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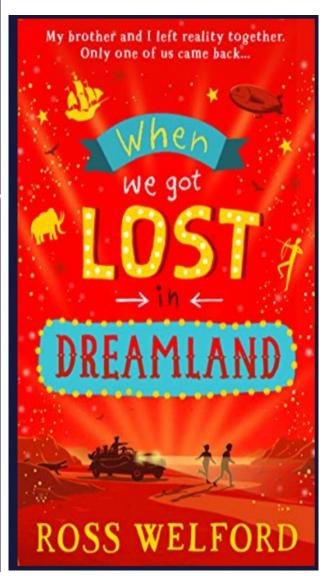
Out January 21st

The landmark new novel from Ross Welford, one of the fastest-growing and most critically acclaimed middle grade authors in the UK, this funny, moving and brilliant sixth book cements his position as the most exciting storyteller around for readers of 10+.

When 12 year-old Malky and his younger brother Seb become the owners of a "Dreaminator", they are thrust into worlds beyond their wildest imagination.

From tree-top flights and Spanish galleons, to thrilling battles and sporting greatness – it seems like nothing is out of reach when you can share a dream with someone else.

But... impossible dreams come with incredible risks, and when Seb won't wake up and is taken to hospital in a coma, Malky is forced to leave reality behind and undertake a final, terrifying journey to the stone-age to wake his brother...



An epic middle grade supernatural adventure series, soon to be a major movie starring Marsai Martin. Perfect for readers aged 8+ and fans of Percy Jackson, Nevermoor and Men in Black.

"Sharp, funny and brightly imaginative – a big adventure filled with magic and heart" – Jessica Townsend, New York Times bestselling author of the Nevermoor series

"Amari is magical" – Angie Thomas, Sunday Times bestselling author of The Hate U Give

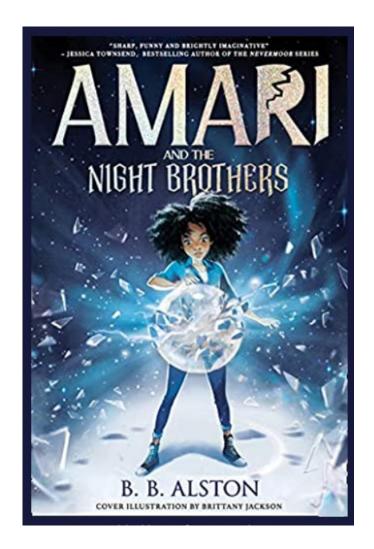
Amari Peters knows three things.

Her brother Quinton has gone missing. No one will talk about it. His mysterious job holds a clue ...

When Amari gets an invitation to the Bureau of Supernatural Affairs, she's certain this is her chance to find her brother. But first she has to get her head around the new world of the Bureau, where mermaids, aliens and magicians are **real**, and her roommate is a weredragon.

Amari must compete against kids who've known about the supernatural world their whole lives, and when each trainee is awarded a special supernatural talent, Amari is given an illegal talent – one that the Bureau views as dangerous.

With an evil magician threatening the whole supernatural world, and her own classmates thinking she is an enemy, Amari has never felt more alone. But if she doesn't pass the three tryouts, she may never find out what happened to Quinton ...



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Rafe Khatchadorian is back in the latest adventure in the bestselling Middle School series

GUESS WHERE I'M GOING?

ON AN ALL-EXPENSES-PAID ART TRIP TO CALIFORNIA!

And it's going to be awesome.

I can't wait to see the big Hollywood sign, walk right past celebrities on the streets, and go to a redcarpet movie premiere.

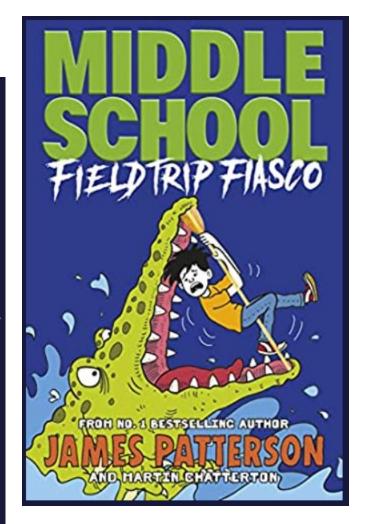
And this time, nothing's going to go wrong!

Famous last words, right?

Well, let's just say there's actually no Hollywood on my trip, but there is camping, diamond thieves, and a big, hungry crocodile.

This field trip is going to be a CATASTROPHE!

HELP!



Out January 25th

Have you ever experienced dreams so vivid it seems like you have lived them? Or had déjà vu so strong you're convinced you must have been there before?

The explosive first book in a brand new action-packed series from bestselling author Chris Bradford.

Late one night a schoolgirl is attacked in a city park. When a stranger rushes to her rescue, Genna Adams believes it's luck that their paths crossed. Then a week later, the same boy saves her from being kidnapped and Genna realises this is no coincidence. But the explanation offered by the boy, Phoenix, is even stranger than she could have imagined - a long-forgotten foe has tracked her across lifetimes to lay claim to Genna's very soul.

As the hunters close in, Genna has no choice but to trust her mysterious protector - and soon she is swept into a deadly adventure, racing across time to save herself and, ultimately, the human race.

Because for Genna, death is only the beginning...



Out February 4th

From the bestselling author of A PINCH OF MAGIC and A SPRINKLE OF SORCERY comes a thrilling story of sisters, spells and witches.

Everyone knows that magic and trouble go hand in hand...

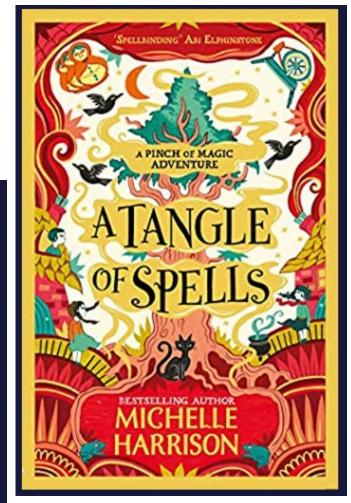
A dangerous spell cast over an unsuspecting village.

An enchanted painting locked in a hidden room.

A desperate race against time to break the spell before it's too late...

It should have been a fresh start for the Widdershins. Finally free from the misty gloom of Crowstone and beginning a new life. But all is not as it seems in their postcard-pretty village. Their neighbours are acting strangely, and why do they flinch at the mere mention of magic?

The Widdershins sisters have their own secret: a set of enchanted nesting dolls with the power to render their user invisible. The sisters must use their wits - and their magic - if they're to break the dark hold over the village, and save one of their own . . . but have they met their match this time?



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"Beautifully told. This appealing book is about losses healed, lies uncovered, cruelty defeated and goodness rewarded." The Sunday Times

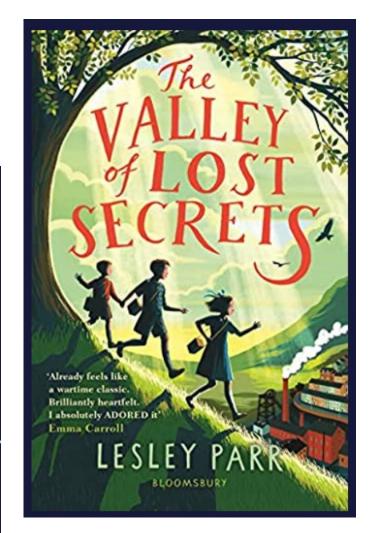
September 1939.

When Jimmy is evacuated to a small village in Wales, it couldn't be more different from London. Green, quiet and full of strangers, he instantly feels out of place.

But then he finds a skull hidden in a tree, and suddenly the valley is more frightening than the war. Who can Jimmy trust? His brother is too little; his best friend has changed.

Finding an ally in someone he never expects, they set out together to uncover the secrets that lie with the skull. What they discover will change Jimmy – and the village – forever.

A mesmerising mystery about bravery and brotherhood from an outstanding new voice.



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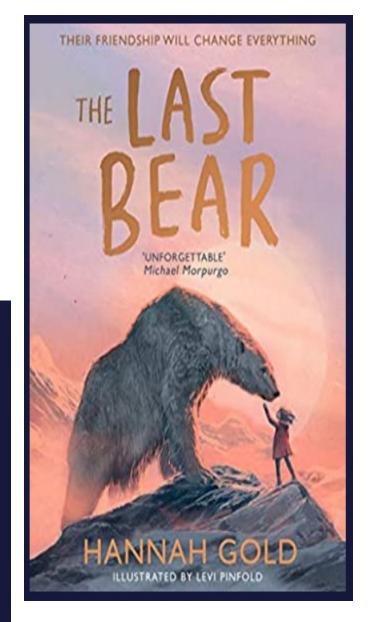
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Imagine making friends with a polar bear... The Last Bear is perfect for readers of 8+, beautifully illustrated throughout by Levi Pinfold – winner of the Kate Greenaway Medal and illustrator of Harry Potter 20th anniversary edition covers.

"This is an important first novel, important for us, for polar bears, for the planet. It is deeply moving, beautifully told, quite unforgettable." Michael Morpurgo.

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...

This moving story will win the hearts of children the world over and show them that no one is too young or insignificant to make a difference. **The Last Bear** is a celebration of the love between a child and an animal, a battle cry for our world and an irresistible adventure with a heart as big as a bear's.



The first adventure in a spellbinding new magical world.

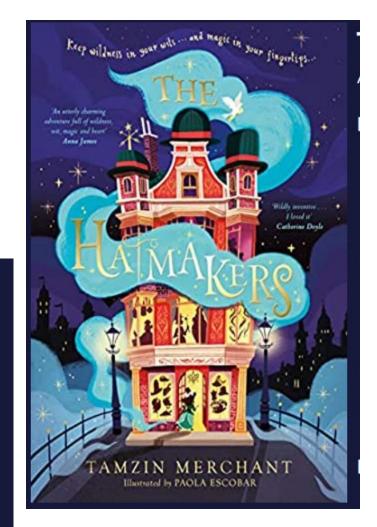
'Wildly inventive . . . full of laugh-out-loud humour, enchanting magic and rebellious hope. I loved it' **Catherine Doyle**

Cordelia comes from a long line of magical milliners, who weave alchemy and enchantment into every hat. In Cordelia's world, Making - crafting items such as hats, cloaks, watches, boots and gloves from magical ingredients - is a rare and ancient skill, and only a few special Maker families remain.

When Cordelia's father Prospero and his ship, the *Jolly Bonnet*, are lost at sea during a mission to collect hat ingredients, Cordelia is determined to find him. But Uncle Tiberius and Aunt Ariadne have no time to help the littlest Hatmaker, for an ancient rivalry between the Maker families is threatening to surface. Worse, someone seems to be using Maker magic to start a war.

It's up to Cordelia to find out who, and why . . .

'An utterly charming adventure full of wildness, wit, magic and heart' **Anna James**



Out February 18th

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Join Hal and Uncle Nat as they plunge straight into an exciting mystery - this time while on Safari!

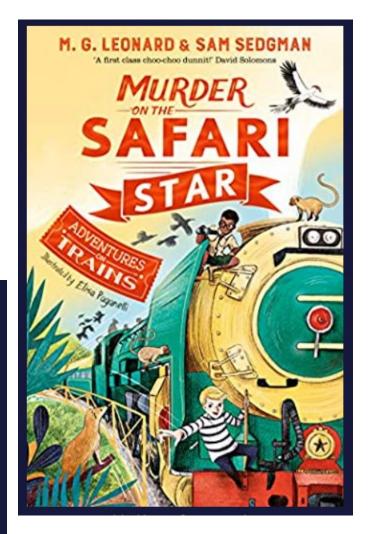
All-aboard for the third amazing journey in the bestselling Adventures on Trains series, *Murder on the Safari Star,* from M. G. Leonard and Sam Sedgman, illustrated throughout by Elisa Paganelli.

Harrison Beck and his Uncle Nat are on the journey of a lifetime aboard the Safari Star – a luxurious steam train that will take them from Pretoria to the stunning Victoria Falls. Close encounters with the amazing animals and landscape of Southern Africa are adventure enough, but things get mysterious when a passenger is found dead inside a locked compartment. Is it just a terrible accident or is something more suspicious afoot? It's up to train detective Hal and his new friend Winston to find out.

Like Murder on the Orient Express but better!' Frank Cottrell-Boyce on The Highland Falcon Thief

'A chuffing triumph' *The Times* on *The Highland Falcon Thief*

'A first class choo-choo-dunnit!' David Solomons on Kidnap on the California Comet



Out February 4th

A hilarious new adventure from the author of the bestselling *Who Let the Gods Out?* series!

Divorce is tough for any kid. But when - like Violet's parents - your mum is ex-secret service and your dad is a retired bad guy, 'till death do us part' takes on a whole new meaning. And with her parents' focus on each other, the real super-villains are having a field day. To save her family - and the world - from evil domination, Vi must turn spy ...

Praise for the WHO LET THE GODS OUT? series:

'I totally fell in love with Elliot and the gods, and I think you're all going to love them too.' ROBIN STEVENS

'One of the funniest new voices in children's literature. The laughs come thick and fast' DAVID SOLOMONS

'[A] relentlessly witty, fast-paced middle grade adventure' M.G. LEONARD

