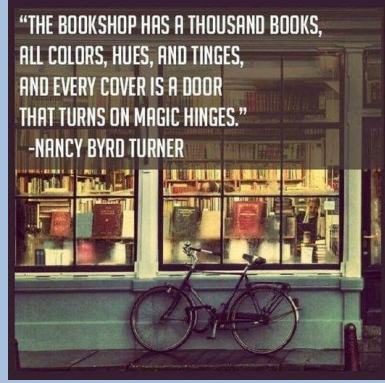




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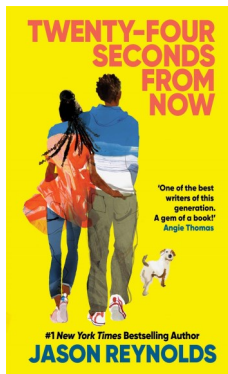
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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Katherine_Rundell

Twenty-Four seconds from now

By Jason Reynolds

Seventeen-year-old Neon is about to have sex with his girlfriend, Aria, for the first time. In 24 seconds to be precise. He's hiding in the bathroom, nervous, wanting to do everything right . . . Rewind. To 24 minutes earlier where Neon rushes from work, taking the gift of fried chicken to Aria's house. Rewind again. To 24 hours earlier when Neon's big sister has advice about sex which makes him think he probably shouldn't be listening to his friends. To 24 days earlier. To 24 weeks earlier. To 24 months earlier, when he and Aria first met.



This tender, sweet, wholesome piece of fiction discusses how to approach first sex, how to respect women, how to be gentle, how to make it about love. It shows us a refreshingly different side to male sexuality. Year 10 and above only.

Impossible Creatures

By Katherine Rundell

Christopher is stunned when he discovers a passage to the Archipelago: a cluster of magical islands where all the creatures of myth still live and breed and thrive in their thousands. There he meets Mal: a girl from the islands, who is in possession of a flying coat and a baby griffin, and who is being pursued by a killer. Together they embark on an urgent quest to discover why the creatures are suddenly perishing, voyaging across the wild splendour of the Archipelago, where sphinxes hold secrets and centaurs do murder, in a bid to save both the islands and the world beyond them from a rising evil – before it's too late.



“Reading brings us unknown friends.” — Honoré de Balzac

NONFICTION NOVEMBER

Why not try out some of these for a change during Non-fiction
November? All available in our libraries



They are all great reads!

"I often read non-fiction, and some of my ideas begin there." Will Hobbs



DID YOU KNOW?

You can now apply for Blue Peter Book Badge!

To find out everything you need to know please follow this link:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge>

But here are a few things first:

To earn this badge, you must:

- Be between 5-15 years of age
- Tell us about a book you have read and what you think about it. Maybe you liked the characters, or perhaps you enjoyed going on exciting adventures in faraway places.
- Upload your illustration of a character or a scene from the story. This could be a drawing, painting or even digital artwork.
- Let us know what other books and authors you have enjoyed reading and why.

You can make a library out of just about anything!



Some children do not have access to books or learning because of the remoteness of living or due to political or environmental reasons. The camel libraries in Pakistan—literally a camel caravan bringing books to remote areas, as well as permanent reading rooms made available to communities—is a charity, part of the [Alif Layla Book Bus Society](#), which is facing the challenge of reaching out-of-school children across Pakistan and provide them with reading and learning materials.

“Reading to the mind is what exercise is to the body.” Joseph Addison

Did you know

- Listening to music is one of the few activities that involve the use of all parts of our brain.
- When listening to music, your heart modifies its beats to try to imitate the rhythm of the music you listen to.
- Did you know that having a song playing in our head all day and not being able to stop it? This phenomenon is known as "musical worm".
- When listening to rock or pop our physical resistance can increase by 15%.
- When we listen to music, dopamine is released in our brain, like when you take drugs, have sex or eat.
- Music can help us in reasoning processes and significantly improves the motor areas of our brain. That's why it is believed that music emerged to "help us all move together."
- The music listened to is stored in areas of the brain different from those of the memories, that's why people with Alzheimer's are able to remember melodies from their past.
- Listening to loud music can cause us to drink drinks faster in less time. Now we understand why the music is so loud in discos.
- Touching a musical instrument can improve verbal communication.
- Flowers can grow faster if there is music around them.
- The kind of music we like at the age of 20 is usually the kind of music we will like for the rest of our lives.
- Babies learn the meaning of the emotions of the music before the meaning of the words.
- The way we conceive the world is conditioned by the type of music we listen to.
- Did you know that when you flush the toilet, in most toilets, it gives a Mi flat?



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You are *authors.*

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"Where words fail, music speaks." - Hans Christian Andersen

LEGO CHRISTMAS TREE

For all you Lego fans out there, how about this? A Christmas tree made of nearly 400,000 plastic bricks goes on display each year at Legoland. The construction is made up of 364,481 Lego and Duplo blocks and stands at nearly 33ft tall! Why not try your hand at making your own PLume Lego Christmas tree with our Lego in MRC Library?



Christmas Competition

Decorate a Bauble
for our Library
Christmas Tree.

Use lots of colours, glitter and
sparkles



Prizes to be won

Closing date: Wednesday

15th December

Other competitions coming this
December
in the libraries:

Guess the book from the location
&
Christmas Emoji Quiz

“Courage is fire, and bullying is smoke.”-Benjamin Disraeli