uneventful holiday in the Cayman Islands, young Ben is advised to avoid an approaching hurricane. Managing to survive a skyjacked plane, a resulting crash landing and a kidnapping, Ben must rescue his friend from a precipice with one good arm because the other one has been broken. But, Ben will have to do this without exploding a detonator and before the hurricane hits.
838755	Twitch Leonard, M G	Walker Books	2021	9781406389371	Twitch has made it through the end of another school year with all its challenges and is looking forward to a summer vacation spent bird watching in his well built and well hidden hide. This peace is quickly challenged by the likelihood an escaped robber is hiding in the bush where Twitch does his bird watching. Even worse, this robber may have hidden the stolen money there, so Twitch, and the birds, have to endure treasure hunters, bullies, mysterious strangers, and maybe the robber himself.
428	Two bullies, The Morimoto, Junko	Scholastic Australia	1991	9780868966434	Two strong men try to out bluff each other, and each becomes a winner. This has been translated from an original Japanese story.

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ID 429	Two hands together Kidd, Diana	Penguin	2000	9780141307480	Cultural and racist issues are explored in this story about a girl who befriends an Aboriginal family, who live next door.
15375	Two peas in a pad Wide, Steve & Mackintosh, Michelle (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd			Two peas have the grooviest pad in town and hold the best parties. A funny book, jam-packed with tasty characters.
876	Two tales of Brothers from Ancient Mesopotamia Heffernan, John & Durack, Kate (ill)	Christmas Press	2016	9780994234049	The ancient civilisations of Mesopotamia, located in what is now Iraq, Syria and Kuwait, produced the heroic saga, the Epic of Gilgamesh. Two tales tell of the mighty king Gilgamesh, two parts god, one part human, who rules Uruk. But, when his human side becomes cruel, his subjects beseech the gods for help. A wild man, Enkidu, is created to foil the king's meanness. In the second tale, Gilgamesh and Enkidu join forces to slay the ferocious Humbaba, part man, part bull, part monster, who terrorises the countryside.
7049	Two ways strong: Jaz's story The Deadly Mob & Scobie, Claire & Ellis, Kristine	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2017	9780648260417	Going to boarding school can be a difficult transition for many students, but for Indigenous students from remote communities, it can be quite a culture shock. In Two Ways Strong, Indigenous students from Concordia Lutheran College have combined to tell their experience in a story about Jaz a young girl from Palm Island who goes to boarding school at the age of fourteen.  Jaz has many challenges to face, not least having to speak English and make herself understood. Her fellow Indigenous students help to ease the way for her but ultimately it's up to Jaz to make the most of what boarding school has to offer.  As she becomes accustomed to school life, has fun with her friends and has academic success, Jaz realises just how much she has gained and grown in the time she is been at school. She's no longer just one way strong like she was on Palm Island, she's now two ways strong and ready to take on the world.
9343	Two weeks in grade six Pershall, Anna & Mary K	Penguin	2003	9780143300205	It is the third term in grade six and Kaitlin's teacher has switched table groups around. Now, Kaitlin's on a table with stuck-up Ashleigh and all the losers.
430	Two weeks with the queen Gleitzman, Morris	Pan MacMillan	1990	9780330271837	Colin is trying to find the best cancer doctor in the world to treat his younger brother.
8724	Two wolves Bancks, Tristan	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9780857982032	A knock at the door changes Ben Silver's life forever. Two police officers are looking for his parents. When Ben's parents arrive home, they bundle him and his little sister into the car, claiming they're going on a holiday. Ben begins to realise his parents are in trouble. He has always dreamt of becoming a detective and now he gathers evidence to try to uncover what his parents have done. Ben will have to make a terrible choice.

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ID   855838	Tyenna: Through my eyes Hunt, Julie & Whitebeach, Terry	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760877019	When Tye arrives at her grandparent's place in beautiful Tasmania, it's not the school holidays she expects when threat of major bushfires begin to threaten the local area. Then when she discovers Bailey, a young runaway boy who is hiding in the bush from his foster family, she is torn between keeping his secret or telling her family to make sure he is safe. As fires start to make their way towards them and evacuations are called, Tye is swept up in the chaos and finds herself in real danger. Will they survive?
5812	Tyger Tyger Stanley, Elizabeth	University of Western Australia Press	2007	9781920694845	The tigers living in the jungle are threatened by poachers. The monks take many of them in and become their devoted keepers, but how can they protect the tigers still in the jungle.
6440	Ubiquitous: celebrating nature's survivors Sidman, Joyce & Prange, Beckie (ill)	Houghton Mifflin	2010	9780618717194	The book's title, Ubiquitous, means something that is, or seems to be, everywhere at the same time. Through beautifully illustrated poems, this book investigates the natural world, from the single-celled bacteria and diatom to the ever-present ant and dandelion, and describes how these very special life-forms avoided extinction to become nature's survivors.
7618	Ugly: young reader's edition Hoge, Robert	Hachette Children's Books	2015	9780733634338	Australian Robert Hoge was born with a large tumour in the middle of his face and legs that weren't much use. Dedicated doctors removed the tumour from his face, operated on his legs then stitched him back together. But, Robert still looked different. Told with humour and candour, this is the true story of how Robert, through sheer grit and determination, grew up to have an ordinary life. That became his greatest achievement.
18415	Ulysses Moore: the door to time Piemme, Edizioni	Scholastic US	2006	9780439774383	A mysterious old mansion, a strange locked door with four keyholes and three adventurous, courageous and curious kids determined to solve the mystery of Ulysses Moore, who once owned that house.
4062	Uncle Trev and his whistling bull Lasenby, Jack	Gecko Press	2012		In New Zealand in the 1930s, a sickly schoolboy is in bed, trying to get over a long sickness. When his Uncle Trev arrives to let Mum go out and do the shopping. he tells one tall story after another, about the animals out on his farm, and his neighbour, Gotta Henry. But, when Mum returns, she chases Uncle Trev and his dog with her broom and threatens what she'll do to 'that man' next time he comes in.
433	Uncovered Jennings, Paul	Penguin	1995	9780141301778	A group of nine appealing science fiction fantasy stories.

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1D 1304847	Undead fox of Deadwood Forest, The Hartman, Aubrey	Walker Books	2025	9781761601453	Clare, an undead fox, lives in Deadwood Forest, a place trapped in eternal autumn. After dying in an accident, he chose to become a guide for lost souls instead of crossing into the Afterlife. His quiet routine is shattered when a badger soul, Gingersnipes, appears but cannot move on. It's the first time a soul has been stuck, threatening the balance between life and death.  To find answers, Clare and Gingersnipes seek out Hesterfowl, a prophetic grouse. She reveals a shocking truth that leaves Clare devastated and determined to defy the fate he was given.
434	Under the cat's eye Rubinstein, Gillian	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	1997	9780733605543	A story of mystery and suspense, centred around Jai, who is at a strange boarding school headed by the monstrous Mr Drake.
903321	Unexpected tale of the bad brothers, the Povey, Clare	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2022	9781474986502	Bastien Bonlivre is in trouble again. His sworn enemy, Olivier Odieux, has escaped jail and is out for revenge. Meanwhile, fires are burning in Paris and the people are uncertain. Bastien and his friends, Theo and Alice, set off on a daring adventure to find answers.
795	Unfinished angel, The Creech, Sharon	HarperCollins Australia	2009	9780143203759	In the ancient, stone tower of the Casa Rosa, life for one angel has been the same for as long as s/he can remember. Until Zola arrives. For neighbours who have been long-time enemies, children who have been lost and villagers who have been sleepily living their lives, beware. Zola and the angel are about to collide.
4798	Unforgettable what's his name, The Jennings, Paul & Smith, Craig (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781760290856	Even before all this happened, I had never been like the other kids. I tried not to be seen. If I climbed a tree or hid among the bins, no one could find me. Then, one weekend, I got what I wanted. First, I blended in with things. But, on the second day, I changed. I mean, really changed.
5430	Unforgotten Riddle, Tohby	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2012	9781742379722	Nobody knows where they come from. But they come. Impossible birds of the big sky and the long night.
9167	Unforgotten coat, The Boyce, Frank Cottrell	Walker Books			Two refugee brothers from Mongolia are determined to fit in with their Liverpool schoolmates. They bring so much of Mongolia to Bootle that their new friend and guide, Julie, is hard-pressed to know truth from fantasy, as she recollects a wonderful friendship that was abruptly ended when Chingis and Nergui were forced to return to Mongolia.
1209852	Unico: Awakening Sattin, Samuel & Gurihiru (ill)	Scholastic US	2024	9781339036335	A brave young unicorn, Unico, finds himself in a new world, befriending an abandoned cat Chloe. Can he find out how to use his powers to help his friend, and escape the clutches of the evil goddess Venus, who wants to kill him?

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ID 21224	Unicorn quest, The Benko, Kamilla	Bloomsbury	2018	9781408878316	Claire Martinson still worries about her older sister Sophie, who battled a mysterious illness last year. But things are back to normal as they move into Windermere Manor. Everything changes when the sisters climb a strange ladder in a fireplace and enter the magical land of Arden. There, they find a world in turmoil. The four guilds of magic no longer trust each other, the beloved unicorns have disappeared, and terrible wraiths roam freely. Scared, the girls return home. But when Sophie vanishes in the night, it will take all of Claire's courage to climb back up the ladder, find her sister, and uncover the unicorns' greatest secret.
29506	Unicorn quest, The: Secret in the stone Benko, Kamilla	Bloomsbury	2019	9781408898512	Claire and her sister are the lost princesses of Arden. They have released the last unicorn from its stone prison hoping it could save the waning magic of the kingdom. But the unicorn has vanished and it is being pursued by enemies.  The sisters face challenges if they want to help the unicorn rise again. Claire will have to find the courage to master her new magical powers. Sophie must face dangerous truths about the people she thought were her friends and about herself.
700330	Unipiggle the unicorn pig: Unicorn muddle Shaw, Hannah	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2020	9781474972178	Welcome to Twinkleland Kingdom where everything is 100% perfect, except Princess Pea.  Today's the day Princess Pea has to choose her own unicorn at the Royal Unicorn Parade.  All is well until the muddy Unipiggle appears and creates a big muddle. It looks like Princess Pea has met her perfect match.
	Unlikely exploits series Ardagh, Philip				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
9826	Sedunary, Michael & Emmerichs, Bern (ill)	Berbay Publishing			An important and intriguing tale of an extraordinary friendship between two unlikely characters, Captain Arthur Phillip and the Aborigine, Bennelong, which remains largely unknown. The background of the first settlement in Australia heightens the polarity between the two worlds of the traditional Aboriginal culture and values, and European culture and values.
438	Unreal Jennings, Paul	Penguin	1999	9780141301761	Boys are the heroes in each of the tales in this assortment of funny, scary and disgusting short stories.

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ID   886904	Unsettled Faruqi, Reem	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9780063044708	When Nurah's family moves from Karachi, Pakistan, to Peachtree City, Georgia, all she really wants is to blend in, but she stands out for all the wrong reasons. Nurah's accent, floral-print kurtas, and tea-colored skin make her feel excluded, and she's left to eat lunch alone under the stairwell, until she meets Stahr at swimming tryouts. Stahr covers her body when in the water, just like Nurah, but for very different reasons. But in the water Nurah doesn't want to blend in: She wants to stand out. She wants to win medals like her star athlete brother, Owais - who is going through struggles of his own in America - yet when sibling rivalry gets in the way, she makes a split-second decision of betrayal that changes their fates.  As Nurah slowly begins to sprout wings in the form of strong swimming arms, she gradually gains the courage to stand up to bullies, fight for what she believes in, and find her place.
855827	Unstoppable flying Flanagan, The Arena, Felice	Penguin	2022	9781761044366	Maggie Flanagan is mad about AFL. But in a time when girls should sew and bake cakes and not do anything so unladylike as play footy, her suggestion to hold an all-girls charity game to raise money for the boys at war are met with laughs and ridicule. Will that stop the Flying Flanagan?
1019709	Until the road ends Earle, Phil	Andersen Press Ltd	2023	9781839133169	When Peggy rescues a stray dog from near-death, a beautiful friendship begins. Nothing but the looming war can part them. Peggy is evacuated to safety and Beau is left behind in London, where he becomes an unexpected war hero. Night after night, as bombs rain down and lives are destroyed, Beau searches the ruins, rescuing countless survivors. But then tragedy strikes and Beau sets off on an incredible journey to find his beloved Peggy.
4648	Upside down girl, The D'Ath, Justin	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2000	9781865081342	Desperate to be famous, young Brittany Hu attempts to set a "McGuinness record", but ends up weightless, a condition which results in some hilarious predicaments. The tongue-in-cheek subtexts are very entertaining.

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1D   587848	Upside-down history of Down Under, The Lloyd, Alison & Denton, Terry (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2018	9780143788669	The Upside-Down History of Down Under delves into the history of Australia from dinosaurs to Federation. It explores how the continents formed and changed, looks into our dinosaurs and mega-fauna, and discusses how the first people arrived and their survival. Did you know that the oldest human home in Australia is 65,000 years old? The Upside-Down History of Down Under describes the various ships that landed on our shores, the arrival of the British, convicts, the Rum Rebellion, exploration, bushrangers, gold, equality, federation plus much more. But don't be fooled. It is full of fun anecdotes, interesting quizzes, questions, timelines and pictures to keep you entertained.
1202391	Urban legend hunters: The dreaded Mr. Snipe McKerrow, Joel & Bryant, Wayne (ill)	Larrikin House	2024	9781922804716	There is something sinister stirring in the town of Shadow Grove. Something that requires the talent, training and dedication of professional urban legend (aka monster) hunters. It's a shame we don't have any of those Meet storyteller Jeremy who loves telling tales that will make your blood curdle, fearless Samantha Small and Bad Boris, who may is anything but bad! This is not a fairytale. This is a hairraising, spine-tingling, heart-pounding, hilarious adventure that is sure to scare the snot right out of you. Think you're brave enough? Why don't you take a seat around the campfire so you can hear the urban legend about the terrifying tale of THE DREADED MR SNIPE. Perfect for readers who love adventure, fun and spooky stories all mashed into one big poetic mystery!
5847	Us minus Mum Butler, Heather	Little, Brown & Co	2014		George and Theo's mum is brilliant. She tells great stories, can wave the fastest of anyone on the planet and, most importantly, she suggested they adopt a scruffy dog called Goffo. The boys also think she's invincible. But, they're wrong because Mum is ill, really ill. It's up to George and Theo to keep Mum smiling. This will probably, definitely involve wellies, shepherd's pie and Goffo's victory at the pet talent show.
	Usborne beginners plus series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID	Usborne beginners series Hull, Sarah & Mumbray, Tom & Boston, Paul (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
774434	Usborne book of the brain and how it works, The Ip, Dr Betina & Nilsson, Mia (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2021	9781474950589	Come on a journey through the brain. Learn about all the different jobs your brain can perform - all at once!
41518	Usborne creative writer's handbook, The Daynes, Katie & Cullis	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2017	9781474922494	All the help you need to write better stories, blogs, scripts and poetry. Features lists of inspiring words and tips on editing and grammar. See how well-known writers put techniques into practice and try jotting out your own ideas on the blank pages at the back.
	Usborne for beginners Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
	Usborne great searches series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
22698	Usborne Lift-the-flap: Periodic table James, Alice & Nielsen, Shaw (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2017	9781474922661	Everything in the entire Universe is made of just 118 elements - all listed together in a grid called the Periodic table. Delve inside this book to meet each one in great detail.
30888	Valentine Joe Stevens, Rebecca	Chicken House	2014	9781909489608	Rose and her grandad are visiting the grave of his father, who died there during World War I. She chances upon the resting place of fifteen year old Valentine Joe. Later, Rose finds herself in a different place, one hundred years before, with Valentine Joe and his friends. Rose learns why Joe enlisted so young, of the camaraderie among the soldiers, and about the terrifying and horrific effects of war.
9656	Valley of gold French, Jackie	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2003	9780207199882	One valley's stories of gold through the ages, from the beginning, four billion years ago, to the valley's creation and the history of its deposits.

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1D 17416	Vampyre Wild, Margaret & Yeo, Andrew (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2011	9781921529221	I am Vampyre, feared and despised. I live in darkness. I long for light. From the depths of his dark vampyre world, a young vampyre boy reflects on his joyous childhood, compared with his current life and his longing to join the light.
33131	Van Gogh and the seasons: An art book for kids Ryan, Kate & Bennett, Cally (ill)		2017		Join Theo, a little field mouse, to find out about Vincent's lifelong love of the seasons and the world around him. Along the way, there are activities and quizzes for kids to do with family and friends. A selection of iconic works by Van Gogh such as 'A Wheat Field, with Cypresses' (early September, 1889) and 'Orchard in Blossom' (April, 1889), are leatured throughout, and these are paired with interesting facts about the changing seasons, Van Gogh's life and artistic techniques.
6129	Vanishing Lucas, Mike & Harrison, Jennifer (ill)	MidnightSun Publishing	2018	9781925227444	Once, creatures of all shapes and sizes wandered this empty land. They had horns and wings, scales and feathers. They lived in vibrant forests, desert plains and icy tundras. But where are they now?
804727	Vanishing at the very small castle, The French, Jackie	HarperCollins Australia	2021	9781460757734	Another mystery clouds the very small castle of the O'Bryan family when glamorous actress, Delilah Devince vanishes in the middle of filming on Howlers Beach. With the monster co-star as lead suspect and more strange disappearances happening, it's up to Butter to solve the mystery. Can he crack the case before it's too late?
1210807	Vanishing, The Greenwood, Mark	Fremantle Press	2024	9781760993962	In 1978, a young pilot vanishes during a routine flight over a notorious stretch of water. His radio transmission to airport control is one of the most bizarre ever recorded. What did Frederick Valentich encounter? Where did he disappear to? Can the truth be found?
	Verity Sparks series Green, Susan				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Vermonia series Yoyo				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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ID	Vet Cadets series Johnson, Rebecca				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
871559	Vexatious haunting of Lily Griffin, The Hayes, Paula & Jiang, Katy (ill)	Fremantle Press	2022		Bookworm Lily Griffin has a lot to handle with a bullying big brother and a frenetic family. But going to stay with her beloved grandfather changes everything. In his rambling country house, long-forgotten secrets lurk in locked rooms. With her gift of intuition and imagination, Lily is the perfect person to investigate the strange goings-on. And as magical mysteries unravel, Lily finds herself surrounded by weird and wonderful pals - both dead and alive.
5913	Victor's challenge Freeman, Pamela & Gamble, Kim (ill)	Walker Books	2009	9781921150326	Prince Victor must complete three challenges before Valerian's father will consider him as a suitor for her hand in marriage. Victor knows he can be brave and persistent but he is very worried about the cleverness test. When your heart is pure and true, anything can happen even where fierce dragons and enchanted mountains are concerned.
439	Victor's quest Freeman, Pamela & Gamble, Kim (ill)	Scholastic Australia	1996	9781862912861	Prince Victor of Serendipity solves some sticky problems like finding the princess. Fortunately, he is aided by his horse, Quince, who is smarter than Victor.
49319	Vietnam diary Wilson, Mark	Hachette Children's Books	2013	9780734412744	Jason's grandfather fought on the Western Front, his father fought at Kokoda and now Jason has received his conscription letter, called up to Vietnam. His training and war experience in Vietnam are explored through pictures and letters.
977	View from the 32nd floor Cameron, Emma	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781922077295	William lives on the thirty second floor of an apartment block with a clear view of the building opposite. He sees his neighbours' daily lives and worries about the loneliness of some of them. With his new friend, cakes and a dictionary of names, Williams plans to tempt his neighbours back into the world.
62368	Viking blood: a viking warrior AD 1008 Donkin, Andrew	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407104812	After being injured in a raid that has gone terribly wrong, Tor Scaldbane loses his chance to be a legendary warrior. After this devastating blow, his faith is restored when he discovers the sagas of his ancestors, including the stories of glorious battles, ancient heroes and powerful gods. Now, he has his own stories to tell.

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1D   885972	Viking boy: The real story Bradman, Tony	Walker Books	2022		Take an immersive tour of everyday world of the Vikings, with Gunnar, the hero of the action packed novel Viking Boy, as your guide. Find out how the Vikings lived, what they believed, and how they gained their legendary reputation as warriors.
1271303	Villain Beck, Adrian	Scholastic Australia	2025		Gaming fanatic Jay receives a strange phone call on a school trip to Titanium Tower. The voice on the other end calls himself Z. And he has trapped Jays classmates in the elevator at the very top of the skyscraper. Jay finds himself with no choice but to try and solve Zs deadly riddles. Not only that, he has the worst person possible helping him: Hudson Hamm, the schools star athlete and resident tough guy. Soon Jay and Hudson are on a high-stakes scavenger hunt around the city. Can they team up to beat Z at his own game? If not, their classmates and family members will pay with their lives.
110909	Villains: a gallery of Australian rogues Baillie, Allan	Phoenix Education	2003	9781876580421	Short, simple text that is easy to read but with gutsy content profiling the rogues of Australian history including how they lived and how they died. Full of action and drama.
625476	Vincent and the grandest hotel on Earth Nicol, Lisa	Penguin Books Australia	2019		High on the snowy slopes of the Mabombo ranges lies the Grandest Hotel on Earth. This is the most magical, fantastical place on Earth where even seeing is not believing. When ordinary Vincent has the opportunity to leave his life for a short while and experience this grand place he cannot believe his fortune. What he doesn't count on are the temptations and life altering choices he will have to make.
12944	Vincent van Gogh: the troubled artist Claybourne, Anna	White-Thomson Publishing Ltd	2003		Van Gogh's life was tragic. He failed in love, fell out with friends and fellow painters, felt the suffering of others deeply and died by his own hand. During his short life, he painted hundreds of vibrant paintings, now recognised as masterpieces.
25104	Vinnie's war McRobbie, David	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2011		Twelve year old Vinnie has escaped from his foster mother and her tough rules and expectations. He has found a friend with whom he can share dreams and music. Then, war begins and Vinnie is evacuated from the London bombs. All he has left of his old life is his harmonica. On the train, Vinnie meets three other evacuee children and when they arrive in the small country town of Netterfold, their own war begins.

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1D  1209928	Violet and the Velvets: The case of the missing stuff King, Rachael & Morris, Phoebe (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025	9781991006981	Violet Grumble, twelve-year-old rock star in the making, forms a band with a ragtag group of friends. Her dream is to compete at BandChamps. The problem is that none of her friends can play an instrument. Violet won't let that stop her! But things get tougher when the band's gear starts to go missing - what's going on? Can Violet solve the mystery and harness her ADHD powers? Can she help the Velvets overcome stage fright and beat The Alphas at the final showdown? After all, you only need three chords to play a song how hard can it be?
772962	Violet Veil mysteries, The: A case of grave danger Cleverly, Sophie & Peck, Hannah (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2021	9780008297367	Violet Veil is a young girl desperate to join her father in the family business, Veil and Sons Undertakers, as an apprentice. But being a girl, she faces lots of challenges in achieving her goal. When a client unexpectedly goes missing, and then suddenly turns up alive, Violet is thrust into a mystery. Can she and her dog, Bones, solve the case and prove her worth to her Father?
903332	Virtually Christmas Baddiel, David	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2022	9780008334321	Is Christmas still Christmas if all the things that made it special are gone? Global internet giant, Winterzone, have taken over Christmas with their robots, drones and 3D holograms of Santa doing all the traditional 'Santa' work. When eleven-year-old Etta and her friend Monty stumble across a curious clue, they find themselves in a race against time and the mighty Winterzone in order to find the real Santa before the true meaning of the festive season is lost forever.
5958	Visconti house, The Edgar, Elsbeth	Walker Books	2009	9781921529016	Laura's house is indeed puzzling. It's an Italian-style villa of the 1800s, built in a small country Victorian town, with a myth claiming it is haunted by the spirit of an elderly Italian man. Laura and Leon are outsiders and they both have secrets. Alienated by their classmates, the pair tackles the mysteries of her house and its former occupants.

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1D  1120946	Vivi Conway and the sword of legend Huxley-Jones, Lizzie	Knights of	2023		The lake has been calling to twelve-year-old Vivi Conway. On the day she and her Mams will move from Wales to London, she sneaks out to investigate what is calling her there. Instead of a quiet swim, she finds Excalibur (much smaller than she expected), a ferocious monster (much scarier in real life than in her mythology books), a new friend (which she doesn't want at all) called Dara and a ghostly dog named Gelert (who can talk). Gelert insists that Vivi is part of a magical group of children who share the souls of witches from legend and must protect the world from being taken over by the evil King Arawn of the Otherworld. Oh, and now she can magically control water. With a little extra help from spiky Stevie and sweet-hearted Chia, can Vivi be brave enough to embrace true friendship and her magical destiny to help protect the world from evil?
1277987	Volcano Saxby,Claire & Racklyeft, Jess (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2025		Deep in the ocean, far beyond the reach of even the brightest sun, the earth quakes. Hagfish scatter and snailfish flutter. Lava pillows flash and fade, rumpling the seabed as a new volcano births a mountain. Where not meets cold, a chimney forms. Here begins a colony of unexpected creatures. Other chimneys grow and cool, grow and cool, while the mountain stretches ever upwards. A rumble becomes a roar and the sea boils. Lava fireworks the sky. A new island is born.
885970	Votes for women! The story of Nellie, Rose and Mary Wilson, Mark	Hachette Australia	2022	9780734420138	In 1980, Rose Birk and her stepdaughter, Nellie, write letters and attend meetings to help improve the lives of women and children in Adelaide. This action soon changes their lives and they become part of a bigger movement which changes Australian history.
1960	Wabi sabi Reibstein, Mark & Young, Ed (ill)	Little, Brown & Co	2008		Wabi Sabi, the little cat, sets out to find out the meaning of her name. Beautifully told and illustrated in the Japanese style with a special form of stylised Haiku poetry as a main feature.
	Wacky but true magazine Down, Michelle				A monthly magazine format mix of freaky, funny and fascinating facts. Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 1019766	Walk with us Goodes, Adam & Laing, Ellie & Hardy, David (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761065071	Harvey and Mum are heading to their favourite park for a walk on Cammeraygal land.  Time to awaken the ancestors,' says Uncle Boris. 'Every time we sing or acknowledge Country, the ancestors are listening.'  What do you know about the Country where you live?  Inspired by the Uluru Statement from the Heart, Walk With Us is an invitation to go on a journey of learning and appreciation - with family, with friends, and with our nation - together.
9269	Walker book of classic poetry and poets, The Rosen, Michael				An anthology of over eighty, memorable poems by a variety of poets, William Shakespeare, Banjo Paterson, W B Yeats, Emily Dickinson, Edward Lear and Carl Sandburg. The book includes colour illustrations, biographical sketches and paintings.
803504	Walking in Gagudju country: Exploring the monsoon forest Lucas, Diane & Tyler, Ben & Long, Emma (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2021	9781760525958	When we go walking, we never know how long we will be, what we will hear and what we will see.  We pack our bags with food and water, a billy and some matches to light a fire.  We head off into the shady monsoon forest on the edge of the billabong. Diane Lucas, Ben Tyler and Emma Long share their knowledge and love of the Top End in this enchanting and accessible book about one of Australia's most ancient and beautiful ecosystems.
12337	Walking with the seasons in Kakadu Lucas, Diane & Searle, Ken	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2004	9781741144710	This book introduces children to the birds, plants and animals that live in Kakadu. It also features the Gundjeihmi-speaking aborigines of the region and the six aboriginal seasons.
4705	Waltzing Matilda Paterson, A B & Blackwood, Freya (illus)	Scholastic Australia	2006	9781865048154	Watzing Matilda story with pictures that are overlaid with the story of the shearer's strike of the 1890s. Excerpts from newspapers reports and wanted' posters add further information.
846064	Wandi Parrett, Favel & Ingram, Zoe (ill)	Lothian Books	2021	9780734420633	A dingo cub is snatched from his mountain home by a giant eagle, then dropped, injured and alone, in a suburban garden. He longs for his mama's soft tail, warm and snug over his body. He longs for the safety of his brothers and sisters, snuggled together as the snow fall heavy and solid above their den. With them his nose was never cold, his tummy never empty. He was safe. Then he meets his first human and so begins his long journey to becoming Wandi, the most famous dingo in the world. But will he ever see his family or his home again?

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ID 4707	Wannabe wallaby Clark, Margaret	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2000	9780733612091	When a black dog, Wannabe, who has been reared by wallabies, and believes he is one, is brought to the Animal Haven refuge, unexpected things happen.
616660	War is over Almond, David	Hachette Children's Books	2018	9781444946574	John is the son of a solider and his mother works at the munitions factory making weapons for the first World War. More than he wants a glorious victory for the British, he wants his family back together and all families back together. Even the German families. John finds that wanting peace during war time can be as dangerous as being at the front, yet without a vision for peace, how can it ever be found?
24958	War that saved my life, The Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker	Text Publishing Co	2016	9781925355642	Nine year old Ada has never left her one-room apartment. Her mother is too humiliated by Ada's twisted, club foot to let her outside. So, when Ada's little brother, Jamie, is shipped out of London to avoid the war, she escapes to join him. A new adventure begins for Ada, and for Susan Smith, the woman forced to take them in. As Ada teaches herself to ride a pony, learns to read and watches for German spies, she begins to trust Susan. And, Susan begins to love them both. But, wartime and Ada's cruel mother threaten the growing bond.
846112	Warrior in my wardrobe, The Farnaby, Simon	Hachette Australia	2021	9781444954395	Rose has magic! She uses it for good to save injured animals in her area. Her brother, Kris, has also discovered he has magic. But Rose thinks he needs to be better at using it to help people rather than just doing magical tricks for the neighbourhood kids. She is jealous that he has learnt his skills so quickly and is VERY good! Then Kris disappears, and Rose needs to help him. Will she be strong enough? She will need to time travel and meet an old friend Merdyn to help save her brother. Will her powers be enough to defeat his kidnappers and not change history?
	Warriors graphic novels series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Warriors series Hunter, Erin				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 2938	Wasim and the champ Ashley, Chris & Pankhurst, Kate (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2011	9781847800572	Footie-mad Wasim and his team mates enter the local football competition. But, after an incident at the local mosque and a fight involving Wasim's older brother, the teams become split between white and Asian boys. Wasim and the surprise celebrity at the competition, an international boxing champion from their area, cleverly diffuse a tense situation.
21500	Wasim's challenge Ashley, Chris & Pankhurst, Kate (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2010	9781847800565	Year Five are off to Snowdonia and Wasim Ahmed has been looking forward to it for months. He has vowed to participate in the Ramadan fast but keeps his fasting a secret. Lack of food and drink cause him to sit out the first day's activities. When a box of chocolates disappears, Wasim becomes prime suspect. Then, on a walk, the group gets lost and Wasim is in serious danger on the mountainside.
4717	Water babies, The Kingsley, Charles	Wordsworth Editions Ltd	2000	9781853261480	While cleaning chimneys, Tom emerges in Ellie's bedroom and she mistakes him for a thief. In this classic story, Tom runs away, slips into a cooling stream and falls asleep to become a Water Baby, with a quest to the Other-end-of-Nowhere.
4718	Water dragons, The Wrightson, Patricia	Puffin Australia	1999	9780141305363	Sam, Lin and Jerry must save their pet water dragon when their natural habitat, the drain behind their homes, is being cleaned up. But, two of the water dragons have disappeared.
15329	Water the amazing journey Trafford, Caren & Eriksson, Megan (ill)	Etram Pty Ltd	2004	9780958187817	With cartoon-style graphics, appealing illustrations and interesting facts, this book shows why water is so important and how we can conserve it.
946	Waterslain angels Crossley-Holland, Kevin	Orion	2008	9781842556917	The discovery of a beautifully carved angel wing at the village church intrigues Annie. She and her new friend, Sandy, are determined to solve the centuries old mystery of the angels that went missing from the Waterslain Church. What begins as a childish quest soon becomes an extremely dangerous adventure.
21206	Waves Rawlins, Donna & Potter, Heather & Jackson, Mark (ill)	Walker Books	2018	9781925381641	Every journey is perilous, every situation heartbreaking. Every refugee is a person forced by famine or war or fear to leave their home, their families, their friends and all they know. Children have travelled on the waves of migration to the shores of Australia for tens of thousands of years. This book tells some of their stories.
18391	Waves: from surfing to tsunami Kampion, Drew	Gibbs Smith, Publisher	2005	9781586852122	This informative, documentary style book contains wonderful, visual images of waves. Photographs portray the origin and parts of a wave, and the effects of river and ocean waves on the environment. Includes a glossary of terms.

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ID   871535	Way of dog, The Fraillon, Zana	University of Queensland Press	2022	9780702265563	Be strong. Be fierce. Life is more than a concrete floor. Scruffity is born into the harsh, grey world of a puppy farm. Taken from his mamma and locked in a concrete cage, what he yearns for most is Family. To belong is The Way of Dog. But no one wants him. Just as his chances of adoption grow dangerously thin, Scruffity is set free by a boy as unwanted and lonely as he is. Outside, Scruffity learns all about The Way of Dog - it is to run, to dig, to howl and, biggest of all, to love. But when tragedy strikes, Scruffity is suddenly all alone.
6546	We are all born free: the universal declaration of human rights in pictures Amnesty International (contr)	Frances Lincoln	2008	9781845076504	Proclaimed by the United Nations on December 10, 1948, the Declaration of Human Rights applies to every child and adult throughout the world. Each of its 30 articles has been written in a way that children can understand and beautifully illustrated by well-known artists.
751126	We are wolves Nannestad, Katrina	HarperCollins Australia	2020	9780733340888	War is not just the story of soliders and generals and battles, but it is also the story of children and parents, and families lost and found. As the second World War comes to an end, the Wolf family face their greatest test of survival when the reality of a German defeat comes to their village. Liesl is tasked with keeping her younger brother and sister close and alive while also trying to survive without losing all the things which make them human.
1209763	We do not welcome our ten-year-old overlord Nix, Garth	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180491	It's not fair. Kim's always lived in the shadow of his younger sister, Eila - which is not how it's supposed to be. Eila is a prodigy, and everyone talks about how smart she is but, in Kim's eyes, she has no common sense. One day Kim and Eila are walking in the woods, and Eila finds an enigmatic, otherworldly object. Kim thinks it's bad news but Eila begins to commune with it. Kim has every reason to be worried, because soon Eila is able to control the minds of everyone around her in ways she says is the best for everyone. Kim needs to put his problem-solving mind to the ultimate test. How can he save his sister, and also save the world from the thing his sister has become and the forces she has unleashed?

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1D   720959		HarperCollins Australia	2020	9780062747303	Meet three siblings in Park, Delaware in 1986, as the country waits expectantly for the launch of the Space Shuttle Challenger. Cash, who loves basketball but has a newly broken wrist, is in danger of failing seventh grade for the second time. Fitch spends every afternoon playing Major Havoc at the arcade on Main and wrestles with an explosive temper that he doesn't understand. And Bird, his twelve-year-pld twin, dreams of being NASA's first female shuttle commander, but feels like she's disappearing.  The Thomas children exist in their own orbits, circling a tense and unpredictable household, with little in common except an enthusiastic science teacher named Ms. Salonga. As the launch of the Challenger approaches, Ms. Salonga gives her students a project-they are separated into spacecraft crews and must create and complete a mission. When the fated day finally arrives, it changes all of their lives and brings them together in unexpected ways.
871558	We run tomorrow Amoore, Nat & Barry, Mike (ill)	Puffin Australia	2022	9781760897697	You can run from your past, but the future is tomorrow Tonight, we're gonna kidnap our best friend. And tomorrow? We run. Sticks, Maki, Jed and Tommy live on the same street. But the adults around them are making decisions that could tear the four friends apart. When they discover their favourite comic book series is being made into a blockbuster movie, they know what they have to do. Get to the audition. Get the parts. Stay together.
8023	We're all Australians now Paterson, A B (Banjo) & Wilson, Mark (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2015	9780732296476	In 1915, Australia's much-loved bush poet, Banjo Paterson, wrote a poem as an open letter to the troops fighting in World War I.
112309	Weather or not: it's a climate for change Trafford, Caren & Wilsher, David (ill)	Etram Pty Ltd	2007		Let's talk about the weather. A complex subject made easy for young people to understand, using whimsical pictures, humour, cartoons and puns. An encouraging look at global warming solutions and positive action.
450	Web, The Hilton, Nette	HarperCollins Australia	1992	9780207172458	Violet-Ann befriends a seven legged spider that she names, Sam.
886447	Wednesday Weeks and the dungeon of fire Knight, Denis & Burne, Cristy	Lothian Books	2022	9780734420237	Gorgomoth the Unclean is back and he's up to no good, of course. Can Wednesday and the gang beat Gorgomoth to the long-lost Stone of Power, or will the world be plunged into Never-Ending Darkness?

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1D   774352	Wednesday Weeks and the tower of shadows Knight, Denis & Burne, Cristy	Lothian Books	2021	9780734420190	Wednesday Weeks is a sorcerer's apprentice. She would rather be studying science, but when her grandpa is kidnaped, she has no choice but to rescue him from the Gobin King in the Tower of Shadows. To do this, she must combine her love of science and her new knowledge of magic. Luckily her best friends Alfie and his super cute robot are there to help her, because the Goblin King is going to challenge them in ways they never imagined.
825484	Weird school Callinan, Damian & Thomas, Adele K (ill)	Penguin	2021	9781760893446	Wally Park Primary School is the weirdest school in Australia. There is no other school quite like Wally Park. The principal is the meanest, vainest one in Australia, and the Naughty Tree is like no other. Just be aware of the Out of Bounds area. You may never return.
14687	Welcome home Booth, Christina	Ford Street Publishing	2013	9781925000085	Whaling has long been part of Australia's history. Over the past centuries many coastal towns owe their existence to the hunting and slaughter of whales for numerous by-products. More recently these same towns focus on viewing the beauty of these majestic creatures as they travel between the cold and warmer waters. Here both stories are told through the eyes of a young boy who hears the distant calls, sometimes joyful, sometimes apprehensive, of a whale.
14828	Welcome to country Murphy, Aunty Joy & Kennedy, Lisa (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2016	9781922244871	Welcome to the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri people. We are part of this land and the land is part of us. This is where we come from. Wominjeka Wurundjeri balluk yearmenn koondee bik. Welcome to country.
1263270	Welcome to Miracle Curlett, Shara	Scholastic Australia	2025	9781761524127	Juniper Mayfair is cursed by Chaos. Or so she has been told. And it is well known that children with Chaos may never visit Miracle, the private island that gifts its visitors magic for twenty-four hours. What others don't realise, however, is that Juniper's Chaos comes in the form of a pesky ghost-who-claims-he's-not-a-ghost named Finnegan Frost. So, when Juniper receives an elusive ticket to Miracle, she believes all her wishes have come true. After all, that's what the island promises. On the island, though, she discovers that nothing is as it seems. Miracle is not bringing wishes to life, but nightmares. Juniper and her new friends must uncover the secrets of Miracle to rid the world of Chaos for good. But first, they must survive the island.

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5412	Burarrwanga, Laklak	·	2013		Laklak Burarrwanga and her family invite you to their Country. Centred on a beautiful beach in Arnhem Land, its crystal waters are full of fish, turtle, crab and stingray. The bush holds fruits, pandanus for weaving and wood for spears. Laklak shares her history, her long childhood walks across Arnhem Land, her people's fight for land rights and for a say in their children's schooling. She and her family stand tall and proud.
451	Werewolf knight, The Wagner, Jenny	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	1997	9780091825942	Feolf is a loyal knight who becomes a wolf on nights when the moon is full.
846244	Whale of the wild, A Parry, Rosanne	Greenwillow	2020	9780062995933	Vega, a young orca whale, lives with her pod in the Salish Sea. When a double tragedy strikes her family and Vega and her little brother Deneb are separated from everyone they love, it's up to Vega to keep Deneb safe. Their journey is full of peril and wonder, and Vega and Deneb encounter a giant octopus, strange killer whales, and packs of hunting sharks as they travel into the blue wilderness of the deep ocean. Will Vega be able to protect her brother and find her way home? Will her beloved sea ever be the same again?
452	Whalers, The Mumbulla, Percy & Robinson, Roland E. & Bancroft, Bronwyn (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2002	9780207191770	Stepping between Aboriginal Dreaming stories and the Australian yarn, the story of the Whalers reflects the ideas and practice of reconciliation showing the relationship between the orcas and the Aboriginal whalers of Twofold Bay.
453	What do you think, Feezal Honey, Elizabeth	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1997	9781864484397	Bean has to move to Sydney to live in a penthouse, where she can't have a dog.
4756	What is poetry: The essential guide to reading and writing poems Rosen, Michael	Walker Books	2016	9781844287635	Over many years as a working poet, Michael Rosen has thought a great deal about what poems are, what they can do and the pleasure that comes from writing and reading poetry. In this invaluable handbook, he shares this knowledge and experience in book form for the very first time. Starting with a detailed analysis of a number of classic poems, he offers a real "writer's guide" to writing and performing poems, as well as a wealth of technical information and tips. He then takes a fascinating look at a selection of his own poems and explains how and why he wrote them.

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ID   832933	What on Earth institute of Wonder, The Nicol, Lisa	Puffin Australia	2021	9781761041556	A mind-boggling expedition into the secrets of the Animal Kingdom with only an invisible map of the human heart as a guide. (Unless, of course, you count the talking parrot.) What on Earth could possibly go wrong? Sal has always had an affinity with animals - especially the lost kind. But when two rare and endangered creatures appear out of nowhere, life takes a detour into strange and uncharted territory  One elephant, one kakapo, one unlicensed teenage driver, one boy waiting for the world to end and one twelve-year-old girl with a very special gift.
846252	What snail knows Apel, Kathryn & Foot, Mandy (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2022	9780702265464	Lucy and Dad move a lot, so its hard to make friends. Lucy's glad she has snail, the perfect pet for a lonely girl. If only she had her own shell to hide in every time she started a new school. But this place is different. She likes her teacher, her classmates and the caravan park. This place feels like home. Can she convince her Dad to stay?
669419	What stars are made of Allen, Sarah	Penguin Books Australia	2020	9780241427965	Libby adores her big sister, Nonny, who always makes her feel special. Nonny doesn't care that Libby has Turner Syndrome, and stands out a little from the other kids. Libby tries not to mind, too: she knows it won't stop her from being an amazing scientist one day, liker her hero, astronomer Cecilia Payne. When she discovers that Nonny is in trouble Libby comes up with a great plan to help her.
52191	What the raven saw Bound, Samantha-Ellen	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742757353	In a churchyard, the raven watches the comings and goings of everyone, making sure that peace and order are maintained. He keeps to himself, except during church services, when he sneaks into the building so he can listen to the hymns that he loves. The raven would be happy if everything stayed this way forever. Until a new, small grave is dug, an annoying pigeon arrives and a church member is up to no good.
93723	What's eating you Davies, Nicola & Layton, Neal (ill)	Walker Books			Every animal has a habitat, a place where it belongs, finds food and shelter, and raises its babies. You are a habitat for many small, almost invisible creatures. Find out about parasites like fleas and lice, tapeworms and pinworms, and the animals, human and non-human, on and in which they live.
846193	What's new Harper Drew? Weeks, Kathy & Bitskoff, Aleksei (ill)	Hachette Australia	2022	9781444961775	Harper Drew has an annoying brother, an absurd dad and a mysterious uncle. All she wants to do is fit in, but with her family, how is this possible? Desperate to get invited to Maise's party she will try anything, but with so much family drama, will she make it? Will it all be worth it? How can Harper Drew fit in?

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ID  1209925	What's that? Australian birds Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2024		From barking blue-winged kookaburras, elegant emus and gallant galahs, lyrical lyrebirds and musical magpies to silky satin bowerbirds-Australia is home to many incredible feathered friends. But more than 200 of them are threatened with extinction! Discover why wild nature is bur most precious resource. And listen to what nature is telling us.
1209921	What's that? Australian frogs, toads, and newts Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2024		From precious pobblebonks to terrific turtle frogs and colourful corroboree frogs, Australia has 240 known species of native amphibians, and they are all frogs. Plus two introduced species: conniving cane toads and smooth newts. Discover why wild nature is our most precious resource. And listen to what nature is telling us.
1209923	What's that? Australian mammals Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2024		From engineering echidnas to boisterous bandicoots, quirky quolls, threatened thylacines, diligent dingos, whopping whales and distinctive dugongs-discover why wild nature is our most precious resource.  Australia has the highest rate of mammal extinction in the world. listen to what nature is telling us.
1209918	What's that? Australian reptiles Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2024		From flamboyant frilled lizards to burly blue-tongues, sun-loving skinks, menacing mulga snakes and turtles that breathe through their bums-Australia has more reptiles than any other continent! Discover why wild nature is our most precious resource. And listen to what nature is telling us.
9960	What's your story Giannone, Rose & Emmerichs, Bern (ill)	Berbay Publishing	2016		Australia has a long history and many stories. This is the story of Leonard, a young orphan boy, who was on one of the ships in the First Fleet that came to Australia from England. He was both frightened and amazed by his new country. When Leonard met Milba, an Eora girl, she showed him the animals of his new land and the cave drawings of her people. Without words, they could still tell their stories.
846106	When fishes flew: The story of Elena's war Morpurgo, Michael	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2021		Australian-Greek girl Nandi travels to her ancestors' home in Ithaca, and discovers - through a friendship with an extremely unusual flying fish - the extraordinary story of her great-aunt Elena; of how she fell in love, in the hardest of times, and how of how she became an unsung hero of World War Two. But Elena has gone missing, and Nandi has to find her. In her search, she will discover that Elena was an even greater hero than she thought - and still is

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ID   2344	When friendship followed me home Griffin, Paul	Text Publishing Co	2016	9781925355499	Twelve year old Ben Coffin has never felt that he fits in. A former foster kid, he keeps his head down to avoid school bullies and spends his afternoons reading sci-fi books at the library. But, when Ben finds a scruffy, abandoned dog and befriends the librarian's daughter, Halley, he starts to feel he belongs in his own life. Then, everything changes and, suddenly, Ben is more alone than ever. But, with a little help from Halley's magician father, Ben discovers his place in the world and learns to see his own magic through other's eyes.
4780	When Hitler stole pink rabbit Kerr, Judith	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	1999	9780006754008	In 1933, nine year old Anna was too busy with schoolwork and friends to take much notice of Adolf Hitler's rise to power in her native Germany, until she is forced to learn the skills needed to survive as a refugee.
871667	When I see blue Bailey, Lily	Hachette Australia	2022	9781510109803	There are 4 things you should know about ben:  1. He's 12 years old  2. He's the new kid at school  3. His special number is 4  4. He has a bully in his brain.
9421	When I was little, like you Malbunka, Mary	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2005	9781741142563	A precious recount of growing up in the early days of the Papunya settlement in central Australia. The author tells about going bush with her family and learning about her culture and way of life.
751213	When stars are scattered Jamieson, Victoria & Mohamed, Omar & Geddy, Iman (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2020	9780571363858	Omar feels like he is waiting for his real life to begin. Forced to flee wartorn Somalia at the tender age of four, Omar and his younger brother Hassan have already endured more hardships than most could imagine the death of their father, witnessing family and friends succumb to injury, illness or hunger, and being separated from their mother. But when they arrive at Dadaab refugee camp in Kenya, life doesn't get any easier.  Food is scarce, the chances of resettlement slim, and there is no access to the medical treatment his younger brother - who is non-verbal and has seizures - needs. When Hassan is given the opportunity to attend school, he is struck with guilt. How can he attend school when he is responsible for his little brother, the only family member he has left? But school might be the only chance to escape the open prison of Dadaab.

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ID   819137	When the sky falls Earle, Phil	Andersen Press Ltd	2021	9781839135729	It is 1941 and bombers control the skies. Joseph, sent to the city to live with Mrs F, must navigate his new circumstances, facing the challenges of school and helping at Mrs F's zoo head on. Will Joseph find the stability and connection that he so desperately craves? Will he win over the zoo's most famous resident, a giant silverback gorilla named Adonis? What will happen if the bombers inadvertently free Adonis from his cage? Will Joseph or Mrs F be brave enough to act?
1209794	When the war came home Parr, Lesley & Dean, David (ill)	Bloomsbury	2022	9781526621009	The First World War has ended but it hasn't gone away. Natty has to move to a new village and meets two young soldiers who are suffering from the effects of war. Meanwhile her own troubles involve her mother and a life that keeps getting derailed by her outspoken behaviour. Merry learns that some things are worth fighting for.
751138	When this bell rings Rushby, Allison	Walker Books	2020	9781760651947	Tamsin lives next door to Edie St Clair, a famous author know for her ten book graphic novel series. Edie shares a secret with Tamsin, and the two begin an unusual friendship.  When Edie goes missing, Tamsin knows she has to find her, following Edie into a different London. Tamsin discovers that Edie needs her desperately - only she can write the perfect ending to the last book in the series. But it will come at great cost"
773928	When we got lost in Dreamland Welford, Ross	HarperCollins Children's Books	2021	9780008333812	When 11-year-old Malky and his younger brother, Seb, come into possession of Dreaminators they discover they can now share and control their dreams. But when they suddenly start losing control, Malky manages to wake up but finds that Seb is still asleep and trapped in their dream! With the help of a new friend and her eccentric grandmother, it's up to Malky to return to Dreamland and bring his brother back.
616951	When we were warriors Carroll, Emma	Faber & Faber	2019	9780571350407	It is Summer, 1942. Everyday life in Britain is filled with air raids, rationing, fear, friendship and pets. Three thrilling stories about three different children, who find adventure, courage, untrainable dogs and an impossibly tall American GI where they least expect it.
800	When you reach me Stead, Rebecca	Text Publishing Co	2009	9781921656064	Miranda and her best friend, Sal, know their New York City neighbourhood, where it's safe to go and who to avoid. But, things start to unravel when Sal gets punched and shuts Miranda out. The apartment key, hidden for emergencies, is stolen and mysterious notes start to arrive. Miranda realises that the note writer is aware of things that no-one should know and only she can prevent a tragic death.

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1D 15330	Where does the poo gowhen you flush Trafford, Caren & Oakley, Jade (ill)	Etram Pty Ltd	2004	9780958187800	With cartoon-style graphics, appealing illustrations and interesting facts, this book talks about effluent waste, the history of its disposal and how our views are changing about the treatment of sewerage.
455	Where the forest meets the sea Baker, Jeannie	Walker Books	1989	9780744513059	A book without words in which superb collages tell the story of a boy and his father visiting an endangered rainforest in Queensland.
886467	Where? Collins, Jordan & Lesnie, Phil (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760526382	Where are you from?' they say. What they mean is, Why is your skin that colour?' Why does your hair look like that?'  I am from the mountains, The seas and the sky. I am from children of millions of years, A timeline of humanity. I am from this planet And all others.
919665	Which way to anywhere Cowell, Cressida	Hachette Australia	2023	9781444968217	K2 and Izzabird O'Hero and Theo and Mabel Smith are step-siblings at war. But when their baby sister Annipeck is stolen into an alternative world, the children must put aside their differences and set off together on a daring, magical rescue mission
4793	Which witch Ibbotson, Eva	Pan MacMillan	2001	9780330398008	Arriman the Awful, evil Wizard of the North, devises a spell-casting competition so he can marry the winner and produce an heir. Belladonna longs to be a fiendish hag and win the competition, but doesn't know how.
903283	While I was away Brown, Waka T	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9780063017122	When twelve-year-old Waka's parents suspect she's having trouble understanding the basic Japanese they speak to her, they make a drastic decision to send her to Tokyo for several months to live with her strict grandmother, Obaasama, so she can brush up on the language and reconnect to their family's culture. Once in Japan, Waka feels like an outsider, even though this is the country her parents came from. If she's always been the "smart Japanese girl" in America but is now the "dumb foreigner" in Japan, where is homeand who will Waka be when she finds it?

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ID   934175	While the storm rages Earle, Phil	Andersen Press Ltd	2022	9781839132056	It is September 1939 and war is imminent. As Noah's dad prepares to join the fight, Noah promises to keep their family dog safe. When the government issues an advisory that all pets be euthanised in readiness for the war, Noah decides not to comply. He and two other children embark upon a mission to save their pets, and as many other animals as they can.
8949	Whimsy & Woe McRitchie, Rebecca & Kretschmar, Sonia (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2017	9781460753040	After being abandoned by their thespian parents, Whimsy and Woe Mordaunt are left in the care of their awful Aunt Apoline. Forced to work in Apoline's boarding house, slaving at the beck and call of outlandish guests and sharpening the thorns of every plant in the poisonous garden, Whimsy and Woe lose all hope that their parents will ever return. Until one day, quite by accident, the siblings stumble upon a clue that sets them on an adventurous path to finding freedom and hopefully their parents.
587818	Whimsy & Woe: The final act McRitchie, Rebecca & Kretschmar, Sonia (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2018	9781460754672	In the final act of this dramatic search for their parents, Whimsy and Woe Mordaunt must escape villainous thieves, travel beneath a desert in an untested machine of an ingenious inventor, climb the Mountainous Mountains and perform a death-defying trapeze act in the Big Top of Benton Brothers Circus all before going undercover at the annual Thespian Society Masquerade Ball. Can they stop the Purple Puppeteer's evil plan in time to rescue their parents? Or will the Purple Puppeteer pull their family's strings forever?
46550	Whippersnapper Arena, Felice	Puffin Australia	2011	9780143306092	Fourteen year old Gus lives and breathes basketball. When he's is in a terrible accident, Gus can't believe he's survived. But, he's woken up in the body of an old man and his own body is unconscious in intensive care. Now, he has a seventy year old wife, really bad taste in clothes, his friends don't recognise him and his family thinks he's crazy. Gus just wants to be fourteen again and play basketball.
457	Whipping boy, The Fleischman, Sid	Greenwillow	2003	9780060521226	Jemmy must take the whippings for the royal heir, Prince Brat, but the Prince must rely on Jemmy when they both run away from the castle.
18341		HarperCollins Australia	2005	9780007120178	An adorable version of a Romeo and Juliet tale, told from the rat's perspective.
44583		Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2009	9780732286675	Griff works in a circus and has a unique ability to hear the thoughts of others, without their knowledge. When the greedy circus master discovers his talent, Griff escapes, taking Tess and her collection of magical creatures. On the run, Griff hears a cry for help from a mysterious source he calls the Whisperer.

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1D 459	White fang London, Jack	Pearson Education Australia	2000	9780582418158	Born in the wilds of the freezing cold Yukon, White Fang who is half-dog, half-wolf, is the only animal in the litter to survive. He is fiercely independent and soon learns the harsh laws of nature, yet buried deep inside him are the distant memories of affection and love. This is a classic story of a wolf-dog who learns to survive in the bleak Alaskan wilderness.
20425	Whiz mob and the grenadine Kid, The Meloy, Colin & Ellis, Carson (ill)	Penguin Random House Australia	2017	9780143787860	It is an ordinary Tuesday morning in April when bored, lonely Charlie Fisher witnesses something incredible. Right before his eyes, in a busy square in Marseille, a group of pickpockets pulls off an amazing robbery. As the young bandits appear to melt into the crowd, Charlie realizes with a start that he himself was one of their marks. Yet Charlie is less alarmed than intrigued. This is the most thrilling thing that's happened to him since he came to France with his father, an American diplomat. So instead of reporting the thieves, Charlie defends one of their cannons, Amir, to the police, under one condition- he teach Charlie the tricks of the trade.
15044	Who did that? Bruce, Jill B & Wade, Jan (ill)	Five Senses Publications	2012	9780864175755	Lots of useful information about identifying Australian native animals by their droppings and footprints.
3831	Who what when where why and how Hope, Charles	Wild Dog Books	2016	9781742034263	Have you ever wanted to know why does the wind blow or why do some people walk in their sleep, this is the book for you. Those tricky questions you have always wanted to be ask are answered here.
46942	Why I love Australia Bancroft, Bronwyn	Little Hare Books	2010	9781921541780	In a similar vein to Dorothea Mackellar's My Country. Stunning images and words showcase the awe-inspiring beauty of the Australian continent.
2991	Why should I bother about the planet Meredith, Susan & Rojo, Sara (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2015	9781409599630	Find out what has gone wrong with the planet, what needs to be done, and how every little bit helps to solve the problem of climate change and pollution. Discover how you can save energy, what a carbon footprint is and lots more about the human impact on our planet.
8494	Why should I bother to keep fit Meredith, Susan & Larkum, Adam (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2015		An informative guide to the hows and whys of keeping fit, and having fun on the way. Find out why keeping fit is good for you, how to choose the appropriate exercise regime and how to stay healthy in day-to-day life.
6696	Why shouldn't I eat junk food Knighton, Kate & Larkum, Adam (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2015	9781409599616	A fun, informative guide about food that's good and not so good for you, and how to exercise. Find out why junk food tastes so good, what food additives and processed food are, and what's in a burger. Includes simple recipes for healthy snacks and burgers, ideas for exercise, information on food labels and advertising, and how food is grown.

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1D 1820	Wicked's way Fienberg, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2016	9781743319901	From an early age, Will could walk a tightrope and juggle bananas. His mother told him that, one day, he would be the star of a circus. But, until then, Will must be kept a secret because, each year, pirates come to the islands to steal young boys for their crew. But, when his mother disappears and pirates arrive at his door, Will takes courage from a crazy, truth-telling parrot and his mother's advice. But, this may not be enough to survive the perils at sea. And, Will will have to do something about that infuriatingly polite boy, Horrendo.
18701	Widow's broom, The Van Allsburg, Chris	Houghton Mifflin	1992	9780395640517	A witch's broom is left at a widow's house and it gradually takes over all the tasks. The people in the local village decide the broom is evil and needs to be destroyed. In response, the widow and the broom fight back.
601802	Wilam: A Birrarung story Murphy, Aunty Joy & Kennedy, Lisa (ill)	Walker Books	2019	9781925381764	As ngua rises, Bunjil soars over mountain ash, flying higher and higher as the wind warms. Below, Birrarung begins its long winding path down to palem warreen. Wilam - home.  In this stunning picture book by Indigenous artist Lisa Kennedy, respected Elder Aunty Joy Murphy and Yarra Riverkeeper Andrew Kelly tell the Indigenous and geographical story of Melbourne's beautiful Yarra river, from its source to its mouth, from its pre-history to the present day.  Wilam is an ode to Australian rivers, the flora and fauna that live on them, and the function they perform as a part of modern day life and brings Aboriginal life, culture and language right in to the heart of the city.
855865	Wild Australian Life Cronin, Leonard & Nixon, Chris (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760637224	More than one million animal species make their homes in Australia- from the deepest oceans to the top of mountains and the harshest deserts. How do they survive Discover the remarkable stories behind some of the world's most extraordinary creature in this must-have collection for every Australian family.
7689	Wild one, The Hartnett, Sonya	Penguin	2014	9780670076970	Charlie met the wild one when he was young. They caught tadpoles and watched spiders. As Charlie grows up, he forgets the wild one, until he grows much older.
6075	Wild robot escapes, The Brown, Peter	Piccadilly Press		9781848127517	Roz is not a normal robot. She is a wild robot who has lived with animals her entire life. Roz has even adopted and raised a baby gosling named Brightbill. But Roz has been taken away from her home and been forced to work for humans like a normal robot. Now Roz must find a way to escape her confines and be reunited with her son. Will she be able to escape the prying eyes of humans and a gang of robots following her every move?

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1D   708559	Wild robot, The Brown, Peter	Little, Brown & Co	2016	9781848127272	Unlike the other robots who washed ashore, Roz survived. Activated but alone and unsure of what to do, she works to understand the animals around her and how to survive. Survival is not enough for Roz. She also wants to learn how to make friends and become a part of life on the island but her robot makers might stand in the way.
18702	Wild wind Forrestal, Elaine	Penguin	2005	9780143300717	When a cyclone strikes the vineyard, the four cousins are in the homestead alone. They are without power and the phone line is down when they see a large dog-like creature attacking the chickens.
1209905	Wilder zoo: Neeka and the missing key Strachan, Tina & Hamilton, Max (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2025	9781460764558	When you live in a zoo - things can get wild! Eleven-year-old Neeka Wilder has always loved animals. She wants to be a vet one day, like her mum, who is the head vet at Wilder Zoo - where Neeka and her family live! Neeka is a great help to the zoo staff in caring for the animals. And she also takes videos of exciting events at the zoo. When the videos are nominated for a big award, Neeka wants to make one more video to help win it. But when Rebel, the cheeky red panda, won't co-operate, her zoo key goes missing and she's grounded for a month, it's a race against the clock to create the new video in time for the awards.
1128084	Wildlife of Australia's Great Barrier Reef Mollard, Myke	Woodslane Press	2023	9781922800367	Myke Mollard's signature illustrations and engaging text bring kids up close and personal with hundreds of the creatures found on Australia's Great Barrier Reef: corals, fish including sharks, turtles and other marine reptiles, whales and dolphins, birds, molluscs, crustaceans, even the animals found on the reefs 900-odd islands. The creatures are not only beautifully drawn and coloured, but the accompanying text vividly describes their lifestyles and habits. The wonderment of these stunning animals, delivered in an engaging cinematic punch, will excite the imaginations of children for life and fully engage any adult with a love of Australia's wildlife.
660517	WildLives: 50 extraordinary animals that made history Lerwill, Ben & Walsh, Sarah (ill)	Nosy Crow Ltd	2019	9781788005098	Extraordinary true tales of many amazing animals who have achieved great things.
	Wildwood trilogy series Meloy, Colin & Ellis, Carson (ill)				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1D 19990	William Bligh: A stormy story of tempestuous times Sedunary, Michael & Emmerichs, Bern (ill)	Berbay Publishing	2016	9780994289568	You may have heard of the famous mutiny on the ship, the Bounty, or the Rum Rebellion coup. They are two extraordinary events in Australia's history, yet the details in and around these events are largely unknown. Peel back the layers of this incredible and controversial period in Australia's early development.
120053	William the conqueror Drummond, Allan & Nguyen, Du-Tran (ill)	Green Barrow Publishing	2008	9781876460044	Details the life of William the Conqueror from birth to death. Lots of good battles and interesting characters.
570156	William Wenton and the Iuridium thief Peers, Bobbie	Walker Books	2015	9781406371703	After the mysterious disappearance of his grandfather William and his parents have been living in hiding in Norway since. William has a gift for cracking codes. He is kidnapped and taken to the Institute for Post-Human Research. The Institute was jointly founded by his missing grandfather. A thrilling adventure with action and mysteries at all turns.
23001	William Wenton and the secret portal Peers, Bobbie	Walker Books	2018	9781406371710	Racing around the world using the latest of technology from the Institute of Post Human Research William must try to prevent the opening of a crytoportal. Using all his skills and luck William will face the most impossible of codes and robotics in this series.
1288216	Willow Bright's secret plot Tait, A. L.	Scholastic Australia	2025	9781761528361	After moving to the city from the country, Willow Bright feels like she's lost her mum all over again and landed on another planet. Her clothes are wrong, her taste in music is wrong, and even the food she eats is wrong. But when Willow spots a pattern in a series of puzzling accidents and mishaps, she forms an unlikely friendship and finds new purpose. Can Willow solve the mystery and find room to be herself along the way? Or will her plot to run home to the wide-open spaces and memories of her mum land Willow in even more trouble?
464	Willow tree's daughter, The Freeman, Pamela	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1998	9781864488562	Max escapes being made a king and marries Salizia, a tree dryad. Their daughter, Betony, has magic powers.
587744	Willow tree's daughter, The Freeman, Pamela & Gamble, Kim (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1994	9781863736916	With a king for a father and a tree spirit for a mother, Betony is a reluctant princess who prefers the simple, outdoor life. This is the story of her life at the palace, her adventures with wizards, hobgoblins, unicorns and dragons, and her love for the gardener's apprentice.
782493	Wind in the willows, The: graphic novel Punter, Russell & Bonet, Xavier (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2021		When Mole pops his head out of the ground one fine, spring morning, his friend Rat introduces him to the world of the riverbank and its most famous resident, the exuberant Mr. Toad. Mole soon finds himself caught up in Toad's mischievous exploits, culminating in a battle for Toad Hall itself.
466	Window Baker, Jeannie	Walker Books	2002	9780744594867	A book without words showing the growth and development of a child and his environment. Superb collages tell the story.

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ID   587745	Windrider Freeman, Pamela & Gamble, Kim (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	1996	9781863739283	This story centres on Princess Betony, half human, half dryad. When the great dragon Windrider bewitches her father, King Max, she journeys to the high country to obtain his release. With the help of her friends, Basil and Clover, she tries to achieve her aim without changing into a wood-nymph.
15331	Wings Chataway, Carol & Lee, Declan (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2004	9780734405081	When her parents go away, Saffy is not at all happy about staying with her boring Aunt Joesa. Things soon become far from boring when Saffy's aunt begins to undergo a bizarre and life-altering change.
17434	Wings Huber, Raymond	Walker Books	2011	9781921720208	Ziggy has a new mission. He travels to Japan to find out what is causing the bees of Tokyo to disappear. But, the big city is not a friendly place for a honey bee. While investigating, Ziggy comes across a colony of honey bees with a very different way of protecting their hive, and a new, terrifying enemy, the huge hornet, Torgo, and his gang.
	Wings of fire graphic novel series Sutherland, Tui T & Holmes, Mike (ill)				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to ten more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Wings of fire series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
4877	Winnie the Pooh	Egmont Childrens	1998	9780749702106	The classic tales of Christopher Robin's beloved bear and his pals,
467	Milne, A A Winning back dad Bone, lan	Walker Books			Tigger and Eeyore.  A boy takes on a challenge to stop his father from being depressed after he has to sell his truck.
751145	Winterborne Home for mayhem and mystery Carter, Ally	Hachette Australia	2021		April and her four young friends are an unusual bunch, but since coming to live at the Winterborne Home for orphans, they've become a family. Head of this crew is Gabriel - the last Winterborne and heir to the family home, as well as the family legacy. This means Gabriel is The Sentinel, sworn to protect the city. But when Gabriel goes missing once again, April is the one who has to step up to unmask the fakes, protect her new family, and keep everyone together when everything is working to tear them apart.

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ID   895469	Wintrish girl, The La'Brooy, Melanie	University of Queensland Press	2022	9780702265631	Although knot-bonded to a princess, Wintrish girl Penn is ineligible for a Talisman that would give her special powers and reveal her destiny. She is doomed to a lonely life as a servant and outcast. When sinister events start to occur, Penn must trust her new friends and believe in herself if she is to counter dangerous enemies with terrifying powers. What can an ordinary Wintrish girl do, because without a Talisman, there is no changing your fate is there?
568011	Wish for a witch Umansky, Kaye & King, Ashley (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2018	9781471160936	Elsie Pickles has returned to her mundane life after living for a week with unconventional witch, Magenta Sharp. She loves her family and her dad's shop, but life is seeming rather dull until her magical friend needs her help again. Will Elsie be able to help Magenta save her magic licence and deal with some wayward magical creatures?
6363	Wish pony, The Bateson, Catherine	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2008	9781741663242	Ruby has had her mum and dad and best friend, Sarah, to herself for as long as she can remember. Now everything is changing because her mum is having a baby and her best friend has found a better friend. She wishes things could be back to how they were. Ruby learns that we must be careful what we wish for.
1776	Wishbird, The Wang, Gabrielle	Penguin	2013	9780143307525	Oriole's beloved Wishbird is dying and she must leave the forest to save him. But in the City of Soulless there is danger everywhere. Can Oriole and Boy save Soulless and the Wishbird, or will the city's darkness prove too great even for magic.
571657	Wisp Fraillon, Zana & Baker Smith, Grahame	Hachette Children's Books	2018	9780734418043	Idris is a child refugee, born into a world of tents and fences. He has known no other life than this. He has no memories of the world outside. Then the Wisp arrives, floating in on the evening breeze. Everyone who holds it finds their memories reawakened, their hopes of freedom reborn. But what about Idris, who has no memories? What will happen when he holds the magical Wisp?
7720	Witch baby and me at school Gliori, Debi	Corgi Books	2009	9780552556774	Lily's sister, Daisy, is one year old and she's no ordinary baby. When she was born, something went wrong and Daisy is a Witch Baby. Nobody knows this but Lily. She's the only one who can see Daisy make the fridge float in the air or turn people into slugs. It's time for Lily to start at her new school. It will be hard enough being the new girl and, then, there's Daisy.

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1D   5181	Witch for a week Umansky, Kaye & King, Ashley (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2017		When Elsie offers to house sit the home of local witch Magenta she has no idea what she's getting herself into. Left with a talking raven and a scruffy dog for company, a magical tower that has a mind of its own and a book of instructions what could possibly go wrong? But Elsie soon finds out that looking after Magenta's home isn't as easy as she first thought. Does she have what it takes to be a witch for a week?
4905	Witches, The Dahl, Roald Witness to disaster series Fradin, Judy & Dennis	Puffin UK	2004	9780141311395	The scary, funny and imaginative tale of a seven year old boy who has a run-in with some real-life witches.  Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
751137	Wizard in my shed, The: The Misadventures of Merdyn the Wild Barnaby, Simon & Powell, Claire (ill)	Hachette Australia	2020		Merdyn the Wild is from the Dark ages but banished to the 21st century for bad behaviour. He's the greatest Warlock of all time. He will tell you to bow down before him or feel his wrath. He's about to cause problems for 12 year old Rose, who is on a mission to mend her broken family and has no intention of bowing down before anyone. And then, there's Bubbles. He's Rose's guinea pig. He just poos a lot.
4910	Wizard of Oz, The Baum, Frank L	Wordsworth Editions Ltd	2002	9781853261121	Dorothy thinks she is lost forever when a terrifying tornado crashes through Kansas and whisks her and her dog, Toto, far away to the magical land of Oz. To get home, Dorothy must follow the yellow brick road to Emerald City and find the wonderfully mysterious Wizard of Oz. With her companions, the Tin Woodman, the Scarecrow and the Cowardly Lion, Dorothy embarks on a strange and enchanting adventure.
751061	Wizard of Oz, The: Graphic novel Punter, Russell & Bursi, Simona (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2020		After Dorothy's house is carried off by a tornado, she finds herself in the strange and magical Land of Oz. With the help of her new friends the Scarecrow, Tin Man and Lion, she must persuade the Wizard of Oz to help her get back to Kansas. L. Frank Baum's timeless fantasy is beautifully recreated in this enchanting graphic novel.

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ID	Wolf girl series Various				Any five titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top of the screen.
6307	Wolf wilder, The Rundell, Katherine & Ongbico, Gelrev (ill)	Bloomsbury	2015	9781408872352	In Russia, Feodora and her mother are wolf wilders. A wolf wilder trains domesticated wolves to fend for themselves in the wild. When her mother is taken captive and her own life is threatened, Feo flees to the woods, with her three precious wolves and a young trainee soldier, on a journey to save her mother. As a furious General Rakov pursues them across the snow, Feo must learn from her wolves how to survive.
825503	Wolf's howl, The Tait, A L	Penguin	2021	9781761041792	On a secret mission Maven and Reeve find themselves at the far flung and gloomy Glawn Castle while Sir Garrick secretly searches for supporters of the rebellion. While in this hostile landscape a cook goes missing and the Airl's personal guards take more than a passing interest in the disappearance. Danger looms and the potential for discovery grows. Can Maven and Reeve solve the mystery? Or will they be unmasked and sentenced with treason?
12420	Wolfchild Hawke, Rosanne	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2003	9780734404824	In the lost land of Lyonnesse in 1099, Raw struggles to learn how to trust while Morwenna has to choose between friendship and rules.
12933	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart: musical genius Ross, Stewart	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2003	9780750243216	Mozart, a child prodigy who was composing music at five years of age, is recognised as one of the greatest composers of all time. Photographs, quotations and a glossary of terms provide an insight into Mozart's life.
12330	Wolfspell Ciddor, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2003	9781741140132	The second book in the 'Viking Magic' series combining adventure, magic, fantasy and historical detail. Young heroes, Oddo and Thora, join together on a dangerous journey to foil a greedy neighbour and save their families from eviction.

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1D 4006	Wombat warriors Wheeler, Samantha	University of Queensland Press	2017	9780702259586	When Mouse's parents head away to Ireland she is packed off to spend the winter in South Australia with her Aunt Evie. But what Mouse thought was going to be a dull winter turns into an adventure she never expected. When Mouse makes friends with the local wombats she couldn't be happier but as she learns more about her new surroundings she finds out that others don't feel as kindly towards the cuddly wombats as she does. Desperate to save the wombats from farmers whose fences the wombats destroy, Mouse begins a journey that will change not only her life but the lives of people and wombats everywhere.
5190	Women in science: 50 fearless pioneers who changed the world Ignotofsky, Rachel	Penguin	2017	9781607749769	Do you love science? Do you love technology? Do you love engineering? Do you love maths? Well, let's check out 50 famous women scientists from the ancient and modern world. Like the Greek mathematician, philosopher, and astronomer, Hypatia; Marie Curie, a physicist and chemist; biologist Rachel Carson; primatologist Jane Goodall; and lots more famous women scientists!
5317	Women in sports: 50 fearless athletes who played to win Ignotofsky, Rachel	Penguin	2017	9781607749783	Do you love sports? Well, let's check out 50 famous women athletes like tennis player Billie Jean King; gymnast Simone Biles; skateboarding pioneer Patti McGee; Toni Stone, the first woman to play baseball in a men's professional league; the Bloomer Girls; Skate Bettys and lots more famous female athletes!
	Wonder series Palacio, R J				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
37649	Wonderling, The Bartok, Mira	Walker Books	2017	9781406370645	Have you been unexpectedly burdened by a recently orphaned or unclaimed creature? Worry not! We have just the solution for you! Welcome to the Home for Wayward and Misbegotten Creatures, an institution run by evil Miss Carbunkle, a cunning villainess who believes her terrified young charges exist only to serve and suffer. Part animal and part human, the groundlings toil in classroom and factory, forbidden to enjoy anything regular children have, most particularly singing and music.

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705661	Wonderscape Bell, Jennifer	Walker Books	2020	9781406391725	When Arthur, Ren and Cecily investigate a mysterious explosion, they find themselves trapped in the year 2473. Lost in the Wonderscape, an epic in-reality adventure game, they must call on the help of some unlikely historical heroes to play their way home before time runs out.
25070	Wonderstruck Selznick, Brian	Scholastic US	2011	9780545027892	Ben and Rose secretly wish their lives were different. Ben longs for the father he has never known. Rose dreams of a mysterious actress whose life she chronicles in a scrapbook. When Ben discovers a puzzling clue in his mother's room and Rose reads an enticing headline, both children set out alone to find what they are missing. Set fifty years apart, Ben's story is told in words while Rose's story is told in pictures.
983575	Woodwitch McKenna, Skye	Welbeck Publishing	2023	9781801301091	Cassie has settled into life in Hedgely when, out of the blue, her troubled cousin, Sebastian, comes to stay for Hallowe'en. Sneering and scornful, Sebastian trails after Cassie and her friends, interfering with their coven projects and belittling the dangers of the faery world. But Cassie, Rue and Tabitha have bigger problems - as the nights grow longer, a dark shadow creeps out of the Hedge and villagers start behaving strangely, possessed with the desire to find a mysterious object.  When the Hedgewitch is called away, the girls decide to investigate and discover that whoever is controlling the villagers is seeking a faery relic: an ancient and dangerous weapon, hidden somewhere in the village. Their magical training will be put to the test as they venture deeper into the Hedge and race to find the faery treasure before it falls into the hands of the Erl King.
15332	Woolly jumpers Hilton, Nette	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2005	9780734407573	When his family move to the country, Mike is convinced that life will be very boring. Two renegade sheep, a snake and some chooks soon prove him wrong.
783671	Kok, Stephen & Dedelis, P.R & Freeman, Peyton (ill)	TL Creative			The war of words is coming up. Victoria is the very best Word Smith in the city. But will she be knocked off the top place by the competitive Mei Lei?
833169	Work it, girl: Rule the music scene like queen Beyonce Knowles Moss, Caroline & Erkas, Sinem (ill)	Frances Lincoln	2021	9780711249462	Young Beyonce Knowles was a shy girl who dreamed of being a star. With bravery and detemination, she has elevated herself from dance student to international icon. Now she's inspired millions through the power of her voice.

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39186	Workhouse, a Victorian girl's diary 1871 Oldfield, Pamela	Scholastic UK	2008	9781407104805	It's January 1871 when Edith, the sheltered daughter of a wealthy widow, pays her first eventful visit to the workhouse for the poor. There, she meets Rosie, a rebellious, quick-tempered orphan who is always getting into trouble. Edith soon finds herself drawn into Rosie's wild schemes and both their lives are never the same again.
49276	World according to Warren, The Silvey, Craig & Martinez, Sonia (ill)	Fremantle Press	2007	9781920731212	Warren is a guide dog for his blind mistress, Eleanor Rigby. He is fiercely aware of his own importance and nobility. See the world, especially busy inner city streets, through Warren's eyes, and also through various media, such as cinema advertising, comic books and dream states.
12685	World heritage sites in Australia: Sydney Opera House, Gondwana Rainforests, Blue Mountains and more Millen, Ellen	Redback Publishing	2017	9781925630152	From the ancient Willandra Lakes, through to colonial buildings, natural sites and the world renowned Sydney Opera House, New South Wales is the proud custodian of some of Australia's most iconic World Heritage Sites. Discover how these sites are managed so that the competing demands of tourists, wilderness and wildlife are all satisfied while still preserving the sites for the future.
22605	World of supersaurs, The: Raptors of paradise Burridge, Jay Jay & West, Chris (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2017	9781786968074	Enter a place where dinosaurs and raptors are not extinct but co-exist with humans. As Bea Kingsley adventures to remote Indonesia with her grandmother and godfather to see these marvellous creatures, she encounters more excitement than she was expecting. The 11 year old mystery of her missing parents begins to unravel as Bea and her family light for survival.
59493	World War 1: 1914 - 1918 Brasch, Nicolas	Pearson Education Australia	2009	9781740705981	See history through the eyes of the everyday Australians who lived it, featuring interviews, diary and journal entries, newspaper articles and official documents, sometimes presenting differing points of view.
	World War I tales series Deary, Terry				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2681	World's best Karlson, The Lindgren, Astrid & Ross, Tony (ill)	Oxford University Press	2009	9780192727732	On the ordinary roof of an ordinary house lives an extraordinary man called Karlson. He's the world's best at everything, or so he says. Best of all, he has a propeller on his back and can fly.

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ID	World's worst series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
18453	World-wide waste Trafford, Caren	Etram Pty Ltd	2006	9780958187824	Through humour, environmental waste issues are discussed featuring simple, easily understood text and cartoon-style drawings.
67847	Worlds next door Wessely, Tehani (ed)	FableCroft Publishing	2010	9780980777017	Let your imagination wander and wonder. Science fiction, fantasy, humour and horror feature in twenty-five diverse, short stories by well-known and new Australian authors.
35058	Worldshaker Harland, Richard	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2009	9781741757095	Worldshaker, a gigantic mobile city, is cruising the world, wreaking ecological havoc. It's a relic of Victorian England, with a Queen and class system of lords above and Filthies below. Col has been chosen as the next Supreme Commander but with the escape of a girl, Filthy Col's safe, elite world is about to fall apart.
9505	Worm's eye view Trafford, Caren	Etram Pty Ltd	2001	9780646415888	The history of the humble worm is traced by Wilbursaurus Junior, Wilbur Worm, from the time of the dinosaurs, including a period during the Industrial Revolution when worms were under threat of extinction.
705098	Worse things Murphy, Sally & Davis, Sarah (ill)	Walker Books	2020	9781760651657	When you're part of the team the sideline is a place of refuge of rest of reprieve. But when you're out of the team the sideline changes. Suddenly it's the loneliest place of them all. After a devastating football injury, Blake struggles to cope with life on the sideline. Jolene, a gifted but conflicted hockey player, wants nothing more than for her dad to come home. And soccer-loving refugee, Amed, wants to belong. On the surface, it seems they have nothing in common. Except sport. A touching and inspirational story about the things that bind us all.
9249	Worst band in the universe, The Base, Graeme	Penguin	2000	9780140565874	A poetic narrative involving Sprocc, an alien, and his struggle for freedom of expression.
472	Worst team ever, The Gwynne, Phillip & Smith, Craig (ill)	Penguin			Country boy, Jimmy, boasts about his prowess in the game of Australian Rules football and is accepted into a city team.
69312	Wow human body Walker, Richard	Dorling Kindersley	2010	9781405353465	Crammed full of amazing photographs, graphics and information about the human body, its parts and how they work.
51816	Wow Space Stott, Carole	Dorling Kindersley	2010	9781405353472	Crammed full of facts and photographs about gargantuan galaxies, astounding asteroids and big black holes. Everything you want to know about what's out in space.

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1D 473	Wow: amazing science facts & trivia Holper, Paul & Torok, Simon	ABC Books	2002	9780733307478	A collection of scientific facts in chapters, illustrated with cartoons.
22076	Wow: Earth Dorling Kindersley	Dorling Kindersley	2009	9781405341578	A visually amazing encyclopaedia all about Earth. Crammed full of incredible stuff to dip into, from magnificent meteorites to cool caves, crystals and coral reefs, all revealed in an exciting and totally different way. It's like a museum, a search engine and the world's most exciting geography field trip, all rolled into one.
22018	Wow: the visual encyclopaedia of everything Dorling Kindersley	Dorling Kindersley	2008		Through visually stunning graphics and photographs, discover everything you've ever wanted to know about nature, the human body, science and technology, space, earth, people and places, history, art and culture. Every spread explores an encyclopaedic subject in a unique way. Pour over amazing images and pick up fascinating facts and figures in bite-sized chunks.
475	L'Engle, Madeleine	Random House Australia Pty Ltd			Meg, her brother, Charles, and Calvin, their best friend, search for Meg's scientist father. An unearthly visitor takes them on a fantastic voyage to rescue him.
476	Wunambi the water snake O'Brien, May L & Wyatt, Sue (ill)	Aboriginal Studies Press	2000	9780855752231	When the children disturb old Wunambi, the giant water snake, there is big trouble ahead.
877962	Wylah the Koorie warrior Gould, Jordan & Pritchard, Richard (ill)	Albert Street Books	2022	9781761180033	Meet Wylah: warrior, hero and friend. Her adventures have been 40,000 years in the making!  Wylah is brave, clever and strong-willed, and all her best friends are giant megafauna animals. But she isn't a warrior. Not yet, anyway.  Then comes the day when her family is stolen by the dragon army, and her life is forever changed. She must find the courage to set out on a journey to save them. What will it take for Wylah to become a warrior, like her Grandmother before her?  Introducing an unforgettable cast of characters, Wylah The Koorie Warrior is a heart-stopping and imaginative adventure, inspired by First Nations history and grounded in culture.
977252	Wylah the Koorie warrior: Custodians Gould, Jordan & Pritchard, Richard (ill)	Fremantle Press	2023		Wylah has already accomplished the unbelievable feat of uniting the five Guardians, but her journey is far from over. Together with her megafauna friends, she must travel through the treacherous and forbidden Valley of the Spirits to face off against the Dragon Army.  Can Wylah defeat the perils that lay ahead and become the ultimate Koorie Warrior?

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ID  1133720	Wylah the Koorie warrior: Protectors Gould, Jordan & Pritchard, Richard (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180798	Wylah is finally the Koorie Warrior, but her troubles are far from over! Her family and people are still prisoners of the cruel Dragon Army, and animals and children are disappearing. Faced with new responsibilities and a dangerous new adversary, can Wylah rise to the challenge and become the leader and protector her people need?
	X-zone series Various				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
903298	Xavier in the meantime Gordon, Kate	Yellow Brick Books	2022	9780645218091	Xavier knows he has depression. But he also knows he has friends and family who support him. When Xavier thinks of a way to support kids like him he knows he will need lots of help to make his plan succeed. Life is full of challenges and Xavier, with the help of his best friend Astor, knows he can make a difference!
885157	Xenoflight McKenzie, Nean	MidnightSun Publishing	2022	9780987226518	A delightful adventure fantasy set in rural Australia which follows 13 year old Carla on a journey to find her estranged father who she has never met. The story is full of mythical creatures who Carla meets along the way and the more creatures she meets the more questions she has about her past.
641668	Yakanarra day, A Yakanarra Community School	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2013	9781378540602	A Yakanarra Day reflects the beautiful small community located in the foothills of the St George Ranges between the Fitzroy River and the Great Sandy Desert, in Central Kimberley, Western Australia. It was written and illustrated by the senior students of Yakanarra Community School and has been translated into Walmajarri, with the help of school teachers and local elders
641685	Yakanarra dogs, The Yakanarra Community School	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2013	9781230189567	There are lots of dogs in Yakanarra. Hunting dogs, swimming dogs, spotty dogs and much more. The students of Yakanarra Community School have written and illustrated this gorgeous book that reflects the beautiful small community located in the foothills of the St George Ranges between the Fitzroy River and the Great Sandy Desert, in Central Kimberley, Western Australia. It has been translated into Walmajarri, with the help of school teachers and local elders.

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1D   7094	Yakanarra song book: About our place in Walmajarri and English Moora, Jessie Wamarla & Vanbee, Mary Purnjurr & Yakanarra Community School	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2017	9780994465443	In this fabulous book are fourteen songs, ten in Walmajarri language about four in English, all beautifully illustrated by the kids from the Yakanarra Community School. There are songs about how the Walmajarri come to Yakanarra, their special places, the animals and birds and the sounds that they make, hunting, fishing and collecting bush food, and more. The songs, sung to the tunes of well known classics, were written to help the kids at Yakanarra speak Walmajarri, but this is a book to be treasured and enjoyed by everyone.
677705	Year the maps changed, The Binks, Danielle	Hachette Australia	2020	9780734419712	The year is 1999, the year Winifred's world and perspectives are turned upside down. Her grandfather is in a rehabilitation home after a fall, and now her adoptive father's new girlfriend and her son, Sam, have come to live with them. What's worse, now there is a baby on the way. Where does she possibly fit in now? But when 400 Kosovar-Albanian refugees arrive in her town escaping their war-torn homes, she quickly begins to understand and appreciate the importance of family and compassion when she and the visitors experience a year of change that they will never forget.
1316524	Year we escaped, The Leal, Suzanne	HarperCollins Children's Books	2025	9781460765906	Europe, 1940. With war on their doorstep, German classmates, Klara and Rachel, and French brothers, Lucien and Paul, are forced to leave their homes. They are taken to Gurs, a detention camp in the southwest of France. It's a crowded place, with little comfort and even less food. When Klara and Rachel are promised safe refuge in a remote French village, Lucien and Paul are anxious to join them and will risk their own lives to get there.
660431	Year we fell from space, The King, Amy Sarig	Text Publishing Co	2019	9781922268853	At 12 years old, Liberty already has a lot of changes in front of her, including her approaching start at high school, but her parent's separation and divorce makes it feel as if her life is crashing to earth. Neither of her parents speak openly about what is happening or why, which leaves Liberty to understand her dad's depression and her own reaction to this huge life change.
12940	Yellow-eye Spillman, David & Wilson, Mark (ill)	Era Publications	2001	9781863746076	The Yellow-eye fish are becoming scarce. Neither the Impatjara Aboriginal community nor the Newmob white community can find the answer alone. Through communication, both cultures approach the problem together.

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ID   846270	Yesterday Crumb and the storm in a teacup Sagar, Andy	Hachette Australia	2022	9781510109483	Yesterday Crumb has always felt cursed because of the fox ears she was born with. She is forced to work in a circus as her parents are a complete mystery. When she is rescued by Miss Dumpling and her magical, walking teashop, Yesterday learns she is a strangeling who has lost her magic. Surrounded by fantastical customers, a flying teapot turtle and incredible friends Yesterday rediscovers her powers and finally starts to feel like she might belong. But a mysterious figure of darkness is working hard to make sure her new life comes crashing down by tricking her and placing a deadly shard of ice in her heart. Adventure and magic await in every teacup.
660421	Yinti's desert dog Lowe, Pat & Pike, Jimmy	Magabala Books	2019	9781925936902	Spinifex the dingo thought that she would be killed, but she was adopted into Yinti's family. She learnt how to hunt and cared for the family she lived with. She travels with her new family and experiences adventures with them. This is the story of her family, her travels and adventures with them - all through her eyes and senses. A fabulous tale that shares how a dingo behaves and lives, while also sharing the lives of the family she bonds with. The next story of Yinti's life and family from a different perspective.
477	Yinti: desert child Lowe, Pat & Pike, Jimmy (ill)	Magabala Books	1992	9781875641017	Yinti, an Aboriginal child, growing up in the Western Australian desert, has no contact with white people until the last chapter of the book.
7079	Yirara mix book, The Yirara College	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	2015	9780992478056	Here are our deadly poems and stories. They talk about life, adventures, hard times and happy times. They are powerful, intelligent, funny and sometimes scary. You'll want to read them again and again. The Yirara Mix Book is a collection of short stories and poems from young Indigenous writers from Yarara College in Alice Springs.
92064	Yirra and her deadly dog, Demon Heiss, Anita	ABC Books	2007	9780733320392	Demon is a disaster zone, causing havoc wherever he goes. Yirra has to find a way to train Demon or she will be forced to give him away.
2857	Yong: The journey of an unworthy son Brian, Janeen	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2016	9781925126297	Thirteen year old Yong doesn't want to leave his home in China to travel to the Australian goldfields in Ballarat. But, as the firstborn son, he has no choice. On the long and treacherous journey, Yong strives to be an honourable son, while he and his father face many hardships and dangers. But, in his heart, Yong knows the shameful truth. His honour is a lie. Somehow, Yong must find the courage to face what lies ahead.

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751003		HarperCollins Australia	2020	9780062854315	Poor Yorick, all but a skeleton, is woken by a mysterious potion spilt on the ground. Rescued by a little white dog, Bones, Yorick begins his life above ground, slowly realising life as a skeleton is not without some challenges.
660371	You can change the world Bell, Lucy	Pantera Press	2019	9781925700527	Kids are on a mission to make our Earth a better, safer, happier place, and you can join in! Every day, we see a problem we would like to fix. A piece of rubbish in a green, grassy park. Plastic water bottles buried in the sand at the beach. A garbage bin overflowing onto the street, and much more. This book gives the reader simple and mostly free ways to better a more environmentally aware human.
902465	You can do it Rashford, Marcus & Anka, Carl	MacMillan	2022	9781035005598	Marcus Rashford the famous football player from England gives a empowering story of finding your identity and making a difference in the world. His powerful messages of being kind to yourself and others provides practical and empowering messages for young adults to be happy in their own skin.
616658	, ,	HarperCollins Australia	2018	9780545956246	Jilly P is just starting year 7 and is a confident and happy girl with good friends in real life and in the chat site devoted to her favourite fantasy books. When her baby sister is born deaf, she reaches out to her deaf and Black friend Derek for insight. Jilly begins to realise the diverse challenges others face and how difficult it can be to really understand others.
109957	You have ghost mail Blacker, Terence & Stower, Adam (ill)	MacMillan	2003	9780330396998	Matthew has a new computer and he finds that someone who died fifty years ago is trying to communicate with him through this technology. Every real adventure has its funny, scary and desperate turns but this one has a startling twist.
478	You kids, count your shadows: hairymen and other Aboriginal folklore in New South Wales Povah, Frank	self-published	1997	9780646346731	A collection of stories, taken from interviews, which gives an insight into the knowledge and ancient beliefs of the Aboriginal people in NSW.
15376		Hodder Children's Books (Australia)	2001	9780750232531	Through humour, this book provides snapshots of ancient Greece from a slave's point of view.
3792	You're history, mate Stafford, Paul & Nagle, Shane (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2008	9781741662764	Among all those legendary Australian bushrangers, stoic explorers and genius inventors, surely there must have been some losers. This book has all the dingbats, dropkicks, dills, duds and disasters in Australian history, from the explorer who claimed to have found an enormous reef of gold then lost it again to the ugliest, least successful and unluckiest colonial bushranger ever.
479	Young bloods Wakefield, Kerry	Penguin	1997	9780140383805	Australian Rules football features in this story of Deet, a boy who decides to wreak havoc on the local football club.

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1D 4932		Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2017	9780141376998	Zack, Sophie, Johnny and Alex have their holiday all planned, they want to learn about card tricks and picking locks at the world famous Magic Circle Club. Suddenly their plans vanish in a puff of smoke when they have to deal with a difficult club president, a stagehand ghost and a crime right under their noses. Join these young magicians as they step inside an adventure that may or may not involve the search for a secret book and a set of impossible crimes.
17542	Young Murphy Crew, Gary & Wilson, Mark (ill)	Thomas C Lothian Pty Ltd	2005	9780734407801	John Murphy was fifteen years old when he joined Leichhardt's ill- conceived expedition of discovery into northern Australia in 1844.
	Zac Power and Zac Power Extreme missions series Larry, H I				Any three titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page, on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
12341	Zac's PB Stanford, Michael	Hodder Headline Australia Pty Ltd	2003	9780733616624	Zac isn't sure if he is good enough to be a sports star. To find out, he goes to the Institute of Sporting Dreams where he discovers golf, baseball, basketball, tennis, soccer and the fact, it doesn't matter if you don't win as long as you do your best.
871661	Zadie Ma and the dog who chased the moon Wang, Gabrielle	Penguin	2022	9781761046513	Zadie Ma is a girl who writes magical stories that sometimes come true. One day she starts to write about rescuing a poor unwanted dog called Jupiter. Can Zadie bring to life her most important story of all where she finds Jupiter, the dog of her dreams? This book will make you believe in the power of stories, courage and friendship, just like Zadie.
23094	Zita the Spacegirl: Graphic Novel Hatke, Ben	MacMillan	2011	9781596434462	When her best friend is abducted by an alien doomsday cult, Zita leaps to the rescue and finds herself a stranger on a strange planet. Humanoid chickens and neurotic robots are shocking enough as new experiences go, but Zita is even more surprised to find herself taking on the role of intergalactic hero. Before long, aliens in all shapes and sizes don't even phase her. Neither do ancient prophecies, doomed planets, or even a friendly con man who takes a mysterious interest in Zita's quest.

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1D 26569	Zobi and the zoox: A story of coral bleaching Wild, Ailsa & Reed, Avivia & Barr, Briony & Crocetti, Gregory	CSIRO	2018	9781486309603	With her home under threat from a warming ocean, Zobi, a brave rhizobia bacterium, teams up with a family of slow but steady zoox (zooxanthellae). As the coral bleaves, everyone begins to starve Can Zobi and the zoox work together to stave the day? A beautifully illustrated science-adventure story set on the Great Barrier Reef.
750939	Zoe, Max and the Bicycle Bus Herrick, Steven	University of Queensland Press	2020		The students of 5D are all getting to know each other and their new teacher who is a passionate cyclist. With their teacher's help, the students gradually get permission from their parents to ride to school each day, but not everyone is a confident rider and the road leading into the school is not safe due to a lack of bike lane. Zoe and Max think they might have a solution to this problem, but it might get them in trouble!
846117	Zombies vs the Illuminati Larkin, John & Lin, Matt (ill)	Ford Street Publishing	2021	9781925804874	Three 12-year-old boys and the world's sassiest teenage girl join forces to defeat the zombie hordes before the world is plunged into a new Dark Age. The quartet's weapons of choice? A light-sabre that doesn't have any batteries, a sack of doorknobs, and a non-existent Pegasus. What could possibly go wrong?
3910	Zoo of magical and mythological creatures, The Bowring, Sam	Pan MacMillan	2009	9780330424752	Twelve year old Zackary s a disappointment to his parents, the King and Queen of Zedge. He as failed with the Artists, the Scholars and the Knights so is sent to work reckoning cutlery and kitchen utensils. When Zackary stumbles across an adventurous job as sorcerer's assistant in the Zoo of Magical and Mythological Creatures, he must survive the most dangerous and destructive creature the zoo has ever seen.