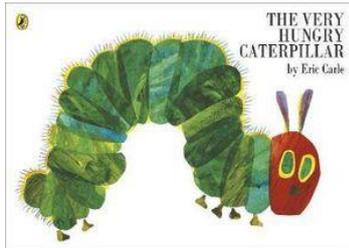


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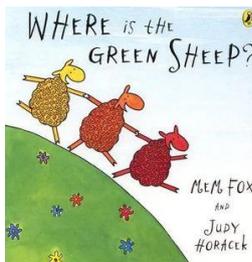
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The Very Hungry Caterpillar

By Eric Carle

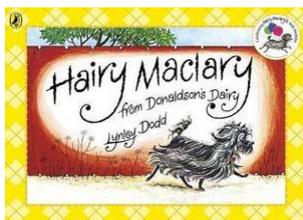
The story of a very small and very hungry caterpillar who manages to nibble his way through the pages of this enchanting book.



Where is the Green Sheep?

By Mem Fox and Judy Horacek

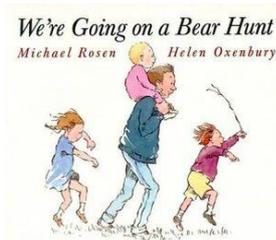
Here is the blue sheep, and here is the red sheep. Here is the bath sheep, and here is the bed sheep. But where is the green sheep?



Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy

By Lynley Dodd

The iconic first Hairy Maclary book, which introduces Hercules Morse, Bitzer Maloney, Muffin McLay, Bottomley Potts, Schnitzel von Krumm and of course the famous Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy.



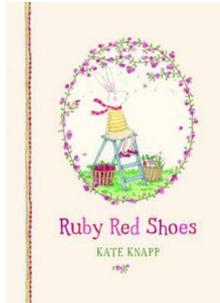
We're Going on a Bear Hunt

By Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury

Follow and join in the family's excitement as they wade through the grass, splash through the river and squelch through the mud in search of a bear.

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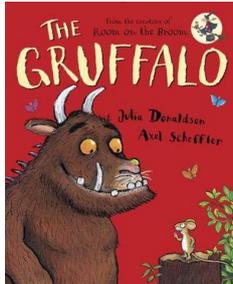
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Ruby Red Shoes

By Kate Knapp

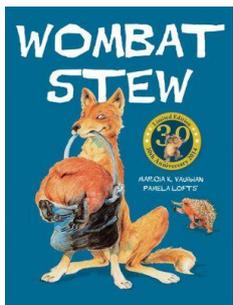
Ruby Red Shoes lives in a colourful caravan with her grandmother. Ruby is gentle and kind and cares for all living things, including plants and trees, animals and people. Ruby is also particularly fond of strawberry jam and peppermint tea.



The Gruffalo

By Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler

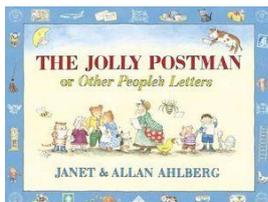
Walk further into the deep dark wood and discover what happens when a quick-witted mouse comes face to face with an owl, a snake ... and a hungry Gruffalo!



Wombat Stew

By Marcia Vaughan and Pamela Lofts

In this classic Australian picture book, a dingo catches a wombat and wants to cook him in a stew. But all the other bush animals have a plan to save their friend.



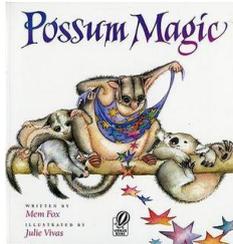
The Jolly Postman or Other People's Letters

By Janet Ahlberg and Allan Ahlberg

The Jolly Postman delivers cards and letters to various fairy-tale characters. He has a letter of apology for the three bears from Goldilocks, a postcard from Jack for the giant, a solicitor's letter on behalf of Little Red Riding-Hood for the wolf who ate grandma, and so on.

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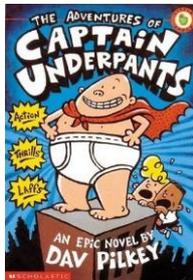
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Possum Magic

By Mem Fox

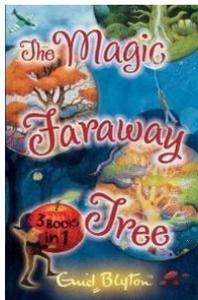
Grandma Poss uses her best bush magic to make Hush invisible. But when Hush longs to be able to see herself again, the two possums must make their way across Australia to find the magic food that will make Hush visible once more.



The Adventures of Captain Underpants

By Dav Pilkey

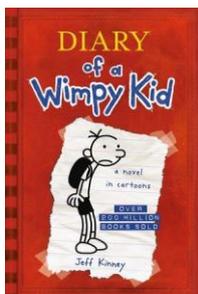
Meet Captain Underpants! His true identity is so secret, even he doesn't know who he is. Acclaimed author Dav Pilkey provides young readers with the adventure of a lifetime in this outrageously funny, action-packed and easy-to-read chapter book.



The Magic Faraway Tree (3 stories in 1)

By Enid Blyton

Three magical books in one ... The Enchanted Wood, The Magic Faraway Tree and the Folk of the Faraway Tree. This work features funny, magical adventures that will delight children again and again.



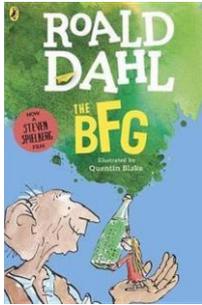
Diary of a Wimpy Kid

By Jeff Kinney

Being a kid can really stink. And no one knows this better than Greg Heffley. Luckily Greg has his best friend and sidekick, Rowley. But when Rowley's popularity starts to rise, it kicks off a chain of events that will test their friendship in hilarious fashion.

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The BFG

By Roald Dahl and Quentin Blake

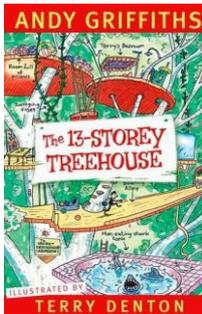
On a dark, silvery moonlit night, Sophie is snatched from her bed by a giant. Luckily it is the Big Friendly Giant, *the BFG*, who only eats snozzcumbers and glugs frobscottle. But there are other giants in Giant Country. Fifty-foot brutes who gallop far and wide every night to find human beans to eat. Can Sophie and her friend *the BFG* stop them?



The Baby-Sitters Club: Kristy's Great Idea

By Ann M. Martin

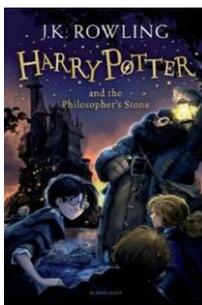
When Kristy Thomas has the great idea to form a baby-sitters club — a chance to earn money and spend time with her friends, all the while doing something they each love to do — she has no idea how much the club will change everything. Kristy and her co-founders Mary Anne, Claudia and Stacey are sure they can handle anything. But only if they stick together...



The 13-Storey Treehouse

By Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton

Who wouldn't want to live in a treehouse? Especially a 13-storey treehouse that has a see-through swimming pool, a tank full of sharks, a library full of comics, a secret underground laboratory, self-making beds, a vegetable vaporiser and a marshmallow machine that follows you around and automatically shoots your favourite flavoured marshmallows into your mouth.



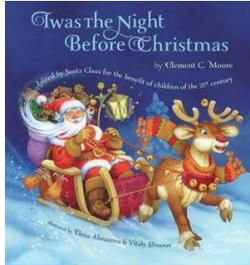
Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone

By J.K. Rowling

All Harry knows is a miserable life with the Dursleys, his horrible aunt and uncle, and their abominable son, Dudley. But all that is about to change when a mysterious letter arrives by owl messenger: a letter with an invitation to an incredible place that Harry - and anyone who reads about him - will find unforgettable.

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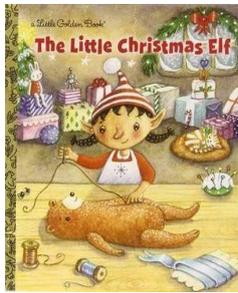
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Twas the Night Before Christmas (edited by Santa Claus for the Benefit of Children of the 21st Century)

By Clement Moore

This edition of the classic poem stays true to the spirit of Clement C. Moore's portrayal of Christmas Eve. The important edits to this edition were done out of care for young readers.



The Little Christmas Elf (A Little Golden Book)

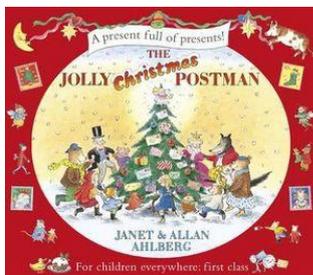
By Nikki Shannon Smith and Susan Mitchell

Nina, the littlest elf in Santa's workshop, doesn't finish the teddy bear she's making in time for it to get loaded onto Santa's sleigh. But encouraged by Santa Claus to not give up, she works far into the night to finish it. While Santa is out delivering presents, a baby is born. Santa comes back for Nina's now-finished bear—and guess who he takes along to deliver it?



We're Going on a Bear Hunt - Christmas Activity Book

There's so much to make, do and discover in the countdown to Christmas! Whether kids like staying indoors to make crafts or stepping outside to explore, they'll find plenty of ideas in this gem of a book. With easy-to-follow instructions, charming illustrations, and plenty of holiday spirit, this hands-on guide to making the most of the season will keep children entertained and inspired.



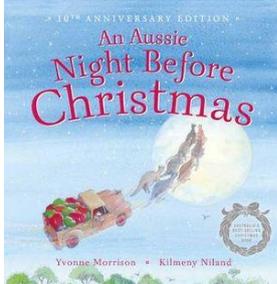
The Jolly Christmas Postman

By Janet Ahlberg and Allan Ahlberg

It's Christmas Eve and the Jolly Postman is delivering greetings to various fairy-tale characters - there's a card for Baby Bear, a game appropriately called 'Beware' for Red Riding Hood from Mr Wolf, a get-well jigsaw for hospitalised Humpty Dumpty and three more surprise envelopes containing letters, cards, etc.

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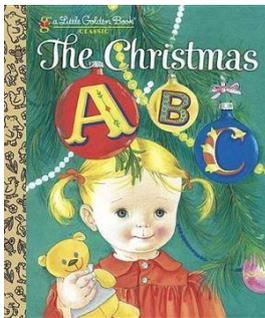
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An Aussie Night Before Christmas

By Yvonne Morrison and Kilmeny Niland

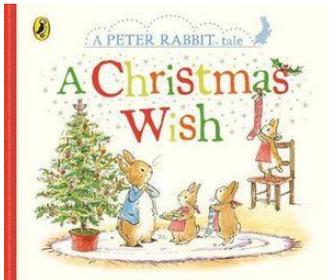
Twas the night before Christmas; there wasn't a sound. Not a possum was stirring; no-one was around. Christmas in the middle of an Australian summer means Santa has to find new ways to deliver his presents.



The Christmas ABC (A Little Golden Book)

By Florence Johnson

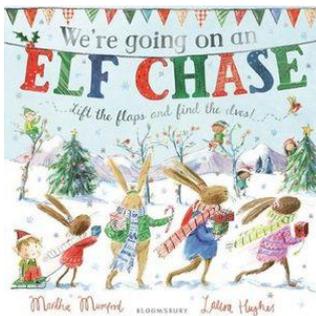
"C" is for Christmas-y fun in this festive Little Golden Book reissue from 1962. Classic illustrations from Eloise Wilkin show her famously adorable toddlers decorating the tree, opening gifts, and running to the mailbox! Young readers will see themselves in this book as they learn their ABCs and anticipate Santa's visit.



Peter Rabbit: A Christmas Wish

By Beatrix Potter

It's Christmas Eve and Peter Rabbit and his sisters are excited, but Peter is worried too. They have all wished for a special present, but Peter can't sleep, and he knows Father Christmas won't visit if he's still awake.



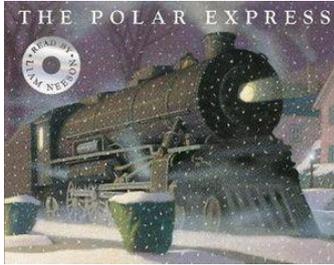
We're Going on an Elf Chase

By Martha Mumford and Laura Hughes

Four bunnies set off on a jolly Christmas lift-the-flap adventure to find ten little elves hidden under the flaps. You'll have to run, run, run if you're going to catch them all! And there are lots of obstacles along the way, from clippy-cloppy reindeer to roaring polar bears and flippy-flappy penguins.

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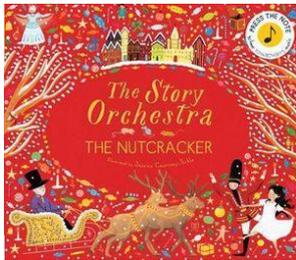
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The Polar Express (with audio CD read by Liam Neeson)

By Chris Van Allsburg

Late one Christmas Eve, a boy boards a mysterious train that waits for him - the Polar Express bound for the North Pole. When he arrives, Santa offers him any gift he desires. The boy modestly asks for one bell from the reindeer's harness. It turns out to be a very special gift, for only believers in Santa can hear it ring.



The Nutcracker: Story Orchestra

By Jessica Courtney-Tickle and Katy Flint

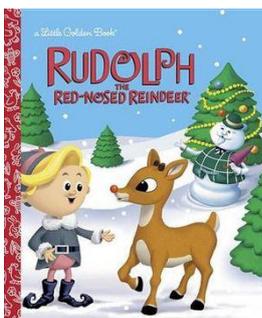
Follow Clara on a magical Christmas adventure in this retelling of the classic ballet story. Including music from 'The Dance of the Reed Flutes', 'The Waltz of Flowers' and 'The Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy'.



What Do You Wish For?

By Jane Godwin and Anna Walker

Best-selling children's book creators (Jane Godwin and Anna Walker) bring the magic of Christmas into our hearts and homes. Fun, presents, sparkly lights and Christmas Wishes. From this much-loved creative partnership comes a sparkling and beautiful story, full of the wonder of Christmas, the magic of wishing, and the timeless dreams of a child.



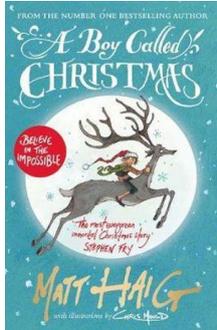
Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

A Little Golden Book

In this comic retelling of the traditional Christmas story, Rudolph runs away from home to escape everyone's teasing, travels to the Island of Misfit Toys with his elf pal, Herbie, and then faces down the Abominable Snow Monster - all before guiding Santa's sleigh through that famous foggy Christmas Eve.

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A Boy Called Christmas

By Matt Haig and Chris Mould

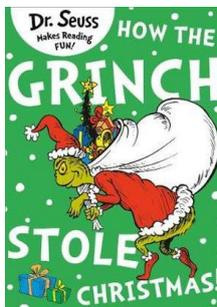
Believe in the impossible. You are about to read the TRUE STORY of Father Christmas. If you are one of those people who believe that some things are impossible, you should put this book down right away (because this book is FULL of impossible things). Are you still reading? Good ... then let us begin.



The Girl Who Saved Christmas

By Matt Haig and Chris Mould

It is Christmas Eve and all is not well. Amelia Wishart is trapped in Mr Creeper's workhouse and Christmas is in jeopardy. Magic is fading. If Christmas is to happen, Father Christmas knows he must find her. With the help of some elves, eight reindeer, the Queen and a man called Charles Dickens, the search for Amelia - and the secret of Christmas – begins.



How the Grinch Stole Christmas

By Dr Seuss

When he spies the citizens of Who-ville enjoying their Christmas preparations, the Grinch comes down from his cave and makes a dastardly attempt to take all the joy out of the occasion by actually stealing Christmas. With hilarious rhymes and distinctive, original illustrations, this classic seasonal story has become a favourite for good reason and teaches readers the true meaning of Christmas.



The Christmasaurus

By Tom Fletcher

The Christmasaurus is a story about a boy named William Trundle and a dinosaur, the Christmasaurus. It's about how they meet one Christmas Eve and have a magical adventure. It's about friendship and families, sleigh bells and Santa, singing elves and flying reindeer, music and magic. It's about discovering your hearts true desire and learning that the impossible might just be possible.