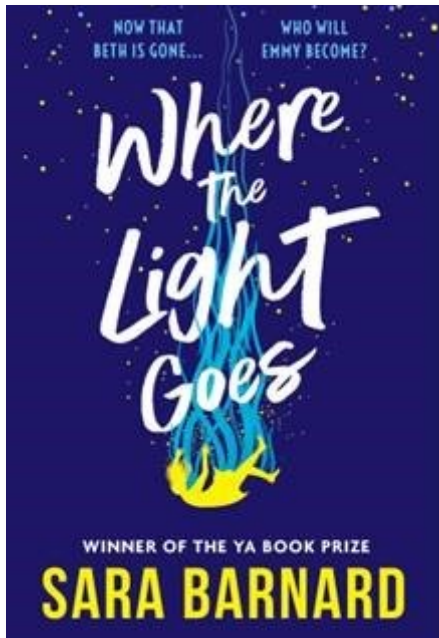




WHERE THE LIGHT GOES

Sara Barnard



Age: 12+

Length: 352 pages / 70,000 words

Publication date: May 2023

UK: Walker, ed. Non Pratt

A heart-wrenching exploration of grief from a masterful writer, set in a landscape corrupted by fame and the scrutiny that comes from living in the shadow of a star.

"Lizzie Beck" is one quarter of British pop sensation The Jinks, who launched their career via a reality TV talent show and rose straight to fame - and in Lizzie's case, infamy, for her tumultuous relationship with her boyfriend, stints in rehab and candid confessions about her mental health on Instagram.

To Emmy, though, she will always be her older sister, Beth, the person whose footsteps she intends to follow. Except now she can't. Because Beth, Emmy's beloved sister, has died by suicide.

Forced to face a world without the guiding light of her bright, brilliant big sister, Emmy must wrestle with the impact of private grief, public scrutiny and discover who she once was and who she will become, now that Beth is gone.

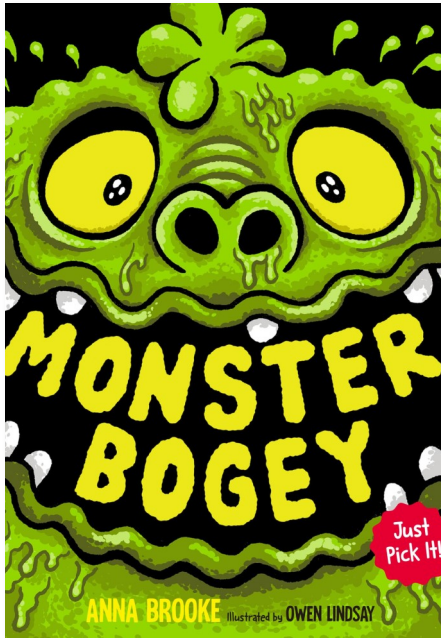
Sara Barnard's debut novel *Beautiful Broken Things* was a UK bestseller and Barnard won the YA Book Prize in 2019 for *Goodbye, Perfect*. The German edition of *Destination Anywhere* has been selected for the Jugendliteraturpreis 2022. Her other novels include *Floored*; *Something Certain, Maybe*; *Fierce Fragile Hearts*, and *A Quiet Kind of Thunder*. Her novels have been translated into 8 languages.

Agent: Claire Wilson

MONSTER BOGEY

Anna Brooke

MG + YA



Age: 7 - 9

Length: 256 pages

Publication date: January 2023

UK: Chicken House

SCBWI Undiscovered Voices winner

Longlisted for the Bath Children's Novel Award

The hilariously funny illustrated story of friendship, tolerance and the goop up your nose from debut author, Anna Brooke. Frankenstein meets bogeys in this novel perfect for fans of *Charlie Changes into a Chicken*.

Frank has a secret: he picks his nose. And keeps what he finds there.

Ten-year-old Frank loves bogeys, but he really shouldn't have left his bogey tower out in a storm. Struck by lightning, his tower of greenies comes alive, turning into a terrifying bogey monster that escapes into the night.

Now Frank and his best friend Tiffany – and her four heroic slugs – must catch the creature before the villagers of Honkerty find out.

Anna Brooke writing career started in journalism as a film critic for *Time Out Paris* and the author of seven travel guidebooks for *Frommer's*. She has written for multiple publications, including the *FT*, *The Times* and *The Sunday Times Travel Magazine*, where she was the long-standing Paris expert. When not writing, she has been an actress, a cabaret singer and an electro-pop artist, performing on stage and composing songs for films and commercials. Raised in Birmingham and Yorkshire, she now lives in Paris with her French-Canadian husband and son.

Agent: Sam Copeland

TWIN CROWNS (Book 1)

Catherine Doyle & Katherine Webber



Age: 12+

Length: 528 pages / 120,000 words

Publication date: May 2022

UK: Electric Monkey, ed. Lindsey Heaven

US: Balzer + Bray, ed. Kristin Rens

Bulgaria: Ibis

Czech Republic: Albatros

Finland: Kumma

France: Bayard

Germany: Heyne

Hungary: Könyvmolyképző

Israel: Keter

Italy: Mondadori

Netherlands: HarperCollins

Poland: Poznanskie

Portugal: Asa

Romania: Trei

Russia: Eksmo

Spain: Hidra

Turkey: Yabanci

Sunday Times Bestseller

Catherine Doyle and Katherine Webber join forces on an utterly compelling YA romantic fantasy bursting with high-stakes adventure and crossover appeal about twin princesses separated at birth.

Wren Greenrock has always known that one day she would steal her sister's place in the palace. Trained from birth to avenge her parents' murder and usurp the princess, she will do anything to rise to power and protect the community of witches she loves.

Princess Rose Valhart knows that with power comes responsibility including marriage into a brutal kingdom. Life outside the palace walls is a place to be feared and she is soon to discover that it's wilder than she ever imagined.

Twin sisters separated at birth and raised into entirely different worlds are about to get to know each other's lives a whole lot better.

'Twin Crowns cast a spell on me from the very first pages with its glittering blend of harrowing adventure, charming wit, and intricate world-building' **Sarah J Maas**

'A dazzling gem of a book. Magical, clever, surprising and pure fun. If you love wicked kings, sexy bandits and sister stories that are full of heart, this is a must read' **Stephanie Garber**

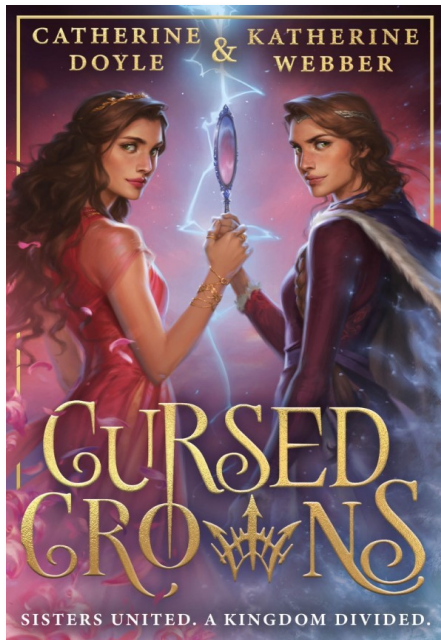
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Agent: Claire Wilson

CURSED CROWNS (Book 2)

Catherine Doyle & Katherine Webber



Age: 12+

Length: 528 pages / 130,000 words

Publication date: May 2023

UK: Electric Monkey, ed. Lindsey Heaven

US: Balzer + Bray, ed. Kristin Rens

Bulgaria: Ibis

Czech Republic: Albatros

Finland: Kumma

France: Bayard

Germany: Heyne

Israel: Keter

Netherlands: HarperCollins

Poland: Poznanskie

Portugal: Asa

Romania: Trei

Russia: Eksmo

Spain: Hidra

Turkey: Yabanci

Cursed Crowns begins where *Twin Crowns* left off, with Rose and Wren beginning their reign of Eana, intending to unite their people. That is until a man arrives from the Sunkissed Kingdom – previously believed lost under the desert sands – to ask for aid.

Cue an adventure that divides the nation and the two sisters, sending Wren to the icy tundra of Gevra and Rose to the Sunkissed lands. And all the while the twins' magic continues to twist and grow, threatening to destroy them both.

Cursed Crowns is every inch as fun, witty and steamy as *Twin Crowns*, and Electric Monkey in the UK and Balzer + Bray in the US will be putting everything behind their publications in May 2023.

'*Twin Crowns* has all the charm of *The Princess Bride* and all the stakes of *Game of Thrones*. Addictive, swoony, tender and vivid - I loved it with all my heart.' **Kiran Millwood Hargrave**

'Riotously funny, fast-paced and dripping with romance, *Twin Crowns* manages to deliver a tale as familiar and nostalgic in the way of childhood blankets and fireflies in jars, while at the same time wholly refreshing with its levity, charm and quirky tale of sisterhood rediscovered. *Twin Crowns* is so joyous that days after reading, I'm still grinning.' **Roshani Chokshiare**

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Agent: Claire Wilson

SPELLSTONE

Ross Montgomery



Age: 9+
Length: 77,000 words
Publication date: May 2023

UK: Walker Books, ed. Annalie Grainger

An edge-of-your-seat fantasy adventure about friendship, sacrifice and the true meaning of magic, from the twice Costa-shortlisted author of *The Midnight Guardians*.

Evie is used to not being noticed, and that – according to the mysterious Wainwright she meets – is what makes her unique. Recruited into a secret magical organisation, Evie finds herself at the heart of an ancient and magical battle. Evil is returning to the land, and Evie is the only person who can stop it. But how can she defeat the most dangerous magician in the world, when she doesn't even know her own powers?

Praise for The Chime Seekers:

Nominated for the CILIP Carnegie Medal 2022
 Shortlisted for the Indie Book Awards 2022

'Cracking adventure from the wildly imaginative Montgomery' **Daily Mail**

'Funny, terrifying, full of folkloric strangeness hiding in everyday corner, this sparkling homage to David Bowie's *Labyrinth* is just as satisfying as last year's *The Midnight Guardians*' **Guardian**

'Fantastic! A brilliant cast of characters... a whirlwind adventure and a fae world brimming with darkness, wonder and faerie tricks' **Aisling Fowler**

Ross Montgomery started writing stories as a teenager - when he should have been doing homework - and continued doing so at university. His debut novel, *Alex, the Dog and the Unopenable Door*, was shortlisted for the Costa Children's Book of the Year and Branford Boase Award. His books have also been nominated for the CILIP Carnegie Award, the Kate Greenaway Award and included in the Guardian's Best New Children's Books of 2018.

Agent: Claire Wilson

Publishers for previous novels:

Bulgaria: Lutiche
China: Citic
Germany: Hanser
Portugal: 2020
Russia: Ripol

SECRETS NEVER DIE

Vincent Ralph

MG + YA

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Vincent Ralph

Age: 12+
Length: 80,000 words
Delivery date: May 2023

US: Wednesday Books, Macmillan

The electrifying new YA thriller from New York Times bestselling author, Vincent Ralph.

We call it the Dark Place. I don't know who built it or when but, for us, it's special.

Every Halloween, 18-year-old Sam Hall and his friends hold funerals for their secrets in the Dark Place. But this year, their secrets are coming back from the dead.

Sam is a former child star whose career went up in flames – literally. And no one, not even his best friend Haran, knows why. Haran does know who sold the photos of Sam before the night of the fire though. And he's not telling anyone.

The local rich kid Dom has always been afraid that he would be accused of the fire. And maybe there's a reason he thinks the finger will be pointed at him all these years later. Meanwhile Sam's girlfriend Elisha just wishes her family was back together – and can't ever admit why they fell apart.

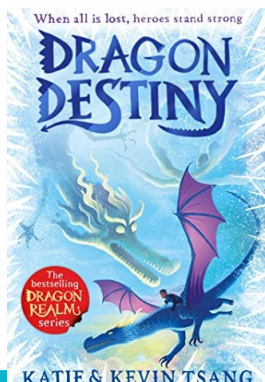
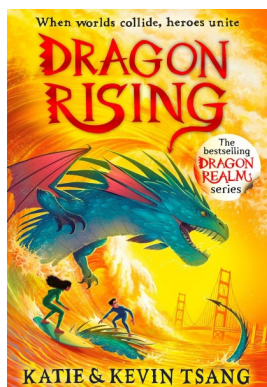
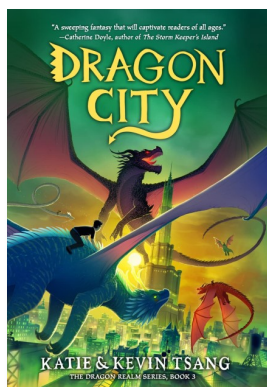
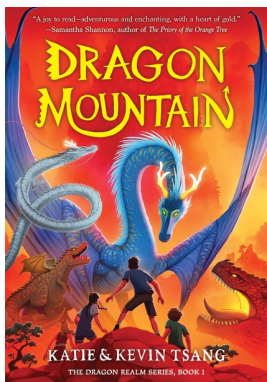
When someone calling themselves 'Sasha Mendes' starts messaging all four teenagers online to blackmail them with their secrets, and a mysterious photo emerges suggesting the Dark Place has been used before, Sam isn't sure who he can trust, who's watching him – or how far he's willing to go to bury the past once and for all.

Vincent Ralph has been writing in one form or another since his teens and always dreamed of being a novelist. After working as a teacher for 8 years, he wrote his debut novel, *14 Ways to Die*, a YA thriller and NY Times bestseller, and *Lock the Doors*. *Secrets Never Die* is his third novel.

Agent: Claire Wilson

DRAGON REALM SERIES

Katie and Kevin Tsang



Waterstones Book of the Month

Barnes & Noble Book of the Month

Longlisted for the Diverse Book Award

Longlisted for the Blue Peter Award

Shortlisted for the Sainsbury's Children's Book Award

The bestselling Dragon Realm series reaches its epic finale with the fifth adventure for 9+ readers.

All eyes are on Billy and his friends after the Dragon. When 12-year-old Billy Chan finds out his parents are sending him to a summer camp in middle-of-nowhere China he doesn't know what to expect. There he meets fellow campers Dylan, Charlotte and Ling-Fei and together they stumble upon an age-old secret: four powerful warrior dragons, hidden deep within the mountain behind the camp. They have been trapped since an epic battle with the Dragon of Death and need the children's help to set them free before terrible evil is unleashed on the earth.

Billy and his friends must set off on a dangerous adventure that will take them to the heart of the Dragon Realm. But can they save the dragon and human worlds from destruction?

'Rollicking, escapist storytelling with a dragon-sized heart' **Kiran Millwood Hargrave**

'Splendidly addictive' *Guardian*

Katie and Kevin Tsang are known for their Sam Wu series. Kevin was born in Copenhagen, grew up in Atlanta, and studied in Hong Kong, where the two met. Katie grew up in California, and writes as Katherine Webber for her YA novels, *Wing Jones*, *Only Love Can Break Your Heart*, and *Twin Crowns* with Catherine Doyle.

Agent: Claire Wilson

UK: S&S, ed. Rachel Denwood

US: Sterling

Bulgaria: Vakon

China: Beijing Zhengqing

France: Hachette Livre

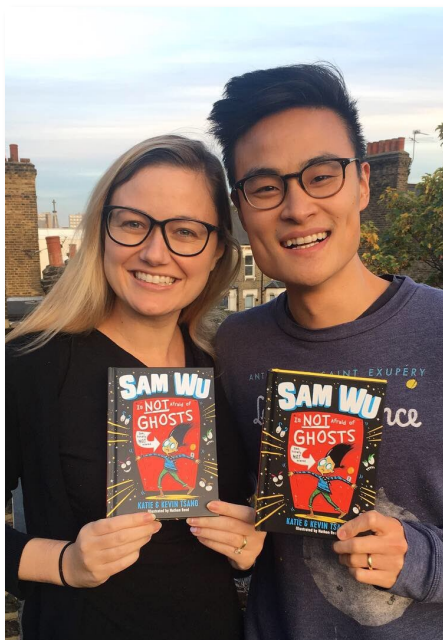
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DRAGON FORCE SERIES

Katie and Kevin Tsang

MG + YA



Age: 9+

Length: 60,000 words

Delivery date: September 2023

UK: Simon & Schuster, ed. Rachel Denwood & Amina Youssef

The new middle-grade series from Katie and Kevin Tsang with illustrator Peter Antonsson.

The Dragon Force series will expand the universe of the 100,000-copy-selling Dragon Realm series. Returning to the world that series built, where humans and dragons live together. But the peace gained at the denouement is in the balance, threatened by a host of dangerous magical creatures. It falls to Dragon Realm hero Billy Chan to recruit and train the Dragon Force: a new group of dragon-bonded kids whose extraordinary and mysterious powers hold the key to protecting human and dragon-kind.

Praise for the Dragon Realm series:

'Edge-of-your-seat adventure' **Catherine Doyle**

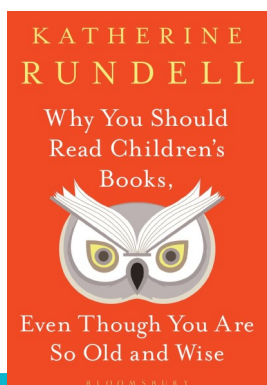
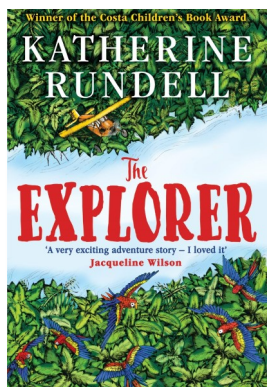
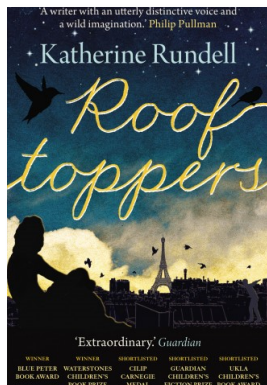
'A joy to read – adventurous and enchanting, with a heart of gold' **Samantha Shannon**

'It will make you wish you had your own dragon bond' **Anna James**

'A joy of a thing: funny, sardonic, generous, with jokes so large-hearted you could swim in them. It's for every child who has ever longed to bond with a dragon' **Katherine Rundell**

'So much fun! A quartet of brilliant kids, a mountainful of dragons and bucketloads of humour, pace and magic. A soaring, sizzling, fire-breathing gem of an adventure story' **Abi Elphinstone**

KATHERINE RUNDELL



Dance the rooftops of Paris with Sophie in *Rooftoppers*, or with Matteo in the new World Book Day companion story, *Skysteppers*. Somersault through 1920s New York with Vita in *The Good Thieves*, run with wolves through Russia with Feodora in *The Wolf Wilder* or explore the depths of the Amazon with Fred in *The Explorer*.

Katherine Rundell is the bestselling author of five children's novels, published in 32 languages, and which have variously won the Costa Children's Book Award, the Blue Peter Book Award and the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, the Prix Nord de l'Isère in France, as well as been shortlisted for the CILIP Carnegie Medal, the Astrid Lindgren Award, and Premio Strega Ragazze e Ragazzi in Italy.

She spent her childhood in Africa and Europe before taking her degree at the University of Oxford and becoming a Fellow of All Souls College. As well as writing, she studies Renaissance literature; and is learning, as a direct result of writing *The Good Thieves*, to fly on the flying trapeze.

'A writer with an utterly distinctive voice and a wild imagination' **Philip Pullman**

'Katherine Rundell just gets better and better' **Jacqueline Wilson**

'One of our most talented writers for children' **Observer**

UK: Bloomsbury
US: Simon & Schuster
Albania: Botart
Azerbaijan: Parlaq İmzalar
Brazil: Martins Fontes (previously)
Bulgaria: Vakon
China: Beijing Yutian Hanfeng / Chu'an Weiming Cultural Media
Croatia: Znanje
Czech Republic: Albatros
Denmark: Loxodonta (previously)
Estonia: Tammerraamat

France: Gallimard Jeunesse
Germany: Carsen
Greece: Psichogios / Patakis
Hungary: Manó
Indonesia: The Tiga Serangkai
Iran: Porteghaal
Italy: Rizzoli
Japan: Goblin Shobo
Korea: A Thousand Hope
Lithuania: Niekio Rimto
Netherlands: Luitingh-Sijthoff

Poland: Poradnia K
Portugal: Carácter (previously)
Romania: Booklet
Russia: Ripol
Serbia: Vulkan
Spain: Salamandra
Spain (Catalan): Estrella Polar
Taiwan: Hsiao Lu
Turkey: Domingo
Ukraine: Vivat
Vietnam: SkyBooks