



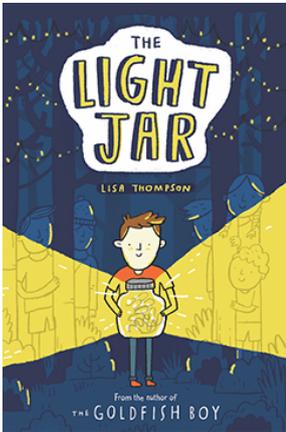
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Reading Bulletin

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A short monthly reading guide for parents and children

Young Adult Book of the Month



The Light Jar by Lisa Thompson

Nate and his mother are running away, hiding out in a tumbledown cottage in the middle of a forest. When Mum heads off for provisions, and then doesn't return, Nate is left alone and afraid, with the dark closing in all around him.

But comfort can come from the most unexpected of places - a mysterious girl trying to solve the clues of a treasure hunt and the reappearance of an old friend from his past. Will Nate find the bravery needed to face the troubles of his present and ultimately illuminate the future?

A story of fear and hope, loneliness and friendship - full of heart, engaging characters and propulsive, page-turning mystery - from the best-selling author of *The Goldfish Boy*.

Intermediate Book of the Month

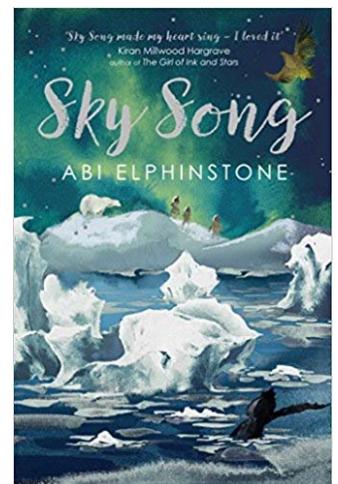
Sky Song by Abi Elphinstone

In the snowy kingdom of Erkenwald, whales glide between icebergs, wolves hunt on the tundra and polar bears roam the glaciers. But the people of this land aren't so easy to find - because Erkenwald is ruled by an evil Ice Queen and the tribes must stay hidden or risk becoming her prisoners at Winterfang Palace.

Join Eska, a girl who breaks free from a cursed music box, and Flint, a boy whose inventions could change the fate of Erkenwald forever, as they journey to the Never Cliffs and beyond in search of an ancient, almost forgotten, song with the power to force the Ice Queen back.

This is a story about an eagle huntress, an inventor and an organ made of icicles. But it is also a story about belonging, even at the very edges of our world...

A magical read for children aged 8+



Junior Book of the Month



Little People, Big Dreams series

All of them went on to achieve incredible things, yet all of them began life as a little child with a big dream.

Beautifully illustrated, this series of books celebrates the lives of inspirational women, from designers to scientists to writers. Making the lives of these influential people accessible to children of all ages, each story tells an extraordinary tale of hard work and dedication. There are now over ten stories in the collection with links to many different subjects and interests, so there is sure to be one for everyone!