



# January 2023 Happy New Reading Year!

## Miss Teal's Book Review

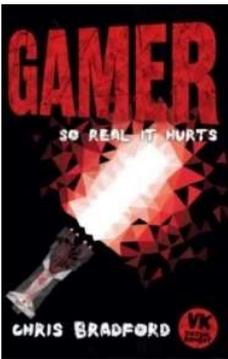
What an exciting book! It's set in a futuristic world where adults have been wiped out by a deadly virus and due to advances in technology, Scott is able to play virtual reality computer games inside his HEAD!

The virtual reality games include thrilling, fast paced fights that are great fun... until the line between virtual reality and real life becomes blurred. Scott starts to be able to feel real pain from the games he plays.

Scott's determination to become the battle champion is #nothingshortofremarkable... But will he make it out of the games alive? I would definitely recommend giving this book a read to find out for yourself!

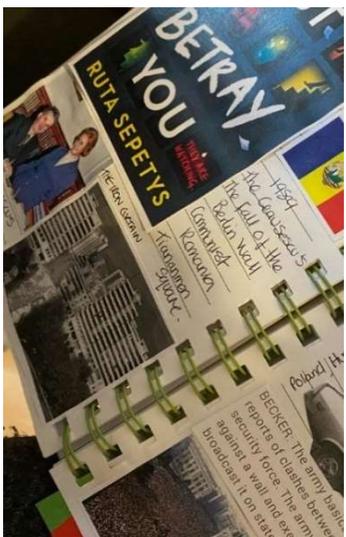


Congratulations to **7R**, winners of the 2022 *World Cup Reading Challenge*. What a fantastic party they had on the last day of term. Well done all!

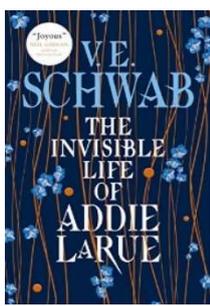


As promised, your school library is responding to requests for more diversity. We have brand new books as well as a number of up-to-date non-fiction books covering aspects of mental health. Why is all this important? Journalist, Caitlyn Cassidy, summarises it perfectly, "People have grown up and not seen themselves reflected in books and art. By producing books for everyone, you're creating a safe space." Our umbrella logo symbolises our promise to make sure we have something for *everyone*. **We've got you covered!**

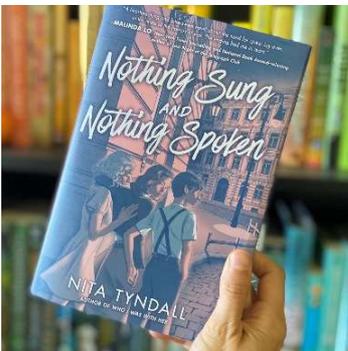
**Why not try...** Investing in your reading by researching a book's themes, storyline, locations, history, and background. It's remarkable what you can learn by being more involved and pro-active. Use a notebook to record your new knowledge with quotes, pictures, drawings etc. Get started by entering the competition below!



**Y10/11 and DofE Book Club**  
Our club meets most Thursday lunchtimes in the Library. We've just finished **Where the Crawdads Sing** and will soon be starting **The Invisible Life of Addie Larue**. We love a challenge!



Look for free book excerpts online!



## Competition!

Win a new copy of **Nothing Sung, Nothing Spoken**. Find out as much as you can about the setting, time period and themes (without reading it!) and present your findings in a **creative** way. Entries should reach the Library by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February and will be judged by our Learning Ambassadors. Don't forget your name and form!