

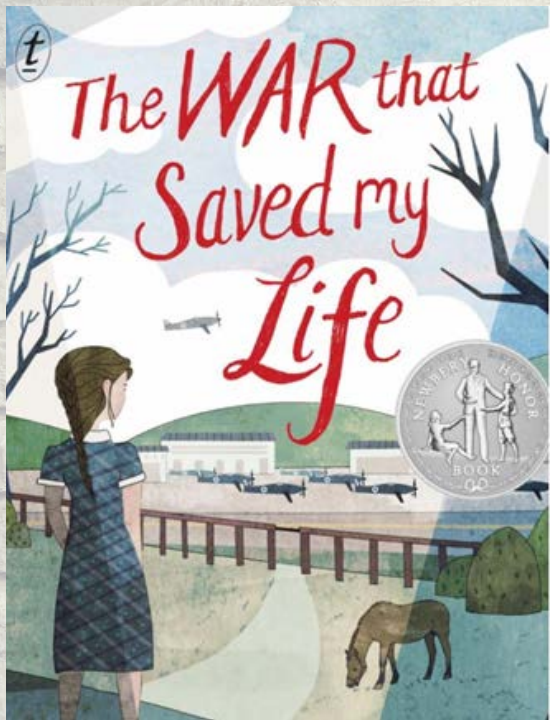
Stella

READING TOGETHER

IF YOU WANT TO SHARE A COZY, WARM WINTER EXPERIENCE WITH YOUR DAUGHTER OVER THE HOLIDAYS CHOOSE YOUR 1ST AND 2ND PREFERENCE BOOKS THEN EMAIL
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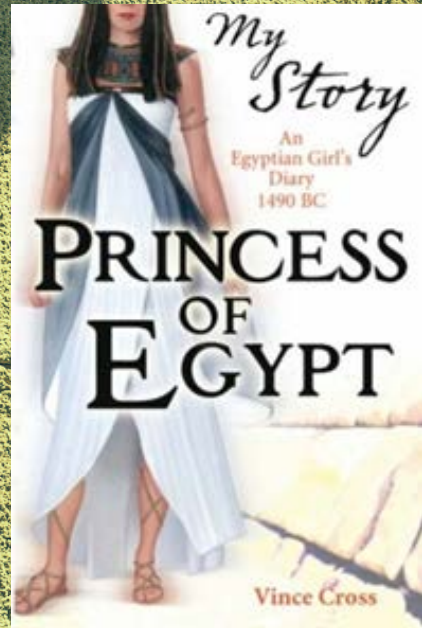
WE'LL LOAN YOU TWO COPIES OF A GREAT BOOK AND PROVIDE SOME DISCUSSION POINTS FOR WHEN YOU HAVE FINISHED.


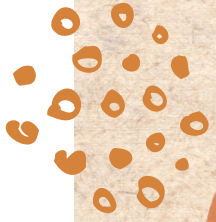
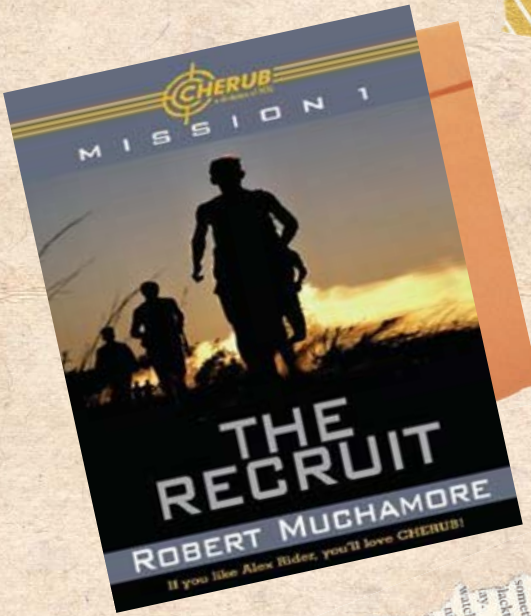




Ada has never left her one bedroom apartment. Her mother is too humiliated by Ada's twisted foot to let her outside. So when her little brother Jamie is shipped out of London to escape the war, Ada doesn't waste a minute, she sneaks out to join him.

In 1490 BC Asha, daughter of King Tuthmosis, lives a carefree life at the royal court in Thebes. But when a prophecy foretells that 'a young woman will prove to be the best man in the Two Kingdoms', she's caught up in a world of plots and danger.





Cherub agents are highly trained, extremely talented and all under the age of 17. It is a dangerous job, but these agents have one crucial advantage: adults never suspect that teens are spying on them.

Note: low level swearing and violence



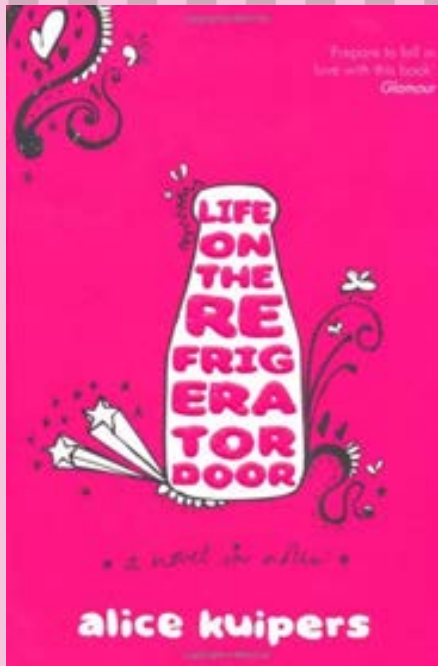
So much to tell you

John Marsden



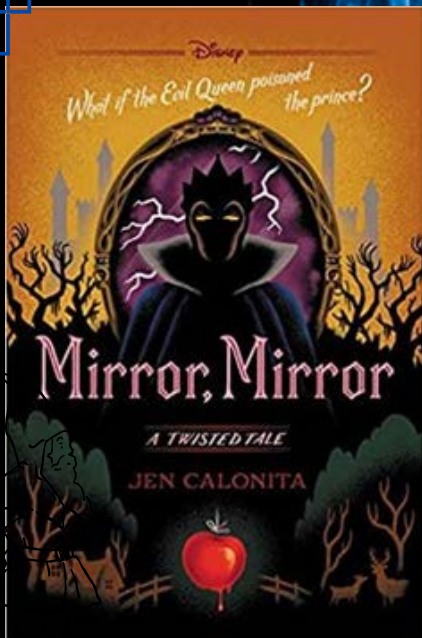
BY
JOHN
MARSDEN
IN DIARY
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Scarred by her past, Marina has withdrawn into silence. Then, at her new boarding school she is set the task of writing diary by her English teacher, and finds a way of expressing her thoughts and feelings and of exploring the traumatic events that have caused her distress.



This book will change your mind about the ways in which a deeply emotional story can be told!

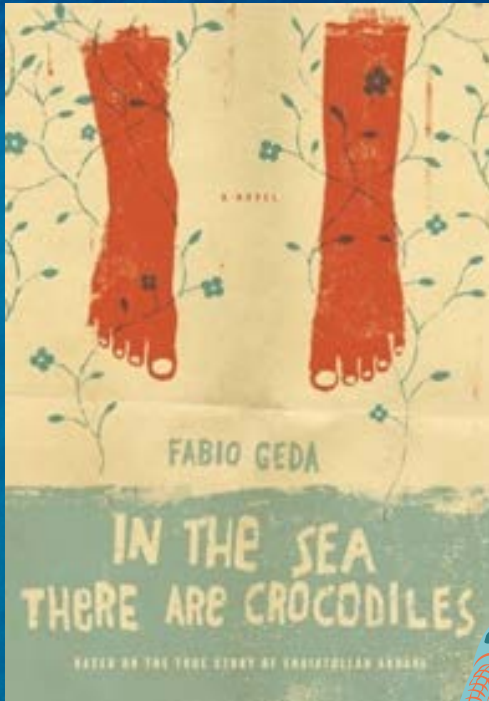
Claire and her mother are running out of time, but they don't know it. Not yet. Claire is wrapped up with the difficulties of her burgeoning adulthood—boys, school, friends, identity; Claire's mother, a single mom, is rushed off her feet both at work and at home.



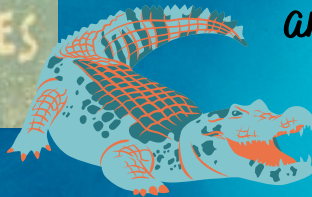
"I WON'T LET HER CONTINUE TO HARM MY PEOPLE," SNOW DECLARED AGAIN, HER VOICE COMMANDING. "IF YOU HELP ME, I WILL WORK HARD TO BRING PEACE AND PROSPERITY BACK TO THIS KINGDOM, AS IT HAD ONCE BEFORE." SHE LOOKED AT GRUMPY. "I KNOW I'VE LET YOU DOWN, BUT I WON'T ANYMORE. YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT I'VE BEEN THROUGH. ALL BECAUSE I'VE BEEN AFRAID." SHE STRAIGHTENED HER SHOULDERS AND LOOKED AT THEM WITH STEELY DETERMINATION. "I'M NOT ANYMORE."

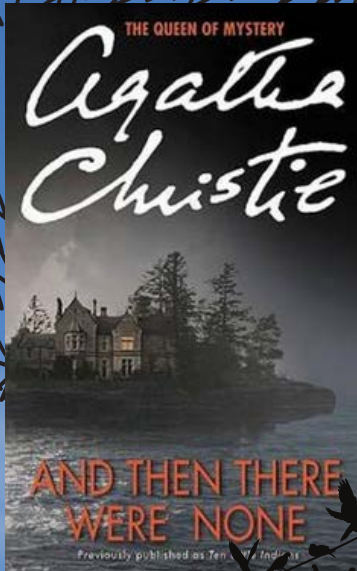


My name is Harriet Manners and I love Christmas. You can tell I love Christmas because I start celebrating it in the middle of August. I do it subtly, obviously. A tinsel brooch here, a life-size plastic reindeer with flashing nose there. "Harriet my stepmuther said when I wheeled it into the hallway..."



Told with humor and humanity, In the Sea There Are Crocodiles brilliantly captures Enaiat's moving and engaging voice and lends urgency to an epic story of hope and survival.





First, there were ten—a curious assortment of strangers summoned as weekend guests to a little private island off the coast of Devon. Their host, an eccentric millionaire unknown to all of them, is nowhere to be found. All that the guests have in common is a wicked past they're unwilling to reveal—and a secret that will seal their fate.





Our 'Stella Reading Together' program is designed to promote reading engagement by getting students and parents to read the same book at the same time and discussing what is happening.

Reading for enjoyment is linked to enhanced learning outcomes as well as building empathy and imagination.