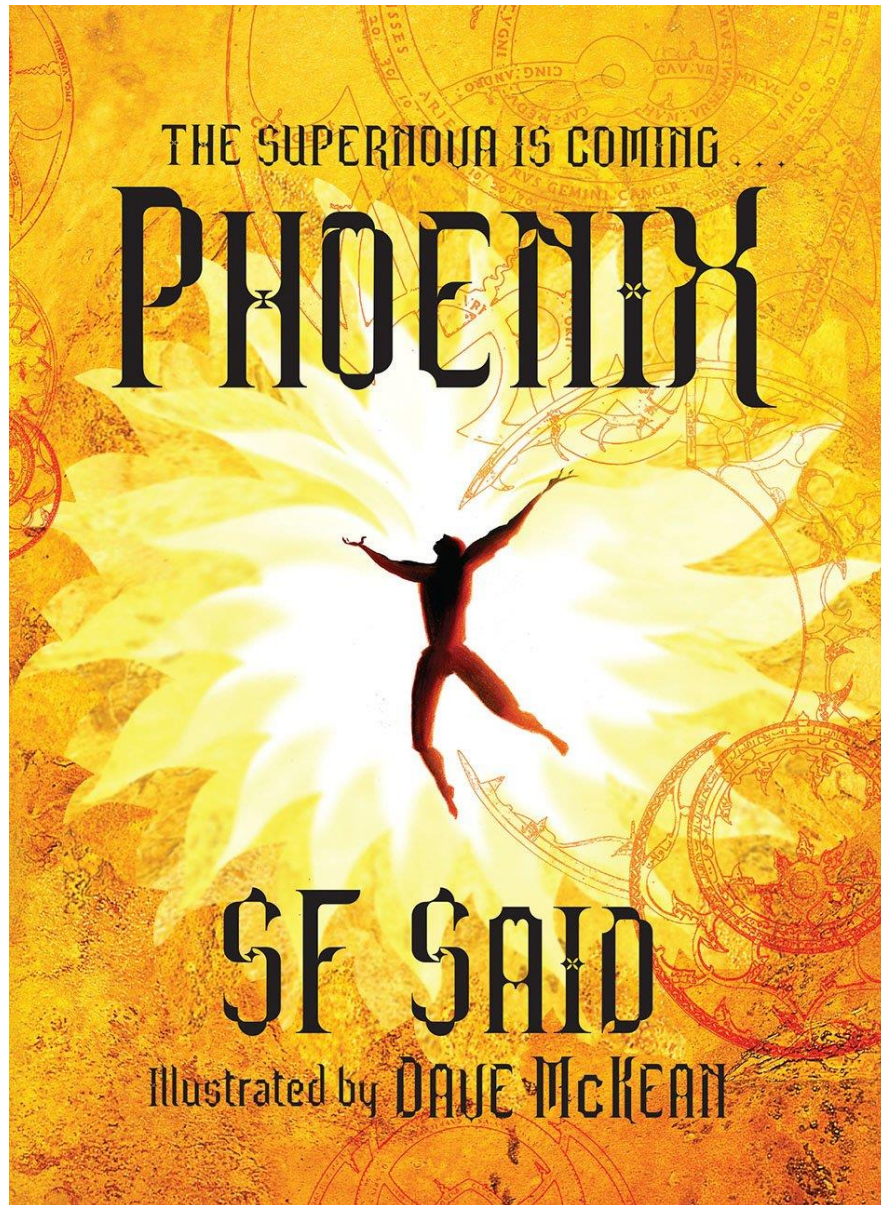


‘You’re supposed to start a story at the beginning, right? The thing is, knowing exactly when that is can be kind of difficult.’

Christopher Edge

The Jamie Drake Equation



‘Lucky dreamed of the stars again last night. He loved the stars and dreamed about them most nights. A million points of silver light, shining in the black. But this dream was different. This time, the stars were calling him.’

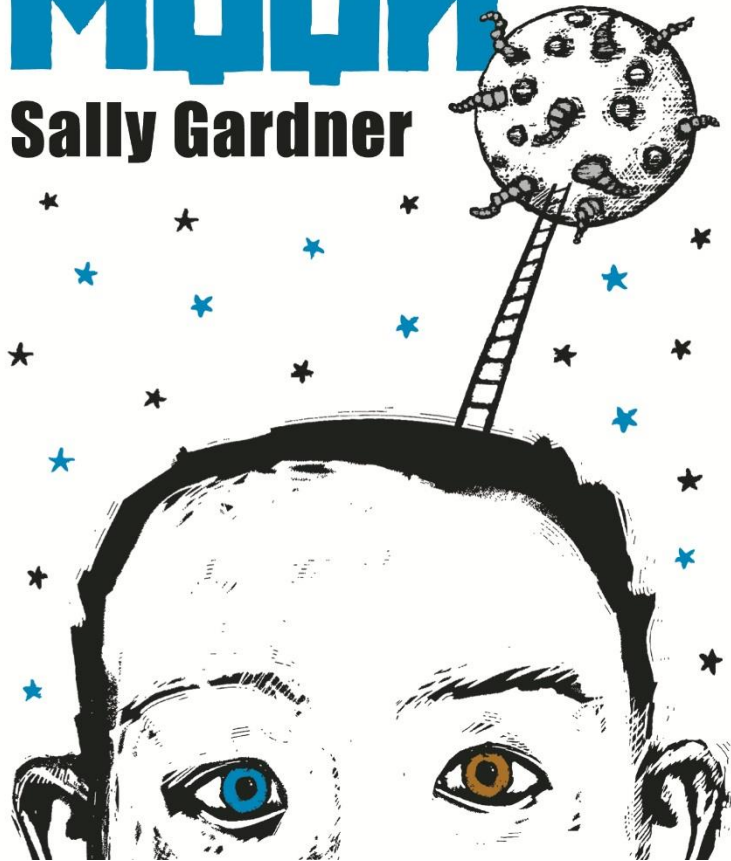
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Phoenix

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MAGGOT

MOON

Sally Gardner



'I'm wondering what if.

What if the football hadn't
gone over the wall.

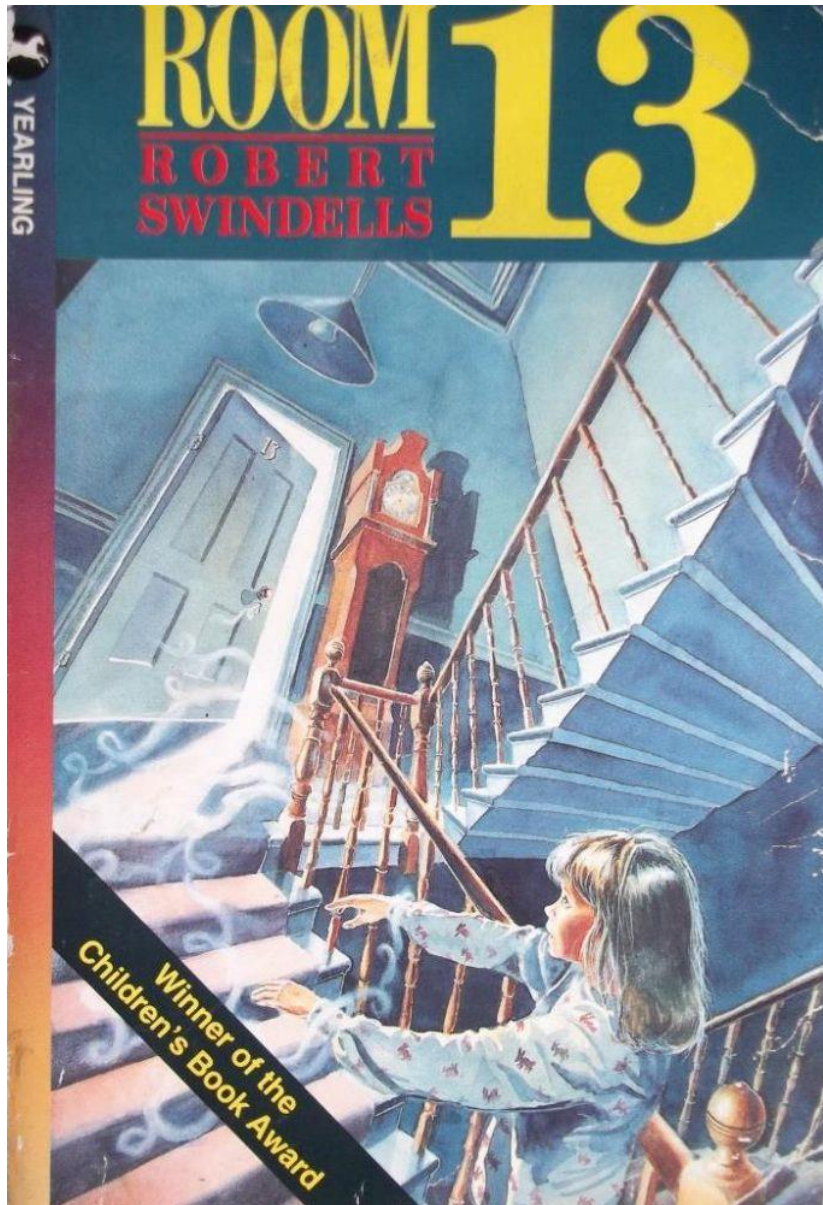
What if Hector had never gone
looking for it.

What if he hadn't kept the
dark secret to himself.

What if...'

Sally Gardner

Maggot Moon

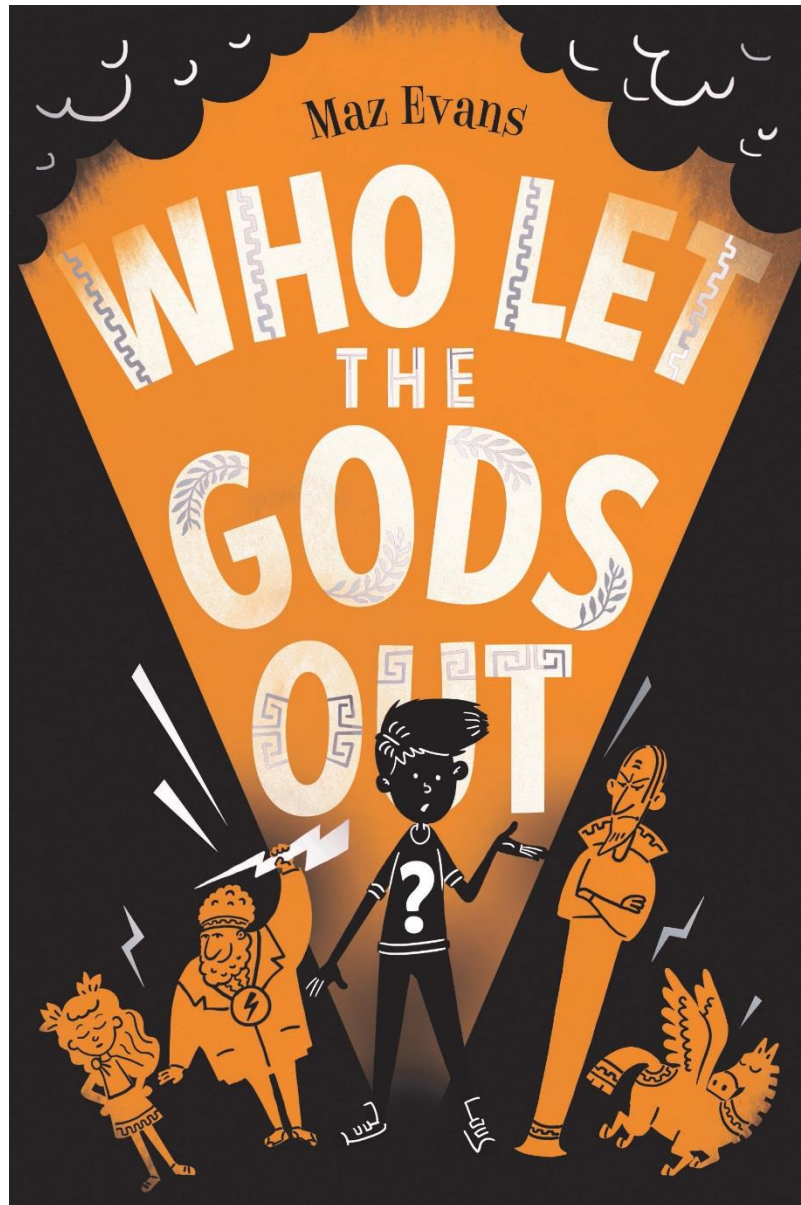


‘This is what Fliss dreamed the night before the second year went to Whitby.

She was walking on a road high above the sea. It was dark. She was alone.’

Robert Swindells

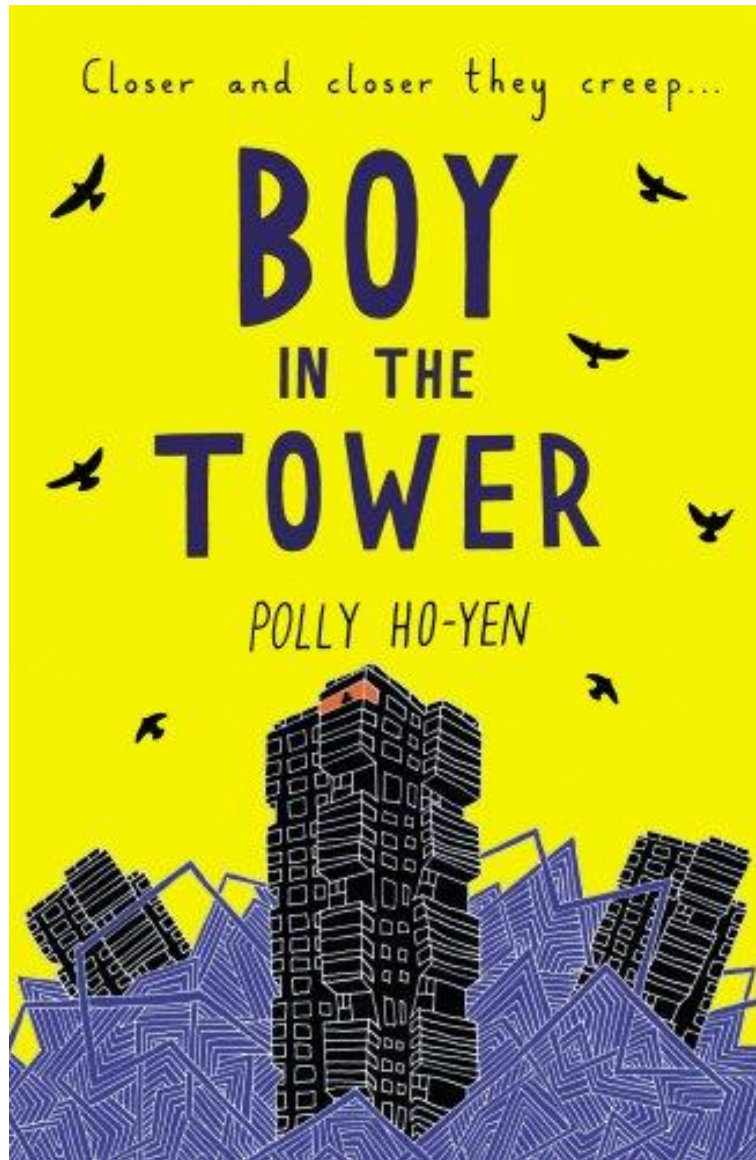
Room 13



‘It began on a Friday,
as strange things
often do.’

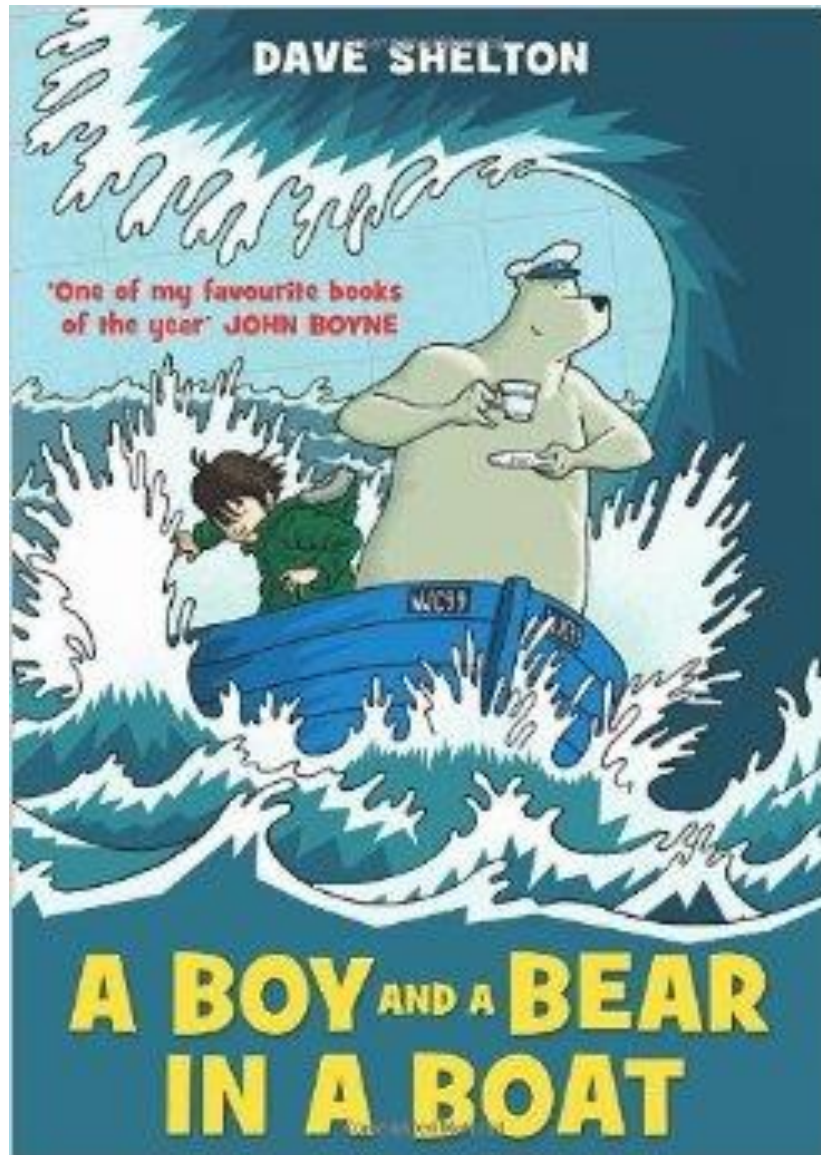
Maz Evans

Who Let the Gods Out.



‘When you wish that a Saturday was actually a Monday, you know there is something seriously wrong.’

Polly Ho-Yen
Boy in the Tower



“Welcome aboard,”
said the bear,
standing and turning
to face the boy.’

Dave Shelton

A Boy and a Bear in a Boat by



‘When Mary Lennox was sent to Misselthwaite Manor to live with her uncle everybody said she was the most disagreeable-looking child ever seen.’

Francis Hodgson Burnett
The Secret Garden



‘Everybody knows the story of the Three Little Pigs.

Or at least they think they do.

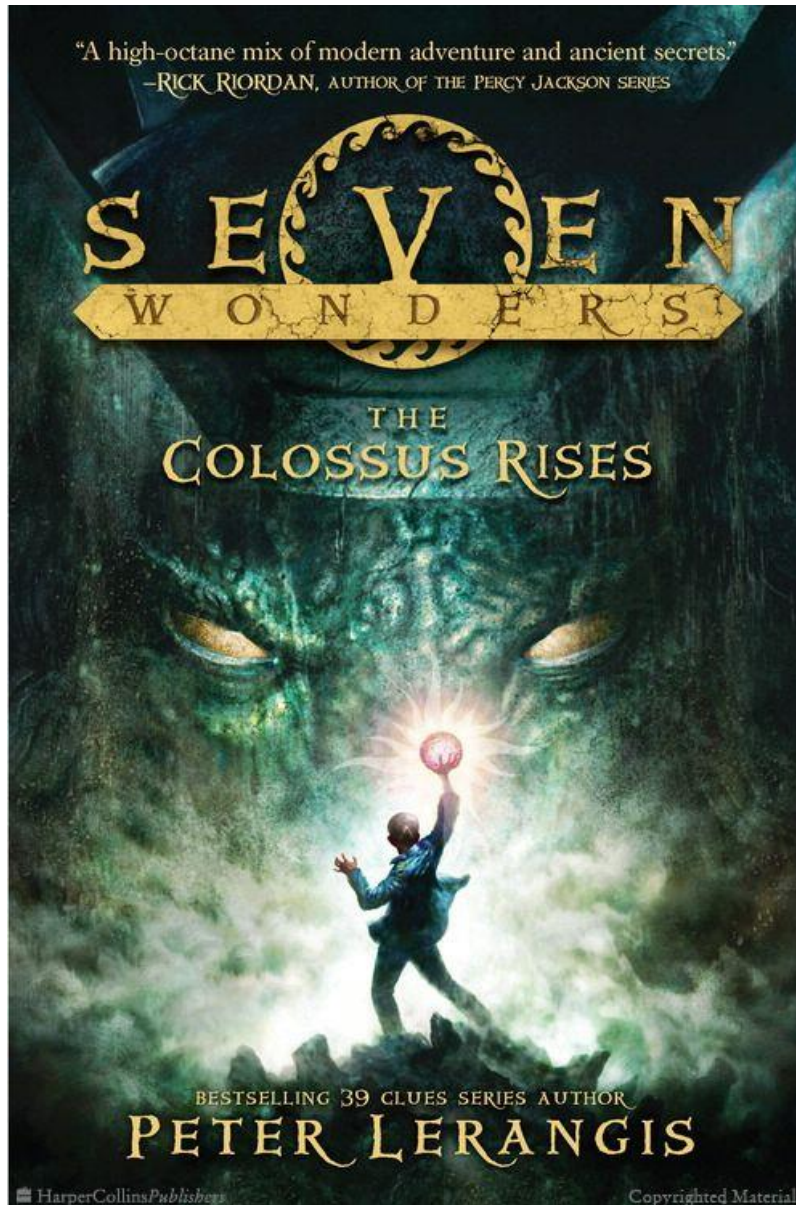
But I'll let you in on a little secret.

Nobody knows the real story, because nobody has ever heard my side of the story.

I'm the Wolf.’

Jon Scieszka

The True Story of the Three Little Pigs



‘On the morning I was scheduled to die, a large barefoot man with a bushy red beard waddled past my house.’

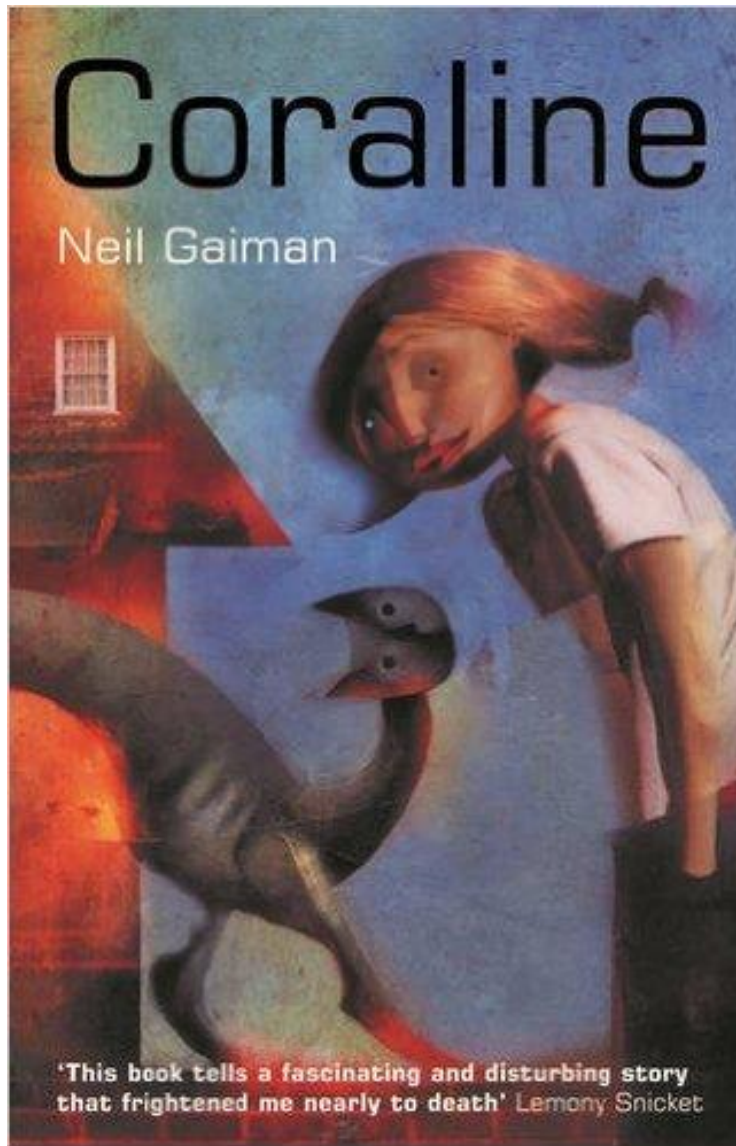
Peter Lerangis

Seven Wonders Book 1: The Colossus Rises



‘When the doorbell rings at three in the morning, it’s never good news.’

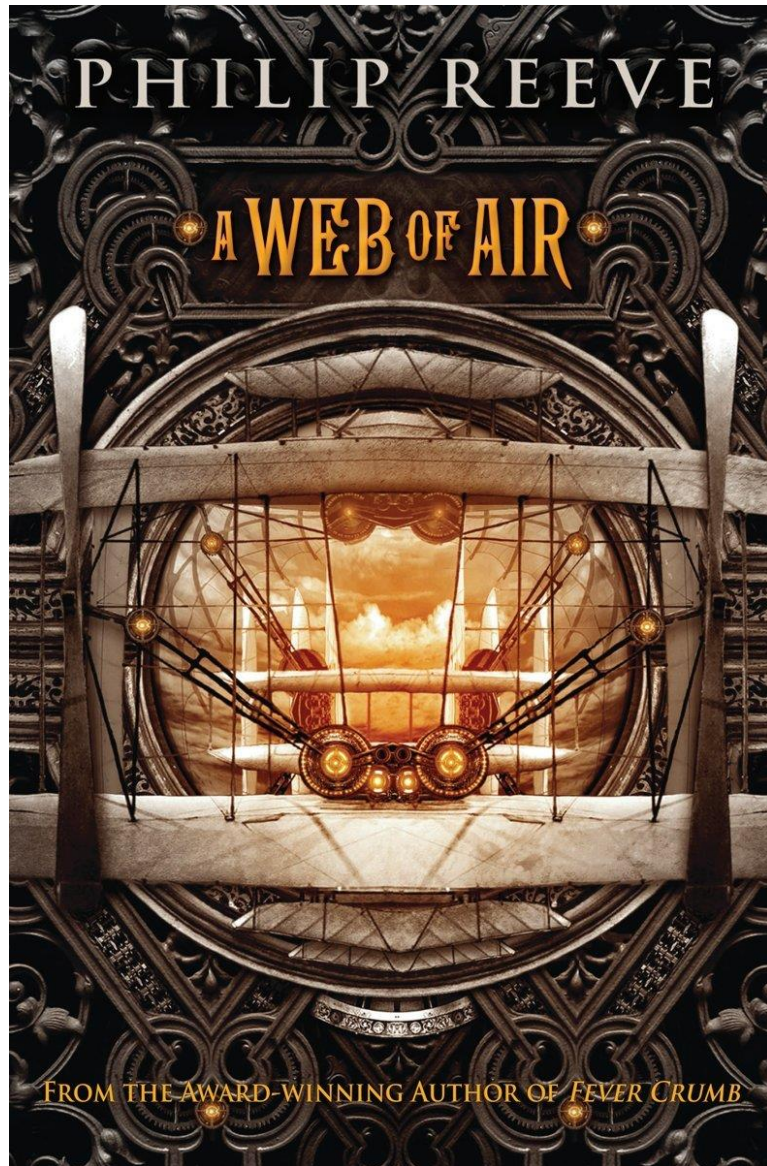
Anthony Horowitz
Stormbreaker



‘Coraline discovered the door a little while after they moved into the house.’

Neil Gaiman

Coraline



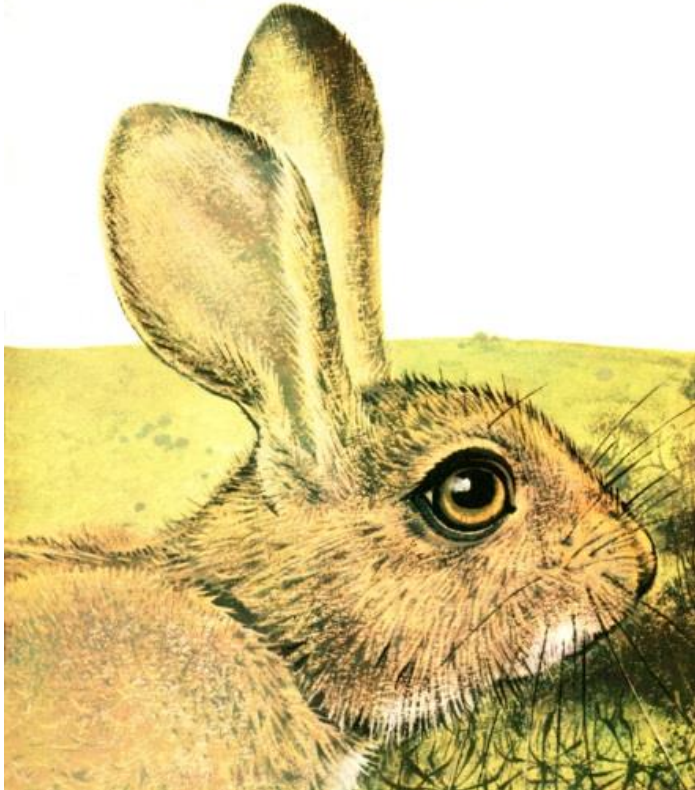
‘Something was
upsetting the angels.’

Philip Reeve
A Web of Air

WORLD NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER

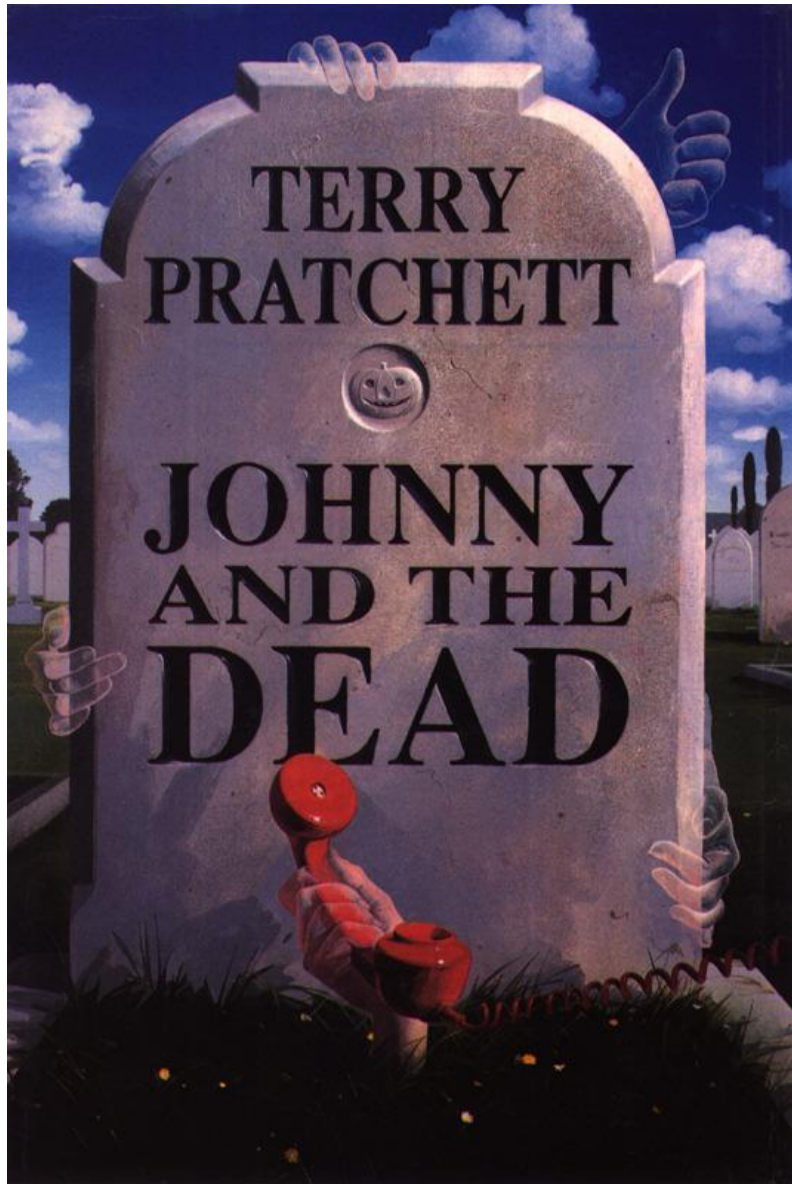
WATERSHIP DOWN

RICHARD ADAMS



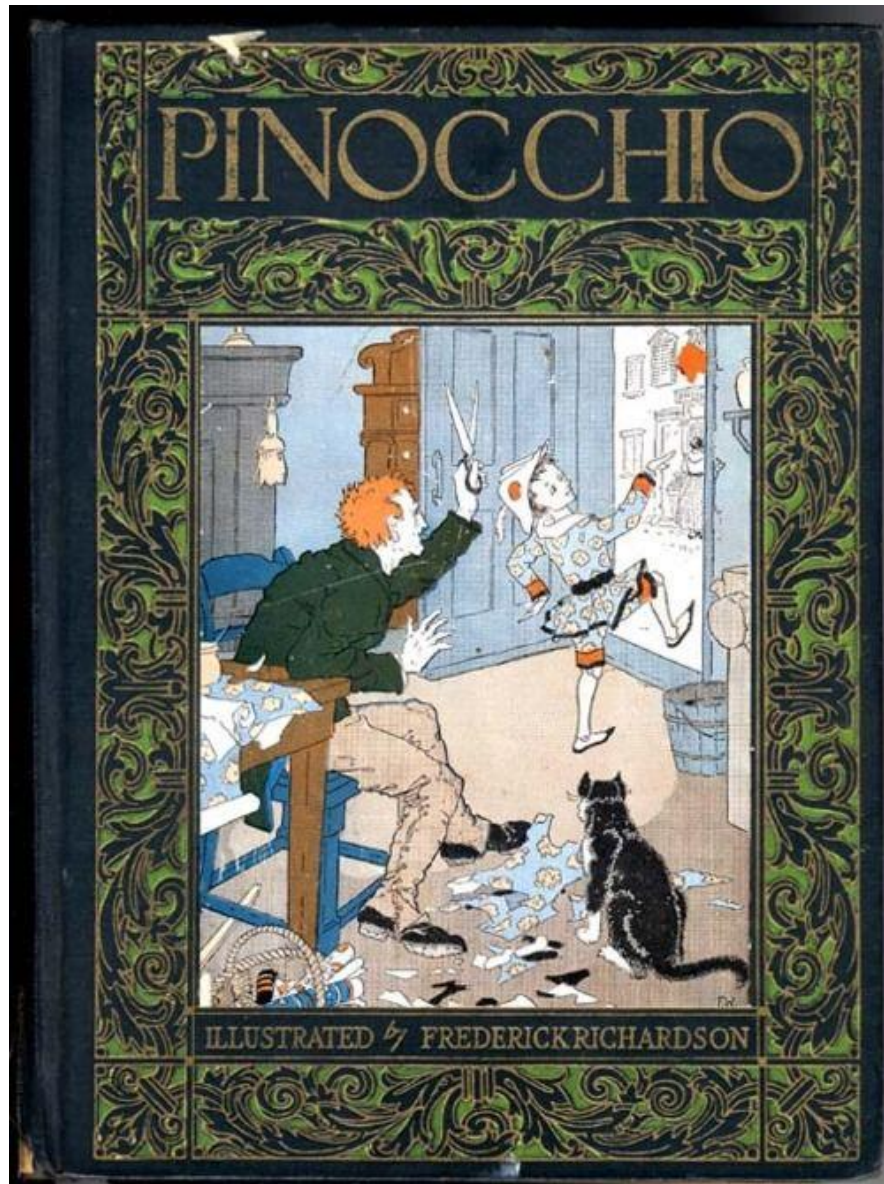
‘The primroses were over. Toward the edge of the wood where the ground became open and sloped down to an old fence and a brambly ditch beyond, only a few fading patches of pale yellow still showed among the dog's mercury and oak-tree roots. On the other side of the fence, the upper part of the field was full of rabbit holes.’

Richard Adams
Watership Down



‘Johnny never knew for certain why he started seeing the dead.’

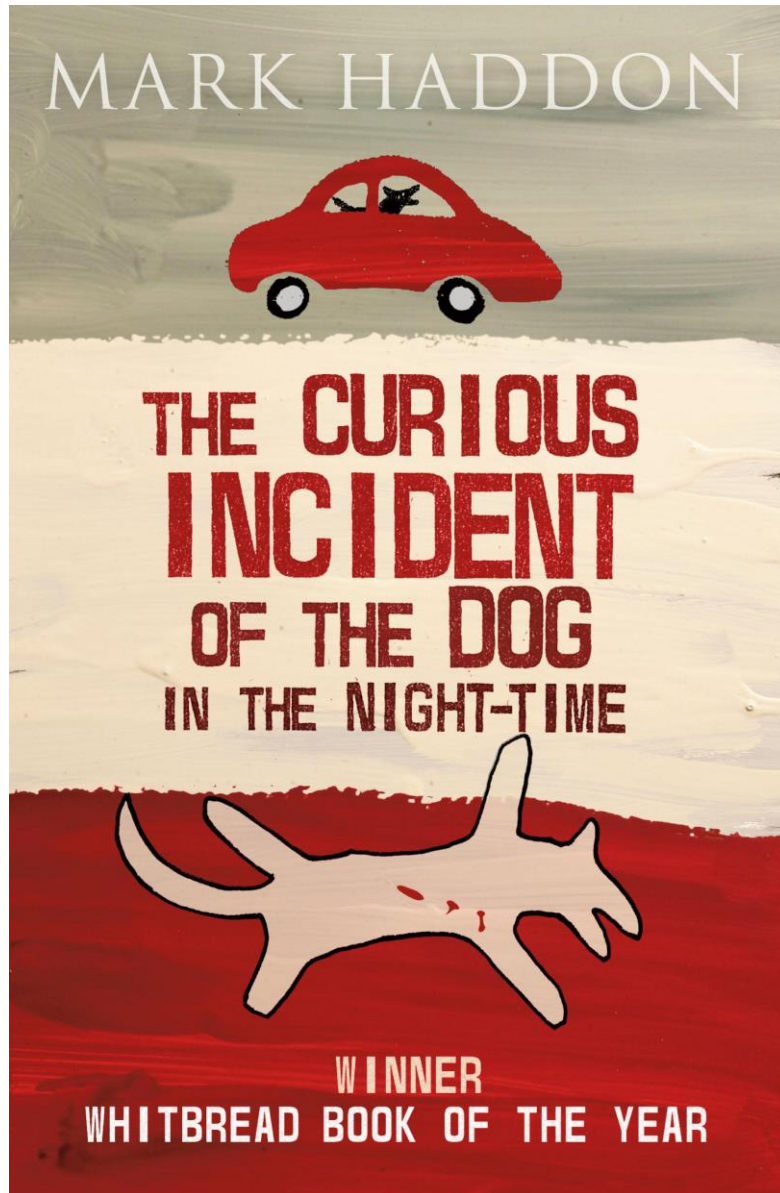
Terry Pratchett
Johnny and the Dead



‘Once upon a time there lived... 'A king!' my little readers will say immediately. No, children, you are mistaken. Once upon a time there was a piece of wood.’

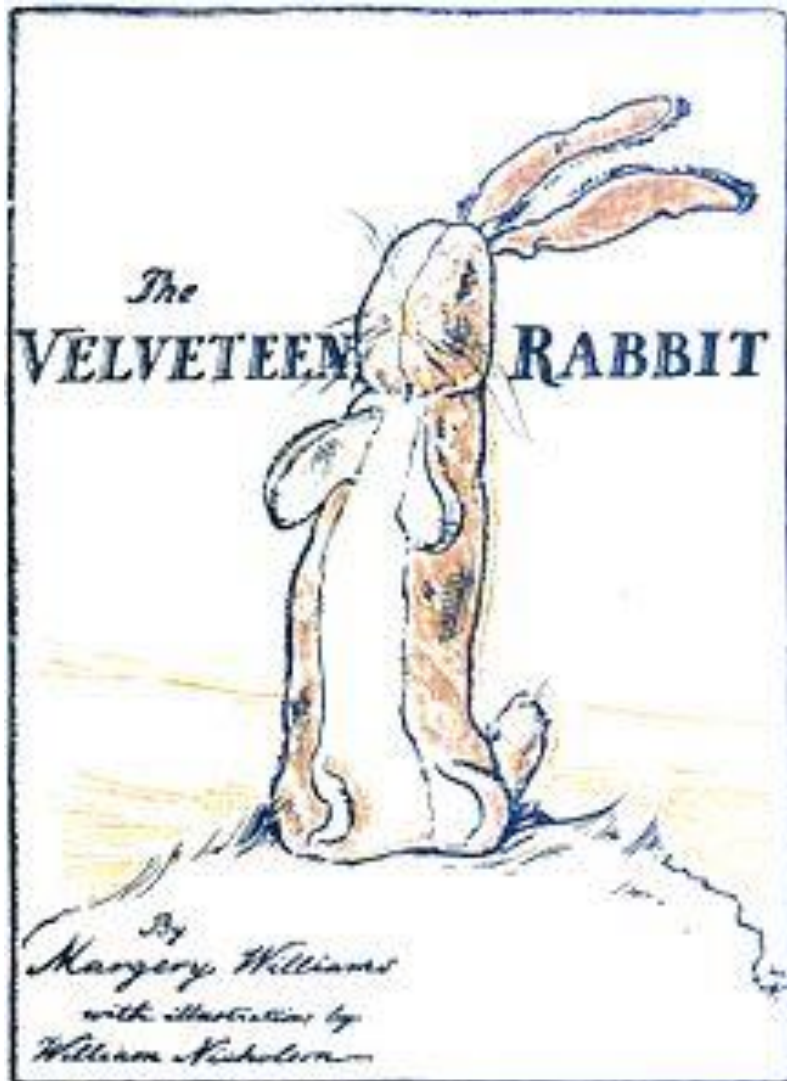
Carlo Collodi

Pinnochio



‘It was seven minutes after midnight. The dog was lying on the grass in the middle of the lawn in front of Mrs Shears' house. Its eyes were closed.’

Mark Haddon
The Curious Incident of the
Dog in the Night-Time



‘There was once a
velveteen rabbit, and
in the beginning he
was really splendid.’

Margery Williams
Velveteen Rabbit



‘Carrie had often dreamed about coming back. In her dreams she was twelve years old again; short, scratched legs in red socks and scuffed, brown sandals, walking along the narrow, dirt path at the side of the railway line to where it plunged down, off the high ridge, through the Druid’s Grove.’

Nina Bawden

Carrie’s War



'I live with my family in a city close to the sea. Every summer we used to spend many weekends at the beach. But we never go there anymore, because last year our lives changed forever...'

Francesca Sanna

The Journey