

# NELSON READERS

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# NELSON ENGLISH READERS LIBRARY

Series Editor: JOHN McRAE

*This series of graded readers, in five levels, provides stimulating and enjoyable material to encourage students to read on and on. The emphasis of the series is on fiction with original and adapted stories to capture the students' imagination. Interesting non-fiction and biographical subjects are also covered.*

*All the titles are fully illustrated, many in full colour, and glossaries are provided to make idiomatic or unusual references clear to the reader. Each of the five levels uses lexical and structural controls which carefully parallel students' language learning development.*

## Level 1

Beginner to elementary - uses 600 words

## Level 2

Elementary to lower intermediate - uses 1,200 words

## Level 3

Lower intermediate to intermediate - uses 1,800 words

## Level 4

Intermediate to upper intermediate - uses 2,500 words

## Level 5

Upper intermediate and above - by this stage students are on their way to reading unsimplified texts.

## LEVEL ONE (600 words)

### Christmas Angel

Delia Chiaro

Everybody loves Christmas. Or do they? Not Lauren Parker!

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### Just Like Trisha

Delia Chiaro

Trisha is rich, famous and very beautiful. So is Octavia her dog. There is only one problem - Den.

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### Revenge \*

Helen Thompson

A gripping story which twists and turns.

0-17-556276-8

### Take me to the Dance \*

Denise Poole

A story of love, disappointment, hopes and fears.

0-17-556286-5

### The New Man and Other Stories \*

Adapted by John McRae

A collection of compelling stories.

0-17-555986-4

### Who Was Nancy?

John McRae

Jane calls her friend Nancy in London, but who answers the phone?

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## LEVEL TWO (1,200 words)

### Childhood Friends \*

John Goodwin

An ecological disaster in India has to be prevented.

0-17-555974-0

### Fortune's Fool

Stacie Withers

Marenka, the gipsy, pretends to tell people their fortunes.

0-17-556119-2

### Knife in the Heart \*

Adapted by John McRae

An evocative story of Hollywood.

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### The Adventures of Ronald Redford \*

George P. McCallum

Our hero in the Hollywood Hills.

0-17-556278-4

### The Big Catch \*

David Mackenzie

Why is the Eldessa an unlucky ship?

0-17-555980-5

### The Daydreamer \*

David Wharry

George Plumb seems a typical Englishman - find out how all his world changes!

0-17-555982-1

### The Elvis Mystery

John McRae

Elvis Presley was the king, the greatest rock 'n' roll voice of them all. He died in 1977... or did he?

0-17-556083-8

### The Olympic Games \*

Mark Eaton

This book tells the story behind the Olympics.

0-17-556279-2

### The Train Robber and Other Stories \*

Alexander Allen

A collection of exciting short stories.

0-17-556007-2

### The Twin Chariot

Jane Spiro

Stories about the twin chariot of sun and moon.

0-17-556234-2

### The Wild Boy

David Wharry

One of the most interesting characters who ever lived.

0-17-556240-7





# NELSON READERS

Series Editor: KR CRIPWELL and LEWIS JONES

The graded readers in this series aim foremost to provide learners of English with a pleasurable reading experience - a good read. To achieve this aim they are written in carefully graded English that doesn't demand constant stoppages to look up strange words or structures.

The series exposes the students to a wide range of styles and kinds of English. The books appeal to a wide range of ages. They are illustrated and contain puzzles, crosswords and other enjoyable exercises based on the text.



## The Grading Scheme

Level	Headwords	Competence	Example
1	300	Elemental experience: 'survival'	Money, buy, pound
2	600	Competence: simple stories, 'tourist English'	Pay, cheap, expensive
3	1000	Everyday situations: thrillers etc...	Charge, cheque, bill
4	1500	Basic 'world of work' language	Lend, cash, borrow
5	2000	Everyday fluency: the beginnings of specialist English : ESP	Cashier, salary, accountant
6	2500	Educated discourse: Cambridge First Certificate Students	Economics, credit card, capitalism

## LEVEL ONE (300 words)

### Crocodile!

KR Cripwell

The story of a clever old crocodile which kills more than its fair share of cattle.  
0 00 370099 2

### Dead in the Morning

Jane Homeshaw

Who killed Carrie Middlemarsh?  
0-17-556549-X  
Cassette 0 00 370185 9

### Dracula

Bram Stoker

One man's terrifying experience as "guest" of the evil Count Dracula.  
0-17-556539-2  
Cassette 0 17 556562 7

### Fast Money

KR Cripwell

Olu never really stuck at anything. But one day, he won the football pools.  
0 00 370113 1

### Fastlane UK

Jane Homeshaw

Simon Parks becomes involved in a race against time to prevent a major international crime.  
0 00 370158 1

### Four Short Stories

Ed. Margery Morris

Very simple retellings of famous tales from England, India and Africa.  
0 00 370118 2  
Cassette 0 00 370185 9

### Inspector Holt and the Chinese Necklace

John Tully

Inspector Holt goes to Hong Kong in search of a jewellery thief.  
0-17-556424-8

### Inspector Holt And The Fur Van

John Tully

Inspector Holt and the mystery of the missing fur coats.  
0-17-556559-7  
Cassette 0 00 370180 8

### Inspector Holt: Cats in the Dark

John Tully

Another Inspector Holt story.  
0-17-556560-0  
Cassette 0 00 370180 8

### Inspector Holt: Where is Bill Ojo?

John Tully

Another Inspector Holt story.  
0 00 370095 X

### It's a Trick

Lewis Jones

A young man is forever the victim or dupe of a variety of tricksters.  
0-17-556602-X

### Journey to Universe City

Leslie Dunkling

Some time in the future four students go on a journey into space.  
0-17-556430-2

### Letters from the Dead

Jane Homeshaw

Everyone is trying to get hold of the letters of Thomas Hatskill.  
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Cassette 0 00 370194 8

### Love Me Tomorrow

Jane Homeshaw

Anna Cole is looking for her father, someone is trying to kill her before she finds him.  
0-17-556601-1

### Taxi!

Jane Homeshaw

Three stories of a London taxi-driver.  
0 00 370140 9

### The Grey Rider

Stephen Rabley

A murder mystery with a difference.  
0-17-556416-7

### The Man with Three Fingers

John Tully

A student in Italy finds himself caught up in an international plot.  
0 00 370172 7  
Cassette 0 17 556562 7

### The Pathfinders

Jane Homeshaw

How do animals and birds find their way round the world?  
0-17-556432-9  
Cassette 0 00 370181 6

### The Story of Macbeth from Shakespeare

A simple and dramatic retelling of Macbeth.  
0 00 370123 9

### Three Folk Tales

Edited by Margaret Naudi

Three strange stories from Spain, Japan and Korea.  
0 00 370166 2  
Cassette 0 00 370194 8

### Tin Lizzie

Jane Homeshaw

The story of Henry Ford.  
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Cassette 0 00 370181 6



## LEVEL TWO

(600 words)

### A King's Love Story

**KR Cripwell**

The story of Edward VIII and Mrs Simpson.  
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### Chariots of Fire

**W J Weatherby**

A moving tale of the courage and determination of two men in the 1924 Olympics.  
0 00 370163 8  
Cassette 0 00 370193 X

### Dangerous Earth

**Jane Homeshaw**

A dramatic account of the formation of the Earth.  
0-17-556427-2

### Inspector Holt Gets His Man

**John Tully**

Someone is stealing money and materials from a building site.  
0-17-556616-X  
Cassette 0 00 370186 7

### Inspector Holt: The Bridge

**John Tully**

Someone is trying to prevent completion of an important new railway line in the Middle East.  
0 00 370126 3  
Cassette 0 00 370186 7

### Lord Arthur Savile's Crime

**Oscar Wilde**

A humorous story about a well-meaning aristocrat, who has been told by a palm reader that he will commit a murder...  
0-17-556542-2

### Madame Tussaud's

**Lewis Jones**

The story of the lady who started the famous waxworks.  
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Cassette 0 17 556508 2

### Michael Jackson: Who's Bad?

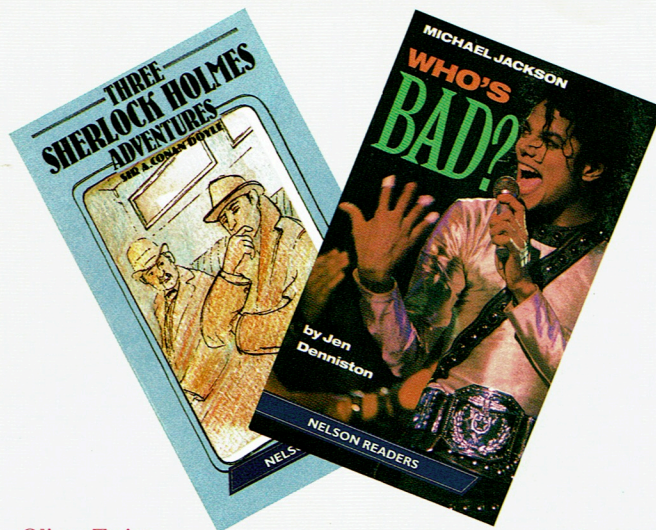
**Jed Deniston**

The world's most successful rock star is also one of the most eccentric.  
0-17-556583-X

### Muhammed Ali: King of the Ring

**John Tully**

The rise to fame of one of the greatest sporting personalities of all time.  
0-17-556469-8



### Oliver Twist

**Charles Dickens**

The famous classic of the little boy who asked for more.  
0 00 370109 3

### Roadie

**Chris Banks**

The life of a roadie with a heavy-metal band.  
0 00 370173 5

### Shark Attack

**Jan Keane**

The horrific true-life story of an incident on an Australian beach.  
0 00 370168 9

### The Canterville Ghost

**Oscar Wilde**

An American family in Europe meets its first ghost.  
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### The Charlie Chaplin Story

**Jane Homeshaw**

An often sad biography of one of cinema's great funny men.  
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Cassette 0 17 556508 2

### The Complete Robot: Selected Stories

**Isaac Asimov**

Five strange stories by the master of science fiction.  
0-17-556570-8

### The Magic Garden

**KR Cripwell**

Somewhere in Africa, people keep finding money in their gardens. What is the explanation?  
0 00 370081 X

### The Mystery of Dr Fu Manchu

**Sax Rohmer**

The famous novel that introduced one of the most sinister villains of thriller fiction.  
0 00 370171 9

### The Prince and the Poor Boy

**Mark Twain**

The Prince of Wales and one of his poorest subjects exchange clothes.  
0-17-556423-X

### The Story of Scotland Yard

**Lewis Jones**

The famous London Police Force.  
0 00 370151 4

### The Titanic is Sinking

**KR Cripwell**

In 1912 the biggest ship in the world sank in the Atlantic.  
0 00 370124 7  
Cassette 0 17 556561 9

### Three Sherlock Holmes Adventures

**A Conan Doyle**

The reader is invited to test his ingenuity and his comprehension to solve these three crimes.  
0-17-556431-0  
Cassette 0 00 370193 X

### Two Roman Stories

**from Shakespeare**

Simple retellings of two famous plays: 'Julius Caesar' and 'Anthony and Cleopatra'.  
0 00 370127 1

## LEVEL THREE

(1000 words)

### A Room with a View

**E M Forster**

A classic love story set in Florence and England.  
0-17-556551-1

### An American Tragedy

**Theodore Dreiser**

A classic of 20th-century American fiction.  
0-17-556415-9

### Arab Folk Tales

**Helen Thomson**

A collection of tales from the Arab world.  
0 00 370282 0

### Born Free

**Joy Adamson**

The famous story of Elsa, the lioness.  
0-17-556429-9

### Bruce Springsteen

**Toni Murphy**

The most popular rock singer in recent years.  
0 00 370167 0

### Climb a Lonely Hill

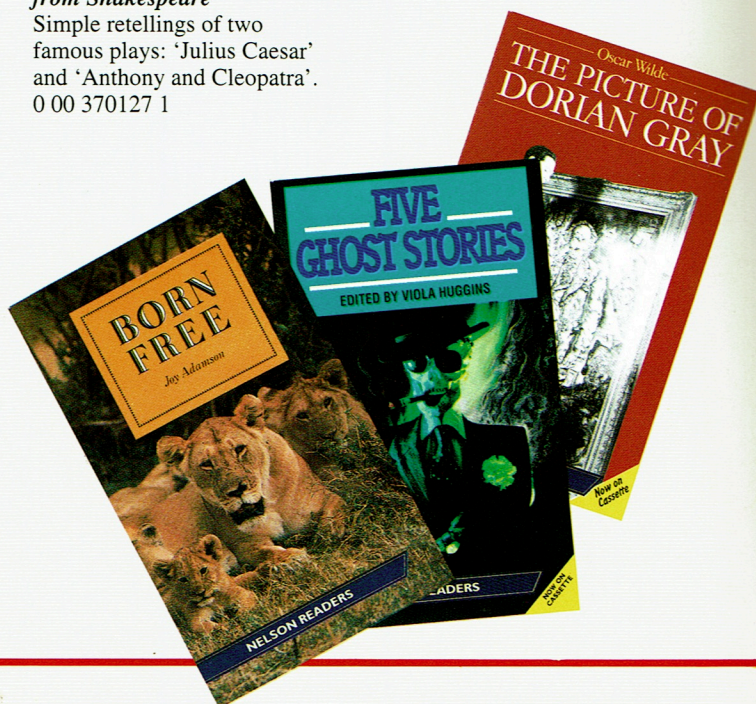
**Lilith Norman**

Two children stranded in the Australian desert.  
0-17-556536-8

### Computers:

**From Beads to Bytes**
**Peter Dewar**

Computers - how they work and how they were developed.  
0 00 370281 2





### Custer's Gold

**Kenneth Ulyatt**

A wild west adventure.  
0 00 370093 3

### David Copperfield

**Charles Dickens**

The early life and tribulations of a poor Englishman in the 19th century.  
0-17-556552-X  
Cassette 0 17 556597 X

### Emma and I Sheila Hocken

The famous biography of a blind girl and her faithful guide-dog.  
0 00 370152 2

### Five Ghost Stories

**Ed. Viola Huggins**

The selection includes stories by Richard Hughes and W W Jacobs.  
0-17-556577-5  
Cassette 0 17 556556 2

### Gunshot Grand Prix

**Douglas Rutherford**

The world of motor racing collides with contemporary political warfare.  
0 00 370098 4

### Is That It?

**Bob Geldof**

The life story of a modern-day hero.  
0-17-556418-3

### Little Women

**Louisa M Alcott**

The charming classic novel based on the lives of four sisters in America.  
0 00 370161 1

### Marilyn Monroe

**Peter Dainty**

The sad story of the life and death of one of the cinema's most controversial stars.  
0-17-556605-4

### Nelson Mandela

**Adrienne P Swindells**

The compelling story of the life and ideas of the influential African leader.  
0 00 370736 9

### Oscar Wilde: Short Stories

A collection of six short stories set in the fashionable society of Victorian England.  
0-17-556625-9



## LEVEL FOUR (1500 words)

### Six American Short Stories

**Ed. N Wymer**

Six famous stories from 19th and 20th-century American literature.  
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Cassette 0 17 556556 2

### The Importance of Being Earnest

**Oscar Wilde**

A comic tale of romance and mistaken identities.  
0-17-556584-8

### The Lost World

**A Conan Doyle**

A journey of adventure to a lost world of prehistoric monsters.  
0-17-556535-X

### The Picture of Dorian Gray

**Oscar Wilde**

The classic, chilling tale of a double life.  
0-17-556571-6  
Cassette 0 17 556597 X

### Three English Kings from Shakespeare

Simple narrative retellings of three historical plays.  
0 00 370128 X

### Treasure Island

**Robert Louis Stevenson**

The thrilling tale of adventure at sea.  
0 00 370293 6

### A Christmas Carol

**Charles Dickens**

How Scrooge, a rich and selfish businessman, comes to care for his fellow men.  
0-17-556501-5

### Airport International

**Brian Moynahan**

The story of the airlines.  
0 00 370138 7

### Barchester Towers

**Anthony Trollope**

A classic English story of genteel but cut-throat rivalry among clerics in a quiet English town.  
0 00 370292 8

### Britain: The Inside Story

**Lewis Jones**

Read about Britain's customs, habits and future projects.  
0-17-556540-6

### Campbell's Kingdom

**Hammond Innes**

Bruce Wetheral is told he has only six months to live.  
0 00 370175 1

### Death in Vienna?

**K E Rowlands**

A young journalist is the victim of a kidnap plot and helps to uncover an international drugs ring.  
0-17-556572-4

### Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde

**Robert Louis Stevenson**

The famous horror story.  
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Cassette 0 17 556502 3

### Hostage Tower

A story by Alistair Maclean told by John Denis. Film tie-in.  
0-17-556569-4  
Cassette 0 00 370191 3

### Huckleberry Finn

**Mark Twain**

The adventures of Huck Finn and his friends Jim and Tom Sawyer.  
0 00 370069 0

### Jane Eyre

**Charlotte Bronte**

Jane Eyre overcomes the adversities that beset her and marries the man she loves.  
0-17-556627-5

### King Solomon's Mines

**H Rider Haggard**

Three men in search of ancient treasure in Africa during the last century.  
0-17-556582-1  
Cassette 0 17 556598 8

### Landslide

**Desmond Bagley**

A young Canadian suffers almost complete loss of memory as a result of a serious road accident.  
0-17-556606-2

### Nothing is the Number When You Die

**Joan Fleming**

A Turkish private investigator and a man from the British Council.  
0-17-556607-0

### Pride and Prejudice

**Jane Austen**

Jane Austen's satire of English society.  
0-17-556586-4

### Rear Window

**Cornell Woolrich**

A masterful thriller.  
0-17-556470-1

### The African Child

**Camara Laye**

The classic story of growing up in colonial West Africa.  
0-17-556417-5

### The Lovely Lady and Other Stories

**D H Lawrence**

A collection by this famous 20th-century English writer.  
0-17-556550-3



### The Potter's Wheel Chuwuemeka Ike

The classic story of a young boy growing up in Africa.  
0 00 370176 X

### The Secret Sharer and Other Stories

Joseph Conrad  
The collection includes "Youth" and "The Brute".  
0 00 370145 X

### The White South Hammond Innes

The drama of men trying to gain, or keep, control of a whaling fleet in the Antarctic.  
0-17-556587-2

### Tina Turner Stephen Rabley

This is the story of Tina Turner - grandmother, actress, Buddhist and queen of rock and roll.  
0 00 370177 8

## LEVEL FIVE (2000 words)

### Experiences of Terror Ed. Roland John

Three famous horror stories.  
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### Geordie David Walker

A small boy sensitive about his height does exercises to build up his muscles.  
0-17-556467-1

### I know My Love Catherine Gaskin

A romantic novel.  
0 00 370092 5

### Middlemarch George Eliot

A classic statement of 19th-century English provincial life.  
0 00 370130 1

### Sense and Sensibility Jane Austen

An amusing satire.  
0 00 370079 8

### The Eagle Has Landed Jack Higgins

A German team of crack troops go to England in 1943 to capture Winston Churchill.  
0 00 370122 0

### The Freedom Trap Desmond Bagley

A spine-chilling thriller.  
0 00 370737 7

### The Guns of Navarone Alistair Maclean

A team of soldiers have to blow up the guns on the island of Navarone.  
0-17-556608-9

### The Mayor of Casterbridge Thomas Hardy

The rise and fall of Michael Henchard, farmworker and businessman.  
0-17-556573-2

### The Wreck of the Mary Deare

Hammond Innes  
What is the mystery of the cargo boat Mary Deare?  
0 00 370072 0

### Victory Joseph Conrad

This is a story of romance and betrayal.  
0-17-556579-1

### Where Eagles Dare Alistair Maclean

One of the most famous adventures of wartime intelligence and counter-intelligence.  
0-17-556494-9

### Wuthering Heights Emily Brontë

Emily Brontë's classic love story.  
0-17-556575-9

## LEVEL SIX (2500 words)

### Doctor Zhivago Boris Pasternak

The fortunes of some of the private individuals who lived through the Russian Revolution.  
0 00 370097 6

### Hard Times Charles Dickens

The story of Thomas Gradgrind and the stern regime he imposes on the education of his children.  
0 00 370121 2

### Harry's Game

Another human study of modern terrorism in Northern Ireland.  
0 00 370111 5

### House of a Thousand Lanterns

Victoria Holt  
A romantic story of how a young orphan girl becomes mistress of a large business.  
0-17-556566-X

### In the Shadow of Man Jane Goodall

A study of chimpanzee life in its natural habitat.  
0 00 370070 4

### Inspector Ghote Breaks an Egg

H R Keating  
Inspector Ghote, of the Bombay police, has very little to go on: the 'victim' died 15 years earlier.  
0-17-556422-1

### Sons and Lovers D H Lawrence

Lawrence's semi-autobiographical story of Paul Morel.  
0-17-556631-3

### The Dark Frontier Eric Ambler

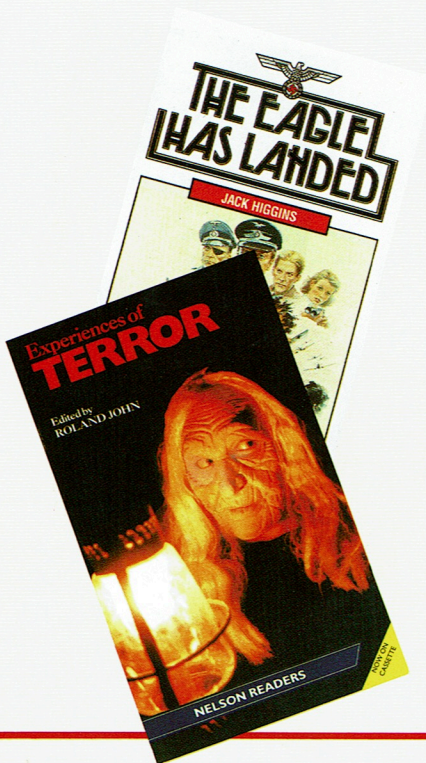
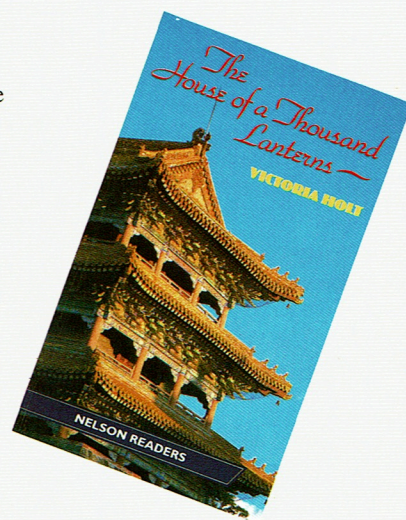
Espionage and revolution in Eastern Europe in the 1930s.  
0 00 370144 1

### The Glory Boys Gerald Seymour

A team of political killers sets out to destroy a victim.  
0-17-556471-X

### Vanity Fair

William Thackeray  
The classic satire on the upper classes.  
0-17-556468-X



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## LEVEL THREE

(1,800 words)

### Beautiful

*Stella Cragie*

This is a story about beauty, ambition and big business.  
0-17-556005-6

### Byron: Dangerous Hero

*Nick Brownlees*

This is the story of Byron, the man and the legend.  
0-17-556065-X

### Country Matters and Other Stories

*Alexander Allen*

The cleverest trick goes wrong in these exciting stories.  
0-17-556004-8

### Love Takes Time

*Lucy Herring*

A modern romance of journalism, politics and social class.  
0-17-556002-1

### Mozart \*

*Mary Tomalin*

This book charts the evolution and contradictions of a genius.  
0-17-556280-6

### 1992

*Patrick Donovan*

The United States of Europe finally becomes a reality.  
0-17-556181-8

### Rough Justice

*Rita Cadman*

A tale of robbery, misunderstandings and justice gone wrong.  
0-17-556209-1

### Sent Away \*

*John Goodwin*

The story of Mary Riley who was sent away to Australia at the age of ten.  
0-17-556009-9

### Shelley \*

*Mary Tomalin*

One of the most romantic figures who ever lived.  
0-17-555984-8

### The Case of Body 29 \*

*David Mackenzie*

Twenty-eight people died in the terrible fire in the London Underground - but body 29 is different: he was murdered.  
0-17-556281-4

### The Dancing Murder

*David Mackenzie*

Detective Stanford and his assistant, Sergeant Croydon, pit their powers of perception against a cruel and calculating killer.  
0-17-556003-X

### The Mysterious Mask

*Stella Cragie*

A strange old man sells Alec a South American mask.  
0-17-556001-3

### The Price of Friendship

*Anna Higgins*

When Amanda's friend Lola comes to stay, she throws the whole family into crisis!  
0-17-556192-3

### The Summer Visitor \*

*Rita Cadman*

When young journalist Angela goes to find her first important story, she enters a world of mystery, obsession and violence.  
0-17-555979-1

### White Gold and Other Stories \*

*Helen Thompson*

A fascinating collection of stories about species which are vanishing from our earth.  
0-17-555983-X

## LEVEL FOUR

(2,500 words)

### A Very Good Way of Making Money

*Simon Haines*

In this exciting thriller, the action moves between England and Greece.  
0-17-556238-5

### The Place of the Lotus

*Jane Spiro*

People tell stories about the place of the lotus, the perfect flower.  
0-17-556187-7

### Ticket to Tallinn

*JOHN HARE*

### Climbing Everest

*Chris Bonington*

Abridged by *Jeremy Hunter*  
Chris Bonington gives an insight into the exciting but dangerous world of climbing.  
0-17-556006-4

### The Dragons

*John Hare*

June 1989, Charles Welsh, a British student, finds himself in the midst of the dangerous and finally tragic events.  
0-17-556080-3

### Letters for a Spy

*John Hare*

Bill's trip to Prague with his uncle soon becomes much more than a tourist visit.  
0-17-556149-4

### Ticket to Tallinn \*

*John Hare*

Peter Wade's visit to a Soviet environmental agency unwittingly leads him into a complex plot to further Estonian independence.  
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\* Includes exercises and activities which reinforce language and stimulate discussion.



# FOOTSTEPS



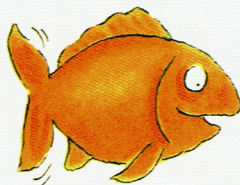
JULIE ASHWORTH and JOHN CLARK

Footsteps is an exciting range of reading books in full colour. The three levels, graded by language level, content and conceptual appropriacy, correspond to the first three levels of primary English. The series includes picture story books, cartoon books and non-fiction titles full of interesting facts and things to make and do. Some of the books are based on well-loved characters, or topics, from the Stepping Stones course by the same authors. Footsteps can be used on their own or in conjunction with Stepping Stones or any primary English course.

## LEVEL ONE

**Where's my baby**  
Mrs Monster has lost her baby. Will she find him in the police station with the other lost babies? A simple story in rhyme with an unusual twist.  
0 00 370787 3

**Pets**  
This non-fiction book is a lively mixture of vocabulary, information and things to make and do. The book encourages active involvement using stunning photography to bring the subject to life.  
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## LEVEL TWO

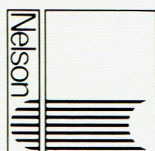
**Supersnake in: Going Fishing**  
The worms are on holiday at the seaside and Wem decides to go fishing. But fishing can be very dangerous for a worm. Luckily, Supersnake is there too. . .  
0 00 370789 X

**Playground Games with Rhymes and Chants**  
This book explains clearly in words and pictures some of the many games British children play in the street and playground. Accompanying rhymes, chants and songs will encourage children to become involved.  
0 00 370788 1

## LEVEL THREE

**Monza's English Holiday**  
Monza the Martian goes to Earth to study English. However, the language is less of a problem than the peculiar English habits and culture.  
0 00 370790 3

**Festivals**  
This book looks at what, when and how British children celebrate, encouraging comparison with the home culture and providing opportunities to participate through games and activities.  
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