

Little Women and Good Wives

Author: Louisa May Alcott **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 05/12/2019

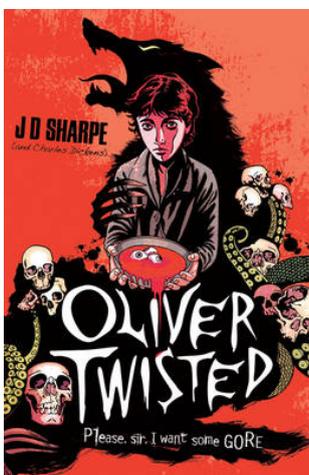
With new, inspiring foreword from bestselling author Caitlin Moran, this Scholastic Classic edition of Louisa May Alcott's most popular and enduring book is beautifully packaged for children today. 'I want to do something splendid... something heroic or wonderful that won't be forgotten after I'm dead. I don't know what, but I'm on the watch for it and mean to astonish you all someday.' Curl up with this timeless classic, and your new best friends - Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy, the four March sisters whose lives will bring tears to your eyes and warmth to your heart, and whose stories will stay with you forever.



The Last of the Spirits

Author: Chris Priestley **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 08/10/2015 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 2

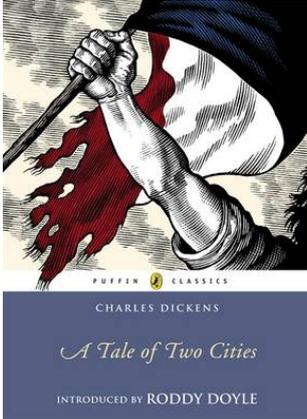
December 2015 Book of the Month What would Christmas be without a ghost story? Chris Priestley, master of the macabre, has written one that while it will send shivers down the spine can be enjoyed by all the family. His starting point is A Christmas Carol and in a clever extension of Dicken's novel he invests two starving children, who appear as Ignorance and Want in the original, with personalities and a history. In scenes full of atmosphere they too meet the ghost of Jacob Marley and witness the horror of a Christmas Yet to Come before their lives are changed for the better. It's an effective and moving development of a much-loved classic, with appeal for those who have and haven't read the original, and perfect reading for this time of year. ~ Andrea Reece



Oliver Twisted

Author: J. D. Sharpe, Charles Dickens **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 06/02/2012 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 3, Key Stage 4

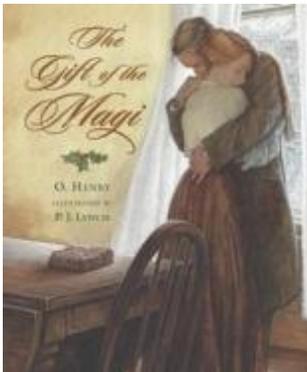
Oliver Twisted takes its inspiration from Dickens' Oliver Twist but with one hell of a twist! The world according to Oliver Twisted is simple. Vampyres feed on the defenceless, orphans are sacrificed to hungry gods and if a woe-begotten catches your scent it will hunt you forever. On the advice of a corpse, Oliver flees his ghastly orphan life to seek his destiny in the dark streets of old London Town. Other titles from YA imprint Electric Monkey include: Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein and Bzrk by Michael Grant, author of the Gone series.



A Tale of Two Cities

Author: Charles Dickens **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 05/03/2009 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 2

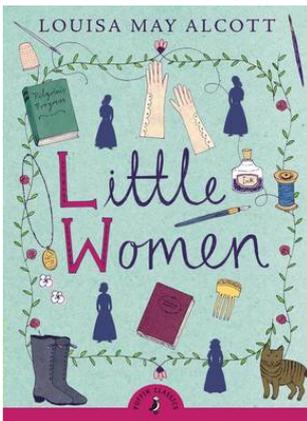
All the action, bravery and romance of those living through the bloody drama of the French Revolution with the unflinching emblem of the guillotine always in the background are unfolded in Charles Dickens's classic *A Tale of Two Cities*. Charles Darnay gets caught up in the great events of revolutionary Paris. Facing certain death, he has only one way out. Can Sydney Carton, who looks exactly like him, save him from the terrifying blade? Additional notes on the characters, an author profile and an Introduction by Roddy Doyle add an extra element in this classic edition. Just click here to view our range of Children's Classics, then click on the Paperback tab to view all the Puffin Children's Classics.



Gift Of The Magi

Author: O Henry **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 06/10/2008 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 2

Shortlisted for the Bisto Irish Children's Book Award 2009.

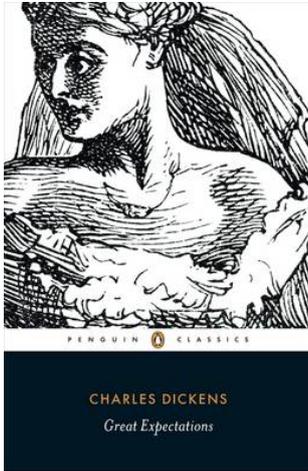


Little Women (with an Introduction by Louise Rennison)

Author: Louisa May Alcott **Format:** Paperback **Release Date:** 06/03/2008 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 3

Laugh and cry with the March family. Meg, the sweet-tempered one, Jo, the smart one, Beth, the shy one and Amy, the sassy one. Despite their lack of money they have a great deal of fun, have sisterly squabbles, have happy times and sad times and join them as they grow up and follow four very different paths and discover that growing up is sometimes very hard to do. With an Introduction by bestselling novelist Louise Rennison (well her erstwhile heroine in fact - Georgia Nicolson), who urges you to enter into the spirit of a different time and a different place for teenagers. Growing up is tough now but it was possibly even tougher during the American Civil War. In this terrific pocket size Puffin Classics edition there's lots of additional material at the end of the book including an author profile, a guide to who's who in *Little Women* plus many related activities to do beyond the book. An unabridged audio is also available of this title from Puffin. What Jacqueline Wilson says of

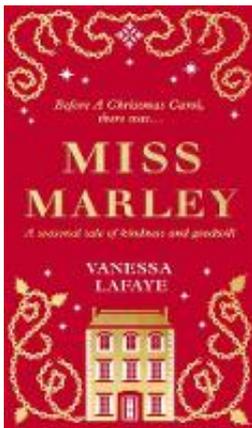
one of her all-time favourite books: 'I read this wonderful story of four 19th century American sisters over and over again, particularly identifying with Jo, the tomboy sister who is desperate to be a writer.'



Great Expectations

Author: Charles Dickens **Format:** Paperback (b Format) **Release Date:** 30/01/2003 **Year Groups:** Key Stage 3, Key Stage 4

October 2011 Guest Editor Roddy Doyle: A small boy called Pip is in a graveyard just as it's getting dark. He's looking at the grave where his parents and five brothers are buried. An escaped convict jumps out from behind a grave and grabs him. It's the best start to a novel ever, and the rest of the book lives up to its start. I've always loved Dickens. I read him when I was 9, and I'm reading him today.

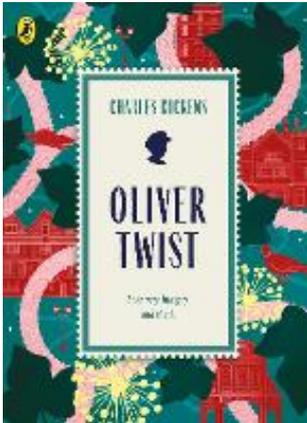


Miss Marley A Christmas Ghost Story - a Prequel to a Christmas Carol

Author: Vanessa Lafaye, Rebecca Mascull **Format:** Hardback **Release Date:** 01/11/2018

'Exquisite' Veronica Henry Before A Christmas Carol there was... Miss Marley A seasonal tale of kindness and goodwill Orphans Clara and Jacob Marley live by their wits, scavenging for scraps in the poorest alleyways of London, in the shadow of the workhouse. Every night, Jake promises his little sister 'tomorrow will be better' and when the chance to escape poverty comes their way, he seizes it despite the terrible price. And so Jacob Marley is set on a path that leads to his infamous partnership with Ebenezer Scrooge. As Jacob builds a fortress of wealth to keep the world out, only Clara can warn him of the hideous fate that awaits him if he refuses to let love and kindness into his heart... In Miss Marley, Vanessa Lafaye weaves a spellbinding Dickensian tale of ghosts, goodwill and hope - a perfect prequel to A Christmas Carol. Praise for Miss Marley: 'A spellbinding Dickensian tale of ghosts, goodwill and hope' Mail on Sunday 'Redemptive... a fitting legacy for a writer who is so sadly missed' Red 'evocative' Heat 'delightful' Sunday Mirror 'a reminder of the power of kindness and love' Stylist A 'gem of a tale' Sunday Express 'A beautifully written Dickensian tale' Candis 'Captivating ... A beautiful and tender fable' Daily Express 'Fantastic' Good Housekeeping 'ghosts, goodwill and hope on every page' My Weekly 'Lafaye masterfully brings the setting of 19th-Century London to life' Woman 'Love, disappointment, kindness and greed all play their parts in this delightful companion piece to Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol' Woman & Home 'A seasonal tale of kindness and goodwill that captures the atmosphere of Dickens' Yours 'Exquisite' Veronica Henry 'A beautiful, warm, rich hug of a story and bittersweet reminder to

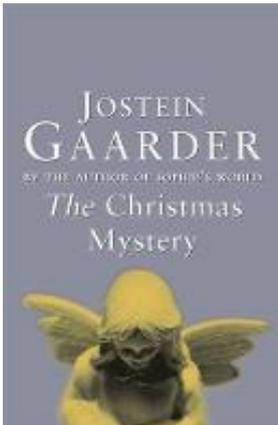
embrace life and enrich others as you go' Liz Fenwick



Oliver Twist

Author: Charles Dickens **Format:** Paperback / softback **Release Date:** 07/01/2021

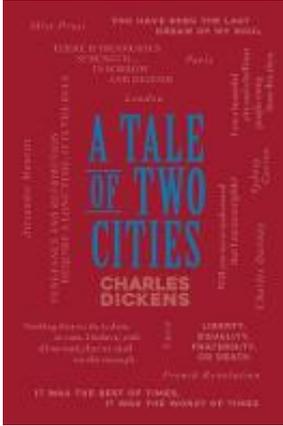
A set of 6 much-loved stories from classic English literature for children, brought together by Puffin Classics in beautiful paperback cover designs. The classic story of a young boy who seeks his fortune on the streets of London. After Oliver Twist asks nasty Mr Bumble for more food, he has to flee the workhouse for the streets of London. Here he meets the Artful Dodger, who leads him to Fagin and his gang of pickpockets. When a thieving mission goes wrong, Oliver narrowly avoids prison and finds himself in the care of kind Mr Brownlow. But Fagin and the brutal Bill Sikes go in search of the young orphan, determined to drag him back . . . In the same collection: PETER PAN THE GREAT ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND FIVE CHILDREN AND IT GULLIVER'S TRAVELS



The Christmas Mystery

Author: Jostein Gaarder **Format:** Paperback / softback **Release Date:** 07/10/1999

Fifty years ago a girl disappeared from her home in Norway. She ran after a lamb and found herself travelling right across Europe to Palestine, and back through 2000 years to meet the Holy Family in Bethlehem. There she met angels, shepherds, wise men and other biblical characters who joined her on her pilgrimage; and she heard of many of the things that happened in the world in the last 2000 years. In present-day Norway, a boy acquires a strange old Advent calendar. Hidden in each of the windows is a tiny piece of paper. Little by little these pieces unfold the girl's story and as we learn what happened to her, another story is revealed - that of the strange old man who made the calendar.



A Tale of Two Cities

Author: Charles Dickens **Format:** Paperback / softback **Release Date:** 28/05/2020