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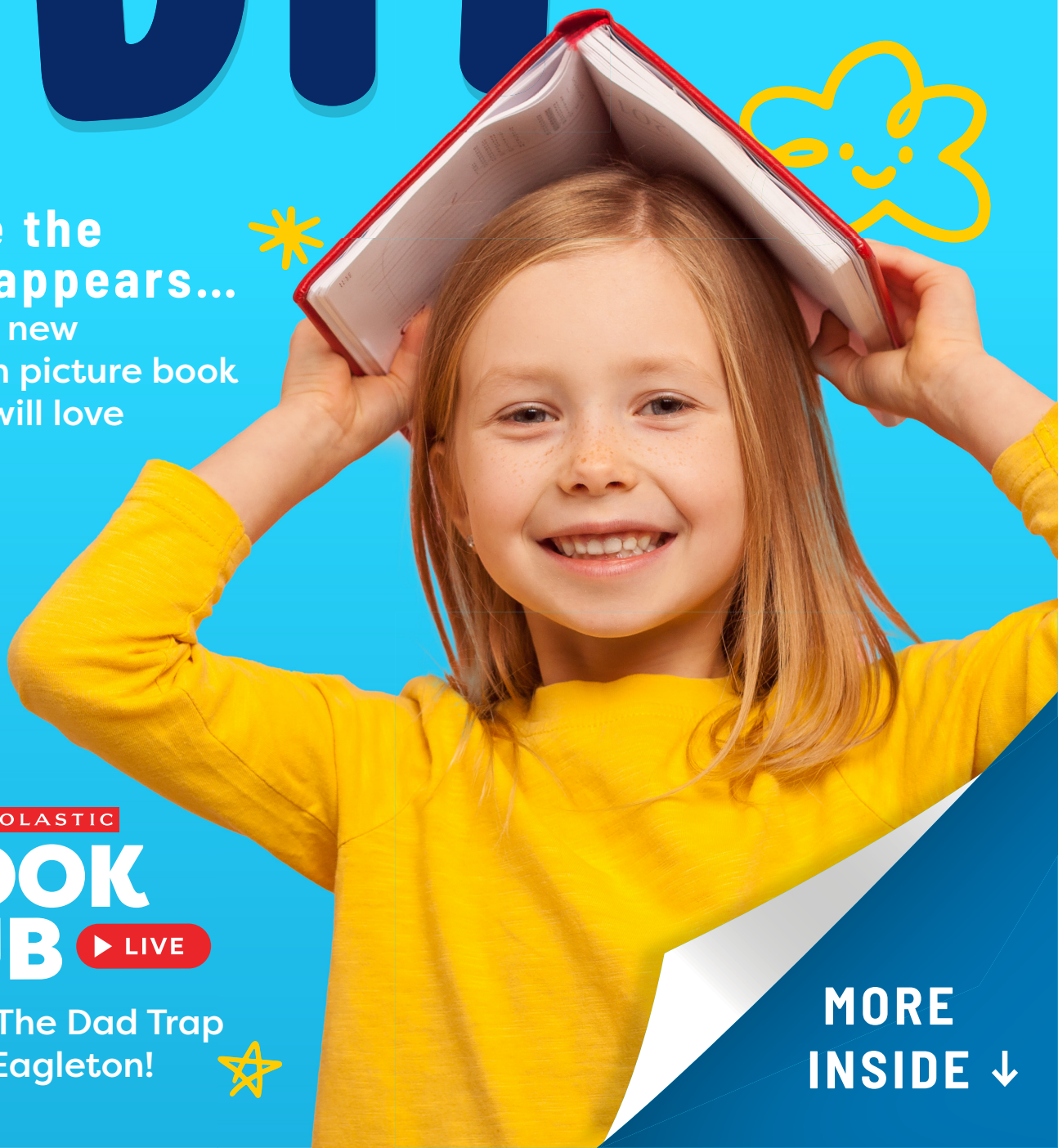
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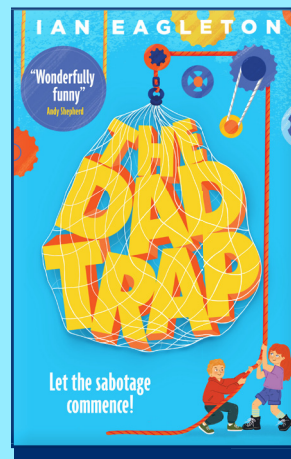
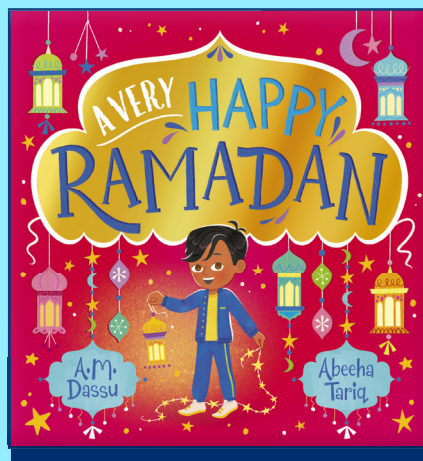
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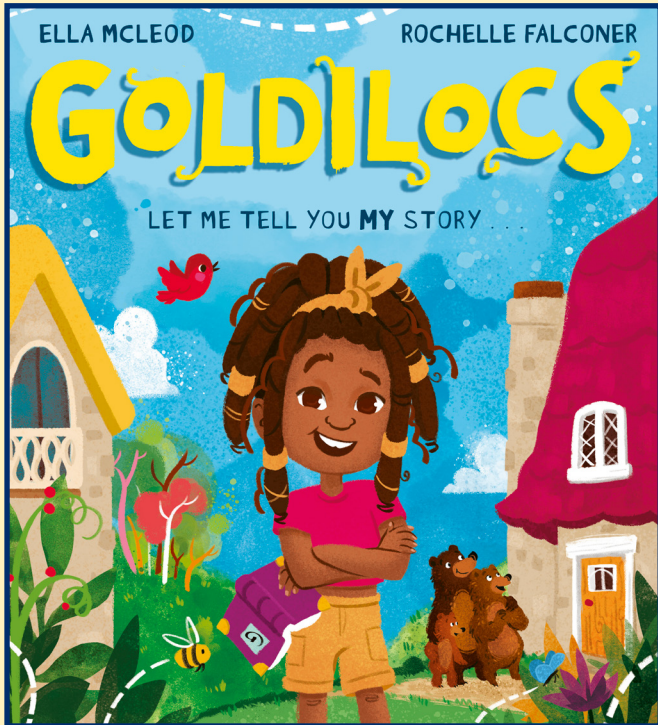
# JANUARY TOP PICKS

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Suitable For Ages: 3-5

# GOLDILOCS



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This playful, rhyming picture book puts a fresh, empowering spin on classic fairy tales as Goldilocs discovers she doesn't want to be a witch, a queen, or a princess as the rules suggest. With help from unexpected friends, she learns that the best thing she can be is herself. The story celebrates individuality, choice, and confidence through humor and vibrant illustrations.

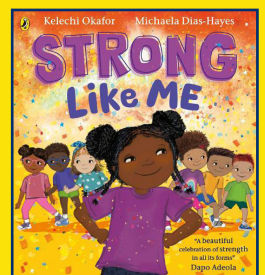
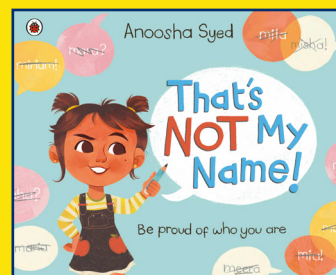
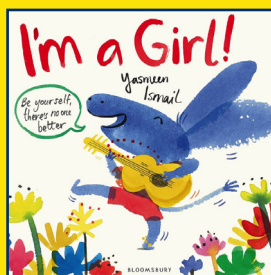
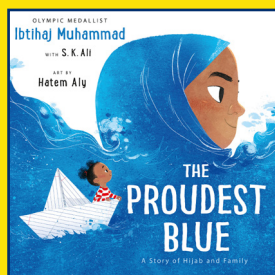
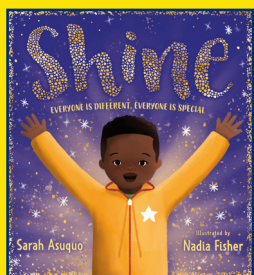
## You'll like this if:

- You love **bouncy, rhyming stories** that sound great read out loud
- **Fairy tales and familiar characters** make you smile, especially with a twist
- You like books that are **funny and a bit cheeky**

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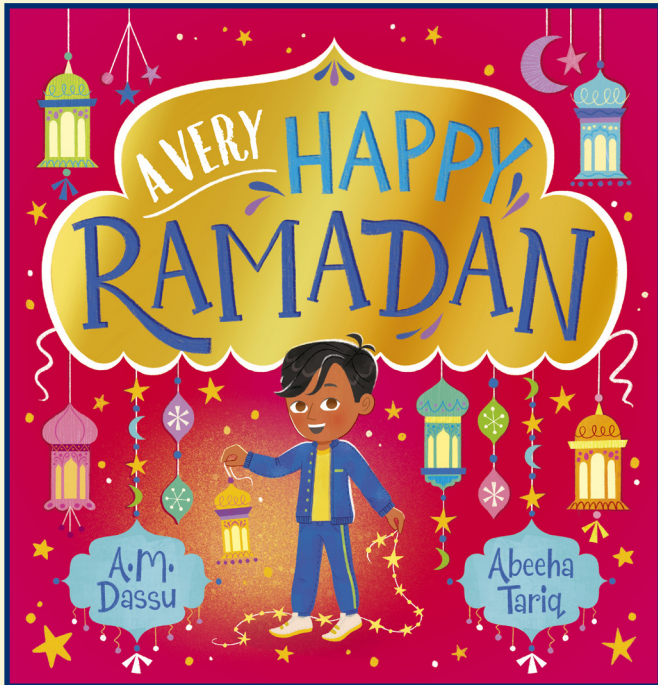
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# A VERY HAPPY RAMADAN



A celebratory story of Ramadan!

“Porridge? EWWW, no thank you!” When Rayhan wakes up and his dad says there’s porridge for breakfast, he’s NOT PLEASED. It’s Ramadan, so Rayhan decides to FAST. Hooray! But fasting is harder than it looks, and soon Rayhan’s tummy is rumbling REALLY LOUD. Can Rayhan make it until sunset for iftar? Or will he learn that he doesn’t need to do EVERYTHING that grown-ups do?

**You’ll like this if:**

- You like **heart-warming stories** that are **relatable and funny**
- Enjoy learning about different **cultures and traditions**
- You’re drawn to **beautiful and vibrant illustrations**

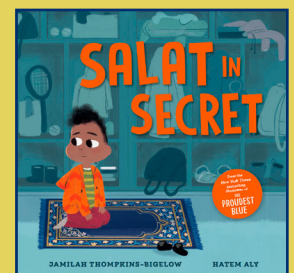
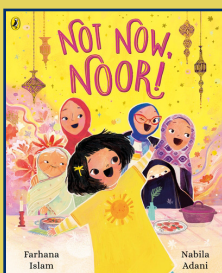
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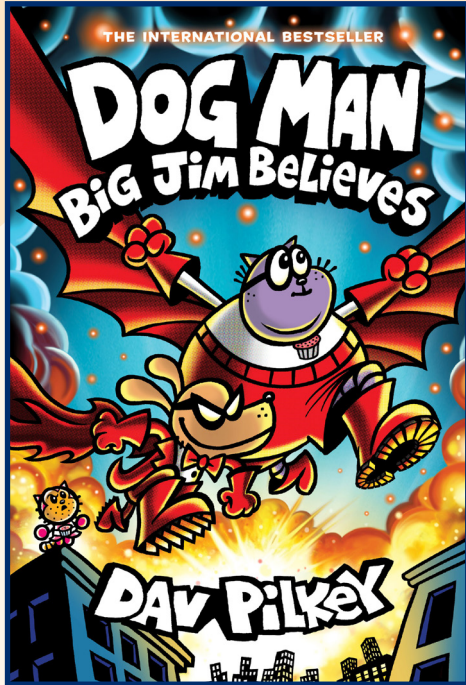
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# BIG JIM BELIEVES



*Dog Man: Big Jim Believes* is a hilarious and action-packed graphic novel from Dav Pilkey, following Dog Man and his friends as they face mischievous Space Cuties From Space while keeping positive and discovering their courage. Packed with humor, heart, and adventure, this story will keep readers laughing and cheering from start to finish.

## You'll like this if:

- You want a book that's **funny from page one**
- You love **comics, doodles, and action scenes**
- You're into **bonkers villains** and big battles
- You like heroes who mess up, try again, and still **save the day**
- You want a story that's **easy to read but hard to put down**

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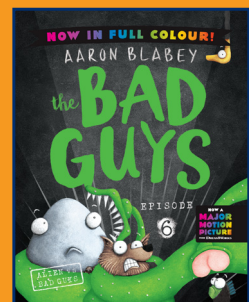
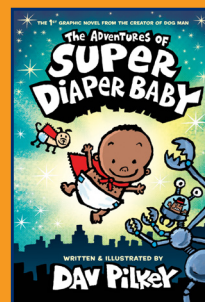
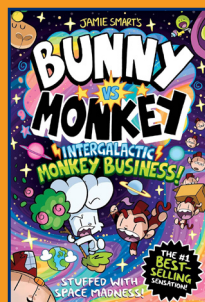
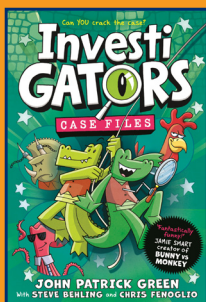
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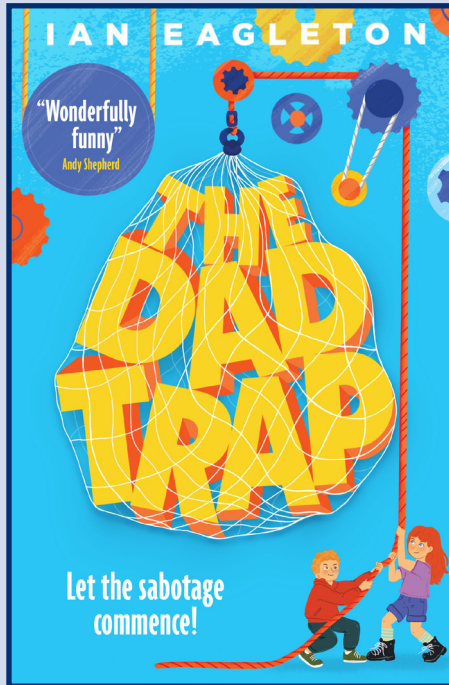
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Suitable For Ages: 9-12

# THE DAD TRAP



A boy and a girl who are instant enemies are horrified to find out their dads are dating each other - and are forced to work together to try to split them up! This fun, fizzy, celebratory adventure filled with pranks and antics is a modern, inclusive twist on *The Parent Trap* for readers of Jacqueline Wilson, Elle McNicoll and Benjamin Dean.

## You'll like this if:

- You enjoy stories where characters start off as **enemies**
- You like **funny, fast reads** with lots of chaos
- You enjoy modern stories about **real families of all kinds**
- You like books that are **laugh-out-loud** but still mean something

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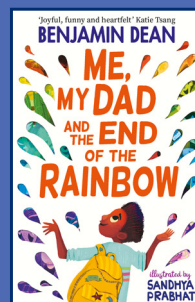
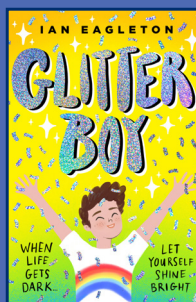
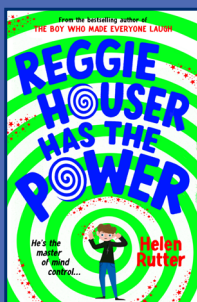
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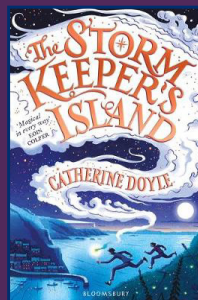
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Twelve-year-old Lila's summer takes a terrifying turn when she discovers her late grandfather didn't die naturally – and that his creepy Victorian inn is a portal for ghosts on their way to the afterlife. As spirits begin appearing and dark forces close in, Lila and her friends must uncover a murder and stop evil ghosts from crossing back into the human world. This spooky, interactive mystery invites readers to help solve the case by communicating with ghosts from the story.

### You'll like this if:

- You enjoy **creepy mysteries** with secrets to uncover
- **Ghosts, haunted buildings,** and hidden passages are your thing
- You like books where you **help solve the case**
- You enjoy stories that **feel dark, tense, and hard to put down**

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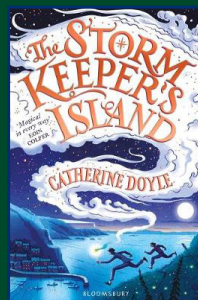
As strange events continue at the Castle Hill Inn, Teddy is thrilled to finally have friends – but terrified his long-hidden secret will ruin everything. When Lila begins to flicker between worlds and an evil spirit's plans resurface, Teddy must confront his deepest fears to protect the people he cares about. This chilling sequel deepens the mystery while once again inviting readers to interact with ghosts and help save the living.

## You'll like this if:

- You enjoyed reading *The Last Resort* and curious to know **what happens next**
- You enjoy stories with **ghosts, secrets and shifting worlds**
- You like books that feel **emotional as well as scary**
- You enjoy **helping solve problems** and making choices as you read

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