

# SUGGESTED READS



Primary Four

# PRINCE ZAK AND THE WISE FROG

Check out these books at the public libraries!



**TITLE: THE VELVETEEN RABBIT**  
**AUTHOR: MARGERY WILLIAMS BIANCO**  
**CALL NO.: JS BIA**

At first a brand-new toy, now a threadbare and discarded nursery relic, the velveteen rabbit is saved from peril by a magic fairy who whisks him away to the idyllic world of Rabbitland. There, he becomes “Real,” a cherished childhood companion who will be loved for eternity.

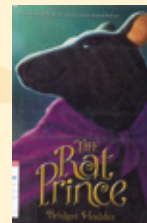
Publisher: Doubleday Books for Young Readers, 2014 | From: [www.randomhouse.com](http://www.randomhouse.com)  
 This book is also available on eReads at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).



**TITLE: RUMPELSTILTSKIN: AN INTERACTIVE FAIRY TALE ADVENTURE (YOU CHOOSE BOOKS)**  
**AUTHOR: ERIC BRAUN**  
**CALL NO.: J BRA**

James? Eddie? Freddy? Chris P. Bacon? In the ultimate name game between the miller’s daughter and the little man behind the spinning wheel, it’s anyone’s guess who will win. Navigate through three fractured retellings of the classic fairy tale. In this story, YOU CHOOSE how it ends. Will you guess correctly and live happily ever after?

Publisher: Capstone, 2017 | From: [www.capstonepub.com](http://www.capstonepub.com)



**TITLE: THE RAT PRINCE**  
**AUTHOR: BRIDGET HODDER**  
**CALL NO.: J HOD**

Before Cinderella’s stepmother and stepsisters moved into Lancastyr Manor, Cinderella was known as the Lady Rose de Lancastyr. Then her stepmother forced her to become a kitchen maid and renamed her. At first the rats of the manor figure Cinderella for a lack-wit and take pity on her by bringing her food and a special family heirloom. But when Cinderella’s stepmother finds a way to prevent her from attending the ball, the rats join forces to help her. The night of the ball is filled with magic and secrets— not least of all who Lady Rose will choose to be her Prince Charming.

Publisher: Margaret Ferguson Books/Farrar Straus Giroux, 2016 | From: [www.us.macmillan.com](http://www.us.macmillan.com)



**TITLE: THE RAT CATCHER AND OTHER STORIES (SCARY FAIRY TALES)**  
**AUTHOR: VICTORIA PARKER**  
**CALL NO.: J 398.2 RAT - [FOL]**

What could be more terrifying than a city crawling with rats? In The Ratcatcher, a story eerily similar to the legend of the Pied Piper, readers are taken to an old German town where that’s exactly the problem. However, by the end of the tale, it’s not just the rats that have disappeared, it’s all the town’s children! This and other terrible tales are accompanied by full-color images and illustrations that add some beauty to otherwise dark literary worlds. The fire of readers’ imaginations will be lit as they encounter unforgettable storytelling in “Gold-tree and Silver-tree,” “The Devil and his Grandmother,” and “The King Who Would See Paradise.”

Publisher: Gareth Stevens, 2016 | From: [www.garethstevens.com](http://www.garethstevens.com)



## UNIT 2

# CANOE DIARY

Check out these books at the public libraries!



**TITLE: STOAT ON STAGE  
(TRAVELS OF ERMINE (WHO IS VERY DETERMINED))**  
**AUTHOR: JENNIFER GRAY**  
**CALL NO.: JS GRA**

Ermine the Determined is off to explore Australia! She can't wait to have fun in the sun, climb Sydney Harbour Bridge, and star in Australia's Most Awesome Animal competition. But things heat up when someone gets a sniff of Ermine's act... Will it be curtains before Ermine gets to the stage?

Publisher: Usborne, 2018 | From: [www.usborne.com](http://www.usborne.com)



**TITLE: MIDNIGHT IN THE PIAZZA**  
**AUTHOR: TIFFANY PARKS**  
**CALL NO.: J PAR**

Mysteries abound in this exciting race through Rome! Beatrice Archer may love history, and Rome may be chock-full of it, but that doesn't mean she wants to move there! Too bad Beatrice's father got a job as the head of the history department at the American Academy in Rome— now, Beatrice has no choice but to get used to the idea.

Publisher: Harper, 2018 | From: [www.harpercollins.com](http://www.harpercollins.com)



**TITLE: LONDON CITY TRAILS  
(LONELY PLANET KIDS)**  
**AUTHOR: MOIRA BUTTERFIELD**  
**CALL NO.: J 914.2104 BUT**

Here's a book about London that's seriously streetwise! Let Marco and Amelia, our Lonely Planet Kids explorers, take you off the tourist trail and guide you on a journey through London that you'll never forget. This book is perfect for any kids who have been to London, plans to go there or is just interested in finding out more about this amazing city!

Publisher: Lonely Planet, 2016 | From: [www.shop.lonelyplanet.com](http://www.shop.lonelyplanet.com)



**TITLE: CREATURE KEEPERS AND THE BURGLED  
BLIZZARD-BRISTLES  
(CREATURE KEEPERS, BOOK 3)**  
**AUTHOR: PETER NELSON**  
**CALL NO.: J NEL**

Abbie, Jordan, and Eldon travel to the snowy Himalayas to find the Yeti and save the world in the third book in the epically hilarious, fully illustrated middle grade adventure series, Creature Keepers, from the dynamic creators of Herbert's Wormhole. Although the Creature Keepers were able to defeat Chupacabra, their nemesis still managed to get his claws on one of Bigfoot's Soil Soles. Now he needs only one more item of mythological power to wreak havoc across the globe. Disturbances in China lead Abbie, Jordan, and Eldon to discover that Chupacabra is after the Yeti, a powerful but reclusive cryptid who hasn't been seen since the days Jordan's grandfather was running the Creature Keepers. Our heroes will need to find the Yeti first— and hopefully avert another catastrophe.

Publisher: Balzer + Bray, 2016 | From: [www.harpercollins.com](http://www.harpercollins.com)

## UNIT 3

# RUBY'S SUNFLOWER

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**TITLE: THAT'S THE SPIRIT!  
(MYSTERIOUS MAKERS OF SHAKER STREET)**  
**AUTHOR: STACIA DEUTSCH**  
**CALL NO.: JS DEU**

The brown house at the end of Shaker Street is a bit shady. Everyone who moves in gets scared off. Liv is convinced the house is haunted by the ghost of its late owner, General Pablo Carlos, Michael doesn't buy it, and Leo wants nothing to do with ghosts! One thing's for certain, something fishy is going on. The Mysterious Makers set to making a ghost detector to determine just what's behind the spirit on Shaker Street.

Publisher: Stone Arch Books, 2018 | From: [www.capstonepub.com](http://www.capstonepub.com)



**TITLE: BAN THIS BOOK: A NOVEL**  
**AUTHOR: ALAN GRATZ**  
**CALL NO.: J GRA**



It all started the day Amy Anne Ollinger tried to check out her favorite book in the whole world, *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*, from the school library. That's when Mrs. Jones, the librarian, told her the bad news: her favorite book was banned! All because a classmate's mom thought the book wasn't appropriate for kids to read. Amy Anne decides to fight back by starting a secret banned book library out of her locker. But soon things get out of hand, and Amy Anne finds herself on the front line of an unexpected battle over book banning, censorship, and who has the right to decide what she and her fellow students can read. In the end, her only recourse might be to try to beat the book banners at their own game. Because after all, once you ban one book, you can ban them all...

Publisher: Starscape, 2017 | From: [www.alangratz.com](http://www.alangratz.com)



**TITLE: CICI'S JOURNAL: THE ADVENTURES OF A WRITER-IN-TRAINING**  
**AUTHOR: JORIS CHAMBLAIN**  
**CALL NO.: J CHA**

Cici dreams of being a novelist. Her favourite subject: people, especially adults. She's been watching them and taking notes. Everybody has one special secret, Cici figures, and if you want to write about people, you need to understand what's hiding inside them. But now she's discovered something truly strange: an old man who disappears into the forest every Sunday with huge pots of paint in all sorts of colours. What is he up to? Why does he look so sad when he comes back?

Publisher: First Second, 2017 | From: [www.us.macmillan.com](http://www.us.macmillan.com)  
 This book is also available on eReads at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).



**TITLE: BEING HONEST (ALL ABOUT CHARACTER)**  
**AUTHOR: JOANNA PONTO**  
**CALL NO.: J 179 PON**

What does it mean to be honest? Full-page photographs illustrate real-life examples showing children being honest with their friends, families, and neighbors— even when it's hard. Young readers will realize it is not always easy, but honesty is always best.

Publisher: Enslow, 2016 | From: [www.enslow.com](http://www.enslow.com)

• UNIT 4 •

# MAKING ICE CREAM

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**TITLE: THE AMAZING CRAFTY CAT**  
**AUTHOR: CHARISE MERICLE HARPER**  
**CALL NO.: JS HAR**

Sometimes school can be scary and even embarrassing, but not today. Today is Birdie's birthday, and everything will be perfect! Birdie's panda-riffic cupcakes are beautiful, and there's one for everyone. She will be the star of the class. But then... disaster! A trip and fall on the way to school means no more cupcakes! Who can save the day? Who can make the class smile again? This is a job for Birdie's alter ego... the Amazing Crafty Cat! After a quick transformation, Birdie is ready. She's not afraid of sticky paws or paper cuts. She's not afraid of anything, even Anya, the class bully. It's time to get crafting!

Publisher: First Second, 2017 | From: [www.us.macmillan.com](http://www.us.macmillan.com)  
 This book is also available on eReads at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).



**TITLE: SWEET PIZZA**  
**AUTHOR: G. R. GEMIN**  
**CALL NO.: J GEM**

Joe loves his Italian heritage: the language, the opera, the lasagne! But it's hard to celebrate his Italian roots in Bryn Mawr, South Wales, where his mam is sick of running the family's tatty café. Just like his great-grandfather who opened the café in 1929, Joe is an entrepreneur. He vows to save the family business, and to spice up the tired High Street with a little Italian flavour!

Publisher: Nosy Crow, 2016 | From: [www.nosycrow.com](http://www.nosycrow.com)





**TITLE: THE ADVENTURES OF MISS PETITFOUR**  
**AUTHOR: ANNE MICHAELS**  
**CALL NO.: J MIC**

Meet the utterly irresistible Miss Petitfour (a name of unknown origin but possibly descended from bakers of tiny delicious cakes). She loves baking and making and dancing with her cats, but most of all she loves to fly. All she has to do is pick up her favourite tablecloth (preferably the one with the paisley print), catch the breeze and she swooshes off on an adventure— with her many cats (Minky, Misty, Taffy, Purrsia, Pirate, Mustard, Moutarde, Hemdala, Earring, Grigorovich, Clasby, Captain Captain, Captain Catkin, Captain Clothespin, Your Shyness and Sizzles) dangling paw-to-tail behind her.

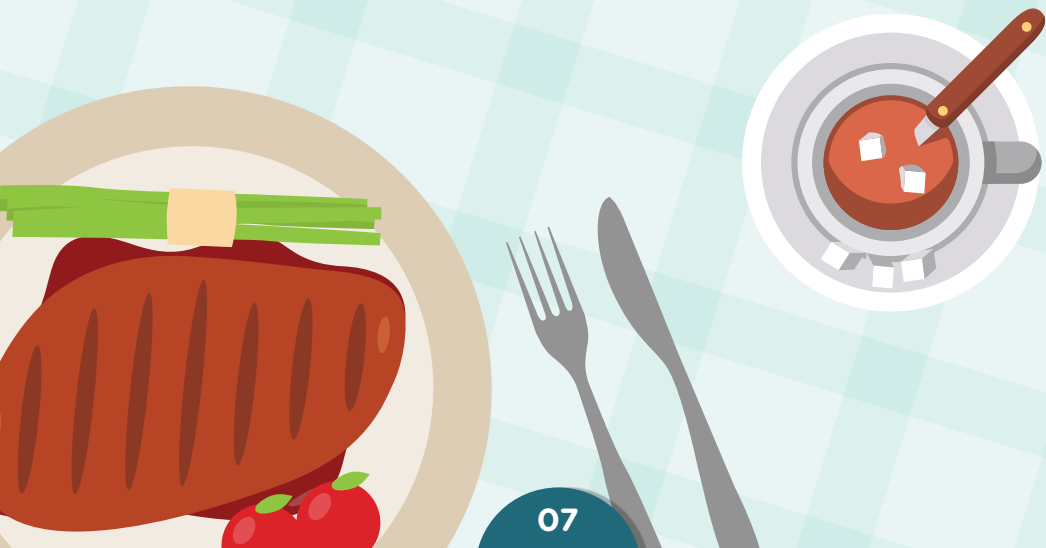
Publisher: Bloomsbury, 2017 | From: [www.bloomsbury.com/uk](http://www.bloomsbury.com/uk)



**TITLE: WEIRD FOOD INVENTIONS  
(WILD AND WACKY INVENTIONS)**  
**AUTHOR: JILL KEPPELER**  
**CALL NO.: J 641.5 KEP**

Some food inventions have completely changed the way cooking and baking is done around the world. Others haven't had such a huge impact. However, these are often the most interesting ones. Readers of this high-interest volume will learn about some of the craziest inventions that have been introduced in kitchens over the years. They'll also find that some of these products were created more for show than practicality. Exciting fact boxes, sidebars, and vivid photographs enhance the already-exciting subject matter this book has to offer.

Publisher: Gareth Stevens, 2019 | From: [www.garethstevens.com](http://www.garethstevens.com)



## UNIT 5

# A NASTY ACCIDENT

Check out these books at the public libraries!



**TITLE: DISGUSTING DINNERS AND OTHER STORIES  
(WINNIE AND WILBUR)**  
**AUTHOR: LAURA OWEN**  
**CALL NO.: JS OWE**

Winnie and Wilbur are ready to cook, ready to race, and always ready to help! Join them in twelve hilarious Winnie and Wilbur adventures for reading alone or sharing in this young fiction collection brilliantly illustrated by Korky Paul.

Publisher: Oxford University, 2017 | From: [www.global.oup.com](http://www.global.oup.com)



**TITLE: THERE MAY BE A CASTLE**  
**AUTHOR: PIERS TORDAY**  
**CALL NO.: J TOR**

Eleven-year-old Mouse is travelling to see his grandparents on Christmas Eve with his mother and two sisters. But it's snowing, and visibility is bad, and the car goes off the road, and crashes. Mouse is thrown from the car. When he wakes, he's not in his world anymore. He meets a sheep named Bar, who can only say Baaa, and a sarcastic horse named Nonky, who is a surprising mix of his beloved toy horse and his older sister. So begins a quest to find a castle in a world of wonder— a world of monsters, minstrels, dangerous knights and mysterious wizards; a world of terrifying danger but also more excitement than Mouse has ever known.

Publisher: Quercus, 2016 | From: [www.pierstorday.co.uk](http://www.pierstorday.co.uk)



**TITLE: TIMMY & TAMMY LEARNING ABOUT ROAD SAFETY (LET ME LEARN. LEVEL 3)**  
**AUTHOR: RUTH WAN-LAU**  
**CALL NO.: J SING WAN**

Timmy and Tammy are on a field trip to the Road Safety Community Park. What will they learn about road safety?

Publisher: Little Knights, 2017 | From: [www.armorpublishing.com](http://www.armorpublishing.com)



**TITLE: ON YOUR BIKE: ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CYCLING FOR KIDS**  
**AUTHORS: CHRIS HOY & JOANNA NADIN**  
**CALL NO.: J 796.6 HOY**

So, you've got a new bike? Or just getting into cycling? Or just fancy learning more about the bike you already have? On Your Bike by Olympic champion Sir Chris Hoy is the perfect guide for children looking to make the most of their bikes. Packed full of handy hints, fun facts, quizzes, checklists and illustrations, Sir Chris shows you how to look after your bike and much, much more.

Publisher: Piccadilly, 2016 | From: [www.piccadillypress.co.uk](http://www.piccadillypress.co.uk)

**UNIT 6**

**THE FOUR FRIENDS**

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**TITLE: SKILLS FOR SOCIAL SUCCESS (SOCIAL SKILLS. ROURKE EDUCATIONAL MEDIA)**  
**AUTHOR: MEG GREVE**  
**CALL NO.: J 158.2 GRE**

Trying to figure out a difficult math problem is hard, but sometimes dealing with your social life at school can be even harder. Figuring out friendships, managing time, and learning about yourself are all important parts of growing up.

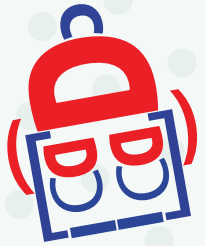
Publisher: Rourke Educational Media, 2014 | From: [www.rourkeeducationalmedia.com](http://www.rourkeeducationalmedia.com)



**TITLE: JASMINE'S BIG IDEA (AMERICAN GIRL. FOREVER FRIENDS)**  
**AUTHOR: CRYSTAL VELASQUEZ**  
**CALL NO.: JS VEL**

Jasmine Arroyo loves volunteering with her veterinarian mom at the Kew Gardens Animal Shelter. When Jasmine learns that the shelter will have to turn away new animals unless it can raise funds to expand, she is determined to help in any way she can. The shelter is throwing a fundraiser and the girls decide to create a kids' craft corner. They can draw pictures of all the shelter animals to help them find their forever homes.

Publisher: Scholastic, 2017 | From: [www.scholastic.com](http://www.scholastic.com)



**TITLE: THE EMPEROR'S OSTRICH**  
**AUTHOR: JULIE BERRY**  
**CALL NO.: J BER**

Young dairymaid Begonia has lost her cow Alfafa. So she has set off on a search across the countryside even though she has nothing but a magical map to guide her. Along the way she meets a mother and baby, a woodcutter, a very dirty young man, and an eight-foot ostrich. Meanwhile, the emperor has gone missing from the royal palace in a most mysterious manner. Was it murder? Was it magic? It will take all of Begonia's wits to save the empire and get Alfafa home safely.

Publisher: Roaring Brook, 2017 | From: [www.us.macmillan.com](http://www.us.macmillan.com)



**TITLE: WOODS OF MYSTERY (LUMINOUS SWORD)**  
**AUTHOR: EUNICE LI-TAN**  
**CALL NO.: J SING LIT**

Jusvin Titanium's quiet life in Hidden Land vanishes when he embarks on a fantasy beyond his wildest imagination! Avalanche, a snow-white eagle flies Jusvin to Merpixies Academy, where he encounters the strange disappearance of a student, attempts to stop Herogus and his troops' evil schemes, and joins his new friends in searching for the missing locket and keys! Will Jusvin be able to seek justice for his family, uncover the bizarre mystery behind the student's disappearance and discover the secret of the glittery crystals in the Woods of Mystery?

Publisher: Little Knights, 2018 | From: [www.armorpublishing.com](http://www.armorpublishing.com)



## UNIT 7

# SPORTS DAY



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**TITLE: SOCCER SHOCKER!  
(PROJECT DROID, BOOK 2)**  
**AUTHORS: NANCY KRULIK & AMANDA BURWASSER**  
**CALL NO.: JS KRU**

Anyone would love having the super-scoring robot Java on his soccer team. Well anyone except Java's human cousin, Logan. That's because, up until now, Logan has been the Wombat's top scorer— and he has no desire to share the field with the team's new star player. Especially because Java won't let the other kids get near the ball— never mind score any goals. If it were up to Logan, he would just kick Java right off the field. Because as far as Logan is concerned, there's no "I" in team, and there shouldn't be a droid on one either.

Publisher: Sky Pony, 2016 | From: [www.skyhorsepublishing.com](http://www.skyhorsepublishing.com)



**TITLE: SPLASH**  
**AUTHOR: CHARLI HOWARD**  
**CALL NO.: J HOW**

Molly is in her final year of primary school, with secret dreams of becoming an Olympic swimmer. Having always lived in the shadow of her manipulative friend, Chloe, Molly finally has the chance to compete in a regional swimming contest and define herself on her own terms. But with the pressure of fitting in, and the sudden arrival of her mysterious mum, will she give up on her dreams for a shot at popularity?

Publisher: Nosy Crow, 2018 | From: [www.nosycrow.com](http://www.nosycrow.com)



**TITLE: GABBY GARCIA'S ULTIMATE PLAYBOOK**  
**AUTHOR: IVA-MARIE PALMER**  
**CALL NO.: J PAL**

If life were a baseball game, all-star pitcher Gabby Garcia would be having her Best. Season. EVER! Until she's suddenly sent to another school and her winning streak is about to disappear— both on and off the field. But Gabby never gives up! She has a PLAN to keep her champion status intact, and every step of it is written out— PLAY by PLAY. How could it not work?

Publisher: Katherine Tegen Books, 2017 | From: [www.harpercollins.com](http://www.harpercollins.com)



**TITLE: MAKER PROJECTS FOR KIDS WHO LOVE SPORTS  
(BE A MAKER!)**  
**AUTHOR: SARAH LEVETE**  
**CALL NO.: J 796 LEV**

This exciting title inspires readers to get active, use their creativity, and collaborate to explore new ideas in the world of sports. Engaging activities, inspiring biographies, and clear photographs help readers create new and entertaining sports games and activities. A focus on accessibility and safety makes this title a strong addition to any makerspace.

Publisher: Crabtree, 2017 | From: [www.crabtreebooks.com](http://www.crabtreebooks.com)

## UNIT 8

# STATUES

Check out these books at the public libraries!



**TITLE: WILLOW'S BOY-CRAZY BIRTHDAY  
(SLEEPOVER GIRLS)**  
**AUTHOR: JEN JONES**  
**CALL NO.: J JON**

For their twelfth birthday Willow's mom is planning a combined birthday party for Willow and her twin brother, Winston— boys and girls will both be invited for a Halloween masquerade, but soon the games threaten to get out of hand.

Publisher: Stone Arch Books, 2015 | From: [www.capstonepub.com](http://www.capstonepub.com)





**TITLE: PARTY CRASHERS  
(BEEP AND BOB, BOOK 2)**  
**AUTHOR: JONATHAN ROTH**  
**CALL NO.: JS ROT**

It's Bob's friend, Lani's, birthday, and she's having her party on a super fancy space cruiser called The Starship Titanic. The cruiser has three water parks, sixteen amusement parks, and 12 million hyper-show channels on TV! But when Beep and Bob arrive, they realize they forgot to buy Lani a birthday gift! But that's not their biggest problem. Suddenly, guests' jewelry is stolen from right under their noses— and Beep and Bob get blamed for the crime! Things go from bad to worse when Beep and Bob discover that their “indestructible” ship is headed right for the ice rings of Neptune— and then starts plummeting toward the planet below! Can Beep and Bob reveal the true thieves and save the Starship Titanic— or will this be their last birthday party EVER?

Publisher: Aladdin, 2018 | From: [simonandschusterpublishing.com](http://simonandschusterpublishing.com)  
This book is also available on eReads at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).



**TITLE: THE MIX-UP  
(CHAMPION CHARLIES)**  
**AUTHOR: ADRIAN BECK**  
**CALL NO.: J BEC**

Charles was the best player in the boys' football team. Charlotte was the best player in the girls' side. But this season they're both playing in the same mixed team. Is there room for two Champion Charlies on one side? And can they get past their rivalry to help form the greatest football team Jindaberg Primary has ever seen? With prankster teammates, a karaoke coach, dancing dads and an arch rival with an axe to grind, the Champion Charlies soon learn that achieving success is not going to be easy... but it sure will be fun!

Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia, 2018 | From: [www.penguinrandomhouse.com](http://www.penguinrandomhouse.com)



**TITLE: I CAN THROW A PARTY!  
(KIDS CAN DO IT!)**  
**AUTHOR: RUTH OWEN**  
**CALL NO.: J 793.2 OWE**

Décor! Lighting! Atmosphere! Oh, and cake! There are many artistic decisions that go into a party— from choosing a theme, to preparing games, to making snacks! This guide to party planning gives readers creative control over their own celebrations. They can collaborate with friends, or play the host! Either way, this book full of inspiring ideas and easy step-by-step instructions guarantees a good time for all. Photographs of crafts, foods, and activities are the perfect springboards for readers' creativity. They'll love taking on a big project by themselves, and the reward of partying with friends is sure to be sweet.

Publisher: Windmill Books, 2018 | From: [www.rosenpublishing.com](http://www.rosenpublishing.com)

## UNIT 9

# WHAT IS A TSUNAMI?

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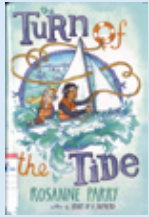
**TITLE: BUYING STOCKS (AND SOLID GOLD SUBMARINES!)  
(BENJI FRANKLIN, KID ZILLIONAIRE)**  
**AUTHOR: RAYMOND BEAN**  
**CALL NO.: JS BEA**

Deep-sea mining for gold and silver has triggered a chain of dangerous earthquakes, and it's up to Benji Franklin and his fantastic problem solving skills to put an end to the shakeups and save the nearby islands from disaster. Will Benji's super-smarts alone be enough to quiet the underwater tremors, or are some problems too big even for the Kid-Zillionaire?

Publisher: Stone Arch Books, 2016 | From: [www.capstonepub.com](http://www.capstonepub.com)







**TITLE: THE TURN OF THE TIDE**  
**AUTHOR: ROSANNE PARRY**  
**CALL NO.: J PAR**

After a devastating tsunami in Japan, cousins Jet and Kai spend the summer together in Astoria, Oregon, training for the Young's Bay Treasure Island Race and become close friends in the process.

Publisher: Random House, 2016 | From: [www.penguinrandomhouse.com](http://www.penguinrandomhouse.com)



**TITLE: THE SCIENCE OF NATURAL DISASTERS: THE DEVASTATING TRUTH ABOUT VOLCANOES, EARTHQUAKES, AND TSUNAMIS (THE SCIENCE OF)**  
**AUTHOR: ALEX WOOLF**  
**CALL NO.: J 363.34 WOO**

This fascinating guide to natural disasters combines fact-packed, easy-to-read text with colourful and quirky illustrations. From earthquakes to volcanoes, it is an eye-opening introduction to the devastating and often terrifying power of the natural world.

Publisher: Salariya, 2018 | From: [www.salariya.com](http://www.salariya.com)



**TITLE: HOOPER FINDS A FAMILY: A HURRICANE KATRINA DOG'S SURVIVAL TALE**  
**AUTHOR: JANE PALEY**  
**CALL NO.: J PAL**

Here comes Hooper, one plucky, spunky dog whose warm spirit and goofy personality are irresistible. Hooper tells his own dramatic rescue tale after being left homeless in the wake of Hurricane Katrina and taking a daring trip from New Orleans to New York to meet his new family. He tells of the terrifying force of Katrina, his trials in the shelter, and being the new dog on the block in a city far from home. As Hooper struggles to find his place, he learns to overcome his fear of water and faces down feisty squirrels as well as the resident bully and top dog in his new neighborhood.

Publisher: Harper, 2018 | From: [www.harpercollins.com](http://www.harpercollins.com)  
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**UNIT 10**

**RATS' NESTS**

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**TITLE: BEARDS FROM OUTER SPACE (PET DEFENDERS)**  
**AUTHOR: GARETH P. JONES**  
**CALL NO.: JS JON**

The humans of Nothington-on-Sea have no idea their sleepy town is a hot spot for space invasions, and it's up to secret agents Biskit and Mitzy to keep it that way. So when an army of alien beards arrive, the Pet Defenders need to act fast... If the Beard King gets his way, soon every living chin will be under his control. Things are about to get hairy!

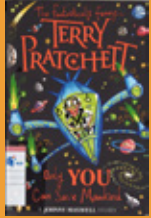
Publisher: Stripes, 2017 | From: [www.littletiger.co.uk](http://www.littletiger.co.uk)



**TITLE: THE CREAKERS**  
**AUTHOR: TOM FLETCHER**  
**CALL NO.: J FLE**

What silently waits in the shadows at night? What's under your bed, keeping just out of sight? Do you ever hear strange, creaking noises at night? Ever wonder what makes those noises? Lucy Dungston always did. Until, one morning, Lucy discovers that all the grown-ups have disappeared as if into thin air. Chaos descends as the children in Lucy's town run riot. It's madness. To most kids, it's amazing! But Lucy wants to find out the truth. Lucy lost her dad not long ago, and she's determined not to lose her mum too. She's going to get her back and nothing is going to stop her, except maybe the Creakers.

Publisher: Puffin, 2017 | From: [www.penguin.co.uk](http://www.penguin.co.uk)



**TITLE: ONLY YOU CAN SAVE MANKIND  
(JOHNNY MAXWELL TRILOGY)  
AUTHOR: TERRY PRATCHETT  
CALL NO.: J PRA**

Johnny Maxwell is just an ordinary boy— not smart, popular or rich. But he does love video games. And as his parents argue themselves out of a marriage, Johnny plays at becoming humanity’s last hope, shooting invading aliens out of a pixelated sky. Then comes a message from the last remaining alien spaceship: We Wish To Talk. And suddenly Johnny is thrust into the very real world of the video game, and comes face to face with an alien race that needs his help. Only Johnny can save them. And this isn’t a game anymore...

Publisher: Corgi Books, 2018 | From: [www.penguin.co.uk](http://www.penguin.co.uk)  
This book is also available on eReads at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).



**TITLE: SUPERSTAR TAPIR  
(MANGO & BAMBANG, BOOK 4)  
AUTHOR: POLLY FABER  
CALL NO.: JS FAB**

Mango and Bambang reach for the stars in the fourth book of this charming illustrated series about a little girl and a tapir. Both Mango and Bambang are left star-struck when Bambang’s cousin comes to town with Hollywood actress Minty Verbena. But when disaster strikes, Bambang is the true star of the show.

Publisher: Walker Books, 2017 | From: [www.walker.co.uk](http://www.walker.co.uk)

## UNIT 11

# LEATHERBACK TURTLES

Check out these books at the public libraries!



**TITLE: BE AN ACTIVE CITIZEN IN YOUR COMMUNITY  
(CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION)  
AUTHOR: HELEN MASON  
CALL NO.: J 302 MAS**

Good citizens take an active role in making their communities better places to live. This motivating book provides several practical examples of ways young readers can demonstrate that they care about their communities. From helping to care for community gardens to participating in community clean-up events, readers will learn the value of becoming active citizens in their communities.

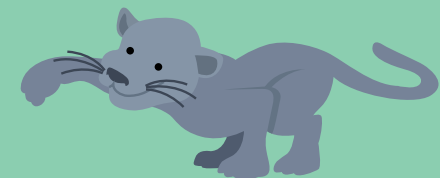
Publisher: Crabtree, 2016 | From: [www.crabtreebooks.com](http://www.crabtreebooks.com)

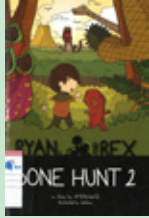


**TITLE: THE LAST PANTHER  
AUTHOR: TODD MITCHELL  
CALL NO.: J MIT**

Eleven-year-old Kiri has a secret: wild things call to her. More than anyone else, she’s always had a special connection to animals. But when Kiri has an encounter with the last known Florida panther, her life is quickly turned on end. Caught between her conservationist father, who wants to send the panther to a zoo, and the village poachers, who want to sell it to feed their families, Kiri must embark on a journey that will take her deep into the wilderness. There has to be some way to save the panther, and for her dad and the villagers to understand each other. If Kiri can’t figure out what it is, she’ll lose far more than the panthers— she’ll lose the only home she’s ever known, and the only family she has left.

Publisher: Delacorte, 2017 | From: [www.penguinrandomhouse.com](http://www.penguinrandomhouse.com)





**TITLE: BONE HUNT 2**  
**AUTHOR: AMONSTER02**  
**CALL NO.: J SING AMO**

Ryan's favourite teacher, Mr Khoo, is leaving. But he leaves Ryan one final task, to go back in time with Rex the dinosaur to search for a missing bone of the Titanosaur. Will Ryan be able to search for it in prehistoric Patagonia?

Publisher: Bubbly Books, 2016



**TITLE: GARETH'S GUIDE TO SAVING THE ENVIRONMENT (GARETH'S GUIDE TO AN EXTRAORDINARY LIFE)**  
**AUTHOR: JILL KEPPELER**  
**CALL NO.: J 363.7 KEP**

Save Earth! If that sounds daunting, look no further. There are things we can all do each day to aid the environmental movement. This comprehensive guide for future environmentalists is an engaging exploration of the race to save habitats, animals, and resources that are currently in peril. Readers will learn about the people who have dedicated their lives to stopping destruction around the globe and about the careers available for those with a passion for our planet. Earth science topics abound in this beautifully designed volume full of significant sidebars, fascinating fact boxes, and interesting infographics.

Publisher: Gareth Stevens, 2019 | From: [www.garethstevens.com](http://www.garethstevens.com)

**UNIT 12**

**BORING STREET**

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**TITLE: MADDIE'S NEW NEIGHBOURS**  
**AUTHOR: HO LEE-LING**  
**CALL NO.: J SING HO**

Join Maddie as she continues her journey to become a friendly neighbour, and see how she befriends her new neighbours!

Publisher: Housing & Development Board, 2015 | From: [www.hdb.gov.sg](http://www.hdb.gov.sg)



**TITLE: ADA LACE, ON THE CASE (ADA LACE ADVENTURE)**  
**AUTHORS: EMILY CALANDRELLI & TAMSON WESTON**  
**CALL NO.: JS CAL**

Ada Lace— third-grade scientist and inventor extraordinaire— has discovered something awful: her neighbor's beloved Yorkie has been dognapped!

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2017 | From: [www.simonandschuster.com](http://www.simonandschuster.com)  
 This book is also available on eReads at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).



**TITLE: THE VANDERBEEKERS OF 141<sup>ST</sup> STREET**  
**AUTHOR: KARINA YAN GLASER**  
**CALL NO.: J GLA**

Humorous and heartfelt, the five Vanderbeeker children will do whatever it takes to stay in their beloved brownstone home in this sweeping family story that is as lively, diverse, and noisy as any street in Harlem.

Publisher: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017 | From: [www.hmhco.com](http://www.hmhco.com)  
 This book is also available on eReads at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).



**TITLE: SECRETS OF THE HEARTLANDS (LION CITY ADVENTURES)**  
**AUTHOR: DON BOSCO**  
**CALL NO.: J SING 959.57 BOS**

Join the Lion City Adventuring Club and take a journey back in time to see how the fascinating heartlands of Singapore have evolved. Each chapter contains a history of the neighbourhood, information about remarkable people and events, colourful illustrations, and a fun activity. You'll also get to tackle story puzzles and help solve an exciting mystery along the way.

Publisher: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2016 | From: [www.marshallcavendish.com](http://www.marshallcavendish.com)

# WORD SEARCH

## INSTRUCTIONS:

Find and circle the names of endangered animals in the word search below. Flip the booklet upside-down for the answers!

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Want to learn more about these and other endangered, vulnerable and threatened animal species?

Visit [www.worldwildlife.org/species](http://www.worldwildlife.org/species) to find out more.

Tiger  
Vaquita  
Whale

Macaw  
Orangutan  
Saola

Dugong  
Hippopotamus  
Jaguar

Beluga  
Bonobo  
Chimpanzee



If you're aged 10 to 14, look out for these Tween workshops and events related to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (S.T.E.A.M.)!

For more information, please visit discoverReads at [www.nlb.gov.sg/discovereads/tweens](http://www.nlb.gov.sg/discovereads/tweens) and NLB's event portal at [www.nlb.gov.sg/golibrary](http://www.nlb.gov.sg/golibrary).

### Tweens STEAM Lab (Nov)

The Tweens S.T.E.A.M. Lab is an annual event with a variety of exciting hands-on and experiential learning activities.

### Tweenkerama Workshops (Mar, Jun, Nov, Dec)

The workshops aim to provide tweens with a safe environment to explore and learn through a series of exciting workshops related to S.T.E.A.M. subjects such as augmented reality, coding and digital photography.



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