

EVERYTHING WITH WORDS



The Silver Bones

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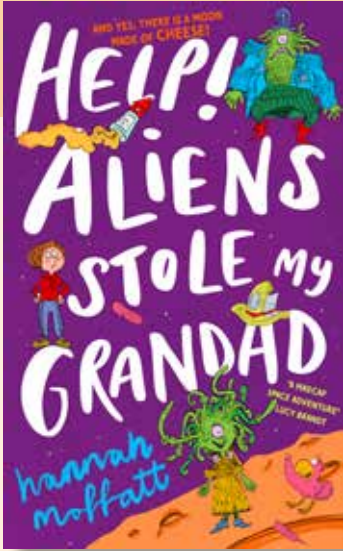
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Everything with Words publishes literary fiction for children and adults. We began publishing fiction for children in 2017 and literary fiction for adults in 2020. Our books have been picked as books of the year by The Times, Sunday Times, Guardian, FT, Observer, Irish Times, and the Telegraph, and won or been shortlisted for prestigious prizes. We publish page-turning historical novels, classic fantasy, comedy, magical realism and bold young adult novels and adult literary fiction. We look for compelling, original writing that sweeps the reader along and characters that leap off the page, touch and surprise.

HELP! ALIENS STOLE MY GRANDAD

Hannah Moffatt



A band of intergalactic pirates have lost their lucky parrot and are determined to get her back!

An intergalactic adventure that asks a lot of BIG questions:

- Why is Harrison Brown pretending to be the Earthling Prime Minister?
- Who are the Cheddar Moon pirates and where's their lucky parrot?
- What happens when you fire your dead grandpa's ashes into space?

Hannah Moffatt is a creative director at a language and behavioural science consultancy, where she spends her days writing very sensible things for businesses. At night, she escapes into the beautifully bonkers world of middle grade fiction, where she writes significantly less sensible things for children. Hannah lives in London with her husband and a sombrero-wearing toy hedgehog named Cedric. Her debut, *Small* was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize.

One teensy little fib plunges foolhardy ten-year-old Harrison headfirst into a daft and dangerous lunar parrot search. He'll be plundering from pirates, wrangling space cows and even coming face-to-face with a ghost captain. But if he can't find the pirates' missing parrot by bedtime, he'll be forced to walk the plank... into the **BLACK HOLE**

- Age 7+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 224

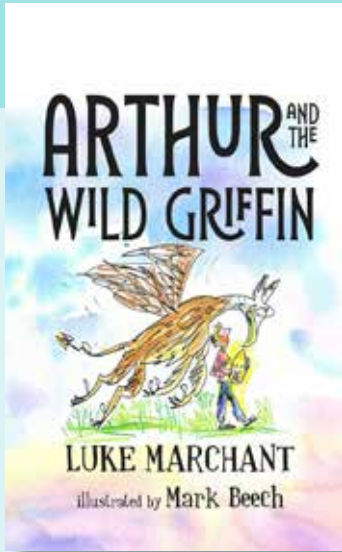
- Illustrated by **Rory Walker**
- Published May 28th 2026
- RRP **£8.99**

- ISBN **9781911427506**
- World rights



ARTHUR AND THE WILD GRIFFIN

Luke Marchant



Trolls, wild griffins, centaurs —all can be found in Fantasy Zoo!

Fantasy Zoo has one rule only... NO HUMANS. When schoolboy and hapless dreamer Arthur Kingsley is mistaken for an elf, he finds himself tending to hangry trolls, a fierce Wild Griffin, wailing banshees and more—all whilst trying to hide his identity from his fellow keepers. When a devious sorceress plots to close the zoo once and for all, it's up to Arthur to save the day... that's if one of the creatures doesn't eat him first.

Luke Marchant studied English and Creative Writing at Cardiff University. He is now Head of a Primary school in darkest Devon.

'I was influenced by the fantasy world-building of Terry Pratchett's Maurice and his Amazing Rodents, the environmental adventures of Nizrana Farook's The Boy Who Met a Whale, and having a humourous ensemble of characters such as Maz Evans' Who Let the Gods Out?'

- Age **6+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages **204**

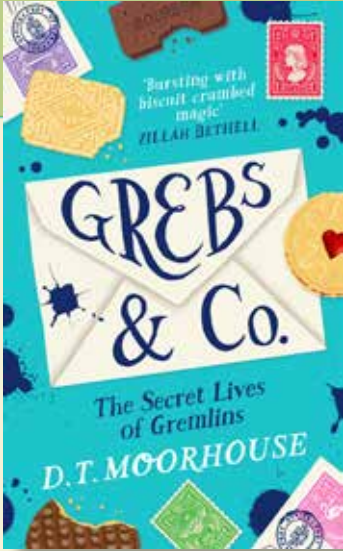
- Illustrations by **Mark Beech**
- August 27th 2026
- RRP **£8.99**

- ISBN **9781911427520**
- World rights



GREBS & CO

D T Moorhouse



The secret life of Gremlins

Alice Fairchild has moved to the delightfully peculiar village of Little Wobbleton, where even the lamp posts seem alive. Alice discovers an old red postbox harbouring a secret society of gremlins who sort and deliver letters. When Alice learns of a plan to replace all the traditional postboxes in the village with modern Smart Drop Off Points, the gremlins' entire way of life is threatened. With courage and creativity, Alice launches a heartfelt campaign to save them, discovering the power of community, memory, and the written word along the way.

DEBUT

D. T. Moorhouse is a Secondary School Teacher from Ireland. He has a Bachelor of Arts in English and Linguistics and a Masters in Education from University College Dublin. He was born and raised in Crumlin, Dublin and now splits his time living between County Kildare and Dublin, in Ireland.



- Age 7+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 204

- Illustrated by Ewa Beniak-Haremska
- Published **September 3rd 2026**
- RRP **£8.99**

- ISBN **9781911427513**
- World rights

NO TUNE NED

Oliver Lendon



Sometimes all you need is a talking goat!

In Dravenloch, music can tame monsters, heal the wounded, and rally armies. But eleven-year-old Ned Numbles is the worst bard apprentice anyone has ever seen. His off-key singing terrifies livestock and breaks instruments. When an ancient force known as the Crooner Below starts using music to control monsters and steal voices, it is Ned's gloriously terrible music that might be the only thing strong enough to fight back. Accompanied by a sarcastic talking goat, Ned sets off on a journey full of danger, mystery and a host of incompatible monsters.

Blending big adventure, laugh-out-loud humour, and a heartfelt message about embracing your flaws, No-Tune Ned is a story about finding your voice, even when the world tells you to stay quiet.

DEBUT

Oliver is a children's author, podcast creator, and full-time web developer who believes creativity should have no boundaries.

By day, he builds websites. By night (and often early mornings), he builds worlds, places filled with mystery, magic, laughter, and just enough chaos to keep things interesting. No-Tune Ned is his first middle grade debut.

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 304

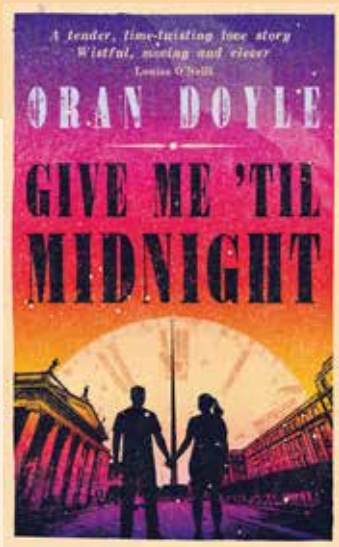
- **August 27th 2026**
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427490**

- World rights



GIVE ME 'TIL MIDNIGHT

ORAN DOYLE



Oran Doyle's original writing background is in screenwriting. His short scripts won funding in script competitions from the Irish national broadcaster RTE, and he received feature script development funding from the Irish Film Board. He has worked with young people overseas and in Ireland as a social worker. He lives in Dublin.

Liam's stuck in a time loop Harmony is just stuck

A fresh take on the time loop trope, a rom com that takes place over a single iteration of the loop – just one sunny day in May. A character-centred story following two sixteen-year-olds walking around contemporary Dublin, it's *Before Sunrise* meets *Groundhog Day* for readers of books like David Levithan's *Every Day*. And *One Day*.

Harmony's a school drop-out stuck in a dead-end job. Liam is the self-declared 'King of Dublin' cheerfully stuck in a twenty-four-hour time loop. Fearful that she (and the rest of the universe) is unwittingly trapped in the loop too, Harmony convinces Liam to give her until the midnight reset to break the cycle. As her attempts fall flat and their personalities clash and time runs out, they find there's more than one way to get unstuck.

DEBUT

- YA
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 304

- September 10th 2026
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427537**

- World English rights



THE SILVER BONES OF FRANCES WINTER

Fiona Goggin



‘I can almost hear the sound of my bones growing’

A Gothic tale set in Victorian London

‘I swear I can hear the creak and crack of my bones growing in the night. The weight of them, a whale washed up on the shore, the rusting carcass of a ship. My growth is an unstoppable force, impossible to contain. Where will it end? That is forever my question.’ At eight years old, Frances is almost the same height as her father; by sixteen, she is over six feet tall.

As she continues to grow to an extraordinary height, Frances seeks a way to reduce her size and struggles not to lose herself in the process; desperate to remain hidden, while longing to be seen, and loved for who she is, all of her. But the streets of Victorian London are not an easy place to be a woman – least of all one as striking as Frances. Wooed by the showman of a questionable ‘theatre troupe,’ taken in by shrewd spiritualists and charmed by a collection of hedonistic Pre-Raphaelites, Frances must reckon with what it means to inhabit a body that does not conform; grappling with how the world sees her versus who she is discovering herself to be.

DEBUT

Fiona Goggin grew up in the Medway Towns, childhood home of Charles Dickens. Her fascination with the Victorians began on a primary school trip to the local museum, after getting lost among the creepy dolls and the penny-farthings. A lifelong love of Victorian gothic novels followed. . . Fiona lives in Kent with her husband, two daughters and a particularly enigmatic cat.

This is her first published novel.

- Fiction
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 304

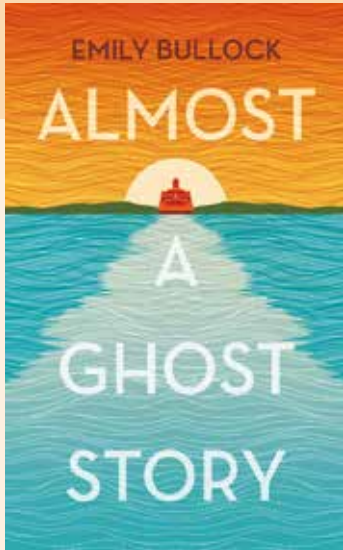
- **September 24th 2026**
- RRP **£10.99**
- ISBN **9781911427483**

- World English rights



ALMOST A GHOST STORY

Emily Bullock



Emily has won the Bristol Short Story Prize and her short stories have been included in numerous anthologies. Her debut novel, *The Longest Fight*, published by Myriad, was shortlisted for the Cross Sports Book Awards, and listed in *The Independent's Paperbacks of the Year*. Her second novel, *Inside the Beautiful Inside*, was published in 2020 by *Everything with Words* and reviewed in both *The Times* and *The Observer*; a collection of short stories, *Human Terrain*, was published in 2021 and longlisted for the Edge Hill Prize 2022.

On an Isle of Wight ferry time stops and destiny begins

Marin, Ronan, Hollis, and Jay – each tethered to grief, guilt, or unfinished love – meet onboard a ferry that journeys between life and death. For the passengers time stands still and memory is so fragmentary and unreliable that it's difficult to know whether you are one of the many ghost passengers tied to the ship.

The four meet as strangers, but each of them knows that their pasts are somehow intertwined.

A chilling rule governs their passage: no new tickets, only exchanges. Marin and Ronan must journey through love and loss to try and rewrite fate. But as Hollis and Jay swap their tickets, secrets unravel, and tragic connections are revealed. Caught between the liminal world of the ferry and life on the Island, memory becomes a map but the route to redemption may cost them everything.

- Fiction
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 304

- September 17th 2026
- RRP **£10.99**
- ISBN **9781911427544**

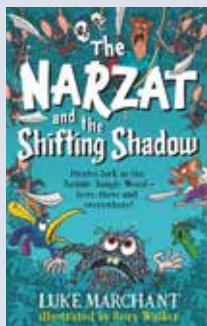
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RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

THE NARZAT AND THE SHIFTING SHADOW

Luke Marchant

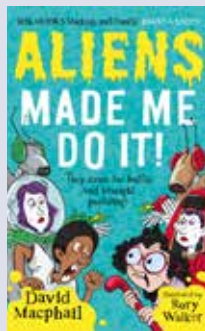


The legendary Captain Carver and his wicked pirate crew commanded by the GLOOM BADGER have arrived in the Jumble Jungle Wood on board their pirate ship THE SHIFTING SHADOW in search of monsters they plan to use to tyrannise all the animals in the wood.

- Age 7+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 224
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN 9781911427445
- World rights (

ALIENS MADE ME DO IT

David Macphail



It's not every day a spaceship crash lands in your garden! Eleven-year-old Hillman thinks it's a prank—until a real alien steps out, followed by a homicidal android armed with explosive custard.

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 244
- ISBN 9781911427469
- World rights

A PLACE OF A THOUSAND WISHES

Sarah Merrett



Nothing is going right for unlucky ice-cream seller Mason. But then famous wish-maker, Darlington, returns to town and opens his mysterious manor for the first time..

Nominated for the Carnegie

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 304
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN 97819114271452
- World rights

THE FEATHERED BOOK

Charlie Nutbrown



The Feathered Book, the creation of Prendergast the Raven who dabbled in alchemy has disappeared from the humungous library in the ancient oak tree. The book is cursed. Can Monty the Fox and his side kick, Nettle Rabbit solve the mystery?

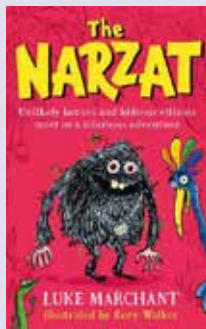
- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Illustrations Ewa Beniack-Haremska
- Pages 304
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN 97819114271476
- World rights



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

THE NARZAT

Luke Marchant



The Narzat lives in the Jumble Jungle Wood. One day two dastardly villains arrive, Lord and Lady Snide.

The Snides have a vast collection of furs and hides but they want more!

“Imagine a jungle with Dahlesque villains and a Walliams style storyline and you’ve got The Narzat!

School Librarian

- Age 7+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Illustrations by **Rory Walker**
- Pages **252**
- RRP **£7.99**

- ISBN **9781911427384**
- World rights

THE TALL MAN

Mary Cathleen Brown



A time slip adventure with a touch of horror. Tom has just moved to the Tall Man’s house. The Tall Man is long dead, though he lives on in sinister rhymes and his house seems haunted.

‘Highly inventive, beautifully written’ **OBSERVER**

‘A Gothic world of ominous intrigue’ **IRISH TIMES**

‘Thrilling’ **TELEGRAPH**

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages **324**

- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427391**
- World rights

THE OTHERS

Sarah Merrett



Reuben lives in an observatory with his astronomer grandma who is determined to win the Guzman prize, a real historical French prize for discovering extra-terrestrials.

‘Thrilling *****’
TELEGRAPH
‘Compelling’
NEW STATESMAN

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Illustrations by **Ewa Beniak-Haremska**

- Pages **324**
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427407**
- World rights

BLACK GABLES

Eibhlís Carcione



Meet the world’s creepiest teachers and their pets! Rosella’s mother has lost her memory and the family has returned to her home town where ghouls and ghosts stalk the streets.

A **SUNDAY TIMES** BEST BOOK FOR HALLOWEEN

‘A Gothic mystery’
IRISH TIMES

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages **288**

- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427438**
- World English rights



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

THE LAST BOY

Eve McDonnell



Inspired by the real life story of George Brewster, whose death led to an act of Parliament banning child chimney sweeps.

‘Extraordinary. Anyone lucky enough to read it won’t forget it for a long time’

BOOK TRUST

‘Powerful’

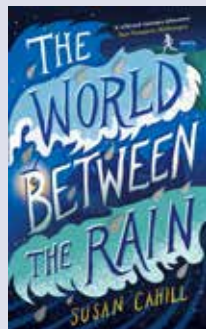
IRISH EXAMINER

- Age **9+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 352
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427414**

- World rights

THE WORLD BETWEEN THE RAIN

Susan Cahill



Marina has entered a watery world full of strange creatures, demons, gods and dream makers. Meanwhile in our world, her family needs her and her special powers to survive. Will Marina make it back in time?

‘Wild and visionary’ Sam Thompson

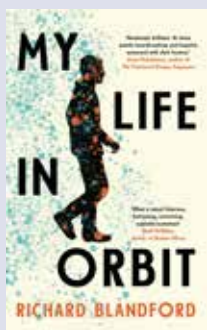
‘Impressive and stylish’ IRISH TIMES

- Age **9+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages **324**

- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427315**
- World English rights

MY LIFE IN ORBIT

Richard Blandford



He’s about to meet his adult daughter whose existence he’s just discovered. He’s a born narrator and wants to tell her his life story— all of it.

‘Exquisite. Sharply observed’ TBC Pierre, Vernon God Little

- Literary Fiction
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 324
- RRP **£9.99**

- ISBN **9781911427377**
- World rights

NIGHT OF TINY SUNS

Edward King



Captain Nick Russell is drawn to Afghanistan by his profession. Ghul Khan, once a Mujahideen warrior, is now a farmer desperate to find peace for his village. Haji Mansur battles for the ideals that gave birth to the Taliban.

‘Deft, powerful and deeply moving.’ ANTHONY LOYD, AWARD WINNING TIMES SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

- Lit fiction, action
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 304

- RRP **£10.99**
- ISBN **9781911427421**
- World English rights



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

WELCOME TO DEAD TOWN RAVEN

MCKAY

Eibhlís Carcione



When her parents disappear, 12-year-old Raven McKay is put into foster care in the town of Grave's Pass. It's not an ordinary town. It's a town where the living and the dead live side by side, but few wear their identity on their sleeves.

'Deliciously dark and gorgeously Gothic' – Kieran Larwood

A Times Best Summer Reads 2023

- Age **9+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Illustrations by **Ewa Beniak-Haremska**
- Pages **288**

- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427339**
- World English, Italian and French rights

SWEET SKIES

Robin Scott-Elliott



Berlin, 1948. A city besieged. A boy reaches for the sky and dares to dream in a city where betrayal is everywhere.

'Unusually convincing and atmospheric' – Sunday Times

'Alive with atmosphere, action and dynamic dialogue' – LoveReading4Kids

TLS Best Book of the Year

- Age **9+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages **288**

- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427322**
- World rights

THE KINGDOM OF BROKEN MAGIC

Christine Aziz



A whirlwind of a story with talking tigers, a knitting elephant and a sinister monkey. In the Kingdom of Broken Magic, who can you trust?

'Vibrantly visual, in The Kingdom of Broken Magic Aziz has created a richly-imagined world that fizzles with drama and big themes, and all delivered in an energetic style that will engage 8+-year-old adventure-lovers.' – LoveReading4Kids Debut of the Month

- Age **7+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Illustrations by **Ewa Beniak-Haremska**

- Pages **246**
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427308**
- World rights

RUNNER HAWK

Michael Egan



Something is happening to Leo, something is happening to his world, but will anyone listen? Leo is running out of time – has he got enough days left to learn how to live love, and catch a killer? Ishiguro's Never Let me Go meets The Catcher in the Rye in this beautifully crafted coming of age love story and fantasy thriller.

A Times & Sunday Times Best Children's Book of the Year 2023

- Age **12+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages **320**

- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN **9781911427360**
- World rights



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

THE WOLF ROAD

Richard Lambert



Carnegie longlisted, a Guardian & Times Best Book of the Year. A gripping thriller that is also a tale of loss and grief.

- Age 12+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 352
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN 9781911427162
- World rights (rights sold: Russian, Italian, Lithuanian, Korean, simplified Chinese)

SHADOW TOWN

Richard Lambert

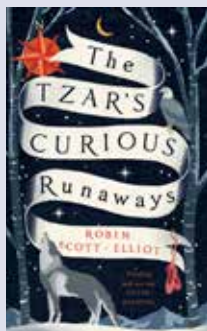


A Times Best Book of the Year. Toby follows his cat Alfred into a spine chilling world of deception and love. A gothic tale.

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 356
- RRP **£7.99**
- ISBN 9781911427223
- World rights (rights sold: Russian)

THE TZAR'S CURIOUS RUNAWAYS

Robin Scott-Elliot



A Telegraph Best Book of the Year. The Tzar – Peter the Great – has died and those who belong to his Circus of Curiosities must fend for themselves. Can they survive?

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages 304
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN 9781911427131
- World rights

THE ACROBATS OF AGRA

Robin Scott-Elliot



A Guardian Best Book of the Year. It's the year of the Indian rebellion: 1857, a French Circus is trapped in Agra under siege, can two children save a starving tiger?

- Age 9+
- B-format **Paperback**
- Illustrations by **Holly Ovenden**
- Pages 304
- RRP **£8.99**
- ISBN 9781911427148
- World rights



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

ELSETIME

Eve McDonnell



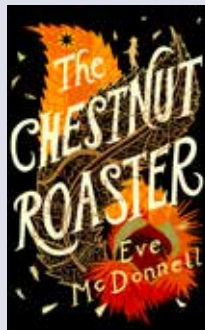
Shortlisted for the Awesome Book Award. There's a flood and twelve people will die. Can two children travel back in time and save them?

- Age **9+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages **346**
- RRP **£8.99**

- ISBN **9781911427179**
- World rights (rights sold: German)

THE CHESTNUT ROASTER

Eve McDonnell



A Guardian Best Book of the Year, Times Book of the Week.

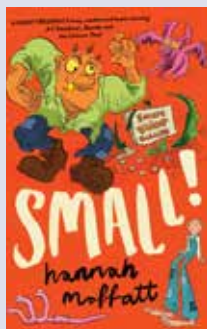
Paris 1888. Everyone seems to have suddenly lost their memory of last year. Can Piaf and her brother Luc catch the memory thief? Nominated for the Carnegie, Shortlisted for the Week Junior Awards.

- Age **9+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Pages **336**

- RRP **£7.99**
- ISBN **9781911427292**
- World rights

SMALL!

Hannah Moffatt



A Times Book of the Week . Shortlisted for the Waterstones' Children's Book Prize.

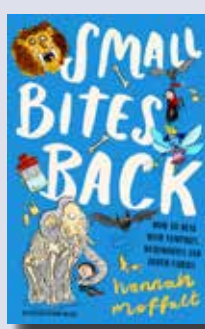
Harvey is in a giant world but on stilts. If the giants discover, they'll stomp him into a sandwich!

- Age **6+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Illustrations by **Rory Walker**

- Pages **224**
- RRP **£6.99**
- ISBN **9781911427278**
- World English rights

SMALL BITES BACK

Hannah Moffatt



The hilarious sequel to Small!

Beware this book contains vampires, were-wolves, zombies and tooth-fairies! Viscount Bloodsucker, vampire in chief, has got a dream. Will he realize it or will Harvey, with the help of some friendly were-wolves frustrate his hopes?

A Sunday Times Book of the Week

- Age **6+**
- B-format **Paperback**
- Illustrations by **Rory Walker**

- Pages **226**
- RRP **£7.99**
- ISBN **9781911427346**
- World English rights





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ZILLAH BETHELL

The Secret Lives of Gremlins



D.T. MOORHOUSE

