



February 2023 It's all about the books!

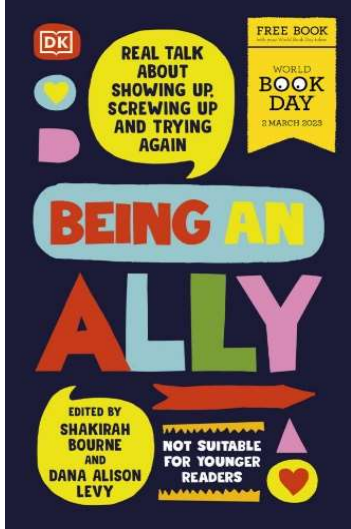
Carnegie Medal News!



Every year, groups of students in the UK are invited to follow the Carnegie Medal Awards. This means they will read at least eight of the books that have been nominated by hundreds of librarians across the UK, complete a range of activities and, finally, watch the winning book be announced live, on the library screen, in June.

The 2023 longlist of 16 books has been announced and our group will start their reading over the next few weeks. Keep an eye on the Carnegie display in the library and the Shadowers' newsletter once they are well on their way!

World Book Day is just a few weeks away (2nd March!) so start the celebrations early and throw yourself into some truly *brilliant* Young Adult Fiction. Or **look after your mind** with one of the three £1 WBD books, like this one! →
This year, the vouchers will be QR codes to make it even easier!




Visit the display in the library to see the shortlisted books.

Get involved with as many World Book Day activities and competitions as you can. Make this the day that you set some reading goals and start that reading scrapbook! See below...

Your school library continues to take requests for more diversity on the bookshelves. We have brand new fiction 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!*



So many of you have enjoyed reading *Between Shades of Gray* in your English lessons, that you have asked about more works by this author. I am pleased to say that Ruta Septys has written a number of historical fiction books which are every bit as good! *Salt to the Sea* and *The Fountains of Silence* are both available in the library and on AccessIT. Also on the way is her newest book called *I Must Betray You*. Enjoy!