

Toad Rage 1 Morris Gleitzman

The house on Hemlock Road used to be someone's home. Until something happened. Something that even after 80 years, can never be forgotten or forgiven Eleven-year-old twins Hannah and Anna agree about everything—especially that they don't want to move to the creepy old house on Hemlock Road. But as soon as they move into the house, the twins start disagreeing for the first time in their lives. In fact, it's almost as though something or someone is trying to drive them apart. While Anna settles in, Hannah can't ignore the strange things that keep happening on Hemlock Road. Why does she sense things that no one else in the family does? Like when the hemlock branch outside waves shush, shush. Or at night, if she listens hard enough, it's almost as though someone is trying to talk to her. Someone no one else can hear. Someone angry enough to want revenge. Hannah, are you listening? Is the house haunted? Is Hannah crazy? Or does something in the house want her as a best friend—forever?

Ludo helps other people. It's how he was brought up. When Dad is elected to Federal Parliament, Ludo grabs the chance to make Australia an even better place. But he soon discovers it's not the homeless of the national capital who most need his help - it's the rich and powerful.

Introducing a new series of unauthorized biographies on the world's biggest names and rising stars in entertainment, sports, and pop culture! Complete with quizzes, listicles, trivia, and a full-color pull-out poster of the star, this is the definitive collection to get the full Scoop! and more on your favorite celebrities. Nick, Joe, and Kevin. Can you name a more iconic trio? From their early singing days with their mop-top haircuts, to their meteoric rise to superstar status, and then an abrupt breakup in 2013, the Jonas bros are back...and this time they're clean-cut and wifed up. But what's next for the Jonas bros and J sisters? Get the full Scoop! and more on pop's most iconic trio.

A hilarious novel about how to fit in when you don't want to conform, with brilliant illustrations throughout by world-renowned Gemma Correll. Perfect for fans of Louise Rennison and Holly Smale. Now with a brand-new look! Petunia Perry has decided to write her memoirs. She wants the world to know what it's like to start secondary school with a best friend who stages one-person flash mobs in the canteen, a mother who over-shares at parents' evenings and an unwelcome suitor who draws pictures of her as a unicorn. But it's when she decides to start a band with a spoon-player and a lead-singer who's a cat that things take a turn for the truly crazy... A laugh-out-loud take from the bestselling author, Pamela Butchart, on the perils of standing out in secondary school. Petunia Perry dares to be different but it's not always easy. But it is always life-affirming and hilarious, and definitely the right thing to be... Pamela is also the author of the Izzy series for younger readers: Baby Aliens Got My Teacher The Spy Who Loved School Dinners My Headteacher is a Vampire Rat The Demon Dinner Ladies To Wee or Not to Wee There's a Werewolf in My Tent The Phantom Lollipop Man There's a Yeti in the Playground Icarus Was Ridiculous The Broken Leg of Doom A Monster Ate My Packed Lunch!

He's good at changing nappies. He's brilliant at wiping food off walls. His mum calls him Mr Dependable. But Angus is desperate to be wild and baby-free. Can a bold and brave plan stop his mum getting pregnant again?

Another hilarious wart-tingling story from Morris Gleitzman The epic story of one slightly squashed cane toad's hunt for the truth. And the fun and games that result.

Surprise your mum with a chainsaw, be a bigger star than Tom Cruise, save the world with a plate of veggies, start your new life in a taxi, rescue your family with a tomato, send your dad into a panic with a tractor, do a good deed with a paper bag on your head pack your bags for a trip to the spleen, upset your auntie with ten kilos of chocolate, swap a bomb for three ice-creams on a train . . . and lots more.

Jane White goes by the pen name Gabriel when she writes letters to Bubba, her imaginary enemy. She's been writing to Bubba (short for Beelzebub) since second grade, blaming him every time something in her life goes wrong. It's never her fault! She doesn't want to admit that her impetuous behavior and smart-mouthed comments often land her in trouble. And now that she's a teenager, Jane's slacker ways exude an I-don'tcare attitude. But Jane does care. She cares about fitting in at school; she cares that Sharp deMichael and his brothers next door think of her as normal and start excluding her from their offbeat plans; and she definitely cares the day she receives a letter from Bubba. How can an imaginary enemy write back? Just as the time comes for Jane to face her lifelong foe—she must also decide whether or not to assume responsibility for her actions.

'What I need,' said Pearl, as she started to slide off the roof, 'is a grandmother.' But where do you get a top gran at short notice? It's not easy. Luckily Pearl's got Winston to help her, and you can do anything when your best friend is the world's brainiest guinea pig. Then Pearl meets Gran and the surprises begin. A funny and moving story about letting go (and not drowning).

A story of adventure, ball control and hope. Jamal and Bibi have a dream. To lead Australia to soccer glory in the next World Cup. But first they must face landmines, pirates, storms and assassins. Can Jamal and his family survive their incredible journey and get to Australia? Sometimes, to save the people you love, you have to go overboard.

1946. Europe is in ruins. Millions of people dream of finding happiness somewhere else. Fourteen-year-old Felix is one of them. When he's offered a journey to somewhere far away, he seizes the opportunity. So does someone very dear to him, even though she wasn't actually invited. They have high hopes for their new land, and their dramatic arrival there makes them want to stay. But before Felix and Anya can embrace the love and friendship of their new world, they must confront the murderous urge for revenge still alive in the old. Felix knows he hasn't faced anything like this before. He may not survive, but he's hoping he will. Maybe.

From the muddy swamp that brought you Toad Rage, Toad Heaven and Toad Away comes Limpy, Charm and Goliath's fourth hilarious adventure. Limpy has a dream. A dream where cane toads and humans live happily together. Surely this time Limpy will be able to show humans how nice cane toads can be? After all, it is Christmas. And isn't Christmas a time of peace and goodwill to all men? And cane toads? The wart-tingling escapade of one slightly squashed cane toad's hunt for friendship and the surprising place he finds it.

In the hysterically funny sequel to Toad Rage, Limpy is on a quest to find toad heaven. A place where cane toads won't be blown up with bike pumps or bashed over the head with folding chairs. Limpy's determined to find this place if it takes him the rest of his life, but his plans are waylaid when he's kidnapped by some sinister-looking humans and tossed into a bucket. Will Limpy be able to save cane toads? Will he be able to find toad heaven? First he has to get out of the bucket. . . .

B-U-R-P spells you-know-what! In the seventh book in the popular George Brown, Class Clown series, George learns the hard way that an onion a day won't keep the Super Burp away - despite what his best

friend Alex might've hoped. It's bad enough that one of the pesky, magic belches escapes at the mall and another lets loose on a miniature golf course, but George is representing his school at the countywide spelling bee. A burp at the bee could definitely spell D-I-S-A-S-T-E-R!

"Lenny Norbeck and his friends The Mikes set out to investigate the suspicious death of a young pitcher at a Phillies game"--

For fans of The Westing Game and The 39 Clues, a third exciting Winston Breen adventure! Winston Breen and his friends Mal and Jake accompany Mr. Penrose for a weekend of puzzles and games at the mansion of a famous musician. Over the course of the weekend, some guests' prizes and belongings inexplicably disappear. As the group continues with the elaborate puzzles—which the reader is invited to solve too—some of the guests try to figure out who is stealing things, and others become suspects. But in the end it's Winston who stumbles upon several clues, and eventually discovers the real culprit. A fast-paced whodunit, this latest Winston Beren installment will have readers hooked!

'Human beans is not really believing in giants, is they? Human beans is not thinking we exist.' On a dark, silvery moonlit night, Sophie is snatched from her bed by a giant. Luckily it is the Big Friendly Giant, the BFG, who only eats snozzcumbers and glugs frobscottle. But there are other giants in Giant Country. Fifty foot brutes who gallop far and wide every night to find human beans to eat. Can Sophie and her friend the BFG stop them?

Set in the current day, this is the final book in the series that began with Once, continued with Then and is . . . Now. Felix is a grandfather. He has achieved much in his life and is widely admired in the community. He has mostly buried the painful memories of his childhood, but they resurface when his granddaughter Zelda comes to stay with him. Together they face a cataclysmic event armed only with their with gusto and love—an event that helps them achieve salvation from the past, but also brings the possibility of destruction. Now is one of Kirkus Reviews' Best Children's Books of 2012

Limp the toad has a vision. A world where cane toads and humans play mudslides together and help each other with the shopping. But how does a young cane toad discover the ancient secret of living in peace with humans?

Travel to planets unknown in book two of the Space-Time graphic novel series from the author of the New York Times bestselling Jedi Academy books! Jide, Petra, and their intergalactic friends are back on the Potato (their orbiting classroom) for another out-of-this-world adventure. Their latest space mission brings them to the home planets of their schoolmates, where pranks must be avenged, new terrains must be explored, and the patience of Commander G must be tested! Buckle up! The next Space-Time series mission from New York Times bestselling author Jeffrey Brown is ready for blast off!

The jaw-dropping details of one slightly squashed cane toad's adventures on TV. And his shock when he discovers what's cooking.

Felix is lucky. Unlike the other children in the orphanage, he's certain his parents will come back for him one day. And whatever the Nazis do and however many books they burn, Felix's imagination provides him and his companions with an endless supply of stories that protect them when they're on the run and one day may even save Felix's life.

"Two hours ago, when I walked into this school for the first time, the sun was shining, the birds were singing and, apart from a knot in my guts the size of Tasmania, life was great. Now, here I am, locked in the stationery cupboard." Rowena wants to be friends but the other kids don't. Is it because she's just stuffed a frog into Darryn Peck's mouth? Or is it because of her Dad? Rejacketed with brilliant new covers, Morris Gleitzman's hilarious and heartwarming stories are more popular than ever!

Aristotle just wants to be happy. Is that too much for a germ to ask?

Imagine being trapped forever in someone else's nightmare, with no means of escape. Or caught on one of the most terrifying roller coasters of all time, when suddenly the tracks ahead just disappear. Enter the world of Darkness Creeping, where hollow-eyed skulls arrive in the mail and nothing is as it seems. Boston Globe–Horn Book Award winner and beloved author Neal Shusterman walks on the dark side with this classic collection of masterfully creepy stories so horrifying, you may have to read them twice to remind yourself they're not real.

It's Halloween, 1914. Teenage psychic Blossom Culp sneaks into the house where the rest of her class is having a party—and that's when everything goes haywire. Suddenly Blossom is hurled into a time warp. Her psychic powers have found a way to send her into the future—our time. But will they be able to send her back?

Felix, a Jewish boy in Poland in 1942, is hiding from the Nazis in a Catholic orphanage. The only problem is that he doesn't know anything about the war, and thinks he's only in the orphanage while his parents travel and try to salvage their bookselling business. And when he thinks his parents are in danger, Felix sets off to warn them—straight into the heart of Nazi-occupied Poland. To Felix, everything is a story: Why did he get a whole carrot in his soup? It must be sign that his parents are coming to get him. Why are the Nazis burning books? They must be foreign librarians sent to clean out the orphanage's outdated library. But as Felix's journey gets increasingly dangerous, he begins to see horrors that not even stories can explain. Despite his grim surroundings, Felix never loses hope. Morris Gleitzman takes a painful subject and expertly turns it into a story filled with love, friendship, and even humor.

The first self-help book I ever bought was called Pronunciation Anxiety: Quick Relief for Sufferers. I took weeks to pluck up the courage to ask for it because I wasn't sure how to pronounce 'pronunciation'.

Once I'd read it, there was no holding me back. In a group therapy session I used 'schism', 'scion', 'segue' and 'sciatica' in the same sentence. Then I tossed in a casual 'Do you think my dirndl the epitome of chic?', which must have made the others a bit jealous because they voted I be transferred to the psychiatric ward. Morris Gleitzman has read dozens of self-help books. They haven't helped much - he's still not getting it right. But he hasn't given up, and he doesn't want to either. So here's something to help you feel better along the way. Hilarious proof that no matter how confused, frustrating and messy your life is - his is worse!

I hoped the Nazis would be defeated. And they were. I hoped the war would be over. And it was. I hoped we would be safe. But we aren't. Soon continues the incredibly moving story of Felix, a Jewish boy still struggling to survive in the wake of the liberation of Poland after the end of World War Two.

In 1931, nine naughty children who received coal in their stockings travel from Pittsburgh to the North Pole to plead their case to Santa Claus.

The kitchen was a mess. Packets and jars had been flung around. Half the stuff in the fridge was on the floor. There was a trail of flour running through the passage. For a second Jake thought one of the magazine people must have had an urge to make a cake and decided to do it in their room. Or was someone else in the house? Jake's an only kid. He's the only kid in his family. He's the only kid on his island. Or that's what he thinks . . .

'I'm only going to say this once more,' said Dad, 'so listen very carefully. We are not ever, under any circumstance, going to Australia.' What does a kid do when his Mum and Dad are misery guts? Move them to a tropical Paradise, decides Keith. That'll cheer them up. It's a brilliant plan—if he can pull it off.

After double-crossing her friends to support her twin sister, Charlie is out of the popular group. But now her school has announced that they are accepting applications for a new school Junior Booster club—one in which members will get to shadow the Senior Boosters, receive tickets to all the high school football games, and of course, get to meet the cute football players. The

popular kids need Charlie to fit the requirements: good grades, an interest in sports, and community service. Charlie's flattered, but are the girls just using her to get what they want? Three stories of triumph combine to empower young readers to look inward for strength and create their own definition of bravery. Told in gentle, rhyming couplets, this collection of stories presents relatable moments of unease and the strength found in conquering fears. A roaring nighttime thunderstorm, the first day of preschool, and a doctor's visit, in turn, encourage young readers to forge their own paths of strength in times of distress. Illustrated in rich, emotional scenes that depict vignettes of daily life, this book provides comfort and empowerment for resilience and resolution.

Limpy's family reckons humans don't hate cane toads, but Limpy knows otherwise. He's spotted the signs: the cross looks, the unkind comments, the way they squash cane toads with their cars. Limpy is desperate to save his species from ending up as pancakes. Somehow he must make humans see how fabulous cane toads really are. Risking everything, he sets off on a wart-tinglingly dangerous and daring journey to . . . the Olympics? This is the epic story of a slightly squashed young cane toad's quest for the truth.

Who likes stomach acid and sludge farming and wants to find a friend? Wilton the worm. Who likes running away and hiding and wants to save the world? Algy the microbe. What's huge and scary and the first thing they see outside? Underpants. The hilarious tale of two tiny parasites and their very big adventure.

Felix and Zelda have escaped the train to the death camp, but where do they go now? They're two runaway kids in Nazi-occupied Poland. Danger lies at every turn of the road. With the help of a woman named Genia and their active imaginations, Felix and Zelda find a new home and begin to heal, forming a new family together. But can it last? Morris Gleitzman's winning characters will tug at readers' hearts as they struggle to survive in the harsh political climate of Poland in 1942. Their lives are difficult, but they always remember what matters: family, love, and hope.

It's a normal week for Rowena Batts. A car full of stewed apples. A police cell. A struggle to keep Dad off national TV. Then her world turns upside down.

Have you heard about the man who marries . . . a corpse? Or what about the magic school where one student in every class is never allowed to leave? Many of these tales go back hundreds of years and to the farthest corners of the earth, but as diverse as they are, they also reveal one important truth: everyone loves a scary story. The authors have dug deeply?from Egypt to Iceland?to find the spookiest stories that are perfect to share around a campfire or at a sleepover.

Like many of his mates from the bush, Frank Ballantyne is keen to join the grand adventure and do his bit. Specially as a chest full of medals might impress the currently unimpressed parents of his childhood sweetheart. So Frank ups his age and volunteers with his horse Daisy ... and his dad. In the deserts of Egypt and Palestine he experiences all the adventure he ever wanted, and a few things he wasn't expecting. Heartbreak, love and the chance to make the most important choice of his life. From Gallipoli to the famous charge at Beersheba, through to the end of the war and its unforgettable aftermath, Frank's story grows out of some key moments in Australia's history. They were loyal creatures, the men and horses of the Australian Light Horse, but war doesn't always pay heed to loyalty. This is the powerful story of a young man's journey towards his own kind of bravery.

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