

UPDATE 26: SELECTED NEW BOOKS JAN – APRIL 2020







Summary: After their father's reckless death, the Gallagher family must find new directions. Dinny's mum finds a new form of freedom, but the paths the boys are choosing are pointing them in dangerous directions. Fourteen-year-old Dinny is in danger of repeating his father's behaviour, and his older brother Carl sees an opportunity for independence. But when Carl becomes involved in the aggressive agenda of an anti-immigration group, a different crisis develops, leading the family to tragedy, insight, and rebirth.



Summary: In Wrecking Ball, an unexpected inheritance gives the Heffley family a chance to make major improvements to their home. But they soon find that construction isn't all it's cracked up to be. When things get rough, will the Heffleys be able to stay or will they be forced to move?.



Summary: In the utopian town of Lucille, where Jam, a transgender girl, has lived happily all her life, everyone knows monsters no longer exist. With doting parents and a best friend named Redemption, Jam has grown up with this lesson all her life. But when she meets Pet, a creature made of horns and colours and claws, who emerges from one of her mother's paintings and a drop of Jam's blood, she must reconsider what she's been told. Pet has come to hunt a monster, and the shadow of something grim lurks in Redemption's house. Jam must fight not only to protect her best friend, but also to uncover the truth.



Summary: Citra and Rowan have disappeared. Endura is gone. It seems like nothing stands between Scythe Goddard and absolute dominion over the world scythedom. With the silence of the Thunderhead and the reverberations of the Great Resonance still shaking the earth to its core, the question remains: Is there anyone left who can stop him? The answer lies in the Tone, the Toll, and the Thunder.



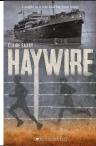
Summary: Using computer generated artworks, DK's Knowledge encyclopedia uncovers the marvels of space, Earth, nature, the human body, science and history.



Summary: Tempest is a talented diver and with her older sister Elysea, she has explored the ruins of many cities on the ocean floor, searching for anything of value to sell in the salt-crusted markets on Zenith Reef. However, after Elysea mysteriously drowns, Tempest is forced to dive and scavenge alone, barely scraping by. But when she finds a real living green plant at her dive site, an item so rare it is almost priceless, she finally has the money to have all her questions answered -- by her dead sister. For the price of 3,000 notes, the research facility on the island of Palindromena will revive the departed for 24 hours before returning them to death. It is a time for the dead to make peace with the past and let the living move forward and the true price for restored life.



Summary: We see man's best friends at their most playful and exuberant. Each vibrant and colourful underwater image shows off the wild and sublime range of emotions of puppies, cute and irresistible to the very last. (From publisher).



Summary: In 1939, 14-year-old Tom lives in Hay where his family runs the local bakery. Max Gruber is nearly fourteen-years-old. He is sent to his Uncle Ferdy in London, but is then interred and shipped to Australia aboard the Dunera. He arrives in Hay and meets Tom. The two boys become friends and find their lives and their friendship influenced by a far-away conflict in Europe.



Summary: How far will Stephanie Plum go to protect the one person who means the most to her? This isn't just another case. This is family. Stephanie's Grandma Mazur, a recent widow, needs protection when her late husband's former shady business partners believe that Grandma has her dead husband's keys that they need to carry out their unsavory financial plans.



Summary: Olga loves the stories of the old cartographers and pores over their ancient books and maps, trying to unlock their secrets. Sometimes, she thinks she can even feel through the maps -- almost see into them-as if by magic. But magic is banned in Tsaretsvo, ever since the war with the birds that divided the kingdom, and the powerful magic-wielding lagas have long been banished. Now, any young girl who shows signs of being an laga is whisked away to Bleak Steppe -- to a life, so the story goes, of unspeakable punishment. When the bird army kidnaps Olga's sister in a surprise attack on the human kingdom, Olga realises she has to venture into the Republic of Birds to bring her back.

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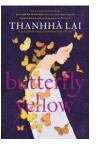
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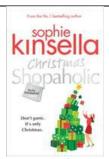
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