# New children's books we love! March

Every month, BookTrust review dozens of new books for children and teenagers. Here are the ones they liked best in March: guaranteed to get your child reading...

These are just a few of their suggestions. For the full list have a look at their website

https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/our-recommendations/best-new-books/

## For ages 0-3 and up



#### Quiet

Author: Tom Percival Illustrator: Richard

This heartfelt, profound book by awardwinning picture book makers Tom Percival and Richard Jones is a subtle and beautiful reminder to all of us that using our voices to stand up for what we believe in is important, both for the collective, but for the individual



#### It's Time to Hush and Say Good Night

**Author:** Chitra Soundar **Illustrator:** Sandhya Prabhat

Follow a father and child in an imaginative journey towards bedtime. Based on traditional Indian Iullabies, this rhyming book is ideal for bedtime. A feast for the senses.



# Hen in the Bed: A funny split-page counting book

Author: Katrina Charman Illustrator: Guilherme Karsten

This charming version of the classic counting song "Ten in the Bed" features a cast of adorable animals all doing the bidding of the rather bossy hen, who realises right at the last minute that maybe shedoesn't want the bed to

## For ages 4-5 and up



#### Croaky: Search for the Sasquatch

Author: Matty Long

Croaky Hopper is a frog who's keen for adventure. So he's thrilled to go on a Woggle Scouts camping trip. But will they find the mysterious Sasquatch? Colourful, funny and full of action.



## **Donut Feed the Squirrels**

Author: Mika Song

Two squirrels want donuts for breakfast – how will they get one? A delightful graphic novel with gentle humour for younger readers.

# For ages 6-8 and up



#### How Do Meerkats Order Pizza?

Author: Brooke Barker

This fascinating non-fiction book features a wealth of fun facts about a range of animals, along with information about some of the ingenious methods scientists have devised to study them. Packed full of colourful, amusing illustrations, it is sure to appeal to budding scientists and anyone with an interest in animals.



#### Stitch Head: the graphic novel

**Author:** Guy Bass **Illustrator:** Pete Williamson

Stitch Head is surrounded by terrible creatures, both inside and outside Castle Grotteskew. And he must protect the monsters... A terrific graphic novel full of action and atmosphere.



# Astrid and the Space Cadets: Attack of the Snailiens!

Author: Alex T Smith

Every night, six-year-old Astrid transforms into a Space Cadet, an intergalactic helper who zooms across the universe to solve problems and assist those in need. This fast-paced, funny chapter book is accompanied by magnificent black-and-white illustrations.

## For ages 9-11 and up



## Pirates of Darksea

Author: Catherine Doyle

When Max answers the call to join Captain O'Malley's pirate ship instead of his brother, who's ill, it's the start of a rip-roaring fantastical adventure. A page-turner that will have children gripped and moved.

### The Whisperwicks

Author: Jordan Lees

In this haunting fantasy adventure, a parallel world is ruled by a terrible monster and citizens are controlled by fear and a legion of masked Hanged Men.



## A Drop of Golden Sun

Author: Kate Saunders

A classic-feeling storyset in the 1970s about filming a Hollywood movie.