

# Reading Rocks

## Half-termly newsletter

**AUTUMN  
TERM  
2022**



**Making Reading Rock for every child!**



**Heather Wright**  
Reading Rocks Founder

## Welcome to the Autumn newsletter!

It's September and it's back to a new class! What an exciting time of the year!

The start of a new year is a great time to think about what you might achieve in the future. Do you have brilliant things you want to accomplish this year?

Do you know having a reading habit is a good goal to set for yourself?

We think reading rocks, but sometimes it's hard to fit it in isn't it? But it really is worth it.

Here are some top reasons why reading is ace for you:

- readers feel good about themselves
- readers can tackle tricky situations
- reading helps you sleep better
- reading helps you learn well in other subjects too

So, what top tips have we got to help you smash reading this year?

- choose a good time for you each day to read
- find a quiet spot to get comfy with your book
- get book recommendations from your friends, teachers and the library
- talk about books with family and friends

So, happy new school year. We hope you have a cracking start. Be you and shine like the stars you are!!

**Heather x**

**Purchase  
Before  
8th Oct**



## Want to purchase your child a recommended read?

Reading Rocks has all the books contained in this newsletter for sale at a discounted rate. PLUS - for each book sold you'll be investing in your child's school and education as we donate a proportion of the profits back to your child's school - Win Win!

Books will be delivered to your child in school!



Simply scan the QR code  
with your mobile camera  
or click from desktop:

[tinyurl.com/RR-recommends](https://tinyurl.com/RR-recommends)





**How to spot a dinosaur**  
Written by Suzie Senior  
Illustrated by Dan Taylor

**Family price: £6.79**

**RRP: £7.99**

**Are you a fan of trucks and vehicles?  
Pick a favourite as you read along!**

### "Red lorry, yellow lorry"

Can you say this tongue twister? I bet you can! You'll love this fun book if you enjoy stories with animals in and are a fan of things with wheels. You can join in the rhyme by scanning the QR code to find the sing-a-long track. See if your family can keep up with you! The pages are bursting with trucks, doggie drivers, vehicles and colour!

**"I love all the trucks on the first pages.  
We picked our favourite ones together!"**

**Jem, aged 5**



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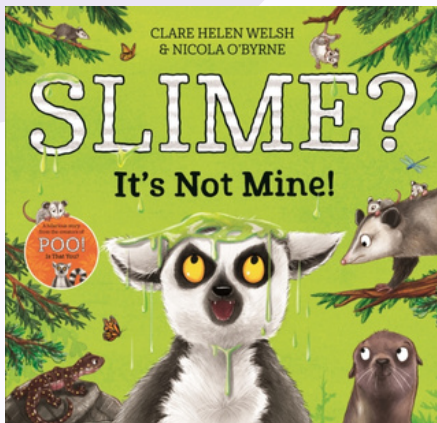
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**We're off to find a DINOSAUR! They  
can't be hard to spot. They're really  
big and stomp around. We'll probably  
find a LOT!**

Have you ever been on a dinosaur hunt? Did you find any? Join these two dino-fans and help them spot some dinosaurs at the city park. I wonder how many you'll find? This is a lovely rhyming story that will make you smile and get you looking closely at all the illustrations for dinosaur clues.

**"Mummy read this to me and we both giggled  
a lot when they thought they'd spotted  
a dinosaur!"**

**Jess, aged 4**



**Slime? It's not mine!**  
**Written By: Clare Helen Welsh**  
**Illustrated by: Nicola O'Byrne**

**Family price: £6.79**

**RRP: £7.99**

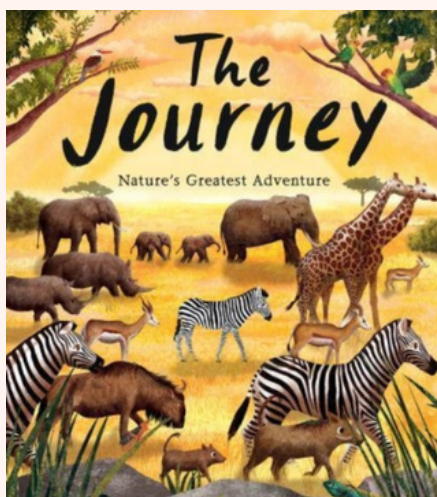
## **A laugh-out-loud funny story, full of animal facts!**

Lenny the lemur is on holiday in California. He's having a wonderful time swinging through the redwood trees, when - ew - he gets slimed! Lenny is determined to find the source of the slime, so off he sets. Lenny meets lots of slime-producing animals on his quest, including opossums, dolphins, salamanders and sea-lions. But which one is the sneaky slime-maker who slimed Lenny . . .?

Includes an information spread at the end with animal facts.

**"I loved the colouring sheet and lemur facts  
that go with the book!"**

**Jack, aged 6**



**The Journey : Nature's  
Greatest Adventure**  
**Written By Jonny Marx**  
**Illustrated by Hanako Clulow**

**Family price: £5.94**

**RRP: £6.99**

**Jump into this book with gorgeous  
illustrations to join the migrating Zebras.  
Enjoy spotting amazing animals from  
across the Serengeti as you read along  
the rhyming text. Discover all the  
animals on the back pages.**

As the sun beats down on the scorched wilderness, these brave zebras trundle on. Who knows what dangers lie ahead or what the herd may find at the end of this extraordinary journey?

**"The animal pictures are very nice.  
They made me want to draw all the animals  
in the book, too!"**

**May, aged 6**

CLARE HELEN WELSH & NICOLA O'BYRNE

# SLIME?

It's Not Mine!

## Colour in Lenny the Lemur

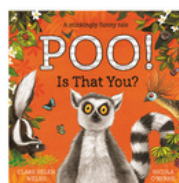
Lenny is covered in icky sticky slime!  
Can you colour him in?



**MACMILLAN**  
Children's Books

Have you read all of Lenny's adventures?

Slime? It's Not Mine! © Clare Helen Welsh and Nicola O'Byrne 2022 - Macmillan Children's Books





## Top 5 Lemur facts

1. RING-TAILED LEMURS' TAILS ARE LONGER THAN THEIR BODIES! THEY DON'T USE THEM FOR SWINGING, BUT FOR COMMUNICATING AND BALANCE.
2. LEMURS EAT FRUIT, LEAVES AND FLOWERS, BUT THEY ALSO LIKE TREE SAP AND BARK. WHAT DID YOU HAVE FOR BREAKFAST?!
3. LEMURS HAVE TWO TONGUES - THEIR EXTRA TONGUE SITS UNDER THEIR MAIN TONGUE AND IS USED FOR GROOMING.
4. LEMURS HAVE FLAT FINGERNAILS, LIKE YOU! THEIR HANDS AND FEET ARE COVERED IN FUR, BUT THEY AREN'T TOO DIFFERENT FROM HUMAN HANDS AND FEET!
5. LEMURS USE SMELLS TO COMMUNICATE. MALE RING-TAILED LEMURS, LIKE LENNY, RUB THEIR TAILS ON THEIR SCENT GLANDS, THEN WAVE THEM AT EACH OTHER. THIS IS CALLED STINK FIGHTING!

**What animals do you know that make slime?**

**Which animal do you think committed the slime crime?**





**Rex: Dinosaur in Disguise**  
Written By Elys Dolan  
Illustrated by Elys Dolan

Family price: £5.94

RRP: £6.99

### Meet Rex!

Rex is king of the dinosaurs: carnivores want to be him and herbivores want to be eaten by him... That is, until a pesky Ice Age comes along and he winds up frozen solid in a glacier. You'll love Rex but he does make lots of funny mistakes!!

Rex wakes up, 65 million years later, and guess what....humans are in charge!! Eeeek! If they get their hands on Rex, he'll wind up in a zoo. (Or, worse: a MUSEUM.) Lucky for him, Rex isn't the only undercover creature in town. He's whisked out of danger by the one and only Bigfoot, who has been surviving among the humans undetected for years.

Join Rex and his new friends as he finds a way to survive in the human world! You'll laugh and smile your way through the story. With loads of cool illustration along the way

**"I really enjoyed reading this book.  
It made me snort when I laughed on one page!!"**

**Finn, aged 8**



**Kitty Quest Trial by Tentacle**  
Written By Phil Corbett  
Illustrated by Phil Corbett

Family price: £7.64

RRP: £8.99

### Fancy a chuckle? Love a comic?

Jump into this epic laugh-out-loud graphic novel series about two aspiring monster slayers. In their second adventure, our heroes face a new threat to Meowminster - an army of ferocious sea monsters! This is the perfect new read for fans of Captain Underpants, Dog Man and The Simpsons! The islands of Pawdor are in peril once again! Ferocious sea monsters have been spotted on shore, and the townsfolk are in a complete panic. Luckily, Kitty Quest are ready to protect the land.

So, what if Woolfrik and Perigold are the only guild members (besides their mentor who's a ghost), and it's just their second week on the job? How are these two amateur heroes supposed to stop a whole army of tentacled beasts? It may just take some quick thinking, a whole lot of luck, and a little help from the most unexpected of places. In order to save all of kitty-kind, Woolfrik and Perigold are going to have to learn to work together and prove that two heads are better than one.

**"Reading this was so much fun. I love the comic pictures and couldn't stop reading!"**

**Amaya, aged 8**



# KITTY QUEST

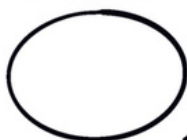
## TRIAL BY TENTACLE



# HOW TO DRAW PERIGOLD

PHIL CORBETT

LET'S GO!  
DRAW AN OVAL



IMAGINE THE DOTTED LINE  
IS THE MIDDLE OF HER FACE.



SHE'S LOOKING OVER THERE.  
THAT'S WHY THE LINE  
BENDS TO THE SIDE.

USE THAT LINE TO  
DRAW IN THE FACE.



THE NOSE GOES RIGHT  
ON THE LINE.

FINISH OFF THE FACE.

CROWN → EARS



CHEEK FLUFFS

WOOL  
DETAILS



HER BODY IS  
JUST A LONG U



ADD ARMS, LEGS  
AND A TAIL.



GET WAVY FOR  
THE TOES AND COLLAR



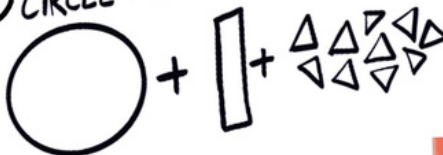
CLOAK AND BAG  
AND PERIGOLD IS  
READY TO QUEST.



AND THE FLAIL  
IS EASY TO DO.

IT'S JUST THESE SHAPES:

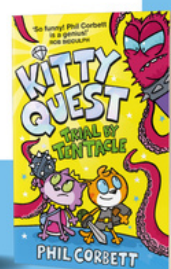
CIRCLE + RECTANGLE + LOADS OF  
TRIANGLES =



FLAIL!



WRITTEN & ILLUSTRATED  
BY PHIL CORBETT







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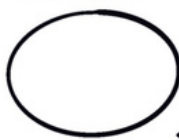
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PHIL CORBETT

LET'S GO!  
DRAW AN OVAL



IMAGINE THE DOTTED LINE  
IS THE MIDDLE OF HIS FACE.



USE THAT LINE TO  
DRAW IN THE FACE.



FINISH OFF THE FACE.  
HAIR → EARS



HE'S LOOKING OVER THERE.  
THAT'S WHY THE LINE  
BENDS TO THE SIDE.

THE NOSE GOES RIGHT  
ON THE LINE.

THE HAIR IS JUST  
A CIRCLE WITH A  
SLICE TAKEN OUT



HIS BODY IS  
A RECTANGLE



ADD ARMS, LEGS  
AND A TAIL.



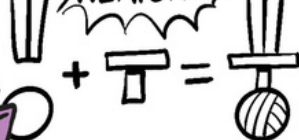
BUCKLE UP  
THE BELT.



AND HINT AT  
THE SWORD  
BEHIND HIM.



TRY THE  
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THIS EXTRA  
LINE MAKES  
IT LOOK 3D



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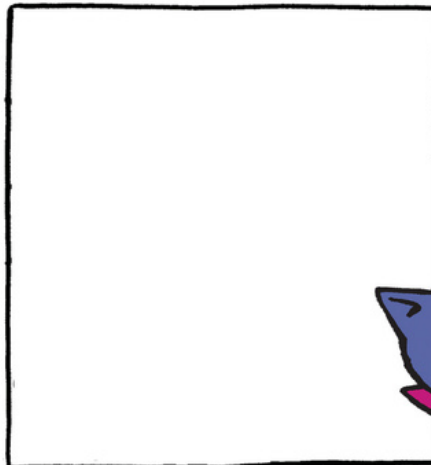
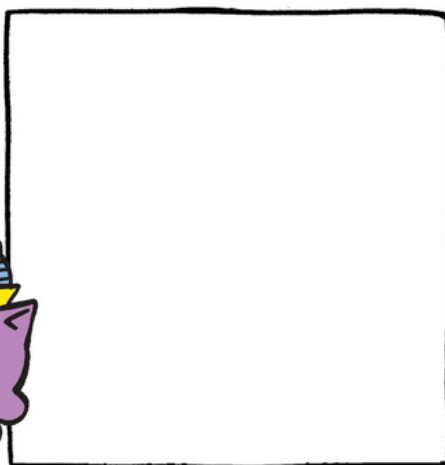
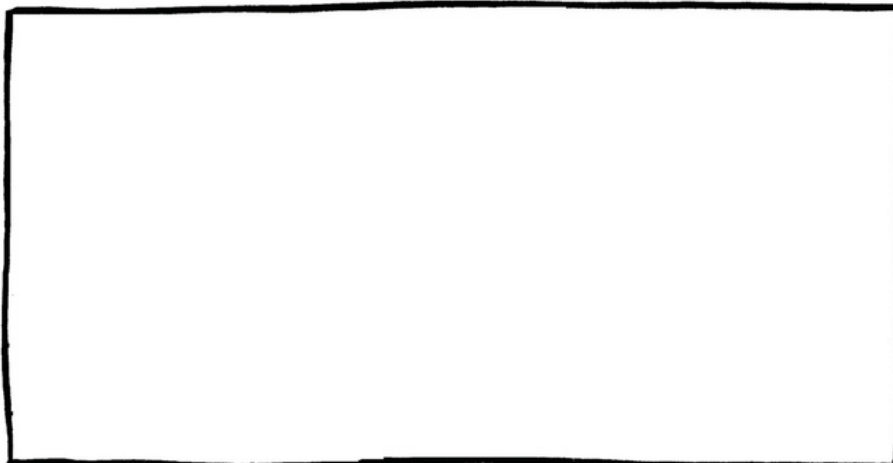
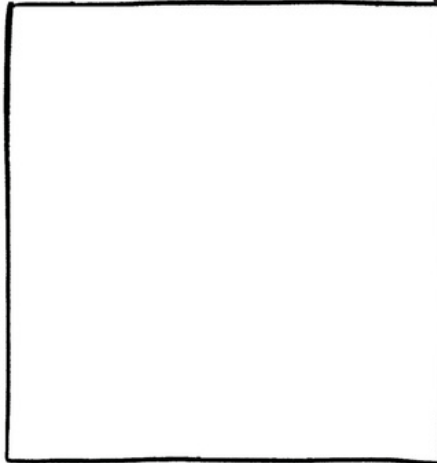




# KITTY QUEST

## TRIAL BY TENTACLE

COMPLETE THE COMIC



WRITTEN & ILLUSTRATED  
BY PHIL CORBETT





**The Secret of Ragnar's Gold**  
Written By Mark Dawson  
Illustrated by Ben Mantle

Family price: £5.94

RRP: £6.99

### Do you love gripping adventure stories?

Join these friends when they get the chance to stay in a castle for their Easter holidays. The castle is everything they had hoped for, with a moat and an ancient burial mound that gives it an air of mystery.

But things are not what they seem and a treacherous discovery in the grounds reveals a 300-year-old treasure map. The race is on. The After-School Detective Club is in pursuit of Ragnar's gold - a hoard of treasure said to have been buried by a Viking warrior and guarded by his demon hound...that is, unless someone else gets there first.

**"I'm an adventure story fan and this book kept me gripped. If you enjoy books like 'The Highland Falcon Thief' and 'Agent Zaiba Investigates', I think you'll enjoy this book, too!"**

**Finn, aged 8**



**Agent Asha: Operation Cyber Chop**  
Written By Sophie Deen  
Illustrated by Priyanka Sachdev

Family price: £5.94

RRP: £6.99

### Are you a keen coder? Does your brain just get algorithms, conditionals and debugging? This is the action-packed book for you!

Agent Asha is back in the second installment of this action-packed spy adventure series. Top-secret Children's Spy Agency newest recruit, Asha Joshi is back with a brand-new mission. Asha is suspicious when evil teenage trillionaire Shelly Belly proposes to cut down all the trees in Asha's favourite park to make room for CyberOaks: the new tech trees.

Asha's a top coder and super spy so she should be able to face robot security parrots, navigate a suspicious internship and travel to Shelly's super-confidential base in Scotland to crack the case. Will Asha and her robo-hamster sidekick Tumble be able to protect the park and save the day?

**"This is the first book in this series I've read. I'm going back to read book 1 now. I really enjoyed trying to solve the missions with Asha an Joshi."**

**Yusuf, aged 9**

# REX DINOSAUR IN DISGUISE

ELYS DOLAN

9781406397703 • Paperback • £6.99



**Can you  
spot the five  
differences  
between  
these two  
pictures?  
Watch out  
for Rex!**



- ANSWERS:**
- 1: The girl taking a selfie has changed her angle.
  - 2: Rex's Tongue has gone.
  - 3: The Photographer's backpack has changed colour.
  - 4: The dinosaur skeleton has more teeth.
  - 5: The dinosaur on the boy's jumper has vanished.



**WALKER  
BOOKS**

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# REX DINOSAUR IN DISGUISE

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Rex has so much to discover about the modern world of humans. Can you find the new words Rex is learning?



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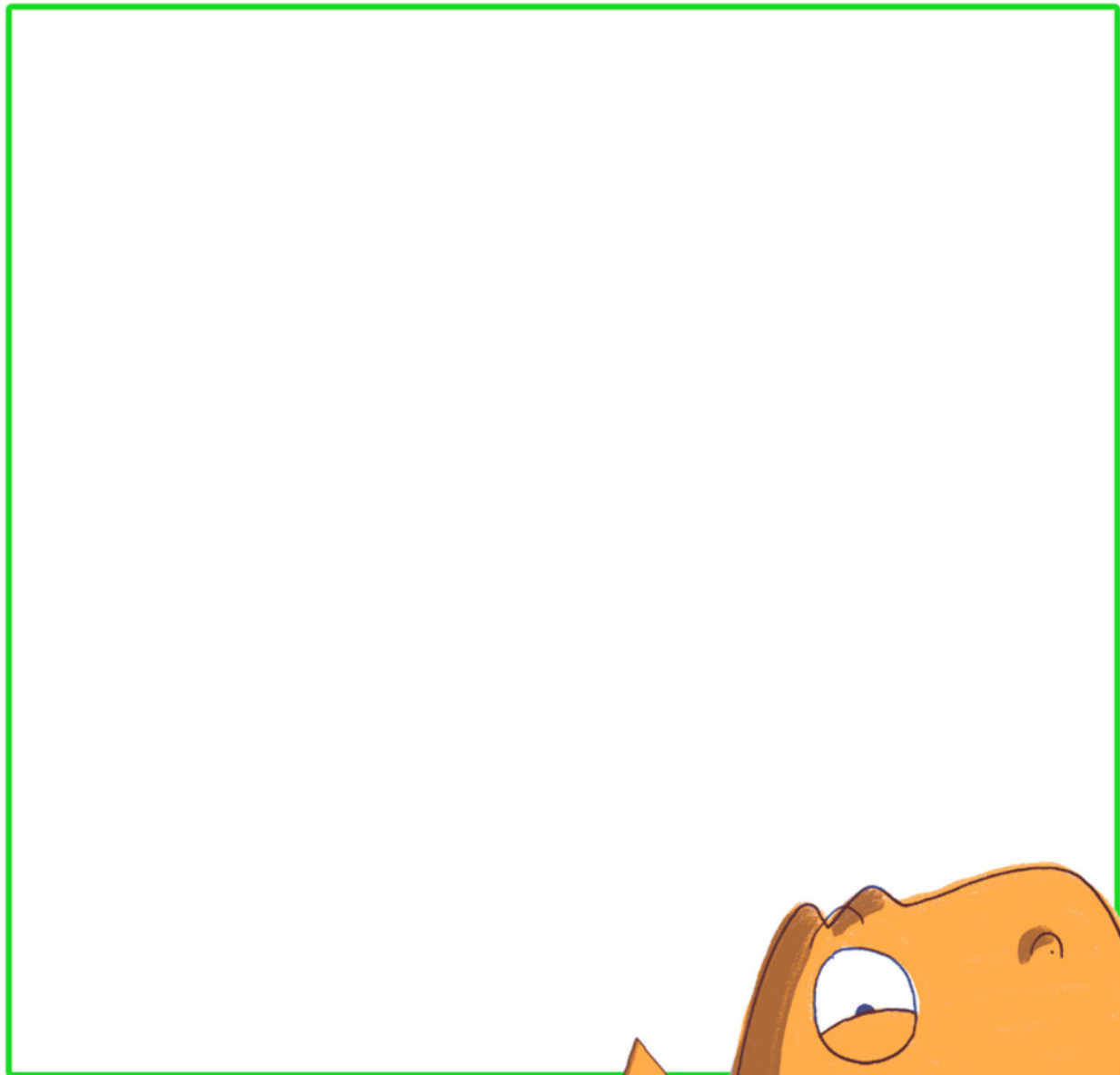
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**Trains • Cats • Weather • Socks**

# REX DINOSAUR IN DISGUISE

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Rex and his friends have to dress like humans to fit in. Can you draw a dinosaur in pyjamas?



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# Love our recommendations?

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## Here's how it works

1. Click or scan the QR code below to go to the service landing page on our website OR go to [tinyurl.com/RR-recommends](https://tinyurl.com/RR-recommends)
2. Select the book you want and fill in some simple details on the product page (your child's school, year and name)
3. Add to your cart, then head over to the checkout
4. Fill out the billing details (you can ignore the delivery info section as it will go to your child's school). PS - P&P is FREE!
5. Pay - we accept Card payments or PayPal
6. We'll deliver your child's book to their school. Everyone will receive their books at the same time - how exciting!



**Books  
delivered by  
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