



## K-9 Booklist - New

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.

⦿ This title is usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.

PRC ID	Title/Author	Publisher	Year	ISBN	Level	Annotations
950450	Play the game Weetman, Nova	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781760121754	7-9	Edie and Tess are best friends. Edie enjoys playing netball but also loves drama. Tess is obsessed with netball and with making it into the State representative team. But when Edie scores a role in the school play and makes it into the rep netball team she faces some difficult decisions which could cost her her friendship with Tess.
1209758	(Be smart about) Screen time! Brian, Rachel	Little Brown	2024	9780316575546	5-6	This book will help you stay in charge of who you are - on and off your device.

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1209716	11 Ruby road: 1925 Barkla, Charlotte	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760657956	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
1209875	113th assistant librarian, The Wilson, Stuart	Penguin Books Australia	2024	9781761342257	5-6	<p>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?</p>
1168017	18,000 holes in the universe: Dragonfire Wallace, Adam & Foley, Lisa & Hart, James (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9781460764824	3-4	<p>Twins Noah and Jordie discover a letter from their long-lost Grandpa Galileo and know they, with the help of their friends, need to rescue him, and soon! But they didn't count on being sucked through a magical mini-golf hole into another world, full of fire-breathing dragons. It's a race against time! Will they save Grandpa? Will they be trapped in this crazy world? Will they be burnt to a crisp or eaten by vicious dragons? Beware! If you keep reading, you might get sucked into the most incredible golf course in the universe too ...</p>
1209739	18,000 holes in the universe: Snack attack Wallace, Adam & Foley, Lisa & Hart, James (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9781460764831	3-4	<p>Norah, Jordie and the Golf Squad mates are on a mission to locate and rescue Grandpa Galileo. In this second book in the series, the group is once again sucked into a hole in the golf course and exposed to a new world filled with unexpected challenges.</p>

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997696	300 minutes of mystery Heath, Jack	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781761200793	5-6	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?
1209818	31-and-a-half things to know as you grow McKinlay, Meg & Johnston, Nicky (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760658052	K-2	There are so many wonderful things to know as you grow.
871583	A in the rainforest, The Barker, Judith & Frith, Janie (ill)	Woodslane Press	2021	9781925868821	K-2	This is the story of the A. The A in the Rainforest is a fun Australian-themed phoneme story that teaches young readers about the vowel sound A and where they can find it in different words. Beautifully illustrated by Janie Frith, the rich colours and vibrant use of multi-media enhance the magical experience. The book is about the journey of a young Rainbow Bird from the rainforests of Tasmania to their counterparts in New South Wales. The first book from Judith and Janie, The Oo in Uluru, won a 2019 Book of the Year award from Speech Pathology Australia; this is their fourth book, the others being The EE in the Deep Blue Sea and The O in the Snow.
1110374	ABC Disability Rose, Sarah & Pascoe, Alley & Feiner, Rebecca (ill)	Lothian Books	2024	9780734423023	K-2	ABC Disability is a must-read gentle introduction to disability that is accessible to readers of all ages. Colourful illustrations and clear explanations help readers to understand the diversity of the human race and approach those in their community with empathy and kindness.
1078937	Alight: A story of fire and nature Lloyd, Sam & Metcalfe, Samantha (ill)	CSIRO	2023	9781486315444	3-4	Alight shares the story of Australian native plants and animals during a planned fire. This is a fabulous story and resource for any child, who will learn how new flowers and seed capsules grow, and the challenges little animals face in the bush. It includes factual information, a lovely story to engage the reader and stunning illustrations that capture the beauty of the Australian environment.
1209767	All about the brain Dabscheck, Dr. Gabriel & Siew, Kim (ill)	Berbay Publishing	2024	9781922610768	K-2	All About the Brain answers curious kids' questions about the brain. Want to know why the brain is the boss of your body? Read this book. Want to know which creatures have the biggest or smallest brains? Read this book.

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1209727	All the beautiful things Nannestad, Katrina & Heiduczek, Martina (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780733343148	5-6	<p>The Nazis want everyone to be the same. If you're different, you don't belong.</p> <p>Not belonging is dangerous...</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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...</p>
1141624	Anti-racism kit Kim, Jinyoung & Patawaran, Sabina	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761211171	7-9	<p>Do you want to understand racism and racial justice in Australia? Then this book is for you. Created especially for Australian high school students, it covers three actionable, tangible areas for change - Self, School and Society.</p>
1089022	Apart, together Booth Sweeny, Linda & Rutland, Ariel (ill)	HarperCollins US	2024	9780063264618	K-2	<p>Apart, blue is blue and yellow is yellow but together they make green!</p> <p>Bold, playful art and a simple, poetic text bring to life the magic of everyday transformations.</p>
1209689	Apples Not Orples Stephens, R. A. & Dougherty, Carmen (ill)	Wombat Books	2024	9781761111693	K-2	<p>Two apples plus three oranges. Does that make five orples?</p> <p>NO! It's still two apples and three oranges. Join the band of animals for a counting and adding challenge. But don't get too mixed up!</p> <p>Ever wondered why you can't add things up that aren't the same? Because apples and oranges can't make orples! In this quirky counting book, readers will engage with all the different ways you can go WRONG in adding like terms</p>

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1133430	Astrochimp Walliams, David & Stower, Adam (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9780008649555	3-4	<p>Chump the chimpanzee was always being silly. He would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- make rude noises from BOTH ENDS...</li> <li>- pick his nose with his little toe...</li> <li>- eat the skins of bananas, hurling out the tasty part inside.</li> </ul> <p>NASA's scientists thought he'd be the PERFECT chimp to send into space. Little did Chump know that he had been selected for a deadly-dangerous mission. If a chimp could orbit Earth, then chances were a human could too.</p> <p>With Chump the chimp at the controls of a spacecraft, what could possibly go wrong? As it turned out, EVERYTHING.</p> <p>Blast off with Chump, and encounter dog space pirates, evil insects, and the silliest chimpanzee who ever lived in this wildly funny space opera, fully illustrated in fantastic colour.</p>
1133437	Baby-sitters little sister: Karen's birthday (graphic novel) Martin, Ann M & Farina, Katy (ill)	Graphix	2023	9781338762587	3-4	<p>It's Karen's birthday. She is even going to have two parties- one at Daddy's house and one at Mummy's house. But what Karen really wants for her birthday is one big party and to celebrate this special day with her whole family together. Can she make this birthday wish come true?</p>
1133417	Baby-sitters little sister: Karen's kittycat club (graphic novel) Martin, Ann M & Farina, Katy (ill)	Graphix	2021	9781761122255	3-4	<p>Karen's best friend Hannie just got an adorable new kitten. Their neighbour Amanda has a cat too, and Karen has grumpy old Boo Boo. Now that they all have cats, Karen comes up with a great idea. She wants to start a KittyCat Club. But what will the club do, and will anyone want to hire them? And what will happen when Nancy wants to join but doesn't have a cat? Friendship issues abound and are realistically presented in this delightful graphic novel.</p>
1133384	Baby-sitters little sister: Karen's roller skates (graphic novel) Martin, Ann M & Farina, Katy (ill)	Graphix	2020	9781338356144	3-4	<p>It's going to be a great weekend! Karen has new roller skates and is a very good skater. She's looking forward to trying some new tricks. But, Karen falls down and has to go to the hospital. Her wrist is broken! She is determined to get everyone to sign her cast plus someone famous. It isn't going to be easy but she won't give up.</p>

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1133425	Baby-sitters little sister: Karen's school picture (graphic novel) Martin, Ann M & Farina, Katy (ill)	Graphix	2022	9781761203978	3-4	Karen has to get glasses. She doesn't want them, especially because school pictures are going to be taken soon. Yicky Ricky starts calling her names and makes fun of her. If she doesn't wear the glasses she feels sick and can't see but how can she deal with the bully? Life in school can be tricky.
1133320	Baby-sitters little sister: Karen's witch (graphic novel) Martin, Ann M & Farina, Katy (ill)	Graphix	2020	9781338315196	3-4	Karen Brewer lives next door to Mrs. Porter, who wears long robes and has wild grey hair. Mrs. Porter has a black cat named Midnight and always seems to be working in her garden. Karen isn't supposed to spy on her neighbour, but she is determined to prove that Mrs. Porter is a witch. Will she be brave enough to meet the witch and send her away for good?
1133393	Baby-sitters little sister: Karen's worst day (graphic novel) Martin, Ann M & Farina, Katy (ill)	Graphix	2021	9781338356182	3-4	Karen is having a terrible day. Her new jeans are missing, there's no prize in the Crunch-O's box and Boo-Boo the cat won't play with her. She even gets punished and sent to her room! Karen tries everything to make her day better, but nothing is going right, and her bad luck just won't go away. Will this be the worst day ever?
1209789	Backyard games, The Nicholson, Alister & Jellett, Tom (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180927	K-2	The Backyard Games are on today, bring your gear, come over and play. We've recreated the Olympics here in the yard, some events are easy but others are hard. Run like Cathy, cycle like Meares, and don't forget to celebrate with cheers!
1141358	Backyard tennis Merrison, Carl & Campbell, Samantha (ill)	Lothian Books	2024	9780734421548	K-2	A mum wants to share her love of tennis with her daughter, but they do not have a court. An improvised solution of a washing line strung between two chairs proves a worthy substitute. The picture book explores what happens when friends spy their game and ask to join in.
768137	Be your own man Sanders, Jessica & Cathro, Robbie (ill)	Five Mile Press	2020	9781922385062	3-4	If you have ever felt that you should act in a certain way or do certain things, just because you are a boy, this book is for you. It will encourage you to accept the way you are and to accept others too. Everyone is unique and that is to be celebrated.
1209784	Bear's lost glasses Timmers, Leo	Gecko Press	2024	9781776575947	K-2	While searching for his glasses, Bear spies a number of creatures whom he has never seen before; there is even a spotty snake with a long neck resting on Giraffe's chair!

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1209803	Becoming Bach Leonard, Tom	Roaring Book Press	2017	9781626722866	K-2	For Johann Sebastian there was always music. His family had been musicians, or bachs as they were called in Germany, for two hundred years.  As he grew, he saw patterns in everything. Patterns he would turn into melodies and song, eventually growing into one of the most important and celebrated musical composers of all time.
1209804	Bee makes tea Sims, Lesley & Blunt, Fred (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2013	9781409550501	K-2	A rhyming story about a bee's preparations for a tea party and the clever solutions deployed when things, inevitably, go slightly awry.
1209760	Beginner's guide to choosing the perfect pet, A Rutstein, Ali & Doyle, Tommy (ill)	Albert Street Books	2024	9781761180903	K-2	Need advice about getting a pet? Consult this guide at your peril!
1096775	Best of Story Factory, The: Volume 1 Keenan, Cath (ed)	Sydney Story Factory	2021	9780648996064	5-6	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.
1096784	Best of Story Factory, The: Volume 2 (older readers edition) Keenan, Catherine (ed) & Short, Richard (ed)	Sydney Story Factory	2024	9781922719119	7-9	Short, succinct prose writing by 16 to 20 year olds that are culturally rich, authentic anthems of youth searching their lives through people, places and events around them, conversations clicking between the now and then of lives and the world they know.
1096782	Best of Story Factory, The: Volume 2 (younger readers edition) Keenan, Catherine (ed) & Short, Richard (ed)	Sydney Story Factory	2022	9781922719102	5-6	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	5-6	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.



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1052163	Big book of Australian nursery rhymes, The Lessac, Frane	Walker Books	2024	9781760655099	K-2	Chant and clap, play and sing along to this fun-filled collection of classic nursery rhymes with an Australian twist.
1209790	Big gorilla: Book of opposites, A Browne, Anthony	Walker Books	2024	9781529509588	K-2	A beautifully illustrated picture book about opposites. Some opposites are easy to identify, others are trickier. Are you ready to have a go?
	Billie B Brown & Billie B Mystery series Rippin, Sally & Fukuoka, Aki (ill)				3-4	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.
1023642	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Birdy Kernot, Sharon	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790606	9plus	Following a traumatic incident, Maddy is now mute. She has moved to a remote farmhouse, with her mother and brother, to rest and recuperate. With the help of a therapist, Maddy sets herself small goals each day - journal, smile, walk outside - to build her confidence. She meets Alice, who is still waiting for her own daughter, Birdy, to return home, 45 years after she disappeared. Maddy also meets a new friend, Levi, and she is drawn into the mystery of Birdy's disappearance. Can Maddy learn to trust her new friends, let go of her guilt and shame, and learn to speak again? Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.



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1084283	☉ Blood traitor, The Lynette, Noni	Penguin	2023	9781760897550	9plus	<p>She'd failed them. All of them. And now she was paying the price. Kiva thought she knew what she wanted - revenge. But feelings change, people change . . . everything has changed. After what happened at the palace, Kiva is desperate to know if her friends and family are safe, and whether those she wronged can ever forgive her.</p> <p>But with the kingdoms closer to the brink of war than they've ever been, and Kiva far away from the conflict, more is at stake than her own broken heart. A fresh start will mean a perilous quest, forcing mortal enemies and uneasy allies together in a race against the clock to save not just Evalon, but all of Wenderall. With her loyalties now set, Kiva can no longer just survive - she must fight for what she believes in. For who she believes in. But with danger coming from every side, and the lives of everyone she loves at risk, does she have what it takes to stand, or will she fall?</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
1089004	Book of hours McFadden, Clare	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760651770	K-2	<p>Every life is made of hours, moments and feelings... This story captures the memories of one lady, told through postcard images, illustrated with paint in a dreamy and flowing way. As you follow along her life of memories from baby to adult, you can't help but reflect and ponder the moments in your own life and realise how fast time can pass us by.</p> <p>A beautiful story with every read-through delivering a new discovery and moment to notice.</p>
1209795	Book week bear Mather, Ruth H. & Smith, Ruth-Mary (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781761293047	K-2	<p>Claire's costume was amazing she had fur and teeth and claws. Plus, there was the smell of fish coming from her jaws!</p> <p>Claire's bear costume has a lot of flair almost enough to give everyone a scare. But is it enough to win first prize in the Book Week parade?</p>

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1089029	Borderlands: Riding the slipstream Collins, Paul (ed) & Ryan, Anne (ill)	Ford Street Publishing	2024	9781922696403	7-9	Borderlands- Riding te Slipstream is an anthology for readers young and old. It features over forty short stories and poems by some of Australia's best-loved authors, including Ursula Dubosarsky, Steven Herrick, Leigh Hobbs, Barry Jonsberg, Sophie Masson and Shaun Tan. Illustrated by quirky artist Anne Ryan, this unique collection spans a kaleidoscope of genres and themes.
1177334	Bowerbird blues Parker, Aura	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781761205637	K-2	I am a collector. Always looking, finding ... and keeping! Bowerbird loves blue. Magnificent colbalt. Brilliant, vibrant blue! But something is missing. What could it be?
1209874	Bowerbird brood Parker, Aura	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781761521621	K-2	I am a protector. Always watching, guarding... and shielding. Bowerbird's nest is full. These fine eggs, whole and smooth...the perfect three! But will they hatch?
1185691	Bravepaw and the heartstone of Alluria Wilkinson, L M & Naidu, Lavanya (ill)	Albert Street Books	2024	9781761180552	3-4	Over one hundred years since danger has come to the Plateau, home of Titch, a little mouse who imagines with her friends Huckleberry and Dollop that she is the legendary Bravepaw as she waves her wooden sword in a threatening manner. One day the unimaginable , unexpected came and she was chosen to follow the Prophecy. Can she really be brave?
1166493	Brightest Christmas star, The Motherway, Laura & Hudson, Deb (ill)	Hachette Australia	2024	9780734423085	K-2	A heartwarming look at the different ways in which families celebrate Christmas. Some families choose to decorate, others perform acts of kindness, while others enjoy spending time together at the beach. All these approaches are valid, and all register the joy, magic, and love that characterise this holiday.
1019795	Britannica's encyclopedia infographica Pettie, Andrew & Quilty-Harper, Conrad & D'Efilippo, Valentina (ill)	Britanica Books	2024	9781913750459	7-9	1000's of Facts & Figures about Earth, space animals, the body, technology & more revealed in pictures.
1089000	Brown bears Crumpton, Dr Nick & Larmour, Colleen (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529508727	K-2	Spring has arrived in Alaska, and a brown bear is waking up. She was alone when she fell asleep at the start of winter; now she is climbing out of her den with two cubs. Follow them as they discover how to survive in the wilderness, from climbing trees to catching salmon, as their mother teaches the cubs how to be bears. From zoologist Dr Nick Crumpton and with stunning art from Colleen Larmour, this is a gentle and fascinating introduction to brown bears.
1209744	Cafe at the edge of the woods, The Please, Mikey	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780008639006	3-4	Rene dreamed of fine cuisine, and so she saved up every bean then built a building beam by beam...the Cafe at the Edge of the Woods.

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1078767	☉ Catch your death Guron, Ravena	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2023	9781803705422	9plus	A classic whodunit thriller which follows three girls who are stuck at Bramble Estate during a snow storm and someone is poisoned. Devi, Lizzie and Jayne are trapped inside a house with a killer and must solve the mystery before it is too late!  Usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.
1209717	Charles Dickens' Great expectations: Abridged for younger readers Kennedy A.L. & Dickens, Charles & Sorrentino, Flavia (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529501926	5-6	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?
1209684	Cheeky toddler alphabet, The Bell, Davina & Falkner, Jennifer (ill)	Lothian Books	2024	9780734422101	K-2	The ABC of the joy, mayhem, and mindlessness of the toddler years.
1125083	Cheer up, blobfish! Murphy, Julie & Tribout, Rachel (ill)	Affirm Press	2024	9781922863966	K-2	The Festival of Fish celebrations have begun. Everyone is enjoying themselves... except for Blobfish who appears a tad unimpressed. Will clownfish and friends be able to cheer up him?
1175450	Chronicles of a lizard nobody Ness, Patrick & Miller, Tim (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529517958	5-6	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.
1209697	Chronicles of Whetherwhy: The Age of Enchantment James, Anna	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008611583	5-6	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.
1082798	Code Name Kingfisher Kessler, Liz & Dean, David (ill)	Simon & Schuster	2024	9781398512511	5-6	Liv is trying to research her family tree but her grandmother isn't interested in helping. Delving into the past brings up an amazing war-time 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.

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1096866	Craft roach Burke, Rachel & Gray-Barnett, Daniel (ill)	Bright Light Books	2023	9781761211959	K-2	Craft Roach is an exuberant story about an artsy little bug who lives life a little differently.
1103087	Cross my heart and never lie Dasnes, Nora	Farshore	2024	9781662640544	7-9	Tuva is in 7th grade and she is navigating friendships and pre-teen emotions. It is a coming of age graphic novel that explores friendships old and new!
1185783	Daughter of Auschwitz, The: The girl who lived to tell her story Friedman, Tova & Sumberac, Manuel (ill)	Hachette Australia	2024	9781526366658	7-9	The memoir of holocaust survivor Tova Friedman who was only 5 years old when she was sent to Auschwitz. She recounts her childhood experiences during World War Two - from living in a Jewish ghetto in Poland, to a Nazi labour camp and then to Auschwitz - Birkenau. A powerful story of resilience, survival and hope.
1078769	Deadlands, The: Survival Melki-Wegner, Skye	Walker Books	2024	9781529518597	5-6	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.
1080662	Deep is the fen Wilkinson, Lili	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761066863	9plus	<p>Merry doesn't need a happily-ever-after. Her life in the charming, idyllic town of Candlecott is fine just as it is. Simple, happy, and with absolutely no magic. Magic only ever leads to trouble.</p> <p>But Merry's best friend, Teddy, is joining the Toadmen -- a secret society who specialize in backward thinking and suspiciously supernatural traditions --and Merry is determined to stop him. Even if it means teaming up with the person she hates most: her academic archnemesis, Caraway Boswell, an ice-cold snob who hides his true face under a glamour.</p> <p>An ancient Toad ritual is being held in the sinister Deeping Fen, and if Merry doesn't rescue Teddy before it's finished, she'll lose him forever. But the Toadmen have been keeping dangerous secrets, and so has Caraway. The farther Merry travels into Deeping Fen's foul waters, the more she wonders if she's truly come to save her friend... or if she's walking straight into a trap.</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>

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1209749	Dictionary story, The Jeffers, Oliver & Winston, Sam (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781406395471	5-6	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.
1082898	Dog squad, The: The show Vulliamy, Clara	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008565473	3-4	After a fierce storm wrecks the roof of a dog shelter Happy Tails, Eva manages to include all her class in a curious petscapade to raise funds to repair it. A surprisingly fun event but not without frustration, the Wags and Whiskers Dog Talent Show raises the roof at the local school but not without a few problems to solve on the way. The Dog Squad a team of phenomenal reporters have saved the day and everyone was part of the success.
1125028	Doll box, The Kelly, Deborah & Bartel, Joanna (ill)	EK Books	2024	9781922539700	K-2	Isla is afraid of trying to scale the climbing frame in the park. She doesn't want to try it again because her legs are too shaky and her arms are too achy. However, when she takes out the small blue tin from the shelf in her bedroom, she finds three dolls inside it. Her mother explains the story behind the dolls which showcases 'girl power' built on generations of women in Isla's ancestry.
1209783	Don't think of tigers Latimer, Alex	Andersen Press Ltd	2024	9781839133268	K-2	You are in control. Imagine anything you like and it will appear on the next page. Oh... just one tiny request: DO NOT THINK OF TIGERS!
870075	Dragon girls: Azmina the gold glitter dragon Mara, Maddy & Damiao, Thais (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2021	9781761123252	3-4	Azmina, Willa, and Naomi are thrilled to learn they're Glitter Dragon Girls. Summoned to the Magic Forest by its magnificent ruler, the Tree Queen, the girls quickly find out their dragon-selves have unbelievable abilities. They can soar above the treetops, breathe glitter-y bursts of fire, and roar loud enough to shake the ground. With this newfound magic comes a big responsibility, however. As Dragon Girls, they are sworn protectors of the forest and must help keep it safe from the troublesome Shadow Sprites, who are determined to take the forest's magic for their own."
1209690	Dragon guest handbook Stampone, Jeanette & Heroanto, Novia (ill)	Wombat Books	2024	9781761111686	K-2	Uh Oh. A dragon has landed in your backyard and you don't speak a word of Dragon language. Don't panic. Simply read this handbook and you'll be ready to welcome your dragon visitor. Good luck.
1063788	Ducky the spy: Expect the unexpected Avery, Sean E.	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760657369	3-4	A thief on the farm. A goat kidnapped by a gang of cats. A giant chicken. Ducky the Spy and Donny "The Distraction" Donkey are on the case.

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871581	EE in the deep blue sea, The Barker, Judith & Frith, Janie (ill)	Woodslane Press	2020	9781925868401	K-2	<p>This is the story of the ee. A curious sound as you can see.</p> <p>The Ee in the Deep Blue Sea is a fun Australian-themed phoneme story that teaches young readers about the vowel sound ee and where they can find it in different words.</p> <p>Beautifully illustrated by Janie Frith, the rich colours and vibrant use of multi-media enhance the magical experience. The book explores many undersea and reef environments and introduces children to twenty of the creatures that live there.</p> <p>The first book from Judith and Janie, the Oo in Uluru, won a 2019 Book of the Year award from Speech Pathology Australia.</p>
1096839	Eighteen summers Harrison, Penny & Rudge, Leila (ill)	Little Hare Books	2023	9781761212505	K-2	<p>Let me tell you a tale of the stars and the sea, of adventures we'll have as you grow, wild and free.</p> <p>For the days may drift past, but the years will sail by, and we've just eighteen summers to share, you and I...</p>
1209741	Einstein the penguin: The case of the polar poachers Rangeley, Iona & Tazzyman, David (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780008476076	3-4	<p>When Imogen and Arthur learn that penguins in the wild have begun to go missing, they know they have to help - and they suspect that old enemies might be to blame.</p> <p>It's time for Imogen and Arthur to turn detective once more. And of course, they need the assistance of their most unique feathered friend: Einstein.</p>
	Elephant & Piggie series Willems, Mo				K-2	<p>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.</p>

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1209753	Ella and the amazing frog orchestra Polimeni, Cassy & Breeze, Hykie (ill)	University of Queensland Press	2024	9781760802899	3-4	"Did you know frogs can find their way home? It's called a 'homing instinct' ... no matter where they are, they know where they belong. I think I know how frogs feel." Eight year-old Ella hates her new house until she discovers a secret pond in her neighbours yard filled with an orchestra of frogs! When the pond is under threat from renovations, can Ella must find a way to save the frogs before it's too late?
1209745	Ethel the penguin Dubosarsky, Ursula & Nielsen, Christopher (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180880	K-2	Ethel the penguin is fearless, independent, and a bit wild. How will her parents respond to her latest adventure?
1141364	Everything you ever wanted to know about the tooth fairy (and some things you didn't) Stewart, Briony	Lothian Books	2024	9780734421883	K-2	A jam packed guide to everything there is to know about the magical world of the tooth fairy.
1174839	Extraordinary disappointments of Leopold Berry, The Riggs, Ransom	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761181474	9plus	<p>There it was, beside a big brass lever: a coin slot. Pale blue light pulsed dimly within. Leopold refused to overthink it. Steadying the slight tremor in his hand, he lifted the token to the slot and let it drop plunging him and his best pal, Emmet, into a parallel world of weird familiarity and terrifying unreality.</p> <p>Ransome Riggs weaves the familiar with the peculiar in a stunning tale of loss, triumph, friendship, and magic, reminding everyone everywhere that when you're not the chosen one, sometimes you have to choose yourself.</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
1096825	Extraordinary elephants Flannery, Tim & Flannery, Emma & Melrose, Katie (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761211713	3-4	This fascinating non-fiction book on elephants contains a variety of interesting facts on Earth's most intelligent giants. You will learn about their excellent memory, their adorable sense of humour, why they walk on their tippy toes, and how many times a day they poo.
1124719	Eyes that weave the world's wonders Ho, Joanna & Kleinrock, Liz & Ho, Dung (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780063057777	3-4	A young adoptee notices that her eyes look different from her parents'. She realizes that though her eyes may not match her adoptive parents', the profound love her family shares connects them.
1209762	F1 legends: Daniel Ricciardo Cross, Kit & Hedstrom, Leigh (ill)	Albert Street Books	2024	9781761181351	3-4	This book will tell you why Daniel Ricciardo is an F1 Legend.



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1209719	Fairy tale fan club, The: legendary letters collected by C.C. Cecily Ayoade, Richard & Roberts, David (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529500769	3-4	Want to know the truth about your favourite fairy tale characters? Want to understand how they understand their own stories? If so, this collection of letters and responses is a must-read!
950163	Fall of the school for good and evil Chainani, Soman & RaidesArt (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2023	9780008554606	5-6	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.
1174978	Family disasters: Road rage Luff, Nathan & Kennett, Chris (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781760269364	3-4	There's a reason families usually live together - to contain the horror and not inflict it on others. A family holiday is a really, really bad idea! After escaping an erupting volcanic island only to have their cruise ship intercepted by a cyclone, Jakob thought surely his family's holiday troubles were over. But washed up on the far north coast of Australia, they are still thousands of kilometres from home. There's plenty more disaster in store as they make their way south, including landslides, breakdowns, pest infections, floods and more. Nothing so far has prepared Jakob for a horrendous family road trip!
1209771	Fern's School for Wayward Fae: The graveyard gift CJ, Piper	Walker Books	2024	9781760659288	5-6	Rosemary Thorpe has always 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...
1096656	Fluff: Mess up! Stanton, Matt	ABC Books	2024	9781460714331	3-4	Gilbert and Fluff have got themselves into an enormous mess! They have to clean up, but Gilbert would rather not got his hands dirty. What he needs is ... a bunny with a wild idea!

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1209828	Fluff: Unstoppable! Stanton, Matt	ABC Books	2024	9780733342097	3-4	Gilbert is determined to win the local surfing competition and he will do anything to make it happen.  To be a real winner, maybe he needs...  A BUNNY TO BEND THE RULES!
1209850	Football GOAT, the: Messi v Ronaldo Oldfield, Matt & Burkett, Seth & Leydon, Dan (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529521023	5-6	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!
1209761	Football legends: Mary Fowler Cross, Kit & Hedstrom, Leigh (ill)	Albert Street Books	2024	9781761181344	3-4	This book will tell you all about why Mary Fowler is a Football Legend.
1083092	Football superstars: Aguero rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2021	9781783126316	5-6	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.
1083094	Football superstars: De Bruyne rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2021	9781783126330	5-6	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!
1083095	Football superstars: Messi rules Mugford, Simon & Green, Dan (ill)	Welbeck Publishing	2023	9781783129232	5-6	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.
1023716	Footprint Cummings, Phil & Soweol Han, Sally (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180323	K-2	You carry hope and future need with careful footprint, plant the seed. Breathe...Yes, breathe.  Embark on a lyrical, meditative journey through nature's tapestry where every step you take leaves a legacy of wonder and protection for the natural world.
1052158	Found Pascoe, Bruce & Ledden-Lewis, Charmaine (ill)	Magabala Books	2020	9781925936483	K-2	One small calf's journey to bravely find his family.
891432	Frank and Bert Naylor-Ballesteros, Chris	Nosy Crow Ltd	2022	9781788008402	K-2	Frank and Bert are besties, and love playing hide-and-seek together. Bert, however, is not very good at hiding so Frank wins every single time. Frank needs to decide which is more important: winning or being a good friend.

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1209829	Frog squad: Bungle in the jungle Temple, Kate & Temple, Jol & Gordon, Shiloh	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9781460764435	3-4	The Frog Squad answer a distress call from Croakamo Island, aiming to find out who has been stealing plants from the jungle and disrupting the ecosystem of the island. Can they find out who is behind this and put a stop to their plot?
	Funny kid series Stanton, Matt				5-6	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.
1174829	Fyrebirds Armstrong, Kate J	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761066252	7-9	A stunning sequel to Nightbirds. No longer a secret, the Nightbirds have transformed into the very powerful Fyrebirds. Together they can perform magic that nobody has seen in centuries, but fate seems intent on keeping them apart. Everyone seems to want to control them or destroy them - no girl with magic is safe. The Fyrebirds must find their way back together and overcome their differences for the greater good.
1209827	Game on Alcott, Dylan & Regan, Fiona & Ziersch, Nahum (ill)	ABC Books	2024	9780733343209	5-6	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?
1209752	Genius ears: a curious animal compendium Anlauf, Lena & Konstantinov, Vitali (ill) & Yarbrough, Marshall (trans)	North South Books	2024	9780735845626	5-6	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.

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1019727	Giinagay gaagal, hello ocean Greenwood, Melissa	ABC Books	2023	9780733343001	K-2	Come on an adventure to the ocean, where you will listen and learn from Mother Earth. What amazing creatures will you see? What kind of games can you play before it's time to settle down for a yarn and some tea? A delightful day's journey of learning and fun. This First Nations story book is a beautiful read aloud for younger children and the illustrations are detailed and intricate, making the story come alive even more. Gumbaynggirr translation is included in the back.
850746	Gilded cage, The Noni, Lynette	Hodder & Stoughton	2021	9781529360431	9plus	Kiva Meridan is a survivor. She survived not only Zalindov prison, but also the deadly Trial by Ordeal. Now Kiva's purpose goes beyond survival to vengeance. For the past ten years, her only goal has been to reunite with her family and destroy the people responsible for ruining their lives. But now that she has escaped Zalindov, her mission has become more complicated than ever. As Kiva settles into her new life in the capital, she discovers she wasn't the only one who suffered while she was in Zalindov-her siblings and their beliefs have changed too. Soon it's not just her enemies she's keeping secrets from, but her own family as well. Outside the city walls, tensions are brewing from the rebels, along with whispers of a growing threat from the northern kingdoms. Kiva's allegiances are more important than ever, but she's beginning to question where they truly lie. Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.
1133751	Go girl!: Music mad! McAuley, Rowan & Lamden, Shannon (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2007	9781921288029	3-4	Iris is so excited - she gets to spend the next four days playing her saxophone and making new friends! But Iris learns there is no sheet music you can follow when it comes to friendship.
1133765	Go girl!: Secret's out Perry, Chrissie & McDonald, Danielle (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2005	9781921417184	3-4	When Casey tells Tamsin her biggest secret, she's sure it's safe with her best friend. But the next day, her secret's out! What sort of friend would do that?
1133747	Go girl!: The worst gymnast Kalkipsakis, Thalia & Oswald, Ash (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2005	9781920878573	3-4	DREAM BIG! Gemma loves gymnastics. But she's just had the worst class EVER, and her coach isn't happy. Is Gemma's life as a gymnast over? Or will her clever plan keep her on the team?
1133761	Go girl: Back to school Badger, Meredith & Oswald, Ash (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781921098437	3-4	Chloe's nervous about going back to school. She has to get used to a new teacher and harder, more challenging work. But she didn't expect to be the only student to find the new math so difficult. Is everyone else just much smarter than Chloe?

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1133520	Gorgeously me! Van Ness, Jonathan & Nair, Kamala (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781760659462	K-2	Loving yourself, being gorgeous allows you to love others, need others and transform others. The vibe is doing it in so many different ways, such as playing together, joining in and being the best YOU. A simple recipe for growing up and getting around doubtful thoughts, just being with others to make gorgeously us.
1041323	Grandfather Emu Collard-Spratt, Rhonda & Ferro, Jacki	Boolarong Press	2021	9781925877861	5-6	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.
1209780	Grimm's fairy tales Dieckmann, Sandra	Walker Books	2024	9781529505498	3-4	Enter the enchanted world of fairy tales...
1209871	Gymnastic diaries 1: Beam queen Godwin, Georgia & Sievking, Laura & Erb, Amanda (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781760266486	3-4	Georgia is 10 years old and loves gymnastics. She wants to be an international gymnastics star and this is her diary. Join Georgia as she chases her dreams! Georgia has started training in a new, Elite squad, and it is a whole new challenge for her. New friends, new coaches and new skills to learn! On top of that, she is competing in her first Team Comp, and the squad are relying on her beam routine. Will she fall off? Or will she become the new Beam Queen?
1209809	Hazel's treehouse Louise, Zanni & Watson, Judy (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760657260	K-2	Hazel has an amazing treehouse in the bush which she shares with her even more amazing animal friends. Imagination and friendship make sure there is always an adventure, but there also quiet times and pancake making.

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1174864	Heart of the world, The Kaufman, Amie	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761067389	9plus	<p>When Selly and Leander began their treacherous voyage to the Isles of the Gods, the captain's daughter and the playboy prince were strangers. But amid talk of war and a deadly attack on their ship, the unthinkable happened.</p> <p>They fell in love.</p> <p>Leander's ritual at the island temple was meant to prevent a war between the gods. Instead, it nearly cost him his life, and drew the goddess Barrica back from exile. Now, as her Messenger, Leander is imbued with her deadly magic, and only Selly's presence can stop it from consuming him.</p> <p>But Barrica wasn't the only immortal roused from sleep. The God of Risk, Macean, was awakened by an enemy all thought dead, and across the sea he's calling for war.</p> <p>The fight to save their world will take Selly and Leander from the gilded ballroom of the royal palace to the hallowed halls of an ancient library. Battle lines will be drawn, and bonds will break.</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
1209798	Heartbreak is the national anthem Sheffield, Rob	Hachette Australia	2024	9780008652715	7-9	<p>Dive into the world of Taylor Swift in this intimate, one of a kind look at her life, lore and legacy. Mega-stars like Taylor Swift don't come around often. She hasn't just shaped music and culture - she's redefined what it means to be an icon in the music industry. A book for both fans and sceptics, who may gain a new appreciation of the icon that is Taylor Swift.</p>

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1132915	Hearts still beating Archer, Brooke	Putnam	2024	9780593698327	9plus	<p>Mara is dead - mostly. Infected with a virus that broke the world and turned her into a monster, Mara awakens in a facility to learn a treatment has been found. No longer a Tick, Mara is placed in an experimental relocation program. But she's sent to live with the best friend she hasn't seen since the world ended. Since their first and only kiss.</p> <p>Rory is alive - barely. And her nightmares are as vicious as the Ticks that infected Mara and permanently injured Rory. Even after the Island - one of the surviving communities - rebuilds itself, Rory fears a tick attack from the mainland at any time. But the Ticks that show up are treated, almost normal - not quite themselves but no longer raging monsters - and among them is the first girl Rory ever loved. And never expected to see alive.</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
870595	Hedgewitch McKenna, Skye	Welbeck Publishing	2023	9781801300681	5-6	<p>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.</p>
1089077	Helios book, The Carter, Slade	MidnightSun Publishing	2024	9781922858412	5-6	<p>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?</p>
1096840	Hello twigs: Look who's grumpy Mcdonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761212031	K-2	<p>Stump has a big problem: he is SO GRUMPY! Because his favourite splinter is missing! How terrible.</p> <p>Can Stump's twiggy friends help him get rid of his grumpy, or will he be grumpy forever?</p>



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1096849	Hello twigs: Puddle party McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761212024	K-2	The twiggy friends are having a pool party. But Ziggy Twig is a brave explorer and is sure she can find something bigger, better and splashier for everyone to play in. That is, until she runs into a big, droolly DRAGON! Will our explorer find her way back to the twigs? Or is her latest adventure one splash too far?
1059108	Hello Twigs: Surprise! McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2023	9781761211980	K-2	Red is a WILD TWIG who loves giving surprises.  So when he jumps out and yells 'SURPRISE' at his friends, he expects them to laugh - but instead they are shocked and scared. Oh dear!  Can Red stay wild AND find a better way to surprise his friends? We hope so!  Go, Red, go!
1096855	Hello twigs: Time to paint McDonald, Andrew & Wood, Ben	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2023	9781761212017	K-2	Noodle isn't just a twig - she's an ARTIST too. And she knows exactly what she wants to paint. There's just one problem: the twigs have made red paint, green paint and yellow paint for her to use - but they can't find any BLUE.  Noodle is dismayed - until she discovers that true artists can make up their own rules.  Clever Noodle! She always works things out.
1133231	Her Majesty's league of remarkable young ladies Stegert, Alison D.	Chicken House	2023	9781915026095	5-6	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.
1108116	Heroes of Olympus : The mark of Athena Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2020	9780141335766	5-6	It was the first time they had sat down together- just the seven of them. The Prophecy 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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23897	Heroes of Olympus: Son of Neptune, The Riordan, Rick	Hyperion Books	2012	9780141335735	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
1168029	Hester Hitchins and the falling stars Norton, Catherine	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2024	9781460763179	3-4	<p>It's 1866 and Hester's father is lost at sea. Determined to find him, 11-year-old Hester wins a place at Addington's Nautical Navigation Academy where she will learn to navigate by the stars. But the academy is just for boys and no one seems to be in charge. The schoolmaster knows nothing of navigation, Lord Addington is obsessed with building the world's biggest telescope and Lady Addington believes that falling stars are the souls of the dead. Can Hester and her new friends, Pru and Nelson, set things right, and will she find her own place in the universe?</p>
1174884	Hi from outer space Katauskas, Fiona	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761069260	5-6	<p>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!</p>

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1209781	Hotel Balzaar, The: A Norendy tale DiCamillo, Kate & Sarda, Julia (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529523782	3-4	At the Hotel Balzaar, Marta's mother rises before the sun and instructs Marta to remain quiet and invisible - like a mouse. While her mother cleans rooms, Marta slips down the back staircase to the grand lobby to chat with the bellman and watch the endless turning of the grandfather clock. All the while, she dreams of the return of her soldier father.  Then, one day, a mysterious countess with a parrot appears. She promises Marta seven stories, and as the stories unfold, Marta begins to wonder if they may hold the secret to her father's disappearance.
1153328	House at the end of the sea, The Adams, Victoria M	Andersen Press Ltd	2024	9781839134234	5-6	After a family tragedy, Saffi has to move to her grandparents' spooky B&B by the sea. The walls change colour, a stranger'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...
1052169	How to be invisible Bland, Nick	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9781460764060	K-2	When Bunny arrives at the park wearing Grandpa's hat, he thinks that he is invisible, but Bird can still see him. The more Bunny tries, the less invisible he seems. The best friends enjoy the hat even if it's not magical. But are they sure it's not a magical hat?
1209747	How to draw a dragon Talbot, Kate	Albert Street Books	2024	9781761180606	K-2	We all know what a dragon looks like, right? Maybe this hilarious story about imagination, creativity, and the strength of opinions can convince you that essential features of dragons are fire and roller skates!
1124727	How to measure the ocean Zahri, Inda Ahmad	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180361	3-4	Can you measure something as big as the ocean? What would you use? A bucket? A tape measure? A cup? What is hidden beneath the ocean? What is the depth? The volume? The area? This book is a mathematical gem for early readers, with vibrant and animated illustrations, which lead the reader to understand very simple mathematical concepts, while exploring the shallows and depth of our vast oceans. A book which will spark curiosity and wonder throughout.
1124756	How to move a zoo Simpson, Kate & Swan, Owen	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180309	K-2	The true story of how at the beginning of the 20th century Jessie the elephant walked from Moore Park Zoo to her spacious new home in the Taronga Zoological Park.

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1209892	How to sail to somewhere Barton, Ashleigh	Hachette Australia	2025	9780734423627	5-6	<p>Release date: March 25, 2025</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>That was last year. Now summer has arrived, but Byron hasn't. And now it looks like he never will.</p> <p>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?</p>
1209731	Howzat Pat! Dare to bowl Hartley, David, Geddes, Serena & Cummins, Patrick	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9781460764688	5-6	<p>I'm Pat Cummins and I love playing cricket. I love it so much that I sleep with my bat!</p> <p>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 ...</p> <p>-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?!!!!</p> <p>If you want to know the answers to these questions, too - READ THIS BOOK!</p>
1209779	I am tree rex! Davey, Mo	Berbay Publishing	2024	9781922610669	K-2	<p>Rex loves trees. One day, a tree disappears. Can Rex save the rest of the forest?</p>

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977767	Inkflower Zail, Suzy	Walker Books	2023	9781760653736	9plus	<p>Inspired by a true story.</p> <p>I shouldn't be kissing Adam Winter but it's my best chance of forgetting. When I kiss him, I'm not a girl whose father is dying; I'm just a girl, kissing a boy.</p> <p>Lisa's father has six months to live. And a story to tell about a boy sent to Auschwitz. A boy who lost everything and started again. A story he has kept hidden - until now.</p> <p>But Lisa doesn't want to hear it, because she has secrets too. No one at school knows she is Jewish or that her dad is sick. Not even her boyfriend.</p> <p>But that's all about to change ... And so is she.</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.</p>
1209759	Into the ice: Reflections on Antarctica Lester, Alison & Tulloch, Coral	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781760526061	5-6	<p>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.</p>
1096544	Into the mouth of the wolf Gough, Erin	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781760507558	7-9	<p>Iris is on the run and her mother is missing. A thriller crime that has many twists and turns about relationships with families and friends. Iris must find her mother and has the help from friends she meets along the way. A great book for fans of dystopian worlds with thriller content added!</p>
1174896	Is my phone reading my mind? Agnew, Dr. Matt & Thomson, Hana Kinoshita (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180446	7-9	<p>When you think of artificial intelligence, you might imagine a walking, talking robot..or you might think of a giant computer that wants to take over the world. But the reality is that AI is a brilliant human invention found in nearly every modern device from our computers to our cars. Find out more and about the pros and cons of an AI world.</p>

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1138110	It's boba time for Pearl Li! Chen, Nicole	Quill Tree Books	2024	9780063228627	5-6	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...
1083344	It's the sound of the thing Clarke, Maxine Beneba	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2023	9781761212123	5-6	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.
1023608	Jawsome: Licence to rock Timmis, R.J	Albert Street Books	2024	9781761068607	3-4	Finley, Hunter, Gilleon and Gnash are busy juggling their double lives as ordinary school sharks and as members of the sensational rock band, JAWSOME! But they soon find themselves deep in a sea of suspicious shark-nanigans.  From stopping evil A.B.B.A. agents to unmasking a strange new band, JAWSOME will need to use all their rockstar skills to save Chumville.
1209884	Jungle escape Luff, Nathan	Walker Books	2025	9781760659257	3-4	When Branson's parents announce a ski trip to Aspen, he's thrilled - until he learns he won't be going with them. Instead, Branson is being sent to an exclusive retreat in the Daintree Rainforest that promises poolside luxury, cuisine classes, and lessons in interior decoration. Not his idea of a holiday.  But, when they arrive at the resort, Branson and the other kids learn they've been duped! The building is in ruins, the bathroom's covered in slime, and the pool is empty. It turns out the owners have lured the kids to Jungle Escape to work as free labour and restore the resort.  Branson and his new friends need to find a way out of this hell hole and the Daintree Rainforest. Will they be able to escape this jungle, or will they end up as cassowary - or crocodile - lunch?

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1209722	Junkyard fairies: Dig deep Wyatt, Edwina & O'Hara, Lauren (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760657048	3-4	Fur, Tup and Nug are not your average fairies: they live at the bottom of the junkyard, and are messy, bossy, and not at all fond of vegetables. Join them on their adventures as they make magic and transform trash into treasure.
1124926	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Katie goes to KL Tan, Su-May	Penguin Books Australia	2023	9789815127812	9plus	<p>16 year old Katie, finds out her dead mother is not dead after all and her father has been lying to her since she was 7.</p> <p>This story begins its journey in Australia, where Katie immigrated with her father when she was four. She travels to modern day Kuala Lumpur (KL) for her grandmother's death. This is where the adventures and contentions begin when Katie's quest to reconnect with her mother and discover her roots against a backdrop of rising political tension between the Chinese and the Malays. When Katie discovers that her mother is Malay, she finds herself caught between her Chinese cousins and her mother's conservative Muslim community, the Wira group. As Katie bonds with her cousins through KL's underground music scene, she is forced to define her loyalties. Which community should she support and where does she belong?</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.</p>
1209703	Kimberley kickers: Jy goes for gold Merrison, Carl & Hustler, Hakea & Farrar, Jy & Campbell, Samantha (ill)	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9781460765074	3-4	A glimpse into the journey of Jy Farrar from a kid in outback Halls Creek to a professional Aussie Rules footy player. Learn about his upbringing, his experiences in boarding school, his relationship with his family, and his enduring love of footy.



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1154375	King of nothing Lessore, Nathanael	Hot Key Books	2024	9781471413247	9plus	<p>Anton and his friends are King of Year 9. They're used to ruling the school and Anton wears the crown. The other kids run away when he's about but that's the way he wants it - he's got a reputation to live up to after all.</p> <p>So when he gets into serious trouble at school, he doesn't really care, but his mum most definitely does. She decides it's time for Anton to make some new friends and join the Happy Campers, a local activity group. Anton would quite literally rather do anything else, especially when he finds out Matthew, the biggest loser in school, is also a member.</p> <p>But after Matthew unexpectedly saves Anton's life, Anton figures maybe this kid is worth a shot. As the boys strike up an unlikely friendship, Anton finds himself questioning everything he thought was important. Does he want ruling the school to be his crowning glory or should he set his sights on better things?</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
1075166	King of the world, The Clanton, Ben	Farshore	2024	9780008646578	3-4	<p>Rot is ready for another adventure and this time he's going "Spudlunking!" But while Rot is excited to dig through the muck for treasure, all his friends seem to be more interested in their own plans.</p> <p>When Rot uncovers a shiny old crown, he's sure it'll change their minds. And it does... in a most unexpected way. When Rot wears it he feels powerful... He feels invincible... He feels like... the King of the World! And everyone has to do what the king says.</p> <p>But when Rot realizes he's the only one having fun in his kingdom, suddenly he wonders whether he might have let the crown go to his head...</p>
1209732	Kung fu roo: Enter the roo Do, Anh & Ley, Jeremy (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761069918	3-4	<p>Kai, Harry and Charley are best friends. They do everything together including entering the town's Kung Fu competition. They dream of using their kung fu skills to save the world. But disaster strikes when a train they were travelling in gets hit by a meteor. Strange things start to happen, and the friends find they can now transform into animals. Can the team use these new skills to fight crime and save the town after all?</p>

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1096850	Ladybirds do not go to day care Rutstein, Ali & Nill, Nina (ill)	Bright Light Books	2023	9781761213113	K-2	It's the first day of day care, but Ravi's dressed up as his favourite insect and he is quite certain that ladybirds do not go to day care. In fact, this ladybird would rather stay home and eat aphids. Can an anxious and unsure Ravi find the bravery he needs to take flight? A spirited, funny and empowering picture book to encourage even the most nervous of children to spread their wings and try something new.
1153331	Land of Lost Things, The: Adventures Unlimited Griffiths, Andy & Hope, Bill (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2024	9781761268267	5-6	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	5-6	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.

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1089071	Last comics on earth: Too many villains! Brailer, Max & Pruett, Joshua & Cooper, Jay (ill) & Holgate, Douglas (ill)	Farshore	2024	9780008588274	7-9	<p>Jack, June, Quint, and Dirk have forgotten to write a promised sequel to their first Last Kids on earth Graphic Novel. While they hurriedly get to work, their superhero alter-egos make a startling discovery - supervillains do not come up with their own evil plans! Every supervillain scheme comes from the mind of a single, mysterious bad guy.</p> <p>Now, Jack, June, Quint, and Dirk's BIGGEST SEQUEL IN HISTORY has our superheroes in a mad-dash, puzzle-filled race across Apocalyptia to stop the BIGGEST EVIL PLAN IN HISTORY! How will they defeat the never-ending stream of villains and figure out who is behind the chaos? And will the sequel be finished in time? Join them and find out!</p>
1209819	Last life of Lori Mills, The Boucherat, Max	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008666484	5-6	<p>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.</p>
1199013	Laughter is the best ending Master, Maryam & Hicks, Astred (ill)	Pan MacMillan	2024	9781761560132	3-4	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>

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1209826	Legend of the lighthouse moon Edwards, Helen	Roaring Book Press	2024	9781763526013	5-6	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.
1166482	Let's try again another day Barkla, Charlotte & Goodwin, Jade (ill)	Hachette Australia	2024	9780734422019	K-2	Learning and making mistakes is how all new things learnt begin. Stepping always starts unsteady, new skills come when we are ready. If you are young or getting older succeeding in learning comes with mistakes no matter who you are. You will feel happy, sad or even angry along the way but you can try again another day.
1209815	Lethal lizards Dreise, Gregg	Magabala Books	2024	9781922777294	K-2	Join a variety and lizards and goannas in a creation story that celebrates difference and highlights the value of self-belief.
1096841	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Liar's test Kwaymullina, Ambelin	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790873	9plus	Bell Silverleaf is a liar.  It's how she's survived. it's how all Treesingers have survived since they were invaded by the Risen and their fickle gods. But how Bell is in the Queen's Test - she's one of seven girls competing in deadly challenges to determine who will rule for the next twenty-five years. If Bell wins, she'll have the power to help her people and take revenge on the Risen. But first she has to make it through the challenges alive.  She doesn't know how much she's been lied to, or where she fits in a bigger story, a mystery stretching back generations. And she's facing much bigger dangers than the Queen's Test. She's up against the gods themselves.  Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.
1096789	Life on us Flannery, Tim & Flannery, Emma & Ramiro, Xavi (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761211744	5-6	An accessible and often funny accounting of the tens of thousands of species that live on and in the human body.

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995868	Lifsize deadly animals Henn, Sophy	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2023	9780008534301	3-4	Have you ever wondered how big the most deadly animals on earth were? Come on an adventure around the world and see how big some of the most deadly animals alive really are. Watch out for tiny poisonous frogs, giant black caiman, cute but deadly primates and so much more.
1124676	Listen, Hippo! Evans, Gabriel	Puffin Australia	2024	9781761341700	K-2	Billy is feeling sad. he wishes he had someone to talk to. He thinks what he needs is someone to listen. But his best friend, Hippo, believes he knows exactly what Billy needs.
1153343	Little Axel's axolotl MacIver, Juliette & Nielsen, Christopher (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781760656195	K-2	Axel adores his axolotl and Harris lives a life of ease: warm and cosy and cuddled. But Harris has a secret dream and is about to surprise everyone!
1089009	Little books of the little Brontes, The O'Leary, Sara & May Smith, Briony (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529518313	3-4	The inspiring true tale of the young Bronte siblings who loved to make stories ,and who grew up to be among English literature's finest writers. The four motherless children of the Bronte family - Charlotte, Branwell, Emily and Anne lived in a windswept house at the edge of the moors with their father. Hungry for stories, the Brontes devoured poetry and fables, history and novels.
1019847	Little experts: Marvellous vehicles May, James & Emans (ill)	Farshore	2023	9780008520878	3-4	Hit the road with James May to discover amazing human-powered vehicles- from bicycles and submarines to amphibious vehicles and even a helicopter.
1075175	Little pago Briggs, Lauren	Boolarong Press	2021	9781922643001	3-4	Little Pago is a teeny tiny Sea Turtle who loves to swim and play with his friends all day but playing in the currents makes him so hungry. The problem is everything Little Pago tries to eat is not what it seems. Plastic Straws, balloons and plastic bags all pose a danger to Little Pago, so how can he know what is safe to eat? A lovely story about friendship and the importance of keeping our oceans clean.
1051107	Little treasure Gosper, Chanelle & Goldsmith, Jennifer (ill)	Lothian Books	2023	9780734421494	K-2	A sweet and gentle book that celebrates the bond of mother and daughter. Together the explore a deserted beach and revel in the joy of collecting treasure, only to discover that the best treasure is not something that can be stored in a bucket or held in a hand.

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1209775	Lockett & Wilde's dreadfully haunting mysteries: The ghosts of the manor Strange, Lucy & Smy, Pam (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781529523249	3-4	Matilda Lockett typically plays the role of Poor Dead Edna in her aunt's spooky show. It is only when she experiences a haunting at Beauchamp Manor that she learns that she has the gift - she can see ghosts! She can even converse with one, a ghost boy named Edgar Wilde. Will Matilda and Edgar's snooping be the key to solving the mystery at Beauchamp Manor?
1052153	Losing the plot Byrd, Annaleise	Walker Books	2024	9781760656409	3-4	Basil doesn't want to help his sporty neighbour with reading. When Terry brings over Fairytales by the Brothers Grimm neither of them realise just how real the fairytales will become when they find themselves transported into the world in the book! Killing witches and escaping faceless giants is only the start.
1209866	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Lovely and the lost, The Barnes, Jennifer Lynn	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2025	9780241763094	9plus	Kira has a great respect for the family she has been adopted into who are skilful search and rescue workers. This is a story about the training and dedication of 4 teens Kira, Jude, Free and Ash, their dogs Silver and Saskia. Mum Cady Bennett gives her tender family the kind of strength and fearlessness that is needed to both deal with searches in the wilderness and the ultimate truths of rescue. Kira's past keeps being a mess, what happened when 11 years earlier as a little girl found in the wilderness, memories almost erased. A dramatic, tough and gritty story.  Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.
1151649	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Lover birds Egan, Leanne	Farshore	2024	9780008626570	9plus	Isabel Williams moves to a new school and she meets Eloise. Isabel criticizes everything about Eloise but why does she make her pulse race? A uplifting story about acceptance and finding yourself and the power of friendship.  Usually read by students in Years 9, 10 or above.
846160	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Macbeth graphic novel Punter, Russell & Longo, Massimiliano (ill) & Forlini, Valentino (ill)	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2020	9781474948128	9plus	As a battle ends and a storm rages, three witches predict that Macbeth will become King of Scotland, and he decides to take fate into his own hands in an attempt to gain the throne. This graphic novel provides an excellent introduction to Shakespeare's play, using illustrations and simplified language. It maintains all of the mystery, drama and suspense of the original while bringing the play to life for new readers. Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.

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1079740	Magic's most wanted Whitesides, Tyler	Harper	2022	9780062568380	5-6	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	5-6	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 magicalia, each conjured using a different emotion. Using a powerful bestiary called Magicalia, the friends must quickly become conjurers 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...
1124599	Mawson in Antarctica: To the ends of the earth Grochowicz, Joanna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180590	7-9	Mawson is seen undeniably for his leadership in this exciting and dramatic set of events that take place over a year when he and 18 others embark on a scientific expedition of observations measuring meteorological conditions mapping routes discovering new lands, learning valuable lessons for survival against the howling blasting winds of Cape Denison on the Antarctic continent. They are punished to within an inch of their lives. After months hunkered in their huts built as diligently as their ubiquitous penguins building their nests, until after a winter that nothing prepares them for sledging can begin. In 5 separate sledging parties they suffer blizzard and subzero temperatures forging into the unknown Magnetic south. Displaying skills of inventiveness, repurposing and rejigging, keeping safe and a sense of humour they face the ancient land whose willful and unpredictable character was determined long ago.



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1165724	Medici heist Schneiderhan, Caitlin	Atom Publishing	2024	9780349125411	7-9	<p>Welcome to Florence, 1517, a world of intrigue, opulence, secrets, and murder. The Medici family rules the city from their seat of wealth, but the people of Florence remember the few decades they spent as a Republic, free from the Medicis and their puppet Pope, Leo X. Sharp-witted seventeen-year-old con-woman Rosa Cellini has plans for the Pope and the Medicis - and, more specifically, the mountain of indulgence money they've been extorting from the people of Tuscany. To pull off the Renaissance's greatest robbery, she'll recruit a team of capable misfits.</p> <p>Old secrets resurface and tensions in the gang flare as the authorities draw closer and the Medicis' noose pulls tighter around Tuscany itself. What began as a robbery becomes a bid to save Florence from certain destruction - if Rosa and company don't destroy each other first.</p>
846053	Mertales: The daring reef rescue Timmis, Rebecca	Albert Street Books	2021	9781760526566	3-4	<p>Tomorrow is the Fancy-Fins Dress-up Party, and the MerTales crew are very excited!</p> <p>Pearl, Sandy and Coral are extra thrilled to be testing out their mer-mazing new magic powers. But what about Shell? She doesn't seem to have any powers, and is feeling a bit left out. Then a giant turtle blunders into Cockleshell Cove, and Shell is worried that she is too much of a scaredyfish to help. Together the girls must find a way to save the turtle, rescue Cockleshell Cove and have the best dress-up party ever!</p>
846180	MerTales: The great treasure hunt Timmis, Rebecca	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760526573	3-4	<p>It's the day of the Great Treasure Hunt and everyone is joining in! Coral is excited to lead her team of best friends to the treasure first. But soon they discover that there is a bigger mystery to solve...</p> <p>Who is the mer-sterious Count Frumplesquid, and what does he really want in Cockleshell Cove? Can Coral and her crew work together to uncover the truth and keep the precious treasure safe?</p>

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871651	Mertales: The mysterious rainbow thief Timms, Rebecca	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2022	9781760526580	3-4	The colours are disappearing from Cockleshell Cove! The bright coral reef is grey and dull, and even the clownfish have lost their colour. The MerTales crew are worried their tails might be next!  Sandy sets out to investigate with the help of her friends, Pearl, Shell and Coral. F.I.N.S. have saved Cockleshell Cove from reef dragons, giant turtles and catfish burglars, but the Mysterious Rainbow Thief moves faster than anything they have ever seen.  Can the mer-crew catch the thief and bring back Cockleshell Cove's beautiful rainbow?
941486	Message through time, A Ciddor, Anna	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2023	9781761180125	5-6	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?
777925	Michaela Mason's big list of 22 worries Moses, Alexa	Scholastic Australia	2021	9781743838754	5-6	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.
1209857	Miles and Jones: The anaconda attack Smith, Sam & Lador, Cesar (ill)	Little Moa	2024	9781869715564	3-4	Shackleton Jones is excited about his very first sleepover. He has to walk across the park with his dad to meet up with his best friend Amelia Miles. What they never expected was the evil neighbour would curse the park making their trip back to Jones' place much more interesting. Floodwaters can hide the most unusual things. Come on a fast paced graphic adventure with Miles and Jones.
1209724	Millicent Quibb school of etiquette for young ladies of mad science, The McKinnon, Kate & Ca'ceres, Alfredo (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780008710682	5-6	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?

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1209699	Millie Mak the mender Pung, Alice & Ng, Sher Rill (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2024	9781460763797	5-6	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.
1151645	Minecraft Ironsword Academy: Ready set respawn Zane Huett, Caleb & Batson, Alan & Hill, Chris	Farshore	2024	9780008666330	5-6	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.
1209748	Mini and Milo: The last plum Dimos, Venita & Curtin, Natasha (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760656171	K-2	Mini the elephant wants to win the annual cooking competition. Unfortunately, she has insufficient plums to bake her prize-winning plum pie. Milo the rabbit declines to give his only plum to Mini; he has been waiting a long time for it to ripen and he does not wish to share. Will Mini find the final plum needed to bake her plum pie, or will she find something else - something more special - instead?
1076338	Miraculous sweetmakers, The: The frost fair Hastings, Natasha & Smith, Alex T (ill)	Hachette Children's Books	2023	9780008496067	5-6	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.
1151565	Mirror of Beasts, The Bracken, Alexandra	Quercus Children's Books	2024	9781786541758	7-9	Tamsin must travel to the mysterious world of Avalon where she survives. Tamsin makes her way back into the mortal world however she discovers that she is cursed. Tamsin must break the curse before it breaks her.

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1209833	Mitchell Starc: The incredible true story Gifford, Clive	Farshore	2024	9780008608903	3-4	Australian Mitchell Starc is a renowned fast bowler and one of the all-time cricketing greats. Learn about his journey from a kid bowling in his parents' yard to a celebrated world champion in this unofficial true story.
1153332	Monster calls, A: The play Peck, Adam & Dowd, Siobhan & Ness, Patrick	Walker Books	2018	9781406387131	7-9	Conor has the same dream every night, ever since his mother first fell ill. But tonight is different. Tonight when he wakes, there is a monster at his window. It wants something from Conor. It wants the truth.
1209849	Most haunted castles Fielding, Yvette & Shaw, Hannah (ill)	Andersen Press Ltd	2024	9781839134838	5-6	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!
1168005	Murray and Bun: Murray the knight Stower, Adam	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008561277	3-4	Murray and Bun travel through the enchanted cat flat and find themselves in the land of knights. There, Murray must defeat Sir Nasty in a jousting competition. Will Murray rise to the challenge and become an unlikely hero? What are the implications for Princess Rubytoes whose preferred destiny has little to do with marrying either Murray or Sir Nasty?

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728149	Music from another world Talley, Robin	HarperCollins Australia	2020	9781867202257	9plus	<p>It's summer 1977 and Tammy Larson can't be herself anywhere. Not at her strict Christian high school, not at her conservative Orange County church and certainly not at home. Tammy's only outlet is writing secret letters in her diary to activist Harvey Milk...until she's matched with a real-life pen pal who changes everything.</p> <p>Sharon Hawkins bonds with Tammy over punk music and carefully shared secrets, and soon their letters become the one place she can be honest. The rest of her life in San Francisco is full of lies. The kind she tells for others-like helping her brother hide the truth from their mom-and the kind she tells herself. But as antigay fervor in America reaches a frightening new pitch, Sharon and Tammy must rely on their long-distance friendship to discover their deeply personal truths, what they'll stand for... and who they'll rise against.</p> <p>Usually read by student sin years 9, 10 or above.</p>
1209813	My dad's gone away Krakouer, Andrew & Dinan, Jacqueline & Seden, Paul (ill)	Magabala Books	2024	9781922777249	3-4	Tarah's Dad is not around anymore, and she does not know why. Join Tarah as her parents support her to adjust to her Dad being in prison.
1209730	My family and other suspects Emery, Kate	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781760529215	7-9	<p>"What happens when your closest family are the prime suspects in a murder mystery?</p> <p>Spending a weekend visiting her step-grandmother and hanging out with relatives at the family farm isn't 14 year-old Ruth's idea of fun, especially when there is no internet or phone reception, and there is the added complication of trying to suppress her crush on her sort-of-cousin 15 year-old Dylan. But when the sudden and suspicious death of step-grandmother GG keeps the extended family trapped at the farmhouse, it gives Ruth and Dylan a chance to solve the murder mystery themselves."</p>
1122600	Mystery of the forever weekend, The Thompson, Lisa	Scholastic Australia	2024	9780702322648	5-6	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.

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	Nanny Piggins series Spratt, R A				5-6	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.
1019908	Nerd Herd, The: Pig Out Luff, Nathan & Kennett, Chris	Scholastic Australia	2022	9781761128516	3-4	Barny and his friends have escaped from Mrs Fox, but now they have a new problem: Kevin Bacon has a job for them. He wants them to help him impress the new pig on the farm, Barbie Q. Will a swine-dining experience win her over? Or the new musical show, Mo-hair? Join Barny and his friends for their wackiest job yet!
1019906	Nerd herd, The: Raging wool Luff, Nathan & Kennett, Chris	Scholastic Australia	2021	9781760974619	3-4	Barny the Lamb and his friends may have scared off the fox. But now they have a new problem. A gigantic bull (with behavioural issues) is on the loose. Can Barny and his gang get the bull back in his pen and earn the respect of the petting-zoo farm? Or will this be another big mis-steak?
964881	Nerd Herd, The: Kitty Litter Luff, Nathan & Kennett, Chris	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781761205002	3-4	Plus-sized Puss has given birth to five kittens, and they are all kinds of trouble! So the whole farm call upon The Nerd Herd to do something about it - and fast! Can Barny the Lamb, Shaama Llama Ding Dong and Billy the Kid succeed on their mission? And will they finally get the farm cred they deserve?
1209872	New girl, The Calin, Cassandra	Graphix	2024	9781761527654	7-9	Lia and her family are waiting to board a flight across the Atlantic, leaving behind family, friends and Romania - the only home Lia has ever known. But Lia's heartache is overshadowed by the discomfort of her first period. As if things weren't difficult enough! Now Lia is thrust into a world where everything is different: her home, her language and even her body. With so many changes happening at once, Lia struggles with her schoolwork, has trouble communicating with classmates and has no idea how to manage her unpleasant periods. Will she ever feel like herself again?

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1162138	Night War, The Brubaker Bradley, Kimberley	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790637	5-6	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?
1077273	Nina Peanut is amazing Bowie, Sarah	Scholastic UK	2024	9780702329876	5-6	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?
1124940	Nine girls Gregg, Stacy	Penguin NZ	2024	9781776958146	7-9	Set in New Zealand in the late 1970's to early 1980's, the main character Titch is 12 years old when her father goes bankrupt, causing her family to move from the predominantly white city suburb of Remuera to the small, predominantly Maori, town of Ngaruawahia, to be close to her mothers family. In Ngaruawahia Titch and her cousins hear about a stash of gold buried on their family land and they become determined to find it. Titch also meets an unusual creature who guides her through the stories of her ancestors. As Titch learns about her heritage she must navigate feeling like an outsider in her own world.
1153635	Nobody likes Monday Lee, Kelly & Calauti, Amy (ill)	EK Books	2024	9781922539847	K-2	Nobody likes Monday, and the complaint letters are piling up. People dread the start of the week and waking up early. Monday tries hard to change to be more like the other days, until one day she notices a colourful envelope... Readers will love this warm-hearted adventure about learning to celebrate our individual talents and strengths.



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1096856	Nothing alike Moor, Zewlan & Cheong, Peter (ill)	Bright Light Books	2023	9781761212239	K-2	Reuben and his best friend think it's impossible to tell Esme and Eunwoo apart! They both have the same dark hair, are both short, and they even wear the same school uniform. Except that once Reuben starts to think about it, of course he knows who is who. But the girls have a surprise in store for him. He and his best friend look more like than they realise!
909088	Nothing more to tell McManus, Karen M.	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2022	9780241473689	9plus	Four years ago, Brynn left Saint Ambrose School following the shocking murder of her favourite teacher. The case was never solved, but she's sure that the three kids who found Mr Larkin's body know more than they're telling, especially her ex-best friend Tripp Talbot. He's definitely hiding something. On her return to Saint Ambrose, Brynn decides to investigate, but the further she dives into the past, the more secrets she finds. Someone got away with murder and now it is time to uncover the truth....  Usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.
871584	O in the snow, The Barker, Judith & Frith, Janie (ill)	Woodslane Press	2021	9781925868609	K-2	What words contain the O sound?
1061458	Oh, olive! Cho, Lian	HarperCollins US	2023	9780063237490	K-2	Olive's parents are professional artists who always paint prim, proper, perfect shapes, and they want Olive to follow in their footsteps. But Olive wants to paint differently; she likes to splatter and splash colour across her work and never paints perfect shapes, or any shapes at all. What will happen when Olive and her bright paints reach her parents' pristine art gallery?
	Ollie and Bea series NEW 2025 Trembl, Renee				K-2	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.
1066669	On silver tides Bishop, Sylvia	Andersen Press Ltd	2024	9781839133589	7-9	Kelda and her family are silvermen, a hidden people who swim like fish and breathe through their skin. When Isla, Kelda's little sister, is born without these abilities, her life and the lives of her whole family is at risk and she must be protected from the suspicions of their community. When betrayal comes, Kelda and Isla escape on a desperate journey across Britian's waterways.

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700327	One and only Bob, The Applegate, Katherine	Harper	2020	9780008390679	3-4	Bob sets out on a dangerous journey in search of his long-lost sister with the help of his two best friends, Ivan and Ruby. As a hurricane approaches and time is running out, Bob finds courage he never knew he had and learns the true meaning of friendship and family.
1209721	One and only family, The Applegate, Katherine	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780008702465	3-4	Ivan is the resident silverback gorilla in a wildlife sanctuary, with his friend Ruby next door in the elephant enclosure, frequent visits from his canine friend Bob, and his mate Kinyani by his side. Ivan has also just become a dad - to twins! But as he navigates the joys and challenges of parenthood, he can't help but recall his own childhood in the jungle - and his own twin.
1141609	One day by the numbers Jenkins, Steve	Clarion Books	2022	9780358470113	3-4	What happens around in the world in twenty-four hours?
871585	OO in Uluru, The Barker, Judith & Frith, Janie (ill)	Woodslane Press	2020	9781925868180	K-2	This is the story of the OO. An amusing sound for all of you! Learn about the vowel sound OO and where you can find it in different words as you explore Australia's Red Centre.
1209778	Open wide!: jaw-dropping mouths of the animal world Diamante, Letizia & Brown, Ed J.	What on Earth Books	2024	9781804661352	3-4	Gobble up hundreds of incredible facts about animal mouths, teeth, beaks, tongues and lips. Explore the most marvellous mouths of the animal kingdom, from the awesome jaws of the great white shark to the tiny teeth of the garden snail.
1197190	Order of masks, The Bellchambers, Alina	Pan MacMillan	2024	9781761560149	9plus	In the cut throat Ravalian Court, alliances, seduction and magic are the key to survival. Circus performer Mira has spent her life on the run and is determined to secure her future by competing in the deadly Trials and winning a place in one of the three magical Royal Orders. Princess Scarlett is fighting to withstand her half-brothers' sinister ambitions and seize power. Mira is the opportunity she has been waiting to. Will Mira and Scarlett be able to navigate the world of magic, ambition and court intrigue - as co-conspirators or as rivals for the throne?  Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.

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813627	Ottolie Colter and the withering world Williams, Rhiannon	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2023	9781761212192	5-6	Ottolie 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 Whistler has other plans. Plans that would mean something far worse than the dredretches. But what exactly are those plans and why does Whistler need Ottolie's friends to complete it?
1096821	Our bugs Bancroft, Bronwyn	Little Hare Books	2023	9781761211188	K-2	Discover the bugs of Australia through the evocative and intricately detailed artwork of best selling Bundjalung author-illustrator Bronwyn Bancroft.
1105017	Our flag, our story: The Torres Strait Islander Flag Namok Jnr, Bernard & Mayo, Thomas & Mordey, Tori-Jay	Magabala Books	2024	9781922613509	K-2	Flags are symbols of identity, pride, and difference. Join Bernard Namok Junior as he explains the elements of the Torres Strait Islander flag designed by his father.
1023651	Outlaw girls Gale, Emily & Wheetman, Nova	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790231	5-6	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?
1209711	Over or under? Harry, Pip & Tapper, Hilary Jean (ill)	Lothian Books	2024	9780734421807	K-2	Maisie's dad is teaching her about the ocean. She quickly learns to jump over big waves, but finds it trickier to know when to dive under the bigger ones. Will she be able to muster up the courage to give it a try?
1209834	Paddington in Peru: The Story of the Movie Wilson, Anna	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008681807	5-6	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.

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1125089	Pancakes for plum Tan, Rae	Lothian Books	2024	9780734422491	K-2	Plum worries she's not good at anything. Big Brother is good at climbing trees and Second Brother is good at painting, but when Plum tries to join them, she discovers climbing and painting aren't really for her. Then she hears piano notes for the first time and her heart flips over like a pancake on a hot pan. Could playing the piano be the thing that's truly meant for her?  Pancakes for Plum is a gentle, whimsical celebration of self-discovery, beautifully illustrated by remarkable new author-illustrator Rae Tan.
1209774	Pau: The Last Song of the Kaua'i 'o'o Piedra, Tony & Joy, Mackenzie	Candlewick Press	2024	9781536219494	K-2	This book takes you on a journey way back in time. If you listen closely you will hear the sound of the 'o'o bird. Over time, that song grows fainter and fainter until it disappears completely. The 'o'o bird is no more; it is pau (lost forever). What has happened to the 'o'o' bird? Why did its journey end?
959178	Pebble and Wren Hallbeck, Chris	HarperCollins Australia	2023	9780358541288	5-6	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.
1097641	Penguin oh Penguin Milroy, Gladys & Milroy, Helen	Magabala Books	2023	9781875641697	K-2	Can Penguin make it back to its family?
1176759	Penny draws a class trip Shepard, Sara	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790712	3-4	Our class trip to New York was to be my first time away from home except Grandma Mini's and Grandma Anne's. I have more worries of a competition between BJP Elementary and Amsterdam Academy for a new library, were they now the enemy? We had three workshops to work together but Riley is assuming a leadership role and not listening, maybe I could lead this group to win. Billy made is sound like worrying was a good thing. My buddy is Violet and we aren't friends any more why was she acting strange , how I can get her to feel like she can talk about it? On the last day of our trip, the Winner is!

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1176746	Penny draws a secret adventure Shepard, Sara	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790569	3-4	Dear Cosmo, I have a cereal box project, What Makes You YOU? Me I'm a worrywart with some peculiar slants on life, like Riley stealing Violet my best friend from me and I haven't let it go. Maybe friendships can be mended. Rocco, Kristian, Petra, Maria, Chloe and me Penny are on a new adventure looking for treasure with a map I found in the attic. Having to sneak to the witch's house on Mulberry Street to get the next clue was worrying me as much as being in a new house and having new twins that scream a lot. Perhaps a pep talk or contacting my Feelings Teacher will sort things, and we have a babysitter teenager Grace. Dear Cosmo, my friends are so excited to start Mission Lockbox.
1153623	Pepper Masalah and the disappearing rope Hawke, Rosanne & Berry, Jasmine (ill)	Wombat Books	2024	9781761111624	3-4	Pepper Masalah and Zamir fly on their magic carpet back in time to Mughal India as the carpet tries to find its original owner. Zam is accused of stealing the carpet and thrown in the dungeon. How will Pepper and hew new friends rescue him? And if the emperor keeps his carpet, how can they return home to Australia?
	Percy Jackson series Riordan, Rick				5-6	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.
1153329	Perfect Guy Doesn't Exist, The Gonzales, Sophie	Hachette Children's Books	2024	9781444964653	9plus	When Ivy's parents go away for a week, she plans to binge-watch her favourite TV show. But her plans go awry when she wakes up to find the handsome main character of said TV show in her bedroom. Weston may be her soulmate on paper, but what about in real life? In order to deal with this turn of events, Ivy must somehow work with her ex-best friend Mack, and she starts to wonder if perhaps someone else was her soulmate all along...

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1209698	Periodic tale, A Kruszelnicki, Dr Karl	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9780733340345	7-9	The only child of Holocaust survivors who fled to Australia in 1950, Karl has always forged his own destiny in an idiosyncratic way. Before he became one of the world's favourite scientific storytellers, he ambled through a convoluted cacophony of a career. In Dr Karl's memoir, you will learn that it's okay to not take a linear path through life, and that by following our curiosities and our passions, we can bend the universe to our liking.
1019902	Pidge's poppies Andrews, Jan & Ide, Timothy (ill)	Ford Street Publishing	2024	9781922696380	K-2	Pidge's Poppies brings to light the message of hope with the symbol of the red poppy in a curious, delightful way when two pigeons tell a story about building a nest in the Australian War Memorial from cloth poppies strewn among the name plates of those who fought the war and lost their lives doing so. Pidge's remembering of how important carrier pigeons were in communication is both factual and comforting when the nest is complete.
877886	Pirate queens: Dauntless women who dared to rule the high seas Lewis, Leigh & Gomez Woolley, Sara (ill)	National Geographic Society	2022	9781426371950	5-6	You have heard about all the Pirate Kings but have you heard about the Pirate Queens. They are bold, adventurous and formidable.
1209807	Plague French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781743834824	5-6	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 wheat ...Plague explores the impact of human decisions on the delicate food chains that exist, through the eyes of the locusts themselves.
	Pow pow pig series NEW 2025 Do, Anh & Cheong, Peter (ill)				3-4	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.
	Princess in black series Hale, Shannon & Hale, Dean & Pham, LeUyen (ill)				K-2	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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887077	Prison healer Noni, Lynette	Penguin	2024	9781760897512	9plus	<p>Seventeen-year-old Kiva Meridan has spent the last ten years fighting for survival in the notorious death prison, Zalindov, working as the prison healer.</p> <p>When the Rebel Queen is captured, Kiva is charged with keeping the terminally ill woman alive long enough for her to undergo the Trial by Ordeal: a series of elemental challenges against the torments of air, fire, water, and earth, assigned to only the most dangerous of criminals.</p> <p>Then a coded message from Kiva's family arrives, containing a single order: "Don't let her die. We are coming." Aware that the Trials will kill the sickly queen, Kiva risks her own life to volunteer in her place. If she succeeds, both she and the queen will be granted their freedom.</p> <p>With an incurable plague sweeping Zalindov, a mysterious new inmate fighting for Kiva's heart, and a prison rebellion brewing, Kiva can't escape the terrible feeling that her trials have only just begun.</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10 or above.</p>
1112565	Punycorn Watson, Andi	Clarion Books	2023	9780358571995	5-6	<p>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?</p>
1174718	Puppet Almond, David & Stewart, Lizzy (ill)	Viking Children's	2024	9781406391619	5-6	<p>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.</p>



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1133742	Queen of dogs Weatherstone, Jen	Walker Books	2024	9781760658588	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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...</p>
1209734	Raven's eye runaways, The Mabey, Claire	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781991006820	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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?</p>
1209814	Raymangirrbuy dhawu - When I was a little girl Gatjawarrawuy Mununggurr, Kylie	Magabala Books	2024	9781922142306	3-4	Written in English and Djambarrpuynu, this is a story about a young girl's childhood in Raymangirr, a Yolnu homeland in North-East Arnhem Land.
1075159	Reappearance of Rachel Price, The Jackson, Holly	electric monkey	2024	9780008507268	9plus	<p>18-year-old Bel has lived her whole life in the shadow of her mother's mysterious disappearance. Sixteen years ago, Rachel Price vanished and young Bel was the only witness. Rachel is gone, presumed dead.</p> <p>The case is dragged up from the past when the Price family agrees to a true crime documentary. Bel can't wait for filming to end, for life to go back to normal. But then Rachel Price reappears, and life will never be normal again...</p> <p>Usually read by studwents in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
750997	Rebel gods Kostakis, Will	Hachette Australia	2020	9780734419262	7-9	Newbie gods Connor, Sally and Locky want to change the world, no biggie. When their first attempted miracle doesn't quite go to plan, they find themselves at odds with their families, the media and each other. To make matters worse, they're drawn into a centuries old conflict between the gods of Love and Fear that just might destroy the world they're striving to make better.

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1088077	Rebels of Mount Buffalo, The Edwards, Helen	Yellow Brick Books	2023	9780645218077	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>When Clara and Alice are confronted by danger, will Clara rediscover her courage? Will she find the strength to reclaim herself?</p>
896426	Rebound Alexander, Kwame	HarperCollins Australia	2018	9780358494836	5-6	<p>Hoop kings SOAR in kicks with wings. Game so sweet it's like bee stings.</p> <p>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?</p>
1096800	Recipe for magic potion, A Henseleit, Jack & Horne, Natasja (ill)	Bright Light Books	2024	9781761211881	K-2	<p>To make a magic potion, you will need these things: A friend (or two or three) A bucket or a pot Or a hole And... ingredients.</p>

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1209846	Revenge of the toxic space potato First Dog on the Moon	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761066771	5-6	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 on...Mars?! 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?
1019750	Ⓞ Rosewood hunt, The Reed, Mackenzie	HarperTeen	2023	9780063287624	9plus	<p>Lily Rosewood has lived with her grandmother since her dad's death a year ago. She and Gram have always been close. Gram's role as chair of their family's luxury coat business has inspired Lily's love of fashion, and Lily hopes to follow in Gram's footsteps one day.</p> <p>Then Gram dies suddenly, and Lily's world is upended. Gram's quarter of a billion dollar fortune is missing, and Lily has been banned from the manor she and Gram shared.</p> <p>But Gram has always loved games, and even in death, she still has a few tricks up her couture sleeve. When Lily and three other seemingly random teens get letters from Gram sending them on a treasure hunt around Rosetown, they hope the fortune will be the reward. But they're not the only ones hunting for Gram's treasure, and soon the hunt becomes more dangerous than they ever could have imagined</p> <p>Usually read by students in Years 9, 10 or above.</p>

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1038896	Rover's story, A Warga, Jasmine	HarperCollins Australia	2022	9780063113930	3-4	As part of her school project, Sophie has decided to write letters to Resilience a Rover who has been sent to Mars on a mission, but Res has feelings not allowed for Mars. 'You are whole, I say. I am no longer just a brain sitting on a table.' Res is built to be an unbiased observer. But there is more. He is glad and he wants, anticipates and wonders about events unlike the real Mars Rover. As dramatic events unfold a reader is left so far from the real events of the NASA mission with a rogue robot taking literally 'I was sent here to explore all places of interest possible' to 22 years later in a museum after a journey across space and time in the lives of the characters.
	Scholastic question & answer series Rippin, Sally & Kennett, Chris (ill)				K-2	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.
	School of monsters series Rippin, Sally & Kennett, Chris (ill)				K-2	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.
1153340	Scientists in the wild: Antarctica Scales, Helen & Hendry, Kate & D'hipolito, Romolo (ill)	Flying Eye Books	2024	9781838741228	5-6	Join a team of scientists as they explore one of the most remote and fragile environments on Earth - Antarctica.
27925	Scream: The human flytrap Heath, Jack	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781760152086	5-6	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!

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944267	Sea Country Cameron, Aunty Patsy & Kennedy, Lisa (ill)	Magabala Books	2021	9781925936032	K-2	My people are proud, strong people. We are the decendants of Mannalargenna of the Pairrebeene Trawlwoolway clan, We grew up on Flinder's Island in eastern Bass Strait. The bush and the beach were our playground. We were free there to hear Country speak to us. Sea Country will give you everything you need, if you watch and listen.
1124710	Sea of wolves, A Street, Sarah	Hachette Children's Books	2024	9781444967821	9plus	The fifty year old treaty is in tatters and ships are washing up filled with dead bodies. Mersey Drake seeks to free her city from the clutches of a pirate called the Heartless King. Her plan fails when she is captured by the pirate crew. Mersey falls for the ship's cold blooded first mate, a girl called Golde, unaware that a wolf is getting ready to pounce. Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.
1209714	Seawitch McKenna, Skye, Tomislav, Tomic (ill)	Hachette Children's Books	2024	9781801301282	5-6	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.
1209782	Secret FACTopia! Towler, Paige & Smith, Andy (ill)	Britanica Books	2024	9781804661079	3-4	Follow the trails as you flip through the pages of amazing facts and discover more. Some of the facts are hidden, mysterious and weird, from secret poison rings, secret bangle compartments, a Morse code necklace, smoke signals and braided messages in hair designs. Find out about transport long ago, hidden places and lots more.

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1174711	Secret garden rewilded, The Simmons, Anthea	Andersen Press Ltd	2024	9781839134203	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
1019880	Secret of the blood-red key, The Farr, David	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2024	9781801311090	5-6	<p>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 refuse 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.</p>
1038944	Secrets of the saltmarsh Saxby, Claire & Rogerson, Alicia (ill)	CSIRO	2023	9781486317141	3-4	<p>Saltmarshes are full of energy and life. They provide food and shelter for migratory birds as well as microscopic plants and animals. They also protect our coastlines. Most of all, saltmarshes are places of discovery and wonder. Secrets of the Saltmarsh offers a close-up look at the fascinating world of Saltmarsh wetlands.</p>
1066733	Seed to sky: Life in the Daintree Freeman, Pamela & Anelli, Liz (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760653750	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>

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1096816	Sensational sharks Flannery, Tim & Flannery, Emma & Melrose, Katie (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2023	9781761211706	5-6	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.
1019848	Seven days Shaid, Rebeka	Walker Books	2024	9781529513967	7-9	Noori has it all figured out. She may be only sixteen, but she knows a thing or two about life and its messy heartaches. Aamir is trying to escape a painful past. The last thing he needs is more complications. Yet after his world collides with Noori's, he can't forget her. Their lives are connected by invisible threads.
1153640	Shadow play Forsyth, Kate & Street, Rosalie (ill)	Wombat Books	2024	9781925563740	K-2	Minnie May is plagued by fear; her shadow follows her everywhere, she cannot shake its dark and menacing presence. An encounter with Ziggy heralds a shift in perspective, encouraging Minnie May to think about her shadow anew.
1080643	Shadow world, The Randall, Caity & Ford, Craig & Perring, M.K. (ill)	Sassey Pty Ltd	2023	9781922851284	7-9	Sometimes when we do not know what we are looking at or dealing with, it can be overwhelming and potentially dangerous. We are here to help you navigate your way around this online world, arming you with your very own knowledge torch. This book is the creation of experts who share their experience and knowledge with you, so your world is less at risk of slipping into The Shadow World beyond your device screens.
1209776	Shakespeare's first folio: All the plays (Children's edition) Shakespeare, William & Chouhan, Dr. Anjna & Sutton, Emily	Walker Books	2024	9781529514421	5-6	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.
1125054	Sharkman and Blowfish: World domination Woodland, David	Berbay Publishing	2023	9781922610751	3-4	Sharkman has big ideas like taking over the world, and its Blowfish's job is to work out how. Readers will love this funny, fast paced tale of friendship, power and giant undies.

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1133450	Shiny misfits Zayid, Maysoon & Amin, Shadia (ill)	Graphix	2024	9781338139280	5-6	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.
1141346	Six summers of Tash and Leopold Binks, Danielle	Hachette Australia	2024	9780734421890	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
867794	Skandar and the unicorn thief Steadman, A.F.	Simon & Schuster	2022	9781398502734	5-6	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!
1209817	Sky country Cameron, Aunty Patsy & Kennedy, Lisa (ill)	Magabala Books	2024	9781922777218	3-4	With our grandmother we walk all the way to the peak of the mountain...We hear whispering and we listen with all our ears. Grandmother is going to tell us the story of our Ancestral Beings.
	Sky dragon series Various				5-6	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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916540	Sky full of stars, A Jackson, Linda Williams	HarperCollins Children's Books	2023	9780358667209	5-6	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.
1209750	Sleepy sheepy and the sheeppover Cummins, Lucy Ruth & Oswald, Pete (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760658953	K-2	It's time for Sleepy Sheepy's very first sleepover. But when it's time for bed, Sleepy Sheep cannot sleep. His blankets scratch and his PJ's don't match.
1209799	Small fry Baddiel, David & Loftis, Cory (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780008621988	5-6	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.
1080654	Smarty pup #4: Talent quest Do, Anh & Emdin, Anton (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761069857	3-4	Timmy and Carla want to buy dad a good present for his birthday, but they don't have enough money until Miss Ann announces that next week the school will be holding a Talent Quest with a cash prize. JJ and Carla enter as a duet in the singing category. Problem is that JJ cannot sing and at the Talent Quest things don't go as planned until a final surprise they couldn't believe and dad had the best birthday ever.
34498	Something special Rodda, Emily & Young, Noela (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2024	9781460766415	3-4	In the spare room, the second-hand clothes hang in rows, stirring in the sunlight. Sam walks through the rows, brushing velvety sleeves, touching lace, sensing memories and magic. The clothes all have neat price tags. They're ready to be sold at the school fete on Saturday. Sam knows that some of them are Special. Her mother has told her so. But she is soon to find out just how Special they really are.
1209825	SOS: Muddy mystery Stelzer, Cameron	Daydream Press	2022	9780645133158	3-4	When Mischief's schoolbag disappears on a farm excursion, the detective dog goes searching for clues. Can he solve the mystery of the muddy footprints? And what priceless treasure is hidden in his bag?

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949674	SOS: So cool Stelzer, Cameron	Daydream Press	2022	9780645133189	3-4	When a family of hamsters are shipwrecked, the Scallywags help by raising money with a costume parade. but every costume The Big Chipper tries to make is a disaster. How will the salty seagull feel when he discovers Deluchio's cool costume?
1078784	Sound the gong He, Joan	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790682	7-9	All her life Zephyr has tried to rise above her humble origins as a no-name orphan. Now she is a god in a warrior's body , and she has never felt more powerless. Her lordess, Xin Ren, holds the Westlands, but her position is tenuous. In the north, the empress remains under Miasma's thumb. In the south, the alliance with Cicada is in pieces. Fate also seems to have a different plan in mind for the three kingdoms, but Zephyr has no intention of respecting it.
1209701	Spirals and stars Gordon, Kate	Wombat Books	2024	9781761111709	7-9	Set in the nineties Spirals and Stars is a timeless story of friendship loss and gain, finding your place in the world, and finding the confidence to break free from expectations. Set on a backdrop of small town life, "nerd culture" and the big life moments and discoveries in our bodies and our souls, Spirals and Stars features a cast of diverse characters, a found family, a protagonist on the cusp of self-discovery, and a wealth of nineties era fun.
1209793	Spy academy: Doomsday Heath, Jack	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781761290480	7-9	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.
1209873	Squad, The Soontornvat, Christina & Cacao, Joanna (ill)	Graphix	2024	9781761640971	7-9	It's eighth grade and Christina and her besties, Megan and Leanne, are once again going through the brutal trials of cheerleading tryouts. This year, Christina feels more confident: She dresses in her own style and has amazing friends, even her first crush. But what if the girls don't all make the squad? Worse than that, Christina learns her parents' marriage is collapsing. Suddenly, her family, her future, and her identity seem in total freefall. Can she keep it together and still make her cheerleading dreams come true?

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1209890	Steady for this Lessore, Nathanael	Hot Key Books	2023	9781471413223	7-9	Shaun (aka MC Growls) is ready to drop his best bars and smash the competition at Raptology. That way, he's convinced Tanisha, his crush, will finally give him a chance. But when a livestream practice goes epically wrong, Growls's dirty laundry is literally exposed. He's finally achieved his dreams of going viral, just not in a good way. Now Tanisha won't look at him, he's the joke of the school and there's no way he can show his face at the competition. Will he ever catch a break? Then a new girl on the block appears who might be just the friend Growls needs. Especially when she points out that Raptology could be the answer to his problems after all. It's MC Growls and he's ready for this. He's steady for this. It's comeback season and they call him comeback king for a reason.
1209704	Stepping sideways: Worlds of steampunk and dystopia Larkin, Emily (ed) & Stringer Lynne (ed)	Rhiza Press	2024	9781761111785	7-9	An anthology of twelve short stories from diverging worlds, some are steampunk and others dystopian, written by Australian authors. Be transported into complex worlds of fog and mist, dystopian civilisations, time travel, slavery, steam engines, airships, clockwork devices and very bad food.
1193371	Stickboy Young, Rebecca & Ottley, Matt	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781742994468	5-6	Stickboy lived in wind and dust, where ancient rock loomed like waves waiting to break...
1133512	Stitch Kenny, Padraig	Walker Books	2024	9781529517781	5-6	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.

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903269	Strike the zither He, Joan	Text Publishing Co	2022	9781911231417	7-9	<p>The year is 414 of the Xin Dynasty, and chaos abounds. A puppet empress is on the throne. The realm has fractured into three factions and three warlordesses hoping to claim the continent for themselves.</p> <p>But Zephyr knows it's no contest.</p> <p>Orphaned at a young age, Zephyr took control of her fate by becoming the best strategist of the land and serving under Xin Ren, a warlordess whose loyalty to the empress is double-edged; while Ren's honor draws Zephyr to her cause, it also jeopardizes their survival in a war where one must betray or be betrayed. When Zephyr is forced to infiltrate an enemy camp to keep Ren's followers from being slaughtered, she encounters the enigmatic Crow, an opposing strategist who is finally her match. But there are more enemies than one - and not all of them are human.</p>
1209896	Such charming liars McManus, Karen M.	Penguin	2024	9780241676998	9plus	<p>"For all of Kat's life, it's just been her and her mother, Jamie - except for the forty-eight hours when Jamie was married and Kat had a stepbrother, Liam. That all ended in an epic divorce, and Kat and Liam haven't spoken since.</p> <p>Now Jamie is a jewel thief trying to go straight, but she has one last job at billionaire Ross Sutherland's birthday party. And Kat has figured out a way to tag along. What Kat doesn't know, though, is that there are two surprise guests at the dazzling Sutherland compound that weekend. The last two people she wants to run into. Liam and his father - a serial scammer who has his sights set on Ross Sutherland's youngest daughter.</p> <p>Kat and Liam are on a collision course to disaster, and when a Sutherland dies, they realize they might actually be in the killer's crosshairs themselves. Somehow Kat and Liam are the new targets, and they can't trust anyone - except each other. Or can they?</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>

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1176766	Sugarcane kids and the empty cage, The Archbold, Charlie	Text Publishing Co	2024	9781922790996	3-4	Gloria the talkative eclectic parrot is missing from the animal sanctuary, and Anna the massive Australian scrub python has vanished from her enclosure at the library. Have they escaped or were they stolen? Andy is back with the sugarcane kids to solve the mystery and find the missing animals.
943599	Sugarcane kids and the red-bottomed boat, The Archbold, Charlie	Text Publishing Co	2022	9781922458520	3-4	Andy and his best friend Eli live in a small coastal town in far north Queensland between the sugarcane fields and the mangrove swamps. When Eli's cousin Jacob is arrested for a jewellery theft, Andy and Eli both know he is innocent. The trail of clues leads them to a mysterious red-bottomed boat hidden deep in the mangroves guarded by the fearsome saltwater crocodile Sebastian.
1209708	Summer of Shipwrecks Plozza, Shivaun	University of Queensland Press	2024	9780702268373	5-6	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 shipwrecked, too?
1208957	Super snake Dreise, Gregg	Magabala Books	2024	9781922142955	K-2	Dhurruluwi guuma-li - come together! Wantima - Rise up! Woorri - Share!  This is the refrain of the Super Snake as he locates the water that communities need to survive, and as he teaches us the value of sharing our resources.
1101133	Super speedy sloth, The Young, Rebecca & McKenzie, Heath (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2023	9781760978488	K-2	Ever since she was small, Spike wished she could be a super speedy sloth on a great rescue spree. The other sloths said it just wasn't right but Spike was read to show them her might.  A joyful and inspiring zero to hero story.

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1209764	Sweetness between us, The Winifred Searle, Sarah	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761181245	9plus	<p>Perley has been diagnosed with diabetes and is trying to get his head around sugar levels and insulin shots. Amandine, part of a respected vampire family, has been turned much younger than she expected after a near-fatal car accident. Bonding over hospital trips and new diets, the two teens form a fast friendship. And Amandine's ability to taste blood sugar levels is a helpful perk for Perley that also provides her an ethical source of sustenance (essential for a vegan-turned-vampire).</p> <p>But as the year passes, Perley and Amandine begin to realise that their coping strategies - and their blood-sipping-turned-romance - may not be as healthy as they first thought. Will they be able to get their lives back to normal? And when so much has changed, what does 'normal' even mean?</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
1209864	Taronga big book of animals Taronga Conservation Society Australia	Penguin	2024	9781761347467	5-6	<p>Think you know animals? Bet you didn't know...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The most poisonous animal in the world is a frog?</li> <li>- Bilbies can turn over 20 tonnes of soil a year?</li> <li>- Tigers have spikes on their tongues?</li> <li>- Walruses can sing?</li> <li>- Echidna poo is glittery?</li> </ul> <p>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.</p>
1209870	Taronga presents: Baby boom Darell, Kristin & Wood, Laura (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2024	9781761347481	3-4	<p>Sophia and Ollie are back at Taronga Zoo for their holidays and there's a baby boom! Baby tigers, meerkats, kangaroos - there are so many cute zoo babies to learn about and look after. Sophia and Ollie can't wait to meet all the new arrivals, but will they get to look after the cutest baby of them all?</p>
1209868	Taronga presents: Night owls Darell, Kristin & Wood, Laura (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2024	9781761347498	3-4	<p>Sophia and Ollie are spending the night at Taronga Zoo - but who knew how many animals were active at night? And what are those noises? Sophie and Ollie have an important job to do, and need to stay awake, just like night owls!</p>

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1209869	Taronga presents: Party animals Darell, Kristin & Wood, Laura (ill)	Penguin Random House Australia	2024	9781761347443	3-4	Ollie is celebrating his birthday at Taronga Western Plains Zoo and Sophia has a secret surprise for him. He will love it but secrets, especially exciting ones, are so hard to keep! Join the best friends as they have lots of animal adventures before it's party time. It will be wild!
1209867	Taronga presents: Poo at the zoo Darell, Kristin & Wood, Laura (ill)	Penguin Books Australia	2024	9781761347436	3-4	Sophia and Ollie are zookeepers for a day, but they don't expect their first job to be working with poo! They find there's a lot to learn before they can work with the zookeepers at Taronga Zoo. They are going to have to start at the bottom at work their way up!
1153630	Tempus Imperium, The Paine, Juliet A.	Rhiza Press	2024	9781761111648	7-9	When Charlie's grandmother dies in mysterious circumstances, Charlie inherits her beautiful watch, the Tempus Imperium. She also discovers the world of the Temporal Sinistrum, a secretive organisation of time-travellers. Their task is to maintain the historical timeline. Charlie never knew her grandmother was one of their agents, but now, in order to solve the mystery of her grandmothers death, she must follow in her footsteps on an adventure travelling through time - back to Australia of the 1960's and to the future post-apocalyptic wasteland that is Los Angeles in 2120.
1209751	Ten-word tiny tales Coelho, Joseph	Walker Books	2023	9781529502688	3-4	The tales in this compendium are tiny - they are only ten words long! But in your imagination they will settle - and, like seeds, they will grow.
1133459	Tennis camp diaries: Doubles disaster Barty, Ash & McGaughey, Jasmin & Goodwin, Jade (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9781460762745	3-4	Ash's dreams have come true - she's going to TENNIS CAMP for TWO WHOLE WEEKS! It will be so much FUN. On the first day, Ash meets her friend Zia, the coaches are great, and she's having the BEST time UNTIL the end-of-camp competition is announced. It's a DOUBLES tournament. Who will Ash get paired with? But that's not her only worry: there's a mean kid, plus a talent show to deal with!

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1019861	That's not my name Lally, Megan	Sourcebooks Inc	2024	9781728270111	9plus	<p>A teen girl wakes up on the side of a road. She is battered and bruised, with no memory of who she is or how she got there. The police don't know where she came from until a frantic man arrives at the station. He says he is her father and he has her birth certificate and family photos to prove it. Her says her name is Mary....</p> <p>After a fight, Lola leaves her boyfriends car and storms off into the night. Drew never sees her again. The sheriff and Drew's friends are convinced that Drew murdered Lola, so he needs to find her. The longer Lola is missing, the more danger they are both in.</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
1209895	This tale is forbidden Crosby, Polly	Scholastic Australia	2024	9780702325601	7-9	<p>Once upon a time Fairy tales were real and the women in them strong and powerful. The Authorities want you to forget those stories and the lives of the women in them. In fact they want you to forget that magic ever existed. Now the fairy tales depict weak women who rely on the protection of men, wear long tight dresses and always tie their hair back in tight braids. Nesta didn't grow up in the city and Nesta knows the truth. That truth makes her dangerous, but does she have what it takes to rescue her grandmother and bring down the authorities?</p>
1089012	Three dresses Gibson, Wanda	University of Queensland Press	2024	9780702266355	K-2	<p>Author-illustrator Wanda Gibson grew up on Hope Vale Mission in Far North Queensland. Her novel revisits the family's annual break from the Mission, and celebrates connection to family and place, as well as the joy in simple things such as a young girl's three dresses.</p>
	Through my eyes series Mason, Prue & White, Lyn (ill)				5-6	<p>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.</p>



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1209765	Thunderhead Beer, Sophie	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180958	7-9	<p>Thunderhead is awkward, obsessed with music, and prone to bad luck. Their favourite things are hanging with their best (only) friend, Moonflower, and listening to record.</p> <p>When Moonflower moves schools, Thunderhead must navigate the challenges of high school alone. This task is made all the more challenging because she also has a big secret.</p> <p>Thunderhead uses playlists and online diary entries to try to make sense of her changing world, and to find the courage to embrace her future.</p>
1209831	Tigg and the Bandicoot Bushranger French, Jackie	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9781460763506	5-6	<p>Tigg is orphaned, twelve-years-old, and the youngest bushranger on the Ballarat goldfields in 1859.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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?</p>

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1075094	Time travelling with a tortoise Welford, Ross	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2024	9780008544775	7-9	<p>Exciting, funny, heartwarming, and mind-bendingly clever, Time Travelling with a Tortoise is the extraordinary, adventure-packed sequel to Ross Welford's beloved, bestselling debut, Time Travelling with a Hamster.</p> <p>Al Chaudhury travelled back in time to save his father's life.</p> <p>And it worked - Al's dad is alive again and life is back to the way it should be. At least, that's what Al thinks.</p> <p>Because when an accident nearly kills Al's beloved Grandpa Byron, and forces Al back in time again, this time he leaves someone behind, trapped in another dimension forever.</p> <p>And now Al is forced to travel through time once more, not just to rescue his friend from the past, but also to save his Grandpa Byron's life... and to make sure that there will be a future waiting for them all.</p> <p>It turns out time travel isn't as simple as Al thought.</p>
	Tiny Timmy series Cahill, Tim				3-4	<p>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.</p>
1171888	Too many acorns Crispe, Susannah	EK Books	2024	9781922539748	K-2	<p>Patrick finds an acorn. It is small and warm and smooth and something inside him begins to grow. He starts collecting acorns, a few at first and then a few more until the acorns are everywhere, but Patrick can't stop. What will happen when there are more acorns than space?</p>

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1209707	Too tall tales of Alma T. Best, the: Out of bounds Collette, Katherine	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9781460765388	7-9	Twelve years old and six feet tall Alma was about to venture into a new school after winning a scholarship to Holy Grace. The problem for Alma was not that she wore size 11 shoes but that she came from Shellsville and that students from Holy Grace did not like Shellsville. So Alma embarks on her very own plan to save face by her will to maintain a life , built out of her imagination like a house of cards .It was an adventure and a tricky game to follow till the end for her family and friends. The Mother's Day Stall assignment was getting closer as worse became worse.
1209746	Tooth fairy and the crocodile, The Donaldson, Julia & Monks, Lydia (ill)	MacMillan	2024	9781447284437	K-2	Ruth Mary is a tooth fairy who is typically tasked with collecting teeth from beneath the pillows of sleeping children. In this book she is given a special assignment: collect teeth from sleeping animals! Will these animals help her when things start to go awry?
1153334	Toxic Johnson, Mitch	Orion	2024	9781510111929	5-6	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?

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1108788	Trials of Apollo, The: Burning maze, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241534267	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
1133516	Trials of apollo, The: Dark prophecy, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241377550	5-6	<p>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 haiku-filled ride.</p>

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1108779	Trials of apollo, The: Hidden oracle, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241377536	5-6	<p>How do you punish an immortal?</p> <p>By making him human.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
1133752	Trials of Apollo, The: Tower of nero, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241588086	5-6	<p>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?</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Will Meg have a last showdown with her father?</p> <p>Will this helpless form of Apollo have to face his arch nemesis, Python?</p> <p>Who will be on hand at Camp Half-Blood to assist?</p>

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1133738	Trials of Apollo, The: Tyrant's tomb, The Riordan, Rick	Puffin Australia	2023	9780241534274	5-6	<p>Things are getting very bad, very fast, for Apollo...</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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...</p>
754441	Truck Cat, The Frenkel, Deborah & Snell, Danny (ill)	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing	2024	9781761215766	5-6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>

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1169502	Tryout, The Soontornvat, Christina & Cacao, Joanna (ill)	Graphix	2022	9781338741261	7-9	When cheerleading tryouts are announced, Christina and her best friend, Megan, literally jump at the chance to join the squad. As two of the only kids of colour in the school, they have always yearned to fit in - and the middle school cheerleaders are popular and accepted by everyone. But will the girls survive the terrifying tryouts, with their whole grade watching? And will their friendship withstand the pressures of competition?
1209728	Turtle Moon Gold, Hannah, Pinfold, Levi (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2024	9780008582081	3-4	When Silver's father is invited to visit a turtle rescue centre as artist-in-residence, Silver is hopeful that this adventure will help joy back to her family.  What was intended as a peaceful holiday in Costa Rica turns quickly into something darker and more dangerous when some rare leatherback turtle eggs are stolen. Will Silver and her new friend Rafi be able to save the eggs?"
1103079	Twelfth Knight Follmuth, Alexene Farol	Pan MacMillan	2024	9781250884893	9plus	Jack Orsino is Mr Popular at his Highschool and only got Student Body President because he's a sport hero. Viola Reyes is the one who does all the work and has a lot to be annoyed about. Vi escapes by playing Twelfth Knight - an online role playing game where she can hide her true identity and excel on her own terms. But when Jack's sporting career is collapsing Twelfth Knight will unite these warring teens, and Vi will be forced to decide who she wants to be and who she can trust.  Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.
1070176	Twinning: BFFs (not) Moses, Alexa	Scholastic Australia	2024	9781761292620	3-4	Grace and Izzy are twins - identical twins - and they're closer than BFFs. But even though they look alike, they're not similar at all! It's Harmony Day at Rocky Point Primary, and Izzy and Grace are entering the best presentation competition. But when the girls choose the same topic, the battle between the sisters is on. Who will win? And will they ever be BFFs again?
1209792	Two can keep a secret McManus, Karen M.	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2019	9780141375656	9plus	Echo Ridge, a town near the Canadian border is not safe for teenage girls. In 1996, high school senior Sarah Corcoran vanished while walking home from the library. Then five years ago, homecoming queen Lacey Kilduff was found dead in the aptly named Murderland Halloween Park. Now the killer claims to be back. Echo Ridge is not a good place to be popular.  Usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.

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915992	Two degrees Gratz, Alan	Scholastic US	2022	9781338735673	7-9	As climate change threatens, more and more natural disasters are occurring around the world. Three groups of children are facing the problem of climate change and the disasters it causes. A wildfire in California, melting ice in the Canadian north and hurricanes in Florida. Through their experiences the children must find a way to make the adults make changes to save the Earth.
1082880	Unexpected mess of it all, The Tozer, Gabrielle	HarperCollins Australia	2024	9781460761441	9plus	<p>Jamila Dakhoul wants to escape her life. Forget everything. Forget that her only friends are strangers on the internet. Forget that she's stuck in a caravan after a fire destroyed her family's house. Forget that Year 12 is a brutal hellhole where bullying is an Olympic sport. Forget Billy Radcliffe once and for all.</p> <p>But as Jamila tries to untangle the messy threads of her life on a weekend away with her family, it becomes clear that she can't outrun her past, no matter how hard she tries ...</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>
1138111	Unreal: Can you tell fact from fake Simpson, Kate & Rudge, Leila (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180347	3-4	<p>There's been a mix-up at the Museum - some of the displays from the Myths and Legends exhibit have snuck into the Natural History wing.</p> <p>We have to sort it out, but how can we tell fact from fiction? Animal from apparition? Megafauna from monster?</p> <p>Kids will have fun guessing which animals and plants are real and which are fake in this extraordinary exhibition of the strange and wonderful animals and plants that inhabit our world ... and our imaginations. And a brilliant guide to help us know what to look for when tracking down truths.</p>
925934	Upwelling, The Rose, Lystra	Lothian Books	2022	9780734420251	7-9	A young adult fantasy with three misfits, two warring spirits and one chance to save the world. When death threatens all life, can a short-sighted surfer, a laidback dolphin caller and a feisty language unweaver work together to salvage our future?



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1124776	Walking the rock country in Kakadu Lucas, Diane & Tyler, Ben & Long, Emma (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761067860	3-4	Walk through one of Australia's most ancient and beautiful ecosystems, introducing Kundjeyhmi language, one of the Bininj Kunwok languages of Kakadu and western Arnhem Land, along the way. Beautifully rendered images bring to vivid life the rich and varied plant and animal life of this unique place, encouraging young and old to see, hear, smell and feel the land and experience how Aboriginal people have lived and walked Country for thousands of years.
1153643	Walls Ingram, Tania & Smith, Ruth-Mary (ill)	Wombat Books	2024	9781761111518	K-2	A Viking and a Knight are both convinced that they live on the best side of the book. When an argument ensues and each becomes suspicious of their neighbour, their solution is to build walls to keep them safe from the other side. But in their quest to build the better wall, will they fail to see the environmental dangers that threaten both sides of the book?
1209808	We live in a bus Petzold, Dave	Thames and Hudson (Australia) Pty Ltd	2024	9781760764647	K-2	Some families live in houses and some live in apartment buildings, but can a family live on a bus? Jump in and join the travels aboard <i>Grace Joy Rufus Bean</i> .
1174804	Wedge-tailed eagle Saxby, Claire & Booth, Christina (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2024	9781760655686	3-4	Look up. Way up, into the clear blue. Those two tiny specks are a wedge-tailed eagle and her mate. This book explores the family life of these remarkable birds.
1171890	Welcome cookies, The Baillie, Kaye & Lonergan, Kirrili (ill)	EK Books	2024	9781922539502	K-2	Mabel loves her Friday visits to Miss Plum's Sugar Plum Cafe. How will she adapt when the cafe has a new owner and everything changes? A sweet story about the change and belonging.
1151644	What do you call your dad? Barton, Ashleigh & Heiduczek, Martina (ill)	ABC Books	2024	9780733343476	K-2	There's many ways dads present themselves to their children as their best selves. In this delightful worldly collection of ways to look at dads and what their children call them, is their endearing qualities spread across each colourful page and a message of love to accompany it.
995996	What my daddy loves Figueroa, Raissa	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2023	9780358588771	K-2	Some daddies love going outdoors and exploring the world. Some daddies love teaching their kids how to fix machines. Some daddies love learning and dreaming big dreams. But there's a special something - or someone - that daddies love best of all...

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1133505	Whatever after: Fairest of all graphic novel Mynowski, Sarah & Chouhan, Anu (ill)	Graphix	2024	9781761521591	3-4	Once upon a time, Abby and her brother Jonah, were regular kids. The next minute, the mirror in their basement slurped them up and magically transported them into the fairytale of Snow White. They are heroes because they stopped Snow from eating the poisoned apple. Hooray! Or... not? If Snow doesn't die, she won't meet her prince and get her happily-ever-after. Oops! Now it's up to Abby and Jonah to outsmart the evil queen, befriend the seven dwarfs, help Snow fix her story and then find their way home....
1019887	When the fog rolls in Fong, Pam	HarperCollins Australia	2023	9780063136540	K-2	If you get lost in the fog, it can be hard to find your way out. You might stumble or be confused, or encounter the unexpected. But the closer you look, the more you will see, and the clearer the path will become. You can find your way. And the world is waiting for you.
819137	When the sky falls Earle, Phil	Andersen Press Ltd	2021	9781839135729	5-6	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	5-6	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.

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1209720	When the world tips over Nelson, Jandy	Walker Books	2024	9781406363098	9plus	Meet the Fall family all living within short distances from each other, lives struggling with abandonment from father, yearning for love, betrayals and believing in magical circumstances that destiny unfolds for them. The Town, Paradise Springs in California amidst rich vineyards holds their histories to be discovered. The Accident, the histories, love stories and revelations are part of this family's world that tips over and for once it's joy and only joy that spills out.. Dizzy is 12 years old, Cassidy is struggling with her mum's desire for something lost, Miles is searching his feelings for Felix and Wynton needs them all. This is a family's love story.  Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.
934175	While the storm rages Earle, Phil	Andersen Press Ltd	2022	9781839132056	5-6	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.
1175656	White noise Grimmer, Raelke	NewSouth Publishing	2024	9781760802851	7-9	Fifteen-year-old Emma is woken up by her dad's nightmares. Again. On Friday evenings they go running at East Point Reserve to escape. Escape the ripples of grief that still chase them three years after her mum's death; escape Emma's autism diagnosis; escape her dad's work as an emergency room doctor. At school, Emma has won a spot on the beach volleyball Sports Institute program. The spot that her best friend Summer desperately wanted. And Summer's family are moving away to the other side of town. Their friendship has kept Emma going since her mum's death but now things are changing between them -- and change isn't something Emma can outrun. Set in tropical Darwin, White Noise is an achingly true portrayal of girlhood, grief, and autism.

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1103096	Willa and Woof: Camp chaos Harvey, Jacqueline	Puffin Australia	2024	9781761343568	3-4	It's time for school camp and Willa is excited. But Tae, her best same-age friend, seems to be keeping a secret...  Things aren't going too smoothly at camp either, so Willa will need to use all the camp survival skills Frank, her best old-age friend, has taught her and to recruit Woof, her best four-legged friend, to help save the trip.  Can Willa turn everyone into happy campers?
1208571	Willow's Gumboots McWilliams, Beverley & Magisson, Helene (ill)	MidnightSun Publishing	2024	9781922858535	K-2	When Willow gets a new pair of gumboots, she wears them everywhere, until there is a problem with them. She wants to find a solution for her beloved footwear. In spring, the ever present garden she enjoys wearing her gumboots in when mum is gardening sets her mind thinking.
835531	Witch Boy, The Ostertag, Molly Knox	Scholastic US	2017	9781338089516	7-9	In thirteen-year-old Aster's family, all the girls are raised to be witches, while boys grow up to be shapeshifters. Anyone who dares cross those lines is exiled. Unfortunately for Aster, he still hasn't shifted . . . and he's still fascinated by witchery, no matter how forbidden it might be. When a mysterious danger threatens the other boys, Aster knows he can help -- as a witch. It will take the encouragement of a new friend, the non-magical and non-conforming Charlie, to convince Aster to try practicing his skills. And it will require even more courage to save his family . . . and be truly himself.
1041361	With a little sprinkle of courage Case, Jackie	Boolarong Press	2023	9781922643544	K-2	When Fen was born, her father gave her a special gift, knowing it would help her through any difficult times. However, just when she is about to face her biggest challenge, Fen loses her gift, and can't find it anywhere.
1153336	Wobbly bike, The MCallum, Darren & Smith, Craig (ill)	Walker Books	2024	9781760656416	K-2	How do you fix a wobbly bike? Could it be the tyres, the terrain, or maybe it might be a new rider? A joyful, multi-layered story, celebrating the unique culture of Australia's urban "top end", the precious roles of grandparents in families, the fact that kindness and encouragement, combined with practice, are the key to success, bound together with gentle humour... because laughter is always the best medicine.

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	Wolf girl series Various				5-6	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.
983575	Woodwitch McKenna, Skye	Welbeck Publishing	2023	9781801301091	5-6	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.
1061437	Words between us Krans, Angela Pham & Ho, Dung (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2023	9780063224544	3-4	Felix and Grandma have always lived oceans apart, until the day Grandma arrives. Felix is so excited to meet Grandma and spend time with her, except they don't speak the same language! Perhaps they can connect in other ways, like their shared love of pizza, and by working together they can learn to share words aswell.
1133720	Wylah the Koorie warrior: Protectors Gould, Jordan & Pritchard, Richard (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2024	9781761180798	5-6	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?
1174798	Yanga mother Leavy, Cheryl & Bassi, Christopher	University of Queensland Press	2024	9780702268311	K-2	Written in Kooma and English, this picture book explores the beauty and strength of family bonds.

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ID 1019844	<input checked="" type="radio"/> You could be so pretty Bourne, Holly	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2023	9781474966832	9plus	Joni and Belle live their lives at opposing positions in a rebuilt society which claims to be passed all troubles around gender disparity. While one is dedicated to being Pretty and is focused almost solely on receiving validation from social media, the other is proudly Objectionable, a woman who wears no Mask, dresses for comfort and practicality, and who has her eyes open to the dire problems with The Doctrine. This feminist dystopia examines the various ways society manipulates women and meddles with their ideas of worth and possibilities.  Usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.
1209791	<input checked="" type="radio"/> You'll be the death of me McManus, Karen M.	Penguin Books Ltd, UK	2021	9780241473665	9plus	Skipping school is fun - until someone gets murdered. Ivy, Mateo and Cal used to be close back in middle school. When Cal pulls into campus late for class and runs into Ivy and Mateo, the former friends decide to ditch school, just like old times. Whilst exploring downtown, the trio spot classmate Boney Mahoney acting suspiciously and follow him into an empty building, not expecting him to turn up dead and for them to be the main suspects.  Usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.
1209842	Yours from the tower Nicholls, Sally	Andersen Press Ltd	2023	9781839133190	7-9	1896. Tirzah, Louisa and Polly are best friends who've left boarding school and gone back to very different lives. Polly is teaching in an orphanage. Louisa is looking for a rich husband at the parties of the London Season. And Tirzah is stuck acting as an unpaid companion to her grandmother. In a series of letters, they share their hopes, their frustrations, their dramas and their romances. Can these three very different young women find happiness?

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877874	Zyla & Kai Forest, Kristina	Atom Publishing	2022	9780349003795	9plus	<p>While on a school trip to the Pocono Mountains, Zyla and Kai run away together, leaving their friends and family confused. As far as anyone knows, they've been broken up for months. And honestly? Their break-up hadn't surprised anyone. Zyla, a cynic about love, met Kai, a hopeless romantic, while working together at an amusement park the previous summer, and they couldn't have been more different. Alternating between the past and present, we see the love story unfold from Zyla and Kai's perspectives: how they first became the unlikeliest of friends over the summer, how they fell in love during the school year, and why they ultimately broke up. Or did they?</p> <p>Usually read by students in years 9, 10, or above.</p>