

The Kick Off Jamie Johnson

A 2019 YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults Selection Amelia Bloomer List's 2019 Top Ten Recommended Feminist Books for Young Readers A Governor General's Literary Award Finalist A Junior Library Guild Selection A Sheila A. Egoff Children's Literature Prize Semifinalist A BC Book Prize Finalist "A love letter to girls—bittersweet and full of hope." —Ibi Zoboi, author of National Book Award Finalist *American Street* "This is a stellar debut." —Brandy Colbert, award-winning author of *Little & Lion* and *Pointe* "A vibrant, essential story of healing, resilience, and finding one's family." —Stephanie Kuehn, author of William C. Morris Award winning *Charm & Strange* "A raw, beautiful, unforgettable must-read." —Tiffany D. Jackson, author of *Allegedly* "Poetic." —Angela Johnson, award-winning author of *Heaven* "A powerful, poignant story about refusing to let the past dictate who you are or who you will become." —Kirkus Reviews "This is a well-written, thought-provoking book that tackles difficult topics...a stirring debut." —School Library Journal (starred review) Sixteen-year-old Indy struggles to conceal her pregnancy while searching for a place to belong in this stunning debut novel that's perfect for fans of Amber Smith and Sara Zarr. Indira Ferguson has done her best to live by her Grammy's rules—study hard in school, be respectful, and never let a boy take advantage of her. But it hasn't always been easy, especially living in her mother's shadow. When Indy is sent to stay in Nassau, trouble follows her and she must hide an unwanted pregnancy from her aunt, who would rather throw Indy out onto the street than see the truth. Completely broke with only a hand-me-down pregnancy book as a resource, Indy desperately looks for a safe space to call home. After stumbling upon a yoga retreat, she wonders if she's found that place. But Indy is about to discover that home is much bigger than just four walls and a roof—it's about the people she chooses to share it with.

A short story for the Young Samurai series! Japan, 1612. Shipwrecked and his father murdered by ninjas, Jack Fletcher is rescued by the legendary swordmaster Masamoto Takeshi and taken to his samurai school in Kyoto. Hunted by the ninja Dragon Eye, Jack's only hope is to become a samurai warrior. And so his training begins . . . In order to perfect his fighting skills, Jack goes on a *gasshuku*. But nothing can prepare him for the punishment of warrior camp - the climax of which is to enter the Way of Fire, a terrifying ritual that burns away evil. Can Jack overcome his fear and walk the Way of Fire? Part of the award-winning Young Samurai series by Chris Bradford. Visit www.youngsamurai.com for competitions and to find out more about the books. Previously published for World Book Day. 'A fantastic adventure that floors the reader on page one and keeps them there until the end' - Eoin Colfer 'Addictive' - Evening Standard

"Look, Mick," he said, "you're going to find out from somebody in the gym, so you might as well find out from me. Those supplements you're taking? They might get you a little bigger, but just a little. If you're after serious results, there's other stuff that produces better results much faster, stuff that a lot of guys in the gym use." "What other stuff?" "You know what I'm talking about—gym candy." Runningback Mick Johnson has dreams: dreams of cutting back, finding the hole, breaking into the open, and running free with nothing but green grass ahead. He has dreams of winning and of being the best. But football is a cruel sport. It requires power, grace, speed, quickness, and knowledge of the game. It takes luck, too. One crazy bounce can turn a likely victory into sudden defeat. What elite athlete wouldn't look for an edge? A way to make him bigger, stronger, faster? This novel explores the dark corners of the heart of a young football player as he struggles for success under the always glaring—and often unforgiving—stadium lights.

Lizzie refuses to speak. She doesn't want to talk to Rory or Jake, her new stepbrothers. Or to Sam, their dad. Or even to her mum. She's completely fed up with having to join a new family, and nothing can convince her to speak to them. Not football, not pizza, not a new bedroom. That is, until she meets Great-Gran - a member of the new family who is even more stubborn than she is . . . From the # 1 New York Times bestselling author of the Alex Rider series. When the vertically-challenged Johnny Naples entrusts Tim Diamond with a package worth over three million pounds, he's making a big mistake. Tim Diamond is the worst detective in the world. Next day, Johnny's dead, Tim feels the heat, and his smart younger brother, Nick, gets the package—and every crook in town on his back!

Jamie's heart seemed to be beating all through his body. Everything depended on him. He had to score. Jamie Johnson's desperate to become his school's star football player (and in his dreams, a top professional too). He's got so much to prove, and not just on the pitch \- so why aren't his mum, teachers and best mate on his side? The pressure's on, but has Jamie got what it takes?

Before the packed stadiums. Before he became a huge star. Jamie Johnson had to learn from the best. Jamie is the top player at his school but there's something missing from his game. He needs that bit of extra flair. He wants that touch of magic. Can the once-in-a-lifetime chance to train on the beaches of Brazil give Jamie the skills he needs to become a legend?

On the occasion of Mozart's two hundred and fiftieth birthday, read Maynard Solomon's *Mozart: A Life*, universally hailed as the Mozart biography of our time.

Jamie Johnson is desperate to become his school's star player (and a top professional too), but can't understand why his family and friends don't support his ambition.

Jamie is in his last year of primary school and loves being the best footballer in school. Until it's announced that a new, Brazilian student will be joining mid-term. Will the new boy overshadow Jamie's skill? From the school pitch to the beaches of Rio, Jamie Johnson is going to learn there's more to being a great footballer than he ever imagined. After near-victory in the World Cup, Jamie has landed his ultimate dream job. But when disaster strikes, are his days of football glory about to become a distant memory?

Born to Play is the first installment of The Jamie Johnson Series, the UK #1 best-selling children's series of soccer novels, which is now available in the United States. A one-of-a-kind series of fictional soccer books that follow an American kid, Jamie Johnson, through life's struggles as he strives to become to a world-class soccer player.

"Tom is not prepared for what is about to happen when he hears the grandfather clock strike thirteen. Outside the back door is a garden, which everyone tells him does not exist."--Page 4 de la couverture.

Little changes can make a big, big difference! In *The Little Book of Big Change*, psychologist Amy Johnson shows you how to rewire your brain and overcome your bad habits—once and for all. No matter what your bad habit is, you have the power to change it. Drawing on a powerful combination of neuroscience and spirituality, this book will show you that you

are not your habits. Rather, your habits and addictions are the result of simple brain wiring that is easily reversed. By learning to stop bad habits at the source, you will take charge of your habits and addictions for good. Anything done repeatedly has the potential to form neural circuitry in the brain. In this light, habits and addictions are impersonal brain wiring problems that result from taking your habitual thinking as truth, and acting on that thinking in the form of doing your habit—over and over. This book offers a number of small changes you can make in your everyday life that will help you stop your bad habit in its tracks. If you want to understand the science behind your habit, make the decision to end it, and commit to real, lasting change, this book will help you to finally take charge of your life—once and for all.

Exciting News! Mr Fullerman announces that class 5F are going on an 'Activity Break'! Which should be fun. As long as I don't get stuck in a group with anyone who snores or worse still with Marcus Meldrew.

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Audisee® eBooks with Audio combine professional narration and sentence highlighting to engage reluctant readers! The octopus spies a nice, tasty mantis shrimp. It swims over for a closer look at the small creature. Then—WHAM!—the mantis shrimp strikes a nasty blow with its hammer-like forelimb. The octopus shrinks back, defeated. That wasn't such an easy meal after all . . . In nature, good defenses can mean the difference between surviving a predator's attack and becoming its lunch. Some animals rely on sharp teeth and claws or camouflage. But that's only the beginning. Meet creatures with some of the strangest defenses known to science. How strange? Hagfish that can instantaneously produce oodles of gooey, slippery slime; frogs that poke their own toe bones through their skin to create claws; young birds that shoot streams of stinking poop; and more.

The sexy and funny continuation to Behind My Words... Spencer is hosting Christmas at her cabin this year. No amount of secrets or heartache will stop love and warmth from shining through this broken family. Festive music, a fancy drink, and a glass shower to gawk through at her steaming-hot detective is all Spencer needs this holiday season. Not to mention her traditional hunt for the perfect Christmas tree with her Uncle G. However, things quickly go south when a good deed turns into a massive fail, leaving one living room in an interesting predicament. But with the holiday spirit high on everyone's list, fun and laughter prevail, making this Christmas one for the books.

A story of adventure, survival, courage, and hope, set in the vivid Himalayan landscape of Tibet and India. Tash lives in Tibet, where as a practicing Buddhist she must follow many rules to avoid the wrath of the occupying Chinese soldiers. Life remains peaceful as long as Tash, her family, and their community hide their religion and don't mention its leader, the Dalai Lama. The quiet is ruptured when a man publicly sets himself on fire to protest the occupation. In the crackdown that follows, soldiers break into Tash's house and seize her parents. Tash barely escapes, and soon she and her best friend, Sam, along with two borrowed yaks, flee across the mountains, where they face blizzards, hunger, a treacherous landscape, and the constant threat of capture. It's a long, dangerous trip to the Indian border and safety—and not all will make it there. This action-packed novel tells a story of courage, hope, and the powerful will to survive, even in the most desperate circumstances.

The Squad have been summoned to the deadly and frozen land of the Arctic Circle by the British Prime Minister who has heard of their growing reputation as brilliant young spies. An unknown criminal is trying to hijack a world conference about the precious and much fought-over fuels that lie below the arctic ice. To prevent an international war breaking out, Lily, Lesh, Hatty, Adnan and Kester go undercover to find out who it is and stop them. But the beauty of the icy mountains and deep fjords hide some dangerous secrets and someone will do anything to make sure that the Squad don't discover them . . .

Readers who have devoured Captain Underpants, Wimpy Kid, and the works of Raina Telgemeier will love the high-energy, hilarious antics of the Foot family from one of the largest names in the UK. Step up to the challenge . . . win or shoes!Meet Ruby and Bear. Their dad has just invented the most amazing thing ever -- flying shoes! But his horrible boss Wendy Wedge knows that entering flying shoes will guarantee the Golden Shoe Award, and she will do anything to win the trophy.Ruby and Bear must outwit a bully, infiltrate a shady company, and rescue their dad all while keeping the shoes hidden. This can only mean one thing. It's . . . shoe wars!The brand new, laugh-out-loud, spectacular stand-alone story from multi-million copy bestselling author and illustrator Liz Pichon.

"The heart isn't like the liver. It doesn't regenerate, no matter how much time passes. Once it's gone, it's gone for good. I'd left mine with Sebastian when I walked away that day, and I hadn't seen it in the seven years since." -- Lux Kincaid At eighteen, Lux is forced to make a choice. One that nearly destroys her. She breaks a boy's heart. She breaks her own, too. Seven years later, Lux never expects to see Sebastian again -- especially not when her career as a journalist is hanging by a thread and she's stumbled onto the story of a lifetime. As she chases down leads and explores the dark underbelly of Manhattan, Lux will put her life on the line. But after crossing paths with a still-unforgiving Sebastian, it's her heart she's most worried about. Amidst the blame and the betrayal, the hurt and the heartbreak... can two lost lovers ever find their way back to one another? Lines will be blurred. The past will be unearthed. And Lux will find out that some secrets aren't meant to be kept...

The third book in the Jamie Johnson football series -as seen on Cbeebies! Jamie's dreams of becoming a professional footballer seem to be coming true, after years of hoping and practising. But, just when he's close to living the dream, a shocking event turns his world upside down. He's never been a quitter, but can he rise to the toughest challenge of his life? perfect books for every young football/soccer fan author Dan Freedman has been a writer for the FA, the Premier League and attended two World Cups PRAISE FOR The Kick Off(Jamie Johnson, book 1) "An inspiring read for all football fans" GARY LINEKER. "Dan knows his football" OWEN HARGREAVES. "You'll read this and want to get out there and play" STEVEN GERRARD. "If you like football, this book's for you" FRANK LAMPARD. "Pure class - brings the game to life"OWEN COYLE.

Budi dreams big. He's going to be a star footballer playing for Real Madrid like his idol, instead of working in a sweatshop making the boots his idol wears. But one unlucky kick brings the real world crashing down. Because now he owes the Dragon, the deadliest gang lord in Jakarta. And if he doesn't pay up, his family's lives are at stake... This is a story of compassion, of finding hope in unexpected places, of football crossing borders, countries, divides. This is a story that will humble, compel and amaze, that will open your eyes and your heart; a story you'll never forget.

Jamie's desperate to become Highwood School's star football player. But after he wrecks his chances at the trials, the pressure's on to prove himself. Dan Freedman is a hot new talent headed straight for the Premier League!

Jamie starts the season on fire - in a brand new league as the country's top scorer! But when a brush with a rival sees him sent away on loan, has he blown his chances for good?

The World Cup Finals are beckoning. Jamie's finally hit the big time. He's facing the greatest players on earth. But could it all fall apart?

Just because everyone else thinks you should be over it, doesn't mean you are Last year, Sarah's best friend, Jamie, died in a freak accident. Back then, everyone was sad; now they're just ready for Sarah to get over it and move on. But Sarah's not ready. She can't stop reliving what happened, struggling with guilt, questioning the meaning of life, and

missing her best friend. Her grades are plummeting, her relationships are falling apart, and her normal voice seems to have been replaced with a snark box. Life just seems random: no pattern, no meaning, no rules—and no reason to bother. In a last-ditch effort to pull it together, Sarah befriends Jamie's twin brother, Emmett, who may be the only other person who understands what she's lost. And when she gets a job working for the local eccentric who owns a Christmas tree farm, she finally begins to understand the threads that connect us all, the benefit of giving people a chance, and the power of love.

A budding football star strives to prove his potential.

Twelve-year-old Lou Montgomery's life has been centered on her mother's terrifying plan to make her a singing star, but a crisis reveals Lou's sensory processing disorder and people determined to help her address it.

You're the new girl in school. You're just trying to fit in - and it's not working. Then someone accuses you of theft, and you think things can't get any worse. Until you get caught in a freak storm . . . The next thing you know, you're in the future.

Being shot at for being out after curfew. You don't even recognise your hometown. And you're heading for a confrontation from your worst nightmare. What if you could change the past to save the future?

The fifth book in the Jamie Johnson football series - as seen on Cbeebies! It's the big one! The World Cup Finals beckon for Jamie Johnson but first he must answer a huge question: Which country will he play for? With brand new characters and all the trademark jaw-dropping footy action, Dan Freedman and Jamie Johnson return on very top form for the fifth book in the series. perfect books for every young football/soccer fan author Dan Freedman has been a writer for the FA, the Premier League and attended two World Cups PRAISE FOR The Kick Off(Jamie Johnson, book 1) "An inspiring read for all football fans" GARY LINEKER. "Dan knows his football" OWEN HARGREAVES. "You'll read this and want to get out there and play" STEVEN GERRARD. "If you like football, this book's for you" FRANK LAMPARD. "Pure class - brings the game to life"OWEN COYLE.

Between freedom and ostracism: The world of the Irish Traveller Children

Jamie Johnson can't believe his luck. He's playing for Kingfield School in the Cup semi-final, and scouts from his favourite club, Hawkstone United, are coming to watch! This is Jamie's big chance. He's determined to shoot to win! But there are some people who don't want Jamie to achieve glory. As the biggest game of his life approaches, Jamie is horrified to find himself taken off the team. Just when he has everything to play for, is he going to miss his chance to score?

Rory, of Bâenouville, Louisiana, is spending a year at a London boarding school when she witnesses a murder by a Jack the Ripper copycat and becomes involved with the very unusual investigation.

A contemporary noir, *Already Dead* is the tangled story of Nelson Fairchild Jr., disenfranchised scion to a northern California land fortune. A relentless failure, Nelson has botched nearly every scheme he's attempted to pull off. Now his future lies in a potentially profitable marijuana patch hidden in the lush old-growth redwoods on the family land. Nelson has some serious problems. His marriage has fallen apart, and he may lose his land, cash and crop in the divorce. What's more, in need of some quick cash, he had foolishly agreed to smuggle \$90,000 worth of cocaine through customs for Harry Lally, a major player in a drug syndicate. Chickening out just before bringing the drugs through, he flushed the powder. Now Lally wants him dead, and two goons are hot on his trail. Desperate, terrified and alone, for Nelson, there may be only one way out. This is Denis Johnson's biggest and most complex book to date, and it perfectly showcases his signature themes of fate, redemption and the unraveling of the fabric of today's society. *Already Dead*, with its masterful narrative of overlapping and entwined stories, will further fuel the acclaim that surrounds one of today's most fascinating writers.

At last, Jamie's shining. He's one of the hottest new players around. But when bad luck strikes, can he prove that he's no quitter?

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