

Books presented by Bob Docherty to Year 7

PEE/P **Mysterious Stranger**

Author: Mal Peet & Elspeth Graham. Illus. P.J. Lynch

Summary: An old guide, Issa, finds a camel buried by sand after a sand storm, protecting a basket with a baby girl inside. Issa brings the girl up as his daughter before he goes blind. When strangers come they learn some surprising news.



WES **Night Vision**

Author: Ella West.

Summary: Viola was born with a genetic condition that makes sunlight deadly. In the dark of night, when most teenagers are tucked up in bed, Viola has the run of her parents' farm and the surrounding forest. She is used to seeing hidden things through her night-vision goggles, but one night she sees something that could get her into a whole lot of trouble. NZ Author



CAR **House of Power, Bk1 in Atherton series**

Author: Patrick Carman

Summary: Atherton is a three tiered planet created as a refuge from a dying Earth. On the top, live the rulers. On the middle, humans live and cultivate while the lower tier is inhabited by monsters. When Edgar climbs to the forbidden top and the planet begins to collapse, the lives of its inhabitants will change forever!



LER **Seven Wonders: The Colossus Rises**

Author: Peter Lerangis

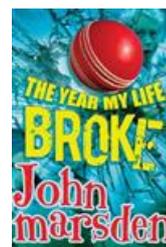
Summary: The old civilisation of Atlantis exists not only as an island but the power that made it strong exists in the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Jack and his friends too have special powers and are assigned to bring the power back to Atlantis. Book 1 in the series.



MAR **The Year my life Broke**

Author: John Marsden

Summary: When Josh's wealthy parents lose all their money, they have to move house, school, and town, from rich to rags. So boring that Josh plays the loser. Until he saves the school from humiliation with his well-hidden cricket skills. Funny, gripping and full of surprises.



808 **Once Upon a Slime 45 Ways to get writing Fast**

Author: Andy Griffiths. Illus. Terry Denton

Summary. How did the authors come up with all their stories and how you can use their ideas to start writing yourself.



GRE **The Princess and the Foal**

Author: Stacy Gregg

Summary: When Princess Haya is six, her father gives her a foal called Bree. Together they are a brilliant showjumping team. But in Jordan, women are not supposed to ride, let alone win! Based on a true story, by New Zealand author.



STE **A Necklace of Souls**

Author: R. L. Stedman

Summary: Dana lives in the selective Kingdom of the Rose, a kingdom that is protected by a Guardian wearing a powerful necklace that keeps evil at bay. But it's power is weakening and an ancient enemy is rising to conquer all before him. Good fantasy.



HUN **Phantom of Terawhiti**

Author: Des Hunt

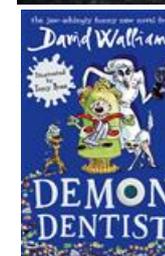
Summary: When a billionaire's boat is sunk off the Wellington coast a rare white serval cat escapes and is hunted by Russian thugs and hunters. Zac and Jess try to save the serval. New Zealand author.



WAL **Demon Dentist**

Author: David Walliams

Summary: Alfie doesn't brush his teeth and comes in contact with a tooth witch who wants all the teeth from all the children in town. Humour and horror from the most popular children's writer in Britain.



PHE **The Last Thirteen series**

Author: James Phelan

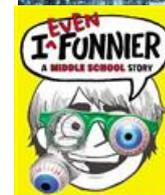
Summary: The world is at threat from the forces of evil led by Solaris. Thirteen kids have the power to predict the future through their dreams. Can Solaris use this ability as a weapon? This is book one of a series of thirteen titles. Fast-paced action thriller.



PAT **I even funnier**

Author: James Patterson

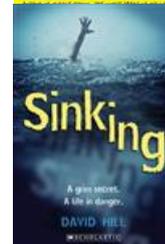
Summary: 13 years old Jamie has big dreams of being the best stand-up comic in the world - and he won't let the fact that he's wheelchair-bound get in his way.



HIL **Sinking**

Author: David Hill

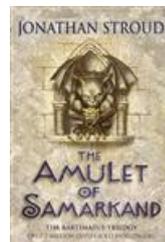
Summary: Conrad is training for the Nationals in swimming when he meets Bex whose grandfather has alzheimers disease and is haunted by the drowning of his friend he could not prevent long ago in the river. Will history repeats itself? New Zealand author.



STR **The Amulet of Samarkand, Bartimaeus series**

Author: Jonathan Stroud

Summary: Nathaniel is a young magician's apprentice who manages to summon the 5,000-year-old djinni Bartimaeus. When a spell goes wrong, both djinni and apprentice are caught up in a terrifying flood of magical intrigue, murder and rebellion. Set in a modern-day London controlled by magicians, this hilarious, electrifying thriller will enthrall readers of all ages.



CHI **Ruby Redford**

Author: Lauren Child

Summary: 13-year-old Ruby Redford is a smart kid whose code-cracking skills draw the attention of Spectrum, a secret intelligence agency. Mystery and intrigue, murder, mayhem and a good laugh!



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