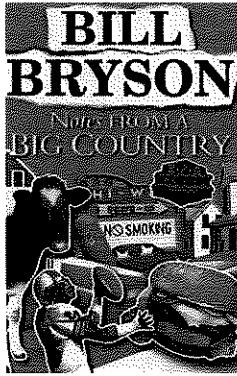


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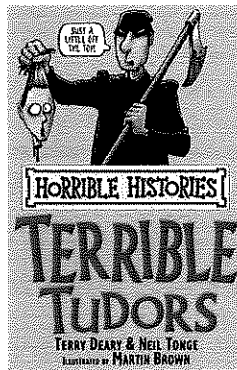
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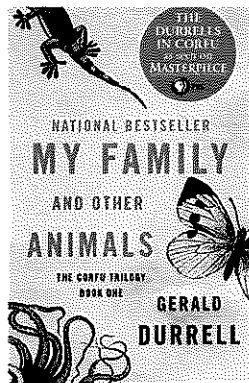
Non-fiction



Bill Bryson, **Notes from a Big Country** (and other travel books) - An American's very funny perspective on Britain and British culture.

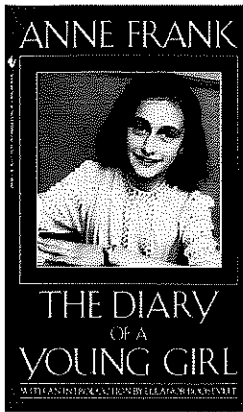


Terry Deary, **Horrible Histories** – The gory aspects of history.



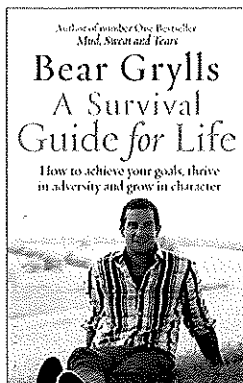
Gerald Durrell, **My Family and Other Animals** –

A young boy, fascinated by wildlife, and his crazy, funny family move to Crete.



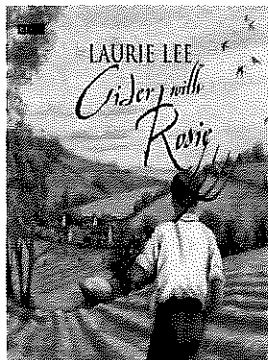
Anne Frank, The Diary of Anne Frank –

Anne, a young Jewish Dutch girl, has to hide from the Germans in a tiny secret room with her family and another family for two years.



Bear Grylls, Mud, Sweat and Tears –

The autobiography of the famous adventurer/risk-taker.



Laurie Lee, Cider with Rosie –

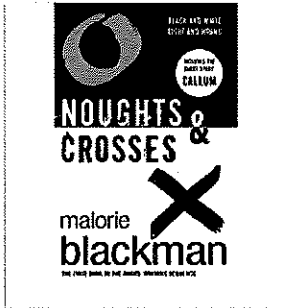
The funny and moving autobiography of a young boy growing up in Gloucestershire just after the 1st World War.



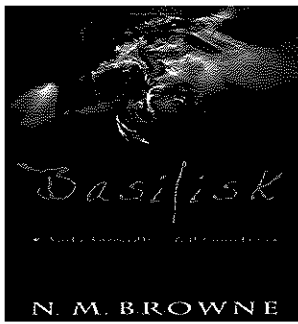
Adeline Yen Mah, Chinese Cinderella –

Adeline grows up in China during the Second World War in a family which does not seem to love her. A moving story of individual survival.

Action and Adventure



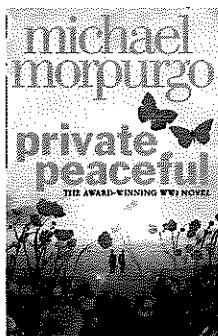
Malorie Blackman, *Noughts and Crosses* - Set in a society with two types of people: 'Noughts' and 'Crosses'. Can friendship overcome the divisions between the two?



NM Browne, *Basilisk* - Myth, history and archaeology, set against the background of the caves of a dark world.



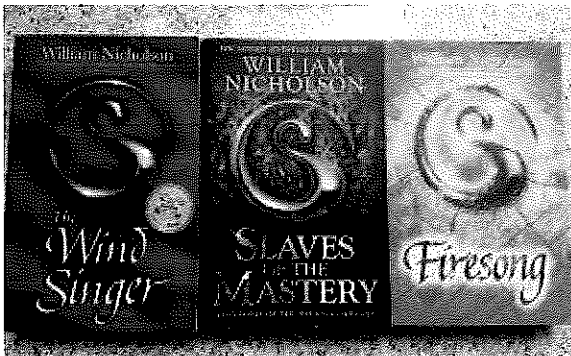
- Hate, violence, loyalty and friendship in the gang-lands of New York.



Michael Morpurgo, *Private Peaceful* - A moving story about a soldier's experiences set in the 1st World War.

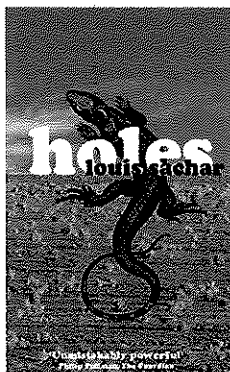


Robert Muchamore, **CHERUB-series** - Big adventures and excitement as the teenage recruits at **CHERUB** battle the underworlds.



William Nicholson, **Wind on Fire Trilogy** –

What happens if you rebel against a society governed by exams?



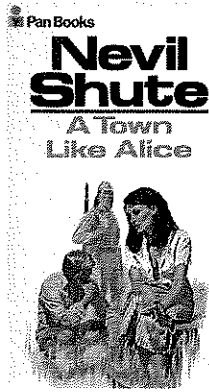
Louis Sachar, **Holes** - A miscarriage of justice sends Stanley to a juvenile prison to dig “holes”.

Bootleg and Tins
Books of the week

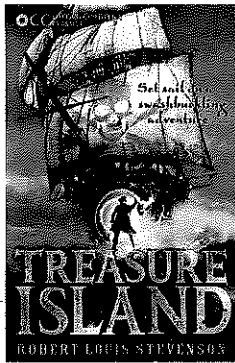


By Alex Shearer
(no not that Alex Shearer!)

Alex Shearer, **Bootleg** - Chocolate is made illegal. A resistance movement forms.

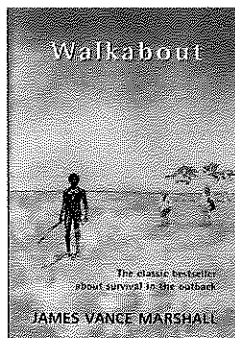


Nevil Shute, **A Town like Alice** – The heroics of a young English woman during World War 2.

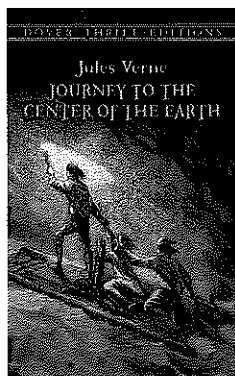


R.L. Stevenson, **Treasure Island** –

Sea adventure and the search for lost treasure.



J. Vance Marshall, **Walkabout**- Two children, survivors of a plane crash, journey across the Australian desert helped by an Aboriginal boy.



Jules Verne, **Journey to the Centre of the Earth** - Explorers climb down an extinct volcano and into the centre of the earth.