

## My Brother Is A Superhero

"Senator Kamala Harris's picture book memoir in which she tells her life story and shows how everyone can be a superhero"-- Izzy and her friends are SO EXCITED about their school trip. They're going camping and there'll be marshmallows and no washing and everything. But then WEIRD things start happening! There are howling sounds at night, and some sausages have gone missing, and it's nearly a full moon... But it's when they see their new teacher's hairy legs that they KNOW! There's a werewolf on the school trip and they're all DOOMED! Another brilliantly funny longer read for the newly confident reader from the best-selling, award-winning, author-illustrator team, Pamela Butchart and Thomas Flintham.

In celebration of the first female Doctor Who in history and the new TV series airing October 7, 2018! Bestselling author David Solomons delivers a super smart and vibrant new heroine in an original adventure bursting with action and humor. The Doctor has never faced a challenge quite like this. A sinister school where graduation means death . . . A monstrous mystery lurking beneath a quiet London street . . . A desperate plea for help delivered by . . . Hang on. A potted plant? The Doctor has been summoned. The galaxy is in terrible danger, and only a Time Lord can save it. But to do so, she must break into the ancient Galactic Seed Vault. And at its heart lies a secret: Vault 13. The Vault has remained unopened for millions of years and is located on a remote and frozen world--from which nobody has ever returned alive. . . . Can the Doctor and her friends Yaz, Ryan, and Graham uncover the shocking secret in Vault 13?

'Warm and funny, this tale of a pint-size pig and the family he saves will take up a giant space in your heart' KIRAN MILLWOOD HARGRAVE  
'What a consummate storyteller Nina Bawden is' MICHAEL MORPURGO WINNER OF THE GUARDIAN AWARD FOR CHILDREN'S FICTION 'D'ya want a peppermint pig, Mrs Greengrass?' Poll looked at the milkman, thinking of sweets, but there was a real pig poking its snout out of the milkman's coat pocket. It was the tiniest pig she had ever seen. 'What's a peppermint pig?' 'Runt of the litter. Too small for the sow to raise. He'd only get trampled in in the rush.' Mother took the pig from him and held it firmly while it kicked and squealed. 'Well, he seems strong enough. And even runts grow.' 'Oh,' Poll said. 'Oh, Mother.' She stroked the small, wriggling body. 'Theo,' she shouted, 'Look what we've got!' It is a difficult year for the Greengrasses. Poll's father has lost his job and gone overseas, the family are living off the charity of two aunts, and Poll and her brother Theo just can't seem to keep out of trouble. It takes a tiny, mischievous pig to bring laughter back into their lives. This is a collection of the best children's literature, curated by Virago, and will be coveted by children and adults alike. These are timeless tales with beautiful covers, that will be treasured and shared across the generations. Some titles you will already know; some will be new to you, but there are stories for everyone to love, whatever your age. Our list includes Nina Bawden (Carrie's War, The Peppermint Pig), Rumer Godden (The Dark Horse, An Episode of Sparrows), Joan Aiken (The Serial Garden, The Gift Giving) E. Nesbit (The Psammead Trilogy, The Bastable Trilogy, The Railway Children), Frances Hodgson Burnett (The Little Princess, The Secret Garden) and Susan Coolidge (The What Katy Did Trilogy). Discover Virago Children's Classics.

The third book in Clare Balding's brilliant series! Noble Warrior has certainly earned his name: he won the Derby against all odds and bested a bunch of nasty kidnappers. But now Noddy is facing his greatest challenge yet . . . Charlie's best friend Polly is still recovering from an accident that left her almost paralysed. But Polly has a real talent with horses - and she and Charlie are determined not to let it go to waste. Can the two best friends find a way to make Polly's equestrian dreams come true, and forge a new path for the racehorse who wouldn't

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gallop?

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • OPRAH'S BOOK CLUB PICK •** From the National Book Award–winning author of *Between the World and Me*, a boldly conjured debut novel about a magical gift, a devastating loss, and an underground war for freedom. “This potent book about America’s most disgraceful sin establishes [Ta-Nehisi Coates] as a first-rate novelist.”—San Francisco Chronicle  
**IN DEVELOPMENT AS A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE •** Adapted by Ta-Nehisi Coates and Kamilah Forbes, produced by MGM, Plan B, and Oprah Winfrey’s Harpo Films  
**NOMINATED FOR THE NAACP IMAGE AWARD • NAMED ONE OF PASTE’S BEST NOVELS OF THE DECADE • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY** Time • NPR • The Washington Post • Chicago Tribune • Vanity Fair • Esquire • Good Housekeeping • Paste • Town & Country • The New York Public Library • Kirkus Reviews • Library Journal  
Young Hiram Walker was born into bondage. When his mother was sold away, Hiram was robbed of all memory of her—but was gifted with a mysterious power. Years later, when Hiram almost drowns in a river, that same power saves his life. This brush with death births an urgency in Hiram and a daring scheme: to escape from the only home he’s ever known. So begins an unexpected journey that takes Hiram from the corrupt grandeur of Virginia’s proud plantations to desperate guerrilla cells in the wilderness, from the coffin of the Deep South to dangerously idealistic movements in the North. Even as he’s enlisted in the underground war between slavers and the enslaved, Hiram’s resolve to rescue the family he left behind endures. This is the dramatic story of an atrocity inflicted on generations of women, men, and children—the violent and capricious separation of families—and the war they waged to simply make lives with the people they loved. Written by one of today’s most exciting thinkers and writers, *The Water Dancer* is a propulsive, transcendent work that restores the humanity of those from whom everything was stolen. Praise for *The Water Dancer* “Ta-Nehisi Coates is the most important essayist in a generation and a writer who changed the national political conversation about race with his 2015 memoir, *Between the World and Me*. So naturally his debut novel comes with slightly unrealistic expectations—and then proceeds to exceed them. *The Water Dancer* . . . is a work of both staggering imagination and rich historical significance. . . . What’s most powerful is the way Coates enlists his notions of the fantastic, as well as his fluid prose, to probe a wound that never seems to heal. . . . Timeless and instantly canon-worthy.”—Rolling Stone

A hilarious, illustrated middle-grade adventure about a superhero with no superpowers! "Should appeal to readers who enjoy the Captain Underpants and Wimpy Kid series.†? - School Library Connection  
When Murph Cooper begins his new school several weeks into the year, he can't help but feel a bit out of his depth. And it's not because he's worried about where to sit, making friends, and fitting in. It's because his mom has accidentally enrolled him at a school for superheroes. And unlike his fellow students, who can control the weather or fly or conjure tiny horses from thin air, Murph has no special abilities whatsoever. But Murph's totally normal abilities might just be what the world needs. Because not far away is a great big bad guy who is half man and half wasp, and his mind is abuzz with evil plans . . . and when he comes after the best and the brightest, it's up to Murph to be the real hero. With black-and-white illustrations throughout, this laugh-out-loud story proves that heroes come in all shapes and sizes.

Even superheroes slip up and err. When that happens, do they complain or give up in despair? NO! Whether they've nabbed the wrong guy by mistake or bashed into a planet while zooming through space, all superheroes 'fess up their mess-up and keep on saving the world in the most super way! This follow-up to *Even Superheroes Have Bad Days* teaches kids another humorous lesson in overcoming adversity. When confronted by bullies, nine-year-old Adam wishes he could ask his older brother for help but is not sure that Keith will come through for him.

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Living, learning and loving during a global pandemic has change the dynamic of many households across the nation in 2020. As our family quarantined, and learned to live during a “new normal” , we noticed some incredible characteristics in our amazing two little boys. This book is a documentation in how they learned to help one another and demonstrate some amazing super powers that we all have and we all can learn to incorporate in our daily lives. We can encourage one another, help one another, be kind to one another, be creative and bring joy to those around you.

Perfect for fans of Pixar's *The Incredibles*, *Almost Super* is a fresh, funny middle grade adventure about two brothers in a family of superheroes who must find a way to be heroic despite receiving powers that are total duds. Filled with humor, heart, and just the right kind of heroics, *Almost Super* is a winning story that will satisfy would-be heroes and regular kids alike. Everyone over the age of twelve in the Bailey family gets a superpower. No one knows why, and no one questions it. All the Baileys know is that it's their duty to protect the world from the evil, supervillainous Johnson family. \*shake fists\* But when Rafter Bailey and his brother Benny get their superpowers, they're, well . . . super-lame. Rafter can strike matches on polyester, and Benny can turn his innie belly button into an outie. Along with Rafter's algebra class nemesis, Juanita Johnson, Rafter and Benny realize that what they thought they knew about superheroes and supervillains may be all wrong. And it's up to the three of them to put asides their differences and make things right. They may not have great powers, but together, they're almost super.

Game of Thrones superstar EMILIA CLARKE debuts an EXTRA-LENGTH, THREE-ISSUE MINISERIES! The mayhem begins with Maya, under-the-weather scientist by day, over-the-top superhero by night, and badass single mom 24/7. Deadpool action and Fleabag comedy collide when Maya activates her freakish superpowers to take on a secret sect of human traffickers. Mature readers only! Comedy and chaos await in the first of three 40-page issues by the glamorous artist of *Horde*, LEILA LEIZ!

Every little boy deserves a "big brother book" when a new baby joins the family. Most books feature a traditional mom and dad story that doesn't leave much room for step parents. Replacing "dad" for "stepdad" could work but sometimes you just want a book for your stepchild that doesn't make things awkward! This is it. This book features a mom and stepdad couple, offering blended families a fun, celebratory "big brother book" that focuses on the positive aspects of a new baby sibling. Note to parents: This book does not discuss divorce or remarriage. It focuses on a loving sibling relationship and includes a stepdad character (in a positive light!) in the context of the story. It is designed to provide children of blended families a "big brother book" that is respectful of parents, stepparents and children, AND has a cheerful take on blended families. In short, this story is all about the big brother who just happens to have a (cool) stepdad. This book is currently available for Big Brother/ Stepmom, Big Brother/Stepdad, Big Sisters/Stepmom, and Big Sister/Stepdad in addition to a traditional Mom and Dad version. About the story: Big brothers are superheroes! Told through the eyes of an excited young boy, this fun rhyme celebrates the awesomeness of being a big brother and joining a most special group of kids - the League of Super Siblings. In this book, ALL attention is on the big brother because sometimes a boy needs a little extra spotlight to make him feel important and loved - especially when a new baby arrives. Colorful pictures and a variety of big brother characters lend a warm, inclusive feel to the story. Half storybook, half activity book, *Big Brothers are Superheroes* is a fun, interactive keepsake for older siblings as they step in to their new role. It is a great gift for boys from toddlers to 6 years old.

The multi-award winning Dickman twins are from America's outstanding generation of younger poets. Their poetry lives take different expression. Matthew writes with the ebullience of Frank O'Hara, Allen Ginsberg and Jack Kerouac; Michael with the control of William Carlos

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Williams and Emily Dickinson. But they are unified by the unflinching, remarkable verse they wrote when their older brother took his own life. It is these moving, grieving but life-affirming poems that solely comprise this dual-authored volume.

'I can get a new brother? On the internet?' Jonny muttered. 'Oh sweet mangoes of heaven!' Everyone has dreamed of being able to get rid of their brother or sister at one time or another – but for Jonny, the dream is about to become a reality with SiblingSwap.com! What could be better than someone awesome to replace Ted, Jonny's obnoxious older brother. But finding the perfect brother isn't easy, as Jonny discovers when Sibling Swap sends him a line of increasingly bizarre replacements: first a merboy, then a brother raised by meerkats, and then the ghost of Henry the Eighth! What's coming next?! Suddenly old Ted isn't looking so bad. But can Jonny ever get him back? A hilarious tale of wish fulfilment gone wrong that every child will relate to – perfect for fans of Pamela Butchart, My Brother is a Superhero and David Baddiel's The Parent Agency.

Inner city middle school student Kenny Wright imagines himself as a superhero-but when he faces peer pressure and bullying, can he find his strength in real life? Kenny Wright is a kid with a secret identity. In his mind, he's Stainlezz Steel, super-powered defender of the weak. In reality, he's a chess club devotee known as a "Grandma's Boy," a label that makes him an easy target for bullies. Kenny wants to bring a little more Steel to the real world, but the question is: can he recognize the real strength and goodness inside himself? Or will peer pressure force him to make the worst choice of his life? Interspersed with fantastic illustrations and comic-book panels, this book aims to both entertain and to provoke dialogue about identity, belonging, and doing the right thing.

"But why do I need to get a shot?," I asked my parents. Sometimes it takes a kid to explain something to another kid. My name is Ethan, I am 14 years old and I wrote The Shots Book, to share what I wish I had known back when I was getting my kindergarten shots. In a superhero story that is easy for children to understand, and based on my real life experiences, I explain how vaccines work, how they protect our own health, and the health of others in our community to empower kids and help make the doctor's visit easier. I dedicate my book to the children who must rely on herd immunity to keep them safe. When you buy my book another book gets donated to a children's hospital library with remaining proceeds going to my herd immunity educational campaign. Those kids fighting cancer, needing transplants, or battling other diseases are the real heroes and I want them to know they have a friend who cares.

"Readers...will be enamored by this blend of history, mystery, and superpowered action." —Booklist (starred review) "Has the exciting pace of a superhero adventure." —Kirkus Reviews Hidden Figures meets Wonder Woman in this action-packed, comic-inspired adventure about a brilliant girl puzzler who discovers she's part of a superhero team—the first in a new series! Josie O'Malley does a lot to help out Mam after her father goes off to fight the Nazis, but she wishes she could do more—like all those caped heroes who now seem to have disappeared. If Josie can't fly and control weather like her idol, Zenobia, maybe she can put her math smarts to use cracking puzzles for the government. After an official tosses out her puzzler test because she's a girl, it soon becomes clear that an even more top-secret agency has its eye on Josie, along with two other applicants: Akiko and Mae. The trio bonds over their shared love of female superhero celebrities, from Hauntima to Zenobia to Hopscotch. But during one extraordinary afternoon, they find themselves transformed into the newest (and youngest!) superheroes in town. As the girls' abilities slowly begin to emerge, they learn that their skills will be crucial in thwarting a shapeshifting henchman of Hitler, and, just maybe, in solving an even larger mystery about the superheroes who've recently gone missing. Inspired by remarkable real-life women from World War II—the human computers and earliest programmers called "the ENIAC Six"—this pulse-pounding adventure features bold action and brave thinking, with forty-eight pages of comic book style graphic panels throughout the book. Readers

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will want to don their own capes for an adventure, and realize they have the power to be a superhero, too!

Brother and sister Mona and Joey are always fighting, but when they inherit a suit and special powers from a superhero who is going into retirement, their inability to get along hampers their ability to fight crime.

Extraordinary family. Ordinary kid. Elliott Harkness is the youngest in a family of superheroes, but he has no powers of his own - or so he thinks. Follow Elliott's hilarious journey to fit in with his family, save the world, and make it home for dinner. Get all three novels in the award-winning superhero adventure series in one epic volume for 15% off! Perfect for fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid and The Incredibles! The Epic Zero Collection includes 48 illustrated character profiles and a full glossary of superpowers.

Whoosh! A SUPERHERO has landed in YOUR book! Get ready for another lively, interactive read-aloud in the Who's In Your Book series! Use the power of your imagination to unlock this adorable Superhero's powers. But you'd better act fast before The Scribbler ruins your book completely! Readers will enjoy interactively tapping, stretching, and whizzing this book around as they help Superhero defeat the villain and save the day--while discovering the real power of kindness. Bestselling author and musician Tom Fletcher and illustrator Greg Abbott have once again created a creature that readers will fall in love with--and want to play with--again and again! Don't miss a single story in the Who's In Your Book series! • There's a Monster In Your Book • There's a Dragon In Your Book • There's an Elf In Your Book • There's an Alien in Your Book ...and more books to come!

Team Alchemical: A group of Magical Girls who defend their city from fiendish monsters that prowl by night. The adoring idol culture surrounding these girls, along with the genuine life-or-death struggles they face each night, forces them to grow up quickly and under severe pressure. When tragedy strikes, the team's least confident supporting member, Undine, must step up and learn to fight her own battles. A girl with no special powers teams up with a so-called supervillain to investigate an insidious plot in their city in this action-packed YA debut. First published in hardback by Viking, 2015.

David Dyer's astonishing novel *The Midnight Watch* is based on the true story of the SS Californian, the ship that saw the Titanic's distress rockets and yet, unfathomably, did nothing. A psychological thriller. Sometimes the smallest of human failings can lead to the greatest of disasters. On a wretchedly cold night in the North Atlantic, a steamer stopped in an ice field sees the glow of another ship on the horizon. Just after midnight the first of eight distress rockets is fired. Why did the Californian look on while the Titanic sank? As soon as Boston American reporter John Steadman lays eyes on the man who stood the midnight watch on the Californian, he knows there's another story lurking behind the official one. Herbert Stone must have seen something, and yet his ship did nothing while the calamity took place. Now Stone, under his captain's orders, must carry his secret in silence, while Steadman is determined to find it out. So begins a strange dance around the truth by these three men. Haunted by the fifteen hundred who went to their deaths in those icy waters, and by the loss of his own baby son years earlier, Steadman must either find redemption in the Titanic's tragedy or lose himself. Based on true events, *The Midnight Watch* is at once a heart-stopping mystery and a deeply knowing novel - about the frailty of men, the strength of women, the capriciousness of fate and the price of loyalty.

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Luke and his brother have swapped bodies by accident. Zack's got Luke's weird feet while Luke has Zack's SUPERPOWERS! Now he needs another world-threatening adventure to try them out. Could a family mini-break at Great Minds Leisure Park be his chance? Probably, because that's where his super-clever arch-enemy lurks, fermenting dastardly plans and bubbling gently... 'My Arch-Enemy Is a Brain In a Jar' is the fourth instalment of Luke's laugh-out-loud adventures. From the author of 'My Brother Is a Superhero', winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the British Book Industry Awards Children's Book of the Year, and 'My Gym Teacher Is an Alien Overlord', winner of a Lollies Laugh Out Loud 2017 Book Award.

From New York Times bestselling author Nic Stone comes an all-new upper middle grade series based on one of the Marvel Universe's break-out characters- Shuri, from Black Panther!

From just a tiny larva in diapers to . . . SUPER FLY! This is the story of Eugene Flystein, a small and nerdy, mild-mannered housefly, who also happens to be the world's smallest superhero and humanity's greatest crime fighter. SUPER FLY!: Able to stop tornadoes from destroying towns with just one breath. Strong enough to push a ship away from a looming iceberg. He's even read every book in the library twice. Yes, twice! Can this four-eyed little bugger, along with his trusty sidekick Fantastic Flea, take on Crazy Cockroach and his army of insect baddies? It's housefly vs. cockroach in this epic battle of good vs. evil. Who will come out on top? Stay tuned!

When Luke is confronted with Stellar, his superpowered twin from another dimension, he is highly suspicious. No one travels through time and space without a plan, and that plan is usually EVIL. So what does Stellar want? And why is he so UNBELIEVABLY IRRITATING? From his superhero hair to his rocket-powered shoes, Stellar is up to no good, and Luke must BRING HIM DOWN! My Evil Twin Is a Supervillain is the third installment of Luke's laugh-out-loud adventures. From the author of My Brother Is a Superhero, winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the British Book Industry Awards Children's Book of the Year. "You know a book is going to be good when you're giggling after five minutes... Ideal for comic readers and superhero experts." - The Independent "Brilliantly funny." - The Bookseller "Expect utterly incredible battles fought with imagination-boggling superpowers, a stolen spacecraft disguised as a suite of bedroom furniture, tragedy, betrayal, heroism...and an interdimensional toilet. Packed with more bad jokes than any superhero story should allow, this is the third of a series which, although it can be read as a stand-alone story, is likely to be enjoyed most if you have read the first two." - BookTrust "Solomons has his finger firmly on the pulse of middle grade readers as he packs his super-charged space odyssey with energy, outrageous plot twists, dollops of brilliant satirical humour and moments of heart-melting emotion." - Blackpool Gazette

From one of Brazil's most important living writers, a powerful reflection on the effects of isolation and feelings of

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inadequacy in our time. Sick and abandoned by his wife and son, Oséias decides to go back to his hometown after twenty years away. During this time apart, he has heard about his family only through sporadic phone calls from his younger sister, Isabela. The shadow of the suicide of their sister Lígia, when she was fifteen, lingers over Oséias as he tries to reestablish contact with his siblings. Each of them is absorbed in their own world: Rosana and her obsession with fitness; Isabela and her struggle to survive; João Lúcio and his isolation. All of them are branded by loneliness, but most of all Oséias, who, misunderstood by his family members and old acquaintances, decides to put an end to his journey. *Late Summer* can be read as both the realistic story of a displaced man tortured by his unsuccessful attempt to redeem his past, and as a portrait of contemporary society, in which social classes have ruptured any form of dialogue between them, and people have become rogue planets whose paths cross occasionally, risking mutual destruction.

What if you can leap tall buildings and defeat alien monsters with your bare hands, but you buy your capes at secondhand stores and have a weakness for kittens? Cartoonist Faith Erin Hicks brings charming humor to the trials and tribulations of a young female superhero, battling monsters both supernatural and mundane in an all-too-ordinary world. The expanded edition collects the original Eisner Award-winning comic, two new stories, and new art from creators including Tyler Crook, Ron Chan, Jake Wyatt, Paulina Ganucheau, and more! The first collection won an Eisner Award (Best Publication for Kids) and has gone through 4 printings "This charming modern vision of a Superhero Girl features a young woman living an uncertain life, unsure of the best way to contribute to society. It's superhero as person instead of as corporate symbol or fight machine. We see her struggling with relatable elements of daily life, like keeping her mother informed of how things are going or having to replace her cape after it shrunk in the laundry. One of the best strips has Superhero Girl explaining to a fan how she too can be a superhero without having a horrible tragedy in her past. This strip shines because it's fresh and lighthearted without wallowing in angst. Her arch-nemesis is a normal guy who keeps telling her she's doing it wrong. She struggles to balance her calling with a paying day job but keeps forgetting to take her mask off. Her annoying perfect brother Kevin shows her up, and she struggles with whether to stay hero or take the easier, villainous way to riches. The comic is perfectly suited to Hicks's expressive figures and energetic storytelling. The perfect laugh-filled tonic for heavier angst-filled superhero series." -Publishers Weekly "Have you ever wanted a superhero who lives in your world? If so, you will love Faith Erin Hicks' Eisner-award-winning story of a young woman who happens to be a superhero. " -YALSA The Hub

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**POWERLESS?** For Amy Sturgess, life in the big city comes with even bigger problems. Her marketing career is being derailed by a conniving coworker stealing her accounts. Her family crises range from her down-and-out brother running afoul of the law to her mother's growing

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affections for the house cats. And Amy's love life just flatlined thanks to an unexpected reunion with the one that got away—who's now engaged. When Xanax and therapy fail to relieve her stress, Amy does what any young woman in her position would do: She uses her superstrength, speed, flight, and ability to generate 750 volts from her hands to fight crime as the mysterious masked vigilante Starling. But while Starling is hailed as a superhero, will Amy remain a super-zero?

Rafe Khatchadorian is getting the Hollywood treatment in a film version of *Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life* starring Griffin Gluck, Lauren Graham, Rob Riggle and Thomas Barbusca. Readers get a chance to participate in James Patterson's wildly successful *Middle School* series in this interactive book featuring more than 80 hilarious anecdotes from dueling siblings Rafe and Georgia Khatchadorian — plus dozens of fun-filled activities! The Khatchadorian kids are an opinionated duo, and as readers of the *Middle School* stories know, they don't exactly see eye to eye. But when wild-card Rafe and mostly-straight-laced Georgia go at it, the only thing more fun than their ranting is getting to join in! Their back-and-forth banter on a range of topics — from bullying to cafeteria food to school dress codes — introduces more than 40 writing and drawing prompts and other games, along with room for readers to share their own points of view. (Includes over 200 illustrations.)

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New York Times best-selling author Ann Hood pens a poignant story of grief and resilience, perfect for readers of *The Thing About Jellyfish*. "A testament to the power of human connection." —Jack Cheng, award-winning author of *See You in the Cosmos* Katie was Jude's favorite person in the world. And not many brothers say that about their sister and mean it. But to Jude, Katie was everything--the person who made him learn how to say "I love you" in every language, who performed dramatic readings of *Romeo and Juliet*, who obsessed over every item on the diner menu looking for the most authentic diner meal. The one who called him "Jude Banks, Superhero," because to her, Jude was the best. She was also the person who died. Out of nowhere, and without a goodbye. And Jude believes he was the one who killed her. Now, twelve-year-old Jude must figure out what life looks like without his favorite person. With Mom checked out, and Dad just trying to do his best, Jude enters a world of grief youth groups and dropped-off lasagnas. It's only when he meets a girl named Clementine, who also lost a sibling, that he begins to imagine a world where maybe things might be okay. But Clementine is also feeling a terrible guilt, and even though Katie called Jude a "superhero," he isn't sure he can save her. In her signature prose, Hood crafts an extraordinary story of grief and resilience, asking the important question: How does a family begin to heal? Praise for *Jude Banks, Superhero*: "Hood is brilliant at showing the ordinary moments of a family's heartbreak... There are many readers who are navigating guilt and sorrow right now — for them, this book is a must. And for those lucky enough to take the journey only in their imaginations, this is a story of resilience in the face of devastating pain."—New York Times Book Review "A tender story of grief and joy... a remarkable read."—School Library Connection (Starred Review) "Hood's careful gardening of emotions makes this a striking read... Fans of Ali Benjamin's *The Thing about Jellyfish* will appreciate Jude's search for meaning and reason as he learns to live around the hole his sister has left."—Booklist (Starred Review) "Ann Hood tells Jude's story of grief without coating it in too much sugar; it's real, and therein lies its power. Jude Banks is a mirror for anyone who's experienced loss, and a testament to the power of human connection."—Jack Cheng, award-winning author of *See You in the Cosmos* "Jude Banks is warm and inviting, even as it balances the difficult topics of loss and healing—a powerful and compelling story for anyone who has known loss."—Rex Ogle, award winning author of *Free Lunch*

**My Cousin is a Time Traveller** is the fifth instalment of Luke's laugh-out-loud adventures. From the author of *My Brother Is a Superhero*,



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winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the British Book Industry Awards Children's Book of the Year. Luke is surprised to learn that his cousin is a time traveller. He's even more surprised when she tells him that the machines are becoming intelligent and he must help her stop them taking over the world. It couldn't come at a worse time – Zack has decided to give up his superpowers and live life as a normal teenage nerd. So Luke must swallow his irritation and rise to the challenge yet again ... “[David Solomons] represents the best in contemporary comic writing for children.” - The Guardian

You may have heard his name, now hear his story... This is an inspirational story of one extraordinary boy who was presented with an exceptional challenge. With the support of his big brother, he overcomes several obstacles and against all odds becomes a real life superhero.

It's easy to name a superhero--Superman, Batman, Thor, Spiderman, the Green Lantern, Buffy the Vampire Slayer, Rorschach, Wolverine--but it's not so easy to define what a superhero is. Buffy has superpowers, but she doesn't have a costume. Batman has a costume, but doesn't have superpowers. What is the role of power and superpower? And what are supervillains and why do we need them? In *What is a Superhero?*, psychologist Robin Rosenberg and comics scholar Peter Coogan explore this question from a variety of viewpoints, bringing together contributions from nineteen comic book experts--including both scholars in such fields as cultural studies, art, and psychology as well as leading comic book writers and editors. What emerges is a kaleidoscopic portrait of this most popular of pop-culture figures. Writer Jeph Loeb, for instance, sees the desire to make the world a better place as the driving force of the superhero. Jennifer K. Stuller argues that the female superhero inspires women to stand up, be strong, support others, and most important, to believe in themselves. More darkly, A. David Lewis sees the indestructible superhero as the ultimate embodiment of the American "denial of death," while writer Danny Fingeroth sees superheroes as embodying the best aspects of humankind, acting with a nobility of purpose that inspires us. Interestingly, Fingeroth also expands the definition of superhero so that it would include characters like John McClane of the *Die Hard* movies: "Once they dodge ridiculous quantities of machine gun bullets they're superheroes, cape or no cape." From summer blockbusters to best-selling graphic novels, the superhero is an integral part of our culture. *What is a Superhero?* not only illuminates this pop-culture figure, but also sheds much light on the fantasies and beliefs of the American people.

The classic story of one family torn apart by the Revolutionary War All his life, Tim Meeker has looked up to his brother. Sam is smart and brave, and is now a part of the American Revolution. Not everyone in town wants to be a part of the rebellion. Most are supporters of the British, including Tim and Sam's father. With the war soon raging, Tim knows he will have to make a choice between the Revolutionaries and the Redcoats, and between his brother and his father.

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