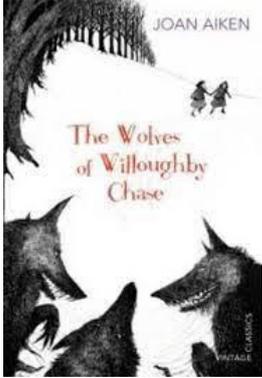


Adventure

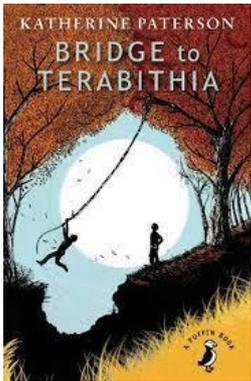
The adventure genre consists of books where the protagonist goes on an epic journey, either personally or geographically. The genre normally includes a strong element of danger, excitement and risk.



The Wolves of Willoughby Chase
Joan Aiken

AR Points = 7

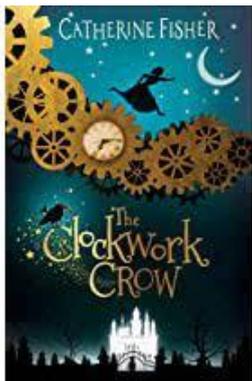
Sylvia braves a treacherous journey through snow-covered wastes populated by wolves to join her cousin Bonnie at Willoughby Chase. But with Bonnie's parents away and the evil Miss Slighcarp in charge, the cousins must face many dangers together.



Bridge to Terabithia
Katherine Paterson

AR Points = 5

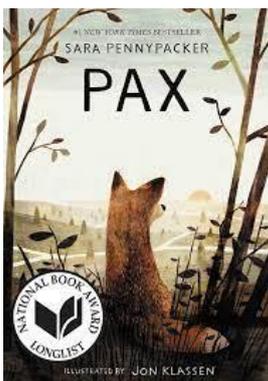
Jess wants to be the fastest boy in the class, but when a girl named Leslie Burke moves into the neighbouring farm his life changes forever. She's clever and funny. And it is Leslie who invents Terabithia, the secret country on an island across the creek where he can escape his troublesome family. The only way to reach Terabithia is by rope-swing where Jess and Leslie become King and Queen, defeating giants, sharing stories and dreams, and plotting against their enemies. They are invincible - until tragedy strikes.



The Clockwork Crow
Catherine Fisher

AR Points = 5

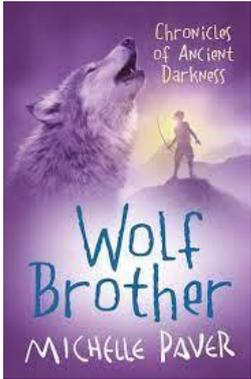
When Seren is given a package at a train station by a stranger, she has no idea what it contains. When her new life doesn't turn out as she expects, she sets off on an adventure to bring happiness back to her new home.



Pax
Sara Pennypacker

AR Points = 8

After being forced to give up his pet fox, Pax, a young boy named Peter decides to leave home and get his best friend back.



Wolf Brother
Michelle Paver

AR points = 8

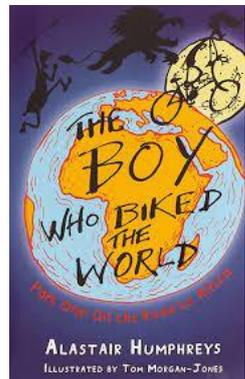
Thousands of years ago, a powerful force conjured a demon: a demon so evil that it could only be contained in the body of a ferocious bear, a demon determined to destroy the world.

Twelve-year-old Torak sees his father murdered by the bear. Alone, wounded, terrified and on the run, Torak must now lead the bear to the Mountain of the World Spirit - a mountain that no one has ever found before.



The Last Bear
Hannah Gold

There are no polar bears left on Bear Island. At least, that's what April's father tells her when his scientific research takes them to this remote Arctic outpost for six months. But one endless summer night, April meets one. He is starving, lonely and a long way from home. Determined to save him, April begins the most important journey of her life...



The Boy Who Biked the World
Alastair Humphreys

AR points = 3

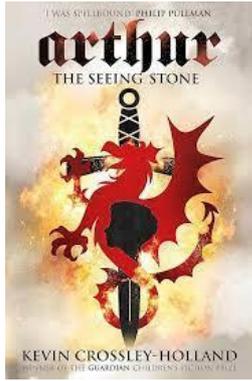
Tom really wants to be an explorer. He spends his schooldays dreaming about travelling from Tibet to Timbuktu. Then one day a private wish blurted out loud starts his freewheeling adventure.

Fantasy

The fantasy genre consists of elements that cannot exist within the real world. This fictional universe includes things like magic, mythology, or life from other worlds or universes. Fantasy fiction incorporates lots of elements from folklore into the genre, such as tales of monsters, fairies, and magical powers.



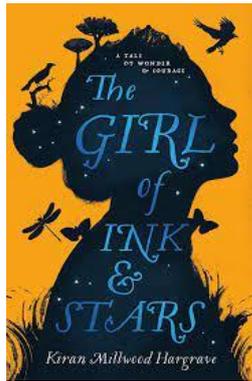
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Arthur: The Seeing Stone
Kevin Crossley-Holland

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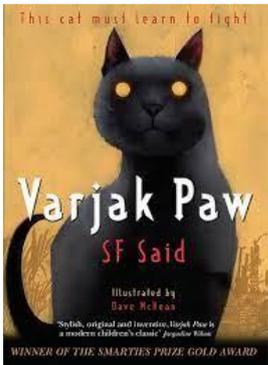
The year is 1199, the place the Welsh Marches. Young Arthur de Caldicot is given a magical shining stone in which his legendary namesake is revealed. In 100 short chapters that brilliantly evoke life in a medieval manor, stories of the boy King Arthur begin to echo - and anticipate - the secrets and mysteries that emerge in his own life.



The Girl of Ink and Stars
Karen Millwood Hargrave

AR points = 7

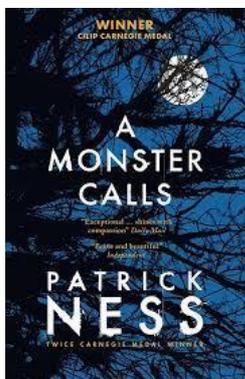
Forbidden to leave her island, Isabella dreams of the faraway lands her cartographer father once mapped. When her friend disappears, she volunteers to guide the search. The world beyond the walls is a monster-filled wasteland – and beneath the dry rivers and smoking mountains, a fire demon is stirring from its sleep. Soon, following her map, her heart and an ancient myth, Isabella discovers the true end of her journey: to save the island itself.



Varjak's Paw
SF Said

AR points = 5

Guided by the spirit of his legendary Mesopotamian ancestor, Jalal, Varjak Paw, a pure-bred cat, leaves his home and pampered existence and sets out to save his family from the evil Gentleman who took their owner, the Contessa, away.



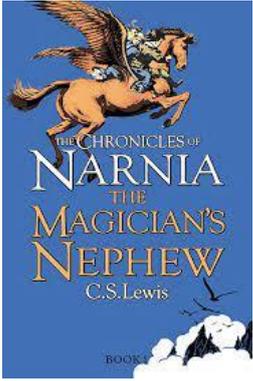
A Monster Calls
Patrick Ness

AR points = 5

Conor has the same dream every night, ever since his mother first fell ill, ever since she started the treatments that don't quite seem to be working. But tonight is different. Tonight, when he wakes, there's a visitor at his window. It's ancient, elemental, a force of nature. And it wants the most dangerous thing of all from Conor. It wants the truth.



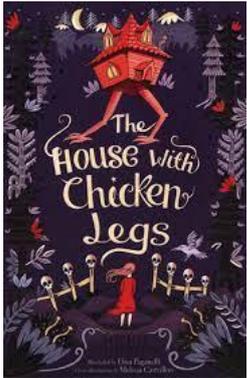
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The Magician's Nephew C. S. Lewis

AR points = 6

On a daring quest to save a life, two friends are hurled into another world, where an evil sorceress seeks to enslave them. But then the lion Aslan's song weaves itself into the fabric of a new land, a land that will be known as Narnia. And in Narnia, all things are possible.



The House with Chicken Legs

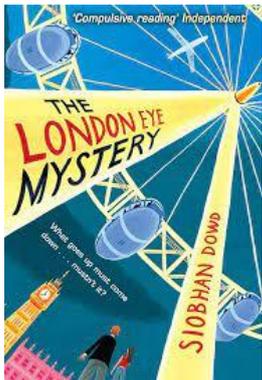
AR points = 9

Sophie Anderson

Marinka dreams of a normal life, but her house has chicken legs and moves on without warning. Her grandmother is Baba Yaga, who guides spirits between this world and the next. Marinka longs to change her destiny but her house has other ideas...

Mystery

The mystery genre consists of stories that focus on a puzzling crime, situation, or circumstance that needs to be solved. Many mystery stories involve what is called a "whodunit" scenario, meaning the mystery revolves around the uncovering a culprit or criminal.

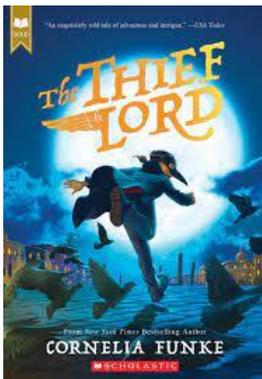


The London Eye Mystery

AR points = 7

Siobhan Dowd

When Ted and Kat's cousin Salim disappears from the London Eye, the two siblings must work together, Ted with his brain that is "wired differently" and impatient Kat, to try to solve the mystery of what happened to Salim.



The Thief Lord

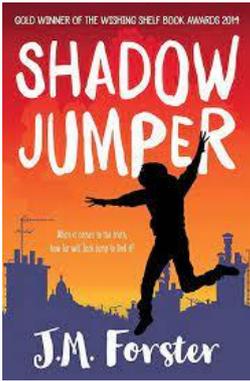
AR points = 13

Cornelia Funke

Two orphaned children are on the run, hiding among the crumbling canals and misty alleyways of the city. Befriended by a gang of street children and their mysterious leader, the Thief Lord, they shelter in an old, disused cinema. On their trail is a bungling detective, obsessed with disguises and the health of his pet tortoises. But a greater threat to the boys' new-found freedom is something from a forgotten past - a beautiful magical treasure with the power to spin time itself ...



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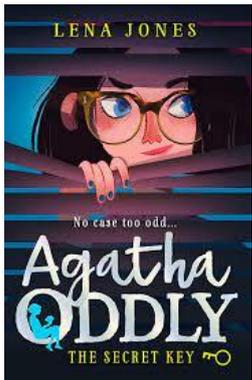


Shadow Jumper

AR points = 6

J.M. Forster

When Jack's allergy to sunshine suddenly worsens, he decides to set out to find his missing scientist father, who he believes can help him. As Jack and his new friend, Beth, begin to delve into his dad's past, they have no idea what they will uncover.

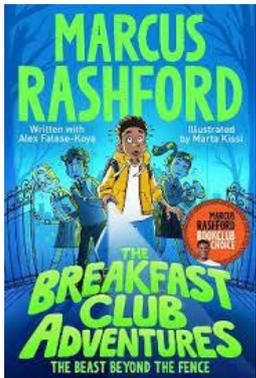


Agatha Oddly: The Secret Key

AR points = 8

Lena Jones

Armed with a secret key that gives her access to a whole hidden side of London, Agatha is perfectly poised to save the city from some strange goings on. But just who can she trust when no one is quite who they seem...



The Breakfast Club Adventures

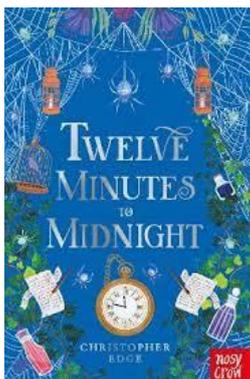
AR points = 4

Marcus Rashford

When twelve-year-old Marcus kicks his favourite football over the school fence, he knows he's never getting it back. Nothing that goes over that wall ever comes back. But when Marcus gets a mysterious note inviting him to join the Breakfast Club Investigators, he is soon pulled into an exciting adventure with his new mates Stacey, Lise and Asim to find out what is lurking on the other side of the fence – and get his football back!

Historical Fiction

Historical fiction is a story that takes place in the past. Historical novels capture the details of the time period as accurately as possible for authenticity. Many novels in this genre tell fictional stories that involve actual historical figures or historical events.



Twelve Minutes to Midnight

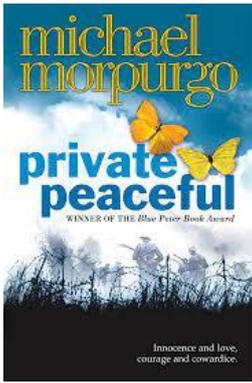
AR points = 9

Christopher Edge

Penelope Tredwell is the feisty thirteen-year-old orphan heiress of the bestselling magazine, The Penny Dreadful. Her masterly tales of the macabre are gripping Victorian Britain, even if no one knows she's the author.



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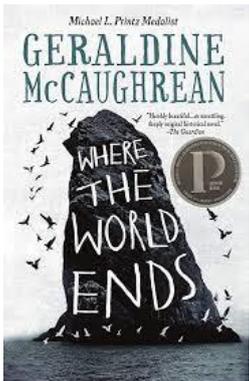


Private Peaceful

AR points = 7

Michael Morpurgo

Told in the voice of a young soldier, the story follows 24 hours in his life at the front during WW1, and captures his memories as he looks back over his life. Full of stunningly researched detail and engrossing atmosphere, the book leads to a dramatic and moving conclusion.



Where the World Ends

AR points = 10

Geraldine McCaughrean

In the summer of 1727, a group of men and boys are put ashore on a remote sea stack to harvest birds for food. No one returns to collect them. Why? And how can they survive, housed in stone and imprisoned on every side of the ocean?



Secrets of a Sun King

AR points = 8

Emma Carroll

When Lil finds a parcel on her grandad's doorstep, she's shocked to find it was sent by a famous Egyptologist who died that very morning. She and her friends must return the package to its resting place in order to break a deadly curse.



The Ghost Garden

AR Point = 1

Emma Carroll

When Fran finds a bone in the garden the same day that Leo breaks his leg, it's just the first in a string of unsettling coincidences. Suddenly the garden she's always loved seems to hold threatening shadows of the future.



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Lightning Strike

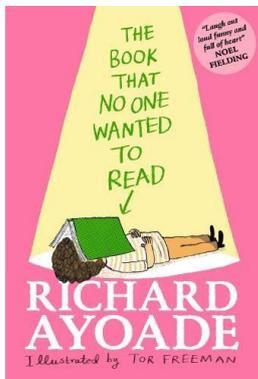
AR points = 3

Tanya Landman

Eliza is angry. Angry that her family never seems to have enough. Angry that conditions at the factory where she and her sister work are so harsh. Angry that no one seems to care. When Eliza speaks out, her words spark fury among the rest of the workers and the flame of rebellion is lit. But what next? Part of the 'Super-readable rollercoaster' series

Humour

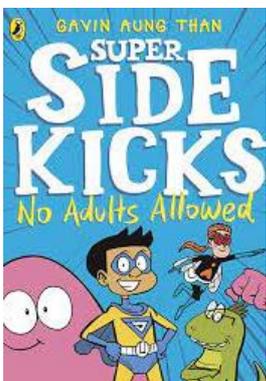
The comedy genre is made up of books about a series of funny or comical events or scenes that intend to make the reader laugh.



The Book That No One Wanted to Read

Richard Ayoade

Have you ever thought about how it feels to be a book? To be left under a whiffy pant pile or shelved, forever collecting dust? To have your pages bent backwards or your spine BROKEN? What if you don't have a sparkly unicorn or dragon adorning your cover - who will pick you out of the bookshop then? This is the story of the sadly neglected *Book That No One Wanted To Read* - can its destiny change when it finally meets the right reader? Spoiler alert: yes.



Super Side Kicks: No Adults Allowed

AR points = 1

Gavin Aung Than

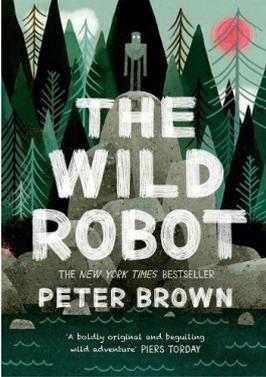
In this graphic novel, the sideicks are sick and tired of cooking, cleaning and generally receiving no thanks from their superhero partners, so they - including evil Dr Enok's sidekick, Goo - get together to form a super team of their own.



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Science Fiction

Science fiction, often called “**sci-fi**,” is a genre of fiction literature whose content is typically deals with imaginative and futuristic concepts such as advanced science and technology, space exploration, time travel, parallel universes, and extra-terrestrial life.

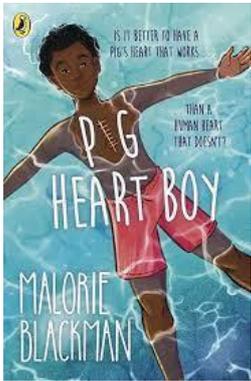


The Wild Robot

AR points = 5

Peter Brown

When robot Roz crash lands on an island, she's forced to fight for survival. The only way Roz can live is by learning about her new environment from the island's hostile animal inhabitants. But when she finds herself taking care of a baby goose, all the animals pitch in and teach Roz how to thrive in this new world.

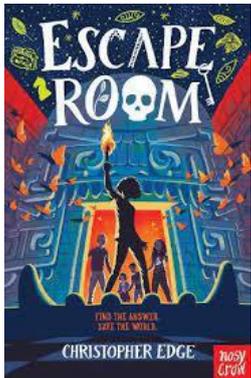


Pig Heart Boy

AR points = 8

Malorie Blackman

Cameron is thirteen and desperately in need of a heart transplant when a pioneering doctor approaches his family with a startling proposal. He can give Cameron a new heart - but not one from a human, one from a pig.



Escape Room

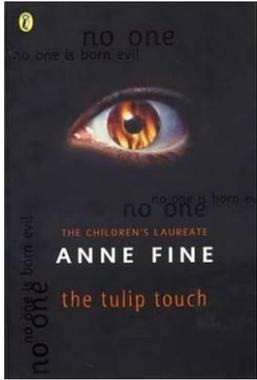
AR points = 5

Christopher Edge

When Ami arrives at The Escape, she thinks it's just a game, the ultimate escape room with challenges to beat before time runs out. But as the Host locks Ami and her teammates inside the first room, they quickly realise the stakes are sky-high.

Young Adult

YA isn't really a genre, but a category of fiction based on readers' ages. The themes within young adult fiction are designed to resonate with teen readers. Despite the predominately teenage themes, the boundaries of young adult fiction often blur with those of children's literature and adult fiction.

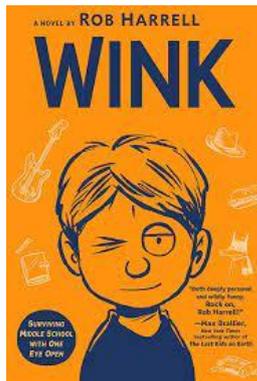


The Tulip Touch

AR points = 4

Anne Fine

Natalie befriends a loner called Tulip, who, from the start, displays some sinister character traits. As the story develops, her love of strange (and often malicious) games becomes increasingly disturbing when combined with her fascination with fire...



Wink

AR points = 8

Rob Harrell

After being diagnosed with a rare eye cancer, twelve-year-old Ross discovers how music, art, and true friends can help him survive both treatment and middle school.

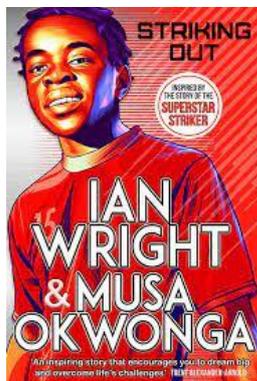


Heartstopper

AR points = 1

Alice Oseman

Charlie and Nick meet for the first time in this romance graphic novel when they are made to sit together in school. Charlie falls quickly for Nick - and Nick is more interested in Charlie than either of them realised.

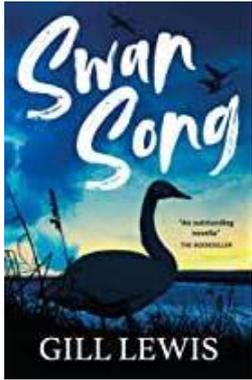


Striking Out

AR points = 8

Ian Wright and Musa Okwonga

Thirteen-year-old Jerome Jackson dreams of becoming a world-class footballer. But with a difficult home life, Jerome can't see how he'll ever make this dream come true ... until he meets a mentor figure who can hopefully put him on the right track. Inspired by the story of the superstar striker, Ian Wright.



Swan Song

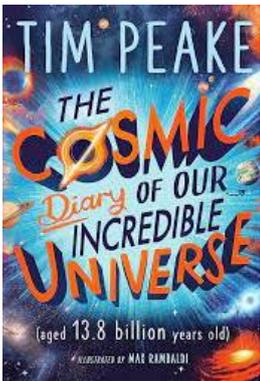
AR points = 2

Gill Lewis

When Dylan is expelled from school, he's forced to move in with his Grandad in Wales. Soon he's out on Grandad's boat, connecting with nature and beginning to feel more like himself again. But when tragedy strikes, will Dylan remain in control?

Non-fiction

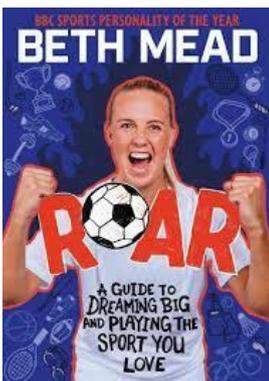
Nonfiction is a broad genre of writing that encompasses all books that aren't rooted in a fictional narrative.



The Cosmic Diary of our Incredible Universe

Tim Peake

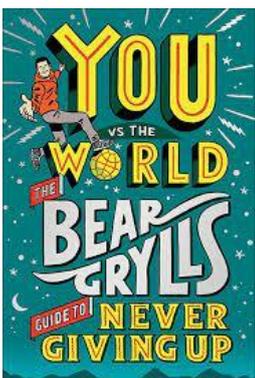
Are you bursting to know the answers to REALLY BIG questions? Like, how are stars made? What will we find in a black hole? Which fruit can create antimatter? What even IS antimatter?



Roar

Beth Mead

Football hero Beth Mead grew up playing football on the pitches of North Yorkshire. She went on to become a football champion and Golden Boot winner at the 2022 European Championships. She's here to help you find your sporting passion, work hard and achieve your dreams.



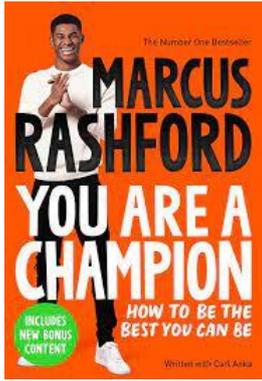
You vs. the World

Bear Grylls

You vs the World: The Bear Grylls Guide to Never Giving Up retells Bear Grylls' most extreme adventures in a kid-friendly way. He shares the life lessons he's learned along the way, and how the skills needed to survive in the wild can be used in everyday life. From finding confidence to bouncing back from failure, Bear gives children the tools they need to survive and thrive in their own lives.



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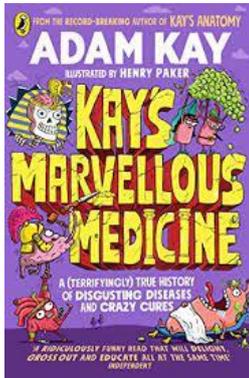


You are a Champion

AR points = 5

Marcus Rashford

Marcus Rashford shares the advice that helped him become a champion and shows readers how they can apply his strategies to their own lives.



Kay's Marvellous Medicine

Adam Kay

The olden days were pretty fun if you liked wearing chainmail or chopping people's heads off but there was one tiny little problem back then . . . doctors didn't have the slightest clue about how our bodies worked.