

The Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents

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the book that inspired the big hit new film starring emilia clarke himesh patel david tennant hugh laurie and joe sugg coming 16th december read before you see with amazing content from scripts to film art even wizards produce leftovers but a wizard s rubbish is laced with magic and for the rats that forage this rubbish the magic has changed them they can speak and read and have rather grand ambitions for a comfortable retirement which is perfect for a con cat like maurice he has his own magical talents and wants to get rich quick together with the rats and young keith the piper they work the towns to create their very own plague of rats then lure them away for cash but in the run down town bad blintz this little con goes wrong and suddenly these educated rodents aren t playing to the piper s tune an astonishing novel financial times

The Amazing Maurice: The Art of the Film

2022-12-23

the official art book for the animated movie the amazing maurice based on the carnegie medal winning discworld novel by terry pratchett maurice is a streetwise talking tomcat who comes up with a money making scam by befriending a group of talking rats and finding a dumb looking kid who plays a pipe when maurice and company reach the stricken town of bad blintz they meet a bookworm called malicia and their scheme soon goes down the drain the art of the film is a coffee table hardback celebration of the creative process of bringing the amazing

maurice to life including exclusive concept designs character sketches storyboards and production art alongside insight from the artists filmmakers and directors

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maurice a streetwise tomcat has the perfect money making scam everyone knows the stories about rats and pipers and maurice has a stupid looking kid with a pipe and his very own plague of rats strangely educated rats but in bad blintz the little con suddenly goes down the drain for someone there is playing a different tune and now the rats must learn a new word evil it s not a game anymore it s a rat eat rat world and that might only be the start ethically challenging beautifully orchestrated philosophically opposed to the usual plot fixes of fantasy the guardian an astonishing novel financial times written by the beloved and acclaimed fantasy writer terry pratchett

The Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents

2002-11

a talking cat intelligent rats and a strange boy cooperate in a pied piper scam until they try to con the wrong town and are confronted by a deadly evil rat king

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new special film edition of the 28th novel in the bestselling discworld series soon

to be a sky original movie join the world of the amazing maurice the carnegie medal winning novel by terry pratchett it s a rat eat rat world rats they re everywhere in the breadbins dancing across tabletops stealing pies from under the cooks noses so what does every town need a good piper to lure them away that s where maurice comes in a streetwise tomcat with the perfect money making scam everyone has heard the stories about rats and pipes and con cat maurice finds a stupid looking kid with a pipe and has his very own plague of rats strangely educated rats but in bad blintz someone is playing a different tune and now maurice and his rats must learn a new concept evil an astonishing novel financial times

Terry Pratchett's the Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents

2011

terry pratchett s immortal amazing maurice in a musical adaptation with everything you need for schools to perform

The Unadulterated Cat

2022-11-03

from the worldwide phenomenon sir terry pratchett via the unquestionable wisdom of the amazing maurice herein is contained everything you ll ever need to know to identify the real unadulterated cat the unadulterated cat is becoming an endangered species as more and more of us settle for those boring mass

Terry Pratchett

2012-06-04

the extraordinary life story of one of the most beloved writers in the world including his courageous battle with alzheimers with worldwide sales of more than 65 million copies in 37 languages terry pratchett s novels are eagerly awaited by his legions of fans year after year featuring an in depth look at the man and his work as well as on screen adaptations and a collector s guide this is essential reading for any fan his first discworld novel the colour of magic was released in 1983 and ever since then the series with its whimsical heroes and fiendish foes has delighted both young and old alike in 2007 pratchett announced that he had been diagnosed with alzheimer s disease he has courageously faced the disease head on equaling the determination of his characters in his vivid and satirical novels this book examines his extraordinary life showcased against the backdrop of more than 40 years of irreverent artistic achievements for devoted fans it features appendices of more than 60 pages listing pratchett s works on screen and at the theatre a complete uk bibliography and collector s guide and a note about cats

Classworks Fiction and Poetry Year 6

2004

brand new classworks literacy texts give you high quality flexible resources tailored to meet current strategy requirements ordered into blocked units specifically to match the medium term plan these books provide banks of

photocopiables allowing you to dip in as and when you need material to fit the literacy sample plans a simple easy to use bank of texts only no lesson plans 50 pages of photocopiable resources per book blocked units to fit in with the medium term plan up to date material for both the new and experienced teacher complements supports any teacher s resource literacy title

Fantasy and the Real World in British Children's Literature

2014-09-15

this study examines the children s books of three extraordinary british writers j k rowling diana wynne jones and terry pratchett and investigates their sophisticated use of narrative strategies not only to engage children in reading but to educate them into becoming mature readers and indeed individuals the book demonstrates how in quite different ways these writers establish reader expectations by drawing on conventions in existing genres only to subvert those expectations their strategies lead young readers to evaluate for themselves both the power of story to shape our understanding of the world and to develop a sense of identity and agency rowling jones and pratchett provide their readers with fantasies that are pleasurable and imaginative but far from encouraging escape from reality they convey important lessons about the complexities and challenges of the real world and how these may be faced and solved all three writers deploy the tropes and imaginative possibilities of fantasy to disturb challenge and enlarge the world of their readers

Cool Story Programs for the School-Age Crowd

2004-08-02

offers eighteen offbeat literary programs featuring creepy dirty and stinky stories that will appeal to young readers

Alternating Narratives in Fiction for Young Readers

2017-04-17

this book is about the implications of novels for young readers that tell their stories by alternating between different narrative lines focused on different characters it asks if you make sense of fiction by identifying with one main character how do you handle two or more of them do novels with alternating narratives diverge from longstanding conventions and represent a significant change in literature for young readers if not how do these novels manage to operate within the parameters of those conventions this book considers answers to these questions by means of a series of close readings that explore the structural educational and ideological implications of a variety of american british canadian and australian novels for children and for young adults

The Cambridge Companion to Children's Literature

2009-12-10

a wide ranging introduction to an exciting and rapidly expanding field

Humor in Young Adult Literature

2005

celebrates the accomplishments of ya authors acclaimed for producing high quality comedies who have not yet been treated in a book length bio critical study simultaneously it reminds readers that no matter how funny an author of fiction may be if he shows off his wit in ways that fail to play a natural role in advancing his narrative he is not writing good fiction to demonstrate this humorous passages are presented to illustrate the contribution a sense of humor can make to a work of fiction the book is arranged topically to facilitate a comparison of distinctive treatments by various authors of adolescent life events such as sibling rivalry bullies and first dates

Gothic Animals

2019-12-10

this book begins with the assumption that the presence of non human creatures causes an always already uncanny rift in human assumptions about reality exploring the dark side of animal nature and the otherness of animals as viewed by humans and employing cutting edge theory on non human animals eco criticism literary and cultural theory this book takes the gothic genre into new territory after the dissemination of darwin s theories of evolution nineteenth century fiction quickly picked up on the idea of the animal within here the fear explored was of an unruly defiant degenerate and entirely amoral animality lying mostly dormant within all of us however non humans and humans have other

sorts of encounters too and even before darwin humans have often had an uneasy relationship with animals which as donna haraway puts it have a way of looking back at us in this book the focus is not on the animal within but rather on the animal with out other and entirely incomprehensible

Animation in Germany

2023-08-10

this book provides a comprehensive account of german animation history as well as an analysis of the current state of the industry in competition with american and cheaper international products in the face of dwindling budgets covering film and tv 2d and 3d animation the book considers how europe has lost its domestic territory of narratives to international competitors a connection is made between film history and contemporary history world war i the weimar republic national socialism world war ii the federal republic and german democratic republic reunification the european union digitalization and globalization and a turn of eras initiated by pandemic war and inflation this book will be of great interest to academics students and professionals working and researching in the field of animation

Marvelous Geometry

2009-04-09

explores self consciousness and metafictional awareness in modern fairy tale and its expression across literary fairy tale popular fairy tale and fairy tale film

The Turtle Moves!

2008-07-01

after growing from humble beginnings as a sword sorcery parody to more than 30 volumes of wit wisdom and whimsy the discworld series has become a phenomenon unlike any other now in the turtle moves lawrence watt evans presents a story by story history of discworld s evolution as well as essays on pratchett s place in literary canon the nature of the disc itself and the causes and results of the discworld phenomenon all refreshingly free of literary jargon littered with informative footnotes part breezy reference guide part droll commentary the turtle moves will enlighten and entertain every pratchett reader from the casual browser to the most devout of discworld s fans

Forever the Colours

2014-06-30

when tommy evans regains consciousness after being injured on the battlefield of modern day afghanistan the world around him is not the same filled with cannon smoke gunfire and the whinnying of horses tommy inexplicably finds himself transported back to 1880 back to the eve of one of the british army s worst defeats in the second anglo afghan war the battle of maiwand now he must find his way back home or face the very real possibility of perishing along with most of the soldiers of the 66th foot the berkshires

Wings

2011-08-31

when you're four inches high in a world full of giant people things never go very well for long after running into trouble at the quarry the nomes want to go home the problem is home is somewhere up in the stars in some sort of ship masklin must find a way to get to the launch of a communications satellite whatever that is and so begins an incredible journey filled with peril planes honking geese and a walking sandwich the fantastically funny third book of the nomes from the author of the bestselling discworld series

Justice in Young Adult Speculative Fiction

2015-04-17

this book is the first to offer a justice focused cognitive reading of modern ya speculative fiction in its narrative and filmic forms it links the expansion of ya speculative fiction in the 20th century with the emergence of human and civil rights movements with the communitarian revolution in conceptualizations of justice and with spectacular advances in cognitive sciences as applied to the examination of narrative fiction oziewicz argues that complex ideas such as justice are processed by the human mind as cognitive scripts that scripts when narrated take the form of multiply indexable stories and that ya speculative fiction is currently the largest conceptual testing ground in the forging of justice consciousness for the 21st century world drawing on recent research in the cognitive and evolutionary sciences oziewicz explains how poetic retributive

restorative environmental social and global types of justice have been represented in narrative fiction from 19th century folk and fairy tales through 21st century fantasy dystopia and science fiction suggesting that the appeal of these and other nonmimetic genres is largely predicated on the dream of justice oziewicz theorizes new justice scripts as conceptual tools essential to help humanity survive the qualitative leap toward an environmentally conscious culturally diversified global world this book is an important contribution to studies of children s and ya speculative fiction adding a new perspective to discussions about the educational as well as social potential of nonmimetic genres it demonstrates that the justice imperative is very much alive in ya speculative fiction creating new visions of justice relevant to contemporary challenges

The Oxford Companion to Children's Literature

2015

the last thirty years have witnessed one of the most fertile periods in the history of children s books a fascinating reference guide to the world of children s literature this volume covers every genre from fairy tales to chapbooks school stories to science fiction comics to children s hymns

True Stories

2017-10-03

an irresistible collection of favorite writings from an author celebrated for his bravura style and sheer unpredictability francis spufford s welcome first volume of collected essays gathers an array of his compelling writings from the 1990s to the

present he makes use of a variety of encounters with particular places writers or books to address deeper questions relating to the complicated relationship between story telling and truth telling how must a nonfiction writer imagine facts vivifying them to bring them to life how must a novelist create a dependable world of story within which facts are in fact imaginary and how does a religious faith felt strongly to be true but not provably so draw on both kinds of writerly imagination ranging freely across topics as diverse as the medieval legends of cockaigne the christian apologetics of c s lewis and the tomb of ayatollah khomeini spufford provides both fresh observations and thought provoking insights no less does he inspire an irresistible urge to turn the page and read on

Twenty 77

2017-02-22

when a complete stranger contacts author amanda armstrong to write his biography she is initially wary but curious her very first meeting with him sparks a connection though and amanda becomes enthralled and excited at the opportunity to tell his amazing story it s a case of be careful what you wish for though as little does amanda know she has unwittingly just accepted a ride on a rollercoaster of emotion and intrigue a journey that will both touch and horrify her as she gets a brief glimpse into the dark secret of the year 2077 as amanda faces the challenges of writing for this very busy and private man she begins to wonder if she will ever truly know who he is or the secret he holds so close this is a true story within a story that will leave you both open mouthed and open minded

Maurice the Museum Mouse's Amazing Ancient Facts and Jokes

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new york times bestseller this never before published collection of fourteen funny and inventive tales by acclaimed author sir terry pratchett creator of the beloved and bestselling discworld fantasy series features a memorable cast of inept

wizards sensible heroes and unusually adventuresome tortoises including more than one hundred black and white illustrations the appealingly designed book celebrates pratchett s inimitable wordplay and irreverent approach to the conventions of storytelling these accessible and mischievous tales are an ideal introduction for young readers to this beloved author established fans of pratchett s work will savor the playful presentation of the themes and ideas that inform his popular novels read more of sir terry s silliest stories in the witch s vacuum cleaner

Dragons at Crumbling Castle

2015-02-03

football food fashion and wizards collide in pratchett s affectionate satire on the foibles of sports and sports fans the prose crackles with wit and charm and the sendups of league football academic posturing romeo and juliet and cheesy sports dramas are razor sharp and hilarious but never cruel at its heart this is an intelligent cheeky love letter to football its fans and the unifying power of sports publishers weekly football aka soccer comes to the ancient city of ankh morpork upending the wizards of unseen university and dividing discworld in this wonderfully funny novel in sir terry pratchett s internationally bestselling series the wizards at ankh morpork s unseen university are renowned for many things wisdom magic teatime but athletics not so much when lord vetinari the city s benevolent tyrant strongly suggests to archchancellor mustrium ridiculy that the university revive its sports program and field a football team composed of faculty students and staff or lose the funding that pays for their nine daily meals the wizards of uu find themselves in a quandary first they have to understand what

makes foot the ball so popular with ankh morporkians then they have to learn how to play it and win without using magic of course the thing about football is that it is never just about football the discworld novels can be read in any order but unseen academicals is the seventh and final book in the wizards collection and 37th discworld book the other books in the wizards collection include the color of magic the light fantastic sourcery eric interesting times the last continent

Unseen Academicals

2009-10-06

in a world whose seasons are defined by christmas sales and spring fashions hundreds of tiny nomes live in the corners and crannies of a human run department store they have made their homes beneath the floorboards for generations and no longer remember or even believe in life beyond the store walls until the day a small band of nomes arrives at the store from the outside led by a young nome named masklin the outsiders carry a mysterious black box called the thing and they deliver devastating news in twenty one days the store will be destroyed now all the nomes must learn to work together and they must learn to think and to think big part satire part parable and part adventure story par excellence master storyteller terry pratchett s second title in the engaging bromeliad trilogy traces the nomes flight and search for safety a search that leads them to discover their own astonishing origins and takes them beyond their wildest dreams

Diggers

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a collection of three of books from terry pratchett including only you can save mankind the aliens in johnny s computer game are not supposed to surrender they re supposed to die impressively original daily telegraph johnny and the dead when johnny discovers he can talk to the dead he has bad news for them they re going to have to move inspired imagination independent johnny and the bomb there s more to the local bag lady than some dubious black bags suddenly johnny and his friends find themselves back in 1941 in the blackbury blitz a terry pratchett classic the times terry pratchett is one of the most popular authors writing today he is well known for the phenomenally successful discworld series his first novel for young readers the amazing maurice and his educated rodents won the 2002 carnegie medal and he is also the author of a number of other successful titles for younger readers includingthe bromeliadtrilogy which is being adapted into a spectacular animated movie

The Johnny Maxwell Slipcase

2005-10-06

alone on a desert island everything and everyone he knows and loves has been washed away in a storm mau is the last surviving member of his nation he is completely alone or so he thinks until he finds the ghost girl she has no toes wears strange lacy trousers like the grandfather bird and gives him a stick that can make fire daphne sole survivor of the wreck of the sweet judy almost immediately regrets trying to shoot the native boy thank goodness the powder was wet and the gun only produced a spark she is certain her father distant cousin of the royal family will come and rescue her but it seems for now that all she has for company is the boy and the foul mouthed ship s parrot until other survivors arrive to take refuge on the island together mau and daphne discover some remarkable things including how to milk a pig and why spitting in beer is a good thing and start to forge a new nation encompassing themes of death and nationhood terry pratchett s new novel is as can be expected extremely funny witty and wise mau s ancestors have something to teach us all mau just wishes they would shut up about it and let him get on with saving everyone s lives

Genii

1961

these exciting and unique author profiles are essential to your holdings because sketches are entirely revised and up to date and completely replace the original contemporary authors entries a softcover cumulative index is published twice per

year included in subscription

Nation

2009-09-14

featuring full color art special foldouts and all new material by the author this lavish gift edition is a must have for all fans of pratchett and the wee free men

Contemporary Authors

2004-04

twelve year old johnny maxwell endures tensions between his parents watches television coverage of the gulf war and plays a computer game called only you can save mankind in which he is increasingly drawn into the reality of the alien screewee

The Illustrated Wee Free Men

2008-09-30

back cover big cats small cats heroic cats famous cats extraordinary cats cats in literature cats in art ghost cats fairytale cats detective cats warrior cats the fastest runners the fiercest hunters the consorts of kings the hollywood stars learn about all these fantastic feline characters and much much more in this unique celebration of the world of cats cat biz includes more than 400 color photographs and artwork illustrations revealing all the charm and infinite variety of the many moods of the cat entertaining and intriguing a book that puts the fun back into cat

ownership great for dipping into at any time lasting reference value includes a huge amount of information and history facts and figures an ideal present for any cat lover flap copy imagine the most amazing miscellany of cat related facts and figures breed profiles humorous anecdotes historical stories tall tales fables myths and legends jostling for space with descriptions of a host of fun activities to enjoy with your cat then add up to date information on care and training to this irresistible package the result is cat biz here in one compact and supremely accessible volume is a cornucopia of cat lore that will go straight to the top of the must have list of every committed cat lover in equal parts entertaining and informative cat biz is the ultimate feline compendium the author amanda o neill was born in sussex england and educated at the university of exeter she has written more than 20 books about pets and is a regular contributor to a number of national pet magazines in the u k

Only You Can Save Mankind

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Cat Biz

2006-11

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