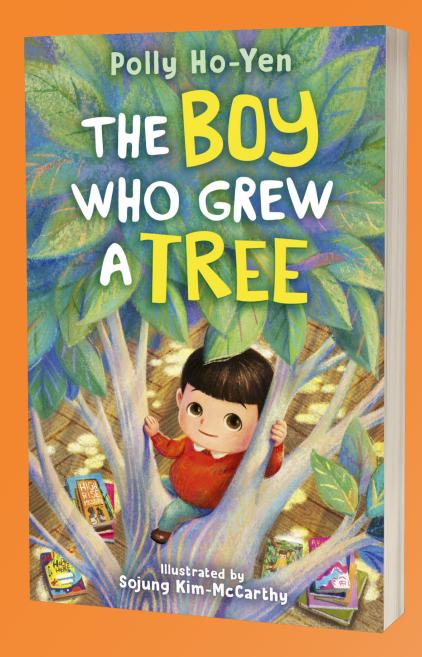


### KNIGHTS OF

KNIGHTS OF is a multi award-winning inclusive publisher focused on bringing underrepresented voices to the forefront of commercial children's publishing. With a team led by women of colour, and an unwavering focus on their intended readership for each book, Knights Of works to engage with gatekeepers across the industry, including booksellers, teachers and librarians, and supports non-traditional community spaces with events, outreach, marketing and partnerships.

# EARLY READER



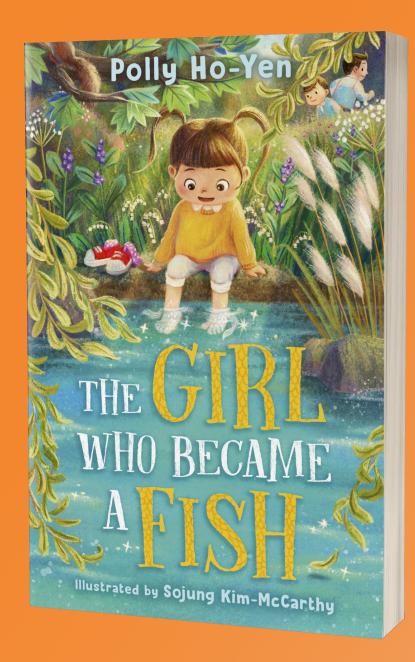
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# THE BOY WHO GREW A TREE

# POLLY HO-YEN, ILLUSTRATED BY SOJUNG KIM-MCCARTHY

A charming illustrated (black & white) early reader, for readers aged 5-7, by the much-loved author of *The Boy In The Tower*. Nature-loving Timi is unsettled by the arrival of a new sibling and turns to tending a tree growing in his local library. But there is something magical about the tree and it is

growing FAST . . . and the library is going to close. Can Timi save the library and his tree, and maybe bring his community closer together along the way?



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### THE GIRL WHO BECAME A FISH

# POLLY HO-YEN, ILLUSTRATED BY SOJUNG KIM-MCCARTHY

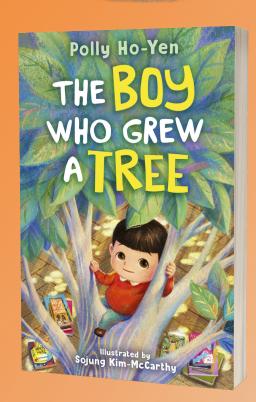
Ita is afraid of lots of things. She's afraid of talking to her classmates at her new school. She's afraid of walking through her new town. But most of all she is afraid of water. When one day she realises the river in her new town turns her into a fish, she is forced to face up to her fears. In doing so, can she bring her family together again? With themes of change, and deftly tackling the topic of fear for younger readers, this is another heart-warming and beautifully-written early reader by Polly Ho-Yen, filled with charming artwork by Sojung Kim-McCarthy.



### **POLLY HO-YEN**

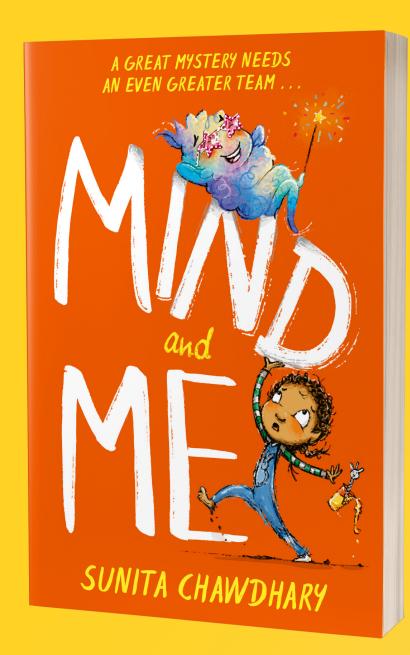
Polly Ho-Yen used to be a primary school teacher in London and, while she was teaching there, she used to get up very early in the morning to write stories. The first of those stories is *The Boy in the Tower*. Her books have been shortlisted for, among others awards, the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Blue Peter Book Award. She's still writing stories and though she doesn't teach now, she still visits schools... only now they're all over the country. She lives in Bristol with her husband and daughter.







Illustrated by Sojung Kim-McCarthy



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### MIND AND ME

### **SUNITA CHAWDHARY**

"A warm and funny story starring a little girl, her lost rabbit and her helpful Mind." LoveReading4Kids

"The book serves as a great introduction to emotional literacy for younger readers." CLPE Recommended Read

Mind & Me follows Maya, a young British-Indian girl, as she tries to solve the mystery of her missing rabbit with the help (and hindrance) of her active and noisy Mind. Mind is illustrated as a separate entity and character to Maya, allowing for an exploration of mindfulness which doesn't feel issue-led or heavy handed. Funny, and with heaps of heart, this is a delightful story for younger readers accompanied by beautiful and dynamic illustrations.

The Reading Agency Best Books for 2023



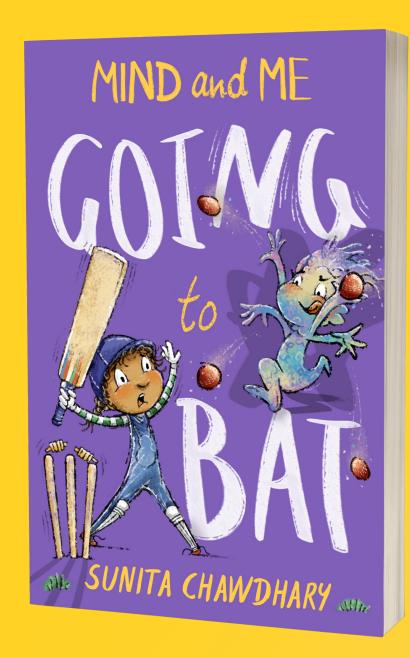
# MIND AND ME: GOING TO BAT

### **SUNITA CHAWDHARY**

Maya is excited to join Cricket Club at school, but between sports superstars, the big green monster, and her ACTUAL MUM coming to coach the team, she has a lot to handle.

And on top of that, Mind thinks they've forgotten something important . . . like sending a letter to Grandad in India! Can Maya and Mind work it all out in time for their big cricket game?

Funny, and with heaps of heart, this is a delightful story for younger readers accompanied by beautiful and dynamic illustrations.



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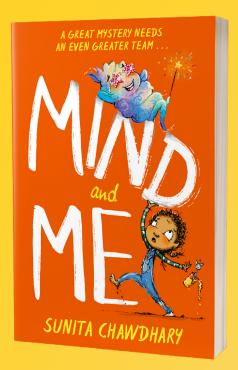
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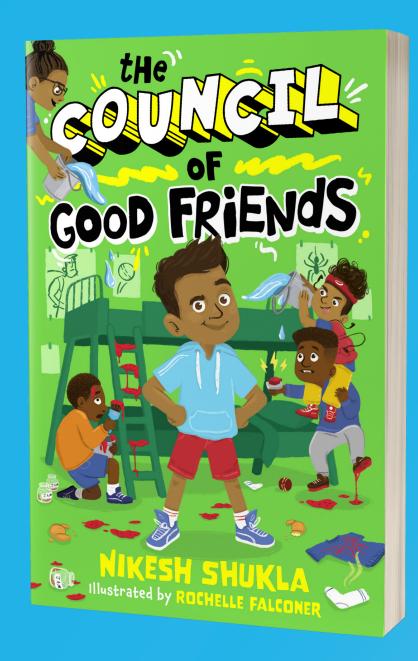
### **SUNITA CHAWDHARY**

Sunita Chawdhary is a British-Indian author/illustrator and mum of two, based in Bath. She studied art and design at Central Saint Martins. Sunita draws on her experience of growing up in Asia, America and Europe to create vibrant, multicultural worlds filled with diverse characters and stories. She believes that children of all cultures and backgrounds should see themselves represented in print. Sunita was shortlisted for the Penguin Random House WriteNow mentorship programme in 2018 and





commended for the Faber Andlyn BAME (FAB) prize in 2019. Her debut picture book illustration Pedro the Puerto Rican Parrot, the first in a series focusing on love and community in all corners of the world, was published by Little Steps in April 2021 and was selected for The Reading Agency's Summer Reading Challenge.



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# THE COUNCIL OF GOOD FRIENDS

### NIKESH SHUKLA, ILLUSTRATED BY ROCHELLE FALCONER

A funny and heart-warming story for readers aged 6–9 from award-winning author Nikesh Shukla.

Vinay, Musa, Inua and Nish are best friends. Nothing can separate them . . . until one day when Vinay's cousin comes to invade his bunk bed haven (i.e. share his room). When a prank war starts, can

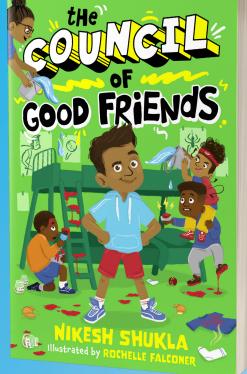
the friends remember what really matters?

Filled with fun illustrations by Rochelle Falconer, *The Council of Good Friends* is full of both hilarious mayhem and caring moments of friendship.









### **NIKESH SHUKLA**

Nikesh Shukla is a novelist and screenwriter. He is the author of *Coconut Unlimited* (shortlisted for the Costa First Novel Award), *Meatspace* and the critically acclaimed *The One Who Wrote Destiny*. Nikesh is the editor of the bestselling essay collection, *The Good Immigrant*, which won the reader's choice at the Books Are My Bag Awards. He is the author of three YA novels, *Run, Riot* (shortlisted for a National Book Award), *The Boxer* (longlisted for the Carnegie Medal), and *Stand Up*. Nikesh was one of Time Magazine's

cultural leaders, Foreign Policy magazine's 100 Global Thinkers and The Bookseller's 100 most influential people in publishing in 2016 and in 2017. He is the co-founder of the literary journal, The Good Journal and The Good Literary Agency. Nikesh has also written a memoir, *Brown Baby:* A Memoir Of Race, Family And Home and a book on writing called, *Your Story Matters*.

# MIDDLE-GRADE

# KNIGHTS ANBBIKES Their franklip will warm your hart. Non bavery will make them legred. "THRILL A MINUTE. LOUGH A SECOND."

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**9781913311049**Published 2nd July 2020



**9781999642549**Published 1st August 2019

### 'KNIGHTS AND BIKES' SERIES

### GABRIELLE KENT, ILLUSTRATED BY REX CROWLE AND LUKE NEWELL

"The fantasy world I've been waiting for." Eoin Colfer

Two best friends face a thrilling adventure, a milleniaold mystery and the biggest test of all . . . can they trust each other to be there when it counts?

Knights and Bikes is the funny, heartfelt series with something unprecedented behind it: an award-winning video game and a TV series in production with Endemol Shine.

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### **GABRIELLE KENT**

Gabrielle grew up in the 1980's riding her bike into trouble, drawing castles and dragons, reading comics, and playing games on her best friend's Atari. Recently, her experience of childhood in the eighties came together with her love of writing and videogames when she was asked to write a series of novels based on the characters and world from the game, *Knights and Bikes*.

"A compelling, headlong dash."
The Guardian

"Rich with comedy."
The Irish Times

"Full of heart and fun."

Katherine Woodfine

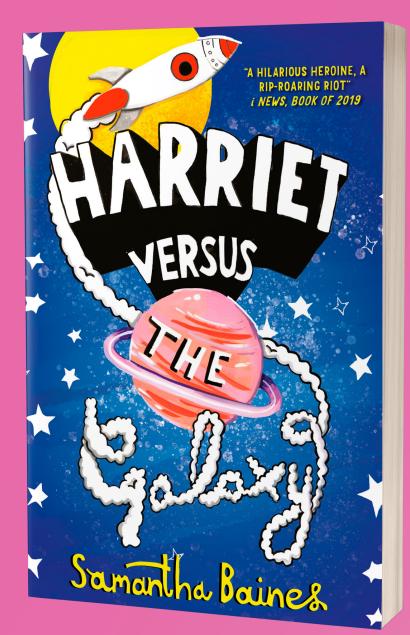
"Hottest book of the season."
Sinéad O'Hart

"Brilliant!"
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### HARRIET VERSUS THE GALAXY

# SAMANTHA BAINES, ILLUSTRATED BY JESSICA MARIE FLORES

A hilarious debut that packs an emotional punch from multi-award winning, hearing aid wearing, comedian, actor and author Samantha Baines and brilliantly illustrated by YouTube's Jessica Marie Flores.

The intergalactic adventure starts at home with Harriet, who discovers that her hearing-aid can do more than she ever bargained for when she finds an alien in her room. Discovering that her family secretly work for an intergalactic agency, Harriet and her first new friend and non-binary neighbour, becomes the Earth's first line of defence as the only one who can understand the invaders. Sure, her hearing aid helps her understand aliens from across the universe, if only she could understand her own feelings.

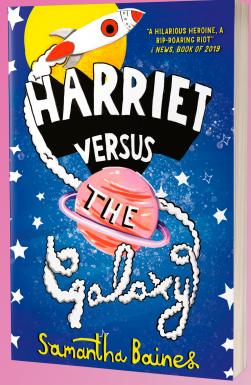


### **SAMANTHA BAINES**

Samantha Baines is an award-winning comedian and actress trained at the Central School of Speech and Drama. Samantha's acting credits include The Crown, Silent Witness, Call the Midwife and several BBC Comedies. Samantha is also an ambassador for the British Tinnitus Association and Action on Hearing Loss.

"Baines' writing turns the mundane magical." Elle UK

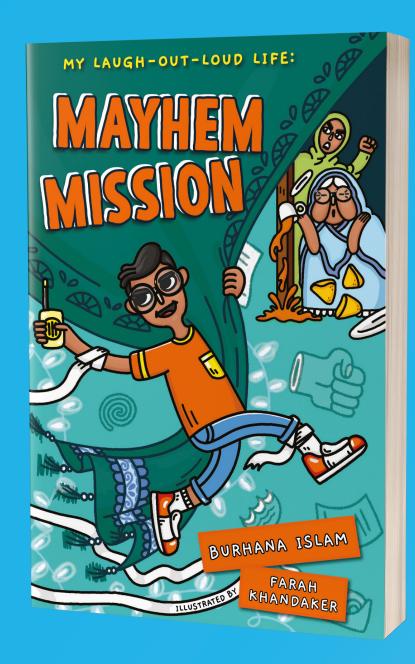
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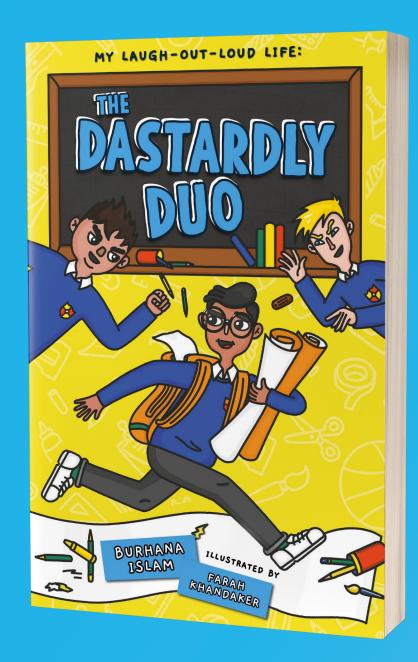
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# MAYHEM MISSION: MY LAUGH-OUT-LOUD LIFE #1

### BURHANA ISLAM, ILLUSTRATED BY FARAH KHANDAKER

Yusuf's older sister is getting married. He's ready for the delicious food, the fun with his cousins and the many presents but he's NOT ready to take her place as the responsible one. His only option: cause some chaos and ruin the wedding. The first book in the hysterically funny *My Laugh-Out-Loud Life* series will have you crying with laughter!





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# THE DASTARDLY DUO: MY LAUGH-OUT-LOUD LIFE #2

### BURHANA ISLAM, ILLUSTRATED BY FARAH KHANDAKER

Yusuf has messed up big time . . . AGAIN. He |needs to defend his family's honour. What better way to do that than by running for class president?

Expect more chaotic mishaps, more mayhem, and even more laughter!

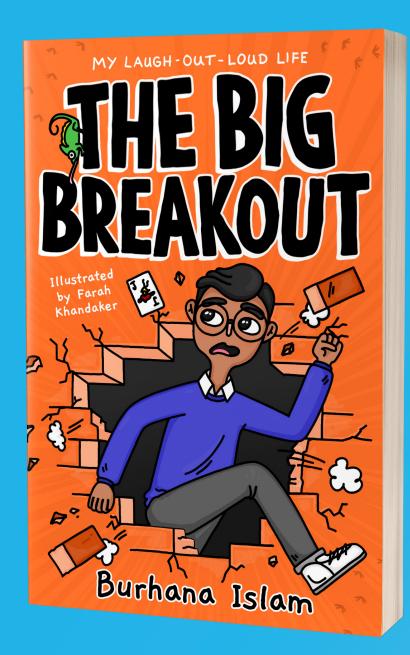
Praise for Mayhem Mission:

"Completely brilliant." Rashmi Sirdeshpande

"Absolutely laugh out loud (just like it promises)."

@muslimmummyblog





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# THE BIG BREAKOUT: MY LAUGH-OUT-LOUD LIFE #3

### BURHANA ISLAM, ILLUSTRATED BY FARAH KHANDAKER

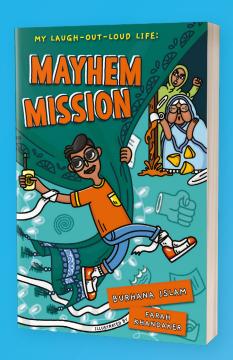
Yusuf's older sister is coming to stay – and she's having a baby! Yusuf wants to be the ultimate uncle, but he knows he has to prepare. He ropes in his friends for a madcap scheme that is sure to backfire in more ways than one . . . with hilarious and unexpected results.

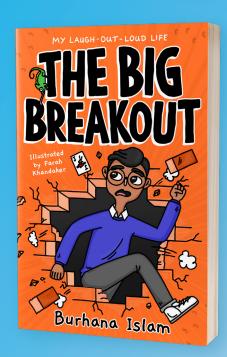


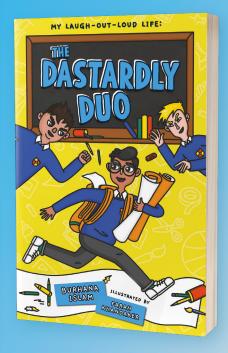


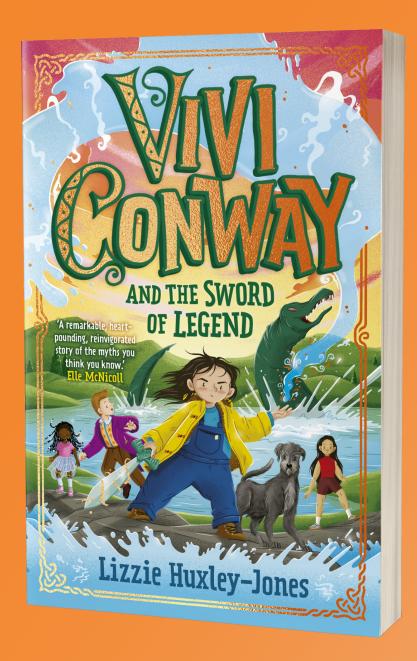
### **BURHANA ISLAM**

Born in Bangladesh, raised in Newcastle and currently residing in the outskirts of Manchester, Burhana Islam is a storyteller who is passionate about exploring themes of heritage, belonging, identity and faith in her work. She studied English Literature at Newcastle University before deciding to become a secondary school teacher, sharing her love for stories with a new generation of curious, young minds. *Mayhem Mission* is her debut children's fiction book, and she is also the author of *Amazing Muslims Who Changed The World* (Puffin, 2020).









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# VIVI CONWAY AND THE SWORD OF LEGEND

# LIZZIE HUXLEY-JONES, COVER ART BY HARRY WOODGATE

"Lightly told and engaging, merging the modern and the traditional with warmth, wit and wisdom." Sunday Times, Children's Book of the Week

On the day Vivi Conway and her Mams will move from Wales to London, Vivi sneaks out to investigate what is calling her to the lake. Instead of a quiet swim, she finds Excalibur (much smaller than she expected), a ferocious monster (much scarier in real life than in her mythology books), a new friend (which she doesn't want at all) and a ghostly dog named Gelert (who can talk). Gelert insists that Vivi is part of a magical group of children who share the souls of witches from legend and must protect the world from being taken over by the evil King Arawn of the Otherworld. With a little extra help, can Vivi be brave enough to embrace true friendship and her magical destiny to help protect the world from evil?

- Shortlisted for The 2023 Adrien Prize
- · Shortlisted for





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# VIVI CONWAY AND THE HAUNTED QUEST

FOR 2024

# LIZZIE HUXLEY-JONES, COVER ART BY HARRY WOODGATE

Vivi Conway returns...

On Dara's birthday, an invitation comes from their cousin Violet; come stay on Bardsey Island for a week, stay at their cottage, and celebrate Halloween. And bring all your friends! Vivi can't refuse an opportunity to go back to Wales, and her friends are immediately excited for star-spotting, foraging, hiking, and just general adventuring. Little do they know, they are about to be thrown into a huge high-stakes treasure hunt, with the fate of the world resting on them (again). And Vivi's feeling that Arawn is just waiting to

reappear is only growing stronger . . .





### **LIZZIE HUXLEY-JONES**

Lizzie Huxley-Jones (they/them) is an autistic author and editor based in London. They are the author of the forthcoming queer holiday rom-com *Make You Mine This Christmas* (2022) from Hodder Studio and fantasy middle grade series *Vivi Conway and the Sword of Legend* (2023) from Knights Of. They write joyful stories that centre queerness and disability.

They are the editor of *Stim*, an anthology of autistic authors and artists, which was published by Unbound in April 2020 to coincide with World Autism Awareness Week. They are also the author

### Praise for Vivi Conway:

"Inspired by the legends of King Arthur, this is a magical adventure with a memorable heroine."

The Week Junior





of the children's biography *Sir David Attenborough*:

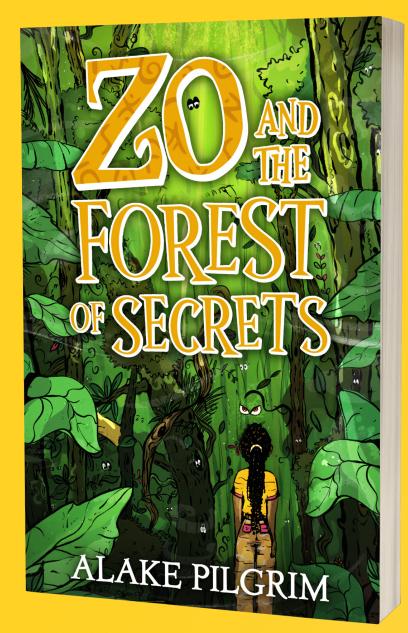
A Life Story (2020) and a contributor to the anthology

Allies: Real Talk About Showing Up, Screwing Up,

And Trying Again (2021), which was chosen to be a

World Book Day Title for 2023, renamed as Being

an Ally (2023).



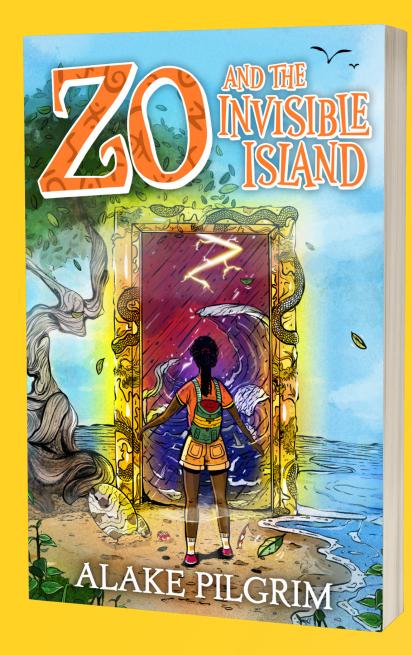
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# ZO AND THE FOREST OF SECRETS

ALAKE PILGRIM, COVER ART BY TASIA GRAHAM

"Futuristic and brilliantly exciting" Katherine Rundell

An evocative, atmospheric, and layered fantasy adventure set in the author's home of Trinidad. When Zo decides to run away from home, she isn't scared; she knows the forest like the back of her hand, after all. But, as she journeys through the once-familiar landscape, she encounters terrifying creatures and a warped version of the mythology of the island. With a beast on her heels, and a mysterious abandoned facility at the heart of the forest drawing her in, can Zo unravel the secrets of the forest before she is lost in them forever?



### **ZO AND THE INVISIBLE ISLAND**

### **ALAKE PILGRIM, COVER ART** BY TASIA GRAHAM

The epic conclusion to the fantasy adventure that started with Zo and the Forest of Secrets.

After the mysterious Council tried to wipe Zo's memory, she's been hiding her powers from them. With her friend Adri gone, she must set out to find the truth ... and save who she can along the way. On a mind-bending journey that leads her to old friends and new foes, Zo finds herself at a secret school for children with powers just like her. Does the Invisible Island hold the answers she needs?



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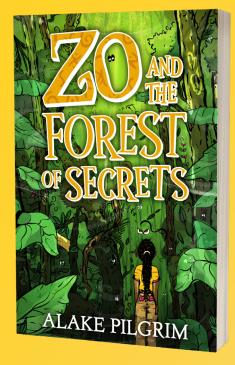


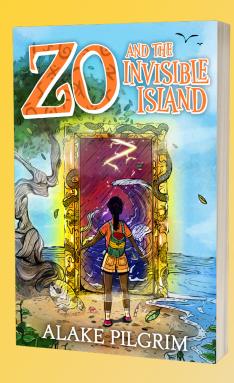


### **ALAKE PILGRIM**

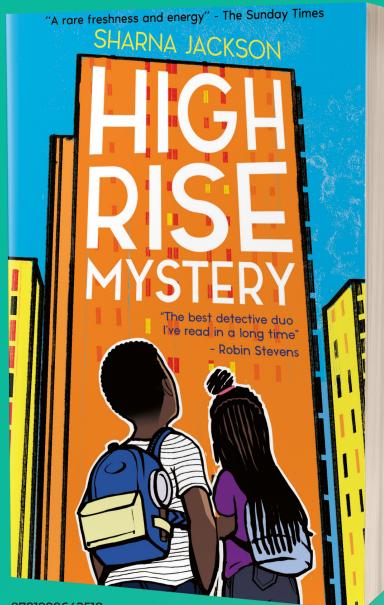
Alake Pilgrim writes from the uncanny islands of Trinidad & Tobago in the Caribbean, where people are connected to Africa, India, China, the Americas, Europe, and the Middle East. She has an MA in Creative Writing from the University of East Anglia, thanks to the Booker Prize Foundation Scholarship, and an MA in Latin American & Caribbean Studies from New York University.

Her stories have twice won the regional prize for the Americas in the Commonwealth Short Story Competition. They have been published





by The Center for Fiction in New York, the Small Axe Journal, and in the groundbreaking international anthology New Daughters of Africa, edited by Margaret Busby (Myriad Editions and HarperCollins).



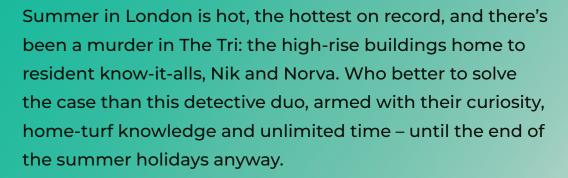
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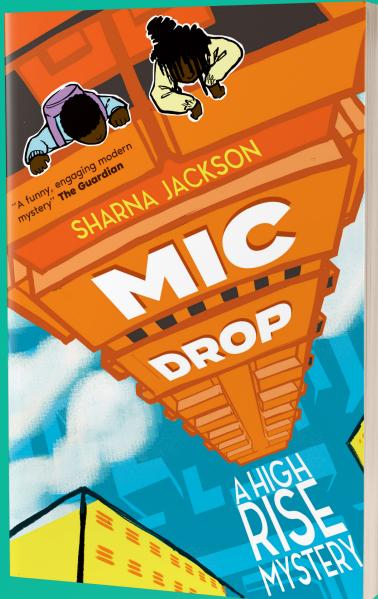
### **HIGH-RISE MYSTERY**

### SHARNA JACKSON, COVER ART BY WUMI OLAOSEBIKAN

"My favourite detective duo of the year." Malorie Blackman



The blistering first whodunnit in a phenomenal new mystery series by debut author Sharna Jackson. Shortlisted for over 20 awards in the UK – including the 2020 Carnegie Medal – and winner of the Best Book for Younger readers at the 2020 Waterstones Book Prize, *High-Rise Mystery* is the first Black British middle-grade detective series, paving the way for many more to come.



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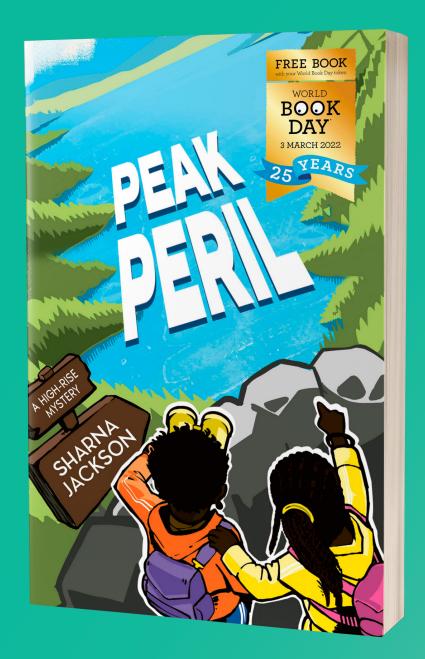
### **MIC DROP**

# SHARNA JACKSON, COVER ART BY WUMI OLAOSEBIKAN

The second book in Sharna Jackson's blockbuster mystery series. It's October half-term and pop star, TrojKat is filming a music video in the The Tri, the high-rise block home to slueths Nik and Norva. When tragedy strikes the famous singer under mysterious circumstances, Nik and Norva set out to solve the case, with their friend George, and their impressive detective skills.

- The Evening Standard Book of the Year 2020
- The Sunday Times Book of the Year 2020
- The Times Book of the Year 2020





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### **PEAK PERIL**

# SHARNA JACKSON, COVER ART BY WUMI OLAOSEBIKAN

Book 2.5 in the High-Rise Mystery series, written for World Book Day 2022, sold for £1 and given to schools and libraries across the UK.

"You thinking of doing a bit of investigating?
A little light snooping? A sprinkle of scammery?"

Nik and Norva are headed to the Peak District, for a school trip and a break from being The Tri's best detectives. But, a new mystery is never too far away...





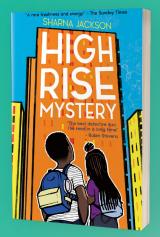
### **SHARNA JACKSON**

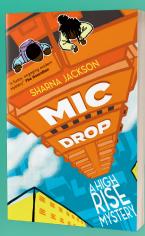
Sharna Jackson is an author and curator who specialises in developing and delivering socially-engaged initiatives for children and young people across culture, publishing and entertainment.

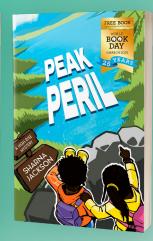
Her debut novel *High-Rise Mystery*, published in 2019, won numerous awards and accolades including Best Book for Younger Readers at the 2020 Waterstones Book Prize. The sequel, *Mic Drop*, was published in 2020.

# "A rare freshness and energy." The Sunday Times

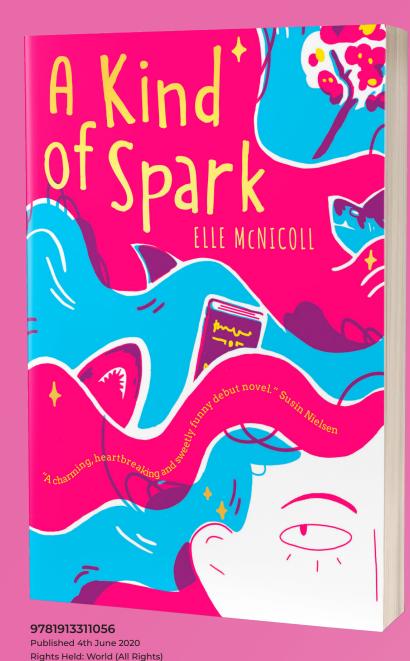
"A funny, engaging modern mystery." The Guardian







Sharna also develops books to encourage participation in the arts, with two activity books released with Tate in 2014. She was Southbank Centre's Imagine A Story Author in 2019/20 creating London/Londoff with over 1200 school children in the capital. Sharna lives on a ship in Rotterdam, Netherlands.





### **ELLE MCNICOLL, COVER ART** BY KAY WILSON

### "A remarkable debut." The Sunday Times

A Kind of Spark tells the story of 11-year-old Addie as she campaigns for a memorial in memory of the witch trials that took place in her Scottish hometown. Addie knows there's more to the story of these 'witches', just like there is more to hers. Can Addie challenge how the people in her town see her, and make her voice heard?

- · Winner of the Blue Peter Book Award (Best Story) 2020
- Winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2021
- Blackwell's Book of the Year 2020
- Waterstones Children's Book of the Month October 2020
- The Guardian Best Book of the Year, Reader's Choice 2020
- Sunday Times Children's Book of the Week
- The Times Children's Book of the Week
- · Winner of Best Children's Programme, 2024 Broadcast Awards

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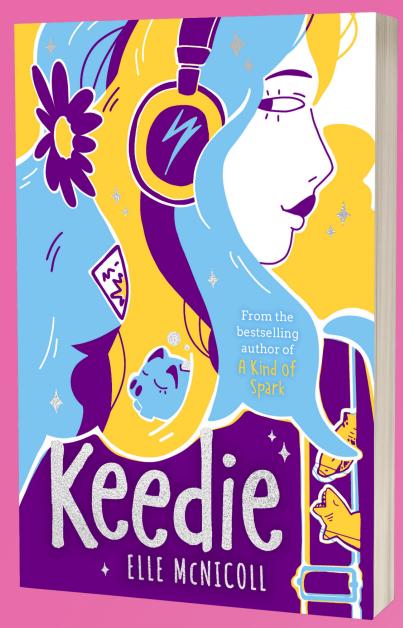












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### KEEDIE

### **ELLE MCNICOLL, COVER ART** BY KAY WILSON

"A brilliant story of kindness, justice and just a little bit of revenge. Brash, bold and furious, just like Keedie herself." Lizzie Huxley-Jones

Before there was Addie, there was Keedie. Five years before the events of A Kind of Spark, Keedie is figuring out how to be her bold, brave self in a town that wants her to be quiet. Her twin sister Nina seems to care more about being popular, and Keedie knows her little sister Addie is more similar to her than her family knows. When she starts standing up to people's bullies for them, everyone wants her to pretend nothing is wrong with the way things are in Juniper. But firecracker Keedie wants things to change . . . and she wants things to be better for Addie. As she sets out to right wrongs and stand up for the truth, the sleepy town of Juniper is about to wake up and see that Keedie is one of a kind.

- · Blackwell's Book of the Month
- Bookshop.org Book of the Month













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### **SHOW US WHO YOU ARE**

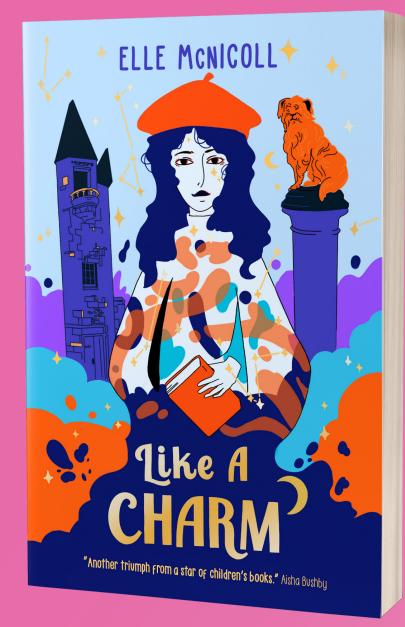
### ELLE MCNICOLL, COVER ART BY KAY WILSON

### "An enjoyably sinister tale." The Times

When Cora meets Adrien, she isn't looking for a new best friend. She doesn't want to explain that she's different. But, Adrien surprises her, and soon she's drawn into a whirlwind of fun, adventure and true friendship... and into the world of the mysterious Pomegranate Institute.

Cora becomes entranced by Pomegranate's hologram technology that can bring people back to life, but there are secrets lurking beneath the surface that threaten everything she knows to be true. Can Cora fight to make her voice heard and not lose sight of herself?

- Blackwell's Book of the Month March 2021
- The Times Children's Book of the Week



### **LIKE A CHARM**

# ELLE MCNICOLL, COVER ART BY KAY WILSON

Edinburgh is a city filled with magical creatures. No one can see them . . . until Ramya Knox. As she is pulled into her family's world of secrets and spells, Ramya sets out to discover the truth behind the Hidden Folk with only three words of warning from her grandfather: Beware the Sirens.

Plunged into an adventure that will change everything, Ramya is about to learn that there is more to her powers than she ever imagined.

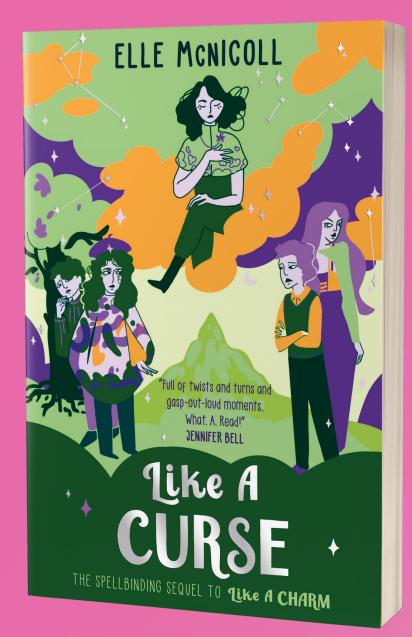
- Blackwell's Book of the Month February 2022
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- Nominated for the Carnegie Medal for Writing
- Shortlisted for Books Are My Bag Readers Awards 2022

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### LIKE A CURSE

ELLE MCNICOLL, COVER ART BY KAY WILSON

"A wildly imaginative world of secrets and spells" The Times

Equal parts thrilling and heart-warming, this fantastical conclusion to the *Like A Charm* duology follows Ramya as she seeks to rescue her beloved Edinburgh from the deadly grip of the Sirens.

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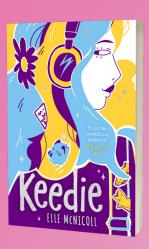
### **ELLE MCNICOLL**

Elle is a Scottish and Neurodivergent writer. After completing her Masters dissertation on the lack of Own Voices representation for Neurodivergent children, she grew tired of the lack of inclusivity in the industry, and wrote a book herself.

Her first children's novel, *A Kind of Spark*, was published in June 2020 and stars two openly autistic young women. Her second standalone children's novel *Show Us Who You Are* was published in March 2021.

# "The dialogue sings and McNicoll skillfully lets us into their inner worlds." The Times

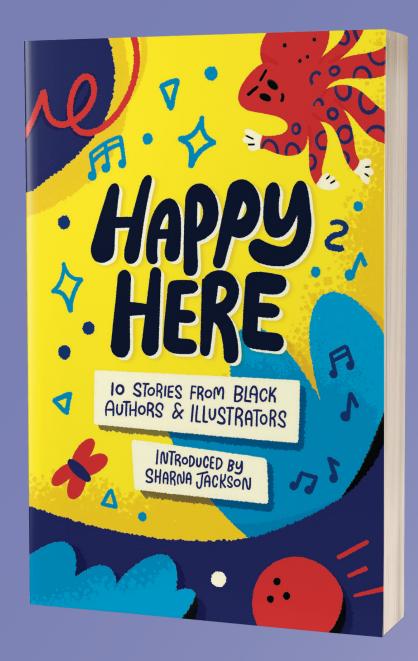












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## **HAPPY HERE**



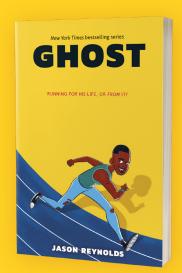
With an introduction from bestselling author Sharna Jackson, Happy Here features stories and poems by 10 Black British authors for readers aged 7+. Exploring themes of joy, home and family through a wide range of genres and styles, each author has been paired with a different illustrator to spotlight Black British artistic talent.

With stories by Dean Atta, Joseph Coelho, Kereen Getten, Patrice Lawrence, Theresa Lola, E.L. Norry, Jasmine Richards, Alexandra Sheppard, Yomi Sode, and Clare Weze. Illustrations by Olivia Twist, Selom Sunu, Camilla Ru, Dorcas, Mo Fadera, Chanté Timothy, Wumzum, Onyinye Iwu, Lucy Farfort and Will Kay.

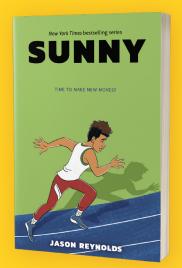
BookTrust will provide a free copy of the anthology to every primary school in England and, in partnership with CLPE, will create and distribute free curriculum resources. They will also sponsor author events for schools to support the book, along with a programme of ongoing professional development for teachers to broaden the scope of literature taught in schools.



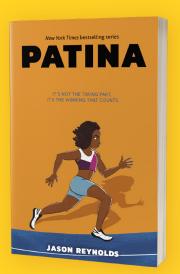




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**9781999642556**Published 1st August 2019



**9781913311063**Published 3rd September 2020

## **'RUN' SERIES**

## JASON REYNOLDS, COVER ART BY SELOM SUNU

The record-breaking, bestselling *Run* (Track, US) series featuring four luminous, thrilling and addictive stories that have captured the imaginations of millions of readers internationally.

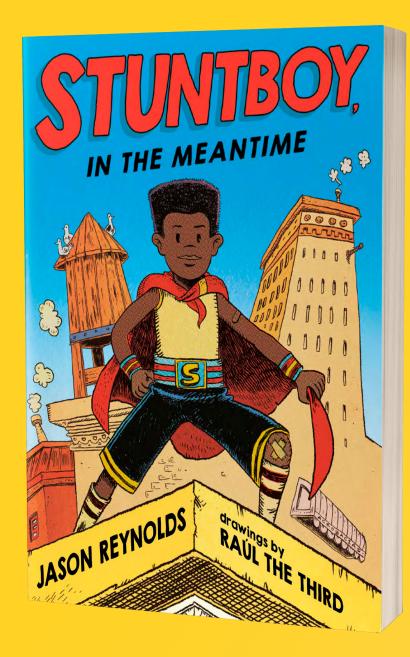
Ghost, Patina, Sunny and Lu will leave you feeling like a long distance runner in a sprint – and that's just the warm-up.

Winner of more than 25 US and international awards, including the 2018 Edgar Award and LA Times Book Prize, Newbery Award, Printz Award and two time Walter Dean Myers Award winner.

- A Sunday Times Book of the Week
- · A Booktrust UK Book of the Year

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## STUNTBOY, IN THE MEANTIME

#### JASON REYNOLDS, ILLUSTRATED BY RAÚL THE THIRD

The new book from the 2021 CILIP Carnegie Medal Winner Jason Reynolds and illustrated by Raúl The Third.

A hilarious, hopeful, and action-packed middle grade novel about the greatest young superhero you've never heard of.

Portico Reeves's superpower is making sure all the other superheroes – like his parents and two best friends – stay super. And safe. Super safe. And he does this all in secret. No one in his civilian life knows he's actually . . . Stuntboy!











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## STUNTBOY, IN-BETWEEN TIME

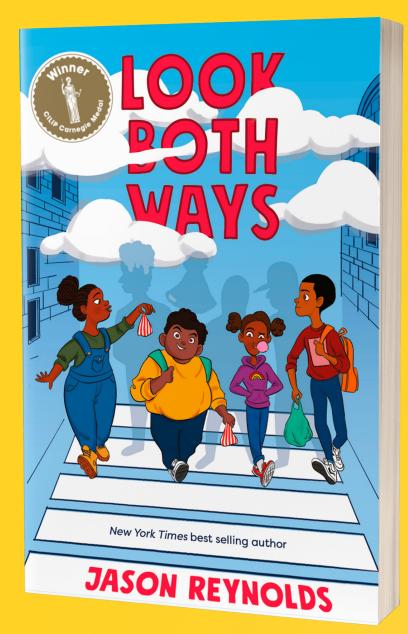
#### JASON REYNOLDS, ILLUSTRATED BY RAÚL THE THIRD

Portico Reeves is the greatest superhero a lot of people have never heard of. He likes it that way – then no one can get in the way of him from keeping other other people safe. Super safe. He's Stuntboy. He's got the moves. And the saves. Except. There's been one major fail.

When Portico, his new friend Herbert, and his best best

friend Zola, discover an empty apartment, unlocked, they are psyched. It's a perfect hideout, and it's all theirs. So they decide to make it their own . . . with stunts of the drawing kind. Problem is, that gives some Grown Up People the frets, which leads to double frets for Portico. And he's not sure his

arsenal of stunts can combat that.



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## **LOOK BOTH WAYS**

## JASON REYNOLDS, COVER ART BY SELOM SUNU

When the bell rings and school is finished for the day, the walkers are finally set free. For ten blocks they have no-one telling them what to do; they can talk about bogies, skateboard, plan dramatic escapes, make jokes, face bullies, and hear about the school bus that fell from the sky...

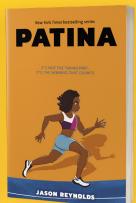
In ten stories (one per block), find out what really happens on the walk home from school, when there are no parents or teachers to supervise (or stop the fun!). From hilarious escapades to brave challenges, join the walkers for one journey and many detours...

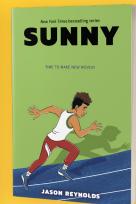
- Winner of the CILIP Carnegie Award 2021
- Amazon Book of the Year
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- Time Magazine Book of the Year
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- NPR Book of the Year

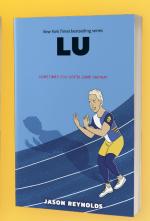










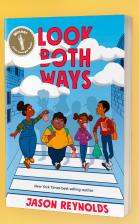


## **JASON REYNOLDS**

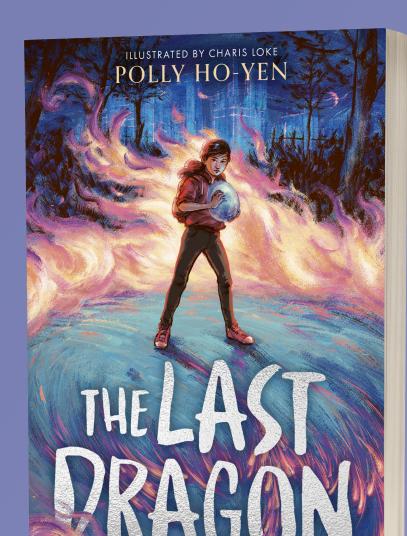
Jason Reynolds is the New York Times bestselling author of many books, including For Every One, the Run series (Ghost, Patina, Sunny, and Lu), and Look Both Ways. He is a National Book Award finalist; the recipient of a Newbery Honor, a Printz Honor, and multiple Coretta Scott King Honors; and the winner of a Kirkus Prize, two Walter Dean Myers Awards, and an NAACP Image Award, among other honors. He lives in Washington, D.C and is the current US National Ambassador for Young People's Literature.













#### NEW FOR 2024

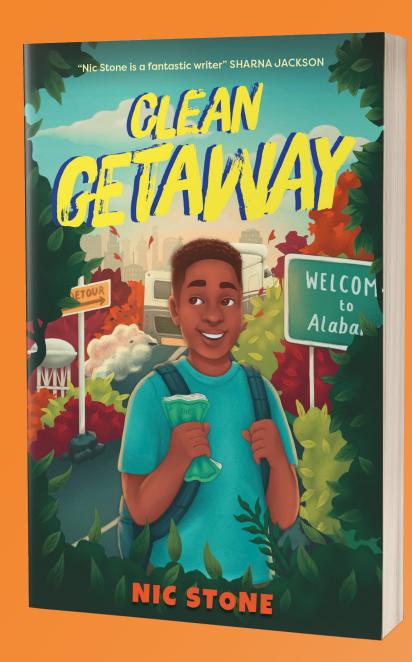
## POLLY HO-YEN, ILLUSTRATED BY CHARIS LOKE

Yara has glimpsed the last dragon on Earth only twice in her twelve years. She's got other things to worry about: her sister is in hospital, her parents are panicking, and her new teacher has labelled her a troublemaker and wants her out. But one evening, in the glow of the lights of the shopping centre in Milton Keynes, Yara finds herself being watched by the last dragon and, before it departs, it leaves her a gift . . . its only dragon egg.

Entrusted with the care of the last dragon egg, Yara discovers it is more powerful than she could ever have imagined. But there are others who want the egg and they'll stop at nothing to steal it for themselves...

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Published 5th January 2020 Rights Held: UK / Ireland / Commonwealth

## **CLEAN GETAWAY**

## NIC STONE, COVER ART BY CAMILLA RU

How to go on an unplanned Road Trip with your Grandma:

- Grab a Suitcase: Prepacked from the big spring break trip that got CANCELLED
- Fasten Your Seatbelt: G'ma's never conventional, so this trip won't be either
- Use the Green Book: G'ma's most treasured possession. It holds history, memories, and most importantly, the way home

Set against the backdrop of the segregation history of the American South, take a road trip through America past and present with *New York Times* bestselling author Nic Stone and an eleven-year-old boy who is about to discover that things aren't always what they seem – his G'ma included.



## **NIC STONE**

Nic Stone was born and raised in a suburb of Atlanta, GA, and the only thing she loves more than an adventure is a good story about one. After graduating from Spelman College, she worked extensively in teen mentoring and lived in Israel for a few years before returning to the US to write full-time. Growing up with a wide range of cultures, religions, and backgrounds, Stone strives to bring these diverse voices and stories to her work.

## An instant New York Times bestseller

Starred reviews from Publishers Weekly and Kirkus

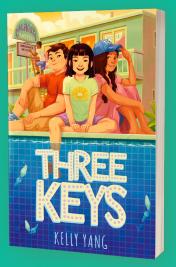




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**9781913311155**Published 7th January 2021



**9781913311346**Published 1st September 2022

## **'FRONT DESK' SERIES**

## **KELLY YANG, COVER ART BY MAIKE PLENZKE**

"Kelly Yang's debut is a stunner." Lisa Thompson

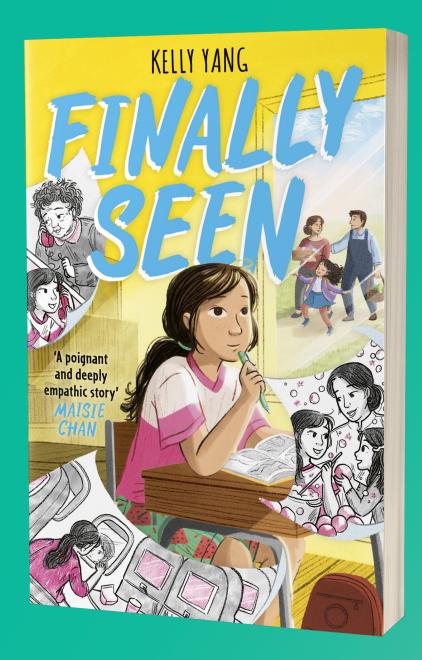
The Front Desk series draw on Kelly's own experience as an immigrant to the US with a heart-warming and relatable protagonist.

Mia Tang has a lot of secrets:

- 1. She lives in a motel, not a big house.
- 2. Her parents hide immigrants.
- 3. She wants to be a writer.

It will take all of Mia's courage, kindness, and hard work to face the challenges thrown at her. Will she be able to hold on to her job, help the immigrants and guests, and go for her dreams?

 Shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2022 (Front Desk)



Published 6th July 2023 Rights Held: UK / Ireland / Commonwealth (Ex. Audio)

## **FINALLY SEEN**

## **KELLY YANG, COVER ART BY NATELLE QUEK**

A gripping middle-grade novel about Lina, who leaves China to live with her parents and sister in the US, after five years apart. She's been waiting for this moment but it's not exactly like the postcards...

As Lina reckons with the big change and feeling left out, she learns about family, friendship, and the power of belonging. And when her teacher starts facing challenges for her latest book selection, a book that deeply resonates with Lina, it will take all of Lina's courage and resilience to get over her fear in order to choose a future where she's finally seen.



## **KELLY YANG**

The Front Desk series by Kelly Yang draws on Kelly's own experiences as an immigrant from China when she was a young girl, and she grew up in California, in circumstances very similar to those of Mia Tang – helping her parents manage several motels. Her only sanctuary was the library, where she could immerse herself in the world of a book, and where the librarians would encourage her.

They saw potential in her, made her feel smart and valued, and she credits them with the success she went on to achieve – attending university at the age of thirteen, and graduating from UC Berkeley, and

#### "A swiftly moving plot and a winsome protagonist make this a must purchase." School Library Journal







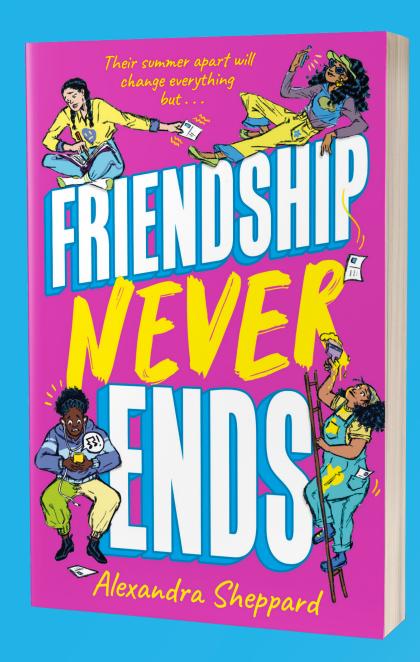




then Harvard Law School as one of the youngest ever female graduates.

Upon graduation, Kelly gave up law to pursue her dream of writing and teaching kids to write. She is the founder of The Kelly Yang Project, a leading writing and debating programme for children in Asia and the United States. She is also a columnist for the South China Morning Post and has been published in the New York Times, the Washington Post and The Atlantic. Kelly is the mother of three children and splits her time between Hong Kong and San Francisco.

## TEEN & YA



## FRIENDSHIP NEVER ENDS

#### ALEXANDRA SHEPPARD, COVER ART BY ROBYN SMITH

Sunita, Dawn, May and Gifty have been best friends since primary school. They've spent every summer together since then, but now, in the summer before Year 10, they are about to be apart for six whole weeks. After a disastrous and embarrassing end-of-term party, they've realised they need to use their summer to grow up . . . fast!

As they vow to stay in touch, each of them must learn to reconcile their unique sparks, quirks and passions with the heavy expectations and pressures that come with being a teenage girl. By the time they reunite, they know they'll be changed by this summer. But will growing up force them apart? Or can they come back closer to each other . . . and their trueselves?

· Shortlisted for



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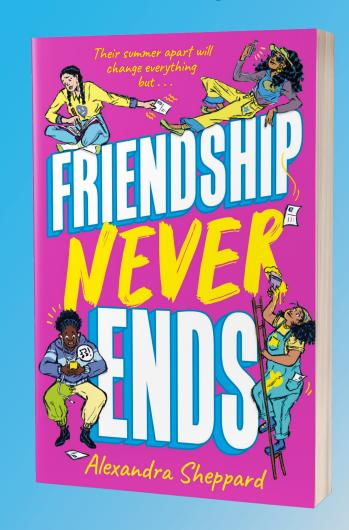


"A hugely funny and warm-hearted story that captures everything that's important about friendship"

LoveReading4Kids

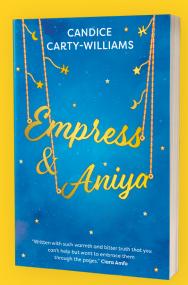
#### **ALEXANDRA SHEPPARD**

Alexandra Sheppard was born in North London to a Jamaican mother and English father. When Alex isn't writing teen fiction, she is a freelance social media strategist with experience working on dozens of award-winning social media campaigns. Oh My Gods was her first YA novel and was published by Scholastic. Alex then wrote Fly High Crew in collaboration with the Banjo Brothers, which was published by Scholastic in April 2021. Happy Here, an anthology of 10 stories from Black British authors and illustrators featuring Alex, was published in August 2021 by Knights Of.



# CANDICE CARTY-WILLIAMS \*Written with such warmth and bitter trush that you can't help but want to embrace them through the pages." Clara Annia

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For ages 13+

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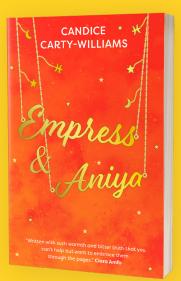
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## **EMPRESS & ANIYA**

#### **CANDICE CARTY-WILLIAMS**

Empress & Aniya is the first YA novel from bestselling Queenie author Candice Carty-Williams and follows two teenage girls from different backgrounds who accidentally cast a body swap spell on their 16th birthday. Empress is from a single parent household and lives on an estate that she's learned to love, while Aniya's parents are in high-profile jobs and have given her a life that she can often take for granted.

South London's answer to 'Freaky Friday', Empress & Aniya is a moving portrayal of the importance of real friendship and the ups and downs of being a teenager.



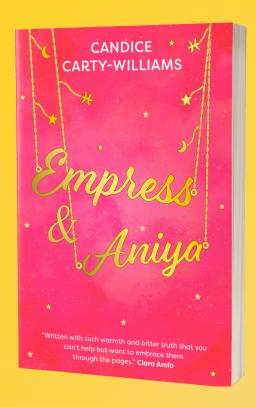
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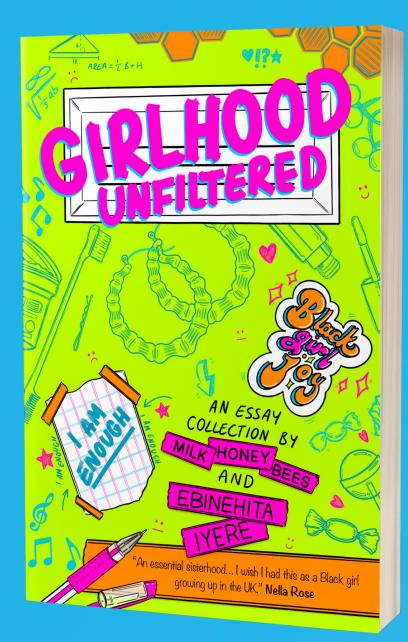
Candice Carty-Williams is a writer and author of the Sunday Times bestselling *Queenie*.

Queenie has been described as 'vital', 'disarmingly honest', and 'boldly political', and won Book of the Year and Debut of the Year at the British Book Awards in 2020. It was longlisted for the Women's Prize, and was shortlisted for the Waterstones, Foyles and Goodreads Book of 2019, as well as selected as the Blackwell's Debut of the Year. In 2016,



Candice created and launched the Guardian and 4th Estate BAME Short Story Prize, the first inclusive initiative of its kind in book publishing. Candice was the Guardian Review Books Columnist for 2019-2020 and has written for Guardian, i-D, Vogue International, every iteration of the Sunday Times, BEAT Magazine, Black Ballad and more. She will probably always live in South London.

# KO CLASSICS



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#### **GIRLHOOD UNFILTERED**

# AN ESSAY COLLECTION BY MILK HONEY BEES & EBINEHITA IYERE, COVER ART BY KARIS RICHARDS

An anthology of essays, letters, and creative work reflecting on the experience of Black girlhood, by an inspiring group of teenage girls.

The voices of young Black girls are too often left out of conversations on the Black girl experience; in this anthology, the founder of South London based charity Milk Honey Bees seeks to bring their voices to the front.

Supported by an ambitious PR and Marketing campaign and following the lead of Ebinehita's thoughtful and engaging work with the girls, *Girlhood Unfiltered* will reach those readers who relate, those who want to learn and those who care deeply about their community.

- Winner of Book Marketing Society Young Adult Campaign
- Shortlisted for Children's Non-Fiction Book of the Year, British Book Awards 2023





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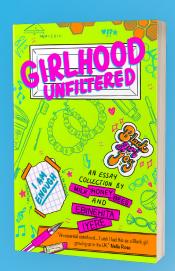
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"Their powerful writing will give rise to countless others, which is why I'm excited for the world to read their words."

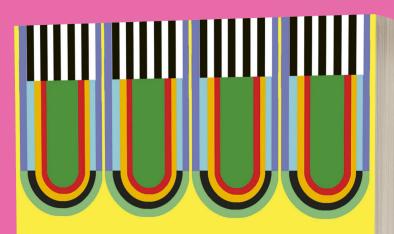
Rupi Kaur



## **EBINEHITA IYERE**

Ebinehita Iyere founded Milk Honey Bees in 2017 as a creative and expressive safe space for young Black women and girls in South London. She is a passionate public speaker, mentor and advocate for young people across London, and is currently completing her PhD on the complexities and flaws in the education system as per the experiences of Black teenagers. Milk Honey Bees have partnered with Sony, Barbie, The Black Girl Global Justice Initiative and have more exciting partnerships in the works.





## FOR EVERY ONE

JASON REYNOLDS

COVER ART BY YINKA ILORI



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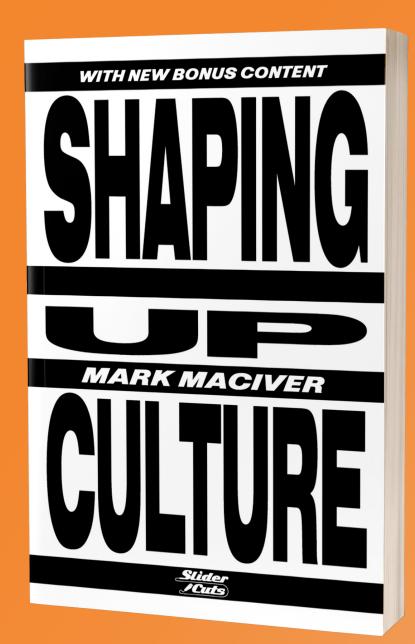
## FOR EVERY ONE

## JASON REYNOLDS, COVER ART BY YINKA ILORI

Originally performed at the unveiling of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial, this stirring and inspirational poem is New York Times bestselling author Jason Reynolds's rallying cry to the young dreamers of the world.

For Every One is for every kind of reader. A letter to anyone who has ever had a 'keeps you up at night' dream. The heart racing, what if? This book is a challenge to think beyond the expected and go for what you want, even if the going for it is the scariest part.

- Goodreads Choice 2019
- Irish Times Book of the Year



Published 3rd October 2019 For readers aged 13+ Rights Held: World (All Rights)

# SHAPING UP CULTURE

#### MARK MACIVER, COVER ART BY LAKWENA

"An important book, by an important man.
And it's not just because I'm in it." Stormzy

Shaping Up Culture is a collection of inspirational and practical how-to-guides by Black British Business Award Winner Mark Maciver.

With input and quotes from Idris Elba, Stormzy and World Boxing Heavyweight Champion Anthony Joshua, *Shaping Up Culture* aims to equip young Black men with the essential skills to launch a project.

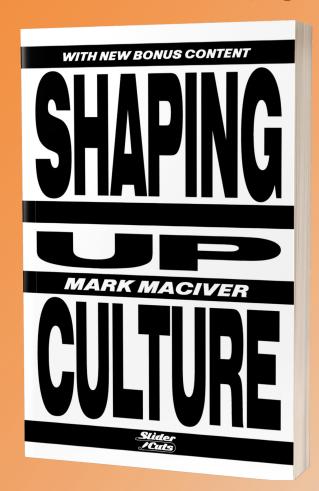


## **MARK MACIVER**

Mark Maciver, aka SliderCuts, has been cutting hair professionally for over fifteen years. During that time, he has nurtured a superlative client list, which runs the gamut from basketball player Lebron James to world heavyweight champion boxer Anthony Joshua.

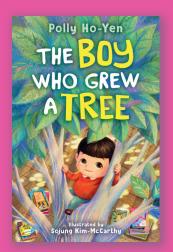
His razor-sharp skills makes him an expert figure in his field, and his vast knowledge and business acumen has made him a trusted figure within the wider community.

#### Published in a unique 100 page format



As a result, Mark was recently recognised for his position as one of the UK's top Black business individuals following his win at the acclaimed Black British Business Awards.

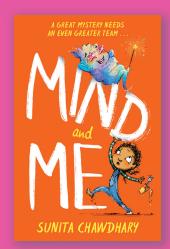
## **EARLY READERS**



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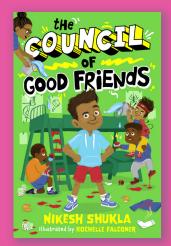
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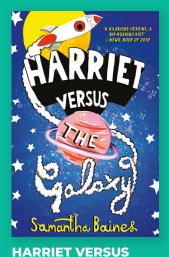
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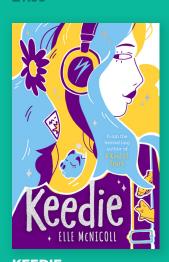
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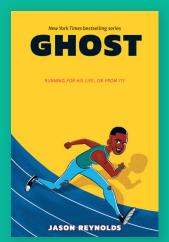
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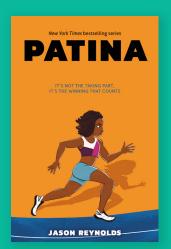
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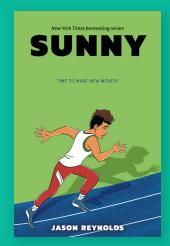
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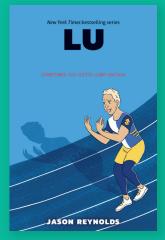
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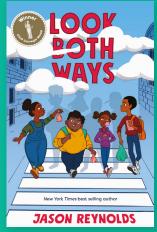
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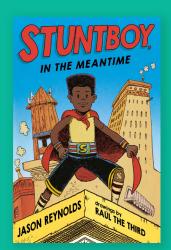
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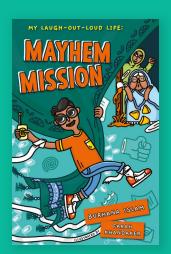
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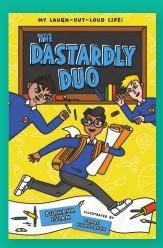
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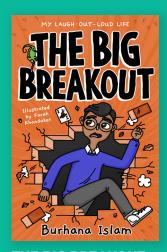
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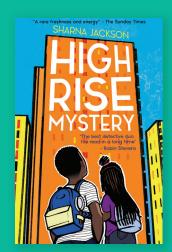
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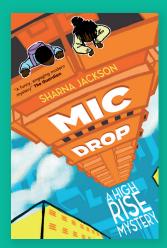
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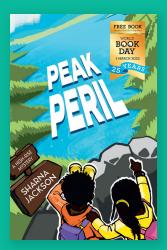
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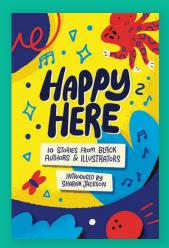
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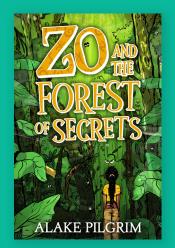
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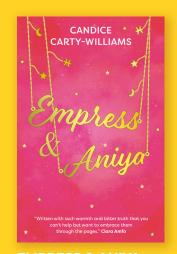


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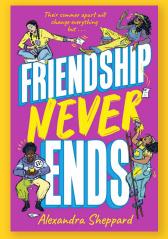


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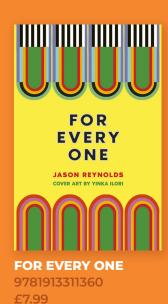
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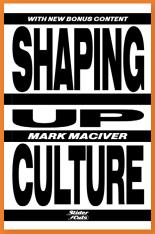


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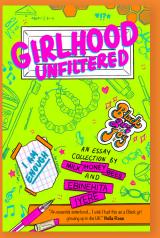


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