

# A History of Britain

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## Summary

More than 2,000 years of times past are brought to life in this lively and interesting account of Britain's history. It reveals the main events, characters and movements that have made Britain the country it is today. Although a small country, Britain's history is important on the world stage, and this book places Britain within its world context. Beginning with the Romans' invasion of Britain in 55BC, the book follows Britain's history in a broadly chronological order, though the chapters are organised thematically. Feature boxes within the main body of the text also describe some of the most famous characters from British history in more depth. Some social history, as well as political history, is also covered.

**Chapter 1:** Chapter 1 is called *Invaders*, and it covers the period of British history from 55BC until the last successful invasion of Britain by a foreign army in 1066. After the Romans came the Angles and Saxons, the Vikings and then the Normans. Each of these different invaders during these early years had an important influence on Britain, its language, culture and its people. The chapter profiles one of Britain's most spirited heroines – Boudica. She fought fiercely against the Romans for the right to govern her own people and land.

**Chapter 2:** This chapter explains the complicated relationship between the four countries which comprise 'The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.' (These are England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.) The chapter pays particular attention to the long and difficult relationship between England and Ireland, and the causes of the religious and social tensions that still exist between the two countries today.

**Chapter 3:** This chapter covers the part of British history known as the Tudor period. It describes the reigns of Henry VIII and his children (most notably, Queen Elizabeth I). During this time, Britain changed from a Catholic country to a Protestant one. The chapter explains the reasons why – and the consequences.

**Chapter 4:** This chapter continues Britain's story from the death of Queen Elizabeth I in 1603. This period of British history is dominated by the battle of power between the monarchy and parliament, representing the people. The text reviews the growth of 'the power of the people' in Britain from the *Magna Carta* (an early British bill of rights – the only one in existence) to the present day. In particular, it covers the English Civil War, when supporters of Charles I and supporters of Parliament fought fiercely all over the country.

**Chapter 5:** Chapter 5 turns to social history, and tells the story of the Industrial Revolution and its impact on British society. It describes the dreadful condition of workers' lives in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries and the resulting growth of a revolutionary spirit amongst the people. But Britain was able to modernise and improve people's lives without violent revolution. This chapter explains how and why.

**Chapter 6:** Finally, the last chapter looks at the growth and decline of Britain's great empire. It explains how Britain's earlier history meant it was able to acquire new lands across the globe and highlights the importance of Britain's great hero, Admiral Nelson. Britain's roles in World War I and World War II are described too. The book ends with an evaluation of Britain's place in the world today.

## Background and themes

Although Britain is a small country, it still plays a relatively important role on the world stage. Much of its history, too, is important on a world scale; and the themes of its history are those of the history of mankind.

**Catholic vs. Protestant:** Religion – particularly the conflict between the Catholic and Protestant divisions of Christianity – has played a vital part in making Britain the country it is today. Henry VIII began the process of changing Britain from a Catholic nation to a Protestant one, mainly because the Protestant Church allows divorce and since his wife didn't give him a son to rule after him, he wanted to marry another woman. Despite attempts by

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Mary I and Mary Queen of Scots to make Britain Catholic again, Britain remained Protestant. Religion continues to shape history today both in Britain and around the world.

**Monarch vs. Parliament:** The balance of power between the monarch, government and the people of Britain is a theme that appears again and again in its history. When Oliver Cromwell's army defeated the King's Men in the English Civil War it looked as though Britain would never have a monarch again. In fact, it was only eleven years before Parliament invited Charles II to rule in the place of Cromwell's son. But from this point onwards, Parliament was more important to Britain's government than ever before. Throughout the nineteenth and twentieth centuries more and more men and women were given the power to vote for politicians to represent them.

**Wars:** War has shaped Britain into the country it is today. After suffering several successful invasions from outside until 1066, Britain became involved in many different wars at home and abroad. In 1588, Britain was lucky to defeat the Spanish navy off its own coast. Nelson's great battles against Napoleon and the Spanish are still remembered with pride by British people. And the World Wars of the twentieth century, as well as the struggle of Britain's colonies for independence, have helped to shape modern world politics.

**Great people in Britain:** Great history depends upon great people making brave decisions and taking positive actions. This book profiles some of the most colourful and important men and women in Britain's history. By stressing the importance of these people, we realise that individuals really do have the power to change history.

## Discussion activities

### Chapter 1

#### Before reading

- 1 **Discuss:** Talk about pictures on the cover. Have students look at the front cover of the book. Ask them to say what/who they see in the pictures. *Which picture comes first in the history of Britain? Which one comes last?* It doesn't matter if students don't know the answers – they will find out by reading the book. If you have time to prepare in advance, cut out historical images from magazines, newspapers or the Internet and stick them on cards. Then divide the class into groups and ask them to place the cards in chronological order. This exercise helps students to think about history in broad terms – a useful preparation for reading the book.

#### After reading

- 2 **Role play:** Students work in pairs. Ask them to prepare and then act out the following conversation. *Student A:* You are Boudica. Your husband has just died and the Romans tried to take his money. You want to build an army and fight the Romans. Talk to Student B about your army. Tell him/her why you want to fight. How can you help him/her if you win? Can you make him/her join your army? *Student B:* You are a British farmer in the east of England. Your local queen, Boudica, wants you to fight in her army. Do you want to join her? How do you feel about the Romans? Will it be dangerous? What will you get for fighting? Will you join her army?

### Chapter 2

#### Before reading

- 3 **Discuss:** Talk about the United Kingdom. Ask students if they know the official name of the UK – the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Ask them the following questions: *How many countries are there in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland? Can you name those countries?* Students could look at the map on page 5 if they need some help.

#### After reading

- 4 **Pair work:** Have students work in pairs and look at the photograph on page 9. Have them describe the scene in their own words.
- 5 **Group work:** Students work in small groups. Ask them to think about the history of Ireland. *Why are there still problems between Catholics and Protestants today?* Next, the students should work in their groups to make a list of other places in the world where religious groups have a long history of disagreement. After about five minutes, ask the groups to read out their lists.

### Chapter 3

#### Before reading

- 6 **Discuss:** Talk about the picture of Henry VIII. Have students look at the picture of Henry VIII on page 13. Ask them the following questions:
  - a *He is a famous king. Why do you think he is famous?*
  - b *He married more than once. How many wives do you think he had?*
  - c *Do you know the names of his children?*

#### After reading

- 7 **Pair work:** Students work in pairs. Ask them to discuss the following questions about Elizabeth I:
  - a *Elizabeth learns that her cousin, Mary, is working against her. What does she decide to do – and why?*
  - b *Elizabeth watches a play by William Shakespeare. How does it make her feel? What does she like about it?*

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- c Elizabeth learns that King Phillip's Spanish ships are coming to England to fight. What does she decide to do? How does she feel about it?

### Chapter 4

#### Before reading

- 8 **Discuss:** Talk about monarchy.

Ask students if they've got a king or queen in their countries. Ask them to explain the relationship between the monarch and the government, and who has the real power.

#### After reading

- 9 **Group work:** Students work in small groups to write their own *Magna Carta* for an imaginary state. Ask them to think of ten rules for good government. Walk around the class and help students with vocabulary. Then ask the groups to read out their rules and explain why they chose them. Have each group choose two of the best rules, and get some students to write them on the board. Have the rest of the students judge if they are good rules or not.

### Chapter 5

#### Before reading

- 10 **Describe:** Have students work in small groups to talk about the picture on page 27. *What can you see? What do you think it is like to live in a house like these?*

#### After reading

- 11 **Role play:** Prepare enough role play cards for the whole class. On each card, write one of the following characters from late eighteenth/early nineteenth century Britain: wealthy landowner, poor farmer, factory owner, adult factory worker, child factory worker, and a politician. Give each student a card (some students may have the same cards). Students with the 'politician' cards should come to the front of the class. The other students should work individually for a few minutes to think of some questions that their character may want to ask. Meanwhile, show the 'politicians' the above list so that they can think about the types of questions they may have to answer. Finally, invite questions from the class to the 'politicians' and encourage students to discuss and debate the issues in character.

### Chapter 6

#### Before reading

- 12 **Discuss:** Talk about the British Empire. Bring in a world map to the class. Ask students if they know which countries were ruled by the British in the past. If they are not sure, they can guess and choose the countries on the map.

#### After reading

- 13 **Group work:** Students work in small groups. Ask them to choose an event from Chapter 6 and re-write it as a newspaper article from the same time. Encourage them to make their articles as imaginative as they can. They should include imaginary interviews with the people, and direct quotes from them. Students may want to research their chosen event from other books or the Internet. Ask them to include pictures or photographs. Then you can publish the finished articles in a newspaper format for the whole class to enjoy.

#### Extra activities

- 14 **Retell:** Ask students to look at the map on page 5. What can they remember about each of the places on the map? Have students work in pairs to talk about each place. Then ask each pair to report to the rest of the class.
- 15 **Describe:** Ask students to make a historical map of their own country. *What place names will you include, and why?* Students could show their maps to the rest of the class whilst they describe the map and explain the significance of each place marked on the map.
- 16 **Guess:** Prepare some cards before class – choose some important people from British history and write their names on some pieces of card. If you want to broaden the game, think of some other famous people who the students will know about and write their names on some pieces of card, too. In class, divide the students into two teams. Choose someone from each team in turn to come to the front of the class. Show them one of the cards. Then students from both teams ask the student questions about the person on the card. The student can only answer 'yes' or 'no'. Have the other students guess the identity of the person on the card. Give one point to the team that guesses correctly.
- 17 **Pair work:** Ask students to read the Introduction on page v. It highlights some of the most important people and developments in Britain's history. Then ask students to prepare a similar introduction to a history of their own country. Encourage students to ask questions about their partner's country. Then have them prepare for a presentation in writing. If both students in a pair are from the same country, they could make one presentation together. Give students sufficient time to do some research and prepare for the presentation. When students are ready, hold a presentation day.
- 18 **Group work:** Put students into small groups. Have them choose one of the following years from British history: 55BC, 1066, 1215, 1649, 1776, 1914 or 1945. *You are a poor person at that time. What is your life like? What do you eat? Where do you live? What is your job?* Have each group discuss and prepare the written answers to these questions. When they are ready, ask them to read out their answers.

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## While reading

### Chapter 1

1 Write the names from the box in the right places.

Alfred the Great Julius Caesar King Cnut  
King Edward Harold Hardrada  
William the Conqueror

- a He had no children. He died in 1066.  
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- b He was King of Norway. In 1066 his army invaded England.  
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- c He was a Norman. He became King of England.  
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- d He was a great Roman leader.  
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- e He defeated the Vikings and sent them away from Britain.  
.....
- f He was a Viking king of England.  
.....

### Chapter 2

2 Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

Catholic conquered destroyed  
independence parliament  
Protestant terrible trouble

- a There were a few years of ..... for Wales – in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries.
- b Scotland was ..... by Edward I at the end of the thirteenth century.
- c In 1707, the Scottish ..... voted to join England.
- d In 1745, the English ..... complete Scottish villages.
- e British rule brought Ireland very little money and a lot of .....
- f In the sixteenth century, most people in England became .....
- g Most ..... people in Ireland ate little except potatoes before 1840.
- h When potatoes failed to grow in Ireland, the result was .....

### Chapter 3

3 Put these sentences in order, 1–10.

- a Henry ended his marriage with Anne of Cleves, an ugly German princess.
- b Henry closed the Catholic church and started a new church in England.
- c Anne Boleyn gave Henry a daughter, Elizabeth.
- d Edward started to make England more protestant.
- e Henry married his brother's wife.
- f Elizabeth I ruled England for forty-five years and made the country strong.
- g Henry's son with Jane Seymour, Edward, was born.
- h Thomas Wolsey went to Rome to talk to the Pope about Henry's marriage.
- i England got a Catholic queen – Henry's daughter, Mary.
- j Henry's third wife, Jane Seymour, died.

4 Choose the right answer.

- a Elizabeth I wanted to find a middle way for .....  
1) religion.  
2) Catholics.  
3) monasteries.
- b For Catholics, the true ruler of England was .....  
1) Henry VIII.  
2) Elizabeth I.  
3) Mary Queen of Scots.
- c For nineteen years, Mary lived in England as a .....  
1) queen.  
2) prisoner.  
3) Protestant.
- d The Spanish ships hit a terrible storm and were .....  
1) defeated.  
2) decided.  
3) destroyed.

### Chapter 4

5 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Both King John and James I had problems with Parliament.
- b King John wanted strong government, so he wrote the *Magna Carta*.

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- c In 1264, Parliament had more power in England than the King.
- d Charles I ruled without Parliament for eleven years.
- e The King's men and Parliament's men fought for four years.
- f Charles I was killed in a battle against Parliament.
- g After Charles I, Oliver Cromwell ruled England for eight years.
- h Charles II was England's last Catholic king.

**6 These people all helped to shape British government. What did they do? Why were they important?**

- a King John  
.....
- b Oliver Cromwell  
.....
- c George I  
.....

**Chapter 5**

**7 There are ten wrong words. Circle them and write the correct words.**

The world's first factories were built in Britain  
.....  
in the 17th century. Inside the factories, big  
.....  
machines made cloth much faster than before.  
.....  
They used local wool and cloth from America  
.....  
too. But these machines did not help the poor  
.....  
workers – only the factory builders got richer.  
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Factory-class families often lived in big, cheap  
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houses in new towns, close to the factories.  
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There was no clean water and illness travelled  
.....  
quietly. Workers did not win a lot of money, so  
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the children had to work too. Some children  
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worked for eight hours a day. The ordinary  
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workers became very happy, but it was difficult  
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to change anything. If workers started a travel  
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union, they lost their jobs. If they refused to  
.....  
work, they were not paid.  
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**Chapter 6**

**8 Answer these questions.**

- a Who travelled from England to America to practise their religion?  
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- b Who attacked British soldiers in Calcutta?  
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- c Who were sent in large numbers to Australia?  
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- d Who invaded Egypt in 1798?  
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- e Who was killed in the Battle of Trafalgar?  
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- f Who was pleased with her title – 'Empress of India'?  
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- g Who killed the future emperor of Austria?  
.....
- h Who invaded Poland in 1939?  
.....

**After reading**

**9 Answer these questions.**

- a How many countries are there in the United Kingdom? What are they?  
.....
- b Was Britain ever part of the Roman Empire?  
.....
- c Whose love life brought a new religion to Britain?  
.....
- d Who was Boudica?  
.....
- e Why was Elizabeth I important for England?  
.....
- f When did Britain lose its empire?  
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1 Are these sentences about Boudica right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Boudica was in the Roman army.
- b Boudica was married to a local English king.
- c Boudica invaded Wales and Scotland.
- d Roman soldiers attacked her and her daughters.

2 What happened to Henry VIII's six wives? Choose the right answer. You can use the same answer more than once.

- a Katharine of Aragon .....
  - b Anne Boleyn .....
  - c Jane Seymour .....
  - d Anne of Cleves .....
  - e Catherine Howard .....
  - f Catherine Parr .....
- 1) divorced
  - 2) died
  - 3) survived
  - 4) beheaded\*
- \*Her head was cut off.

3 Choose one or more of the words in the box for each character.

queen childless unhealthy intelligent  
handsome Catholic Protestant popular  
French powerful killed

- a Boudica  
.....
- b William the Conqueror  
.....
- c Henry VIII  
.....
- d Mary I  
.....
- e Elizabeth I  
.....
- f Charles I  
.....
- g Queen Victoria  
.....

4 Match the two parts of the sentences.

- a Soon after the Roman army left Britain, .....
- b The Saxon's language grew into modern English, but as a result of the Norman invasion, .....
- c Henry VIII closed the Catholic Church .....
- d The Protestants in the north of Ireland refused to be part of a Catholic Irish state, .....
- e When the countries of the Empire became independent, .....

- 1) so Ireland was cut in two.
- 2) most of them joined the Commonwealth.
- 3) invaders from present-day Germany and Denmark, the Angles and Saxons, came to Britain.
- 4) and started a new one, the Church of England.
- 5) half the words in today's English language come from French.

5 Put these names in the right order.

Write 1–5.

- a Alfred the Great .....
- b Edward .....
- c Harold .....
- d King Cnut .....
- e William the Conqueror .....

Write 6–9.

- f Edward I .....
- g Henry II .....
- h Henry III .....
- i King John .....

Write 10–13.

- j Edward VI .....
- k Elizabeth I .....
- l Henry VIII .....
- m Mary I .....

Write 14–22.

- n Charles I .....
- o Charles II .....
- p Elizabeth II .....
- q George I .....
- r James I .....
- s James II .....
- t Oliver Cromwell .....
- u Queen Anne .....
- v William and Mary .....

6 Were these countries ruled by Britain? Circle YES or NO.

- |   |              |     |    |
|---|--------------|-----|----|
| a | America      | YES | NO |
| b | Canada       | YES | NO |
| c | Japan        | YES | NO |
| d | India        | YES | NO |
| e | Egypt        | YES | NO |
| f | Spain        | YES | NO |
| g | Prussia      | YES | NO |
| h | Poland       | YES | NO |
| i | Australia    | YES | NO |
| j | South Africa | YES | NO |
| k | China        | YES | NO |
| l | Pakistan     | YES | NO |

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### Book key

1–3 Open answers

4 a 6 b 3 c 1 d 4 e 2 f 5

5 King Harold lost control of England to William the Conqueror. This made a big difference to British history. Boudica fought the Romans. She didn't make a big difference. England continued to be part of the Roman Empire when she was defeated. Alfred the Great defeated the Vikings. He didn't make a big difference because they came back after Alfred's death. William the Conqueror defeated Harold and took control of England. He made a big difference. Even the English language changed a lot after the Norman conquest.

6 Open answers

7 a England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland  
b London, Edinburgh, Cardiff and Belfast

8 a X b ✓ c ✓ d X e ✓ f X

9–11 Open answers

12 a P b P c C d P e C f C

13 a Henry VIII wanted to end his marriage to her. He made England Protestant because the Pope didn't agree to this.  
b Henry VIII was in love with her. He wanted an end to his marriage with Katharine of Aragon so he could marry her. He also wanted a son.  
c He asked the Pope to end Henry's marriage to Katharine.  
d He sent ships and soldiers to England because he wanted to make it a Catholic country.

14 Open answers

15 a Yes  
b Parliament

16 a John agreed to a list of rules for good government.  
b Ordinary businessmen were in the first parliament.  
c Charles I was killed because of his disagreements with Parliament.  
d Oliver Cromwell ruled Britain as Lord Protector.  
e William and Mary were asked by Parliament to rule Britain.  
f George I gave the control of Britain to Parliament.

17–18 Open answers

19 a X b X c ✓ d ✓

20 a 1 b 5 c 6 d 4 e 2 f 3

21–22 Open answers

23 a US  
b Australia  
c Trafalgar  
d Napoleon

e Churchill  
f Hong Kong

24 a enemies  
b enemies  
c friends  
d enemy  
e friend  
f enemies  
g friends  
h friends

25–32 Open answers

### Discussion activities key

- 1 The order of the pictures:  
Henry VIII, Oliver Cromwell, Queen Victoria, and the violence in Northern Ireland.
- 2 Open answers
- 3 There are four countries: England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- 4 Possible answers:
- There are lots of people protesting.
  - There are some police officers.
  - People are throwing something.
  - They might get arrested.
- 5 Open answers
- 6 Possible answers:
- a I think he is famous because he is very big (fat).  
b He had six wives!  
c Mary, Elizabeth and Edward.
- 7 Possible answers:
- a Elizabeth had to order Mary's death, otherwise Mary was going to try to become the queen of England. Elizabeth was very sad because Mary was her cousin after all.  
b Elizabeth loved plays. William Shakespeare wrote some plays for her. She could enjoy them in her palace or the theatre.  
c Perhaps Elizabeth thought that Phillip was sending his ships because she killed Mary Queen of Scots. Perhaps Phillip wanted to make England Catholic again, but Elizabeth wanted to keep England as a very strong Protestant country.
- 8 Possible answers:
- We haven't got a king or a queen in our country.
  - We haven't got a king, but we've got an emperor.
  - The government has the real power.
- 9 Some examples of rules:
- The state can't make people believe in one particular religion.

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- The state should give people free education and medical service.

10 Possible answers:

- I can see a row of small houses.
- I can see many people in the garden.
- I can see some washing, hung on the washing line.
- I can see a steam engine at the back.
- I think living in a house like these would be very stressful because it's noisy and smelly.
- I don't think the washing gets clean because of the dirty air.

11 Open answers

12 Some of the countries are:

Australia, Botswana, Canada, Fiji, India, Kenya, New Zealand, Pakistan, Singapore, South Africa, etc. For more information, you can look at [www.britishempire.co.uk](http://www.britishempire.co.uk)

13–15 Open answers

16 Possible questions:

- Are you a man/woman?
- Are you a king/queen/politician?
- Are you Catholic/Protestant?
- Are you French?
- Did you sign the *Magna Carta*?
- Were you killed?

17–18 Open answers

### Activity worksheets key

1 a King Edward

b Harold Hardrada

c William the Conqueror

d Julius Caesar

e Alfred the Great

f King Cnut

2 a independence

b conquered

c parliament

d destroyed

e trouble

f Protestant

g Catholic

h terrible

3 a 7 b 3 c 4 d 8 e 1 f 10 g 5 h 2

i 9 j 6

4 a 1 b 3 c 2 d 3

5 a ✓ b ✗ c ✓ d ✓ e ✓ f ✗ g ✓ h ✗

6 a He signed the *Magna Carta* – a list of rules for good government.

b He fought against Charles I's army. When his army won, he ruled Britain without a king or queen.

c He was not interested in Britain, so Parliament was left in charge of the country.

7 ~~17th~~ > 18th

~~cloth~~ > cotton

~~builders~~ > owners

~~Factory~~ > Working

~~big~~ > small

~~quietly~~ > quickly

~~win~~ > earn

~~eight~~ > eighteen

~~happy~~ > angry

~~travel~~ > trade

8 a Puritans

b The Indian ruler of Bengal

c Criminals

d Napoleon and his French army

e Horatio Nelson

f Queen Victoria

g The Serbs

h Adolf Hitler

9 a Four. England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

b Yes, it was.

c King Henry VIII's.

d A British queen – and a dangerous enemy to the Romans.

e Because she made England one of the most powerful countries in Europe.

f After the Second World War.

### Progress test key

1 a ✗ b ✓ c ✗ d ✓

2 a 1 b 4 c 2 d 1 e 4 f 3

3 Suggested answers:

a queen, popular

b French, powerful

c intelligent, handsome, Protestant, popular, powerful

d queen, childless, unhealthy, Catholic

e queen, childless, intelligent, Protestant, popular, powerful

f powerful, killed

g queen, intelligent, popular, powerful

4 a 3 b 5 c 4 d 1 e 2

5 a 1 b 3 c 4 d 2 e 5 f 9 g 6 h 8

i 7 j 11 k 13 l 10 m 12 n 15 o 17

p 22 q 21 r 14 s 18 t 16 u 20 v 19

6 a YES b YES c NO d YES e YES f NO

g NO h NO i YES j YES k NO l YES



ISBN	Reader Title	Author	Language	Word Count	Headwords	Pages	Blurbs
<b>Pearson English Readers Level 3</b>							
9781405881876	A History of Britain (Book)	Fiona Beddall	British English	8500	1,200	48	Britain is a small country, but it has a long history. Two thousand years ago, it was part of the Roman Empire. In the 1930's the British Empire was the biggest empire in world history. Read about the different countries of the United Kingdom - and the great men and women who have shaped the British nation.
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9781405881760	Billy Elliot (Book)	Melvin Burgess	British English	12931	1200	64	Billy Elliot is not very clever or good at sports. One day he discovers ballet dancing, and it's something he can do well. His father and brother don't approve. Will Billy continue to dance?
9781447925378	Billy Elliot (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Melvin Burgess	British English	12931	1200	64	Billy Elliot is not very clever or good at sports. One day he discovers ballet dancing, and it's something he can do well. His father and brother don't approve. Will Billy continue to dance?
9781405881777	Braveheart (Book)	Randall Wallace	British English	7523	1,200	56	Braveheart is based on the true story William Wallace and his fight for Scotland's freedom from English rule. This epic story was made into an award-winning film in 1995 and starred Mel Gibson.
9781292099347	Braveheart (with MP3)	Randall Wallace	British English	7523	1,200	56	Braveheart is based on the true story William Wallace and his fight for Scotland's freedom from English rule. This epic story was made into an award-winning film in 1995 and starred Mel Gibson.
9781405881814	Dangerous Game (Book)	William Harris	British English	17761	1,200	80	William Harris enjoys the company of a friendly poltergeist he names 'Poldy'. At the beginning, William and Poldy play a friendly game every night, but then the game begins to change. It becomes a dangerous game. Who will win?
9781447925439	Dangerous Game (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	William Harris	British English	17761	1,200	80	William Harris enjoys the company of a friendly poltergeist he names 'Poldy'. At the beginning, William and Poldy play a friendly game every night, but then the game begins to change. It becomes a dangerous game. Who will win?
9781405862400	David Copperfield (Book)	Charles Dickens	British English	23699	1200	112	David Copperfield's happy life suddenly changes when his mother marries again. Her new husband is cruel to him and sends him away to school. When David's mother dies, he is sent to work in London. He hates his job so he runs away. He has no money for food or for travelling. But it is the beginning of his life of adventure.
9781447925453	David Copperfield (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Charles Dickens	British English	23699	1200	112	David Copperfield's happy life suddenly changes when his mother marries again. Her new husband is cruel to him and sends him away to school. When David's mother dies, he is sent to work in London. He hates his job so he runs away. He has no money for food or for travelling. But it is the beginning of his life of adventure.
9781405855457	Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde	Robert Louis Stevenson	British English	13232	1200	64	Dr Jekyll is a respected doctor and Mr Hyde is a small, sinister man. Why are they friends? After a terrible murder, everyone searches for Mr Hyde, but he has disappeared. Or has he?
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9781405855440	Dracula (Book)	Bram Stoker	British English	12755	1,200	72	Count Dracula lives in a castle in Transylvania and is a strange and evil man. Professor Van Helsing knows Dracula is a vampire, but can the professor stop Dracula?

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9781405881821	Five One-Act Plays (Book)	Donn Byrne	British English	7598	1,200	56	Has Mrs Brown killed Granny on the beach? Why does Mrs Hill want to leave her husband? Who wants to steal the Professor's invention? And what is little Johnny trying to say? Discover the answers when you read the plays in this book. They are plays about ordinary people and the unusual, often funny, things that happen to them.
9781447925507	Five One-Act Plays (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Donn Byrne	British English	7598	1,200	56	Has Mrs Brown killed Granny on the beach? Why does Mrs Hill want to leave her husband? Who wants to steal the Professor's invention? And what is little Johnny trying to say? Discover the answers when you read the plays in this book. They are plays about ordinary people and the unusual, often funny, things that happen to them.
9781405881838	Food for Thought (Book)	Pauline Francis	British English	8795	1,200	48	Joe is working on his uncle's organic farm. Soon he finds himself in the middle of a debate about GM (genetically modified) crops. Joe also meets Kate and Anna, but who can he trust?
9781447925514	Food for Thought (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Pauline Francis	British English	8795	1,200	48	Joe is working on his uncle's organic farm. Soon he finds himself in the middle of a debate about GM (genetically modified) crops. Joe also meets Kate and Anna, but who can he trust?
9781405876759	Forrest Gump (Book)	Winston Groom	British English	9119	1200	56	This is a warm and funny story about a good-hearted young man from Alabama - Forrest Gump. Read the story that inspired the award-winning movie starring Tom Hanks.
9781405881845	Ghost in the Guitar (Book)	Paul Shipton	British English	9935	1200	48	Katy and her boyfriend Tom are happy in their band, Steel City. But then Tom gets a new guitar and the trouble begins. Suddenly he can play very well, but he seems to be a different person. Why is he always so angry? When Katy discovers the secret of the guitar she is very afraid. Can she save her boyfriend's life?
9781447925521	Ghost in the Guitar (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Paul Shipton	British English	9935	1,200	48	Katy and her boyfriend Tom are happy in their band, Steel City. But then Tom gets a new guitar and the trouble begins. Suddenly he can play very well, but he seems to be a different person. Why is he always so angry? When Katy discovers the secret of the guitar she is very afraid. Can she save her boyfriend's life?
9781405881852	Grey Owl (Book)	Vicky Shipton	American English	6909	1,200	56	In the 1930s, Grey Owl was the most famous North American Indian in the world. He wanted to save his land, its forests and animals. He wanted to change the world. He also had a very strange secret. This book tells his true story.
9781405881869	Hamlet (Book)	William Shakespeare	British English	11552	1,200	64	Hamlet is the Prince of Denmark. His heart is filled with sadness and pain. Why? Only his two best friends, Horatio and Marcellus, know the true reason. The new king, Claudius, murdered Hamlet's father and married the young prince's mother. Will Hamlet be strong and brave enough to take revenge? Is he mad? Or does he have a secret plan?
9781405881883	How to be an Alien (Book)	George Mikes	British English	7845	1,200	56	This is the funniest book that you will read about English people! Why are the English different from Europeans? George Mikes' book describes the strange things the English do and say. And the English don't get angry when they read the book. They love it! You will too!
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9781405876636	Jane Eyre (Book)	Charlotte Bronte	British English	8327	1,200	56	Jane Eyre is a poor girl and has no mother or father. She's living with her uncaring aunt and bullying cousins, but her life changes when her aunt sends her away to Lowood School. Later, she becomes a teacher and works for the rich Mr. Rochester. She loves him and wants to marry him. He also loves her, but he has a dark secret...
9781447925606	Jane Eyre (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Charlotte Bronte	British English	8327	1,200	56	Jane Eyre is a poor girl and has no mother or father. She's living with her uncaring aunt and bullying cousins, but her life changes when her aunt sends her away to Lowood School. Later, she becomes a teacher and works for the rich Mr. Rochester. She loves him and wants to marry him. He also loves her, but he has a dark secret...
9781405862394	Jim Smiley and His Jumping Frog and Other Stories	Mark Twain	American English	11365	1200	72	Mark Twain is one of America's most famous and best-loved writers. He wrote about every important subject of his time. Twain's stories are usually amusing but with a serious message too. You will read about people's hopes and fears, happiness and terrible sadness-and wonderful practical jokes!
9781447925613	Jim Smiley and his Jumping Frog and Other Stories (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Mark Twain	American English	11365	1200	72	Mark Twain is one of America's most famous and best-loved writers. He wrote about every important subject of his time. Twain's stories are usually amusing but with a serious message too. You will read about people's hopes and fears, happiness and terrible sadness-and wonderful practical jokes!
9781405881913	K's First Case (Book)	L.G. Alexander	British English	7824	1,200	72	Katrina Kirby is a detective, but people call her 'K'. There has been a murder, and there are five suspects who were in the house at the time of the murder. This is her first case, so she needs your help to solve the crime.
9781405892087	King Lear (Book)	William Shakespeare	British English	14605	1,200	64	King Lear is old but not wise. He loves the two daughters who secretly hate him. He hates the only daughter who really loves him. In time, he discovers his mistake. Has he learnt his lesson? Or will his proud and angry nature bring him even more sadness and pain?
9781447925620	King Lear (with MP3)	William Shakespeare	British English	14605	1,200	64	King Lear is old but not wise. He loves the two daughters who secretly hate him. He hates the only daughter who really loves him. In time, he discovers his mistake. Has he learnt his lesson? Or will his proud and angry nature bring him even more sadness and pain?

9781408263792	Last King of Scotland (Book)	Giles Foden	British English	13663	1,200	64	In the early 1970s, a young Scottish doctor goes to work in Uganda. Then he meets President Idi Amin, a dangerous, crazy man. His new boss is a killer - frightening but, to the young doctor, also in a strange way wonderful. Nicholas should leave, but he can't. So how will his story end?
9781408263921	Last King of Scotland (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Giles Foden	British English	13663	1,200	64	In the early 1970s, a young Scottish doctor goes to work in Uganda. Then he meets President Idi Amin, a dangerous, crazy man. His new boss is a killer - frightening but, to the young doctor, also in a strange way wonderful. Nicholas should leave, but he can't. So how will his story end?
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9781405881920	Madame Doubtfire (Book)	Anne Fine	British English	6917	1,200	56	Daniel and Miranda Hilliard are divorced and have three children, but Daniel has a plan to be with his children. A modern story about a broken home that inspired the award-winning movie starring Robin Williams.
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9781405881999	Notting Hill	Richard Curtis	British English	13451	1200	64	Can the most famous film star in the world fall for the man in the street? Notting Hill is a wonderful and very funny love story. The award-winning movie starred Julia Roberts and Hugh Grant.
9781447925712	Notting Hill (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Richard Curtis	British English	13451	1200	64	Can the most famous film star in the world fall for the man in the street? Notting Hill is a wonderful and very funny love story. The award-winning movie starred Julia Roberts and Hugh Grant.
9781408231623	Noughts and Crosses (Book)	Malorie Blackman	British English	14101	1,200	64	Sephy Hadley and Callun McGregor are two young people in love. But Sephy is a Cross, daughter of a government minister, and Callun is a nought. In their world, Crosses and noughts cannot be friends. Must they become enemies? Or is there hope for them - and for their unhappy country?
9781408261293	Noughts and Crosses (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Malorie Blackman	British English	14101	1,200	64	Sephy Hadley and Callun McGregor are two young people in love. But Sephy is a Cross, daughter of a government minister, and Callun is a nought. In their world, Crosses and noughts cannot be friends. Must they become enemies? Or is there hope for them - and for their unhappy country?
9781405867719	Othello (Book)	William Shakespeare	British English	11678	1200	64	Othello is a popular soldier who is in love with his beautiful new wife. His trusted friend, Iago, tells him terrible stories about his wife, Desdemona. Who should he believe?
9781405882019	Princess Diana (Book)	Cherry Gilchrist	British English	8961	1,200	56	Read about Princess Diana's short life, her marriage to Prince Charles, her 'war' with the Royal Family and her love and hard work for sick and poor people around the world.
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9781405876896	Psycho (Book)	Robert Bloch	American English	9718	1,200	56	Marion's dream is coming true. She only needs a room for one more night before she can marry Sam. Driving through the night, she's lost and tired. Then she sees the Bates Motel. She thinks she is lucky. But there, something terrible is waiting for her.
9781405855464	Romeo And Juliet (Book)	William Shakespeare	British English	13684	1200	72	Romeo and Juliet is one of the most famous love stories in the world. But Shakespeare's beautiful tale is also about life and death; happiness and sadness; and two families.
9781447925798	Romeo and Juliet (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	William Shakespeare	British English	13684	1200	72	Romeo and Juliet is one of the most famous love stories in the world. But Shakespeare's beautiful tale is also about life and death; happiness and sadness; and two families.
9781405882033	Sense and Sensibility (Book)	Jane Austen	British English	7924	1200	56	Sense and Sensibility tells the story of two sisters, Elinor and Marianne Dashwood. Elinor is sensible and self-controlled; Marianne is emotional and loves excitement. Both fall in love and experience heartbreak. Will they ever find the right man to love and marry?
9781447925811	Sense and Sensibility (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Jane Austen	British English	7924	1200	56	Sense and Sensibility tells the story of two sisters, Elinor and Marianne Dashwood. Elinor is sensible and self-controlled; Marianne is emotional and loves excitement. Both fall in love and experience heartbreak. Will they ever find the right man to love and marry?
9781405876889	Sherlock Holmes and the Mystery of Boscombe Pool (Book)	Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	British English	8714	1200	56	Who killed Charles McCarthy at Boscombe Pool? And why? Detective Lestrade from Scotland Yard thinks it was McCarthy's son, James. Things do not look good for James. But the famous English detective, Sherlock Holmes, sees things differently. His friend, Dr Watson, joins him and tells the story.

9781447925828	Sherlock Holmes and the Mystery of Boscombe Pool (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	British English	8714	1200	56	Who killed Charles McCarthy at Boscombe Pool? And why? Detective Lestrade from Scotland Yard thinks it was McCarthy's son, James. Things do not look good for James. But the famous English detective, Sherlock Holmes, sees things differently. His friend, Dr Watson, joins him and tells the story.
9781405855495	Stories from Shakespeare (Book)	William Shakespeare	British English	13148	1200	72	This book contains four of Shakespeare's most famous plays retold in a story format for easy reading. The stories in this collection are The Merchant of Venice, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Hamlet, and Julius Caesar.
9781447925835	Stories from Shakespeare (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	William Shakespeare	British English	13148	1,200	72	This book contains four of Shakespeare's most famous plays retold in a story format for easy reading. The stories in this collection are The Merchant of Venice, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Hamlet, and Julius Caesar.
9781408221068	Stories of Survival (Book)	Fiona Beddall	American English	9778	1,200	48	Some people choose adventure. Others suddenly find themselves in danger in their ordinary lives. This book tells the true stories of survivors. In the cold of Antarctica or the heat of the Sahara Desert, in the wide Atlantic Ocean or a small Rwandan bathroom, these people have known terrible suffering - but have lived.
9781408232101	Stories of Survival (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Fiona Beddall	American English	9778	1,200	48	Some people choose adventure. Others suddenly find themselves in danger in their ordinary lives. This book tells the true stories of survivors. In the cold of Antarctica or the heat of the Sahara Desert, in the wide Atlantic Ocean or a small Rwandan bathroom, these people have known terrible suffering - but have lived.
9781405881753	The Beatles (Book)	Paul Shipton	British English	8721	1,200	56	This book tells the story of the greatest band in the world from the early days in Liverpool to the Beatles' music in the world today.
9781447925354	The Beatles (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Paul Shipton	British English	8721	1,200	56	This book tells the story of the greatest band in the world from the early days in Liverpool to the Beatles' music in the world today.
9781405876629	Black Cat and Other Stories (Book)	Edgar Allan Poe	British English	7423	1200	56	Are you brave enough to read four of Poe's famous horror stories? Edgar Allan Poe wrote strange stories about terrible people and evil crimes. Don't read this book late at night!
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9781405862325	The Canterbury Tales (Book)	Geoffrey Chaucer	British English	15973	1,200	72	The Canterbury Tales by Geoffrey Chaucer is considered one of the greatest works in English literature. The tales are told by a group of pilgrims going to Canterbury who meet at an inn in London and decide to take part in a game. The one who tells the best story will be given a free meal at the inn.
9781447925408	The Canterbury Tales (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Geoffrey Chaucer	British English	15973	1,200	72	The Canterbury Tales by Geoffrey Chaucer is considered one of the greatest works in English literature. The tales are told by a group of pilgrims going to Canterbury who meet at an inn in London and decide to take part in a game. The one who tells the best story will be given a free meal at the inn.
9781408291375	The Cellist of Sarajevo (Book)	Steven Galloway	British English	14017	1200	64	Sarajevo is under siege. There is little food or water and the city is attacked, every day, from the hills. Ordinary people try to live their lives, but they are losing hope for the future. Then, one day, some decide to wait in a line for bread...
9781447938071	The Cellist of Sarajevo (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Steven Galloway	British English	14017	1,200	64	Sarajevo is under siege. There is little food or water and the city is attacked, every day, from the hills. Ordinary people try to live their lives, but they are losing hope for the future. Then, one day, some decide to wait in a line for bread...
9781405881791	The Climb (Book)	John Escott	British English	8624	1200	48	A mysterious stranger has come to the island where Costas lives. Why is the man there, and why is he looking at Eagle's Rock? Costas wants to be the first person to climb the dangerous rock. But will the stranger climb it first?
9781447925415	The Climb (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	John Escott	British English	8624	1200	48	A mysterious stranger has come to the island where Costas lives. Why is the man there, and why is he looking at Eagle's Rock? Costas wants to be the first person to climb the dangerous rock. But will the stranger climb it first?
9781405881807	The Count of Monte Cristo (Book)	Alexandre Dumas	British English	12014	1,200	64	Edmond Dantes is a sailor and has a beautiful fiancée, Mercedes. But Edmond's enemies are jealous of his success and devise a plan to have him sent to prison. There he learns of the treasure on the island of Monte Cristo.
9781447925422	The Count of Monte Cristo (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Alexandre Dumas	British English	12014	1,200	64	Edmond Dantes is a sailor and has a beautiful fiancée, Mercedes. But Edmond's enemies are jealous of his success and devise a plan to have him sent to prison. There he learns of the treasure on the island of Monte Cristo.
9781405862356	The Fall of the House of Usher and Other Stories (Book)	Edgar Allan Poe	American English	11432	1,200	72	There are five stories in this book. 'The Fall of the House of Usher' and 'The Barrel of Amontillado' are stories of madness; 'The Maelstrom' describes fear of death during a storm on the ocean; and in 'The Murders of the Rue Morgue' and 'The Stolen Letter' meet C. Auguste Dupin, Poe's famous Parisian detective.
9781447925491	The Fall of the House of Usher and Other Stories (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Edgar Allan Poe	American English	11432	1,200	72	There are five stories in this book. 'The Fall of the House of Usher' and 'The Barrel of Amontillado' are stories of madness; 'The Maelstrom' describes fear of death during a storm on the ocean; and in 'The Murders of the Rue Morgue' and 'The Stolen Letter' meet C. Auguste Dupin, Poe's famous Parisian detective.
9781405876919	The Fugitive (Book)	J. M. Dillard	British English	7212	1,200	56	The police think Dr. Richard Kimble killed his wife. Kimble knows another man did it - a man with one arm. Will the police find Kimble before he can find the man with one arm?
9781405855501	The Hunchback of Notre-Dame (Book)	Victor Hugo (retold by Ni	American English	13,710	1,200	72	Ugly and unwanted by the outside world, Quasimodo the hunchback lives under the protection of the priest in the Cathedral of Notre-Dame. Then his quiet life is destroyed by the priest's evil plans for a beautiful gypsy girl. The priest needs Quasimodo's help. But the hunchback has other ideas.
9781447925576	The Hunchback of Notre-Dame (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Victor Hugo (retold by Ni	American English	13,710	1,200	72	Ugly and unwanted by the outside world, Quasimodo the hunchback lives under the protection of the priest in the Cathedral of Notre-Dame. Then his quiet life is destroyed by the priest's evil plans for a beautiful gypsy girl. The priest needs Quasimodo's help. But the hunchback has other ideas.
9781405881906	The Island of Dr. Moreau (Book)	H.G. Wells	British English	13226	1,200	64	Edward Prendick is saved at sea by a ship and a passenger, Montgomery, brings him back to health. Prendick becomes interested in the mysterious Montgomery and the even more mysterious Doctor Moreau.

9781447925590	The Island of Dr. Moreau (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	H. G. Wells (retold by Fio	British English	13,226	1,200	64	Edward Prendick is saved at sea by a ship and a passenger, Montgomery, brings him back to health. Prendick becomes interested in the mysterious Montgomery and the even more mysterious Doctor Moreau.
9781405855471	The Return of Sherlock Holmes (Book)	Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	British English	12921	1200	72	Sherlock Holmes disappeared in Switzerland in 1891 while working on a dangerous case. Everyone thought he was dead, but he's back with his friend, Dr. Watson, to solve three of his most interesting cases.
9781447925774	The Return of Sherlock Holmes (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	British English	12921	1200	72	Sherlock Holmes disappeared in Switzerland in 1891 while working on a dangerous case. Everyone thought he was dead, but he's back with his friend, Dr. Watson, to solve three of his most interesting cases.
9781405882026	The Ring (Book)	Bernard Smith	British English	14754	1200	64	Rafael and his gold ring is a strange story of murder, mystery and love. Rafael is a poor fisherman, who has gone mad. Did he go mad for love of a girl, or because he saw or committed some terrible deed?
9781447925781	The Ring (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Bernard Smith	British English	14754	1,200	64	Rafael and his gold ring is a strange story of murder, mystery and love. Rafael is a poor fisherman, who has gone mad. Did he go mad for love of a girl, or because he saw or committed some terrible deed?
9781405855488	The Swiss Family Robinson	Johann Wyss	British English	13480	1200	72	The Robinson family is shipwrecked on an uninhabited desert island. How long will they be there, and how will they survive? A classic story of adventure, family and an uncertain future.
9781447925842	The Swiss Family Robinson (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Johann Wyss	British English	13480	1200	72	The Robinson family is shipwrecked on an uninhabited desert island. How long will they be there, and how will they survive? A classic story of adventure, family and an uncertain future.
9781405862349	The Thirty-nine Steps (Book)	John Buchan	British English	20752	1,200	94	A man is killed in Richard Hannay's home. Before his death he tells Hannay a dangerous secret. Now Hannay's life is in danger. Who are his enemies and what are they trying to do? And how will he solve the mystery of 'the thirty-nine steps'?
9781405882057	The Turn of the Screw (Book)	Henry James	British English	6851	1200	56	A young woman comes to a big house to teach two young children. It's her first job and she wants to do it well. But she begins to see strange things - the ghosts of dead people. Do the ghosts want the children?
9781447925866	The Turn of the Screw (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	Henry James	British English	6851	1200	56	A young woman comes to a big house to teach two young children. It's her first job and she wants to do it well. But she begins to see strange things - the ghosts of dead people. Do the ghosts want the children?
9781447925729	Othello (MP3 Audio CD Pack)	William Shakespeare	British English	11,678	1,200	64	Othello is a popular soldier who is in love with his beautiful new wife. His trusted friend, Iago, tells him terrible stories about his wife, Desdemona. Who should he believe?
9781292205915	Marvel's Captain America: Civil War		American English	12,047	1200	64	The Avengers are super heroes with very special powers who defend the world against its enemies. Recently, though, they have made mistakes. Governments decide that the team will need permission for future fights. Some Avengers are happy to sign an agreement. Others angrily refuse. Suddenly Avengers are fighting Avengers. Will the super heroes realize in time who their real enemy is?
9781292208190	Marvel's Captain America: Civil War with MP3		American English	12,047	1200	64	The Avengers are super heroes with very special powers who defend the world against its enemies. Recently, though, they have made mistakes. Governments decide that the team will need permission for future fights. Some Avengers are happy to sign an agreement. Others angrily refuse. Suddenly Avengers are fighting Avengers. Will the super heroes realize in time who their real enemy is?
9781292205991	Marvel's Thor		American English	11,800	1200	64	The older son of Odin, King of Asgard, is strong and brave—but also proud and thoughtless. When Thor's actions put Asgard in great danger from its enemies, Odin sends him away, without his powers, to Earth. Can Thor become wiser, far from home? Will he ever be able to return to Asgard? And what will he find if he does?
9781292208206	Marvel's Thor with MP3		American English	11,800	1200	64	The older son of Odin, King of Asgard, is strong and brave—but also proud and thoughtless. When Thor's actions put Asgard in great danger from its enemies, Odin sends him away, without his powers, to Earth. Can Thor become wiser, far from home? Will he ever be able to return to Asgard? And what will he find if he does?
9781292205694	Marvel's The Avengers: Age of Ultron		American English	13,006	1,200	64	When Tony Stark makes a mistake, a destructive intelligence is created. Ultron has terrible plans for people on Earth. Iron Man, Captain America, Black Widow, Hulk, and the rest of the Avengers team must come together again. They must fight Ultron—and other new enemies—to save the world.
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9781292205830	Doctor Who: Mummy on the Orient Express		British English	11,413	1200	64	The Doctor and his companion, Clara, are on the most beautiful train in history, speeding past the stars of the future. But something terrible is killing the passengers. After you see the mummy, you only have 66 seconds. Then you die. There is no escape. As the Doctor races against the clock, he seems to Clara more unfeeling than ever before. Will he learn how to stop the mummy? Start the clock!
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9781292206158	Doctor Who: Flatline		British English	12,212	1200	64	Alone, without the Doctor, Clara discovers a new danger from another dimension. But how do you hide when even the walls give no protection? People need help and the Doctor can't leave the TARDIS. And Clara has to fight an enemy that can't be seen.
9781292208176	Doctor Who: Flatline (with MP3)		British English	12,212	1200	64	Alone, without the Doctor, Clara discovers a new danger from another dimension. But how do you hide when even the walls give no protection? People need help and the Doctor can't leave the TARDIS. And Clara has to fight an enemy that can't be seen.
9781292205892	Doctor Who: The Woman Who Lived		British English	12,663	1200	64	England, 1651. The Knightmare is a highwayman who is feared in the dark streets of London. With the help of a mysterious assistant, the Knightmare is searching for jewellery from another world -- and comes face to face with the Doctor. Who is the highwayman's companion? Will the Doctor be able to stay away from the gallows and protect the Earth from a terrible enemy?
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9781292206196	Doctor Who: Face the Raven		British English	13,793	1200	64	The Doctor and Clara, with their friend Riggsy, find themselves in an alien world, on a street hidden in the heart of London. Inside there are some of the most frightening beings imaginable, and Ashildr! The visitors are faced with a death sentence. They won't all get out alive.
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9781447925675	A Midsummer Night's Dream (with MP3)	William Shakespeare	British English	12290	1200	64	This wonderful story of fairies, dreams and lovers is as popular today as it was in Shakespeare's time. In a wood outside Athens, four young people are following their dreams, while fairies play strange games with them. Their world seems unreal but is it really very different from our own?
9781447925637	K's First Case (with MP3)	L.G. Alexander	British English	7824	1,200	72	Katrina Kirby is a detective, but people call her 'K'. There has been a murder, and there are five suspects who were in the house at the time of the murder. This is her first case, so she needs your help to solve the crime.
9781447958369	Amistad (with MP3)	Joyce Barnes	British English	7995	1,200	56	There is a bloody fight on the slave ship Amistad. The African slaves face prison and the US law. Now, the courts must decide if they are murderers or men fighting for freedom.
9781292230641	Doctor Who: Face the Raven (with MP3)		British English	13,793	1,200	64	The Doctor and Clara, with their friend Riggsy, find themselves in an alien world, on a street hidden in the heart of London. Inside there are some of the most frightening beings imaginable, and Ashildr! The visitors are faced with a death sentence. They won't all get out alive.
9781292230665	Doctor Who: The Woman Who Lived (with MP3)		British English	12,663	1,200	64	England, 1651. The Knightmare is a highwayman who is feared in the dark streets of London. With the help of a mysterious assistant, the Knightmare is searching for jewellery from another world -- and comes face to face with the Doctor. Who is the highwayman's companion? Will the Doctor be able to stay away from the gallows and protect the Earth from a terrible enemy?
9781447925538	Grey Owl (with MP3)	Vicky Shipton	American English	6909	1,200	56	In the 1930s, Grey Owl was the most famous North American Indian in the world. He wanted to save his land, its forests and animals. He wanted to change the world. He also had a very strange secret. This book tells his true story.
9781447925545	Hamlet (with MP3)	William Shakespeare	British English	11552	1,200	64	Hamlet is the Prince of Denmark. His heart is filled with sadness and pain. Why? Only his two best friends, Horatio and Marcellus, know the true reason. The new king, Claudius, murdered Hamlet's father and married the young prince's mother. Will Hamlet be strong and brave enough to take revenge? Is he mad? Or does he have a secret plan?
9781447925767	Psycho (with MP3)	Robert Bloch	American English	9718	1,200	56	Marion's dream is coming true. She only needs a room for one more night before she can marry Sam. Driving through the night, she's lost and tired. Then she sees the Bates Motel. She thinks she is lucky. But there, something terrible is waiting for her.
9781447925859	The Thirty-nine Steps (with MP3)	John Buchan	British English	20752	1,200	94	A man is killed in Richard Hannay's home. Before his death he tells Hannay a dangerous secret. Now Hannay's life is in danger. Who are his enemies and what are they trying to do? And how will he solve the mystery of 'the thirty-nine steps'?