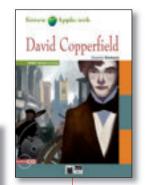
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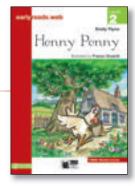
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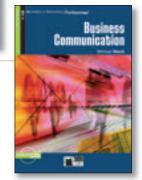
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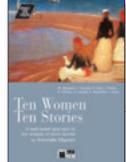
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The chart below shows the major structures used at each level. For a complete explanation of the grading criteria used, see The Black Cat Guide to Graded Readers.

to be & have got Present Simple **Imperatives** 

**Present Continuous** can/can't

must/mustn't shall in interrogatives would/wouldn't like

going to for future reference Comparison of adjectives & adverbs

Past Simple of to be & common verbs will for future reference

Level	Suitable for age group	University of Cambridge Young Learners English	Trinity Level
1	4-6 years	Exam preparation: Starters	1
2	6-8 years	Exam preparation: Starters	1
3	7-9 years	Exam level: Starters Exam preparation: Movers	2
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# **Dorothy**

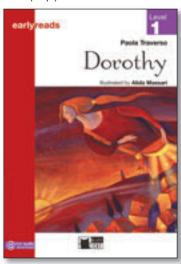
### Paola Traverso

Every night, Dorothy delivers dreams - to adults, children and even pets. Usually everyone gets the dream they want, but one dark night Dorothy can't see, and she delivers the wrong dreams... But in this delightful, original tale everything ends happily as a chorus of cats comes to the rescue!



Level 1

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# **The Enormous Turnip**

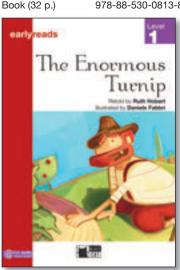
Retold by Ruth Hobart

A farmer plants a turnip seed and overnight it grows into an enormous turnip! But, even though he and his family pull and pull, they can't pull the turnip out of the ground. Read how, in this retelling of a delightful tale, a little mouse makes a big difference, and everyone enjoys an enormous turnip meal.



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# The Gingerbread Man

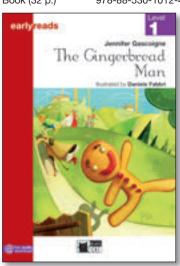
### Jennifer Gascoigne

One day Grandma makes a gingerbread man for tea but, when he is cooked, he jumps off the table and runs away. He doesn't want to be eaten! Grandma, Grandpa and Billy and all the animals he passes try to catch him, but he runs too fast for them. Unfortunately, he doesn't know how to swim!



### Level 1

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# The Star and the Colours

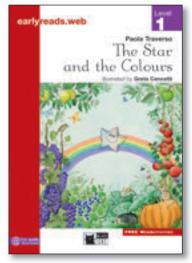
### Paola Traverso

A very curious star wants to know what the sun is like. When the moon calls the stars to go to bed, she hides under a cloud and waits. Little by little the sun comes out and a world of colourful things appears. The star loves what she sees and every time she discovers a new colour she sings a magic song because she wants to become coloured. Nothing seems to change, but in the end the star gets a great surprise.



### Level 1

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# A Trip to the Safari Park

### Gigliola Pagano

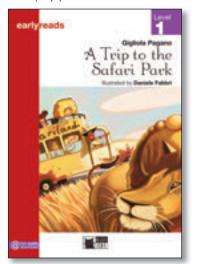
A class of young South African schoolchildren go on a trip to a safari park. They have been looking forward to it and they can hardly contain their enthusiasm, so their teacher has to be very patient!

They have a lot of laughs and a lot of fun, but they also manage to learn something!



### Level 1

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# The Ugly Duckling

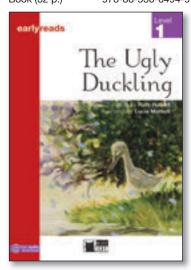
Retold by Ruth Hobart

This little duckling is different from the other ducklings. Everyone laughs at him, animals and humans alike, and only his mum loves him. But when spring comes, he sees his reflection in the water, and... what a change has taken place!



Level 1

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# NEW **Henny Penny**

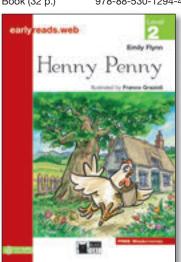
Retold by Emily Flynn

Henny Penny is going to the village when a big acorn falls on her head from an oak tree. She thinks that the sky is falling and she runs to tell the king. Along the road she meets Cocky Locky, Ducky Lucky and other animal friends. They all join her, while the fox is waiting for them in the wood. He's hungry and he wants to eat the animals. But, at the last moment, something unexpected happens...This version of the traditional tale ends in a different and quite surprising way.



### Level 2

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# **Little Red Riding Hood**

Retold by Ruth Hobart

Level 2

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A modern-looking girl on the way to her grandmother meets an oldfashioned wolf in the woods. But there's a happy ending. The girl, her grandmother and a wood-cutter all have tea together, while the wolf runs away, scared but still alive!

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Little Red

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# **The Mad Teacher**

### Cristina Ivaldi

Teachers are often rather strange people, particularly English teachers! They repeat the same words and ask children to say and do absurd things. This teacher, however, is not just a bit strange, he is really mad... raving mad!

By the end of the story children will realise that a mad teacher can be better than a sane and boring one!

# Miss Grace Green and the Clown Brothers

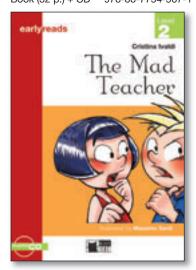
### **Paola Traverso**

The four little clown fish just love swimming and playing, although they are afraid of three particularly big, bad fish! But help is at hand in the shape of Miss Grace Green. This delightful story also shows us how life is so much better when we live together.



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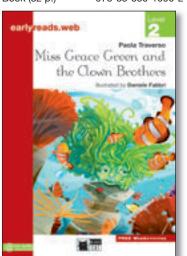
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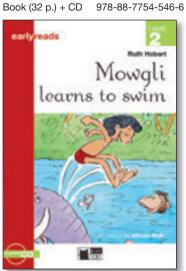
# **Mowgli learns** to swim

### **Ruth Hobart**

When Mowgli meets the tiger Shere Khan and isn't able to cross the river to escape, he realises that he must learn to swim. With a little help from his friends Baloo, Bagheera, Hathi and the others, Mowgli discovers that swimming isn't so difficult after all!



### Level 2



# The Owl's Song

### Paola Traverso

Every early morning the little birds in the wood fly everywhere to wake their animal friends up. One day a big brown owl comes. He wants to join the little birds but they do not want him, because they say he is too big and ugly and he can't sing. The poor owl hides inside an old black tree. But the night comes again and... fairies arrive. It's time for the owl to sing his song. He sings beautifully! The fairies start dancing and the night becomes magic!



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# Rapunzel

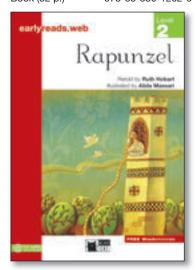
Retold by Ruth Hobart

A witch takes Rapunzel away from her parents when she is a small child. When Rapunzel grows into a beautiful young woman the witch locks her in a tower in the forest! However, the story ends happily with Rapunzel reunited with her parents and then marrying a prince!



### Level 2

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# the Wicked Witch Cristina Ivaldi

Bugaboo

This is a story about a wicked witch who is so silly that she is actually harmless! However, she becomes extremely dangerous when a blow to her head turns her into a good witch... There is nothing worse than a very silly person who wants to do good, particularly if she has magic powers!

# Cinderella

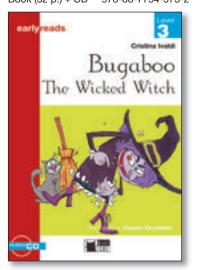
Retold by Ruth Hobart

Poor Cinderella! She has to do all the housework, and her sisters won't take her to the ball! But thanks to a fairy godmother - and her pets! - she does go to the ball. There, the Prince falls in love with her, but will he find her again?



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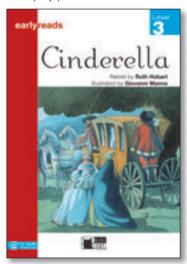
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# **Maggie and Max Visit** the Haunted Castle

### **Gabriella Coates**

It's a lovely summer day. Max and Maggie decide to go and visit the castle on the hill near the town. Everybody says it's a haunted castle but Maggie doesn't believe it. Max thinks that castles are perfect homes for ghosts and he is not sure that he wants to go.

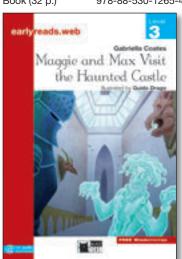
When they are in the castle lots of strange things happen! First it's only Max who sees funny faces and people moving in the pictures on the walls but then Maggie starts feeling a bit worried, too.

Maybe there really is a ghost in the castle...



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# The Jungle Book

### Gaia lerace

This delightfully illustrated story, loosely based on Kipling's The Jungle Book, will introduce children to Mowgli as a baby and watch him grow up in the jungle with the wolf family. His teachers, Baloo the bear and Bagheera the panther, will teach Mowgli a number of important things about surviving in the jungle.

# The Little Mermaid

Retold by Judith Percival

The little mermaid lives in a magical, beautiful world at the bottom of the sea, but she wants to see what the world above is like. When she goes up she falls in love with a human. What will the little mermaid have to do to be able to have a life in the world above with the man she loves?

# **Monster in the Box**

### Cristina Ivaldi

Bullies at school pick on Bobo, who is a bit small for his age. Not to worry, for Bobo is a resourceful young lad with a few surprises of his own, and he soon teaches the bullies a lesson!

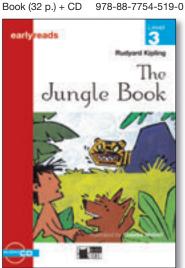
## Peter and the Wolf

Retold by Ruth Hobart

Peter's grandfather warns him about going into the forest: it's still winter, so the wolves are hungry! But of course. Peter doesn't listen... This version of the much-loved Russian tale ends in a way that that will surprise and delight all readers!



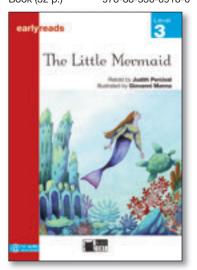
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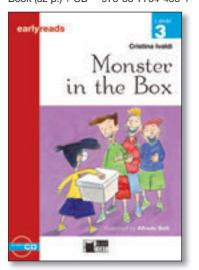
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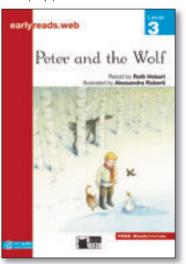
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### Gaia lerace

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# **Freddy Finds the Thief**

### Victoria Heward

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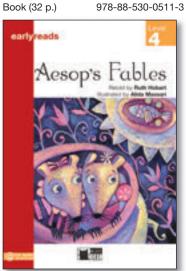
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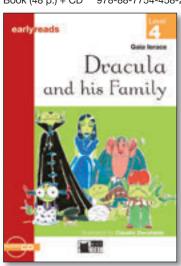
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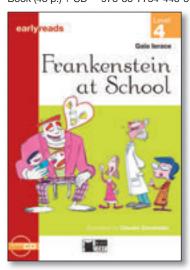
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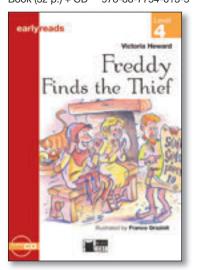
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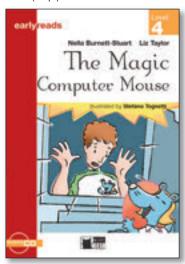
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Retold by Judith Percival

Daniel is a poor young man who is in love with the beautiful Princess Caroline. To make matters worse, he lives in a village which is terrorised by an Ogre. But Daniel's cat comes to the rescue, and finds a way of both getting rid of the Ogre and bringing Daniel and the Princess together...

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The King and Queen are proud of their baby daughter, Princess Aurora, and they invite everyone to a party, including the Flower Fairies. But one of the Fairies puts a curse on Aurora, and despite the King's precautions, on her sixteenth birthday she meets an old lady in a tower in the castle...

# **Space Monsters**

### Cristina Ivaldi

Not all aliens are bad. However, being friends with a kind alien may have its negative side too! Especially if it might all be a dream.

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### **Ruth Hobart**

Christmas Fun captures that typically 'English' Christmas atmosphere. Father Christmas introduces the children to Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer and his team. He organises an exciting football match between the Reindeer Rangers and the Polar Bears United football clubs.

This highly-entertaining book, filled with songs, games and a wide variety of learning and manual activities, will create a wonderful Christmas feeling in and outside the classroom.

# Festivals!

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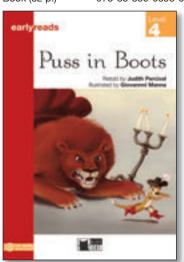
Some festivals are popular all over the world. *Festivals!* tells children how Christmas, Easter, Halloween and other festivities are celebrated in many countries of the world.

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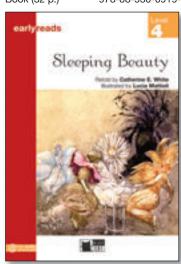
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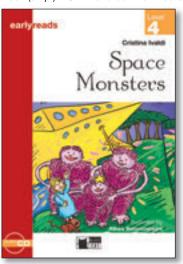
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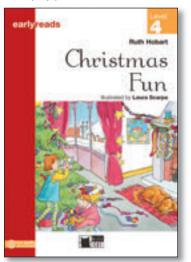
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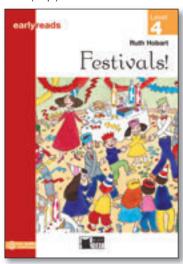
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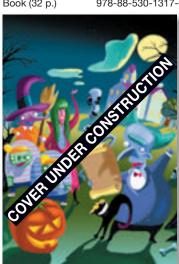
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It's Halloween and the Beast family receive a very special invitation from Dracula. Follow them on their adventures as they fly across Europe to Dracula's castle in Transylvania. Find out what happens when they get lost in the forest and all the fun they have at Dracula's amazing Halloween party!



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# **Aladdin**

Retold by Ruth Hobart

A magician tricks Aladdin, but when Aladdin rubs an old lamp a genie comes out, and life is never the same again, for him or his mum! Despite the magician's plots, Aladdin manages to keep the magic lamp... and the beautiful princess!

# Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves

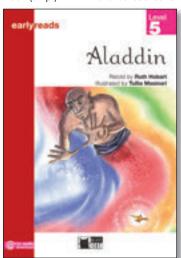
Retold by Catherine E. White

Ali Baba's life changes on the day he sees forty thieves hiding their treasure in a secret cave and hears the thieves' leader say the words 'Open Sesame' to get into the cave. But before Ali and his family can enjoy the riches, Ali finds there are many dangers they have to face...



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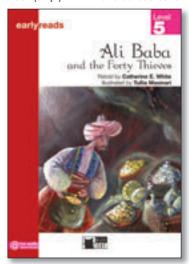
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# The Canterville Ghost

### Oscar Wilde

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Retold by Jennifer Gascoigne

Nasreddin does and says some strange things. Why does he look for his key in the garden when he lost it in the house? Why does he weigh his cat? Why does he invite a beggar onto his roof? But perhaps Nasreddin is cleverer than we first think! Read this collection of ten amusing stories and decide!

# **Snow White and** the Seven Dwarfs

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# **Two Monsters**

### Cristina Ivaldi

How can a health-freak bogey boy and a junk-freak human boy put up with living in their demanding families? By the way, which one of them is the monster?

# **Zed the Magician**

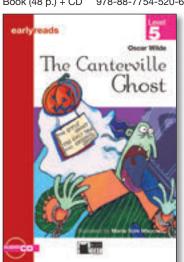
### **Nella Burnett-Stuart** and Liz Taylor

A lively mystery story involving a magician called Zed, some daring schoolchildren and a crime to be solved. Readers follow the adventure, read the clues and find out how the friends uncover the mystery.



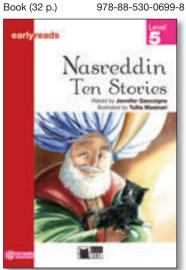
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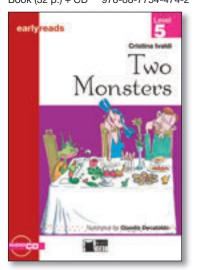
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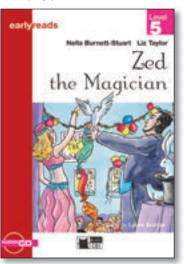
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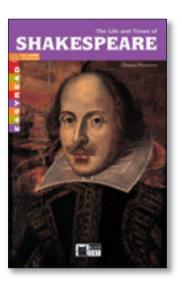
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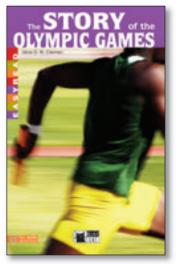
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### Black Cat step

### Starter

CEFR:

A1 Breakthrough

CESOL: Exam preparation: Flyers and/or KET

Trinity: Grades 1, 2

### **Grammatical structures**

Present Simple & Continuous Future reference with Present Continuous & Simple, & going to Imperative with 2nd person & let's

Infinitives & gerunds after common verbs Co-ordination with but, and, or & and then Subordination with because & when

Quantifiers

## Step One

CEFR:

A2 Waystage

CESOL:

Exam level:

Flyers and/or KET

Trinity: Grades 3, 4 Past Simple & Continuous Future reference with will

Passive forms in Present & Past Simple Subordination with if (zero & 1st conditionals) Defining relative clauses with who & where Comparison of regular & irregular adjectives

Formation of regular & irregular adverbs

### Step Two

CEFR:

A2 Waystage/ B1 Threshold

CESOL:

Exam preparation:

PET

Trinity: Grades 4, 5

Present Perfect Simple with ever, never, vet, already, still, just, for, since

Verb + object + infinitive (e.g. I want you to go) Defining relative clauses with which, that & zero pronoun

Clauses of time with when, while, until, before, after & as soon as

Clause of purpose: (in order) to

Comparison of regular & irregular adverbs

# **Green Apple Structural Grading**

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Adventure	Fairy tale & Fantasy	Legend	Human Interest	History/Festival	Mystery & Horror
Five Children and IT The Jungle Book Sandokan The Wind in the Willows Zorro!	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Bathsheba the Witch Beauty and the Beast The Happy Prince and The Selfish Giant Just So Stories The Nutcracker Peter Pan The Wonderful Wizard of Oz		N Anne of Green Gables  Black Beauty The Secret Garden The Tempest		The Ghost Ship of Bodega Bay Halloween Horror The Secret of the Stones
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# Starter A1

# Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

**Lewis Carroll** 

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Mary Johnson

## Fairy tale & fantasy

Alice follows the White Rabbit down a rabbit hole and finds herself in the magical world of Wonderland, where anything can happen.

### **Dossiers:**

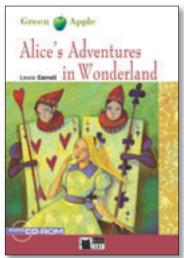
A Drink Called Tea, A Real Queen





Starter 🎠

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### NEW

# **Anne of Green Gables**

Lucy M. Montgomery

Adapted by Sally M. Stockton

### **Human interest**

Matthew and Marilla Cuthbert want a boy from the orphanage to help them on their farm, but the orphanage sends them Anne, a funny little girl with long red hair who gets up to all kinds of adventures. What can Matthew and Marilla do? Find out how Anne makes their lives happier, and wins their hearts...

### **Dossiers:**

Canada and its Wildlife, Nova Scotia



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# **Bathsheba the Witch**

Jane Elizabeth Cammack

## Fairy tale & fantasy

Bathsheba, a beautiful Weather Witch, lives with her cat, Cobweb, on top of a high mountain near the village of Sunnyville. The people in the village don't know about Bathsheba. Her life is peaceful until one day she goes down to the village and meets some of the people there, including a very special soldier...

### Dossiers:

Witches, The Weather in Great Britain, Potions



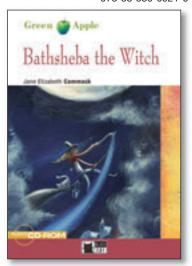




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# **Beauty and the Beast**

Jeanne-Marie Leprince de Beaumont

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

### Fairy tale & fantasy

A rich man suddenly becomes poor and he goes to live in the country with his children. One day he goes to the city on business. His daughters Rosalind and Hortensia ask him for expensive presents, but his other daughter, Beauty, only wants a rose. On his way back the man takes a rose from the garden of a castle. But the owner of the castle, a beast, becomes angry and demands something in exchange...

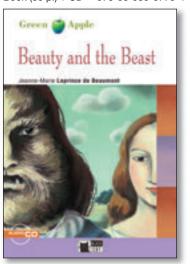
### **Dossiers:**

Castles, Flowers, 'Beauty and the Beast' in Films and at the Theatre



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# **Black Beauty**

**Anna Sewell** 

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### **Human interest**

Black Beauty, a handsome and intelligent horse, lives in Victorian England on a peaceful farm with a wonderful master.

But his life changes when he is sold to different masters.

Published in 1877, *Black Beauty* is an unforgettable classic for readers of all ages.

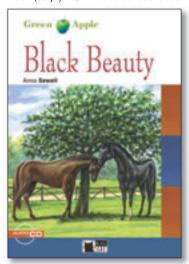
### **Dossiers:**

Horses, The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals



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# Five Children and IT

E. Nesbit

Adapted by Cheryl Thompson

### Adventure

Five children go on holiday and discover a sand fairy near their home! The sand fairy is an unusual creature that grants wishes, and this is just the beginning of an incredible adventure for them.

The children go from one exciting adventure to another until things become complicated...

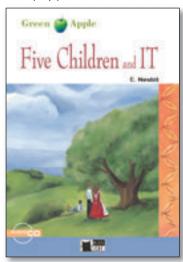
### Dossier:

Making Wishes



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# **The Ghost Ship** of Bodega Bay

Gina D. B. Clemen

# **Mystery & horror**

When Kate and Mike Sullivan invite their friend Carlos to sail to the Farallon Islands on their father's new boat, The Pelican, they expect to see the fascinating birds and animals which live there. But this exciting boat trip on the Pacific Ocean turns into a night of horror when ghastly ghosts from the past appear...

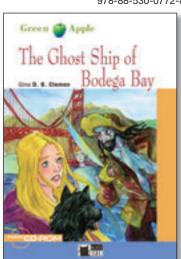
### Dossier:

Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary



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## **Halloween Horror**

Gina D. B. Clemen

### **Mystery & horror**

It's fun to get ready for Halloween and it's even more fun to have a spooky Halloween party!

But what happens to a group of young teenagers when their Halloween party becomes a living nightmare? Find out what horror is all about in this spine-tingling story!

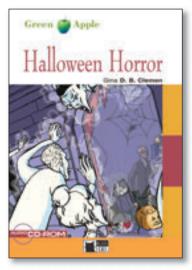
### **Dossiers:**

The Origins of Halloween, Salem Halloween Cookies. Make a Bat



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# **The Happy Prince** and The Selfish Giant

### Oscar Wilde

Adapted by Elizabeth Ann Moore

### Black Cat Reading Programme

### Fairy tale & fantasy

The Happy Prince is the story of the touching friendship between the golden statue of the Happy Prince and a little swallow.

The enchanted garden of The Selfish Giant is the perfect place for children to play, until the Giant decides to keep it all for himself!

### **Dossiers:**

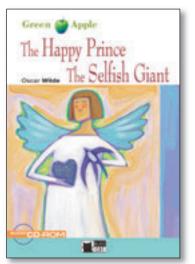
Birds, Gardens, Flowers and others





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# The Jungle Book

# **Rudyard Kipling**

Adapted by Kelly Reinhart Activities by Eleanor Donaldson

### Adventure

Mowgli, a baby boy, is raised by a family of loving wolves in India. Bagheera, the panther, and Baloo, the bear, teach him the laws of the jungle. The adventure begins!

### **Dossiers:**

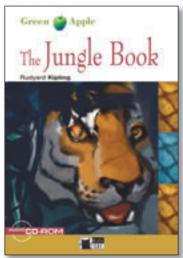
Let's Meet Some of the Animals in the Story, India





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# Starter A1

## **Just So Stories**

**Rudyard Kipling** Adapted by

Elizabeth Ann Moore



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## Fairy tale and fantasy

Rudyard Kipling surprises us again with these five tales from the animal kingdom. Have you ever wondered why elephants have such long noses and why leopards have spots? Do you know why kangaroos hop around Australia? Find out how a clever young sailor tricked a whale and meet many other characters.

### **Dossiers:**

Animals in Australia. Whales





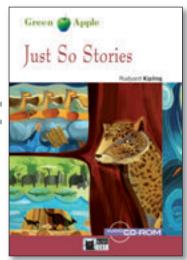




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## The Nutcracker

E. T. A. Hoffman

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

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### Fairy tale & fantasy

One Christmas Eve in 19th-century Nuremberg Uncle Drosselmeyer arrives with presents for everyone and Clara gets a nutcracker. That night Clara discovers that her nutcracker is much more than a toy. Together they go to the magic Land of Sweets! But on Christmas morning there is another surprise for her...

### Dossier:

The ballet of 'The Nutcracker'





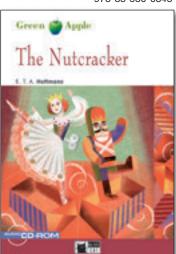


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### **Peter Pan**

J. M. Barrie

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Black Cat Reading Programme

### Fairy tale & fantasy

The Darling children's amazing adventure begins when Peter Pan flies into their nursery and takes them off to Neverland. There they meet Peter's friends, the Lost Boys. But James Hook, the cruel captain of the pirates, soon captures them. Can Peter Pan save them?

### Dossiers:

Pirates, Fairies, 'Peter Pan' in Films and at the Theatre

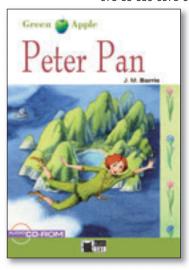






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### Sandokan

### **Emilio Salgari**

Adapted by Sally M. Stockton Activities by Eleanor Donaldson

### **Adventure**

Sandokan and his pirates rule the Malaysian Sea in the 1840s, and the British want to capture him. One day he meets Marianna, Lord James's young niece, and they are immediately attracted to each other. Their love is impossible, but Sandokan and his friend Yanez make a daring plan to take Marianna away from her uncle.

### Dossiers:

Pirates, Kuala Lumpur, East Malaysia

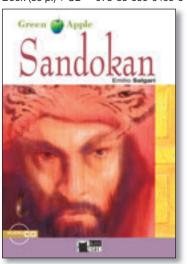




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## The Secret Garden

**Frances Hodgson Burnett** 

Adapted by Elizabeth Ann Moore

### **Human interest**

Life with her uncle is uneventful for bad-tempered Mary Lennox until one day she finds a secret garden. She wants to make the garden beautiful and meets Dickon, a friendly boy who helps her.

Then Mary meets her cousin Colin, an invalid, who is confined to bed. With Mary and Dickon's help Colin goes out into the secret garden and discovers the meaning of true friendship and happiness.

### Dossier:

**English Gardens** 

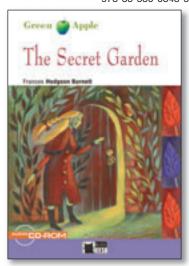








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# The Secret of the Stones

Victoria Heward

### Black Cat Reading Programme

### **Mystery & horror**

Max and Laura's summer holiday in the village of Stonecross is full of excitement and danger: a symbol, an old book of secrets, a mysterious housekeeper and thieves who don't steal anything. Under the shadow of Stonehenge the children and their Uncle Stephen discover a plot to reveal its ancient secrets. Will it succeed or will the secret of the stones be a mystery forever?

### Dossier:

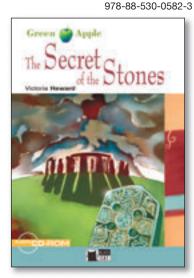
Stonehenge





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# The Tempest

### William Shakespeare

Adapted by Victoria Heward

### **Human interest**

Prospero, Duke of Milan, lives on a lonely island with his daughter Miranda, Caliban (a monster) and Ariel (a magic spirit). He learns to do magic and he wants to punish his bad brother. Antonio. He creates a magic storm - a tempest. All the people on Antonio's ship land on Prospero's island and many strange things happen to them.

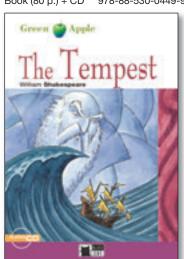
### **Dossiers:**

Famous Shipwrecks, Magic and Magicians



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# The Wind in the Willows

### Kenneth Grahame

Adapted by Rebecca Raynes

### **Adventure**

This classic story, set in the English countryside, features the lovable characters Rat, Mole, Toad and Badger, When Mole decides to leave his underground home and meets Rat, he discovers a completely new world on the river bank and the Wild Wood. And Toad's passion for fast cars leads them on a series of adventures...

### Dossier:

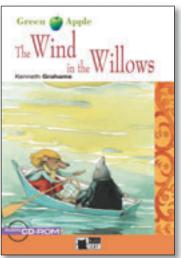
Animals in Winter





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# The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

### L. Frank Baum

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

### Fairy tale & fantasy

The incredible adventures of Dorothy, her dog Toto, the Tin Woodman, the Scarecrow and the Cowardly Lion have continued to enchant readers of all ages ever since it was first published in 1900. Join Dorothy and her friends as they travel down the yellow brick road to the Emerald City to meet the wonderful Wizard of Oz.

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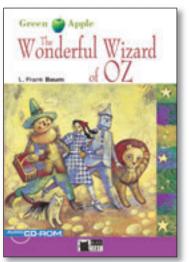
Cyclones, Kansas





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### Zorro!

## Johnston McCulley

Adapted by Sally M. Stockton

### **Adventure**

Read about the daring adventures of Zorro, the legendary masked hero of Spanish California. He is a champion of justice and an expert with the sword. He is invincible as he defies corrupt politicians and defends the oppressed.

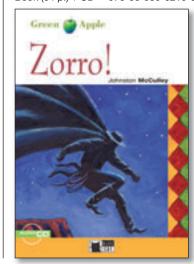
### **Dossiers:**

Spanish California, California today



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# Step 1 A2

# The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

**Mark Twain** 

Adapted by Sally M. Stockton

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### Adventure

Join Tom Sawyer, Huckleberry Finn and their friends as they go on a series of exciting adventures on the Mississippi River. Read about how they witness a murder while looking for ghosts in a graveyard, and how they run away to an island, frightening everyone back home.

### **Dossiers:**

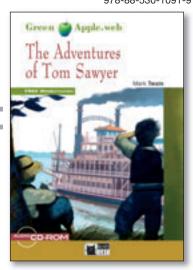
The One-room School, Missouri







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# **Akron House Mystery**

Gina D. B. Clemen

### **Mystery & horror**

Carol and Steve Taylor move into an old, mysterious house which hides many secrets. Carol hears footsteps at night, Steve finds an old love letter from the American Civil War and the people in town hear a woman crying in the night. Who is trying to give them a message and why? Carol, Steve and their friend Halim solve an incredibly difficult and touching mystery.

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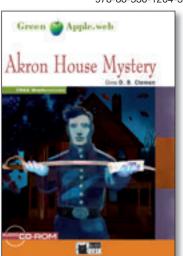
The American Civil War, The Lewis and Clark Expedition, Thanksgiving





Step 1

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# **American Folk Tales**

Retold by George Gibson

### Legend

Enjoy three of America's most-loved folk tales of the 1800s! Meet Johnny Appleseed, who planted apple seeds across America. Find out how Pecos Bill became King of the Cowboys of Texas. Visit a Southern plantation and laugh with cunning Brer Rabbit and Brer Fox.

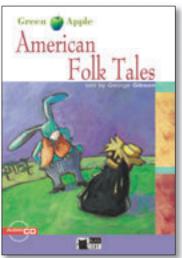
### **Dossiers:**

Young America and its Settlers, Life on a Ranch, Fox Hunting, Brer Tales and the South and others



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# The Black Arrow

### **Robert Louis Stevenson**

Adapted by George Gibson Activities by Stuart Cochrane

### **Adventure**

Set in 15th-century England, this is the exciting story of Richard Shelton and the band of the Black Arrow.

Sir Daniel is like a father to Richard, but one day Richard discovers a terrible truth from the past. Now he must fight against Sir Daniel and his men.

Can Richard and the band of the Black Arrow bring justice to England?

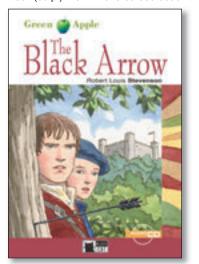
### **Dossiers:**

The Wars of the Roses and others

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Step 1

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# The Bottle Imp

**Robert Louis Stevenson** 

Adapted by Patrizia Caruzzo

### **Mystery & horror**

Keawe, a young Hawaiian sailor, is offered the opportunity to buy a bottle containing an imp which will grant all his wishes. However, the bottle must, from then on, be resold for a price lower than what he paid for it, or he will be condemned to live out the rest of his days in excruciating torment.

### **Dossiers:**

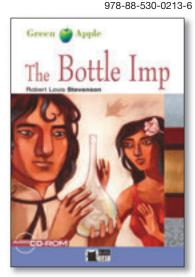
Captain Cook, Hawaii





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# **British and American Festivities**

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### **Festivals**

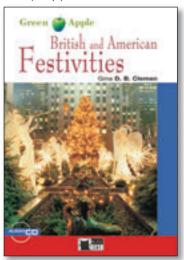
Why do we celebrate Halloween? What do people do to celebrate the New Year? Why is the egg a symbol of Easter? Who invented the Christmas card?

This unique book explores the origins of our festivities, their historical significance, and how we celebrate them today.



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# **Ghastly Ghosts!**

Gina D. B. Clemen

### **Mystery & horror**

What is the truth about ghosts and the supernatural? Do dead people really come back to haunt the world? Can an entire village be haunted? Can ghosts be photographed?

Find out in this spine-chilling book, which introduces you to some of the world's most ghastly ghosts and their macabre doings!

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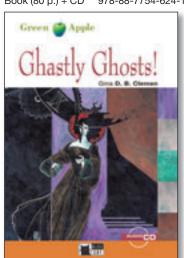
Halloween Apple Cake



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### While stocks last

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# **Great Expectations**

### **Charles Dickens**

Adapted by Derek Sellen Additional activities by Joanna Burgess

### **Human interest**

Pip, a poor young boy, receives amazing news. Someone has given him a vast amount of money and wants to make him a gentleman. Who is his mysterious benefactor? Is it Miss Havisham, the strange lady who lives in an old house with the beautiful Estella? Life is full of surprises...

### Dossiers:

Ladies and Gentlemen. Transportation to Australia

### **Playscript**

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# Step 1



# Halloween... **Magic, Witches and Vampires**

**Kelly Reinhart** 

### **Festivals**

An exciting and informative book on the history and culture of Halloween, which gives details about an authentic American Halloween party! The beginnings of witchcraft, magic and astrology are explained. There is a chilling chapter on vampires and werewolves, too!

### **Dossiers:**

Stonehenge. How to make a Jack O'Lantern and others



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Andrea M. Hutchinson

### **Human interest**

Holly and Rosie are cousins but they are very different. When the school basketball team fails to win the championship because Holly misses a penalty, Holly discovers just how cruel her cousin can be. Holly always thought that Rosie had everything; lots of friends and lots of money to buy lots of designer clothes. But then she meets a old lady at a fair and soon finds out that things aren't always what they seem...

### **Dossier:**

Travelling Funfairs

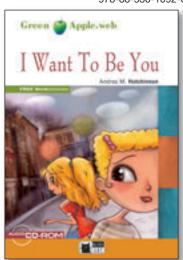






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# Step 1 A2

# **Jason and the Argonauts**

Retold by Jennifer Gascoigne

### Legend

When he was very young, Jason's uncle took the kingdom of lolkos from his father, but now Jason wants it back. First he must find and bring back the Golden Fleece. It is a dangerous mission: the Argonauts must battle against giants, huge birds and sea monsters.

### **Dossiers:**

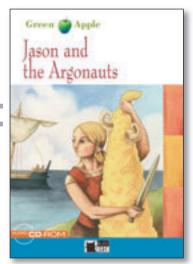
Greek Pottery, Greek Mythology





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# The Last Unicorn

Jane Elizabeth Cammack

## Fairy tale & fantasy

It is the summer holidays and Megan's mother is very ill. She has to stay with her uncle on the Isle of Skye in Scotland, but she doesn't want to go.

It is guiet, too guiet, until Megan meets Ben, her uncle's neighbour, and sees a silvery unicorn. The unicorn has woken from its long sleep and it is Megan who has woken him...

### **Dossiers:**

The Isle of Skye Clans. Kilts and Tartan Scottish Music



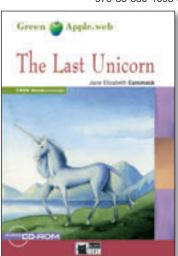






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# **Legends from** the British Isles

Retold by Deborah Mevers Activities by Eleanor Donaldson

### Legend

Enjoy four popular legends from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales that tell us about a girl who makes friends with a unicorn, a wizard who casts terrible spells, a king who hides a strange secret and a prince's loval dog... all unforgettable!

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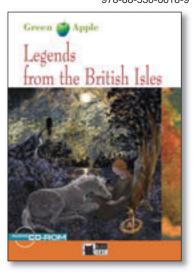






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# **Little Women**

**Louisa May Alcott** 

Adapted by Kelly Reinhart

### **Human interest**

Growing up in New England during the American Civil War isn't easy for the March sisters, Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy. With their father away, they must learn to make sacrifices and accept disappointments.

Discover how the four sisters' dreams finally come true in this timeless classic about love, kindness, and generosity.

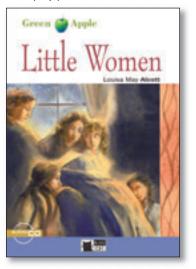
### Dossiers:

The American Civil War and others



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# The Lost Treasure of Bodega Bay

Gina D. B. Clemen

## **Mystery & horror**

Kate, Mike and Carlos go on another trip to Bodega Bay near San Francisco, where more than a year ago they found a pirate's old treasure map. An incredibly exciting and dangerous adventure awaits them as they follow a mysterious clue and go on a treasure hunt to find a lost treasure from centuries ago.

### Dossiers:

Sharks, Pirates



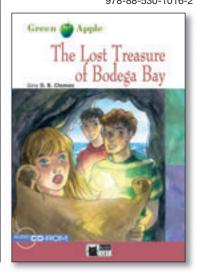








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# **A Midsummer Night's Dream**

William Shakespeare

Adapted by Janet Cameron

### **Human interest**

Hermia and Lysander are in love, but Hermia's father wants Demetrius to marry his daughter, so Hermia and Lysander decide to run away to get married. But in the wood some fairies perform some magic and some strange things start to happen...

### **Dossiers:**

Fairies, Acting and Theatres in Shakespeare's Time



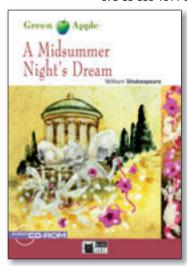






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# **Mystery in San Francisco**

Gina D. B. Clemen

Black Cat Reading Programme

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An abandoned mansion, a ghostly face at the window and mysterious happenings at one of the city's favourite landmarks all mark the start of a thrilling adventure for Jim Reilly and his teenage friends.

Set in cosmopolitan San Francisco, California, this is a mystery story full of suspense with an unexpected twist, brilliantly solved by three young detectives.

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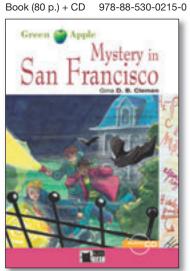






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# **The Prince** and the Pauper

Mark Twain

Adapted by Kelly Reinhart

### **Adventure**

Edward and Tom look alike; in fact, they're identical! They both live in 15th-century London, but there is one difference: Edward is a prince and Tom is a pauper.

One day they meet and decide to play a game. Edward becomes a pauper and Tom becomes a prince. But something goes wrong. Will Edward ever return to his palace and become King of England?

### Dossier:

King Henry VIII

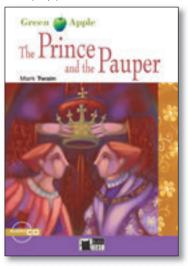




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# **Project Vampire**

Victoria Heward

### **Mystery & horror**

Max and Laura are involved in another mysterious case. This time a phantom thief seems to be able to get in and out of important museums in London stealing valuable paintings. Max and Laura decide to explore the area around one of the museums. Something very spooky is going to happen...

### Dossier:

London museums, Travelling around London, Top five things to do in London



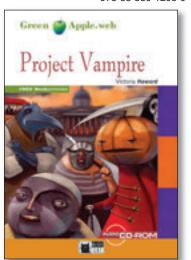




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# The Railway Children

E. Nesbit

Adapted by Elizabeth Ann Moore

### **Adventure**

After their father is mysteriously forced to leave home, the three children and their mother go to live in a cottage in the country near a railway track. The children make friends with the station master, the porter and a friendly old gentleman. Peter, Bobbie and Phyllis enjoy several exciting adventures and even become the heroes of the village. But the mystery of their father remains unsolved, until one day...

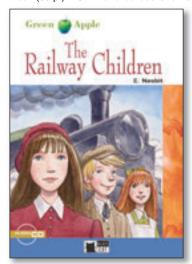
### Dossier:

Early Railways

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# Step 1 A2

# Rip Van Winkle and The **Legend of Sleepy Hollow**

## **Washington Irving**

Adapted by Cheryl Jefferson

### Legend

Rip Van Winkle goes walking in the Catskill mountains. He has a strong drink, falls asleep and doesn't wake up until much later.

Ichabod Crane lives in Sleepy Hollow. He likes Katrina van Tassel but so does Brom Bones. After speaking to Katrina, Ichabod runs away, leaving behind him the legend of the Headless Horseman.

### **Dossiers:**

America in the 1700s, The American Revolution, New York: Yesterday and Today





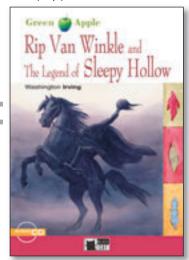


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# **Robinson Crusoe**

**Daniel Defoe** 

Adapted by Benjamin Anderson

Black Cat Reading Programme

### Adventure

When Robinson Crusoe tells his parents he wants to go to sea they don't want him to, but he ignores their wishes and joins a ship. This is just the beginning of his many adventures at sea, which end with him being shipwrecked on a desert island.

### **Dossiers:**

The Atlantic Slave Trade, The Real Robinson Crusoe: Alexander Selkirk



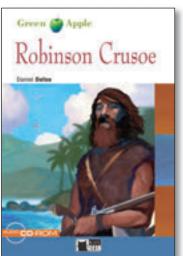




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# **Sherlock Holmes** and the Red Circle

Sir Arthur Conan Dovle

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### **Mystery & horror**

A mysterious lodger has just rented rooms at Mrs Warren's lodging house. She is frightened by this strange individual, so she asks Sherlock Holmes to help. He and Dr Watson discover cryptic messages, a sinister secret society and a terrible murder...

### Dossiers:

Victorian Writers. Police and Detectives of the 19th Century



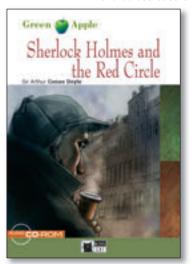






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# The Treasure of Franchard

**Robert Louis Stevenson** 

Adapted by Deborah Meyers

### **Human interest**

Jean-Marie is an orphan who is happily adopted by Doctor Desprez and his wife Anastasie. When the doctor finds the precious Treasure of Franchard he plans to take his family away from their lovely, old country home go to Paris and live a rich life. Jean-Marie does not want to go to Paris and during the night the treasure mysteriously disappears...

### Dossier:

Paris in the Nineteenth Century

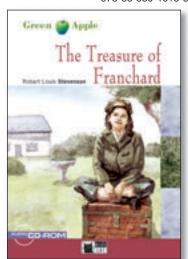






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# **The True Story** of Pocahontas

Retold by Kelly Reinhart

### History

Pocahontas is the touching story of a Native American princess whose courage saved a white man's life.

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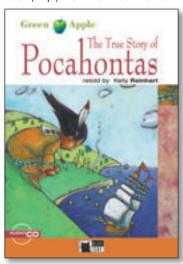




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# **Adventures of Huckleberry Finn**

**Mark Twain** 

Adapted by Frances Justice

### Adventure

Meet Huckleberry Finn and embark on an exciting series of adventures down the Mississippi River. Enjoy the ride as Huck escapes from the clutches of his cruel father, stops a couple of villains from stealing a family's fortune and enlists the help of his friend Tom Sawyer to save a runaway slave.

### **Dossier:**

Slavery

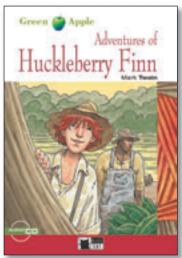




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# The Call of the Wild

Jack London

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

### **Adventure**

Buck, a big happy dog, is kidnapped from his comfortable home in California and is sold as a sled dog in the cold Yukon Territory during the Klondike Gold Rush of 1896. His new life in the Northland is difficult, challenging, adventurous... and full of surprises!

### Dossiers:

The Klondike Gold Rush. Wolves



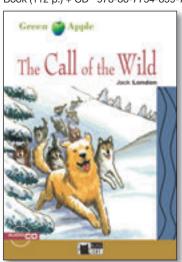




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# **NEW EDITION David Copperfield**

**Charles Dickens** 

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

### **Human interest**

David's life changes for the worse when his mother dies and he is left with a cruel stepfather who sends him to work in London. But he doesn't want to work in a factory all his life, so he runs away and finds a kind relative who is willing to help him. As David grows up, he learns that life is full of trouble, hardship and cruelty. But he also finds friendship, kindness and... love.

### **Dossiers:**

Dover, Australia

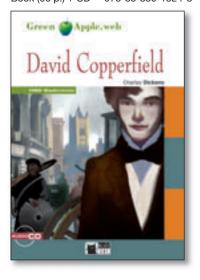








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# **Great English Monarchs** and their Times

Gina D. B. Clemen

### History

Do you know that Henry VIII was happily married for almost 20 years to the same queen before meeting his other wives? Do you know Queen Elizabeth refused to marry in spite of all the men who loved her? And do you know what particular events during Queen Victoria's long reign contributed to making the British Empire the biggest ever? English monarchs have fascinated the world for centuries.

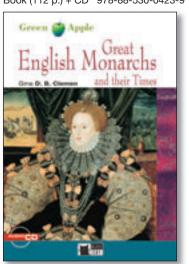
### Dossiers:

Reading a Painting and others





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# **King Arthur** and his Knights

Retold by George Gibson

### Legend

Learn about how Arthur became King and where he found his great sword Excalibur, about his love for Guinevere, and all about the courageous Knights of the Round Table.

### **Dossiers:**

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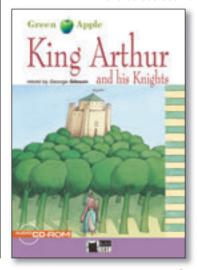








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# Step 2 **A2-B1**

# **NEW EDITION Oliver Twist**

### **Charles Dickens**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

### Adventure

Set in the dark streets of 19th-century London, this unforgettable classic tells the story of Oliver Twist, a penniless orphan who lives through all kinds of hardship for many years. Find out how, in spite of adverse circumstances, he finds happiness in the end.

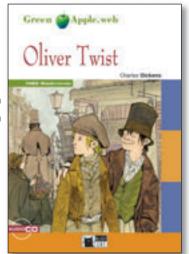
### Dossiers:

Child Labour. Crime in Victorian London, Oliver Twist in Films



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# Oscar Wilde's **Short Stories**

### Oscar Wilde

Adapted by Victoria Heward

### Fairy tale & fantasy

'The Young King' tells how a shepherd boy becomes a king and realises that money is not worth human suffering.

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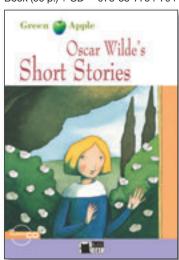
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# **Robin Hood**

Retold by Gina D. B. Clemen

### Legend

Robin Hood, the legendary hero of Sherwood Forest, has captured the imagination of generations of readers with his noble ideals and unforgettable adventures.

Why did Robin Hood become an outlaw? How did Marian find Robin in Sherwood Forest? How was the wicked Sheriff of Nottingham punished? Join the millions of readers who have explored the exciting world of legends!

### **Dossiers:**

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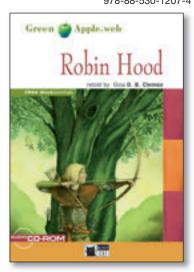












## **Treasure Island**

# **Robert Louis Stevenson**

Adapted by Derek Sellen

### **Adventure**

Read about the thrilling adventures of young Jim Hawkins and his friends, who set sail for Treasure Island in search of treasure.

But will the cruel Long John Silver get to the treasure first?

### **Dossiers:**

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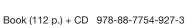






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- playscript





## Macbeth

### William Shakespeare

Adapted by Victoria Heward Additional activities by Mary Johnson

### **Adventure**

'Hail, Macbeth, who will be king one

On a cold Scottish heath, three witches make a prophecy. Inspired by their words and encouraged by his evil wife, Macbeth begins his trail of destruction to gain and keep the Scottish throne.

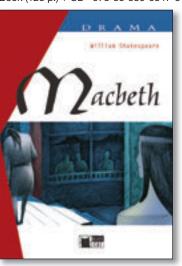
### **Dossiers:**

Scotland, Some Scottish History, Shakespeare



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## Romeo and Juliet

# William Shakespeare

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### Love

Nobody can remember why the Capulet family and the Montague family hate each other so, when Juliet Capulet and Romeo Montague meet and fall in love the result is tragic, and peace between the two families is possible only after the death of many people.

### **Dossiers:**

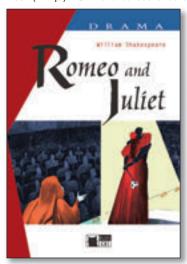
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Step Two  CEFR: B1 Threshold  CESOL: Exam  preparation: PET  Trinity: Grades 4, 5	Present Perfect Simple with yet, already, still & just - Past Perfect Simple in reported speech - Passive forms with going to & will - Verb + object + infinitive (e.g. I want you to go) - Reported statements with say & tell - Time clauses introduced by when, while, until, before, after & as soon as - Clauses of purpose: so that; (in order) to	Around The World in Eighty Days Journey to the Centre of the Earth Kidnapped The Lost World The Mutiny on the Bounty The Rajah's Diamond Rob Roy
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Step Four  CEFR: B2 Vantage CESOL: Exam preparation: FCE Trinity: Grade 7	Present Perfect Simple with the <i>first/second/etc. time that</i> – Present Perfect Continuous with <i>for</i> & since – Passive forms with the Present Perfect Simple – Reported speech with precise reporting verbs (e.g. suggest, promise, apologise, etc.) – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Conditional: <i>if</i> + past perfect, would(n't) have – All conditionals with may & might – Non-defining relative clauses with which & whose – Clauses of concession with even though, in spite of & despite	The Last of the Mohicans  Moby Dick  Tom Jones
Step Five  CEFR: B2 Vantage  CESOL: Exam level: FCE  Trinity: Grade 8	Present Perfect Simple for negative duration (haven't for ages) – Present Perfect Continuous for recent activities leading to present situation – Past Perfect Continuous – Passive forms with Past Perfect Simple & with unrestricted use of modal verbs – Reported speech introduced by more examples of precise reporting verbs (e.g. threaten, insist, complain) – Wish, if only & it's time + past tense – Mixed conditional sentences – Complex sentences with more than one subordinate clause	Lord Jim Robinson Crusoe A Tale of Two Cities
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# **Alien Alert in Seattle**

Gina D. B. Clemen

## **Mystery & horror**

There has been a UFO sighting in the Cascade mountains near Seattle, Washington, and everyone is excited. But no one believes there could possibly be an alien in town, until Karen, Barbara and Walter notice that one of the teachers at their high school is behaving very strangely. Karen and her friends start investigating on their own and are very surprised by what they discover...

### **Dossiers:**

Introduction to Seattle, The solar system, UFOs, American teenagers and High School



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### **Home for Christmas**

Andrea M. Hutchinson

Activities by Laura Clyde and Robert Hill

### Adventure

Three young women need to get to London from Ireland in time for Christmas. When all flights are cancelled, they are forced to share a car and make the journey by road. They have to decide together what to do when they find a briefcase full of money. Then they realise that a car is following them...

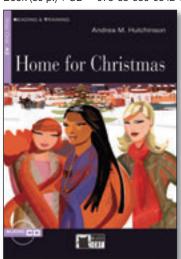
### **Dossiers:**

The Emerald Isle. Indians in Britain



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# A Message from a Ghost

Andrea M. Hutchinson

# **Mystery & horror**

Bella and her friends, Elise and Gracie, are going on a school trip. But then they get lost. They set out to find their school friends and the youth hostel where they should be staying but before they can find them, strange and spooky things start to happen. First Bella sees a mysterious girl in the woods, then Elise witnesses a discussion between two men which will reveal some dangerous secrets. Their friends are unaware that they are in danger and it is up to Elise, Bella and Gracie to save them. But how?

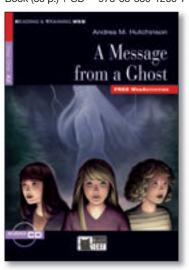
### **Dossiers:**

School trips, Ghosts in films



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# **Miami Police File:** the O'Nell Case

Gina D. B. Clemen

Black Cat Reading Programme

### Crime

Peter O'Nell, Montego High School's favourite teacher, goes missing in the Bermuda Triangle, and the police can't solve the case. His students decide to investigate, with the help of O'Nell's dog, Rover. But the truth behind O'Nell's disappearance is very macabre...

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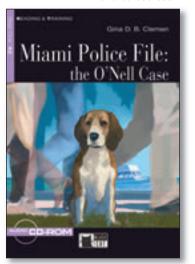
Halloween, American High School Sports, The Bermuda Triangle





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# Missing in Sydney

Andrea M. Hutchinson Activities by Laura Clyde

Black Cat Reading Programme

### **Adventure**

Three best friends are travelling around Australia in search of adventure before they start university back home in the UK. But after celebrating Christmas Day one of them goes missing. Lisa is just an ordinary 18-year-old, so why would anyone want to kidnap her? Amy and Claire are determined to find her, but as they search desperately through Sydney they do not know that Lisa and her kidnapper share a chilling connection...

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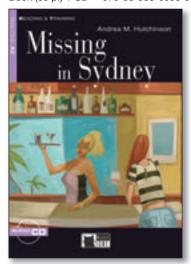
Sydney, Around Australia





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Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

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### Crime

The world's most famous detective solves the case of the horrible murder of a young woman in The Speckled Band.

Smile with him and Watson as they listen to the puzzling story of one of their odd clients, who is not so odd after all, in The Red-Headed League.

### Dossier:

London at the Time of Sherlock Holmes



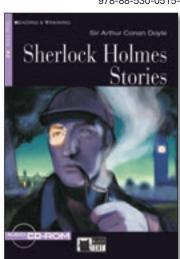






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# Tales from The Thousand and One Nights

Retold by Jennifer Gascoigne

Black Cat Reading Programme

### Fairy tale & fantasy

A selection from the famous collection of Oriental stories: The Thousand and One Nights.

Luxurious palaces in India, desert islands in the China seas. But also kings, sultans, princesses. merchants, sailors and thieves.

### Dossiers:

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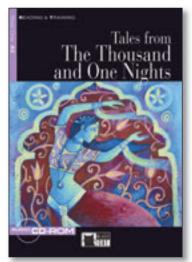








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# Tristan and Isolde

Retold by George Gibson Activities by Alexandra Gray

### Legend

One of the great romances of the Middle Ages, Tristan and Isolde has inspired writers, poets, artists and musicians for centuries.

After slaying a dragon, the young prince Tristan wins the hand of beautiful Isolde for marriage to his uncle, King Mark. But on their journey back to Mark's court, they drink a love potion that was intended for the king and his young bride. They instantly fall in love but...

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The Celts, King Arthur

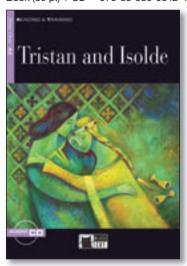




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# NEW

# The Truth about **Professor Smith**

Andrea M. Hutchinson

# **Mystery**

Professor Smith has always been every student's favourite teacher. But when Sam and Izzie return to school after the summer holidays, their fun, energetic science teacher is gone. Professor Smith is anxious and when he is kidnapped in front of them, they realise that he was right to be so scared. But what dark secret could their science teacher be hiding? And can Sam and Izzie uncover the truth before their own lives will be put in danger?

### **Dossiers:**

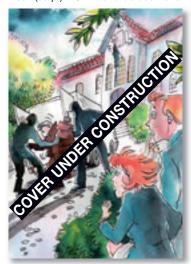
Detectives in Fiction, Forensic Science





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# **NEW EDITION Alice's Adventures** in Wonderland

**Lewis Carroll** 

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

# Fairy tale & fantasy

Join Alice as she follows the white rabbit into the amazing world of Wonderland, where anything can happen! Watch Alice change size, meet the Mad Hatter and his friend, the March Hare, talk to the smiling Cheshire cat, play a game of croquet with the Queen of Hearts, witness the strangest trial ever and enjoy never-ending adventures in the land of dreams!

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# **Animal Tales**

R. Kipling, E. Parker Butler, Saki, M. Twain, J. K. Jerome

Adapted by James Butler Activities by Claudia Fiocco

## **Humour & comedy**

Read these amusing stories and discover why elephants have trunks, how it's best to work out the correct price for pigs straight away, and what happened when an English lady went hunting for a tiger! You will also find a stolen elephant, go boating with three friends and see how much trouble a small dog can make!

### Dossiers:

Elephants, Tigers





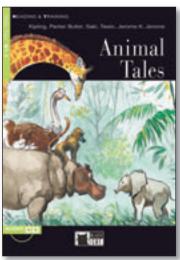






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# **Around the World** in Eighty Days

Jules Verne

Adapted by Eleanor Donaldson

### **Adventure**

In 1872 a rich English gentleman, Phileas Fogg, makes a bet that he can go around the world in 80 days. So along with his French manservant, Passepartout, he sets off on an incredible race against the clock, over land and sea.

### **Dossiers:**

Great Journeys around the World, Passenger ships and Transatlantic Travel

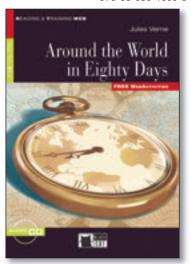






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# A Dream Come True

Andrea M. Hutchinson

Activities by Janet Cameron

### **Human interest**

Ellie is mad about music: she dreams of becoming a singer and she desperately wants to go to the Glastonbury Festival, where her favourite singer, Murphy, will be playing. But with an overprotective dad and important exams to take, it seems that Ellie's dreams will have to remain just that, dreams. But one day she sees a competition in a music magazine...

### **Dossiers:**

Education in England, Yorkshire, Festivals in Britain and Ireland

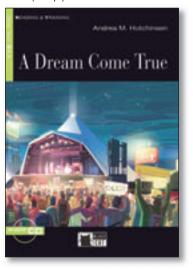




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# The Fisherman and his Soul

Oscar Wilde

Adapted by Kenneth Brodey

### Fairy tale & fantasy

A story of love and friendship about a fisherman who catches a mermaid. He lets her go because she promises to help him fish. Each day the mermaid appears and sings her song, so he falls in love with her. However, she cannot marry him until he has lost his human soul.

### **Dossiers:**

Children's Literature, Aestheticism



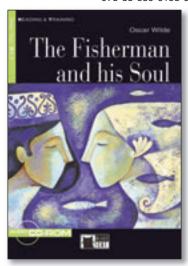




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# Hamlet **Prince of Denmark**

### William Shakespeare

Adapted by Derek Sellen Activities by Bruce Hodges

### Black Cat Reading Programme

### **Tragedy**

When the ghost of Hamlet's father reveals the terrible secret of Elsinore, the result is tragedy. Does Hamlet really go mad? Does he love Ophelia? Will his plan succeed?

### **Dossiers:**

Films of 'Hamlet', Shakespeare and the Elizabethan Theatre. Who was Hamlet?



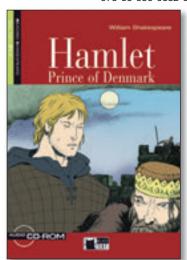




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# **Journey to the Centre** of the Earth

### Jules Verne

Adapted by Jennifer Gascoigne

### **Adventure**

The famous mineralogist, Professor Lidenbrock, finds a piece of parchment in an old book. A message written in code describes a secret entrance to another world. The Professor's nephew, Axel, breaks the code and he and his uncle set out on a journey that takes them back in time to the days of the dinosaurs and pre-historic man. But how will they manage to get back to the present safely?

### **Dossiers:**

Volcanoes, Geological Time



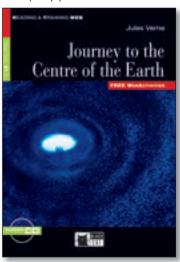






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# The Jumping Frog

### **Mark Twain**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

## **Humour & comedy**

The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County depicts one of American history's most exciting periods: the California Gold Rush of the 1850s. Come to Angel's Mining Camp in California and meet Smiley, whose frog is a living gold mine until one day...

### **Dossiers:**

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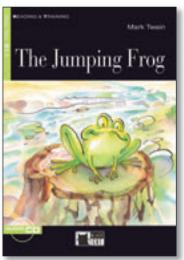






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# **Kidnapped**

### **Robert Louis Stevenson**

Adapted by Nancy Timmins Activities by Frederick Garland

### **Adventure**

When his father dies. David Balfour discovers he has inherited the family home near Edinburah. But his Uncle Ebenezer also wants the house and puts David on a ship to America. The story follows David's adventures across land and sea. With the help of his new friend. Alan Breck, can David return to Edinburgh and claim what is rightfully his?

### **Dossiers:**

Scotland, The Jacobites, The City of Edinburgh from Past to Present



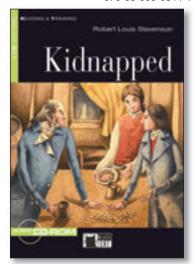






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### The Lost World

Sir Arthur Conan Dovle

Adapted by Frederick Garland

### **Black Cat Reading Programme**

### **Adventure**

At the beginning of the 1900s the whole world has been explored: there is nothing left to discover. But maybe this is not totally true. The eccentric Professor Challenger says there is a place where dinosaurs still live. So he decides to lead an expedition to this prehistoric world in the middle of the great Amazon forest.

### **Dossiers:**

Amazonia: a Land of Wonders, Dinosaurs

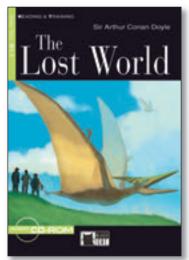




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# Step Two **B1.1**

# **Magical Tales** from the South Seas

### Robert Louis Stevenson

Adapted by Elizabeth Ann Moore Activities by Laura Clyde

### Fairy tale & fantasy

Set in the lush paradise of the South Seas, Stevenson's tales involve magic and spirits.

In The Isle of Voices Kalamake, the wizard, transforms seashells into dollars!

The Beach of Falesá is a thrilling tale of taboos, treachery, devils, island magic and two people who find love.

### **Dossiers:**

The History of Money. The Eight Islands: Hawaii. Copra



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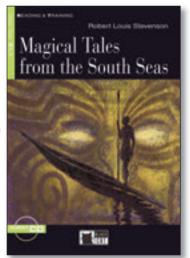
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# **Murder at Coyote Canvon**

Gina D. B. Clemen

Black Cat Reading Programme

### Crime

The Chumash are American Indians who live in California. When a property developer starts building homes on the site of their ancient cemetery, the Chumash become angry.

During the night of the Fourth of July celebrations a mysterious American Indian warrior appears and a murder is committed. Suspicion falls on the Chumash...

### **Dossiers:**

Independence Day, American Indians





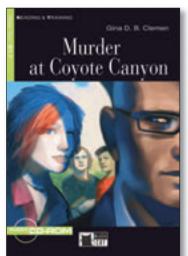






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# The Mutiny on the Bounty

Retold by Jeremy Fitzgerald Activities by Eleanor Donaldson

### **Adventure**

What really happened on board the famous ship the Bounty? Why did the sailors mutiny against their captain, and where did they take the ship? How did the captain and his loyal crew survive a 5,000 mile journey? Join Captain Bligh. Fletcher Christian and Tom on their incredible adventures at sea.

### Dossiers:

Life at Sea in the 18th Century, Island Destinations in 'Mutiny on the Bounty'

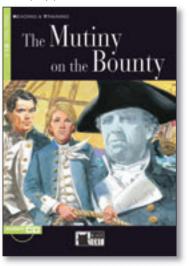






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# The Rajah's Diamond

**Robert Louis Stevenson** 

Adapted by Frances Justice

### **Adventure**

The Rajah's Diamond, the most precious diamond in the world. seems to bring bad luck to everyone who comes into contact with it. Sir Thomas Vandeleur's wife tries to sell it to pay her debts. But the diamond is stolen and falls into the hands of people who are all corrupted by its great beauty and value.

### Dossiers:

The Hope Diamond, 'The Thousand and One Nights', Gentlemen's Clubs, The Empire Strikes Back

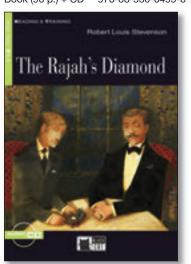




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# The Ransom of Red Chief and Other Stories

### O. Henry

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Matt Renzi

### **Humour & comedy**

The Ransom of Red Chief is a wonderfully funny and ironic story about two inexperienced kidnappers and their unusual 'victim', with a great surprise ending. O. Henry's unique talent enabled him to create a world full of ordinary people who did extraordinary things.

### Dossier:

The Origins of the American Police



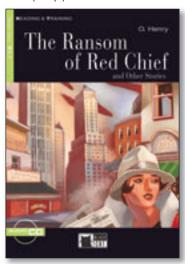




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## **Rob Rov**

Sir Walter Scott

Adapted by Kenneth Brodey

#### Adventure

1715: Frank Osbaldistone likes poetry and he does not want to enter the family business. The young man is then sent by his father to the north of England. Frank meets a charismatic Scotsman and an official of the English government. This will be the beginning of his involvement in a rebellion against the British monarchy. In this great historical novel, Frank comes to love and understand the wild world of the Scottish Highlands.

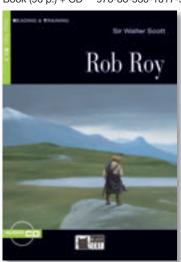
#### **Dossiers:**

Rob Roy: history comes alive, The historical novel: Sir Walter Scott's Great Creation



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Book (96 p.) + CD 978-88-530-1017-9



## The Secret Garden

**Frances Hodgson Burnett** 

Adapted by Jenny Pereira

Black Cat Reading Programme

#### **Human interest**

Mary Lennox is a spoilt, unpleasant little girl who goes to live with her uncle in Yorkshire after the death of her parents in India. She explores the grounds of the house and finds the secret garden which has been locked up for ten years...

#### **Dossiers:**

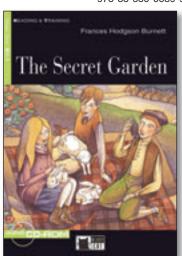
The World of 'The Secret Garden'. India, The Rich and Poor in Victorian Times, British Gardens





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Book (96 p.) + audio CD/CD-ROM 978-88-530-0689-9



## Stories of Ghosts and Mystery

J. S. Le Fanu, R. Kipling, N. Hawthorne

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

#### **Mystery and horror**

Three authors reveal the obscure corners of the occult. Sinister ghosts of the past have never left Barwyke Hall; a man disappears mysteriously; the Puritan Reverend Hooper is plaqued by a terrible secret sin that forces him to wear a black veil.

#### **Dossiers:**

England and Its Ghosts. New England and the Puritans









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## NEW

## **Time Games**

Victoria Heward

## **Mystery**

Like many 15 year olds, Adam prefers computer games to school work, but he can't understand why one of his favourite games seems to have a life of its own. And why is he suddenly hearing voices? Why can't anyone else see the strange boy outside the school gates? And why does the boy look so like Adam? He finds the answers he's looking for and a lot more besides hundreds of years in the past.

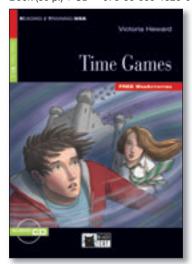
#### **Dossiers:**

Time Travel, Schools in Britain, Medieval Castles



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## The Willing Ghost

**Robert Wellington** 

Activities by Gina D. B. Clemen

#### Crime

Selena Willing, a young, beautiful heiress, contacts Richard Boot, a private detective, because she thinks there is a noisy ghost in her stately home. Richard investigates, looking into Selena's life and discovers that the noise she hears is not a ghost, but something much more real and dangerous...

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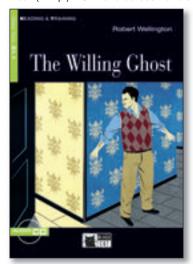
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## The £1,000,000 **Banknote**

Mark Twain

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

#### **Humour & comedy**

Have you ever made a bet - a big bet?

In the 1850s, a young American finds himself in London by chance. He is penniless, and yet he leads the luxurious life of a millionaire. How can he do this?

It's all thanks to a bizarre bet made by two eccentric gentlemen.

#### Dossiers:

San Francisco in the 1850s. The English and Betting, Money and its Origins and others



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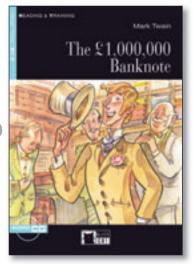




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## The Canterville Ghost

Oscar Wilde

Adapted by Derek Sellen

**Black Cat Reading Programme** 

### Mystery & horror

When Mr Hiram B. Otis decides to buy Canterville Chase, everyone tells him that the house is haunted by a ghost. Strange things begin to happen: a bloodstain that changes colour, mysterious noises in the night, a journey to the Garden of Death...

#### **Dossiers:**

The Times of Oscar Wilde, Oscar Wilde in America and others

#### **Playscript**



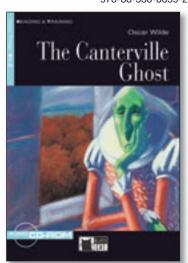




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## Classic Detective Stories

Retold by Joshua Anderson Activities by Frederick Garland

#### Crime

Sherlock Holmes battles against a criminal organisation in Arthur Conan Doyle's 'The Five Orange Pips': in Charles Dickens's 'Hunted Down' a ruthless murderer is brought to justice: in 'The Stir Outside the Café Royal' by Clarence Rook an American woman tracks down her fiancé's killer: and in G. K. Chesterton's 'The Oracle of the Dog' Father Brown solves a difficult murder case.

#### Dossier:

**Enalish Detective Fiction** 

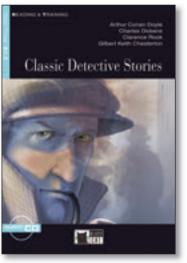






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## The Diamond as Big as The Ritz

F. Scott Fitzgerald

Adapted by George Gibson Activities by Eleanor Donaldson

#### **Human interest**

Young love, unbelievable wealth, greed, cruelty and adventure are the themes Fitzgerald brilliantly combines to create a highly unusual and satirical story with a surprise ending.

#### **Dossiers:**

Diamonds that Made History, Eldorado and the American Dream





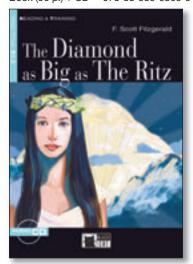


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## NEW

## The Final Problem and Other Stories

Sir Arthur Conan Dovle

Adapted by Eleanor Donaldson

#### Crime

Sherlock Holmes is the world's only consulting detective. He helps Scotland Yard to solve mysteries they can't solve. Surely no-one can defeat Sherlock Holmes... or can they?

In this collection of short stories. Holmes comes face to face with some of his most difficult challenges and his main rival, Professor Moriarty.

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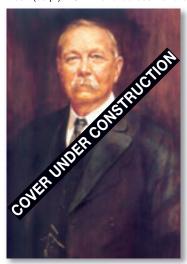
The Role of Women in Victorian England, Sherlock Holmes in Popular Entertainment





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## **Great Mysteries** of Our World

Gina D. B. Clemen

Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Human interest**

Was Nostradamus really a prophet or were his predictions a mere coincidence? What mystery lies behind the curse of the tomb of the Egyptian pharaoh King Tut? Does evil really exist and what forms can it take?

Find out about these strange stories and others, and perhaps you'll be able to solve our world's greatest mysteries!

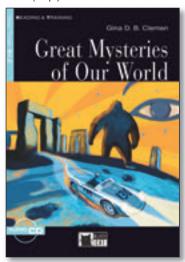




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Book (96 p.) + CD 978-88-530-0291-4



## **Gulliver's Travels**

Jonathan Swift

Adapted by Jeremy Fitzgerald

## Fairy tale & fantasy

Lemuel Gulliver tells the story of his fantastic adventures on the island of Lilliput, where the people are tiny, and their self-importance laughable; in Brobdingnag, where the people are giants and Gulliver is made to feel his own insignificance; in Laputa, the land of futile science; and finally in the land of the Houvhnhnms, where horses are endowed with reason while human beings are not.

#### **Dossiers:**

Popular Travel Books, Utopia and Dystopia

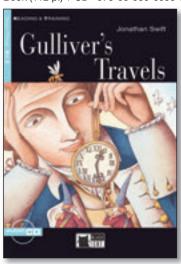




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## The Hound of the Baskervilles

Sir Arthur Conan Dovle

Adapted by Jeremy Fitzgerald Activities by Louis Vaughan

#### Crime

Another case for Sherlock Holmes finds Dr Watson sent to Devonshire to investigate the mysterious death of Sir Charles Baskerville, who has been mutilated by a large dog according to the tradition of the curse of the house of the Baskervilles. The new heir to the estate, on his return from America, calls upon the great detective to solve this enigma.

#### **Dossiers:**

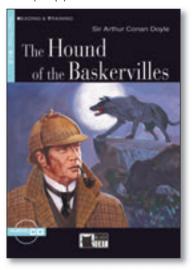
Early Crime Detection, The Coming of the Fairies



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## **Jane Evre**

#### **Charlotte Brontë**

Adapted by Jenny Pereira Activities by Frederick Garland

#### Love

Jane Eyre, a penniless and unattractive orphan, becomes a governess at Thornfield Hall and falls in love with Edward Rochester, the guardian of her ward. But she soon discovers that he is hiding a terrible secret...

#### **Dossiers:**

Victorian Family Life, Victorian Schools, Victorian Houses





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## **Julius Caesar**

### William Shakespeare

Adapted by James Butler Activities by Adeline Richards

#### **Tragedy**

There is discontent in Rome. The aristocrats are worried that Julius Caesar will seek to become king. A group of conspirators led by Brutus decides to assassinate Caesar. At first everything seems to go well for them, but soon the conspirators find themselves pursued by the 'Spirit of Caesar'.

#### Dossiers:

The Historical Julius Caesar. The Theatre in Shakespeare's Time and others

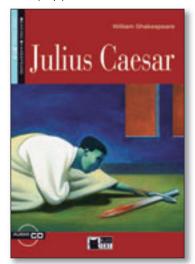
#### **Playscript**



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## **Rudyard Kipling**

Adapted by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Human Interest**

Kim, a young Irish boy, lives alone on the streets of the Indian city of Lahore. He meets an old Tibetan lama who is looking for a sacred river. The boy and the old man become great friends and travel across British India. This is Rudyard Kipling's greatest book - a story about the British empire, spies, friendship, spirituality and, most of all, India.

#### Dossiers:

The Many Lives of Buddhism, Varanasi - The City of Temples, the City of Light, Kim, Kipling and Mookerjee



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## **Lord Arthur Savile's Crime** and Other Stories

#### Oscar Wilde

Adapted by Justin Rainey

#### **Human interest**

At Lady Windermere's party a famous palm reader predicts that Lord Arthur Savile will commit a murder...

Read about Lady Alroy's mysterious ways in 'The Sphinx without a Secret' and how it pays to be nice to beggars in 'The Model Millionaire'.

#### **Dossiers:**

London: the World City, Pseudo-Science in Late Victorian England

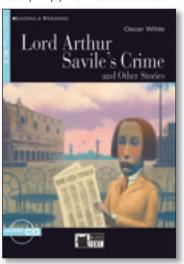




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## **Love in Shakespeare: Five Stories**

Adapted by Jennifer Gascoigne

#### Love

In The Taming of the Shrew, Katharina learns to love Petruchio only after she has learnt to be an obedient wife. Romeo and Juliet's love is destined to end in tragedy. In Twelfth Night, love is romantic but also painful, while in Othello love turns into jealousy. And in the final story, Antony and Cleopatra's passionate love has tragic consequences.

#### Dossiers:

The Life of William Shakespeare Courtship and Marriage in Elizabethan Times

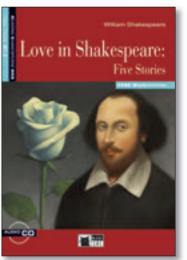




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## The Master of Ballantrae

#### **Robert Louis Stevenson**

Adapted by Kenneth Brodey Activities by Nora Nagy

#### **Human interest**

Stevenson investigates into the nature of good and evil in this novel set in 1745. This was the year many in Scotland fought to put a Scottish king on the British throne. Two brothers, James and Henry Durie, become involved in this historical event. But The Master of Ballantrae is a also worldwide novel. Readers will travel from Scotland to New York, to India... Along the way, they will meet soldiers, hunters and pirates.

#### **Dossiers:**

Double Trouble - Doubles and Alter Egos in Fiction and Popular Culture The War that Made America

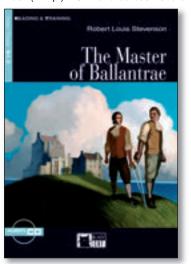




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#### Moonfleet

#### John Meade Falkner

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Janet Cameron

#### **Adventure**

Young John Trenchard lives in Moonfleet, an English village with dark secrets. One day he discovers a hidden crypt below the cemetery where smugglers meet and hide their goods. Here he accidentally finds the skeleton of evil Colonel Mohune, better known as Blackbeard, and a precious clue that could help him find Blackbeard's treasure...

#### Dossier:

The English Civil War

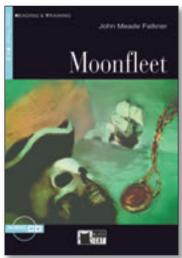






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### **Dossiers:**

**Baroness Orczy** 

**Adventure** 

The French Revolution, Eighteenthcentury Theatre



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## **The Phantom** of the Opera

#### **Gaston Leroux**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Mystery & horror**

A mysterious ghost is haunting the famous Paris Opera House. There are all sorts of rumours about the 'Phantom of the Opera', a frightening figure whose face is hidden by a terrible mask...

#### **Dossiers:**

The Paris Opera House, Film and Stage Versions of the Novel, Lon Chaney (1883-1930), Opera: the First International Pop Music

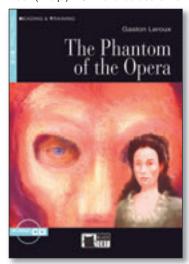




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## **The Pickwick Papers**

#### **Charles Dickens**

Adapted by Maud Jackson Activities by Nora Nagy

#### **Human interest**

In Dickens's first novel. Samuel Pickwick and three other members of the Pickwick Club decide to spend six months travelling around England observing the manners and habits of everyone they meet. Follow them on their hilarious adventures as they get involved in a duel, an election campaign and as one of them even ends up in prison...

#### Dossier:

England in the Early Nineteenth Century



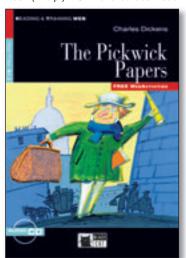






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## The Return of Sherlock Holmes

#### Sir Arthur Conan Dovle

Adapted by Blanche Malvern Activities by Stanley Roberts

#### Crime

In 1891, the great detective Sherlock Holmes disappeared. A month after Holmes's disappearance, his good friend and colleague Dr Watson published an article in the newspaper, explaining that Holmes died while struggling with his arch-enemy Professor Moriarty. But is that what really happened?

#### Dossier:

The Immortal Sherlock Holmes

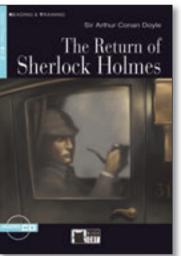




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## Romeo and Juliet

### William Shakespeare

Adapted by Derek Sellen Extra activities by Jennifer Gascoigne Dossiers by Robert Hill

#### **Black Cat Reading Programme**

#### Love

The Montagues and the Capulets hate each other and so when Romeo and Juliet fall in love they are forced into secrecy and subterfuge. Will true love survive?

#### **Dossiers:**

In Fair Verona, Settings and Sources and others

#### **Playscript**

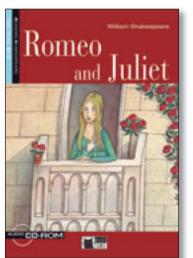






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## **Sherlock Holmes Investigates**

### Sir Arthur Conan Dovle

Adapted by Kenneth Brodey and Rebecca Raynes Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Crime**

Sherlock Holmes is at work in three stories: solving the problem of a hat and a goose in 'The Blue Carbuncle': finding a missing fiancé in 'A Case of Identity'; and discovering the identity of a strange creature in 'The Yellow Face'.

#### **Dossiers:**

Conan Doyle Defends the Crew of the 'Titanic', Arthur Defends the Underdoa



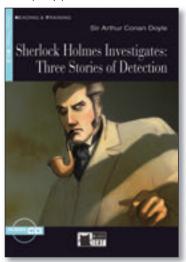


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## **Stories of Suspense**

#### **Nathaniel Hawthorne**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Matt Renzi

#### **Mystery & horror**

Discover how a midnight ritual transforms the life of a young Puritan in 'Young Goodman Brown'. Witness what happens to three old friends who discover the potion of eternal youth in 'Dr Heidegger's Experiment'. Experience the tragedy of the scientist who strives to achieve perfection at all costs in 'The Birthmark'.

#### **Dossiers:**

The Magic of Alchemy, New England and Witchcraft



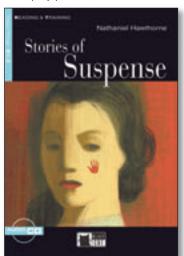






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Book (96 p.) + CD 978-88-530-0160-3



## The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde

#### **Robert Louis Stevenson**

Adapted by James Butler and Maria Lucia De Vanna Activities by Jennifer Gascoigne and Kenneth Brodey

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## **Mystery & horror**

Doctor Jekyll is a brilliant scientist, but his research leads him to discover a monster - a monster that is part of himself! He tries to control this violent creature, who is known as Mr Hyde, but gradually Mr Hyde becomes stronger and stronger...

#### **Dossiers:**

London and Crime. The 'Double' in 19th Century Fiction

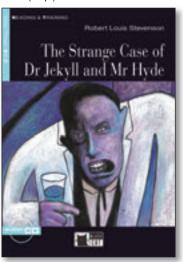




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## **Tales of the Supernatural**

Charles Dickens, Edgar Allan Poe, E. Nesbit, F. M. Crawford

Adapted by Peter Foreman

## **Mystery & horror**

Four chilling tales take you into a world where anything can happen. Charles Dickens makes our spines tingle in his famous tale of a haunted railwayman. In Edgar Allan Poe's 'Ligeia' the ghost of a beautiful woman returns and defeats death. E. Nesbit shows us how there really is a good reason to be scared of the dark. And F. M. Crawford tells of a ship's passenger who encounters a horrible 'thing' in his cabin.

#### Dossiers:

The Supernatural in English Literature. The Versailles Ghosts



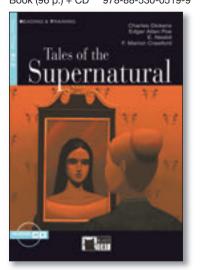






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## Three Men in a Boat

Jerome K. Jerome

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

#### **Humour & comedy**

What can possibly happen to three friends and their dog when they take a peaceful boat trip on the River Thames? Well, just about anything! Enjoy their funny adventures as they visit historic sites on the beautiful Thames.

#### **Dossiers:**

Fox-Terriers, Queen Elizabeth I. Life on the River, Preserving Food, The Magna Carta, Famous People and Places on the Thames. Oxford

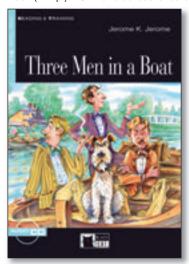




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#### The Three Musketeers

Alexandre Dumas père

Adapted by Jennifer Gascoigne

#### Adventure

D'Artagnan travels to Paris hoping to join the Musketeers, a group of adventurers who serve Louis XIII. A series of misadventures brings him to a duel with none other than three of his heroes — the Musketeers Porthos, Athos, and Aramis, The three men ask D'Artagnan to join them in their struggle to protect Queen Anne against the plots of power-hungry Cardinal Richelieu.

#### **Dossier:**

France in the 17th century, Costumes in the 17th century, Dumas beyond the page

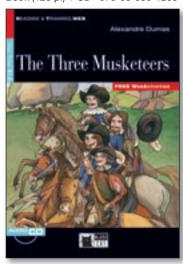






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## The Tragedy of Richard III

William Shakespeare

Adapted by Richard Elliott

#### **Tragedy**

After a long civil war between the Houses of Lancaster and York. England is enjoying a period of peace under King Edward IV. But Edward's younger brother, Richard, resents Edward's power, Richard begins to aspire secretly to the throne and decides to kill anyone he has to in order to become king.

#### Dossier:

The Renaissance: Art of Manners and the 'Galateo'. Niccolò Machiavelli, Richard III on screen and stage

## **Playscript**

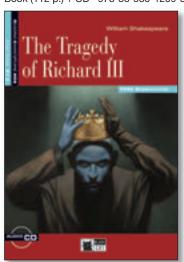






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Book (112 p.) + CD 978-88-530-1209-8



## **Treasure Island**

**Robert Louis Stevenson** 

Adapted by Christopher Hall Activities by Adeline Richards

#### **Adventure**

Adventure and piracy in the 18th century! When young Jim Hawkins finds a map of an island where Captain Flint has hidden his treasure, Jim, Squire Trelawney and his friend Dr Livesey sail to the island to look for it. But during the vovage Jim discovers more about the ship's company, which includes Long John Silver, a man with only one leg. And then the battle for the treasure begins!

#### Dossier:

Pirates in History

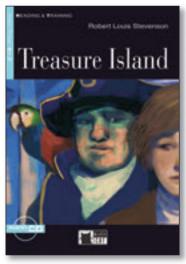






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Book (128 p.) + CD 978-88-530-0640-0



## **Twelfth Night**

William Shakespeare

Adapted by Nancy Timmins

## **Humour & comedy**

After surviving a shipwreck off the coast of Illyria, Viola disguises herself as a boy to get a position at the court of Duke Orsino, who is in love with beautiful Olivia. Unknown to Viola, her twin brother Sebastian has also survived the shipwreck. When he too arrives in Illyria, confusion and misunderstandings follow...

#### **Dossiers:**

The Meaning of 'Twelfth Night', Shakespeare and the Elizabethan Theatre

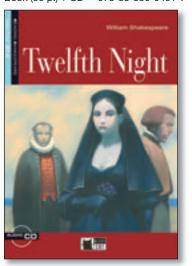
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## The Vampire's Tear

Gina D. B. Clemen

**Black Cat Reading Programme** 

#### **Crime**

A diamond is on display at an important show on Eastern Europe and Vampires at a New York City museum. Nick has a summer job at the museum and invites his best friends Bill and Michelle to join him for a summer of fun.

One night the diamond disappears and a security guard is found dead. Suddenly there is a vampire scare in New York City. The three teenagers start investigating...

#### **Dossiers:**

Manhattan, the heart of New York City, Vlad Tepes, Prince of Wallachia, Vampires in literature and films









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## **American Horror Five Terrifying Tales**

**Edgar Allan Poe** 

Adapted by Kenneth Brodey

## **Mystery & horror**

Edgar Allan Poe is one of the first masters of modern short stories and modernist poetry. But he is best remembered for his strange style of horror, with characters who cannot be forgotten. A man who drains away his wife's life to make his painting seem alive: an animal lover who becomes obsessed by a cat; a young man obsessed by an old man's blue eye; and a man hypnotized just before he dies who then...

#### **Dossiers:**

Poe's Scientific Imagination, Poe as Pop Icon. Poe's America



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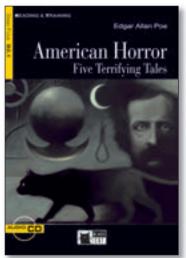




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## **NEW EDITION Beowulf**

Retold by Robert Hill

#### Legend

The mighty warrior Beowulf offers to help the King of the Danes in a quest to kill the vicious monster Grendel and free his people from terror. After killing Grendel, Beowulf must also kill the monster's mother before he can return to his homeland, where he eventually becomes king. But he is called for a new adventure, as a great dragon comes to destroy his kingdom. Will Beowulf's efforts cost him his life this time?

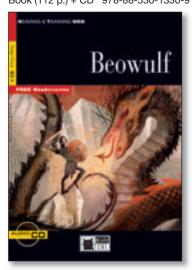
#### **Dossiers:**

Epics, Anglo-Saxon Treasure, Versions of Beowulf



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Book (112 p.) + CD 978-88-530-1330-9



## **The Canterbury Tales**

#### **Geoffrey Chaucer**

Adapted by Derek Sellen Additional activities by Robert Hill and Rebecca Raynes

#### **Human interest**

A group of pilgrims travelling from London to the shrine of Thomas Becket in Canterbury decide that each traveller should tell a story.

Five stories from Chaucer's masterpiece depicting life in medieval England are retold in modern English.

#### **Dossiers:**

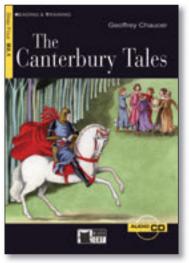
Chaucer's World. The City of Canterbury and others





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## **A Christmas Carol**

#### **Charles Dickens**

Adapted by Peter Foreman

#### **Human interest**

Mean old Ebenezer Scrooge doesn't like Christmas. He doesn't like people. He only likes money. But when the ghost of his friend, Old Marley, visits him on Christmas Eve, it's the beginning of a very strange night. Next morning he wishes everybody a Merry Christmas! So what has changed bad old Scrooge?

#### **Dossiers:**

Some Christmas Ghosts, London in Dickens's time, The Christmas Story

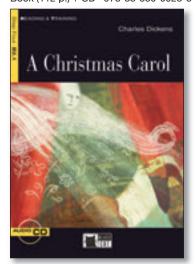




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## **Daisy Miller**

### **Henry James**

Adapted by Christopher Hall Activities by Frederick Garland

#### **Human interest**

Daisy Miller is a beautiful, rich American girl. She comes to Europe with her mother and brother to travel and see the sights. In Switzerland she meets Frederick Winterbourne, a young American who has lived in Europe most of his life. He is fascinated and perplexed by Daisy's flirtatious and unconventional manners...

#### Dossier:

Young Women in the Nineteenth Century

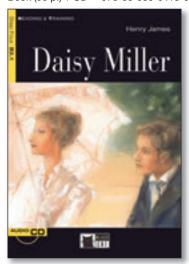






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## Dracula

#### **Bram Stoker**

Adapted by Kenneth Brodey

## **Mystery & horror**

When Jonathan Harker goes to Transylvania to visit Count Dracula on business, he discovers that his client's motives for coming to England are rather more sinister than they first appeared.

This classic horror story has fascinated readers ever since it came out in 1897.

#### Dossier:

Real Vampires Vampire Bats Victorian Villains, Monsters and Fears



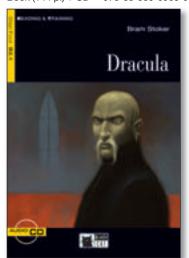




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## The House of the Seven Gables

#### **Nathaniel Hawthorne**

Adaptation by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Monica Marszewska

#### **Human interest**

The seventeenth-century house of the seven gables shelters an old curse and a terrible secret. Hepzibah and Clifford Pvncheon are tormented by the memories and ghosts of the past, until the love of two young people changes the course of destiny...

#### **Dossiers:**

Witchcraft. The British Colonies in America, The History of Photography





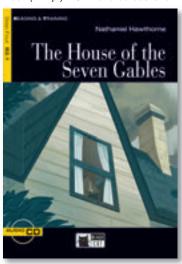






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## **Jack the Ripper**

#### **Peter Foreman**

#### Crime

Since the autumn of 1888, when he terrorised London, Jack the Ripper has become famous all over the world. Who was he? There have been hundreds of suspects and theories but nobody has yet discovered his identity.

Jack the Ripper takes you back to the dark streets of Victorian London, to investigate the story of the most mysterious killer in the history of crime.

#### **Dossiers:**

Life in the East End, Immigrants in the Fast Fnd

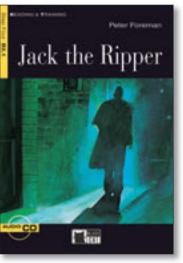






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## The Last of the Mohicans

## **James Fenimore Cooper**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

#### **Adventure**

During the Seven Years' War between the French and the British. Cora and Alice Munro are on their way to Fort Henry to join their father, the commander. But their American Indian guide, Magua, betrays the group to the Iroquois. This is only the beginning of their many adventures.

#### Dossiers:

The Origins of the American Indian People, The Iroquois Confederacy, The American Indian Experience and others



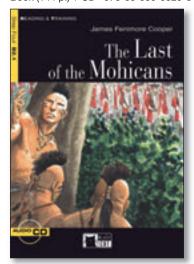






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#### Macbeth

## William Shakespeare

Adapted by James Butler Activities by Bruce Hodges

#### **Tragedy**

Macbeth is a loyal and courageous servant of King Duncan. But, one day, after a battle he meets three witches, who tell him that one day he will be King of Scotland. Soon his obsession to become king and his wife's cold-blooded ambition lead to murder.

#### **Dossiers:**

Films of 'Macbeth', Scotland's History, Witches, The Castles of Scotland

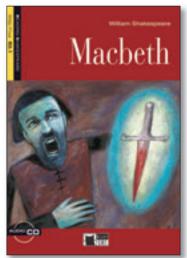
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#### The Merchant of Venice

## William Shakespeare

Adapted by Victoria Spence Activities by Tessa Vaughan

#### **Human interest**

In Venice, Bassanio needs money to court a rich heiress. His friend Antonio borrows the money from Shylock, a Jewish moneylender. Shylock demands that the money is repaid in three months or he will take a pound of Antonio's flesh. Antonio agrees, but it will take the intelligence of two women to save him...

#### **Dossiers:**

The Origins of the Pound of Flesh Story. The Treatment of Jews in Shakespeare's Time

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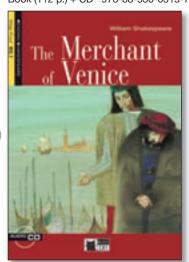
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## A Midsummer **Night's Dream**

## William Shakespeare

Adapted by James Butler Additional activities by Rebecca Raynes

#### **Humour & comedy**

Two young lovers, Hermia and Lysander, meet in the wood with the intention of running away and getting married secretly. They are followed by Demetrius, who loves Hermia, and Helena, who is in love with Demetrius. What they don't know is that the wood is enchanted...

#### **Dossiers:**

Shakespeare's Sources. The Elizabethan Performance

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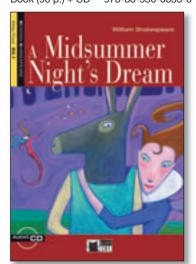




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## **Moby Dick**

#### **Herman Melville**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Bruce Hodges

#### **Adventure**

Moby Dick is an epic tale of the voyage of the whaling ship the Pequod and its captain, Ahab, who pursues the great white whale almost around the world.

Ishmael, a sailor, arrives in New Bedford, where he meets Queequeq, a harpooner from the South Pacific. who becomes his inseparable friend. Captain Ahab's voyage is one of revenge and, in the end, one of disaster.

#### Dossier:

A Short History of Whaling



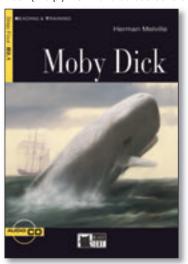






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## The Moonstone

#### Wilkie Collins

Adapted by Christopher Hall Activities by Janet Cameron

#### **Mystery & horror**

On her eighteenth birthday, Rachel Verinder receives a very special present, the Moonstone - a large yellow diamond from India. But that night the Moonstone is stolen...

In what T. S. Eliot called 'the first. the longest, and the best of modern detective novels', Wilkie Collins tells a story full of mystery, suspense and psychological insight.

#### Dossier:

Imperialism on the Indian Subcontinent









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## Le Morte d'Arthur

#### **Sir Thomas Malory**

Adapted by Victoria Spence Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### Legend

Le Morte d'Arthur tells the story of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table. The tale begins with Arthur's birth, his education, and his rise to the throne. It also recounts the tragic love story of Sir Lancelot and Guinevere, the destruction of the Round Table and Arthur's mysterious disappearance or death.

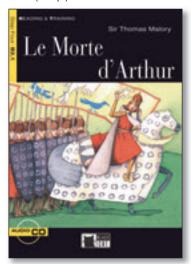
#### **Dossiers:**

Medieval Romance Literature. Places in the Arthurian Story, Sir Gawain and the Green Knight



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## **Much Ado About Nothing**

### William Shakespeare

Adapted by James Butler Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Humour & comedy**

Claudio is in love with Hero, but is afraid that she will reject him. His friend. Don Pedro, volunteers to make her fall in love with him at a masked ball. The trick works and Hero agrees to marry Claudio. But Don Pedro's brother, Don John, organises a plot to make Claudio think that Hero is unfaithful...

#### Dossiers:

Tragic and Comic Elements in 'Much ado About Nothing', Women in Shakespeare's Comedies

#### **Playscript**

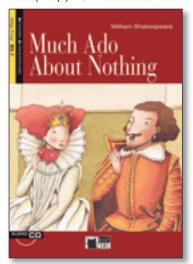




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## **Northanger Abbey**

#### Jane Austen

Adapted by Nancy Timmins Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Mystery & horror**

Catherine Morland is going on her first visit to the city of Bath. She is seventeen and comes from a small. quiet town in the English countryside. She likes Gothic novels. When she makes friends with the handsome young Henry Tilney and his sister Eleanor, she will find herself in the middle of a family tragedy. Henry's home, Northanger Abbey, is the scene of a crime. Or is it all just a product of Catherine's imagination?

#### **Dossiers:**

King George III and Regency England, British female novelists



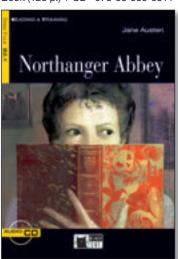






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#### Othello

#### William Shakespeare

Adapted by Lucy Parker Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Tragedy**

Othello is a successful general, but a very simple man who trusts lago completely. When he elopes with and marries Desdemona, he is overwhelmed by the happiness that seems to be his. lago, embittered by his failure to win promotion in the army, decides to poison the general's happiness...

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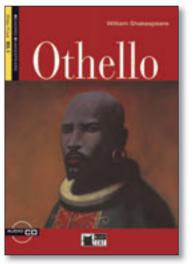
The First London Theatres. The Portrayal of Othello

#### **Playscript**



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## **Power and Ambition** in Shakespeare

Adapted by Jane Elizabeth Cammack

#### Tragedy

A power-hungry Richard III, a remorseful Macbeth, a revengeful Prince Hamlet, a powerful Julius Caesar, and a ruthless and ambitious King Henry V: various aspects of power and ambition feature in these five stories based on plays by William Shakespeare.

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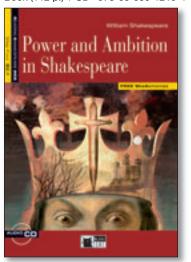
Ghosts, Witches and Revenge, The Influence on Shakespeare's Plays





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## **The Secret Agent**

## Joseph Conrad

Adapted by Nancy Timmins Activities by Louis Vaughan

#### **Human interest**

Mr Verloc, a secret agent, has a shop in London. He lives there peacefully with his wife Winnie, her mother and her brother, Stevie.

When Mr Verloc becomes involved with an anarchist plot to blow up the Greenwich Royal Observatory, things go disastrously wrong. Mr Verloc's job as a secret agent brings tragic consequences to all his family.

#### **Dossiers:**

Time and the Greenwich Royal Observatory, Espionage in English **Fiction** 









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## The Sign of Four

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Adapted by Nancy Timmins Activities by Eleanor Donaldson

#### Crime

Sherlock Holmes is bored. But a fascinating new case is just around the corner. The attractive Mary Morstan arrives at 221B Baker Street with a strange story to tell. Her father vanished ten years ago: four years later she receives six beautiful pearls, one each year. She has been invited to meet the sender of these pearls and asks Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson for their help.

#### **Dossiers:**

The Andaman Islands, The British in India



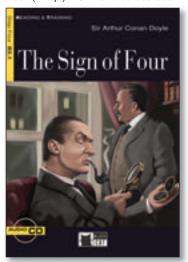
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## A Study in Scarlet

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Adapted by Nancy Timmins Activities by Richard Elliott and Eleanor Donaldson

#### Crime

In an empty house lies a dead man. There are no wounds on his body. On the wall, the word RACHE -German for 'revenge' - is written in blood. With the help of his friend Doctor Watson can Sherlock Holmes use his deductive powers to find the murderer?

Set in London in the 1880s, A Study in Scarlet is the first Holmes and Watson mystery, the beginning of a long and famous partnership.

#### **Dossiers:**

The Mormons, London in the 1800s

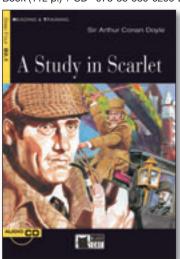




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## Three Men on the Bummel

Jerome K. Jerome

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

## **Humour & comedy**

Three friends, George, Harris and J need a change in their lives and they decide to go on a bicycle trip through the beautiful Black Forest in Germany, where they meet with all kinds of hilarious adventures as they get into and out of trouble...

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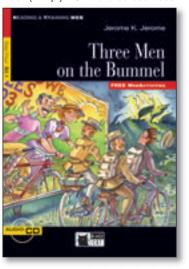
The Golden Age of Bicycles The Black Forest





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## **Tom Jones**

## **Henry Fielding**

Adapted by James Butler Activities by Justin Rainey

#### **Adventure**

Kindly Mr Allworthy returns home to find that someone has left a baby boy in his house. He adopts him and names him Tom Jones.

Mr Allworthy's sister, Bridget, has a son called Blifil. What happens when Tom falls in love with a neighbouring gentleman's daughter, Sophia, whose family want her to marry Blifil?

#### **Dossiers:**

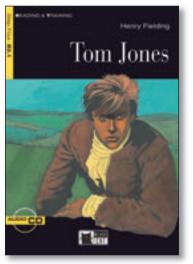
The Early 18th-century Novel, Tom Jones as Hero





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## The Tragedy of Dr Faustus

## **Christopher Marlowe**

Adapted by James Butler Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### Tragedy

Doctor Faustus, a brilliant scholar, enters into an agreement with the Devil. He agrees to sell his soul in return for twenty-four years of knowledge, power and riches. But he eventually realises the full implications of his rash action.

#### **Dossiers:**

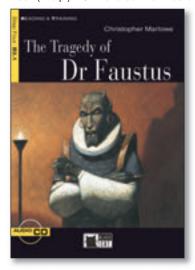
Christopher Marlowe and Elizabethan Espionage and others

### **Playscript**



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## The Turn of the Screw

#### **Henry James**

Adapted by Maud Jackson Activities by Justin Rainey

#### Mystery & horror

In the 1840s, a young woman is employed as governess to two children in an English country house. The children are beautiful and charming, and - for a while - the young woman thinks her position is both easy and pleasant. Then she begins to see the ghosts of the former governess Miss Jessel and the manservant Peter Quint...

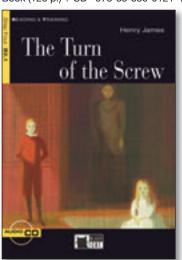
#### **Dossiers:**

Governesses and Upper-class Children, Puritanism



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## The Valley of Fear

#### Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Adapted by Nancy Timmins Activities by Eleanor Donaldson

#### Crime

The great detective Sherlock Holmes is needed to solve a murder in Sussex, England, A card with the initials VV 341 has been left by the body, and discovering the facts of the case gets ever more difficult. The answers to this mystery lie far away from the scene of the crime and across the Atlantic, in a place known as 'The Valley of Fear'.

#### **Dossiers:**

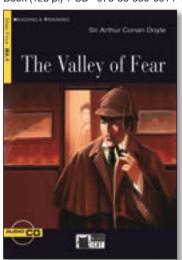
Hiding Places in Times of Trouble, Secret Societies





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## **Washington Square**

#### **Henry James**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Anna Maria Patrone and Rebecca Raynes

#### Love

Catherine Sloper, an insignificant, plain girl, will one day inherit a substantial fortune from her father. When her overwhelming passion for a handsome fortune hunter transforms her dull existence, Catherine's distinguished father, her interfering aunt and her selfish lover all play with her feelings to satisfy their own needs, and succeed in breaking her heart.

#### Dossier:

New York City in the 1850s





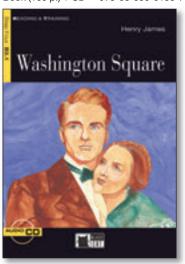




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## Wicked and **Humorous Tales**

#### Saki

Adapted by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Humour & comedy**

A dramatic intrusion ends a long family feud, a man is strangely influenced by his pets, a cat brings scandal to British society and a little boy battles to enjoy life with the help of his own personal god.

These are just a few of the amazing stories created by Hector Hugh Munro, alias master short-story teller Saki.

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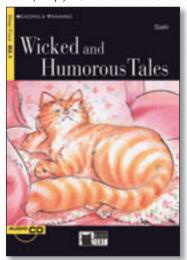
Writers and the First World War





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## The Woman in White

#### Wilkie Collins

Adapted by Christopher Hall Activities by Frederick Garland

#### **Mystery & horror**

Late one night, on a lonely road near London, Walter Hartright, a young drawing teacher, meets a solitary woman dressed in white. This is the opening scene of *The* Woman in White, a great Victorian sensation novel full of mystery, excitement, and suspense.

#### **Dossier:**

Victorian Asylums







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# Step Five **B2.2**

## The Age of Innocence

#### **Edith Wharton**

Adapted by Christopher Hall Activities by Louis Vaughan

#### Love

In 1870s New York Countess Ellen Olenska causes scandal when she decides to free herself of an unhappy marriage by divorcing her husband. Disapproved of by her family, she can only count on the support of her cousin's fiancé, Newland Archer, who falls in love with her and tries to persuade her to start a new life together with him.

#### **Dossiers:**

A Brief History of Divorce, The New York Films of Martin Scorsese, New York in the 1870s



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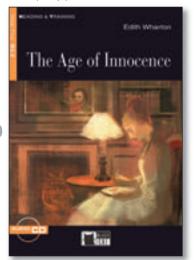






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#### **Emma**

#### Jane Austen

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#### Love

Emma Woodhouse, handsome, clever and rich, has a perfect life. She has decided never to get married but to live as the mistress of Hartfield, her father's house in the beautiful English countryside. But when she starts matchmaking she finds that her imagination has led her into danger.

#### **Dossiers:**

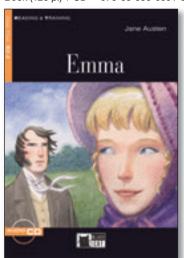
Jane Austen and Reading, Leisure in early 19th-century England, The Poor. The Upper Classes





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#### Frankenstein

#### Mary Shelley

Adapted by Maud Jackson Activities by Robert Hill

#### **Mystery & horror**

A fascination with science and the aspiration to understand the mysteries of creation lead Victor Frankenstein to create life from death. But the results are not what he expects and his rejection of his monstrous creation causes dire consequences for himself and all the people he cares about.

#### **Dossiers:**

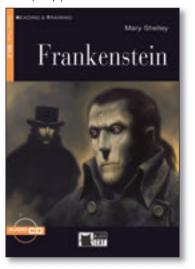
Science Fiction. Romantic Landscapes, Monsters, 'Frankenstein' on Film and others





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## **Gothic Short Stories**

W. W. Jacobs, Amelia B. Edwards Bram Stoker, Edgar Allan Poe

Adapted by Peter Foreman and Kenneth Brodey

#### **Mystery & horror**

Bram Stoker (the author of *Dracula*) takes student Malcolm Malcolmson through a terrifying ordeal inside a judge's house. Travel, if you dare, in a ghostly coach - with three dead men as your fellow passengers. Or visit the deadly House of Usher! But don't make a wish with the monkey's paw...

#### Dossier:

The Gothic Craze











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## **Great Expectations**

#### **Charles Dickens**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

#### **Human interest**

Pip is destined to become a village blacksmith, but a chance meeting with an escaped prisoner and the acquaintance of an eccentric old woman and a beautiful young girl change the course of his life. He is suddenly dissatisfied with his social status and wants to become a gentleman. But one day he discovers a terrible secret.

#### **Dossiers:**

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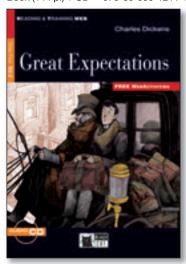






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## The Great Gatsby

## F. Scott Fitzgerald

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#### Love

A rich man with a mysterious past hosts Long Island's most extravagant parties, while he desperately seeks his long lost love.

Scott Fitzgerald's novel is both a pitiless and moving exposure of 'the American Dream'.

#### **Dossiers:**

The 'Roaring Twenties', American Literature in the 1920s



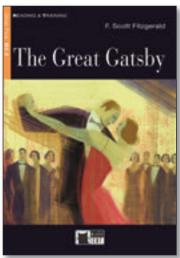






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## **Heart of Darkness**

### Joseph Conrad

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#### **Human interest**

Marlow, a merchant sailor, travels through colonial Africa. He makes a perilous journey by steamboat to rescue Kurtz, an ivory agent, who is seriously ill. He arrives at Kurtz's station to find that the agent has taken control of the whole area. In his complete isolation from civilised society Kurtz has instituted a brutal system of human sacrifice and magic to became the leader of the natives.

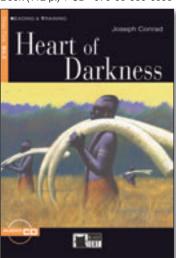
#### Dossiers:

Conrad and the Colonial Experience and others



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## **Jane Evre**

#### **Charlotte Brönte**

Adapted by Christopher Hall

#### Love

Plain orphaned Jane Eyre lives unwanted with her aunt and cousins until she is sent away to school. There, hungry and humiliated, she grows and studies. When Jane leaves school to work as a governess at the aristocratic Thornfield Manor owned by the intriguing Mr Rochester, she finally finds some happiness. But some strange events are signals that the mysterious past of Mr Rochester's is about to return.

#### Dossiers:

Jane as a Feminist Heroine. Race and Empire in Jane Eyre, Jane as Romantic Revolutionary

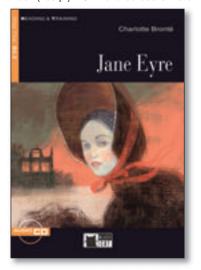








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## Lord Jim

## Joseph Conrad

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Adventure**

Jim is a young British officer on the passenger ship Patna. During an accident at sea in the Indian Ocean. Jim follows the captain and abandons the sinking ship and its passengers. Jim must face a court trial for this act of cowardice, which will torment him all his life.

At the trial Jim meets Marlow, an older sea captain, who helps him find work. But Jim is always restless. He moves to Malaysia where he tries to start a new life...

#### Dossier:

Colonial Malaysia

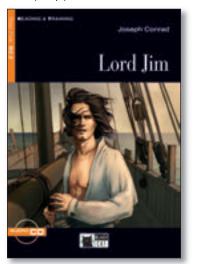






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## The Murders in the Rue Morque and The Purloined Letter

## **Edgar Allan Poe**

Adapted by Graeme and Silvia Thomson Additional activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### Crime

Two cases of detection for Monsieur Auguste C. Dupin, Poe's great detective.

Who committed the atrocious murders in the Rue Morque? How did the murderer get in, or out? Will Dupin find the purloined letter and save the royal personage? Where is the minister hiding it?

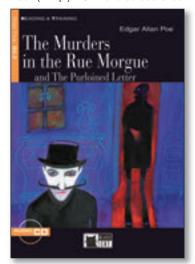
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The Art of the Detective Story, Apes Going Ape, Paris in the 1800s



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## **Pamela**

#### Samuel Richardson

Adapted by Nancy Timmins Activities by Tessa Vaughan

#### **Human interest**

Pamela is a maid in a big country house. But, when her mistress dies, Pamela is left at the mercy of Mr B. her mistress's son, who sets out to seduce her. Will Mr B succeed, or will Pamela's virtuous behaviour find its own reward? A fascinating study of the struggle for power between men and women.

#### Dossiers:

English Country Houses and their Owners, Letters and the Postal Service



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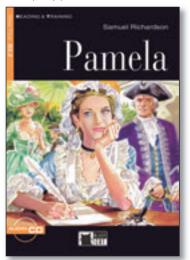
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## A Passage to India\*

#### E. M. Forster

Adapted by Maud Jackson Activities by Louis Vaughan

#### **Human interest**

Adela Quested visits India with Mrs Moore to decide whether to marry the latter's son, Ronny. Obsessed with understanding the 'real India', the two women make friends with Dr Aziz, who invites them to the mysterious Marabar caves...

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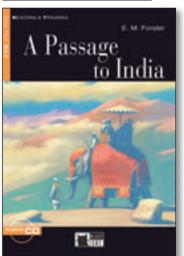
Hindus and Moslems in India. The British in India





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## Persuasion

#### Jane Austen

Adapted by Christopher Hall Activities by Adeline Richards

#### Love

In 1806, Captain Frederick Wentworth and Miss Anne Elliot fell in love, but since neither of them had any money, Anne's friend Lady Russell persuaded her not to marry the Captain. Years later, Anne and Frederick meet again. By this time Frederick has made a fortune in the Navy, but he is still angry with Anne for rejecting him. This is the most delicate and moving love story Jane Austen ever wrote.

#### Dossiers:

The Royal Navy in the Napoleonic Wars and others



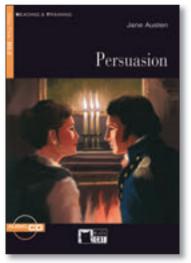






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## The Picture of Dorian Grav

#### Oscar Wilde

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen Additional activities by Justin Rainev

#### **Mystery & horror**

When the superbly handsome Dorian Gray sees his portrait he makes a terrible wish: that the portrait will grow older and that he will remain young forever. But what happens to the portrait that no one ever sees? A brilliant and disturbing story of a man who is willing to sell his soul for eternal youth, while he pursues pleasure and passion.

#### Dossiers:

The Aesthetic Movement, Oscar Wilde's London

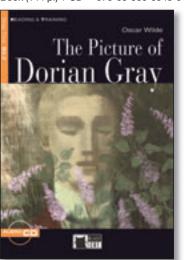






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## The Portrait of a Ladv

#### **Henry James**

Adapted by Blanche Malvern Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### **Human interest**

Isabel Archer, a young American woman, visits her uncle in England. Her uncle dies and leaves her a large fortune. Isabel was always beautiful and charming; now, in addition, she is rich. The question is, who will she marry? The English nobleman Lord Warburton? Her American suitor Casper Goodwood? Or the refined, sophisticated Gilbert Osmond?

#### Dossier:

Americans in Italy in the Nineteenth Century



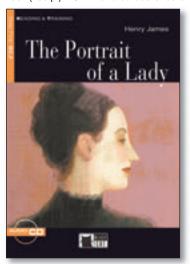






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## **NEW EDITION Pride and Prejudice**

#### Jane Austen

Adapted by Jennifer Gascoigne

#### Love

Mrs Bennet has five daughters to be married: Jane, Elizabeth, Mary, Kitty and Lydia. So, when rich and friendly Mr Bingley comes to live in their village bringing an even richer, but unfriendly, Mr Darcy with him, Mrs Bennet is delighted and hopeful. However, something goes wrong, as Mr Bingley loses interest in Jane and Mr Darcy and Elizabeth clearly dislike each other... or do they?

#### **Dossiers:**

The Regency Era, The Jane Austen Industry

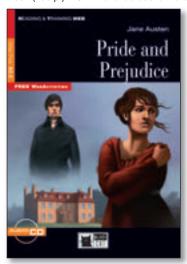




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## The Problem of Cell 13

#### Jacques Futrelle

Adapted by Graeme and Silvia Thomson

#### **Mystery & horror**

'Lock me in any cell in any prison anywhere at any time, wearing only normal clothes and I'll escape in a week'

For Professor Van Dusen, otherwise known as 'The Thinking Machine', nothing is impossible. Logic is his passion. One hour later he finds himself locked up in Chisholm prison and has to use all his mental resources to find the solution to the problem.

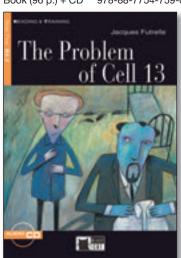
#### **Dossiers:**

Other Prison Stories. Futrelle's Death on the 'Titanic'



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## **Robinson Crusoe**

#### **Daniel Defoe**

Adapted by Maud Jackson Activities by Adeline Richards

#### **Adventure**

When the captain tells Robinson, 'Young man, you should never go to sea again...', Robinson ignores his advice, with terrible consequences. He is forced into slavery and escapes, but he is then shipwrecked on a desert island. where he manages to survive through resourcefulness and luck.

#### **Dossiers:**

The Slave Trade. Shipwrecks. Mercantilism: Trade, Wealth and Colonies and others

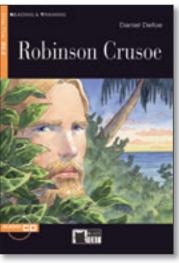








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## The Scarlet Letter

#### **Nathaniel Hawthorne**

Adapted by Gina D. B. Clemen

#### Love

In 17th-century Puritan Boston, Hester Prynne gives birth to an illegitimate child and is condemned to wear the scarlet letter 'A' as a sign of her adultery. Hester refuses to reveal the identity of her lover, and is forced to lead a life of humiliation. Meanwhile, Hester's husband settles in Boston and. after making her swear to keep his identity secret, tries to discover who Hester's secret lover is.

#### Dossiers:

The Puritans - The Origins, Boston, Heart of the American Revolution and others



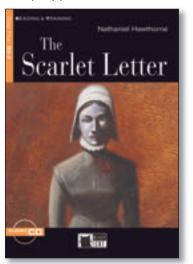






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## **Sense and Sensibility**

#### Jane Austen

Adapted by Blanche Malvern Activities by Jane Cammack

#### Love

Elinor and Marianne Dashwood are sisters. Both are intelligent, sensitive, charming, and beautiful, but there the similarities end. Elinor values propriety and common sense: Marianne, by contrast, has extravagant Romantic ideas. In this brilliant novel, Jane Austen explores two different ways of thinking and acting - the 'sense' of Elinor and the 'sensibility' of Marianne - as they try to find happiness in a world full of hypocrisy, vulgarity, and self-interest.

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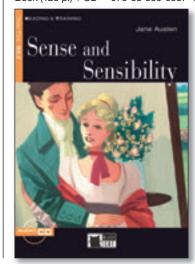
Money and Marriage





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## **Sons and Lovers**

#### D. H. Lawrence

Adapted by Blanche Malvern Activities by Kenneth Brodey

#### Love

Mrs Morel is a strong, intelligent, domineering woman. She is antagonistic to her husband and gives all her love to her sons. The Morels' younger son, Paul, grows up close to his mother. As he grows up, he is torn between a passionate love for his mother and his lovers. first Miriam and then Clara.

#### **Dossiers:**

The Oedipus Complex, The Women's Social and Political Union



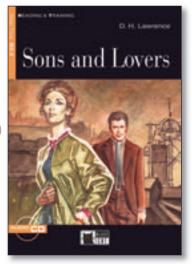
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## A Tale of Two Cities

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#### Adventure

Dr Manette is falsely imprisoned for 18 years by the Marquis of Evrémonde. He is eventually released and goes to England to ioin his daughter Lucie, who marries the Frenchman Charles Darnay of the Evrémonde family. During the Reign of Terror Darnay travels to Paris where he is imprisoned and sentenced to be executed...

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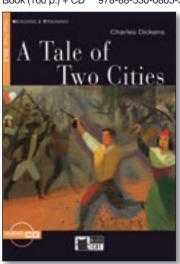
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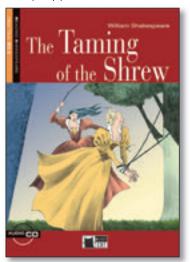
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#### Love

The Durbeyfield family are poor and simple people, but their ancestors were the mighty d'Urbervilles, an ancient and noble family. When the Durbeyfields meet with misfortune, they send their oldest daughter, Tess, to visit her wealthy cousin and ask for help, but the wealthy cousin has a young son, Alec Stoked'Urberville, who finds Tess very attractive...

#### Dossiers:

No Sex, Please, We're Victorians, Stonehenge

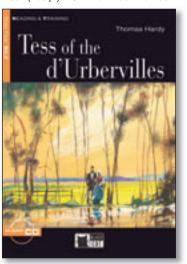




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#### William Makepeace Thackeray

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Amelia Sedley and Becky Sharp are two friends. Amelia comes from a wealthy family but her father is made bankrupt. She marries George Osborne, a vain and shallow young man who does not really love her. Becky Sharp, on the other hand, comes from a penniless family, and is determined to use her beauty and charm to find a good position in life.

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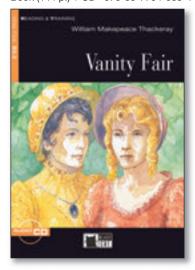








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## **Wuthering Heights**

#### **Emily Brontë**

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#### Love

Wuthering Heights is home to the Earnshaw family, who adopt an orphan called Heathcliff. When they grow up, Catherine Earnshaw and Heathcliff fall deeply in love. But Catherine decides to marry Edgar Linton from the big house across the moors. Heathcliff runs away in despair. When he returns some years later, a series of terrible events destroys the relationship between the Lintons and the Earnshaws.

#### Dossier:

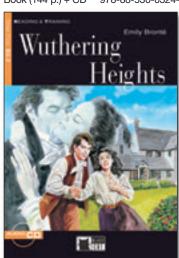
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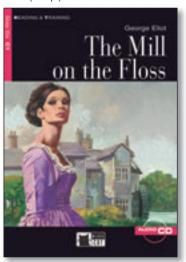
Maggie and Tom Tulliver are sister and brother. Maggie is passionate, impulsive, intelligent and often makes mistakes. Tom is practical, unimaginative, judgemental, honest and hardworking. When their father is declared bankrupt, Tom works hard to pay his father's debts and restore the family name, while Maggie forms unsuitable friendships and is eventually ostracised by her family and local society.

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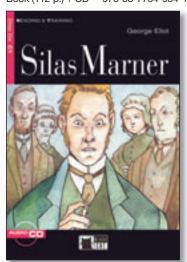
Silas, a weaver, is betrayed by his best friend and the woman he loves. He loses all faith in humanity and moves to the village of Raveloe. There he lives a solitary life, working and hoarding his gold coins, until one day his gold is stolen...

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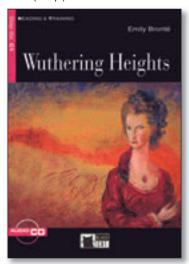
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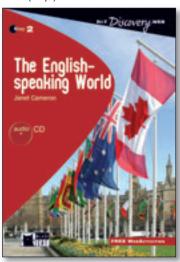






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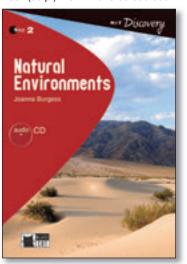






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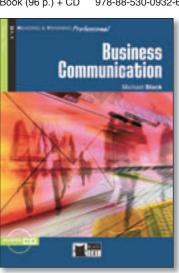
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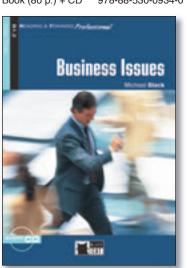


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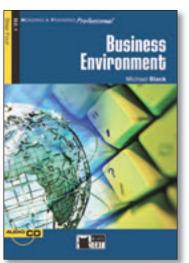
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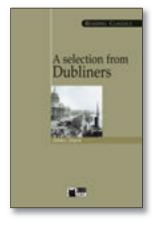
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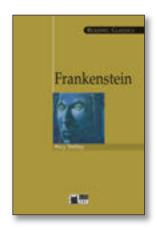
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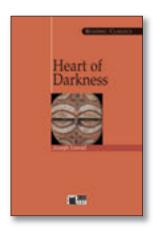












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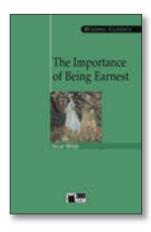
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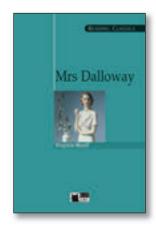
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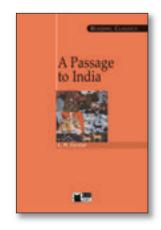
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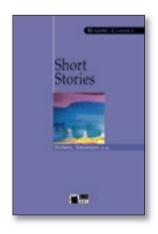
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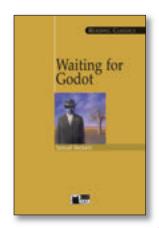














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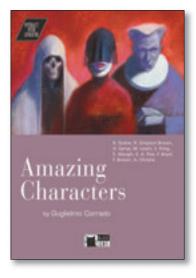
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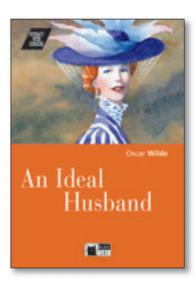
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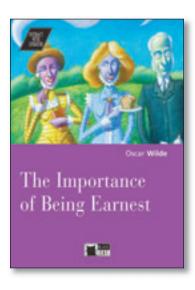
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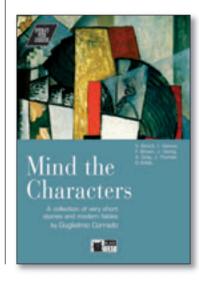
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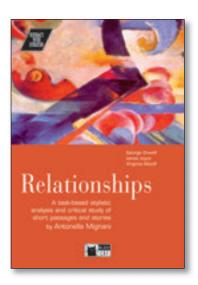




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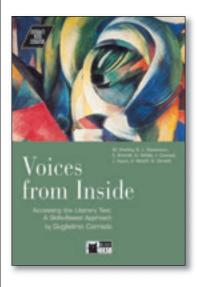
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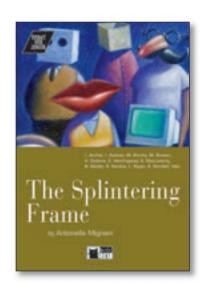
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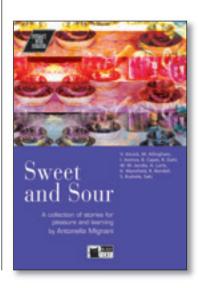
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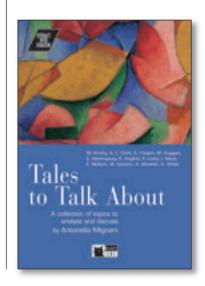
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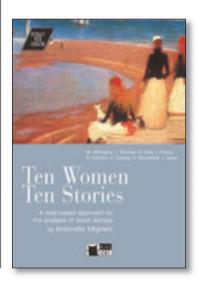
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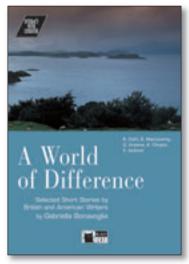












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