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## UNIT 1

# OVERCOMING FEAR



**Title:** Battle of the Bands (Major Eights)   
**Author:** Melody Reed  
**Call No.:** JS REE

Jasmine, Maggie, Becca, and Scarlet love jamming together in Jasmine's basement. Maggie bangs on the drums, Becca strums her guitar, Jasmine plunks the keys of her keyboard, and Scarlet wails into her hairbrush mic.

Even though they may not have the best equipment, or an audience, they have fun making music to their own beat. But when Jasmine's brother tells her about an upcoming Battle of the Bands competition, Jasmine thinks this could be their chance to prove they're a real band. Now she just has to convince the other girls...

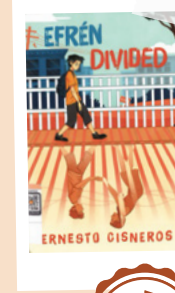
Publisher: RH Graphic, 2020 | From: [www.rhkidsgraphic.com](http://www.rhkidsgraphic.com)



**Title:** Surviving a Megatsunami (Surviving the Impossible)  
**Author:** Madeline Tyler  
**Call No.:** J 551.46 TYL

A monstrous megatsunami sounds like the plot of thrilling action movie, but could this catastrophic natural disaster really be in our future? As climate change continues to impact the planet in dangerous and destructive ways, it's best to be prepared. This volume introduces readers to the concept of extreme storms in an entertaining way. They'll learn survival tips for situations ranging from silly to scary. A chilling design with creepy, full-colour images adds to the excitement.

Publisher: Gareth Stevens Publishing, 2019 | From: [www.garethstevens.com](http://www.garethstevens.com)



**Title:** Efrén Divided   
**Author:** Ernesto Cisneros  
**Call No.:** J CIS

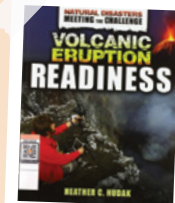
Efrén Nava's Amá is his Superwoman—or Soperwoman, named after the delicious Mexican sopes his mother often prepares.

Both Amá and Apá work hard all day to provide for the family, making sure Efrén and his younger siblings Max and Mía feel safe and loved.

But Efrén worries about his parents; although he's American-born, his parents are undocumented. His worst nightmare comes true one day when Amá doesn't return from work and is deported across the border to Tijuana, México.

Now more than ever, Efrén must channel his inner Soperboy to help take care of and try to reunite his family.

Publisher: Harper, 2020 | From: [www.harpercollins.com](http://www.harpercollins.com)



**Title:** Volcanic Eruption Readiness (Natural Disasters: Meeting the Challenge)  
**Author:** Heather C. Hudak  
**Call No.:** J 363.34 HUD

We cannot prevent volcanic eruptions, but we can try to minimise their impact on humans. This interesting book examines what scientists know about eruptions, whether we can predict them, and how we learn from each one. By studying the destruction they cause, scientists and engineers continue to come up with new and improved technologies to predict volcanic eruptions and make cities, buildings, and people safer.

Publisher: Crabtree Publishing, 2020 | From: [www.crabtreebooks.com](http://www.crabtreebooks.com)






## UNIT 2

# OVERCOMING ODDS



**Title: A Whale In Paris: How It Happened that Chantal Deprey Befriended a Whale during the Second World War and Helped Liberate France** 

**Author: Daniel Presley**

**Call No.: J PRE**

Tonight, Chantal is hoping for a salmon, but instead she spies something much more special: a whale!

Though small (for a whale) and lost, he seems friendly.

Yet Franklin is in danger: the Parisians are starving and would love to eat him, and the Nazis want to capture him as a gift to Hitler. In a desperate bid to liberate themselves and their city, Chantal and Franklin embark on a dangerous voyage.

Publisher: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2018 |  
From: [www.simonandschuster.com](http://www.simonandschuster.com)

**Title: Disney Moana: The Story of the Movie in Comics (Disney Comics Album Series)**

**Author: Alessandro Ferarri**

**Call No.: J FER**

Sail the Pacific Islands in search of destiny in this retelling of Disney's *Moana*. Moana is a spirited teenager who loves the ocean that she is forbidden to travel. When darkness begins to consume her island home, Moana knows the solution lies beyond the safety of the island. She sails into the open sea to find the demigod Maui and right a wrong from his past, to save her people and their future.

Publisher: Dark Horse Books, 2020 | From: [www.darkhorse.com](http://www.darkhorse.com)



**Title: A Wolf Called Wander** 

**Author: Rosanne Parry**

**Call No.: J PAR**

This gripping novel about survival and family is based on the real story of one wolf's incredible journey to find a safe place to call home.

Swift, a young wolf cub, lives with his pack in the mountains learning to hunt, competing with his brothers and sisters for hierarchy, and watching over a new litter of cubs. Then a rival pack attacks, and Swift and his family scatter.

Alone and scared, Swift must flee and find a new home. His journey takes him a remarkable one thousand miles across the Pacific Northwest. The trip is full of peril, and Swift encounters forest fires, hunters, highways, and hunger before he finds his new home.

Publisher: Greenwillow Books, 2019 | From: [www.harpercollins.com](http://www.harpercollins.com)



**Title: Overcoming Obstacles: Identifying Problems (Spotlight on Social and Emotional Learning)**

**Author: Rachael Morlock**

**Call No.: J 153.4 MOR**

As children grow up, they learn to exercise greater independence in decision-making and problem-solving. The first step in either process is identification. Being able to name and understand a problem can illuminate possible solutions and set the problem-solving process in motion. This book provides tips and simple steps that readers can take to identify problems and overcome obstacles.

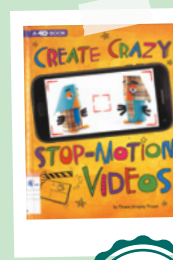
Publisher: PowerKids Press, 2020 | From: [www.rosenpublishing.com](http://www.rosenpublishing.com)





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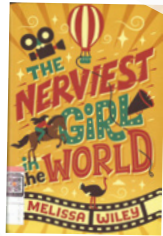
# PHOTOGRAPHY



**Title:** Create Crazy Stop-Motion Videos: 4D An Augmented Reading Experience (Make A Movie!)  
**Author:** Thomas Kingsley Troupe  
**Call No.:** J 778.5 TRO

Do you love stop-motion animation? Try shooting a stop-motion video yourself! Learn how to plan, cast, shoot, and edit a stop-motion video. It's time to put your creativity to the test. And action!

Publisher: Capstone Press, 2020 | From: [www.shop.capstonepub.com](http://www.shop.capstonepub.com)



**Title:** The Nerviest Girl in the World   
**Author:** Melissa Wiley  
**Call No.:** J WIL

Pearl lives on a ranch where her chores include collecting eggs and feeding ornery ostriches. She has three older brothers who don't coddle her at all. And she knows a thing or two about horses, too.

One day, Pearl's brothers get cushy jobs doing stunts for this new form of entertainment called "moving pictures". They're the Daredevil Donnelly Brothers, a Death-Defying Cowboy Trio. Before she knows it, Pearl has stumbled into being a stunt girl herself—and dreams of becoming a star.

The only problem is, her mother has no idea what she's up to. And let's just say she wouldn't be too happy to find out that Pearl's been jumping out of burning buildings in her spare time.

Publisher: Alfred A Knopf, 2020 | From: [www.penguinrandomhouse.com](http://www.penguinrandomhouse.com)



**Title:** The Camera (Blastoff! Discovery. Inventions that Changed the World)  
**Author:** Rebecca Sabelko  
**Call No.:** J 771.3 SAB

Smartphones put a camera in just about everyone's pocket, but it hasn't always been so easy to take a snapshot. The 18th century brought a new innovation that allowed people to easily preserve a moment in time. That innovation carries on today! Through informative text, fun facts, and special features, this fascinating title explores how the camera was invented and how it continues to develop!

Publisher: Bellwether Media, 2019 | From: [www.bellwethermedia.com](http://www.bellwethermedia.com)




**Title:** Any Day With You   
**Author:** Mae Respicio  
**Call No.:** J RES

Kaia and her family live near the beach in California, where the fun of moviemaking is all around them. Kaia loves playing with make-up and creating special effects, turning her friends into merfolk and other magical creatures.

This summer, Kaia and her friends are part of a creative arts camp, where they're working on a short movie to enter in a contest. The movie is inspired by the Filipino folktales that her beloved Tatang, her great-grandfather, tells. When Tatang decides that it is time to return to his homeland in the Philippines, Kaia will do anything to convince him not to go.

Publisher: Wendy Lamb Books, 2020 | From: [www.penguinrandomhouse.com](http://www.penguinrandomhouse.com)



 Available as an eBook on the NLB catalogue at [www.nlb.gov.sg](http://www.nlb.gov.sg).





## UNIT 4

# TRADITIONAL TALES



**Title:** Tiger Tales: Almost True Animal Stories From Old Singapore  
**Author:** Joyceline Tully  
**Call No.:** J SING 398.2095957 TUL -[FOL]

With much of old Singapore still covered in jungle, encounters with animals were not uncommon for those who lived here. *Tiger Tales* brings to life some of these little-known episodes, from a crazy rain of fish and the discovery of a giant croc in the Rochor River, to a conundrum with tapirs and the delights of a zoo in our very own Botanic Gardens.

Publisher: Pepper Dog Press, 2020 | From: [www.pepperdogpress.com](http://www.pepperdogpress.com)



**Title:** Our Folktales: The All-Time Favourite Folktales of Asia  
**Editor:** Ruth Wan-Lau  
**Call No.:** J 398.2 OUR -[FOL]

*Our Folktales: The All-time Favourite Folktales from Asia* is a collection of eight beloved children's stories from China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, and Singapore.

In these beautifully-illustrated tales, you will meet brave heroes who outsmart others, mystical spells that enchant, talking animals that are full of mischief, and so much more.

Publisher: WS Education, 2021 | From: [www.worldscientific.com](http://www.worldscientific.com)



**Title:** The Secret Garden  
**Author:** Claire Freedman  
**Call No.:** J FRE

As Mary works hard to bring the garden back to life, its magic begins to work on her too...

Rediscover the magical story of Mary Lennox, who arrives in the wild and windswept Yorkshire a sickly and miserable girl — until she discovers a forgotten Secret Garden.

Publisher: Puffin Books, 2020 | From: [www.penguin.co.uk](http://www.penguin.co.uk)



**Title:** Lost in the Imagination: A Journey Through Nine Worlds in Nine Nights  
**Author:** Hiawyn Oram  
**Call No.:** J 398.2 ORA -[FOL]

Enter the elaborate “found” notebooks of the formerly fact-bound professor Dawn Gable and follow her on nine nightly journeys to extraordinary worlds.

From King Arthur's Round Table at Camelot to the majestic hall of slain heroes in Asgard, visit marvellous lands from myth, legend, and fairy tale.

Intricate vistas and diagrams usher readers into a city of intelligent machines, the ancient African city of Kor, the miniature world of Lilliput, the flying island of Laputa, a mountainous home of mythical beasts, the primeval island of Buyan, the island of Atlantis, Captain Nemo's Nautilus, and more.

Publisher: Candlewick Studio, 2020 | From: [www.candlewick.com](http://www.candlewick.com)








## UNIT 5

# FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS/ CONFLICT




**Title:** Tune It Out   
**Author:** Jamie Sumner  
**Call No.:** J SUM

Lou Montgomery has the voice of an angel, or so her mother tells her and anyone else who will listen. But Lou can only hear the fear in her own voice. She's never liked crowds or loud noises or even high fives; in fact, she's terrified of them, which makes her pretty sure there's something wrong with her.

With help from an outgoing new friend, her aunt and uncle, and the school counselor, she begins to see things differently. A sensory processing disorder isn't something to be ashamed of, and music might just be the thing that saves Lou—and maybe her mom, too.

Publisher: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2020 |  
From: [www.simonandschuster.com](http://www.simonandschuster.com)



**Title:** Lucy Lopez: Coding Star (After-School Superstars)   
**Author:** Claudia Mills  
**Call No.:** JS MIL

Third-grader Lucy Lopez and her older sister Elena created the Let's Have Fun Club, where they design their own badges to put in a handbook and make up lists of things they have to do to earn each one.

But now Elena is spending most of her time coding on the computer and Lucy feels left out. She decides to join the after-school coding camp in the hopes that Elena will want to add it to their Let's Have Fun Club activities and it can become something they can do together. But when Lucy proves to be a natural, Elena is none too happy—why does Lucy have to do everything she does?

Publisher: Holiday House, 2020 | From: [www.holidayhouse.com](http://www.holidayhouse.com)



**Title:** Embrace the Chicken (Orca Currents)   
**Author:** Mahtab Narsimhan  
**Call No.:** J NAR

Shivani only left Mumbai a few months ago.

But she isn't feeling like such an outsider anymore. She likes her new school and she finally has a best friend. But when her mother volunteers for the school's annual fundraiser, Shivani is sure she will completely embarrass her, especially if she cooks one of the "stinky" dishes that Shivani loves but is too ashamed to eat in front of her friends.

Publisher: Orca Book Publishers, 2020 | From: [www.orcabook.com](http://www.orcabook.com)



**Title:** Stoop Sale Treasure (Hand-Me-Down Magic)  
**Author:** Corey Ann Haydu  
**Call no.:** JS HAY

Meet the best friends at 86 ½ Twenty-Third Avenue.

DEL loves LOTS of things! The Curious Cousins Secondhand Shoppe. Ginormous family dinners. And of course, her best-friend-cousin, Alma.

ALMA loves her abuelita's tasty empanadas. Her old home by the lake. And soon, she'll love living in the same place as her best-friend-cousin, Del.

Yet despite having Del by her side, Alma isn't quite sure she fits in with their family at 86 ½ Twenty-Third Avenue. It's a new life and it's all so *different*. When Del finds a special item at a neighbour's stoop sale, she gets so excited by the magic luck it brings—but doesn't see that it's driving the two best friends apart. Will family, friendship, and maybe a little everyday magic be enough to make things right again?

Publisher: Katherine Tegen Books, 2020 | From: [www.harpercollins.com](http://www.harpercollins.com)





# WORD SEARCH

Find the words below!



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☆ ACTION

☆ COURAGE

☆ FEARLESS

☆ ADVENTURER

☆ DANGER

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☆ SURVIVAL

☆ BRAVE

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Paint a thousand words! Draw your favourite character or scene from the books you have read.

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