



K-9 Booklist - New

When using this booklist, please be aware of the need for guidance to ensure students select texts considered appropriate for their age, interest and maturity levels.

⦿ This title is usually read by students in years 9, 10 and above.

PRC	Title/Author	Publisher	Year	ISBN	Level	Annotations
2548	1914 Masson, Sophie	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743622476	7-9	It is 1914 and Louis and Thomas are in Sarajevo watching the procession with their diplomat father when the assassination of the Archduke occurs, the catalyst for WWI. Their circle of friends, children of diplomats from around the world, is broken apart with their respective countries now at war. Thomas enlists and Louis becomes a war correspondent, facing obstacles to get to the frontline, describing the new forms of battle in Belgium and France, the everyday life of soldiers on both sides.
2444	Adventures of Sir Roderick the not-very brave, The O'Loghlin, James	Pan MacMillan	2014	9781742614038	7-9	Roderick doesn't want to be a knight. When Queen Emily sends her knights on a grand quest, Sir Roderick wants to stay behind. Reluctantly, he ventures forth beyond the Forest of Gilderang (filled with fearsome creatures) to the Circle of Mountains, home to giant cockroaches. En route, he meets an invisible girl, a talking bear and the most famous sorcerer in the land.
41094	Adventures of Stunt Boy and his amazing wonder dog Blindfold Barr, Lollie	Pan MacMillan	2014	9781742613673	5-6	Everyone said his dad's motorbike crash was an accident but he doesn't believe them, not even for a second, and Stunt Boy is going to prove it. With his amazing wonder dog Blindfold and his best friend Benny, Stunt Boy has to find out who is trying to sabotage their Stoked Stunt Circus and stop them.

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785	Alexander Altmann A10567 Zail, Suzy	Black Dog Books	2014	9781922179999	7-9	Alexander is a Jewish boy during World War II and is being held in a camp. To survive, he toughens up and vows to make friends with nobody. He is given the job of caring for the soldiers' horses, where he is ordered to break in the commander's new horse, who is scared and damaged.
2281	Along the road to Gundagai O'Hagan, Jack & McLean, Andrew (ill)	Omnibus Books	2014	9781862919792	5-6	The words of this familiar Australian song have inspired the illustrations to tell the story of young soldiers away fighting in World War I.
2335	Amina: through my eyes Powers, J.L	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743312490	7-9	Amina lives with her family in Somalia, a country that has endured drought and war for decades. Amina's father is betrayed and arrested. His artwork is seen as 'un-Islamic' and Amina no longer knows who she can trust. Food is scarce, her mother pregnant and her grandmother ill. How will Amina now survive.
11902	Amy and the Wilpena flood Bouma, Claudia	Wombat Books	2013	9781921632358	3-4	Amy and her friends take an exciting time travel adventure with the help of a rainbow necklace. After finding a map of South Australia with a mysterious location, the necklace takes them to Wilpena Pound in the early 1900s. Here they meet Jessie Hill, whose family is threatened by a disastrous flood. The girls learn about courage and the value of true friendship.
46892	Anzac tale, An Starke, Ruth & Holfeld, Greg (ill)	Working Title Press	2013	9781921504532	7-9	What the friends first thought would be an adventure soon turns to disaster. The day after landing at Anzac Cove on 25 April 1915, more than 2000 Anzacs are dead. As the campaign drags on, life for Wally and Roy becomes a battle of endurance against a plucky enemy, a hostile landscape, flies, fleas, cold and disease.
2511	Are you seeing me Groth, Darren	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9780857984739	7-9	Nineteen-year-old twins, Justine and Perry, embark on a holiday to North America. Perry has a brain condition that can cause him to become distressed and behave in inappropriate ways, and after the death of their father, Justine has become his sole carer. This trip will mark a shift in their relationship, towards independence, and an opportunity for their absent mother to atone for past mistakes.
21059	Ash Rover: keeper of the phoenix Darlison, Aleesah	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781922179029	5-6	Ash Rover stumbles across a phoenix egg, but this magical bird is going to bring danger to his village. Ash is soon on a desperate quest to save his family and friends.
846	Beauty and the beast Morpurgo, Michael & Schauer, Loretta (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780007513406	3-4	A timeless story celebrating the triumph of love and the message that true beauty comes from within.

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4988	Bella's bad hair day King, Stephen Michael	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743313619	K-2	When Bella wakes up to find her hair in a huge, tangled mess, it is a problem of momentous proportions exacerbated when mum is totally preoccupied completing a painting surrounded by numerous pets. Dad is equally oblivious, engrossed in his rendition of Beethoven on their baby grand piano. So Bella needs to sort this calamity herself with various forms of hilarious camouflage.
1072	Bertie Allen, Pamela	Penguin	2013	9780670076956	K-2	When Bertie is grumpy, everyone is grumpy - the queen, the baby, the maid, the king and the little dog. What would happen if Bertie was happy.
61034	Between the lives Shirvington, Jessica	HarperCollins Australia	2013	9780732296261	7-9	Sabine is an 18 year-old caught between two lives. Her life in Wellesey is the almost perfect world, a place of glamorous friends, all you could want and a doting boyfriend. Her other life in Roxbury is less than perfect and here she is considered by many as a rebel, out of place. Every 24 hours on the stroke of midnight Sabine moves between worlds.
2400	Big book of Aussie dinosaurs Richards, Kel & Singleton, Glen (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742830568	5-6	Everything you have ever wanted to know about when dinosaurs ruled Australia.
1662	Big book of numbers Spencer, Adam	Xoum Publishing	2014	9781921134326	7-9	If you love numbers, want to love numbers or just love to laugh and learn about the wonderful life we live, then this numbers book is for you. Discover primes, Pi, perfect numbers and how many ribs an elephant has.
1639	Big pet day Shanahan, Lisa & Gordon, Gus (ill)	Lothian Books	2014	9780733620997	K-2	Today is pet day in Lily's class. All the kids bring in their pets - hermit crabs, parrots, mice, puppies, ferrets and ducks - but Lily brings her dragon. Class smarty-pants Courtney says to Lily that dragons are only in fairy tales so how could she have a dragon. However, when all the pets misbehave in the middle of the important pet parade, guess who saves the day.
	Billy is a dragon series - NEW SERIES 2015 Falk, Nick & Flowers, Tony (ill)				3-4	Any two books from this series may be read as Challenge books and up to five more can be read as personal choice books. Go to the online booklists for the PRC ID of the individual books in this series.
2305	Billy that died with its boots on, The Whiteside, Stephen	Walker Books	2014	9781922077431	5-6	Paying homage to the rhythms, word play and humour of Banjo Paterson and C.J Dennis the author has looked to everyday Australian activities, landscapes and people for inspiration. The 65 poems are gathered in fifteen loose groupings including animals, leisure activities, and places. Best read to or with someone.

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2225	Bleakboy and Hunter stand out in the rain Herrick, Steven	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702250163	5-6	Some things are too big for a boy to solve. Eleven year old Jesse is tackling many problems in life, especially fitting in to a new school. He must confront the school bully and try to come to terms with many other issues like whaling, poverty in Africa and, of course, parents. Luckily, he meets Kate who has curly black hair, braces, an infectious smile and needs Jesse's help.
1384	Bloodhound boys: monster truck tremor dilemma Cranna, Andrew	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781922179326	5-6	Rocky and Vince are competing in a monster truck race. Full of twists and turns, the lethal race will send the boys way off track.
42791	Boy called Hope, A Williamson, Lara	Usborne Publishing Ltd	2014	9781409570318	7-9	A realistic portrayal of family life. Funny and thought-provoking, with some sad moments and a satisfying ending. A delightful main character who is sensitive, courageous and quick-witted.
4596	Boy on the wooden box, The Leyson, Leon	Simon & Schuster	2013	9781471119675	7-9	Beginning in rural Poland, Leon Leyson's family's horrendous journey was similar to thousands of others, but what set his fate apart was his father's chance employment in the factory of Oskar Schindler, who is credited with saving up to 1200 Jews. The youngest person on Schindler's list, Leon describes how, despite the deprivation of food, clothing and general living conditions, this provided a small flicker of hope.
2601	Bridie's boots Cummings, Phil & Acton, Sara	Working Title Press	2014	9781921504723	K-2	Bridie loves her gumboots. They are just right for splashing and twirling. But Bridie gets too big for her beautiful boots, so sets them free on a big adventure across the seas.
6348	Bully chip, The Wood, Glenn	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781921977640	5-6	A year after they defeated the evil Lester Smythe, Callum, Sophie and Jinx are having problems with two bullies who are targeting them at school. The friends do not back down and take on the bullies. But could the bullies' evil power be the work of Lester Smythe again.
2569	Bully on the bus Apel, Kathryn	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702253287	3-4	Each day Leroy, in grade one, and his older sister Ruby, catch the school bus to school. DJ, an angry high school student, makes Leroy's life a misery on each trip through bullying, along with threats of what might happen if he tells anyone. Ruby encourages Leon to tell either his teacher or their parents, but Leroy resists - DJ's power is too strong.
807	Butter Lange, Erin	Bloomsbury	2013	9780571294404	7-9	Butter is overweight and he knows it. He is unpopular at school and sits alone at lunch. Then he decides to eat himself to death live over the net. Suddenly he is the centre of attention with the coolest group at school - he knows it is only because of his site but he is no longer alone. Will he go through with his dare and will his new found 'friends' let him or make him. Contains mature themes.

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1301	Calpepper's place Trewin, Trudie & Gynell, Donna (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2014	9781922081322	K-2	Calpepper has had enough of plodding through the hot desert sand and sets out for excitement and far away places, searching for the perfect home.
23038	Caro was here Farrelly, Elizabeth	Walker Books	2014	9781922244833	7-9	One match, one chance, she thinks. Make it count. Skipping school to lead a group of friends - and enemies - on an adult-free excursion to an island in Sydney Harbour is Caro's idea of a twelfth birthday outing. Marooned overnight? She can handle that too. But the challenges multiply. They're not alone on the island, and Caro must save her friends from life-threatening danger.
806	Cartboy and the time capsule Campbell, L.A.	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743314807	5-6	Hal Rifkind wonders why he can't have the easy life he craves - a room of his own, time to play video games with his best mate Arnie and most of all, surviving grade six. Instead he has to share his room with his twin baby sisters, is only permitted 15 minutes of video games on weekends and he has a year-long history assignment to complete.
6218	Christmas rose, The Blaxland, Wendy & Hennessy, Lucy (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781921720406	3-4	The fields near Bethlehem are filled with joy when angels appear telling of the birth of a very special baby. Men are travelling to give the baby gifts, but Madelon has nothing, what could she possibly give him when she meets him.
	Clementine Rose series - NEW SERIES 2015 Harvey, Jacqueline & Yi, J (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1309	Cleo stories, The Gleeson, Libby & Blackwood, Freya (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743315279	3-4	Having a big imagination means you can always find a way to have fun.
1310	Come count with me Wilson, Marika	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2015	9781743313435	K-2	Little chicky can count to five, but now it's time for Nana to try.
41664	Corn field Crew, Gary & Hill, Aaron (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2014	9781922081377	7-9	Something drew the boys into the corn field that day, boredom, bravado, who knows. That kid who went in years before went in and was never the same again. Enter the corn field at your own risk.
35114	Counting by 7s Goldberg Sloan, Holly	Scholastic US	2013	9781743626535	7-9	This could be a story about loss - about the things that hurt emotionally - but it is not. Willow is unique and she stands proud knowing she is comfortable with who she is. Life throws people and events at her that challenge that strength but it also throws her first real friends and a new family. Together they will find a place to fit in and to show others the ability they all have to live life with joy and as an individual.

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2494	Cuckoo, The Crew, Gary & Turvey, Naomi (ill)	Ford Street Publishing	2014	9781925000184	7-9	Martin is the runt of his family. Without a mother to protect him, his overbearing father and brothers reject him. Martin finds the courage to fight for personal fulfilment.
24009	Darcy Moon and the deep-fried frogs Carvell, Catherine	Fremantle Press	2014	9781922089717	5-6	Darcy Moon is an ordinary girl with ordinary problems. She's low on cash and low on the necessary street cred to fit in with the cool crowd. But Darcy's life is about to take a great leap forward. When a freaked-out frog asks for help, it's up to her to fix the food chain, save the swamp and prove that money can't buy everything.
27373	Dashing dog Mahy, Margaret & Bixley, Donovan (ill)	HarperCollins NZ	2013	9781775540229	K-2	Follow this chaotic dog and his family as they take a walk along the beach.
7330	Deadly D and Justice Jones Prince, Scott & Hartley, Dave	Magabala Books	2013	9781922142184	5-6	Dylan has an amazing power, which attracts the attention of the Brisbane Broncos football team, where Dylan becomes Deadly D.
889	Demon dentist Walliams, David	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780007453566	5-6	Strange things were happening when children would put their teeth under the pillow for the tooth fairy. In the morning they would find a dead slug, a spider, a slimy eyeball or much, much worse. Alfie is determined to find the culprit, whilst evading the social worker who has started visiting his home.
	Diary of a wimpy kid series Kinney, Jeff				5-6	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2035	Disappearance of Ember Crow, The Kwaymullina, Ambelin	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781921720093	7-9	Ashala Wolf must control her erratic and dangerous Sleepwalking ability to leave the Firstwood and find Ember Crow, who is on a mission to shield the Tribe and all illegals from a devastating new threat, herself.
1626	Disappearing act Moloney, James	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2014	9780732295752	5-6	Matt Cooper is twelve, and spends his time honing his magic skills and tricks. His great-grandfather, Mattheus, was a magician whose career came to a disastrous end when a trick he performed backfired. What neither Matt nor Mattheus realise is that there's an even older story behind the failure of Mattheus' disappearing trick.
29133	Disgrace of Kitty Grey, the Hooper, Mary	Bloomsbury	2013	9781408827611	7-9	Kitty has a comfortable life as a country milkmaid, working for a rich family in a great house. Life changes when her handsome man vanishes, leaving her with his 5-year-old sister. She is sent on an errand to London, where she is determined to track her man down, but her fate is literally snatched out of her hands and things spiral out of control.

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	Divergent trilogy - NEW SERIES 2015 Roth, Veronica				7-9	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Double trouble series - NEW SERIES 2015 Regan, Fiona & Shea, Louis (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2183	Duck and the Darklings, The Millard, Glenda & King, Stephen Michael (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743312612	5-6	Grandpapa's eyes shine brightly when he remembers the beauty of the world. Now they all live underground and Peterboy wants to find something to bring the light back and keep it there. What he finds is an injured duck.
41911	Emu Saxby, Claire & Byrne, Graham (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781922179708	3-4	In the open forest, Emu gathers granite-green eggs under soft feathers. Emu will care for the eggs and protect the stripy chicks once they hatch. There are many hazards in the forest for this unusual family.
11607	Escape from the forbidden planet Grasso, Julie Anne	Cane River Pecan Co	2012	9780987372505	3-4	Caramel Cinnamon thought the worst day of her life was the day her grandparent's the King and Queen of the Elves of Cardamom went missing. She was wrong. The day she spills sticky toffee syrup onto her father's computer, that's when her worst nightmare begins. Suddenly she finds herself marooned on a forbidden planet by an evil clone, with a very sticky secret.
23942	Eye of minds, The Dashner, James	Corgi Books	2014	9780552569736	7-9	The government needs Michael to track down a rogue gamer, but the risk is enormous and the line between game and reality could be blurred forever. Includes some violence.
1062	Fairytales for Wilde Girls Near, Allyse	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742758510	7-9	Isola Wilde sees lots of things others don't. But when a dead girl appears at Isola's window, full of threats, Isola needs help. Can her real-life friends and her brother-princes - magical creatures seemingly lifted from the pages of the French fairytales Isola idolises - protect her. Isola needs to uncover the truth behind the dead girl's demise... before the ghost steals Isola's last breath. Explores concepts for older readers.

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4020	⊙ Fault in our stars, The Green, John	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2013	9780143567592	7-9	Despite the tumor-shrinking medical miracle that has bought her a few years, Hazel has never been anything but terminal, her final chapter inscribed upon diagnosis. But when a gorgeous plot twist named Augustus Waters suddenly appears at Cancer Kid Support Group, Hazel's story is about to be completely rewritten.
6166	Fire French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742838175	5-6	One small spark brought fire awake, winding like a small black snake. Fire flickered, fire crept, flames snickered, bushfire leapt.
28813	Fireshadow Eaton, Anthony	University of Queensland Press	2013	9780702233814	7-9	A German teenager is sent to a prisoner of war camp in the bush near Perth. From a position of pride and resistance he finds a new sense of self. Sixty years later another adolescent is escaping from the tragedy of a dead sibling and finds the ruins of the camp. As he reflects on his guilt he meets a girl and her grandfather on a pilgrimage back to the site of the POW camp.
11283	First day Daddo, Andrew & Bentley, Jonathan (ill)	ABC Books	2013	9780733331206	K-2	It's the first day of school, but who is most nervous about the big day, a little girl, her doll or her mum.
1445	First third, the Kostakis, Will	Penguin Books Australia	2013	9780143568179	7-9	Bill's traditional Greek grandmother is very ill and leaning on him to resolve some family problems that are worrying her. Bill walks the family tightrope to clear the family of some problems.
23394	First voyage, The Baillie, Allan	Puffin Australia	2014	9780143307679	7-9	The ferocious Crocodile warriors have already killed Bent Beak's pa, and now they seem determined to take out his whole tribe. The only way to survive is to flee the island. As the Yam tribe brave the perils of the sea, will they survive the voyage into the unknown, and what awaits them just over the horizon. An enthralling story about the plight of the very first boat people, of their desperation, bravery and hope.
900	Foxy in love Dodd, Emma	HarperCollins Children's Books	2014	9780007483556	K-2	Emily is making a Valentine's Day card and needs to be reminded about the things she loves, like hot chocolate with marshmallows. Foxy is happy to help, but sometimes makes mistakes.
1991	Frank Davies and the amazing frog catapult Clifford, Rohan	Penguin	2014	9780143307532	5-6	Frank Davies is in trouble again, at school and at home, but everything changes when the frog turns up. The adventures begin when one huge luminous frog and Frank Davies set out on a mission to destroy one thousand evil giant toads.
4463	Funny faces Norman, Mark Dr	Black Dog Books	2014	9781922179968	3-4	The faces of some animals may look funny to us, but their eyes, ears and noses are exactly what some animals need to survive.

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1304	Funny homes Norman, Mark	Black Dog Books	2014	9781922179982	3-4	Some animals live in funny places - prickly cactuses, dark caves, high treetops - strange places humans would not survive.
2336	Gallipoli Greenwood, Kerry & White, Annie (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743621295	5-6	Dawn approaches on 25 April 1915 and ANZACs Bluey and Dusty sail towards Gallipoli. As their ship gets closer, the two friends hear the noise of battle. Will they be brave enough for what lies ahead of them.
50321	Girl who brought mischief, The Nannestad, Katrina	ABC Books	2013	9780733332005	5-6	Ten year old Inge Maria comes to live on a tiny island in Denmark with her grandmother. She is strict and the villagers too think that girls should not run wild or speak too much. Inge tries to fit in but her fun loving mischief and mishaps start to change the way the villagers feel.
1989	Going bush with Grandpa Morgan, Sally & Kwaymullina, Ezekiel	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742990262	3-4	Pete and his Grandpa are heading off on a camping trip to prospect for gold. Maybe they will find enough gold so they can go on a big city holiday. Will they find gold, and will Pete survive Grandpa's cooking.
2620	Good dog Hank French, Jackie & Rycroft, Nina	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2014	9780732293642	K-2	Hank is always a good dog, in his own special way.
10403	Grandma Shepherd, Jessica	Child's Play International Ltd	2014	9781846435973	K-2	Oscar loves Grandma and their time together is always lots of fun. As she becomes less able to look after herself, she has to go into a care home.
1138	Great garden mystery, The Trembl, Renee	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9780857984166	K-2	Someone is stealing the beetroots, would could it be. Join us in the garden and we'll unravel this mystery.
22457	Great Googly Moogly, The Dicmas, Courtney	Child's Play International Ltd	2014	9781846436390	K-2	Nobody has ever been able to catch the legendary Googly Moogly fish. Stella aims to do just that, with different fishing gear and different bate, she sets out to catch her dream fish.
1216	Guinea pig town and other animal poems Marwood, Lorraine & Daoud, Amy (ill)	Walker Books	2013	9781922077424	5-6	With sections on birds, Australian animals, pets, marine animals, farm animals, 'creepy crawly' ones and those in the wild, here is a huge variety of subject matter in many poetic forms including haiku, rhyming and non-rhyming verse using language to create wonderful word pictures for all who love animals as well as those who don't.
8389	Hairy-nosed wombats find a new home, The French, Jackie & deGennaro, Sue	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9780732295486	3-4	Based on a true story in Queensland, a colony of wonderfully hairy-nosed wombats decide to move homes. But could there ever be another home to make them happy.
30826	Harold finds a voice Dicmas, Courtney	Child's Play International Ltd	2013	9781846435492	K-2	Harold is an amazing mimic and can imitate the sound of everything in his home. He seeks out sounds from outside the home and is shocked when he hears his own voice.
2263	Here in the garden Stewart, Briony	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702250101	3-4	As the seasons change, a boy shares the magic of his garden with a special friend.
56369	Herman and Rosie Gordon, Gus	Penguin Books Australia	2012	9780670076031	3-4	This is a tale about a big city, hotdogs and music. It's a tale of ringing on rooftops and it's the tale of Herman and Rosie.

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2067	Hootie the cutie Worthington, Michelle & Poli, Giuseppe (ill)	New Frontier Publishing	2014	9781921928000	K-2	A brave little owl proves that heroes come in all shapes and sizes.
2180	House for Donfinkle, A Brereton, Choechoe & Harris, Wayne (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781921720536	K-2	Up high in the grasslands where Wooble Beasts roam, Donfinkle Vonkrinkle is building his home. When up pop four creatures to babble and squawk, a troublesome taunt full of bothersome talk.
2359	House that was Eureka, The Wheatley, Nadia	Text Publishing Co	2013	9781922147189	7-9	Two tales twist together at 203 Liberty Street, Newtown. In 1985, sixteen-year-old Evie and her family move into a new home. The house appears to be haunted with Evie dreaming of running footsteps, shouting voices and loud banging. Meanwhile, fifty years ago the story of Lizzie and life at number 203 during the depression is told. Lizzie's family faces eviction and the local communist movement barricade the house. In the final chapters we find the connections between the past and the present.
2552	Howzat Lefroy, Mike & Anelli, Liz	Walker Books	2014	9781922077646	3-4	Kids all over the world play cricket. Follow their game around the globe.
27185	Hueys in none the number, The Jeffers, Oliver	HarperCollins Children's Books	2014	9780007420698	K-2	The thing about the Hueys was that they loved numbers, 0, 1, 2, 3.. Wait. 0 Is none a number. Join the Hueys for a counting conundrum.
1186	I love footy Zurbo, Matt	Windy Hollow Books	2013	9781922081179	3-4	When I touch a footy, I feel as big as a giant. When I run with a footy, it's like I'm as fast as a lion. I love footy.
2266	I was only nineteen Schumann, John & Smith, Craig (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743317235	7-9	The unforgettable lyrics about the Vietnam War are etched in our memories and brought to life in this picture book.
7017	Ice breaker Tanner, Lian	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743314340	5-6	Circling the Antarctic is an ancient ship with a divided crew, an orphaned girl living amongst rats and a boy discovered on an iceberg, all guarding their own secrets.
2348	Incredible here and now, The Castagna, Felicity	Giramondo	2013	9781459670839	7-9	Michael turns 15 and his brother dies. He copes with mourning in his hometown of Western Sydney, a region subject to harsh and suspicious perceptions, and filled with cultural and ethnic diversity. Through a powerful poetic experience, Michael grows by seeing deeply into the values that surround him and he rises above the distress of poverty and families under stress.
2288	Interrogation of Ashala Wolf, The Kwaymullina, Ambelin	Walker Books	2012	9781921720086	7-9	Injured, vulnerable and with her powerful sleepwalker ability blocked, Ashala is forced to succumb to a machine which will pull secrets, about her tribe of illegals, from her mind, into the hands of a powerful Chief Administrator.

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2009	Interworld Gaiman, Neil & Reaves, Michael	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780007523429	7-9	Joey is a lost soul and even has trouble finding his way around his own home. Then one day he walks into another dimension where he finds other versions of himself. The problem is that armies of magicians and scientists want to bend him to their foul purposes. The magicians of HEX are out to take control of the Altiverse and Joey must work with his variants to defeat them.
2633	Iron trial, The Black, Holly & Clare, Cassandra	Doubleday	2014	9780857532503	7-9	Most people would do anything to get into the Magisterium and learn about the world of magic, but not Callum. Call has been told his whole life that he should never trust a magician, so he tries his best to do his worst - but fails at failing.
2353	Islands of Chaldea, The Jones, Diana Wynne	HarperCollins Children's Books	2014	9780007549207	7-9	Aileen is convinced she'll never become as magical as her Aunt Beck. But when her wise woman aunt is set a seemingly impossible rescue mission, Aileen soon realises she might be more special than she thought.
	Jack Mason adventure series - NEW SERIES 2015 Pitt, Darrell				5-6	Any two books from this series may be read as Challenge books and up to five more can be read as personal choice books. Go to the online booklists for the PRC ID of the individual books in this series.
2064	Jack's bugle Bell, Krista & Elliott, Belinda (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2014	9781922081292	5-6	Aidan leaves the farm to join the war, along with his bugle. He is excited by the promise of travel, adventure and new friends, <u>using his bugle to inspire his battalion.</u>
2441	Jim's lion Hoban, Russell & Deacon, Alexis (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781406346022	5-6	Jim is ill in hospital and his dreams are fearful and wild. His nurse gives him a mission, to find in his dreams his animal finder, who can guide him home wherever his illness takes him.
2106	Jonathan Carnavas, Peter & Francey, Amanda (ill)	New Frontier Publishing	2014	9781921928611	K-2	Jonathan loves to dress up and scare his family, but they insist that he is just not scary. What happens when he gets too scary.
20433	Journey Becker, Aaron	Walker Books	2013	9781406342307	K-2	In this wordless picture book a lonely girl, whose family members are all too occupied with some form of technology to pay her any attention, discovers a red crayon, draws a door on her bedroom wall and walks into a world where she controls a fantastic <u>journey.</u>
	Judy Moody series McDonald, Megan & Reynolds, Peter H (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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	Juliet nearly a vet series - NEW SERIES 2015 Johnson, Rebecca & May, Kyla (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2354	Karana Kirk, Uncle Joe & Casey, Greer & Harrold, Sandi (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743623138	K-2	These are my chicks, I love them a lot. I will stay with them, no matter what.
2196	Kelsey and the quest of the porcelain doll Hawke, Rosanne	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702253317	3-4	Kelsey is in Pakistan and wants to go home. Mum and dad are busy helping flood victims and she misses her friends and her Nanna Rose. They talk via Skype but it's not the same. It makes Kelsey feel better when Nanna agrees to create a story just for her about a porcelain doll. Meanwhile, Kelsey is experiencing some unexpected adventures of her own in flooded Pakistan.
17120	Knightley and son Gavin, Rohan	Bloomsbury	2014	9781408838914	7-9	Darkus Knightley's father was London's top private detective - until he went into a coma four years ago. Now he has woken up to discover his thirteen-year old son has inherited the family talent. With a bestselling book seemingly making people do terrible things, and clues pointing to the involvement of a shadowy organisation known as the Combination, Alan needs the help of his tweed-wearing, brainiac son to investigate.
918	Laika the astronaut Davey, Owen	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743318935	3-4	Laika is a stray dog on the streets, until she is chosen to be the first animal launched into space. If things go wrong, would she be lost or found.
11118	Last king of Angkor Wat Base, Graeme	Penguin	2014	9780670077151	3-4	Tiger, Gibbon, Water Buffalo and Gecko are amongst the ruins of ancient Angkor Wat in Cambodia, wondering which of them would have made the best king. A mysterious visitor urges them to discover their true selves in a race to a distant hilltop.
	Last thirteen series - NEW SERIES 2015 Phelan, James				5-6	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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4552	Last viking returns, The Jorgensen, Norman	Fremantle Press	2014	9781925161151	3-4	Josh is totally engrossed in Vikings, even changing his name to Knut. However even Vikings would have their hands full with his twin siblings who seem to cause mayhem wherever they go. A trip to Viking World theme park provides opportunities for the twins to be their Viking berserker best, and for Josh/Knut to prove more than a match for any dangers ahead.
5040	Lilli-Pilli's sister Branford, Anna & Catchlove, Linda (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781921977589	3-4	Lilli-Pilli's mum is having a baby and she thinks it will be a girl, but all the other animals think it will be a boy. Could Lilli-Pilli be wrong.
6836	Lion in Paris, A Alemagna, Beatrice	Tate Publishing	2014	9781849761710	3-4	A lion has come to Paris to find a job, love and a future, having become bored with his African grasslands home. As he roams the rainy, grey streets he becomes a little despondent at being ignored, no longer the king of all he sees. As the sun comes out his spirits lift as the city shows him its sparkling best - the smiling Mona Lisa and the Eiffel Tower.
2455	Lisa absolutely loves art Norsa, Sophie	New Frontier Publishing	2014	9781925059045	3-4	Lisa's cat, Picasoo, gets lost within the paintings of an art gallery. Lisa traces his steps through the history of art, including Vincent van Gogh and Claude Monet.
14959	Little chef, big curse Cotton, Tilney	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742832692	5-6	Eleven-year-old Matty desperately wants to be a famous chef and escape his horrible aunty. His opportunity comes when a grand cook-off is held, to see who can entice the finicky princess to eat. Unwittingly, the princess is the victim of an alien curse, designed to leave a foul taste in her mouth.
4926	Little dog and the Christmas wish Fenton, Corinne & Cowcher, Robin (ill)	Black Dog Books	2014	9781742032368	K-2	Little Dog is left at home during a storm and, when thunder crashes, he escapes the backyard to find his best friend for comfort. It is Christmas Eve, the streets are busy and he soon loses his way.
19112	Little meerkat Darlison, Aleesah & Melville, Shannon (ill)	Wombat Books	2014	9781921632822	K-2	Little meerkat may be tiny but he's also very brave. Perhaps a little too brave.
2326	Lost girl, The Kwaymullina, Ambelin & Tobin, Leanne (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781921529634	3-4	The little girl had lost her way, wandering away from her family. Which animal will show her the way home.
2304	Loyal creatures Gleitzman, Morris	Penguin	2014	9780670077427	7-9	They were loyal creatures, the men and horses of the Australian Light Horse, but war doesn't always pay heed to loyalty. This is the powerful story of a young man's journey towards his own kind of bravery.
835	Lucas and Jack Royce, Ellie & Joyner, Andrew (ill)	Working Title Press	2014	9781921504662	K-2	Every week Lucas' mum visits Great Grandpop at the nursing home. And every week Lucas waits for her outside. Waiting is boring, until Lucas meets Jack.

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	Lulu Bell series - NEW SERIES 2015 Murrell, Belinda & Geddes, Serena (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
45876	Malini Hillman, Robert	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743312551	7-9	In the closing stages of Sri Lanka's civil war, Malini and her sister are separated from their parents, who are forced to act as human shields. Malini and Banni travel inland, through jungles and unsafe territories, seeking refuge with their grandfather in his village.
1276	Marlo can fly Vescio, Robert & Temple, Sandra (ill)	Wombat Books	2013	9781921632419	K-2	Everyone expects Marlo to fly, but she would rather slither like a snake, hop like a kangaroo and swim like a crocodile. But when someone needs her help, can she rise to the challenge.
2349	Mary's Australia Freeman, Pamela	Black Dog Books	2014	9781922077905	5-6	Mary MacKillop watched Australia grow from a collection of small colonies into a nation. Follow the changes Australia underwent during her lifetime.
11925	Matilda's cat Gravett, Emily	MacMillan	2013	9781447218623	K-2	Climbing trees, playing with wool, Matilda is sure her cat will love these things, but he doesn't seem very enthusiastic. She thinks up new ways to amuse her reluctant playmate. Tea parties, dressing up or what about a nice bike ride.
4546	Max and the won't go to bed show Sperring, Max & Warburton, Sarah (ill)	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2013	9780007468393	3-4	Roll up, roll up, for Max the magnificent and his famous show: putting off bedtime for as long as possible. Cheer as he makes a cookie disappear, gasp as he asks for ten bedtime stories.
41193	Meet Mary MacKillop Murphy, Sally & Martinez, Sonia (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742757216	5-6	Mary MacKillop, Australia's first saint, started her first school in 1866. It was the first of many schools she started, to educate any child, no matter how rich or poor.
46409	Meet Ned Kelly Brian, Janeen & Adams, Matt	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742757186	5-6	Ned Kelly was a notorious bushranger, he lived in Australia's earliest days. Ned was daring and clever and bold, in a suit made of iron, and his story is still being told.
	Middle school series - NEW SERIES 2015 Patterson, James				7-9	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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5873	Midnight Greenwood, Mark & Lessac, Frane (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781921977718	7-9	This is the story from World War I of Guy Haydon and his horse, Midnight, as they enlist with the army, travel across the world and play a starring role in a great cavalry charge.
38336	Mike I don't like Temple, Jol & Kate	ABC Books	2014	9780733333255	K-2	Mike has no hesitation in letting anyone know exactly how he feels, and it appears that there is much he does not like. Mike loudly proclaims his dislike of everything from sandwiches to lizards, from cheese to tickles, all described in rhyme just itching to be spoken aloud.
	Minecraft series - NEW SERIES 2015 Mojang				5-6	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2380	Minnow, The Sweeney, Diana	Text Publishing Co	2014	9781922182012	7-9	A girl called Tom, after a flood which has taken the lives of her family, lives with a man called Bill, whom she falls pregnant to. Many know her secret, including her grandmother and her good friend Jonah. Together they will ensure the safe arrival of the Minnow. Contains mature themes and some language in context.
1987	Monkey and me Gilman, David	Penguin	2014	9780143308232	5-6	Beanie, nicknamed due to hair loss during leukaemia treatment, is a normal, intelligent almost ten year old, getting up to mischief with the best of them. When Beanie, with his older brother's gang, explores the derelict Black Gate, an overhead thumping spooks them. Beanie discovers the cause - a chimpanzee. With the gang's help, in particular their new deaf, signing female member, he attempts to hide Malcolm with hilarious consequences.
4287	Monster chef Bland, Nick	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742838250	K-2	Marcel was a monster who was lumpy and grumpy and just not scary. But one day, Marcel discovers that his cooking can give kids a fright, so his perfect new job begins.
35796	Mortified Chatterton, Martin	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742758886	5-6	Mortimer De Vere and his sister Agnetha are 10 000 years old and desperate to avoid school. They use a time traveling machine to flee from the strict teacher who would enslave them. As they travel through time and other lands they meet historical figures who are all eccentric. How are they going to navigate between crocodiles, zombies, weird authors and Queen Victoria.

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2451	My Australian story: convict girl Michaels, Chrissie	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743620151	5-6	Mary Beckwith has been sent to the penal colony at Port Jackson, transported with her mother, having stolen some fabric. She describes the hardships endured as well as the growth of the settlement and meeting the indigenous inhabitants. Her story is unlike most others as she joins Nicolas Baudin, the French scientific explorer, as he explores New Holland's coastline in direct competition with Matthew Flinders.
2578	My dog doesn't like me Fensham, Elizabeth	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702250170	5-6	On his eighth birthday Eric is allowed to choose a puppy from the dog shelter. Ugly, so named because of a comment made by his sister, lives up to all of Eric's expectations for a little while but soon he realises that Ugly wants to be with mum, he is growing rapidly and becoming difficult to control as well as destroying everything he can get his mouth into.
2051	My nanna is a ninja Young, Damon & Carnavas, Peter	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702250095	K-2	Some nannas dress in pink when they jog around the track. But my nanna is a ninja, so she dresses up in black.
2423	Nearly impossible dreams Finn, Tara	Green Olive Press	2013	9780987209993	5-6	Tara Finn has always loved books and reading. When she was five, she told everyone she was going to be a writer, and at age ten she has published a collection of over thirty of her poems.
979	Nelson Mandela Nelson, Kadir	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780062246363	5-6	The text shows the path taken by Nelson Mandela, raised in a small community, to defence lawyer, to public protester, through jail and how he became a great political leader. It traces the change in South Africa from apartheid to free state.
26544	Neptunia Alexander, Goldie	Five Senses Publications	2013	9781741308716	5-6	Cassie is a great swimmer but has to move to a country town with no swimming pool. But when asked to deliver an important message to the underwater city of Neptunia, Cassie has to use all her strength and skill to survive a marathon swim.
2619	New city Abela, Deborah	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781742758558	5-6	Isabella and her friends have escaped the floodwaters of Grimsdon for the modern world of New City. Uncertainty and fear have brought dark times, with refugees fleeing the world's rising waters and becoming imprisoned in a miserable camp. Isabella and her friends face new threats, with eyes watching them everywhere.
7001	Nobody's boy Bates, Dianne	Celapene Press	2012	9780987255600	5-6	Ron's family is broken. He isn't able to live with his mum or dad. Now he's being fostered by his aunt who has three sons of her own. It's a chaotic, angry environment, and Ron isn't at all happy. When strangers, Rosie and Bob, offer to care for him, he jumps at the chance. It's the kind of home he's always dreamed of. There is only one thing missing. He aches to be with his dad.

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9953	Noni the pony goes to the beach Lester, Alison	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743311141	K-2	Noni the pony is friendly and funny, and her friends join her at the beach when it's sunny.
2282	Nymph Alexandra, Tonya	Walker Books	2014	9781922077240	7-9	An idyllic Greek island. Obsessed demigods. A fallen nymph. A mortal boy. Merope, a beautiful but faded star nymph, is banished to Earth for displeasing the gods. She tries to fit in, go to school and live a normal 'human' life. And then she meets Lukas - but relationships between men and goddesses are forbidden. Will their love grow or will Merope and Lukas feel the wrath of the gods.
4894	Oliver and George Carnavas, Peter	New Frontier Publishing	2014	9781925059083	K-2	Oliver is ready to play, but George the bear is busy. Oliver tries to get George's attention, but what happens when a boy bothers a bear too many times.
1275	On a small island Hughes-Odgers, Kyle	Fremantle Press	2014	9781925161168	3-4	Ari lives alone on an island, his days spent collecting all that washes ashore and gazing at the ships that pass, on their way to the great land that is a speck on the horizon. When one ship does stop, Ari is told of all the magnificent things that lie in the distance, bringing Ari a sense of wonder but also isolation and loneliness. Then one day Ari has a dazzling idea.
1367	Once a shepherd Millard, Glenda & Lesnie, Phil (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781921720628	5-6	Once there was a shepherd, a very special coat and hope. A family during World War I.
45432	One minute's silence Metzenthien, David & Camilleri, Michael (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743316245	7-9	In one minute of silence you can imagine a war long gone; you can share what the soldiers saw and felt as they fought. And if you try, you might be able to imagine the enemy and see that he is not so different from you.
1053	One Sunday Allen, Pamela	Viking Children's	2014	9780670077656	K-2	Outside the wind blew, the trees groaned and the tiny wooden house creaked. Eeeeeek. Inside, a delicious roast dinner was cooking. The little old man was expecting visitors. The little old woman said no one would come. Who was right.
25200	Ophelia and the marvellous boy Foxlee, Karen	Knopf Publishing Group	2014	9780385753548	5-6	Ophelia doesn't believe in anything that can't be proven by science. She and her sister Alice are still grieving for their dead mother when their father takes a job in a strange museum in a city where it always snows. Ophelia soon discovers a boy locked away in a long forgotten room. He is a prisoner of Her Majesty the Snow Queen. And he has been waiting for Ophelia's help.
2276	Our island Lester, Alison; Honey, Elizabeth & the Gununa children	Viking Children's	2014	9780670077687	3-4	Our island lies beneath a big blue sky, surrounded by the turquoise sea. Turtles glide through the clear salt water and dugongs graze on banks of seagrass.
817	Our village in the sky Brian, Janeen & Spudvilas, Anne (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743318140	5-6	Our village sits above the great river, nestled in the Himalayan mountains. This is what we do on summer days when school is closed for holiday time, in our village in the sky.

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805	Outside Hathorn, Libby & Voutila, Ritva	Little Hare Books	2015	9781921894688	K-2	It's the fluttery leaves in the magical breeze in the summery sun outside.
6638	Paruku: the desert brumby Blackadder, Jesse	ABC Books	2014	9780733331794	7-9	A middle eastern sheik wants to capture wild brumbies roaming the Kimberley Ranges and train them to become race horses. A horse vet and his daughter Rachel go into the outback to round up some horses with the help of local aborigines. Rachel finds her feelings divided between wanting freedom for the horses and serving her father.
40847	Phyllis Wong and the forgotten secrets of Mr Okyto McSkimming, Geoffrey	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781742378213	5-6	Conjuring is in Phyllis Wong's veins, passed down from her great-grandfather who was the world's most brilliant magician. When a series of robberies takes place in the city, Phyllis realises there is more to the crimes than meets the eye. It may be baffling her friend Chief Inspector Inglis, but Phyllis is determined to find out more. Who is this thief, what does he want and how is he achieving the impossible.
2440	Phyllis Wong and the return of the conjuror McSkimming, Geoffrey	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743318379	5-6	Someone has sold a number of valuable first editions of Shakespeare's plays at the auction house and Chief Inspector Inglis suspects foul play. These rare First Folios are in mint condition, where on earth could they have come from. Has a crime been committed. But when a famously lost Shakespearean play is scheduled to be auctioned, Phyllis suspects villainy is seeping into today from the seventeenth century.
	Pie rat series - NEW SERIES 2015 Stelzer, Cameron				5-6	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
987	Pig the pug Blabey, Aaron	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743624777	K-2	Pig was a pug and, I'm sorry to say, he was greedy and selfish in most every way.
2330	Pigeon needs a bath, The Willems, Mo	Walker Books	2014	9781406357783	K-2	The pigeon is filthy, but will not take a bath.
2514	Plenty Braxton-Smith, Ananda	Black Dog Books	2014	9781742032429	5-6	Maddy receives an unexpected and quite unpleasant tenth birthday present - news that the family is to move from their inner-city home to the country so as to be closer to her rarely visited grandmother, who is battling the early stages of dementia. Stories by her grandmother and her Sudanese refugee classmate help Maddy realise the true meaning of home, family and belonging.

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1995	Poppy Hooper, Mary	Bloomsbury	2014	9781408827628	7-9	Poppy's life in England during World War I is about to be thrown dramatically off course, firstly through a forbidden love, then her decision to leave her country job as a maid to tend the wounds of injured soldiers. But will her own soldier return home safely.
2398	Poppy cat Acton, Sara	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743620168	K-2	Poppy Cat is a copy cat, she likes to do everything I do. But sometimes she is mischievous.
2495	Poppy, The Plant, Andrew	Ford Street Publishing	2014	9781925000320	5-6	On Anzac Day 1918, a desperate counter-attack in a French town became one of Australia's greatest victories on World War I. A bond was forged and never forgotten by the town and should never be forgotten by Australians.
2356	Prisoner of night and fog Blankman, Anne	Hachette Children's Books	2014	9781472207845	7-9	For Gretchen Muller, Hitler is her friendly uncle and has always been there for her and her family since the death of her father. But as his hold over Germany strengthens, he will be forever changed in her eyes. She will do anything to uncover the truth, with the help of a young Jewish reporter. Contains some violence.
875	Protected, The Zorn, Claire	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702250194	7-9	Hannah's world is in pieces and she doesn't need the counsellor to tell her she has issues. With a depressed mum, an injured dad and a dead sister, Hannah should feel terrible, but for the first time, she feels a glimmer of hope. Is it because Josh is taking an interest in her or does it run deeper than that. In a family torn apart by grief and guilt, her struggle to come to terms with years of torment shows how long old wounds can take to heal.
3464	Punchlines Phommavanh, Oliver	Puffin Australia	2012	9780143306511	7-9	Johnny has seen his childhood bestie turn into an attractive teenage girl that he now wants to turn into his girlfriend. How can he get her to see through the boy she is going out with, turn to Johnny and come to take him seriously. He will use all his comedic wit and romance her with entertainment.
20413	Quest Becker, Aaron	Walker Books	2014	9781406357660	K-2	Having entered a magical fantasy world using her red crayon and finding two new companions has provided colour to the girl's otherwise drab existence. Now, when the children are presented with a puzzling map by a king pursued by soldiers, they take up the challenge. They must travel through mystical places and gather coloured crayons to save the king.
5054	Rania Abdel-Fattah, Randa	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742990118	5-6	The ghost girl has messages just for Rania - if only she could work out what they mean. Rania works hard at school and has so much on her plate. The last thing she needs is competition from her favourite cousin.

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1153	Reaching out, messages of hope Kennedy, Mariah (ed)	HarperCollins Australia	2013	9780733331923	7-9	Children around the world have very different experiences of family and potential. Through poems, illustrations, novel excerpts and short stories 28 of the very best children's authors convey the obstacles that many face and strive to overcome with varying levels of success. Conceived and edited by a fifteen year old Australian school girl, this book demonstrates the power of the individual in making a difference.
1279	Rescue ark, The Hall, Susan	National Library of Australia	2014	9780642278104	K-2	An Australian representation of the rhyme/song 'The animals went in two by two' here we have a journey around Australia identifying vulnerable and endangered Australian animals at risk of extinction, such as the Orange-Bellied Parrot, Native Bee and Gulf Snapping Turtle.
11617	Return to Cardamom Grasso, Julie Anne	Cane River Pecan Co	2013	9780987372529	3-4	Caramel is an elf, but no ordinary elf - she is telepathic and has the ability to get trees and computers to do as she pleases and is an amateur sleuth. She thinks that someone is trying to destroy the cardamom crop which would then destroy the elf economy. The problem is nobody believes the threat except Caramel - can she make others believe and more importantly can she stop the dastardly deed.
2355	Rivertime Balla, Trace	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743316337	5-6	A boy and his Uncle Egg are on a paddling trip down an Australian river. They come across a swimming wallaby, a crashing koala and some friendly campers.
1983	Road to Gundagai, The French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2013	9780732297220	5-6	Bluebell Laurence, crippled in a house fire, is rescued from her home by circus folk who warn of her imminent demise. Madam Zlosky administers a healing brew and Blue becomes Belle Magnifico, a mermaid and harem dancer who rides the pick-pocketing, gentle natured, circus elephant The Queen of Sheba. They travel and come to Gibber's creek where the story unfolds and Blue discovers the truth about herself and the magnanimous Madam Zlosky.
2483	Roses are blue Murphy, Sally & Evans, Gabriel (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781922244376	3-4	Amber Rose and her family are dealing with a terrible family tragedy. Amber has a new school, new friends and a new mum to get used to and she wants her old mum back.
	Roxy Ran series - NEW SERIES 2015 Hall, Tiffany				5-6	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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	Ruby Redfort series - NEW SERIES 2015 Child, Lauren				5-6	Any two books from this series may be read as Challenge books and up to five more can be read as personal choice books. Go to the online booklists for the PRC ID of the individual books in this series.
1306	Sam and Dave dig a hole Barnett, Mac & Klassen, Jon (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781406357769	K-2	Sam and Dave dig down, down, down until they find something spectacular.
5373	Santa's outback secret Dumbleton, Mike & Jellett, Tom (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9780857982254	K-2	Santa has received a special Christmas letter, which leads him to packing a bag just before Christmas and spending some time in the Australian outback.
	Saurus street series - NEW SERIES 2015 Falk, Nick & Flowers, Tony (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2107	Saving Thanehaven Jinks, Catherine	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743317747	7-9	Imagine if you discovered your whole world was actually in a computer. Noble is a knight who must fight everything he encounters in his quest to reach the castle and free the princess. But he's tired. Rufus comes along and turns his world upside down with his own ideas about how to get ahead: don't play by the rules. Suddenly, life is more interesting - and less painful - than ever before. But the new rules are harder to live by than the old ones.
6311	Scarecrows' wedding, The Donaldson, Julia & Scheffer, Axel	Scholastic UK	2014	9781407144412	K-2	Betty O'Barley and Harry O'Hay invite you to the best wedding ever, the best wedding yet. But will wicked scarecrow Reginald Rake spoil their day.
25763	Scarlett and the scratchy moon McKimmie, Chris	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743315156	3-4	Scarlett can't sleep again. The moon is scratching the sky, and she's counting sheep called Daddy Neema, Mummy Neema and Baby Neema. Scarlett is also sad because her pet dogs, Holly and Sparky, have died. But then a surprise comes to the door and the world seems new again.
2397	Seasons Martin, Helen & Simpson, Judith & Orsini, Cheryl (ill)	ABC Books	2014	9780733331954	K-2	Seasons come and seasons go. Sun shines, wind blows, rain falls and plants grow.
	Secret seven series - NEW SERIES 2015 Blyton, Enid & Ross, Tony (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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31213	Selfish giant, The Wilde, Oscar & Voutila, Rita (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781742376509	5-6	The children always played in the giant's garden, but when he returned after years away, he said 'What are you doing here' and the children fled.
	Seven wonders series - NEW SERIES 2015 Lerangis, Peter				7-9	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
798	Shot boom score Brown, Justin & Vane, Mitch (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743313688	5-6	Sport loving Toby can't believe his luck when instead of being punished by his parents, they issue him with a sporting challenge. All he has to do is take 20 wickets in the cricket season and make 10 tries in rugby to earn the latest gamebox. But unfortunately the new boy at school seems to be blocking Toby all the way.
2497	Shoutykid: how Harry Riddles made a mega-amazing zombie movie Mayle, Simon & Catlow, Nikalas	HarperCollins Children's Books	2014	9780007531882	5-6	Ten-year-old Harry has an older sister who is a constant source of irritation and a father who is a film writer, currently in a slump, so finances are extremely tight. To add to this, Jessica is the new girl at school to whom he is too shy to speak and online bullies in has favourite game. Harry's claim to fame is his computer gaming and his love of Zombies, which he decides to combine and make an animated movie.
2010	Silver dream Gaiman, Neil & Reaves, Michael & Reaves, Mallory	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780007523474	7-9	Joey can walk between universes. He has joined a band of freedom fighters comprised of genetic variants of himself who are dedicated to protecting the Altiverse. They must battle the twisted plans of scientists and decide if they can trust a newcomer who doesn't quite fit in.
2156	Simple things, The Condon, Bill & Norling, Beth (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743317242	5-6	Stephen is not keen to meet his great aunt Lola, who is turning eighty. He discovers she is not only very old but also grumpy and scary. When Stephen meets an unexpected friend, Allie, he shares the simple things in life, like fishing, cricket and climbing trees. A medical emergency with aunt Lola leads to a secret being revealed and Stephen wondering if he has also made another new friend, aunt Lola.

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	Skulduggery Pleasant series Landy, Derek				7-9	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
821	Skunk with no funk, The Young, Rebecca & Rudge, Leila (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781922179012	K-2	Woody is not what his family expected. He is a failure, a flop, an odourless plop.
73761	⊙ Sky so heavy, The Zorn, Claire	University of Queensland Press	2013	9780702249761	7-9	It's not like any other day because on the other side of the world, nuclear missiles are detonated. When Fin wakes in his home in the Blue Mountains the next morning, it is dark, cold and snowing. There is no internet, no phone, no power and no parents. As the outage continues for days and then weeks, Fin and his brother struggle to survive and grow desperate. Contains mature themes and some language in context.
20912	Slightly annoying elephant, The Walliams, David & Ross, Tony (ill)	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780007493999	3-4	Sam visits the zoo and fills in some papers to adopt an elephant. He never thought one would turn up on his doorstep.
2318	Snail and turtle are friends King, Stephen Michael	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743620236	K-2	Snail and Turtle are friends who enjoy walking, running and hiding together.
2297	⊙ Spark Craw, Rachael	Walker Books	2014	9781922179623	7-9	Evie doesn't have a choice. One day she's an ordinary girl, grieving for her dead mother. The next day, she's a Shield, the result of a decades-old experiment gone wrong, bound by DNA to defend her best friend from an unknown killer.
874	Spinifex mouse MacDonald, Norma	Magabala Books	2013	9781921248801	3-4	When Cheeky the spinifex hopping mouse lives up to his name by taunting a hungry snake, he is swept up by an eagle into a risky adventure.
1380	Spotty dotted lady, The Boyle, Josie & Martins, Fern (ill)	Magabala Books	2014	9781922142108	K-2	A sad lady finds an unusual, spotty flower in her garden and is inspired to paint dots on her cups, kitchen and all over her house. Her neighbours soon become interested and the spotty flower breathes new life into the street.
	Starring Jules series - NEW SERIES 2015 Ain, Beth & Higgins Keenan, Anne (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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5359	Stay well soon Tangey, Penny	University of Queensland Press	2013	9780702249945	5-6	Stevie has a lot of dreams - more friends at school, better drawing pencils and a pony. When her brother becomes sick, her world is filled with trips to the hospital, where she becomes friends with Lara, an older girl who has cancer.
4145	Stay where you are and then leave Boyne, John	Doubleday	2013	9780857532947	7-9	Alfie's birthday is one he cannot forget, because it is the day World War I is announced. His life changes as his father enlists. Letters come, eagerly read between his mother, granny and himself. As the letters' cheerful tone changes, mother hides the letters and tells Alfie rather than reads what they contain. Then the letters stop and Alfie begins a mission of his own to find out the truth.
8206	Stella Austen, Jenna	ABC Books	2013	9780733331534	7-9	Fletcher has it all, with her inherited million-dollar magazine company, hanging with celebrities and servants to cater to her every wish. But money doesn't solve boyfriend, and family issues, so she secretly travels to a quiet island to sort her feelings out.
	Stuff happens series - NEW SERIES 2015 Various				5-6	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1393	Sunker's deep Tanner, Lian	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743435427	5-6	Sharkey was born and bred in submarines and has become a hero amongst his community. Tragedy strikes and he must decide how to proceed, does he and his fellow Sunkers help the Ice Breakers and work together to beat the Devouts.
16071	Tank boys Dando-Collins, Stephen	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9780857981301	7-9	As many others had done, Australian 16 year-olds Frankie and Taz lied about their ages to enlist for WWI, one envisaging the adventure of a lifetime, the other to assuage guilt about staying at home when his brothers have died in the war. On the German side, Richard, also 16, finds himself assigned in one of the first German tanks. The three are destined to meet in the same shelled out crater during history's first tank battle.
11376	Tape Camden, Steven	HarperCollins Publishers Ltd, UK	2014	9780007523511	7-9	In 1993, Ryan records a diary on an old tape. He talks about his mother's death, about his dreams, about his love for a girl at school who doesn't even know he exists. In 2013, Ameliah moves in with her grandmother after her parents die. There, she finds a tape in the spare room, with a boy's voice on it - a voice she can't quite hear, but which seems to be speaking to her.

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	Tashi series Fienberg, Anna & Barbara & Gamble, Kim (ill)				3-4	Any two books from this series may be read as Challenge books and up to five more can be read as personal choice books. Go to the online booklists for the PRC ID of the individual books in this series.
951	That car Kennedy, Cate & Zapel, Carla (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2015	9781743310953	K-2	We found the old car in the shed when we moved to the farm. We couldn't wait to play in it, it could take us anywhere.
	The invisible tree series - NEW SERIES 2015 Lowe, Kirrily & Smith, Henry (ill)				K-2	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2063	This way up Dunstan, Kylie	Windy Hollow Books	2013	9781922081223	3-4	Grace and her parents are returning home, to a home she only just remembers, of a swing in her backyard, the warm hugs of grandparents and friends playing in her backyard. Will it all be waiting for her at home.
2361	Tigers on the beach Macleod, Doug	Puffin Australia	2014	9780143568520	7-9	Adam is assistant manager at his parents holiday park, where, after the death of his grandfather, his grandmother has started scaring off the visitors and his parents have started fighting. Once he stops getting into embarrassing situations involving public nudity and work out what's so funny about two tigers on a beach, then maybe he can hope to figure out Samantha.
1450	Tilly's at home holiday Hibbs, Gillian	Child's Play International Ltd	2014	9781846435966	K-2	Tilly's friends are all going to exciting places for their holidays, but she is staying at home. Mum says they'll have a great time together, but Tilly thinks it's impossible to have any holiday fun at home.
1800	Tim and Ed Dubosarsky, Ursula & Joyner, Andrew (ill)	Viking Children's	2014	9780670074631	K-2	Here is Tim and here is Ed. Same ears, same eyes, same feet and same head. Twin koalas Tim and Ed love to be together all the time so what will happen when Ed goes away for the night.
	Time hunters series - NEW SERIES 2015 Blake, Chris				5-6	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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20463	Timmy Failure: now look what you've done Pastis, Stephan	Walker Books	2014	9781406356342	5-6	When Timmy Failure's school announces a detective contest, Timmy considers it a personal insult. Because Timmy is the founder, president and CEO of the greatest detective agency in the town, probably the country. Perhaps the world. Now Timmy only has one week to solve the biggest case of the millennium and he is facing some obstacles. Like his partner, Total, a fifteen-hundred-pound polar bear.
	Tinklers three series - NEW SERIES 2015 Badger, M.C.				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
6396	To brave the seas McRobbie, David	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743313077	7-9	Adam hears the tales of bravery even before the war broke out. As many did in that time he wanted to be a part of the war, not for the glory but as part of the Merchant Navy. The sea is his home and thus contains the highs and lows of any home. We follow Adam through real storms at sea along with political ones not of his making. Tempered by the sea he learns the value of trust and the friends that trust is found in and through.
2409	Vango: a prince without a kingdom de Fombelle, Timothee	Walker Books	2014	9781406331509	7-9	Fleeing from the police and more sinister forces on his trail, Vango must race against time to prove his innocence. His journey will take him to the furthest reaches of distant lands, and even into the sky where he will find refuge on board the Graf Zeppelin. But the threat of war is getting closer, and Vango must uncover the secrets of his past before everything is lost.
2402	Vango: between sky and Earth de Fombelle, Timothee	Walker Books	2013	9781406354010	7-9	Vango is about to enter the priesthood when he suddenly finds himself trying to avoid arrest and escape an assassin. Vango is no ordinary boy with an ordinary life - he has had all kinds of adventures since he was found washed ashore as a toddler on a tiny island off Sicily. Now on the run across Europe, will Vango discover the secrets of his mysterious past in time to figure out who is trying to have him killed - and why.
1659	Vanilla icecream Graham, Bob	Walker Books	2014	9781406350098	K-2	The little wild sparrow journeys south across the seas, to a bright new world where he meets little Edie and changes her life forever.

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	Violet Mackerel series Branford, Anna & Davis, Sarah (ill)				3-4	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
5807	Waiting for Hugo Niland, Amanda & Richards, Claire (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2013	9781922081216	K-2	For Hugo, the world is full of things to count. For his family, that means everything takes extra time, which does come with some nice surprises sometimes.
2512	WARP: hangman's revolution Colfer, Eoin	Puffin Australia	2014	9780141341804	7-9	Unless FBI agent Chevie can return to nineteenth-century London and change the course of history, millions will die. With the help of Riley the boy magician, they battle two crazed villains, who have brought the military technology of the future back in time, with potentially disastrous consequences.
14687	Welcome home Booth, Christina	Ford Street Publishing	2013	9781925000085	5-6	Whaling has long been part of Australia's history. Over the past centuries many coastal towns owe their existence to the hunting and slaughter of whales for numerous by-products. More recently these same towns focus on viewing the beauty of these majestic creatures as they travel between the cold and warmer waters. Here both stories are told through the eyes of a young boy who hears the distant calls, sometimes joyful, sometimes apprehensive, of a whale.
13465	Welcome little scrubfowl Kendell, Sandra	Windy Hollow Books	2013	9781922081261	3-4	In a house on legs up the top of Australia, grows a rampant garden. Seedlings are planted, but then during the night, something singing comes and digs them up for their dinner.
1303	Whale in the bath Westaway, Kylie & Jellett, Tom (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743318584	K-2	Bruno can't wash when there is a whale in the bath, but why won't anyone believe him.
2609	What makes you you Arbuthnott, Gill	A & C Black	2013	9781408194065	7-9	Find out what is DNA, why it is important and what we can do with it. Track it's discovery from Darwin's theory on evolution, to Mendel's experiments with pea plants, to modern gene research to treat blindness.
52191	What the raven saw Bound, Samantha-Ellen	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742757353	5-6	In a churchyard, the raven watches the comings and goings of everyone, making sure that peace and order are maintained. He keeps to himself, except during church services, when he sneaks into the building so he can listen to the hymns that he loves. The raven would be happy if everything stayed this way forever. Until a new, small grave is dug, an annoying pigeon arrives and a church member is up to no good.

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1772	What's the matter, Aunty May Friend, Peter & Joyner, Andrew (ill)	Little Hare Books	2012	9781921714535	K-2	Good intentions go awry for a little boy, as a polish here and a scrub-a-dub there ends up in a parakeet going through a vacuum cleaner, a couple of floods, ice cream cake where there shouldn't be ice cream cake, and the promise of a return visit.
26131	When I see Grandma Tidball, Debra & Hedstrom, Leigh (ill)	Wombat Books	2014	9781921632594	K-2	Visiting Grandma can sometimes be sad, but a little girl and her brother brighten Grandma's dreams and bring warmth and laughter to the residents of an aged care home.
2264	When we go walkabout Lalara, Rhoda & Alfred	University of Queensland Press	2014	9781743314562	K-2	When we go walkabout, what do we see. Yirruwa yirrilikenuma-langwa, amiyembena yirringka yirruwa.
7689	Wild one, The Hartnett, Sonya	Penguin	2014	9780670076970	5-6	Charlie met the wild one when he was young. They caught tadpoles and watched spiders. As Charlie grows up, he forgets the wild one, until he grows much older.
947	Wildlife Wood, Fiona	Pan MacMillan	2013	9781742612317	7-9	Boarding for a term in the wilderness, sixteen year old Sibylla expects the gruesome outdoor education program but not the friendship complications and love that goes wrong. Enter Lou, the reluctant new girl who is fragile and grieving a death that occurred almost a year ago. Despite herself, Lou becomes intrigued by an unfolding drama and has to decide whether to end her self-imposed detachment and join the fray.
	Wildwood trilogy - NEW SERIES 2015 Meloy, Colin & Ellis, Carson (ill)				5-6	Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
22629	Wombat goes to school French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2014	9780732295493	3-4	She eats, she sleeps, she scratches. When a wombat goes to school, anything is possible.
2102	Wombatman and the veggie patch vandals Mike, Ferguson & Ryan, Steph	Little Steps Publishing	2013	9781921928628	3-4	Noseville Public School has a school veggie patch cared for by the school's environmental group and the school's two resident wombats. When the beautiful produce begins to disappear at an alarming rate the wombats are considered the prime suspects, with the principal demanding their removal. It is up to the wombats themselves to solve the mystery and retain their home.

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18248	Wonder Palacio, R.J.	Random House Children's Books	2012	9780552565974	5-6	August Pullman has a severe facial disfigurement. Until now he has had restricted social experiences, having been home-schooled, his parents trying to protect him from dealing with the curious and sometimes derogatory looks and comments of outsiders. They now realise that attending school is an essential, although probably rather painful, element of his journey into adulthood. August's experiences show the highs and lows of family relationships, acceptance of difference, resilience, friendships and bullying.
19020	Written portraits Forming circles	Green Olive Press	2013	9780987599810	7-9	Written Portraits is a national writing competition that showcases young Australian writing, providing young writers with the opportunity to express inner feelings and emotions associated with being a teenager. The theme of this anthology is portrait at home. The short stories in this powerful anthology are all written by teenagers who are from a range of backgrounds. Each story expresses the sense of belonging or displacement to home, place or others.
8897	Xander's panda party Park, Linda Sue	University of Queensland Press	2013	9780702249983	K-2	Xander Panda is planning a party, with the help of Amanda Salamander.
1262	Year it all ended, The Murray, Kirsty	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743319413	7-9	Armistice Day, 11 November, 1918 is also Tiney's 17th birthday and heralds a change for all. The family eagerly awaits the return of their only son and brother and mourns with friends and relatives of those who will not return. Life in Adelaide during the war has not been easy for families, but for those returning life will never be the same. The following years bring the Spanish flu epidemic, broken families and the beginnings of new ones.
3603	Year my life broke, The Marsden, John	Pan MacMillan	2014	9781742613352	7-9	Josh and his family have moved from a nice city house, to a boring street in the country. There are dangerous strangers in his backyard and bullets flying past his ears. At his new school everyone thinks he is hopeless and he has no clue about sport, like cricket, but they are in for the shock of their lives.
13317	Year of Billy Miller, The Henkes, Kevin	Greenwillow	2013	9780062268129	3-4	Some things to know about Billy: he's worried about starting a new grade at school, he had an accident over summer, his little sister is annoying, he can run really fast and this is his year.

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62251	Yoko's diary Ham, Paul (ed) & Edwards, Debbie (trans)	ABC Books	2013	9780733331176	7-9	A moving account of a young girl's life in Hiroshima in 1945. Through her diary, 13 year old Yoko documents life in Japan, a country on the brink of defeat at the end of the Second World War. Yoko is keen to do her duty and her daily accounts of life reveal the austerity and hardship, the extreme food shortages and rationing. It also shows the courage of those who died and survived the war and bombing of Hiroshima.
22694	Zac and Mia Betts, A.J	Text Publishing Co	2013	9781922147257	7-9	Zac is a country boy who has leukaemia but is dealing with it through humour and his sense of connection to his family and farm. Then his ward is invaded by an angry teenager who wants to seize a lot of emotional space. They joust with each other and then present a mystery of escape and discovery.