Abdolah, Kader  
**My Father’s Notebook**

On a holy mountain in the depths of Persia there is a cave with a mysterious cuneiform carving deep inside it. Aga Akbar, a deaf-mute boy from the mountain, develops his own private script from these symbols and writes passionately of his life, his family and his efforts to make sense of the changes the twentieth century brings to his country. Exiled in Holland a generation later, Akbar's son Ishmael struggles to decipher the notebook, reflecting on how his own political activities have forced him to flee his country and abandon his family. As he gets closer to the heart of his father's story, he unravels the intricate tale of how the silent world of a village carpet-mender was forced to give way to one where the increasingly hostile environment of modern Iran has brought the family both love and sacrifice.

Aliav, Ruth; Long, Peggy  
**The last escape**

The true story of how just ten people managed to save the lives of many thousands of Jews who were doomed to die in Hitler's concentration camps. Describes Ruth Kluger's desperate and exciting adventures.

Ambrosio, Gabriella  
**Before we say goodbye**

Jerusalem, 2002 - where one young Palestinian is about to make the greatest sacrifice of all. In the style of the TV drama 24, each chapter covers an hour in the day leading up to a suicide bombing.

Ansell, Rod; Percy, Rachel  
**To fight the wild**

Remarkable story of how a fishing accident led to a life-or-death journey up the remote Fitzmaurice River; and how the twenty-six-year-old bull catcher, Rod Ansell survived in one of the most isolated corners of the world.

Armstrong, William  
**Sounder**

Set in the American South in the era of sharecropping and segregation, this tale describes the courage of a father who steals a ham to feed his undernourished family; the determination of the eldest son, who searches for his father despite the apathy of prison authorities and the devotion of a dog named Sounder.

Ayarbe, Heidi  
**Freeze frame**

No matter how many times Kyle rewrites the scene, he can't get it right. he can't remember what happened that day in the shed. The day Jason died. And until he can, there is one question that keeps haunting Kyle: Did he kill his best friend on purpose?

Bailey, Maurice & Maralyn  
**117 days adrift**

After Maralyn and Maurice Bailey’s yacht ‘Auralyn’ sank, they spent 117 days in their small rubber life raft. For most of the time they were totally dependent on resources provided by the ocean and the sky.

Baillie, Allan  
**Cat’s Mountain**
When Cat is dropped off at her grandmother's hut in a remote part of the bush, she suddenly finds herself on her own. What has happened, and what can she do? Piecing together clues, Cat starts making sense of things, but not the sort of sense she was hoping for.

**Baillie, Allan**  
_B'Hero_  
F BAI:A  
The Hawkesbury River has broken its banks and the children must get home before the black water overwhelms the bridges. Two boys and a girl leave school to try to get home in time. Four hours later they unexpectedly meet in dramatic and terrifying circumstances, and one of them will become a hero.

**Ballantyne, R.M.**  
_The Coral Island_  
F BAL:R  
This is the story of Ralph, Jack and Peterkin who are shipwrecked on a South Sea island with only a telescope and an axe between them. The island seems a paradise of lagoons and coral reefs - until the arrival of pirates and cannibals ...

**Bartoletti, Susan Campbell**  
_The boy who dared_  
F BAR:S  
When 16-year-old Helmuth Hubner listens to the BBC news on an illegal short-wave radio, he quickly discovers Germany is lying to the people. But when he tries to expose the truth with leaflets, he's tried for treason. Sentenced to death and waiting in a jail cell, Helmuth's story emerges in a series of flashbacks that show his growth from a naive child, to a sensitive and mature young man who thinks for himself.

**Blackman, Malorie**  
_Tell me no lies_  
F BLA:M  
Gemma cuts out pictures for her scrapbooks, pictures of mothers, like the one she will never, ever see again. Mike is a new boy at school - a boy who is desperate not to be noticed. He has a secret so terrible it will haunt him forever. But Gemma is sure she has seen Mike's face before, and now she is out to get him.

**Boyne, John**  
_The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas_  
F BOY:J  
A story of innocence existing within the most terrible evil, this is the fictional tale of two young boys caught up in an event beyond their control. It begins in 1942 in Berlin when nine-year-old Bruno discovers that his belongings are being packed in crates. His father has received a promotion and the family must move from their home to a new house far away, where there is no one to play with and nothing to do. But Bruno begins to explore his new environment and meets another boy whose life and circumstances are very different from his own.

**Brickhill, Paul**  
_Reach for the sky_  
F BRI:P  
The true story of Douglas Bader, Britain's most courageous pilot and hero of the Battle of Britain. The real fight for Bader was not in the deadly dog-fights, but in the battle fought in a hospital ward learning to cope with two artificial legs.

**Brugman, Alyssa**  
_Walking Naked_  
F BRU:A  
Megan is one of the leaders of the in-group. She wouldn't dream of talking to Perdita, "the Freak". But when they are thrown together in detention, she finds herself drawn into a spiky, challenging almost-friendship. Megan then faces an uncomfortable choice: Perdita or the group?

**Brunner, Hans**  
_Survivors!_  
F BRU:H
**A.B. ‘Banjo’ Paterson Library**

**Difficult Decisions – Between a Rock and a Hard Place**

15-year-old Peter is shipwrecked and marooned on an Antarctic island with other survivors. Their only hope is that someone in the Southern Ocean will hear their Mayday signal. One of the crew mysteriously disappears and Peter comes face to face with a stranger in the white snowsuit…

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Stephen's holiday in the Rockies with his country cousin Louie, is marred by two bullies who are determined to make things unpleasant. Stephen meets Angus, a mysterious Indian mask carver. When Stephen puts on one of Angus’s masks he suddenly gains the courage to face the troublemakers.

Crane, Stephen  The red badge of courage  F CRA:S
A young Civil War recruit faces the terror of battle. Will he find the courage he needs? An ‘American classic’ - a story of fear, courage, conflict and death.

Crofford, Emily  Born in the year of courage  F CRO:E
In 1841, a 15-year-old Japanese boy was shipwrecked. Manjiro was picked up by an American whaling ship outside Japanese territorial waters. He decides to live in America. This is based on the true story of Manjiro's remarkable life.

Cross, Gillian  On the edge  F CRO:G
Kidnapped by a terrorist group, Tug finds himself in unfamiliar surroundings with a couple who claim to be his parents. Totally confused, Tug begins to doubt his own identity. A brilliant psychological thriller.

Crossley-Holland, Kevin  Arthur: King of the Middle March  F CRO:K
Thousands of knights and footsoldiers are mustering in Venice for the launch of the Fourth Crusade. Among them is young Arthur de Caldicot, soon to be dubbed a knight. He is thrilled to be part of this huge gathering, but all too soon the crusade falls into disarray.

Diver, Stuart  Survival  920 DIV
The story of how one man found the mental and physical strength to live through tragedy and survive against impossible odds. Stuart explores the event that changed his world forever.

Drake, John  The fourth test  F DRA:J
With no dad to guide him, Sam must make his own decisions about standing up for what he knows is right, but this time he's picked the wrong guy to mess with.

Downham, Jenny  You against me  F DOW:J
When Mikey’s sister claims a boy assaulted her at a party, his world begins to fall apart. When Ellie’s brother is charged with the crime, but says he didn’t do it, her world begins to unravel. When Mikey and Ellie meet, two worlds collide.

Fienberg, Anna  The witch in the lake  F FIE:A
Leo has heard the stories since he was a baby and now he's determined to find out if it's true. With his best friend, Merilee, he sets out to expose the superstitions that haunt his village. Leo is a wizard, like his great grandfather Illuminato, but there are sinister secrets at work against him.

Forbes, Esther  Johnny Tremain  F FOR:E
Johnny Tremain is one of a group of conspirators preparing for the famous Boston Tea Party which sparked off the American Revolution.

Forman, Gayle  If I stay  F FOR:G
Difficult Decisions – Between a Rock and a Hard Place

For seventeen-year-old Mia, surrounded by a wonderful family, friends and a gorgeous boyfriend, decisions might seem tough, but they're all about a future full of music and love, a future that's brimming with hope. But life can change in an instant.

Fraser, Antonia  
*King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table*  
Arthur lifts the sword from the stone and the great age of chivalry is born. This retelling of the greatest of stories captures all the excitement and romance of the age.

Fraser, Antonia  
*Robin Hood*  
Stealing from the rich to feed the poor, Robin Hood is a familiar figure from legend. In this skilful retelling a classic adventure is brought to life as never before. Every page is packed with adventure, romance and excitement. It also contains betrayal and blackmail, while the Sheriff's forces try to get the upper hand.

French, Jackie  
*Walking the boundaries*  
Martin's great-grandfather was told he could have the farm for free if he walked the boundaries. Unfortunately, others want to stop this happening, no matter what the cost.

Gallico, Paul  
*The Poseidon adventure*  
A sea-liner ‘Poseidon’ is caught by an underwater earthquake and capsizes. As the ship slowly sinks, a group of survivors, with the help of an American mountaineer, attempt to inch their way upward through the bowels of the ship to safety.

Garfield, Leon  
*The golden shadow*  
An original and enthralling version of the Greek myths. The stories describe epic conflicts among the Greek Gods.

Glatsteyn, Yankev  
*Emil and Karl*  
Two friends - Emil is Jewish, while Karl is not - are trapped in Vienna during the Anschluss with no-one to rely upon as murder and madness have disposed of their parents. They are more afraid of becoming separated than they are of the Nazis, it is clear they are coming of age and into a terrible knowledge, ahead of the rest of the population, as they observe the world descending into madness around them.

Gray, Keith  
*Creepers*  
Derwent Drive was known as the ‘Speed Creep’. A novel about friendship, courage and loss.

Great soldiers’ tales presented by Michael Carver  
*A collection of short stories based on the experiences of soldiers at war, from the writings of Kipling, C. S. Forester, Leon Tolstoy, Montserrat and many more.*

Green, Cliff  
*Boy soldiers*  
It is 1914 and the law says that 15-year-old boys must do military training or be sent to jail. Will and Ned have their own reasons for avoiding army training, but they finally confronted with the violence of war.

Green, Roger Lancelot  
*King Arthur and his knights of the round table*  
A collection of short stories based on the experiences of soldiers at war, from the writings of Kipling, C. S. Forester, Leon Tolstoy, Montserrat and many more.
Epic tales of good and evil, from the birth of Arthur to the mystical sword in the stone, to the quest for the Holy Grail and the Last Battle at Camlann.

Green, Roger Lancelot The Luck of Troy 292.08 GRE
Carried off by his mother at the age of two, Prince Paris of Troy feels justified in helping the Greeks to attack Troy. This is the epic story of the siege of Troy by the Greeks.

Green, Roger Lancelot Tales of the Greek heroes 292.08 GRE
The story of Helen and the judgment of Paris; the gathering of the heroes and the siege of Troy; of Achilles and Odysseus who conceived the idea and carried out the making of the Wooden Horse and his many adventures on his long journey back to Greece.

Gripping war stories: ten exciting tales of war collected by Tony Bradman F GRI
For Tommy, war is only a game, but for plenty of other young people it's a grim fight for survival.
Dafna is desperate for decent food when Jerusalem is besieged: Anton is caught up in a dangerous Resistance plot in occupied Amsterdam: and Younger Bear, a Cheyenne warrior, prepares for his first battle…

Hager, Mandy The crossing F HAG:M
The Crossing is the first book in a stunning new trilogy that follows the fate of Maryam and her unlikely companions - Joseph, Ruth and Lazarus. This is fast, suspenseful drama underpinned by a powerful and moving story about love and loss.

Haggard, H. Rider King Solomon’s mines F HAG:R
They were diamond mines and there were chests full of uncut stones, some as large as pigeon's eggs. But it was not for them that three Englishmen made their perilous expedition north of Durban. They went in search of a man.

Hartnett, Sonya Stripes of the sidestep wolf F HAR:S
In a dying country town lives a young man fighting the future, a young woman fighting the past, and a long-lost animal that can teach them both the art of survival.

Heaney, Seamus Beowulf 829.3 BEO:H
Computed towards the end of the first millennium of our era, the Anglo-Saxon poem “Beowulf” is one of the great Northern epics and a classic of European literature. It is a tale of its hero’s triumphs as a young warrior and his fated death as a defender of his people.

Heyerdahl, Thor The Kon-Tiki expedition: by raft across the south seas 910.9164:HEY
The exciting true story of the Kon-Tiki’s famous crossing of the Pacific on a balsa-wood raft.

Hill, Anthony Soldier boy F HIL:A
Jim Martin was 14 when he sailed away to war on the troopship Berrima, on 28 June 1915, bound for Gallipoli. This is the true story of how an inexperienced schoolboy became Australia’s youngest known Anzac.

Hill, Deirdre Flight from fear F HIL:D
War can scar the mind as well as the body. After his mother and sister were killed in an air raid, Tommy goes to Australia to live with his aunt in Tiboorie. To Tommy, Tiboorie is the end of the world, middle of nowhere. Yet even here there's an Air Force base with its reminder of air raids and bombs...

Hope, Anthony  
**The prisoner of Zenda**  
F HOP:A
It was a little more than idle curiosity and a penchant for travel that took Rudolf Rassdyl to Ruritania to witness the coronation of its king. There he is astonished to meet his exact double - the King of Ruritania! When the king is kidnapped, there seemed only one way to avert disaster: Rudolf must impersonate the king.

Hough, Richard  
**Razor eyes**  
F HOU:R
A vivid portrayal of the experiences of a young man going from school in 1940 into the RAF. The descriptions of action in the air, culminates in an utterly thrilling solo flight into France to photograph and destroy Germany's prototype jet fighter.

Iweala, Uzodinma  
**Beasts of No Nation**  
F IWE:U
The story of a boy soldier. Agu is just a boy when war arrives at his village. His mother and sister are rescued by the UN, while he and his father remain to fight the rebels. 'Run!' shouts his father when the rebels arrive. And Agu does run, straight into the rebels' path.

Jones, V.M.  
**Shooting the Moon**  
F JON:V
When Pip McLeod heads into the wilderness with his father on the traditional McLeod first hunting trip he faces a dramatic choice and discovers what it means to confront issues of life and death. (Follow up to the novel - Juggling with Mandarins.

Kadohata, Cynthia  
**Kira – Kira**  
F KAD:C
Kira-kira, (glittering, shining) is Katie Takeshima's first word, taught to her by big sister Lynn. Lynn is the person who can always make things glitter, even when the family is forced to move from a Japanese community in Iowa to the less welcoming Deep South of Georgia. As a member of one of the seven Japanese families in a large town, Katie is initially friendless, attracting stares on the street. But she is too busy having fun with her sister to take notice - Lynn reads to her, and explains the important things in life with an unquenchable sense of optimism. When Lynn becomes seriously ill, she is slowly sapped of her vital energy, rendering it Katie's responsibility to make things 'kira-kira'.

Kuhne, Cecil  
**On the edge**  
910.4 KUH
Follows the fortunes and misfortunes of the world's best travel writers in jungles, mountains, oceans, off the beaten track and even off the planet, traveling on foot, train, plane, by camel-back, elephant or sailing ship.

Lang, Andrew  
**Tales of Troy and Greece**  
292.08 LAN

Lasenby, Jack  
**Because we were the travellers**  
F LAS:J
This is Ish’s story, a tale of rejection, of survival against the odds, of growing up in an age when much is feared and few can be trusted.

Lerangis, Peter  
**Antarctica: journey to the pole**  
F LER:P
In 1909, a famous explorer led a secret American expedition to discover the South Pole. With him were his 16-year-old son and two other teenagers. The voyage south was not easy. Conditions were harsh. Tensions escalated. And when the bottom of the world was reached, things became even worse.

Lerangis, Peter  Antarctica: escape from disaster  F LER:P
In the darkest hours of 1910, mutiny, doubt and disaster threatened to destroy Jack Winslow's secret American expedition to discover the South Pole. When the explorers' ship, the Mystery was frozen in the Antarctic ice, Winslow and his sons were forced to make a daring rescue attempt at the risk of their lives.

Lively, Penelope  In search of a homeland  F LIV:P
The Roman poet Virgil, inspired by the poetry of Homer, wrote his epic ‘The Aeneid’ towards the end of his life. Over two thousand years later, Penelope Lively retells Aeneas' story.

London, Jack  White Fang  F LON:J
From the beginning White Fang was different from his brothers and sisters. White Fang was pure wolf, body and soul. This is the story of his young years - how he learnt about the world, and about man. White Fang soon found out how harsh a man's rule can be. And eventually, how to build a bond of trust and affection with man.

Maclean, Alistair  The guns of Navarone  F MAC:A
Germans control the island that guards the approaches to the eastern Mediterranean with massive guns. After all other attempts have failed, a five-man British army team is chosen to silence the guns of Navarone.

Mah, Adeline Yen  Chinese Cinderella  F MAH:A
When Adeline Yen Mah's mother died giving birth to her, the family considered Adeline bad luck and she was made to feel unwanted all her life. This is the story of her struggle for acceptance and how she overcame the odds to prove her worth.

Makkai, Rebecca  The borrower  F MAK:R
librarian and a young boy obsessed with reading take to the road. Lucy Hull, a 26-year-old children's librarian in Hannibal, Missouri, finds herself both kidnapper and kidnapped when her favourite patron, 10-year-old Ian Drake, runs away from home. The odd pair embark on an improvised road trip from Missouri to Vermont, with ferrets and an inconvenient boyfriend thrown in their path. Along the way, Lucy struggles to make peace with her Russian immigrant father and his fugitive past, and is forced to use his shady connections to escape discovery.

Malory, Thomas  King Arthur and his knights  F MAL:T
A retelling of the story of King Arthur, the Round Table, and the exploits of the knights, with the principal focus on Sir Gawain.

Marsden, John  Tomorrow when the war began  F MAR:J
Seven teenagers go on a weekend trip to an isolated valley. Upon their return they find their families have disappeared and their country has been invaded by a foreign army. The teenagers take on new maturity when they realise that they must not only survive but try to counteract this foreign invasion.

Martin, Jesse  Lionheart  910.41 MAR
On 31 October 1999, Jesse Martin, in his yacht "Lionheart", completed the last great adventure of the twentieth century, becoming the youngest person to sail solo, non-stop and unassisted around the world. He was eighteen years old and didn't know the meaning of impossible. 'Lionheart" is Jesse's story.

Two teenage boys are taken to Antarctica on a special expedition to retrace the last steps of their fathers, geologists who perished there a year earlier. Their leader is the survivor of that ill-fated expedition. A terrifying, perilous journey ensues.

A thrilling adventure of a young boy and an Indian girl, stranded on a frozen floating island in the North American wilderness.

When Avalon moves to the city her life is turned upside down. Starting at a new high school, she finds herself at the centre of a brutal cyber-bullying campaign. She is inundated with obscene test messages, and subject to increasingly vicious web site postings, as things spiral out of control.

Rusti is a Tartar, travelling and pillaging with the legendary Horde of Tamburlaine, Conqueror of the World. He dreams of honour and riches, and is proud to capture his first prisoners - an elephant and her keeper. Yet amidst the death and destruction, an unlikely friendship takes hold in this breathtaking tale.

The story of a famous Australian aviator, Roy Hilman who first achieved glory as a pilot in WWI and then as a stuntman in the early days of Hollywood.

The moving story of the life of Joan of Arc of Domremy - one of the most extraordinary lives ever lived - brings Joan to life, nearly seven hundred years after her terrible death in Rouen.

The classic story of a boy, a dog and small-town America in the vein of "Tom Sawyer".

Jamie and Awasin accompany a hunting party into the wilds and discover a mysterious cache of relics. The adventure becomes terror when they are separated from their Indian friends, and with their canoe lost in the rapids, they are faced with months of desperate struggle to survive in the Barrenlands winter.

Escaping from his violent stepfather, twelve-year-old Sipho heads for Johannesburg, where he has heard that gangs of children live on the streets. Surviving hunger and the bitter-cold winter nights is hard enough, but Sipho also has to learn, in the 'new' South Africa, who to trust.
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Two years after their flight from Nigeria, 14-yr-old Sade, her younger brother Femi and her father are living in a council flat in London, waiting for their claim for asylum to be approved. But when Femi is arrested for murder, and the gang set fire to their flat, the family has to pull together to get through this most difficult time.

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<td>Life is hard for Roberto and Samuele in the Nazi labour camp - backbreaking work, near starvation and above all Samuele's secret, a secret that, if discovered, will mean death for them both. Escape is Roberto's only chance. But can he survive the brutal winter cold? Can he find his way back home?</td>
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<td>Rod McKenzie, a Sydney school boy, over-size, but underage, manages to enlist and is sent to New Guinea. This is the story of Rod’s life as a young soldier, full of incidents and discoveries as he matures.</td>
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<td>13 year old Brian is flying in a two-seater aircraft across the Canadian outback when the pilot dies of a heart attack. The plane crashes, sinking in a lake. Brian survives, but is stranded on an uninhabited island, his only resource a hatchet on his belt.</td>
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<td>The story of 12-year-old Barbara who is the youngest of four children growing up on a remote sheep station. Barbara is too timid and fearful about the future; she is constantly overshadowed by her confident siblings - and is even afraid of her pony.</td>
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Set on the island of Biagurra which lies off the north Queensland coast, this novel describes the experiences of a young Aboriginal girl struggling to survive in the wake of a cyclone and tidal wave.

Pyle, Howard
The story of King Arthur and his knights
A collection of stories which describe the perilous and thrilling adventures of King Arthur and his knights in a glorious age of chivalry and honour.

Pulman, Felicity
Shalott
Through a virtual reality program, five teenagers are zapped back in time to the court of King Arthur. Unable to return, they are caught up in the dangerous liaison between Lancelot and Guinevere, the deadly magic of Morgan Le Fay and Mordred's ambition to rule Camelot.

Matarasso, P.M.
The Quest of the Holy Grail
A translation from the French of the fabulous legend of King Arthur where chivalrous adventures like Gawain, Lancelot and Galahad journey across a land strewn with fantastic dangers and temptations.

Rai, Bali
Killing honour
When Sat's sister, Jas, is married off into the Atwal family she changes; she becomes quiet and distant. Then Jas disappears. According to her new husband, she's run off with another man. Her family disown her; don't seem to care if she's ever found. But Sat doesn't believe it. Something has happened to his sister and he's determined to figure out what.

Read, Paul
Alive: the story of the Andes survivors
In 1972, an aircraft carrying a party of Uruguayan rugby players took off from Argentina to fly over the Andes to Chile. In the middle of those jagged mountains, the aircraft crashed. Some passengers were killed on impact, others seriously injured. This is the tale of how they survived.

Renault, Mary
The bull from the sea
The story of Theseus, King of Athens, who triumphantly returns from Crete, after slaying the Minotaur, to mount the throne left empty by his father. Throughout his reign, Theseus is torn between his genius for kingship and a craving for adventure.

Renault, Mary
Fire from heaven
The life of "Alexander The Great" is described, from childhood to the age of twenty when he succeeded his murdered father, King Philip of Macedon.

Riordan, James
Tales from the Arabian Nights
Ten stories from Shaharazad’s tales of a thousand and one nights, first told to the Shah of Tartary to save her life. Included are Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp, Sinbad the Sailor and Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves.

Roth, Arthur
The iceberg hermit
When Allan's ship is totally destroyed, he is stranded alone on a giant iceberg. Without food or any warmth, how can he survive?

Rutgers, van der Loeff, A.
Children on the Oregon Trail
This book is based on the true-life story of thirteen-year-old John Sager, who, with his family, was part
of a covered-wagon band of settlers who set out for the Far West of America in the summer of 1844.

**Saxby, Maurice & Ingpen, Robert**  
*The great deeds of superheroes*  
Some of the oldest and most exciting stories ever told. They range from Jason’s voyage to win the golden fleece, the downfall of Samson at the hands of Delilah and King Arthur’s pulling of the sword from the stone.

**Saxby, Maurice & Ingpen, Robert**  
*Great deeds of heroic women*  
Tales of goddesses, enchantresses, queens, warriors, saints, stalwart fold heroines, courageous survivors - they’re all here in this collection of stories of extraordinary women.

**Seredy, Kate**  
*The white stag*  
For generations the tribes of Huns and Magyars moved relentlessly westward, obeying the voices of their pagan gods to follow the elusive white stag to their promised homeland. Their leader was called Attila and the land Hungary. This is an epic story of their tribal migration and their fierce leader - known to us even today.

**Schembri, Jim**  
*In it up to here*  
It is the middle of the night. Alex and Nigel are stuck at the bottom of a deep, dark hole and are about to drown in 300 tonnes of industrial strength concrete which is pouring in around them. Nobody knows they are there. This is not exactly what they had in mind for the first week of their school holidays.

**Scott, Tom**  
*Tales of King Robert the Bruce*  
King Robert of Scotland was brave of heart and hand, and so was his comrade, the good Sir James Douglas - a knight so valiant in his time that his achievements and nobility were famous in many countries far from his own.

**Serrailler, Ian**  
*The silver sword*  
This is a true story, about a Jewish family trapped in Poland during WWII. This is the story of children left behind after their parents were deported. They became homeless and were forced to fend for themselves.

**Silvey, Craig**  
*Jasper Jones*  
Late on a hot summer night in 1965, Charlie Bucktin, a precocious and bookish boy of thirteen, is startled by an urgent knock on the window of his sleep-out. His visitor is Jasper Jones, an outcast in the regional mining town of Corrigan. Rebellious, mixed-race and solitary, Jasper is a distant figure of danger and intrigue for Charlie. So when Jasper begs for his help, Charlie eagerly steals into the night by his side, terribly afraid but desperate to impress. Jasper takes him to his secret glade in the bush, and it's here that Charlie bears witness to Jasper's horrible discovery.

**Southall, Ivan**  
*Hill's End*  
The town of Hill's End set off on its annual picnic when a squabble led to six children being left behind. While they are exploring some caves, a cyclone hits the town. The children have to learn how to build on their personal strengths and to overcome weaknesses for the survival of the group.
Difficult Decisions – Between a Rock and a Hard Place

Tells the story of two men who became mine-disposal workers during World War II. They were detailed to dismantle the deadly acoustic mines – they had seventeen seconds before blast off if they made one false move.

Southall, Ivan
To the wild sky
Six children are stranded in the Australian outback when the pilot flying the plane taking them home dies and the plane crashes.

Spinelli, Jerry
Milkweed
The incredible memoir of Misha, an orphan living on the streets of Warsaw during the Nazi occupation of World War II. Through the eyes of a child who has no past and no identity, we witness the horrors of the invasion.

Stead, Rebecca
First light
Peter is going to Greenland, where his father studies climate change. On the ice cap, Peter is troubled by a series of visions that both frighten and entice him. Peter's search for answers takes him to Thea’s hidden world. Together they unravel a past that reveals a surprising connection.

Stow, Randolph
Midnite : the story of a wild colonial boy
Even though Midnite was 17, he wasn't very bright. When his father died, his five animal friends decided to look after him. Khat, the Siamese, suggested he became a bushranger and Red Ned, his horse offered to help. But it wasn't very easy, especially when Trooper O'Grady kept putting him in prison.

Stodart, Eleanor
When the mountains change their tune
With the promise of a fantastic weekend of skiing ahead of them, Karl, Andrew, Ian, and Jason set off from Canberra one early Saturday morning, bound for the Snowy Mountains. But when Andrew has an accident, the weekend turns into a nightmare.

Sutcliff, Rosemary
Dragon slayer /Beowulf
This dramatic Anglo-Saxon poem is retold and recounts Beowulf's three great battles: with Grendel, with the sea-woman, and finally with the Fire-Drake that had left the hoard of treasure it had guarded for 300 years to spread death and isolation throughout the land. Originally published as: Beowulf.

Sutcliff, Rosemary
Song for a dark queen
This account of the life of Boudicca (Boadicea) is in the heroic tradition of mighty deeds of war, characters greater than ordinary folk, strong and simple sentiments of personal and tribal loyalty and courage, poetic beauty of dialogue and description and a brooding sense of inevitable doom.

Sutcliff, Rosemary
The sword and the circle

Sutherland, Robert
Mystery at Black Rock Island
David's vacation, in the Scottish Hebrides, becomes a life or death struggle when he is caught in a race to stop terrorists from holding the world to ransom.

Thiele, Colin
Blue fin
'Snook' Pascoe never seems to be able to do the right thing as far as his father is concerned. He is
Desperate to accompany his father on his tuna clipper, 'Blue Fin'. His chance comes when his father finds himself short of a crew member at Easter.

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Details the effects of the infamous Mau Mau war, the African nationalist revolt against colonial oppression in Kenya, on the lives of ordinary men and women, and on one family in particular.

By the power of his sword arm, his dragon fleet and his sheer personality, Somerled Norse Slayer carved an enduring name for himself in Scottish legend. Inheriting his father's shattered kingdom in Argyll in the twelfth century, he enlarged it by courage, initiative, military shrewdness and diplomacy.

This story tells of the conflict between the rich and the poor of Medieval England, but above all, it tells of the great leader, Robin Hood of Sherwood Forest.

The thrilling story of a boy’s determination to conquer a challenging Swiss mountain.

Set in the midst of the ghetto uprising that defied Nazi tyranny, as the Jews of Warsaw boldly met Wehrmacht tanks with homemade weapons and bare fists. It is a compelling story of one of the most heroic struggles of modern times.

Tania is 13 when Russia is invaded by Nazi troops. After enduring months of starvation, she is transported to a labour camp in Germany. For 3 years Tania has to work in the fields and factories of the Third Reich. Throughout the hardship she is kept going by the thought that her mother and sister might still be alive.

Jose Rodrigus was 14 years old when the Indonesians came to East Timor in 1975. This is the story of his Uncle Adolfo and the fighting bird they train as their daily lives changed forever. Jose is caught up in adventure and danger, and the fighting bird becomes a symbol of courage which he clings to.

This is the story of two boys and the friendship that developed between them during the early days of the Second World War. Pat and John risked their lives to help save the stranded British army from Dunkirk.

The extraordinary story of a boy called the Wart - ignored by everyone except his tutor, Merlin - who goes on to become King Arthur.
Ancient China: Han Dynasty. A slave girl saves the life of an ageing dragon and escapes her brutal master. Pursued by a ruthless dragon hunter, the girl and the dragon make an epic journey across China carrying a mysterious stone that must be protected.

**Williams, Eric**  
**Great escape stories**  
F GRE  
A collection of escape stories of twelve different men and women who were involved in the Second World War. Not all the stories are about actual escapes, some describe measures taken to evade the enemy over a number of years.

**Williams, Eric**  
**The wooden horse**  
F WIL:E  
This is an adventure story of the Second World War. Eric Williams' own experience is the basis for this story of three British soldiers who successfully escape from the "escapeproof" Stalag Luft III.

**Williams, Eric**  
**The tunnel**  
F WIL:E  
Peter Howard was shot down and captured by the Germans. He was sent to a high-security prison camp in Poland where the only hope of escape was to dig a tunnel.

**Wojciechowska, Maia**  
**Shadow of a bull**  
F WOJ:M  
Monalo Olivar knows he is a coward. He is afraid of so many things, but especially bulls. But he is the son of Juan Olivar, the greatest matador in Spain, and now at eleven, he must fight his first bull.

**Zenatti, Valerie**  
**Message in a bottle**  
F ZEN:V  
Following a suicide bomb attack on her local Jerusalem café, in which she and her friends could so easily have been its victims, a seventeen-year-old Israeli schoolgirl decides to send a message in a bottle to Gaza.  
Her message is found by a young man who calls himself Gazaman, and a remarkable email correspondence begins.