

## You Wouldnt Want To Be A Shakespearean Actor Some Roles You Might Not Want To Play

*See life through the eyes of one of the most unfortunate people in European history – Mary, Queen of Scots! Crowned as a baby, widowed at 18, schemed against in your own country and menaced by the superpower next door – your life is not going to be a bed of roses. This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like as Mary, Queen of Scots. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.*

*Humorous illustrations, captions, and sidebars describes life for a spy during World War II.*

*Examines for young readers the long and arduous journey to the Far East taken by Marco Polo and his companions, which took more than 20 years to complete and included extreme travel conditions, hostile armies and strange animals. Simultaneous.*

*Describes the giant airship “Hindenburg” and its explosive crash on a New Jersey airfield in 1937.*

*Some Dangerous Characters You’d Better Avoid*

*A Secret Job That’s Your Destiny*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Electricity!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be Guy Fawkes!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Salem Witch!*

*Get ready...as a young man living in the Roman Empire, you’ve heard many stories about far-away lands and people. It sounds exciting but you’re about to discover how tough life really is for a Roman soldier! This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like as a Roman soldier. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.*

*You’re a hardworking farmer trying to support your family. But you disobey the Emperor’s orders and soon you’re marching through deserts on your way to work on the Great Wall of China! This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like working on the Great Wall of China. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.*

*Traces the founding of the English colony at Jamestown, its struggle for survival, and its eventual decline.*

*Imagine a world without books. You would have no information about the world outside, except what you could learn from travellers. You would know nothing about the past, except what storytellers could remember. The book is a truly amazing data storage device, yet most of us take it for granted. Find out how it has developed over the centuries, and how it is being reinvented for the future.*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be on the Hindenburg!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Clean Water*

*You Wouldn’t Want to be an American Pioneer!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Pyramid Builder!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Victorian Schoolchild!*

*Voyages Ready? Rather Not Make*

Get ready...as a hardened sailor, you’re about to join Shackleton in what will prove to be one of the most gruelling adventures of all time as you brave your way across the bitterly cold continent of Antarctica. As you encounter extreme cold, strong icy winds and a worrying lack of food and water, you’ll soon see why you really wouldn’t want to join Shackleton’s polar expedition! This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like on Shackleton’s polar expedition. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.

We depend on electricity in almost everything that we do. It gives us heat, light, transportation and entertainment. Electricity has always existed, but it is only in the last 200 years or so that we have learned how to make use of it. Find out what electricity does for us – and how we managed without it in the past. You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Electricity! is part of a brand-new science and technology strand within the internationally acclaimed You Wouldn’t Want to Be series.

stimulate young readers’ curiosity about the world around them. Specially commissioned cartoon-style illustrations in full colour make these books attractive and accessible even to reluctant readers. Information is conveyed through captions, labels and humorous speech bubbles in addition to the main text. Illustrated sidebars headed ‘How It Works’, ‘Top Tip’ or ‘You Can Do It’ supply more facts, describe simple, safe experiments, or steps that readers can take to help make the world a better place. Each volume includes a timeline and a list of ‘Did You Know?’ facts.

Brief text, sidebars, labeled illustrations, and humorous cartoons depict life and events during the four years of the Civil War.

Brief text, sidebars, labeled illustrations, and humorous cartoons depict explorers Lewis and Clark, outlining their routes, personal experiences, and encounters with the Native Americans.

You Wouldn’t Want to be a Ninja Warrior!

You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Pain!

Wharf Water Tea You’d Rather Not Drink

A Hazardous Job You’d Rather Not Have

You Wouldn’t Want to Live in a Wild West Town!

A Deadly Career You’d Rather Not Pursue

**Examines the skills needed to become a samurai warrior in 17th-century Japan, including courage, obedience, strength, dedication and fighting skills, as well as the dangers involved in holding such a prestigious position. Simultaneous.**

**You are a Victorian schoolchild. Growing up in Britain in the 1880s wasn’t easy. For a young child in school the going is tough and the punishments are hard. This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like as a Victorian schoolchild. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.**

**It’s the end of the 15th century, and your local castle is looking for a jailer. Are you up to the job? Your charges will include all sorts of people, from hardened criminals to people with mental illnesses, and you won’t be expected to treat them kindly... This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like in a medieval dungeon. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.**

**Presents a humorous look at what life was like on the Great Plains just after the Civil War.**

**You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Mammoth Hunter!**

**You Wouldn’t Want to be a Viking Explorer!**

**You Wouldn’t Want to Explore with Lewis and Clark!**

**A Wilderness You’d Rather Not Tame**

**You Wouldn’t Want to Be Mary, Queen of Scots!**

**You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Books!**

You are a young man from a noble family in Mexico. Little do you suspect that you are about to fall victim to one of the most powerful South American civilisations and become an Aztec sacrifice! This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like living in the Aztec civilisation. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.

You are a 12-year-old girl living in Britain in the 1880s. You are about to start work for a wealthy family. You will be busy all day long as a Victorian servant. This title can be used as a background approach to wider issues in Victorian times, such as class divides, daily life and the position of men and women. This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like working as a Victorian servant. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.

Describes what it was like to be a nurse during the Civil War.

Presents a lighthearted look at some of the difficulties faced by the pioneers who traveled by wagon train across the United States to settle in the West.

You Wouldn’t Want to be a Roman Gladiator!

You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Chicago Gangster!

You Wouldn’t Want to Be on Apollo 13! (Revised Edition)

You Wouldn’t Want to Be in a Medieval Dungeon!

You Wouldn’t Want to Work on the Great Wall of China!

Gory Things You’d Rather Not Know

*Describes the construction of an Egyptian pharaoh’s tomb, the life and various jobs of the workers, and the burial of the pharaoh. This best-selling series engages readers of all levels by making them part of the story. Readers will become the main character and can revel in the gory and dark sides of life throughout important moments in history.*

*Get ready...as a boy growing up in a castle in the Middle Ages, all you want to be is a champion to the king, but can you make it as a medieval knight? This best-selling series engages readers of all levels by making them part of the story. Readers will become the main character and can revel in the gory and dark sides of life throughout important moments in history.*

*How would you cope if there were no toilets? Where would you go? How would you keep yourself and your house clean? This book tells the fascinating story of a piece of technology that most of us take for granted. Find out why toilets are so important, how they improved over the years, and how they might develop in the future. You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Toilets! is part of a brand-new science and technology strand within the internationally acclaimed You Wouldn’t Want to Be series. The clear, engaging text and humorous illustrations bring the subject to life and stimulate young readers’ curiosity about the world around them. Specially commissioned cartoon-style illustrations in full colour make these books attractive and accessible even to reluctant readers. Information is conveyed through captions, labels and humorous speech bubbles in addition to the main text. Illustrated sidebars headed ‘How It Works’, ‘Top Tip’ or ‘You Can Do It’ supply more facts, describe simple, safe experiments, or steps that readers can take to help make the world a better place. Each volume includes a timeline and a list of ‘Did You Know?’ facts.*

*Presents a light-hearted approach to what life was like as a Viking explorer.*

*An Epic Journey You’d Rather Not Make*

*You Wouldn’t Want to be at the Boston Tea Party!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be an Aztec Sacrifice!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to be a Civil War Soldier!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be on Shackleton’s Polar Expedition!*

*A Really Long Trip You’d Rather Not Take*

*As a young servant to Catholic conspirator and would-be assassin Guy Fawkes, you’ll witness the secretive planning and thwarted execution of the infamous Gunpowder Plot of 1605 at first-hand. Plunge into a morally-murky world of political intrigue, persecution and religious extremism not so very far away from our own... This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like as Guy Fawkes. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.*

*You’re a princess born into the Egyptian royal family. But it’s not easy living in the palace. From family betrayals to Roman generals, you will discover it’s not easy being Cleopatra! This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like as Cleopatra. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.*

*Uses humor in both text and illustrations to describe life for women and girls in 17th-century Salem, Massachusetts.*

*You are a hunter following the trail of mammoths as they cross a vast, treeless wilderness. You camp where your people have always sheltered. You leave your mark on the walls of caves. You fight your enemies. You kill mammoths. Life is hard and can be short. If you are brave and strong, you will be successful. If you are not, then you wouldn’t want to be an Ice Age mammoth hunter! This title in the best-selling children’s history series, You Wouldn’t Want To..., features full-colour illustrations which combine humour and accurate technical detail and a narrative approach placing readers at the centre of the history, encouraging them to become emotionally-involved with the characters and aiding their understanding of what life would have been like as a Stone Age mammoth hunter. Informative captions, a complete glossary and an index make this title an ideal introduction to the conventions of information books for young readers. It is an ideal text for Key Stage 2 shared and guided reading and helps achieve the goals of the Scottish Standard Curriculum 5-14.*

*A Job That’s Not for the Squeamish*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Roman Soldier!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Toilets!*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Money!*

*You Would Not Want to be a Secret Agent During World War II*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be Cleopatra!*

**This best-selling series engages readers of all levels by making them part of the story. Readers will become the main character and can revel in the gory and dark sides of life throughout important moments in history.**

**You Wouldn’t Want to be a Samurai!A Deadly Career You’d Rather Not Pursue**

**Learn the surprising truth about pain: how it actually helps keep us alive, healthy, and feeling good. You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Pain! is part of a brand-new science and technology strand within the internationally acclaimed You Wouldn’t Want to Be series. The clear, engaging text and humorous illustrations bring the subject to life and stimulate young readers’ curiosity about the world around them. Specially commissioned cartoon-style illustrations in full colour make these books attractive and accessible even to reluctant readers. Information is conveyed through captions, labels and humorous speech bubbles in addition to the main text. Illustrated sidebars headed ‘How It Works’, ‘Top Tip’ or ‘You Can Do It’ supply more facts, describe simple, safe experiments, or steps that readers can take to help make the world a better place. Each volume includes a timeline and a list of ‘Did You Know?’ facts.**

**Uses humor in both text and illustrations to describe what it would be like to live without clean water and describes how people access water and the importance of making sure that water is not polluted or wasted.**

**Dust You’d Rather Not Settle**

**You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Victorian Servant!**

**You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Civil War Soldier!**

**You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Medieval Knight!**

**A War You’d Rather Not Fight**

**You Wouldn’t Want to be a Samurai!**

*Humorous illustrations, captions, and sidebars take away the glamour and romance of being a gangster in Chicago during the 1920s, illustrating the darker side of this profession.*

*Money is one of the most important inventions in the history of human civilisation, allowing people to exchange goods and services, and amass great wealth and power. This book tells the story of money, from its origins to the rise of the banking system and beyond. You Wouldn’t Want to Live Without Money! is part of a brand-new science and technology strand within the internationally acclaimed You Wouldn’t Want to Be series. The clear, engaging text and humorous illustrations bring the subject to life and stimulate young readers’ curiosity about the world around them. Specially commissioned cartoon-style illustrations in full colour make these books attractive and accessible even to reluctant readers. Information is conveyed through captions, labels and humorous speech bubbles in addition to the main text. Illustrated sidebars headed ‘How It Works’, ‘Top Tip’ or ‘You Can Do It’ supply more facts, describe simple, safe experiments, or steps that readers can take to help make the world a better place. Each volume includes a timeline and a list of ‘Did You Know?’ facts.*

*Uses humor to recount the events leading up to the colonists’ defiant act against the British, describing the Boston Tea Party itself, as well as providing a brief history of the American Revolution.*

*Examines the skills needed to become a ninja, including practicing with weapons everyday, listening and not asking questions, and keeping identity secret.*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Explore with Marco Polo!*

*A Transatlantic Trip You’d Rather Skip*

*Armor You’d Rather Not Wear (Revised Edition)*

*Bizarre Accusations You’d Rather Not Face*

*You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Nurse During the American Civil War!*

**YOU WOULDNT WANT TO BE A CRUSA**