

Bimbo And Topsy

Chinese Whiskers by Pallavi Aiyar is a charming fable set against the landscape of contemporary Beijing, seen through the eyes of two cats. Soyabean is a middle class cat looked after by a grandmother who embodies traditional Chinese morality. Tofu is born to a stray cat mother in a backyard dustbin. They are brought together when they are adopted by foreigners, who live in a traditional style courtyard house in Beijing's traditional hutong neighborhoods. Then Soyabean is offered a job as a model for a new brand of cat food while at the same time a mysterious virus is sickening people across the city. Cats are blamed for it and are being rounded up, and Soyabean and Tofu's idyllic lives as pampered pets come to an abrupt end. Interweaving real episodes in recent Chinese history such as the Olympic Games, the SARS virus, and tainted pet-food scandals with a richly imagined world, this heartwarming story of cats and humans does what W. Bruce Cameron's A Dog's Purpose did for canines. It will make you laugh and tear up, while showing the battles fought between the corruption of modern living and the ideals of traditional life.

CLASSIC FICTION. Enid Blyton's most popular characters get up to all sorts of mischief in short stories for younger readers. Ideal for children's first ventures into reading alone, Happy Days is a magical and captivating collection filled with lovable characters. Ages 5+

Presenting the best poems from the nationwide Places of Poetry project, selected from over 7,500 entries Poetry lives in the veins of Britain, its farms and moors, its motorways and waterways, highlands and beaches. This anthology brings together time-honoured classics with some of the best new writing collected across the nation, from great monuments to forgotten byways. Featuring new writing from Kayo Chingonyi, Gillian Clarke, Zaffar Kunial, Jo Bell and Jen Hadfield, Places of Poetry is a celebration of the strangeness and variety of our islands, their rich history and momentous present.

A little wombat has an active day running, jumping, and playing in the mud, but his favorite time is when he can find a soft, cozy spot to curl up into a ball and go to sleep.

Legends in Love

Tell A Thousand Lies

Anything Goes!

A Little Piece of Ground

Nothing But Trouble

Western Stories and Poems of Bruce Kiskaddon

Bimbo and Topsy

Traces the passionate and sometimes volatile relationship between Joe DiMaggio and Marilyn Monroe, covering their sensational 1954 elopement and the troubles that led to their divorce nine months later.

A selection of short stories by Enid Blyton suitable for readers aged 5-8 years.

In *Birth of an Industry*, Nicholas Sammond describes how popular early American cartoon characters were derived from blackface minstrelsy. He charts the industrialization of animation in the early twentieth century, its representation in the cartoons themselves, and how important blackface minstrels were to that performance, standing in for the frustrations of animation workers. Cherished cartoon characters, such as Mickey Mouse and Felix the Cat, were conceived and developed using blackface minstrelsy's visual and performative conventions: these characters are not like minstrels; they are minstrels. They play out the social, cultural, political, and racial anxieties and desires that link race to the laboring body, just as live minstrel show performers did. Carefully examining how early animation helped to naturalize virulent racial formations, Sammond explores how cartoons used laughter and sentimentality to make those stereotypes seem not only less cruel, but actually pleasurable. Although the visible links between cartoon characters and the minstrel stage faded long ago, Sammond shows how important those links are to thinking about animation then and now, and about how cartoons continue to help to illuminate the central place of race in American cultural and social life.

Birth of an Industry

Contains 25 Classic Tales

No More Bad Dates

A Season of Brawling, Boozing, Bimbo Chasing, and Championship Baseball with Straw, Doc, Mookie, Nails, the Kid, and the Rest of the 1986 Mets, the Rowdiest Team Ever to Put on a New York Uniform--and Maybe the Best

The Bad Guys Won

Mapping the Nation in Verse

A sexy slice-of-life comedy about an introverted college student and his buxom, bubbly classmate! Sakurai Shinichi's one wish is for a little peace and quiet. But Uzaki Hana--his boisterous, well-endowed underclassman--has other plans. All she wants is to hang out and poke fun at him. With the help of her chipper charm and peppy persistence, this might just be the start of a beautiful relationship! Fans of slice-of-life comedy are sure to enjoy this new "odd couple" tale about misadventures

in a college setting.

From bestselling, Printz Award-winning author Libba Bray, the story of a plane of beauty pageant contestants that crashes on a desert island. Teen beauty queens. A "Lost"-like island. Mysteries and dangers. No access to email. And the spirit of fierce, feral competition that lives underground in girls, a savage brutality that can only be revealed by a journey into the heart of non-exfoliated darkness. Oh, the horror, the horror! Only funnier. With evening gowns. And a body count.

Recently discovered stories of southwestern cowboy life in the 1890-1910 era, written by America's premier cowboy poet, Bruce Kiskaddon.

This is a strikingly inventive and unusual portrait of the most successful English writer for children (until J. K. Rowling), Enid Blyton, who entertained millions worldwide with her myriad adventure stories and mysteries but was herself both an adventure and a mystery. This book is for everyone who ever wondered what kind of woman Enid Blyton was. Enid Blyton gave us the Famous Five and Fatty's Find-Outers, the Enchanted Wood and the Wishing Chair. Some of us, encouraged by austere critics, have pretended no longer to want what Enid gave. We have pretended that we were not once upon a time enthralled by her stories. We have chosen to forget how much we loved the time we spent in their company. And we have feigned disdain. Now, Duncan McLaren offers lapsed devotees the possibility of honest redemption. If you're willing to acknowledge that Enid Blyton once mattered to you, you are warmly invited to accompany Duncan on an adventure that will investigate what made Enid Enid and endeavour to reach the source of her torrent of stories, those that came when she was 'letting her mind go free'.

The Life, Letters and Work of Frederic Leighton

Chinese Whiskers

Punch

Joe and Marilyn

Stories of Magic and Mischief

Bimbo and Topsy, Etc. (Fourth Edition.).

In Anything Goes! Larry King, host of Larry King Live -- one of the most popular daily forums for political news and commentary -- takes a long and in-depth look at how our America has gotten to the point where it is today. Bipartisan politics, bimbo eruptions, grandstanding in Congress, backstabbing tactics -- and more -- it's the stuff of our daily headlines, whether we like it or not. King has used his show to ask probing questions of the pundits, spin doctors, and major politicians, and now he dives deep into the prism of the electronic and print media to explain our current culture. In sum, expect Larry King at his best -- with inside political

stories and anecdotes never before reported anywhere. Enid Blyton's books are beloved the world over and The Famous Five have been the perennial favourite of her fans. Now, in this new series of Enid Blyton for Grown-Ups, George, Dick, Anne, Julian and Timmy confront a new challenge: give up the booze. Give up alcohol you say? Why, of course they can! Talk about an easy challenge! Five old friends set about this simple task and find all of a sudden that: the days are longer; they get to see each other for who they really are; the empty laughter of ordinary conversation is so much harder to fake. Yes, they're saving money and losing weight, but the world itself seems to take on a slow, dreary inevitability. Soon they begin to snap at each other, and then fight - until they begin to wonder, have the Five at last found the challenge that will defeat them? The perfect gift for anyone who has woken up and promised themselves that they will never drink again. Or at least until next weekend.

From the bestselling author of *The God of Small Things* comes a scathing and passionate indictment of big government's disregard for the individual. In her Booker Prize-winning novel, *The God of Small Things*, Arundhati Roy turned a compassionate but unrelenting eye on one family in India. Now she lavishes the same acrobatic language and fierce humanity on the future of her beloved country. In this spirited polemic, Roy dares to take on two of the great illusions of India's progress: the massive dam projects that were supposed to haul this sprawling subcontinent into the modern age--but which instead have displaced untold millions--and the detonation of India's first nuclear bomb, with all its attendant Faustian bargains. Merging her inimitable voice with a great moral outrage and imaginative sweep, Roy peels away the mask of democracy and prosperity to show the true costs hidden beneath. For those who have been mesmerized by her vision of India, here is a sketch, traced in fire, of its topsy-turvy society, where the lives of the many are sacrificed for the comforts of the few. From the Trade Paperback edition. 16-year-old PULLAMMA is too dark-skinned to have dreams. For this reason, she's obliged her old-fashioned grandmother by not doing well in school. She's also resigned to remaining unwed; with three girls in the family, there's simply not enough dowry to go around. Then a wedding alliance arrives for her oldest sister—a fair-skinned beauty. There's great rejoicing in their household. And why not? The prospective

father-in-law is the right-hand man of an important politician. As Pullamma helps ready the house for the bride-viewing—by washing the cow, by stringing flowers along doorways—she prays for the alliance to go through. Then something happens. Something so inconceivable, it will shape Pullamma's future in ways even the local soothsayer couldn't have foretold. Tell A Thousand Lies is a sometimes sassy, sometimes sad but, ultimately, realistic look at how superstition, and the colour of a girl's skin, rules India's hinterlands. ♦ Shortlisted for the Tibor Jones South Asia Prize ♦ Tell A Thousand Lies is one of our five favourite tales from India. Glam Magazine, UK (June 2014) ♦ Taught in English 479 "Survey of Postcolonial Literature and Theories" at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque (Spring 2017) Please note: ♦ British/Indian spelling—like aluminium and jewellery—is used in this book. ♦ The story remains the same, but the cover is new. This story is now part of a series. ♦ If you like Shobha Rao, Sejal Badani or Khaled Hosseini, you might enjoy this book. ♦ Tell A Thousand Lies (Tales From The Deccan Plateau #1) is set in contemporary India. This series may be read in any order.

Binkle and Flip Misbehave
Five Give Up the Booze
The Cost of Living
The Delights (and Dangers) of the Flowing Bowl
The Complete Guide to Professional Cartooning

This is an irresistible assortment of books, offering some of Enid Blyton's favorite characters in an array of lively and amusing stories. Within the pages of these newly republished books, Mr Meddle finds himself in some very awkward situations, as do the mischievous rabbits Binkle and Flip and the frisky kitten-puppy duo, Bimbo and Topsy. Meanwhile, Mr Twiddle tries unsuccessfully to control his chaotic tendencies, and Mr Pink-Whistle works his magic -- literally These stories make you feel that happiness is, quite simply, a handful of Enid Blyton books. Delight in the magic of Christmas with this bumper collection of 29 short stories from the world's best-loved storyteller! Ideal for reading aloud, or for children over 7 to read alone! Curl up with this collection of festive short stories by Enid Blyton. From the proud rocking horse who learns the gift of giving to a snowman befriended by elves, these joyful tales celebrate the true spirit of Christmas.

With lots of humour and fantastic characters, these stories will appeal to newly confident readers for reading alone as well as to younger children being read to. Enid Blyton remains one of Britain's favourite children's authors and her bumper short story collections are the perfect introduction to her writing. Praise for Enid Blyton's Christmas Stories: 'A wonderful selection to read and share. Mystery and magic, laughter and mischief, the joy of shared times and plenty of delicious food - many of the ingredients which have been delighting Enid Blyton's readers for more than 70 years' - Western Morning News 'Shared excitement and laughter, a little bit of mischief and plenty of delicious food are all mixed together with a pinch of magic and lots of Christmas joy' - Carousel

An Authoritative, historically informed tribute to the punch bowl, by the James Beard Award-winning author of Imbibe!. Replete with historical anecdotes, expert observations, notes on technique and ingredients, and of course world-class recipes, Punch will take readers on a celebratory journey into the punch bowl that starts with some very lonely British sailors and swells to include a cast of lords and ladies, admirals, kings, presidents, poets, pirates, novelists, spies, and other colorful characters. It is a tale only David Wondrich can tell-and it is sure to delight, amuse, and inspire the mixologist and party-planner in everyone.

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Jill's Gymkhana

Places of Poetry

Contains 29 classic Blyton tales

Mr Twiddle in Trouble Again

The Adventures of Binkle & Flip

What I've Learned from Pundits, Politicians, and Presidents

Binkle and Flip, two rabbits with a sense of fun who dislike hard work, come up

with some money-making schemes that get them into trouble.

Classic adventure and mystery from the much loved children's author, Enid Blyton. Enchanting and humorous tales for young readers, from the time-old favourite, Enid Blyton.

A Little Piece Of Ground will help young readers understand more about one of the worst conflicts afflicting our world today. Written by Elizabeth Laird, one of Great Britain's best-known young adult authors, A Little Piece Of Ground explores the human cost of the occupation of Palestinian lands through the eyes of a young boy. Twelve-year-old Karim Aboudi and his family are trapped in their Ramallah home by a strict curfew. In response to a Palestinian suicide bombing, the Israeli military subjects the West Bank town to a virtual siege. Meanwhile, Karim, trapped at home with his teenage brother and fearful parents, longs to play football with his friends. When the curfew ends, he and his friend discover an unused patch of ground that's the perfect site for a football pitch. Nearby, an old car hidden intact under bulldozed building makes a brilliant den. But in this city there's constant danger, even for schoolboys. And when Israeli soldiers find Karim outside during the next curfew, it seems impossible that he will survive. This powerful book fills a substantial gap in existing young adult literature on the Middle East. With 23,000 copies already sold in the United Kingdom and Canada, this book is sure to find a wide audience among young adult readers in the United States.

You're a Nuisance Mister Meddle

Benny and the Giants

American Kennel Club Stud Book Register

Christmas Treats

A Novel

Bimbo and Topsy

He's been watching and waiting. And now he's found her. Rosie is homeless and winter is closing in. So she can't believe her luck when a total stranger, Mr. Adams, invites her to stay. But Mr. Adams has a secret. He has chosen Rosie because she reminds him of someone very special from long ago. Maybe she can even help him recapture that distant happiness. Of course, she might need a little encouragement, but that's fine... What he doesn't realise is that Rosie has a secret too, a secret that will have horrifying consequences for them both. So instead of the heaven he had hoped to find, Mr. Adams finds himself fighting to escape the nightmare of... the girl downstairs. *The Girl Downstairs* - the stunning psychological thriller, perfect for fans of Mark Edwards, K. L. Slater, Miranda Rijks.

"The perfect fun-filled escape from reality! Kate O'Keeffe at her delightful best!" - Bestselling author Whitney Dineen
Three friends form the No More Bad Dates Pact: stop dating the wrong guys and start dating the right ones - weirdos and jerks need not apply. Twenty-five-year-old Sophie McCarthy's career is virtually nonexistent, her family expects her to "do something important" with her life, and she's totally sick of dating the wrong guys: the self-absorbed, the arrogant, the borderline criminally insane. After she's unceremoniously dumped during the vows at her boss's wedding, she and her two equally disappointed-in-love best friends agree to help each other find decent guys to date. Together, they form the No More Bad Dates Pact: stop dating the wrong guys and start dating the right ones-weirdos and jerks need not apply. When Sophie's roommate Jason Christie-a.k.a. doctor-in-training and serial nurse-dater-joins the pact, he vows to weed out the bad ones for her. But with his rejection of every guy Sophie meets, she begins to wonder if he's got an ulterior motive. And anyway, why does she always have so much more fun with Jason than with the guys she's actually trying to date? While desperately seeking

her "happy for now," could Sophie stumble into her "happily ever after?" High Tea is a spin-off of Kate O'Keeffe's bestselling Cozy Cottage Café series. Escape to New Zealand in this fun, feel-good chick lit series! Books in the High Tea series: Book 1: No More Bad Dates Book 2: No More Terrible Dates Book 3: No More Horrible Dates

A selection of 30 magical and mischievous short stories by Britain's most beloved children's author - perfect for sharing at Halloween! Witches and pixies abound in this magical selection of thirty short stories, perfect for seasonal reading and sharing. With lots of humour and fantastic characters these classic tales are ideal for younger children being read to and for newly confident readers to read alone. Each story stands alone and is the perfect length for reading at bedtime or in the classroom. Enid Blyton remains one of Britain's favourite children's authors and her bumper short story collections are perfect for introducing her to the latest generation of readers. Read all of Enid Blyton's bestselling short story collections: Springtime Stories Summer Stories Holiday Stories Summer Holiday Stories Summertime Stories Stories of Wizards and Witches Stories of Magic and Mischief Christmas Tales Christmas Treats Winter Tales *** Enid Blyton ® and Enid Blyton's signature are Registered Trademarks of Hodder and Stoughton Limited. No trademark or copyrighted material may be reproduced without the express written permission of the trademark and copyright owner.

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100 Minds That Made the Market

Angel Fire East

A Romantic Comedy about Love, Friendship... and Tea

The Put-em-rights

Looking For Enid

Jill and the Perfect Pony

Rachel Gibson, who occupies a very special place in readers' hearts alongside Lori Foster and Jennifer Crusie, delights with this funny, smart, and sexy story of an starlet's attempt to start over as the personal assistant to a cantankerous—but hockey player. Nothing But Trouble is nothing but wonderful! Trouble . . . Chelsea's acting career has been a total bust. The closest she ever came to stardom was a brilliant performance as "Pretty Dead Girl #1." But leaving Hollywood to become a personal assistant to a famous hockey player could be her stupidest career move. More trouble . . . Injured superstar Mark Bressler's glory days are over. The bad-

jock could at least be civil to the pint-sized, pink-haired bombshell who the Seat Chinooks hired to be his P.A. If Chelsea didn't need the money, she'd be running world's biggest jerk as fast as her feet could carry her. Big trouble! Chelsea can with Mark's rotten attitude and dark moods. The problem is those biceps and th bod! And when the bad boy starts to put the moves on her, Chelsea knows it's banished him to the penalty box . . . if only she could resist the kind of trouble h mind!

"That is Brooks' way of casting spells—transporting his readers into plausible re where sorcery is alive, whether those places are in other ages or right in the mi our own. As a result, he's reaped more than a few magical moments . . ."—Seatt As a Knight of the Word, John Ross has struggled against the dark forces of the his minions for twenty-five years. The grim future he dreams each night—a worl to blood and ashes—will come true, unless he can stop them now, in the presen of a gypsy morph, a rare and dangerous creature that could be an invaluable we his fight against the Void, brings John Ross and Nest Freemark together again. T before, with the fate of the world hanging in the balance, the lives of Ross and intersected. Together, they have prevailed. But now they will face an ancient evi anything they have ever encountered, a demon of ruthless intelligence and feral As a firestorm of evil erupts, threatening to consume lives and shatter dreams, but a single chance to solve the mystery of the Gypsy morph—and their own pr connection. "Superior to most of the fantasy fiction being published today."—Ro Mountain News

"Jeff Pearlman has captured the swagger of the '86 Mets. You don't have to be to enjoy this book—it's a great read for all baseball enthusiasts." —Philadelphia News Award-winning Sports Illustrated baseball writer Jeff Pearlman returns to innocent time when a city worshipped a man named Mookie and the Yankees we second-best team in New York. It was 1986, and the New York Mets won 108 r season games and the World Series, capturing the hearts (and other assorted b of fans everywhere. But their greatness on the field was nearly eclipsed by how were off it. Led by the indomitable Keith Hernandez and the young dynamic duo Dwight Gooden and Darryl Strawberry, along with the gallant Scum Bunch, the Amazin's left a wide trail of wreckage in their wake—hotel rooms, charter planes in Houston, and most famously Bill Buckner and the hated Boston Red Sox. With unforgettable cast of characters—including Doc, Straw, the Kid, Nails, Mex, and Davey Johnson—this "affectionate but critical look at this exciting season" (Publ Weekly) celebrates the last of baseball's arrogant, insane, rock-and-roll-and-part night teams, exploring what could have been, what should have been, and what was.

Bimbo and Topsy ... Illustrated by Lucy Gee

Shorty's Yarns

Beauty Queens

The Girl Downstairs

The Mysterious And Inventive Life Of Enid Blyton

Uzaki-chan Wants to Hang Out!