



# **AWESOME** *starts* **HERE** ↘

100 STORIES TO EXPERIENCE  
BEFORE HIGH SCHOOL

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# YOUR NEXT FAVOURITE STORY *starts* **HERE**

This booklet may seem innocent enough, but there are explosive and adventurous and dangerous stories inside. These stories will make you laugh and cry and see the world in a different way. **There are a lot of awesome stories out there; here are 100 of our favourites!**

## *How can you 'experience' a story?*

You can read it, hear it or watch it. The stories in this booklet are available in multiple formats: **movies, graphic novels and all kinds of books.** Try out a bunch and discover which way you prefer the story!

Each section of this booklet has its own unique flavour - why not taste them all?

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# HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET

These stories are amazing no matter when you read them – they're timeless. But we still put some suggested grades to get you started. Remember, it's always a good time to find your next favourite story.



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**GRADES 4-6**



**GRADES 7-9**

You can also check out the Canadian stories as denoted by the maple leaf symbol. 🍁

You'll notice in this booklet that some of the stories and information are *en français*. EPL also has these and many more stories available in other world languages.

Check out [www.epl.ca](http://www.epl.ca) to see what's available!

## *What's up with the boxes under each story?*

That's where you can keep track of your opinion about the stories. Feel free to write whatever you want! Some examples of what you might say:



Loved the book! Hated the movie!



Amazing illustrations!

## *Where can you find all of these stories?*

At the Edmonton Public Library, of course! Check them out for free with your library card. Don't have a card? No problem. With an adult's permission, you can get a free library card at any EPL location. You can also ask your teacher for an application form to take home or sign up online at [www.epl.ca/signup](http://www.epl.ca/signup).

**OK, now you're ready to check out the list. Enjoy!**

# THE PLOT THICKENS...

and the action heats up in these compelling stories where the stakes are high and **death and danger lurk around every other corner.**

## ANYA'S GHOST VERA BROSGOL



Anya falls down a sewer and meets the ghost of a girl who was murdered 90 years before.



## THE GOLDEN COMPASS PHILIP PULLMAN



Lyra's quest leads her to the Far North where she encounters battle-ready witches, talking polar bears and a team of evil scientists.



## ARTEMIS FOWL EOIN COLFER



Follow the adventures of 12-year-old criminal mastermind Artemis Fowl in this fantasy spy thriller as he attempts to restore his family fortune.



DID YOU KNOW THAT THE GOLDEN COMPASS WAS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN THE UK WITH THE TITLE "NORTHERN LIGHTS"?



## CORALINE NEIL GAIMAN



Travel with Coraline through a mysterious door in her new house and discover the creepy secrets that lie beyond.



## HARRY POTTER AND THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE J.K. ROWLING



Join boy-wizard Harry Potter as he and his magical friends conquer evil and pass potions class at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.





## HATCHET GARY PAULSEN



After Brian singlehandedly crash lands an airplane, he must learn to survive alone in the wilderness armed only with a hatchet. How will he do it?



## THE HUNGER GAMES SUZANNE COLLINS



In a futuristic world, the Hunger Games pit youth against each other in a televised game of death. Will 16-year-old Katniss beat the odds?



## THE LIGHTNING THIEF RICK RIORDAN



12-year-old Percy Jackson no sooner learns he's the son of Poseidon than he gets dragged into an action-packed mission to recover Zeus's stolen lightning bolt.



CONTRARY TO POPULAR BELIEF, THE 'T' AT THE END OF VOLDEMORT IS SILENT. THE NAME COMES FROM THE FRENCH WORDS MEANING "FLIGHT OF DEATH."



THE ALEX RIDER RULE STATES: THE WORSE THE VILLAIN, THE GREATER AND MORE UNPLEASANT THEIR DEATH.

## STORMBREAKER ANTHONY HOROWITZ



Meet 14-year-old hero Alex Rider, a teen spy who battles evil in this intriguing tale of danger, mystery and suspense.



## WAIT TILL HELEN COMES: A GHOST STORY MARY DOWNING HAHN



Can Helen's new step siblings save her from the sinister ghost that seeks to lure her into the deadly swamp?



## WHITE FANG JACK LONDON



During the Klondike Gold Rush, White Fang, part wolf and part dog, first struggles to survive in the wild and later to adapt to life with men.



# Tickle Your Funny Bone

From the hilarious to the ridiculous, these stories will have you ROTFL!

## Adventures of Captain Underpants DAV PILKEY



Harold and George hypnotize their school principal and turn him into their comic book creation superhero, Captain Underpants, who battles evil in his underwear.



## Alice, I Think SUSAN JUBY



Follow Alice's hilarious journey of self-discovery as she enters public school after years of home schooling, and blossoms from a social misfit into a normal teen.



## Bunnicula DEBORAH HOWE



Why does the new pet bunny have pointy fangs and a long cape? Harold the dog is determined to find out if the pet rabbit is really a vampire.



DID YOU KNOW *DIARY OF A WIMPY KID* WAS FIRST PUBLISHED ON THE WEBSITE FUNBRAIN.COM?

## Diary of a Wimpy Kid JEFF KINNEY



A seventh grader's view of life that includes obnoxious brothers, impressing girls, making it through school and hanging out with best friends.



## Freaky Friday MARY RODGERS



Annabel wakes up one morning to discover that she and her mother have switched bodies. The fun begins when they try to survive the day as each other.



FREAKY FRIDAY HAS BEEN MADE INTO THREE MOVIES.

## Miss Nelson is Missing! HARRY ALLARD



Have you ever wished your teacher would leave the room and never come back? Be careful what you wish for because the substitute might be worse.



## The Mystery of the Frozen Brains

MARTY CHAN 



Do you ever think your parents are aliens? Marty does and he embarks on a wild adventure with the other earthlings to save the world from an alien invasion.



## The Strange case of Origami Yoda

TOM ANGLEBERGER



Origami Yoda is a finger puppet that makes predictions and offers wise advice, but can Origami Yoda really predict the future or is something else going on?



WHAT DO PLANETS  
LIKE TO READ?  
Comet books.



WHAT DOES THE MUMMY  
DO WHEN HE GOES TO  
THE LIBRARY?

*He gets all wrapped up  
in a good book.*



## This Can't Be Happening at MacDonald Hall!

GORDON KORMAN 



Discover how mischievous friends Bruno and Boots devise hilarious antics to get put back together after the headmaster splits them up.



## Where the Sidewalk Ends SHEL SILVERSTEIN



Hilarious poetry and delightful drawings to entertain children of all ages.



# Once Upon a Time...

They all live happily ever after.  
**Or do they?**



THE EARLIEST KNOWN VERSION OF CINDERELLA COMES FROM CHINA IN THE 9TH CENTURY!

SAVEZ-VOUS QUE DOMINIQUE DEMERS A ÉCRIT PLUS QUE 40 LIVRES POUR ENFANTS ET ADOS?

## *Annabel et la bête* DOMINIQUE DEMERS



Cette relecture d'un conte classique capture la mélancolie et beauté éphémère de la rencontre entre la bête; homme défiguré et désagréable, et Annabel; fille curieuse qui apprend à aimer.



## *Ella Enchanted* GAIL CARSON LEVINE



Ella seeks to rid herself of her "gift of obedience" while dealing with princes, fairies, wicked stepsisters, ogres, giants and fairy godmothers.



## *Howl's Moving Castle* DIANA WYNNE JONES



Sophie Hatter goes to work for the notorious Wizard Howl in the hopes of breaking the curse which has trapped her in the body of an old woman.





MOST FAIRY TALES STARTED OUT AS STORIES FOR ADULTS AND WERE HORRIBLY SCARY; MANY ARE BASED ON GERMANIC FOLKTALES COLLECTED BY THE BROTHERS GRIMM IN THE 1800S.

### *The Little Mermaid* **H.C. ANDERSEN**



The classic story of the mermaid who sacrifices her tail and voice for a chance at love and the opportunity to be human.



### *The Polar Express* **CHRIS VAN ALLSBURG**



Take a magical train journey to the North Pole on Christmas Eve.



THE MOVIE VERSION IS VERY DIFFERENT THAN THE NOVEL; WHICH DO YOU LIKE BETTER?

### *Rapunzel's Revenge* **SHANNON HALE**



A wild-west retelling where Rapunzel uses her hair as a lasso and teams up with Jack to save the world from her evil stepmother.



### *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales* **JON SCIESZKA**



Irreverent, sarcastic, short fractured fairy tales are illustrated by Lane Smith. Tales include The Really Ugly Duckling, Little Red Running Shorts, Cinderumpelstiltskin, and more.





# Discover Yourself

Expand your horizons by **looking at the world through someone else's eyes.**

## **The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian** SHERMAN ALEXIE



Junior transfers from the school on the rez into an all-white high school in order to leave the past behind and try to achieve his dreams.



## **Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret** JUDY BLUME



12-year-old Margaret Simon talks to God about boys, school and growing up.



SHAUN TAN WON AN ACADEMY AWARD IN 2011 FOR THE SHORT FILM BASED ON HIS BOOK *THE LOST THING*!

## **The Arrival** SHAUN TAN



A book that needs no words, these beautiful pictures will take you on a journey through the experiences of a new immigrant.



## **American Born Chinese** GENE LUEN YANG



Part mythology, part stereotype, part reality: three stories work together to show how hard it can be to fit in to a new culture.



## **The Breadwinner** DEBORAH ELLIS



After her father is arrested by the Taliban, 11-year-old Parvana disguises herself as a boy in order to support her family.





BEFORE THE NAZIS INVADED PARIS, H.A. AND MARGRET REY FLED ON BICYCLES. THEY WERE CARRYING A ROUGH MANUSCRIPT FOR *CURIOUS GEORGE*.

## The Diary of a Young Girl ANNE FRANK



Begun at age 13, this diary is a personal account of the years Anne Frank spent with her family hiding from the Nazis.



## Hero of Lesser Causes JULIE JOHNSTON



To Keely, everything seems possible. When her brother is suddenly stricken with polio, she must find a way to make him believe this as well.



## Home of the Brave KATHERINE APPLGATE



Kek, a refugee from Sudan, describes his impressions of America and his slow adjustment to it.



## Keeping the Moon SARAH DESSEN



Even though she's lost weight, 15-year-old Collie still feels just as insecure about her body as she did before.



S.E. HINTON WAS ONLY 17 WHEN SHE WROTE THE OUTSIDERS.

## The Outsiders S.E. HINTON



Gang rivalry and social tensions clash in this emotional story about Ponyboy and his friends.



## Smile RAINA TELGEMEIER



Raina just wants to be a normal sixth grader but headgear and braces are making it very difficult to fit in.



DID YOU KNOW? YOUR NOSE AND EARS CONTINUE GROWING THROUGHOUT YOUR ENTIRE LIFE.

# JOURNEY THROUGH TIME

**History comes alive;** discover the past with these stories of characters and circumstances that helped to shape our world.



AUTHOR KIT PEARSON WAS BORN IN EDMONTON, ALBERTA!

## **Anne of Green Gables** L.M. MONTGOMERY



Anne Shirley is a young orphan girl who is sent to live with a brother and sister in Prince Edward Island. The only problem is, they asked for a boy!



"ANNE OF GREEN GABLES" HAS BEEN STUDIED IN JAPANESE SCHOOLS SINCE 1952!

## **Bud, Not Buddy** CHRISTOPHER PAUL CURTIS



Join 10-year-old Bud Caldwell on his journey across Depression-era Michigan as he searches for his mother's family.



## **A Handful of Time** KIT PEARSON



Patricia is sent to her cousins' cottage where she finds an old pocketwatch that has the ability to take her back in time.



## **The Invention of Hugo Cabret** BRIAN SELZNICK



Hugo is an orphan living in a Paris train station in the 1930s. Here, he meets a young girl and her grandfather, and they share in a wonderful mystery.



## **A Long Way from Chicago** RICHARD PECK



Joey and Mary Alice Dowdel spend their vacations with their larger-than-life grandmother in this short story cycle that covers the summers between 1929 – 1942.



### ***Sarah, Plain and Tall*** PATRICIA MACLACHLAN



In the late 1800s, a farmer with two young children advertises for a wife. When Sarah arrives, they learn what it is to be a family.



### ***Underground to Canada*** BARBARA SMUCKER



Julilly is a young slave girl from the United States who takes the underground railway to Canada and freedom.



### ***The Secret Garden*** FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT



Mary Lennox is a selfish young orphan, born in India, who is sent to live in England with an uncle who has many secrets.



### ***Who is Frances Rain?*** MARGARET BUFFIE



15-year-old Lizzie finds an old pair of spectacles that show her the past when she puts them on.



THE WORLD'S MOST ACCURATE  
CLOCK IS IN COLORADO.

### ***Uncle Ronald*** BRIAN DOYLE



112-year-old Mickey recounts the story of his life at 12-years-old, when he fled his abusive father and went to live with his Uncle Ronald.



### ***The Witch of Blackbird Pond***

ELIZABETH GEORGE SPEARE



Kit Tyler moves from Barbados up to Connecticut in 1687 where she finds herself an outsider. She befriends an old woman who is thought to be a witch, and soon she has to fight for her life as she is accused of witchcraft.



# CLASSIC FANTASTIC

## AMOS DARAGON, PORTEUR DE MASQUES

BRYAN PERRO 



Pour rétablir la paix mondiale, Amos, garçon de 12 ans, entreprend une mission dangereuse dans des pays fantastiques où il rencontre des créatures mythiques.



## AMULET: THE STONEKEEPER KAZU KIBUISHI



Emily, Navin and their mom move into an old house where their mom is kidnapped by a horrible creature. The children follow after them and find themselves in a magical world.



**Magical, mystical creatures**  
and epic adventures await.

## LES BIJOUX DE LA CASTAFIORE HERGÉ



Lors d'une visite inattendue de la cantatrice Castafiore au château Moulinsart, Tintin et Haddock sont entraînés dans une aventure composée de malentendus et intrigues humoristiques.



## BONE: OUT FROM BONEVILLE JEFF SMITH



The Bone cousins travel to a mysterious Valley where they meet a girl named Thorn and her grandmother and undertake a quest to save the world from the Lord of the Locusts.



## THE BORROWERS MARY NORTON



Arrietty is a Borrower, one of the tiny people who 'borrow' from the 'human beans.' They go unnoticed until Arrietty is seen by a young human boy.



IF YOU COULD GO TO ANY MAGICAL LAND,  
WHICH ONE WOULD YOU CHOOSE?

### FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST **HIROMU ARAKAWA**



When the young Elric brothers perform forbidden alchemy they pay a horrible price and must undertake a quest to find the legendary philosopher's stone.



J.R.R. TOLKIEN AND C.S. LEWIS WERE  
CLOSE FRIENDS AND WOULD MEET EVERY  
WEEK TO TALK ABOUT THEIR WRITING

### THE HOBBIT **J.R.R. TOLKIEN**



A quiet and unadventurous hobbit joins 13 dwarves and a wizard on a quest to steal a dragon's gold.



### INKHEART **CORNELIA FUNKE**



Meggie and her father live a quiet life until a mysterious stranger comes to town. Maggie learns her father has an extraordinary ability, one that some men would do anything for.



### THE LION, THE WITCH, AND THE WARDROBE **C.S. LEWIS**



The Pevensie siblings discover a wardrobe which leads them to another world: Narnia. Here they must defeat an evil witch and save the land.



### REDWALL **BRIAN JACQUES**



The young mouse, Matthias, a novice monk at Redwall Abbey, goes on a quest to find a legendary sword to help save his abbey from the evil rat, Cluny.



### THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX **KATE DICAMILLO**



The lives of Despereaux, a young mouse in love with a princess, Roscuro, a rat who wishes to live in the light, and Miggery Sow, a peasant who wants to be a princess, are intertwined in this lovely tale.



"INKHEART" WAS ORIGINALLY WRITTEN IN GERMAN



# CLOSE TO HOME

Take a closer look at the world you know through these stories of **friendship, relationships and everyday adventures.**

THE 1985 TV VERSION OF *BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA* WAS FILMED IN EDMONTON!

## BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA KATHERINE PATERSON



A quirky, funny best friend and a tragic twist of fate change Jess's life forever.



## CHARLOTTE'S WEB E.B. WHITE



Charlotte the spider weaves miracles in Zuckerman's barn and Wilbur the pig learns about the enormous gift of friendship.



FROGS HAVE TEETH,  
BUT TOADS DO NOT.

## FROG AND TOAD TOGETHER ARNOLD LOBEL



Frog and Toad are the best of friends. Through simple daily events, they illustrate the profound joy of friendship.



## HARRIET THE SPY LOUISE FITZHUGH



Harriet spies on neighbours, friends and family, and keeps private notes in her notebook. To her devastation, the notebook is discovered and read by all.



## LE JOURNAL D'AURÉLIE LAFLAMME: EXTRATERRESTRE — OU PRESQUE! INDIA DESJARDINS



Aurélië brave l'adolescence (pas facile avec un père mort, une mère déprimée et une meilleure amie obsédée par les garçons) et décrit ses aventures avec humour dans son journal intime.





## **MILLIONS** FRANK COTTRELL BOYCE



Millions of British pounds fall out of the sky and brothers Damian and Anthony struggle to spend it before crooks come for it.



## **THE RAILWAY CHILDREN** E. NESBIT



After their father is imprisoned for espionage, Roberta, Peter and Phyllis must leave their idyllic city life and find a new life in the country.



## **OWLS IN THE FAMILY** FARLEY MOWAT



Saskatoon, Saskatchewan is turned upside down in the hilarious adventures of two great horned owls, Woos and Weeps.



## **RAMONA THE PEST** BEVERLY CLEARY



Ramona has hilarious adventures as she navigates the complicated world of kindergarten.



## **LE PETIT NICOLAS** GOSCINNY



Voici les aventures quotidiennes de Nicolas, petit garçon parfois tannant mais toutefois aimable, avec ses amis et sa famille en France dans les 1950s.



IT IS ESTIMATED THAT  
THERE ARE OVER  
500 MILLION DOGS  
IN THE WORLD

## **SHILOH** PHYLLIS REYNOLDS NAYLOR



Marty stubbornly defies all those around him and fights to save the life of an abused dog.



AVANT D'ÉCRIRE DES ROMANS, INDIA DESJARDINS ÉTAIT JOURNALISTE POUR LES MAGAZINES COOL ET CLIN D'ŒIL

# KEEP YOU GUESSING...

Unleash your **inner detective**, face the future we're creating and **explore the mysteries of the universe**.

## THE EGYPT GAME ZILPHA KEATLEY SNYDER



Melanie and April love everything Egyptian, but what will they do when their game starts becoming real?



## ENCYCLOPEDIA BROWN, BOY DETECTIVE

DONALD J. SOBOL



With each chapter, a new mystery. Can you solve the case before Encyclopedia Brown does?



## FROM THE MIXED UP FILES OF MRS. BASIL E. FRANKWEILER

E.L. KONIGSBURG



Think art is boring? Think again! Claudia and her younger brother run away to New York City to live in a museum.



## THE GIVER LOIS LOWRY



Jonas becomes the Receiver of Memories in his utopian community. But what he uncovers about his world is less than ideal...



## HOW I LIVE NOW MEG ROSOFF



War breaks out in England and 15-year-old Daisy must grow up fast to keep her family together.



THERE HAVE BEEN OVER 260 MOVIES AND  
TV SHOWS, 2 MUSICALS AND A BALLET  
FEATURING SHERLOCK HOLMES



HP, GOOGLE, APPLE AND MICROSOFT  
ALL HAVE SOMETHING IN COMMON.  
THEY WERE STARTED IN GARAGES.

## LITTLE BROTHER

CORY DOCTOROW



After the state has been taken under police control, Marcus decides to use his expertise in computer hacking to set things right.



## NATE THE GREAT

MARJORIE WEINMAN SHARMAT



Nate the Great is on the case! Lots of humor, clues and vibrant colours make this a great start into the world of mysteries.



## LE PETIT PRINCE

ANTOINE DE SAINT-EXUPÉRY



Le petit prince est un voyageur interplanétaire qui cherche à comprendre et à être compris par les adultes de son univers.



## UGLIES

SCOTT WESTERFELD



On their 16th birthday, everyone gets the same gift: becoming 'pretty'. But being 'pretty' is more than just skin deep...



## WHEN YOU REACH ME

REBECCA STEAD



Every detail counts in this puzzle where Miranda receives a series of cryptic notes about herself and her future.



## A WRINKLE IN TIME

MADELEINE L'ENGLE



Meg, Charles and Calvin must travel through time and space to discover who or what has kidnapped their father.



"SAVEZ-VOUS QUE EN 1975 UN  
ASTEROÏDE A ÉTÉ NOMMÉ "2578  
SAINT-EXUPÉRY" EN HONNEUR DE  
L'AUTEUR DE LE PETIT PRINCE?"

# When Life Gives you Lemons...

These stories remind you that **friends, family and a little hope** can help you get you through the hard stuff.

ALL BABIES CRY THE SAME WAY, BUT AS YOU GROW UP, YOU CRY DIFFERENTLY DEPENDING ON WHERE YOU LIVE!

## *The Baby Project* SARAH ELLIS



11-year-old Jessica and her brother are shocked to find out their mother is pregnant again, and their worlds are forever changed by the events of the following year.



## *The Book Thief* MARKUS ZUSAK



Narrated by Death, this story uses an experimental writing style to tell the complicated story of a young German girl in World War II.



## *The Chocolate War* ROBERT CORMIER



Jerry Renault challenges the secret society at his high school, and his defiant act turns into an all-out war in this groundbreaking young adult novel.



"THE CHOCOLATE WAR" IS ONE OF THE MOST BANNED YOUNG ADULT BOOKS IN NORTH AMERICA.

## *The Fault in Our Stars* JOHN GREEN



A heart-wrenching story about two teenage cancer patients named Hazel and August, who learn about love, loss and life.



### *A Monster Calls* **PATRICK NESS**



One night, 13-year-old Conor finds a monster outside his bedroom window, an ancient creature that helps him grieve the loss of his mother.



### *Une petite bouteille jaune*

**ANGÈLE DELAUNOIS**



Deux amis ont leurs vies bouleversés par une petite bouteille dangereuse et surmontent des défis pour regagner leurs vies et encore jouer au football.



WHEN IT COMES TO TOUGH TIMES, REMEMBER WHAT LEMONY SNICKET SAYS: "JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD IS EASIER SAID THAN DONE, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF 'SYSTEMATICALLY ASSISTING SISYPHUS'S STEALTHY, CYST-SUSCEPTIBLE SISTER,' WHICH IS EASIER DONE THAN SAID."

### *Sadako* **ELEANOR COERR**



This is the true story of girl living in Hiroshima who has leukemia, and spends her time folding paper cranes. If she can fold 1000, legend says she will be granted a wish.



IN JAPAN, CRANES ARE MYSTICAL CREATURES THAT ARE SAID TO LIVE FOR 1000 YEARS.



# Heroes and Hooligans

Eccentric, larger-than-life characters steal the show in these stories.

LEMONY SNICKET'S REAL NAME IS DANIEL HANDLER, AND HE ALSO WRITES BOOKS FOR ADULTS!

## *The Bad Beginning* LEMONY SNICKET



The three Baudelaire orphans face some very unfortunate events when sent to live with their conniving cousin Count Olaf. Can they outwit him?



## *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*

ROALD DAHL



Upon finding the last golden ticket, Charlie Bucket and his grandpa win a chance to visit Willy Wonka's chocolate factory along with four other odd children.



## *Holes* LOUIS SACHAR



After being sent to a correctional camp in the Texas desert, Stanley Yelnats discovers some secrets about his family, a new friend and some treasure!



## *Jacob Two-Two Meets the Hooded Fang* MORDECAI RICHLER



Jacob Two-Two must say everything twice just to be heard over his four brothers and sisters. Now he's the prisoner of the dreaded Hooded Fang, all because he insulted a grown up!



WHAT SORT OF CANDY WOULD YOU INVENT IF YOU WERE WILLY WONKA?



## **Maniac Magee** JERRY SPINELLI



Jeffrey Lionel "Maniac" Magee runs away from his aunt and uncle's home, and changes the lives of the people in a small Pennsylvania town.



## **Mary Poppins** P.L. TRAVERS



The classic story of an English nanny who flies into the lives of the Banks Children, bringing a bag full of tricks with her.



DID YOU KNOW? STAR WARS  
DESIGNERS BASED YODA ON EINSTEIN.



## **Peter Pan** J.M. BARRIE



Wendy, Michael and John fly to Neverland with Peter Pan and encounter magical creatures, villains and a group of boys who never grow up.



## **Pippi Longstocking** ASTRID LINDGREN



Incredibly strong Pippi, with friends Tommy and Annika, adventures on the South Seas to hunt for her father, who has been kidnapped by pirates.



## **Skellig** DAVID ALMOND



Michael is unhappy - his baby sister is sick and he just moved into a dilapidated house. But when he finds a mysterious stranger in the garage, his life starts to change.



## **The Wee Free Men** TERRY PRATCHETT



A young witch named Tiffany and a clan of small blue men team up to rescue her brother and save Fairyland from sinister invaders.



PIPPI'S FULL NAME IS PIPPILOTTA  
DELICATESSA WINDOWSHADE  
MACKRELMINT EPHRAIM'S DAUGHTER  
LONGSTOCKING!

# FINISHED ALREADY?

**Did you find a favourite?** Were there any stories that you can't wait to experience again? Were there any that you found boring? What format did you prefer?

Share your thoughts! Use EPL's online interactive catalogue to rate, review and recommend! Visit [www.epl.ca/kids](http://www.epl.ca/kids) for links to the catalogue and more information.

There are so many great stories out there it was almost impossible to narrow this list down to just 100. If you're outraged that your favourite didn't make the list or you can't wait to share a new story you've discovered, let us know! Email [100stories@epl.ca](mailto:100stories@epl.ca) with your comments.

## WANT TO WRITE YOUR OWN STORY?

Here are some questions to get you started:

Who is your main character?

What words describe this character?

Who is telling this story?

Where does this character live?

What happens in this story?

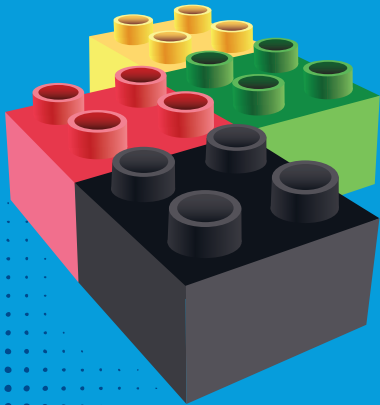
IN MAY 2011, GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS NAMED CHRISTOPHER PAOLINI AS THE YOUNGEST AUTHOR OF A BESTSELLING BOOK SERIES, WITH MORE THAN 20 MILLION COPIES OF HIS *INHERITANCE CYCLE* SERIES ALREADY SOLD. CHRISTOPHER WAS 15 WHEN HE STARTED WRITING THE FIRST BOOK.

# MORE AWESOMENESS AT EPL

## TECH TIME

Get any of these from EPL:

- eReaders
- eBooks
- Wii games
- Xbox games
- PS2 / PS3 games
- Streaming music
- Steaming video
- Audiobooks
- WiFi
- Computer access



## FUN FOR EVERYONE

**Spring Break** – spend the week at EPL meeting cool people and having fun at the Library.

**Summer Fun** – meet cool people and get the chance to win prizes when you sign up for the Summer Reading Club. There are awesome programs happening around the city all summer, too!

**School Help** – get help with your homework throughout the school year.

**Special Events** – take a break from homework and enjoy fun programs, clubs and activities at the Library.

# WORD SEARCH

Find the words hidden below. Words will appear horizontally, vertically and diagonally. When you've uncovered all of the words, the remaining letters spell out a phrase!



WHY DID THE LIBRARIAN  
SLIP AND FALL ON THE  
LIBRARY FLOOR?

*Because she was in the  
non-friction section.*

WHAT DO YOU CALL  
SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T  
RETURN THEIR LIBRARY  
MATERIALS?

*A bookkeeper.*

WHERE DO BOOKS SLEEP?

*Under their covers.*

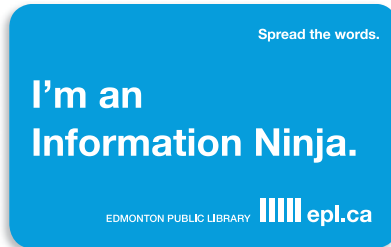
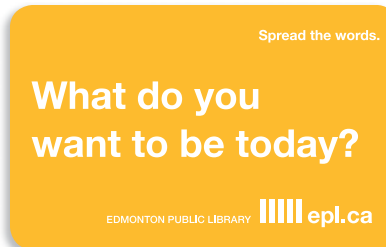
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