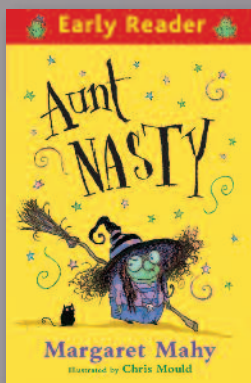


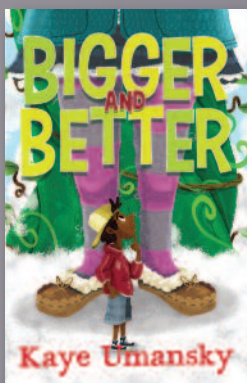
The Big Friendly Read Book list for children





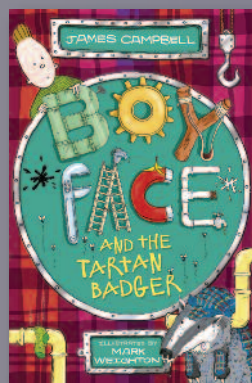
Aunt Nasty
by Margaret Mahy
Orion [Hachette]

Aunt Nasty is coming to stay. Claire and Toby don't know what to expect. You see, Aunt Nasty isn't like other aunts. Aunt Nasty is a witch!



Bigger and Better
by Kaye Umansky
Barrington Stoke

Vi the Giantess loves little things - her thimble collection is almost out of control. So when a little chap called Jack pops up in her kitchen, her giant heart melts right away. But Jack is a regular Jack-the-lad; he's after Vi's husband's treasures. What will Vi do to stop him?



Boyface and the Tartan Badger
by James Campbell
Hodder [Hachette]

Boyface gets the worst pet in the world for his birthday, a tartan badger. They live for up to 40 years, you can never give them away and they smell of hospitals. But when the badger is stolen, Boyface and his friend Clootie want him back.



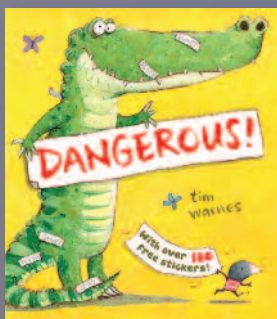
Compton Valance - Revenge of the Fancy-Pants Time Pirate
by Matt Brown
Usborne

Madman Gussage St Vincent is back and he aims to become OVERLORD OF THE UNIVERSE. Compton and Bryan try to stop him, in a battle involving the pongiest pants in history, the Great Fish-Slapping Game and a LOT of custard pies!



Danger is Everywhere
by David O'Doherty
Puffin [Random House]

Is there a shark in the loo? Could your granny be a robot? The world's greatest (and only) Dangerologist guides you through recognising and dealing with some of the possible hazards life can throw at you.



Dangerous!
by Tim Warnes

Little Tiger Press

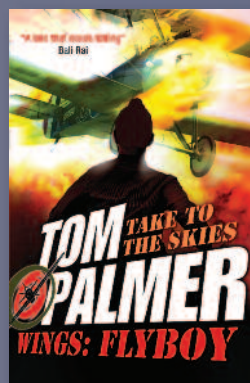
Mole loves labelling things, but when he comes across a strange thing, he doesn't know what to call it. It's lumpy and bumpy, and has snippy-snappy teeth. Could it be dangerous?



Danny Dreadnought Saves the World
by Jonathan Emmett

Egmont Books

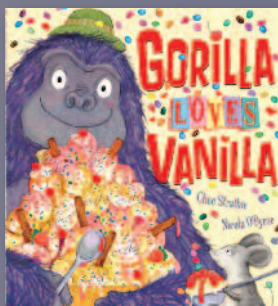
The Bugulons, the scariest creatures in the entire universe, are invading Earth. They reckon it will be easy. But down on Earth is Danny Dreadnought, and he isn't scared of anything!



Flyboy (Wings series)
by Tom Palmer

Barrington Stoke

Jatinder's a great footballer, but something's holding him back. It takes the ghostly experiences of a WWI fighter pilot and the real danger this puts Jatinder in for him to become the best of himself.



Gorilla Loves Vanilla
by Chae Strathie

Scholastic

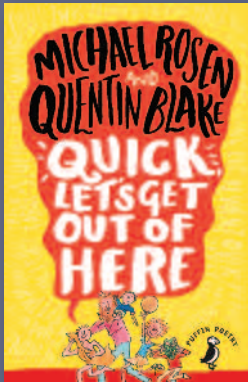
What's your favourite ice-cream? When the animals visit Little Sam Sundae's ice cream shop on Jellybean Street they have some unusual requests. There's blue cheese sundae for Mouse and a worm cornet for Hen, but what does Gorilla want?



Grandpa's Great Escape
by David Walliams

HarperCollins

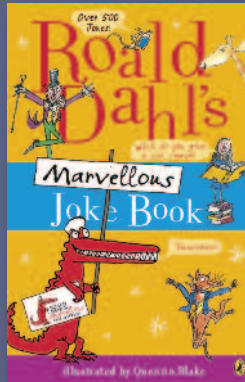
Jack's Grandpa wears his slippers to the supermarket, serves up tinned tongue for dinner and often doesn't remember Jack's name. But he can still take to the skies in a speeding Spitfire and save the day.



Quick Let's Get Out of Here
by Michael Rosen

Puffin [Random House]

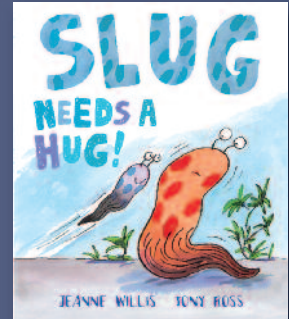
Michael Rosen's poems and Quentin Blake's pictures reveal the yucky, annoying, funny things we and our families do and think and feel.



Roald Dahl's Marvellous Joke Book

Puffin [Random House]

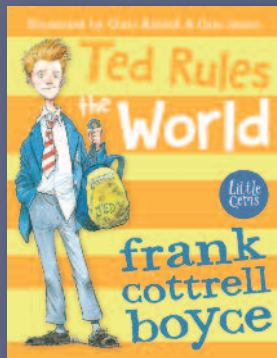
Jokes, limericks, riddles, Knock knock and Doctor doctor - here are all kinds of jokes especially themed around Roald Dahl's best-loved characters to keep you laughing for hours.



Slug Needs a Hug
by Jeanne Willis

Anderson Press [Random House]

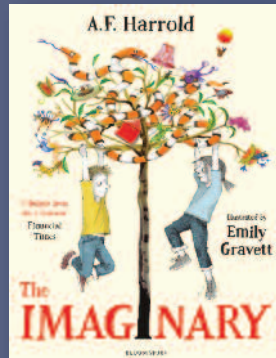
It's beginning to bug Slug that his mummy doesn't hug him. So he leaves home to find out why. Kitten says he should be furrier, so he puts on a woolly hat. Bird says he needs a beak. Soon, Slug has a new look. Will his mummy hug him now?



Ted Rules the World
by Frank Cottrell Boyce

Barrington Stoke

Ever since Ted got a special local shop loyalty card, all his great ideas are being thought of by the new Prime Minister too. And if Ted has become a leader, shouldn't he start thinking up proper laws to save the world...?



The Imaginary
by A.F. Harrold

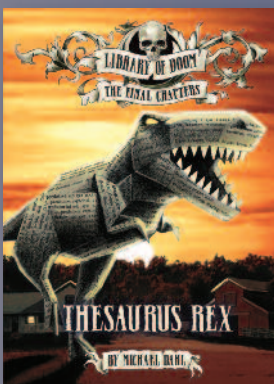
Bloomsbury

Rudger is an imaginary friend only Amanda can see - until the sinister Mr Bunting calls. Mr Bunting hunts imaginaries and rumour says he eats them. Soon Rudger is alone, and running for his imaginary life. But can a boy who isn't there survive without a friend to dream him up?



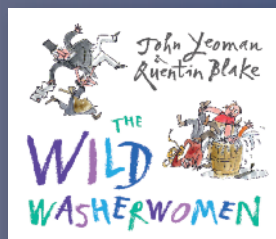
The Person Controller
by David Baddiel
HarperCollins

Twins Fred and Ellie are amazing at video games, but not much else, like football or dealing with the school bullies. Then they meet the Mystery Man who gives them a game controller like nothing they've ever seen before.



Thesaurus Rex
by Michael Dahl
Raintree [Capstone Publishers]

A colossal monster unfolds itself from the pages of a book, like an origami creation gone terribly wrong. Soon, it towers above the house, constantly changing form and sprouting new weapons! Who could possibly defeat this monster made of words?



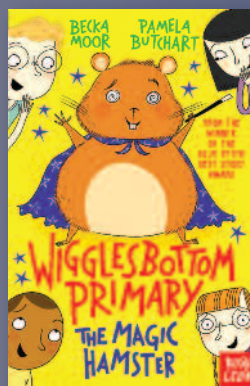
The Wild Washerwomen
by John Yeoman
Anderson Press [Random House]

Once upon a time there were seven unhappy washerwomen with a bossy boss and too much washing. Follow the wild and zany rampage of the washerwomen and find out what sort of happy ending suits them best. A classic tale for everyone.



What's for Dinner Mr Gum?
by Andy Stanton
Jelly Pie [Egmont]

Mr Gum has found himself a brand new treat - rancid kebabs dripping with dirty grey sauce. He's gotta have more, MORE! But not everyone's happy about it and soon the town of Lamonic Bibber is gearing up for war. Can Polly and her friends save the town?



Wigglesbottom Primary: The Magic Hamster
by Pamela Butchart
Nosy Crow

Three more stories of primary school mayhem as 2F set out to solve the real mysteries of life. What is the school mashed potato REALLY made of? When Lauren swallows a fly, will she ACTUALLY turn into one? And who, or what, is ROBOT BOY?

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To celebrate 100 years of Roald Dahl and the amazing illustrations of Sir Quentin Blake, this book list features some great reads that explore the themes of mischief, invention, adventure, wordplay, child champions and friendship - all popular in Roald Dahl's famous books.

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