



# New children's books we love

## June

Every month, BookTrust review dozens of new books for children and teenagers. Here are the ones they liked best in June 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



#### Rose Signs Good Morning!

by Rose Ayling-Ellis, illustrated by Margarida Sampaio  
2025 • 2 to 3 years

Board books Interactive

Join Rose and her cat in signing their morning routine!  
Fun and informative.



#### 100 Goats and Granny!

by Atinuke, illustrated by Lauren Hinds  
2025 • 3 to 4 years

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Can you try and count all 100 of Granny's mischievous goats before they all wander off?



#### Eli and the Uncles

by Jehan Madhani, illustrated by Rashin Kheiriyeh  
2025 • 2 to 3 years

Picture books

A bedtime countdown book which celebrates the power of the extended family.

### For ages 4-5 and up

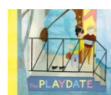


#### I'm Going to Make a Friend

by Darren Chetty, illustrated by Sandhya Prabhat  
2025 • 5 to 6 years

Picture books

A young child moves to a new area and decides to build their own friend. When another child lends a hand, the pair gradually realise that they have made a real friend after all.

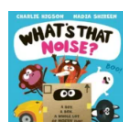


#### The Playdate

by Uje Brandelius, illustrated by Clara Dackenberg  
2025 • 4 to 5 years

Picture books

A gentle story about two children living different lives, but uniting in friendship and games.



#### What's That Noise?

by Charlie Higson, illustrated by Nadia Shireen  
2025 • 3 to 4 years

Funny Picture books

Bob is hiding in a box, and Bob is being very noisy. Every time Bob gets away with it, he finds more and more ridiculous things to add to his box. A great book to read aloud.

## For ages 6-8 and up

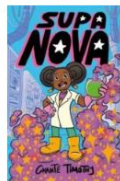


### Stemville: The Fast Lane

by Ben Newman  
2025 • 6 to 9 years

Picture books

It's time for the annual Big Race in Stemville, when the streets of this peaceful and calm town get transformed into a Formula One race track! Racers Frankie Thunderfoot and Wilbur Hardshell are primed to race in their team cars – but who will win?



### Supa Nova

by Chanté Timothy  
2025 • 6 to 9 years

Funny Graphic novels Science fiction

Young scientist Nova invents a plastic-eating organism named Chomp to solve the problem of plastic waste. However, Chomp causes havoc as it consumes all the plastic in its path. This lively, science-fiction graphic novel is full of humour and bursting with vibrant, glossy artwork.



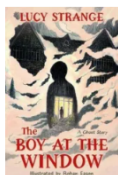
### Cat and Dumpling: Home Sweet Home

by Nicola Kent  
2025 • 6 to 9 years

Chapter books Funny

Cat and Dumpling have each outgrown their tiny homes, but when they set their sights on renting the same flat, can they find a compromise which works for them both? A charming early reader chapter book, full of colourful illustrations.

## For ages 9-11 and up



### The Boy at the Window

by Lucy Strange, illustrated by Rohan Eason  
2025 • 9 to 12 years

Ghost story Historical Horror Dyslexia

The tension and sense of dread build slowly in this creepy and unsettling ghost story. A compelling spine-chiller presented in an accessible format with larger print, short chapters and interspersed with black and white illustrations.



### The Blockbusters!

by Frank Cottrell-Boyce, illustrated by Steven Lenton  
2025 • 9 to 12 years

Adventure Around the world Chapter books Funny

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When Rafa swaps places with a film star, he embarks on an extraordinary adventure, which takes him all the way to Hollywood on a private jet. Bursting with humour, this larger-than-life tale is a compelling read.



### What's the Actually Factually Difference?

by Jane Wilsher, illustrated by Liz Kay  
2025 • 9 to 12 years

Non-fiction

What's the difference between an artery and a vein? Or a frog and a toad? This clever book has lots of bite-size information to delight any reader.