

Non-fiction booklist for primary

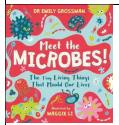
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KS1/P2-P3 non-fiction reading recommendations



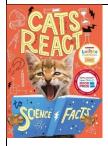
My Little Book of Big Freedoms by Chris Riddell A classic picture-book edition of *My Little Book of Big Freedoms* illustrated by the former Waterstones Children's Laureate Chris Riddell and published in partnership with Amnesty International UK. Chris Riddell beautifully illustrates the 16 freedoms and protections we enjoy in the UK, covered by the Human Rights Act, but often don't notice. It shows why our human rights are so important - they help to keep us safe – every day.

ISBN: 9781780557922



Meet the Microbes! By Dr Emily Grossman, illustrated by Maggi Li With fun, playful text by expert Dr Emily Grossman and bright, characterful illustrations by Maggi Li, discover just how vital microbes are to life on earth. Step into the incredible world of microbes in this fascinating picture book about the miniature life that surrounds us.

ISBN: 9781526363572



Cats React to Science Facts by Izzie Howell Cats React to Science Facts is an engaging and fun way to understand the world of science. A vast cast of feline friends take you on a tour of the core areas of science from outer space and the human body, to forces and materials. Bitesize text, fun photos, diagrams, dollops of humour and a reactometer all help to make science memorable and fun to learn. Winner of The Lollies' 'Best Laugh Out Loud Book for 6-8-year-olds'.

ISBN: 9781526311160

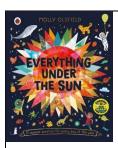


Lift-the-flap Questions and Answers about Racism by Jordan Akpojarol From 'What's wrong with the idea of 'race'? and 'Why is life harder for people with darker skin?' to 'Don't ALL lives matter?' and 'What's racism got to do with me?' this book tackles powerful, pertinent questions in a direct, accessible and thought-provoking way. Discover why racism is everyone's problem to solve, and how we can all be part of the solution.

ISBN: 1474995829

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Everything
Under the Sun:
A curious
question for
every day of
the year by
Molly Oldfield

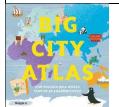
A collection of 366 curious questions asked by children from around the world, based on the award-winning podcast by original QI Elf, Molly Oldfield. Ponder where ideas come from with award-winning illustrator, Rob Biddulph. Find out why you taste things differently when you have a cold with Michelin star chef, Heston Blumenthal. Learn about everything from how astronauts see in the dark to what the biggest dinosaur was with experts from the Natural History Museum.

ISBN: 9780241433461

OLD ENOUGH to SAYE the PLANET

Old Enough to Save the Planet by Loll Kirby, illustrated by Adelina Lirius Meet children taking action against climate change. Learn about the work they do and discover how the future of the planet starts with you. Be inspired by real life children taking action against climate change.

ISBN: 9781913520175



Big City Atlas by Maggie Li Join Penguin as he travels through 28 of the most amazing cities in the world. Each city has its own spread including a map of the central district, showing sites, cultural information, hot spots and famous landmarks. Look out for over 100 special details within the pages waiting to be explored!

ISBN: 9781843654599

KS2/P4-P7 non-fiction reading recommendations



How Was That Built? by Roma Agrawal, illustrated by Katie Hickey

ISBN: 9781526603654

Join Roma Agrawal, the award-winning structural engineer who worked on The Shard, for an exciting behind-the-scenes look at some of the world's most amazing landmarks. Discover the ingenious methods engineers have come up with to enable us to build underground, underwater, on ice and even in space. Learn about the impact different forces and materials can have on a structure by carrying out your own engineering experiments from the 'Try it at Home' sections. Beautiful and detailed illustrations by Katie Hickey, including cross-sections, skylines and close-ups of engineering techniques in action.

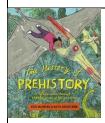


Invented by
Animals by
Christiane Dorion
and illustrated by
Gosia Herba

ISBN: 9780711260658

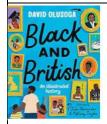
Meet the animal inventors who have shared their super inventing powers to make amazing things for humans. Often human scientists try and solve a problem or invent a new tool and they realise that animals have already invented it for them. Meet the shark who invented a pair of swimming shorts so fast, they were banned from the Olympic games.

And meet the snail who has invented a house that stays cool inside even in the desert.



The History of Pre-History by Brita Granström The essence of life on Earth before humans began to write about it is revealed in this beautifully illustrated non-fiction book. An exciting, action-packed introduction to prehistory, from first life on Earth to the beginning of recorded history

ISBN: 9781910959763



Black and British by David Olusoga

ISBN: 9781529065602

A stunning visual journey through Black British history for younger readers by award-winning historian and broadcaster David Olusoga. The essential starting place for anyone who wants to learn about Black British History. David Olusoga's thought provoking text charts the forgotten histories of Black people in Britain from Roman times right through to the present day. From Roman Africans guarding Hadrian's Wall, to an African trumpeter in the court of Henry the Eighth, Black Georgians fighting for the abolition of slavery, Black soldiers fighting for Britain in the First World War, Windrush and right up today.



Greta's Story: The Schoolgirl who went on Strike to save the planet by Valentina Camerini, translations by

Moreno Giovannoni , illustrations by Veronica Carratello

ISBN: 9781471190650

The story of Greta Thunberg, the schoolgirl who inspired a worldwide climate change movement. It's 20 August 2018, late summer in Stockholm, and it feels incredibly hot in the city. The TV news reports rising temperatures, and there have been numerous fires throughout Sweden. Fifteen-year-old Greta Thunberg decides she can't wait any longer: politicians have to do something to save the environment. Instead of returning to school, Greta takes a placard and goes on strike in front of Sweden's parliament building. This is her story, but also that of many other girls and boys around the world willing to fight against the indifference of the powerful for a better future.



The Story of
Music by Mick
Manning,
illustrated by
Brita Granstroem

ISBN: 9781445163666

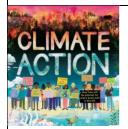
A friendly and inspiring introduction to music history, telling the stories of the world's greatest musicians from Bach to Beyonce. Mick Manning and Brita Granström take you on a tour of their personally selected music library which showcases the work of some of the world's most famous artists and few a less well-known ones including: Mozart, Ella Fitzgerald, Frank Sinatra, , Bob Marley, The Beatles, David Bowie, Nicki Minaj and Beyonce. The friendly text and illustrations help children to appreciate the music, highlighting interesting biographical details and picking out key details to spot.



Beyond Belief: The Science of the Future by Alex Woolf, illustrated by Jasmine Floyd

ISBN: 9781838914011

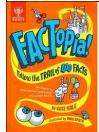
Today's innovators are often inspired by the futuristic visions of science fiction... worlds in which humans can travel through time, teleport, upload their minds to a computer and create artificial life. But did you know that many of these strange and far-fetched ideas could one day emerge as real technologies? Learn what steps scientists are taking to make these dreams real, and what the implications may be for humanity.



Climate
Action by
Georgina
Stevens,
illustrated by
Katie Rewse

This is a book about climate change, and the actions we can take in preventing it. From its causes and the effects they have on our beautiful planet, to the changes we can make, young eco enthusiasts will love finding out more about this global crisis. With vibrant artwork from Katie Rewse and engaging text from Georgina Stevens, *Climate Action* is a positive guide to the changes, both big and small, we can make.

ISBN: 9781838911614



Factopia! Follow the Trail of 400 Facts by Kate Hale

ISBN: 9781912920709

A wonderland of crazily connected facts. Every Britannica-verified fact in the book is connected to the next in an ingenious trail of information. Hop from topic to topic in unexpected and hilarious ways, and discover extraordinary facts about space, bones, dinosaurs, goats, spiders, crocodiles, sharks, robots, Ancient Rome, kings and queens, pharaohs, and more. But there's not just one trail through these pages: sometimes your path branches and you can choose to jump to a totally different (but still connected) part of the book. Discover where your curiosity will take you!