

How can parents encourage reading for pleasure?

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Why should I make reading fun?

“Children who love reading will read more and, over time, choose literature which is more demanding and suitably stretching....

All reading makes a difference, but evidence suggests that reading for pleasure makes the most .”



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“Pupils who can read are overwhelmingly more likely to succeed at school, achieve good qualifications, and subsequently enjoy a fulfilling and rewarding career.

Those who cannot will find themselves at constant disadvantage.”

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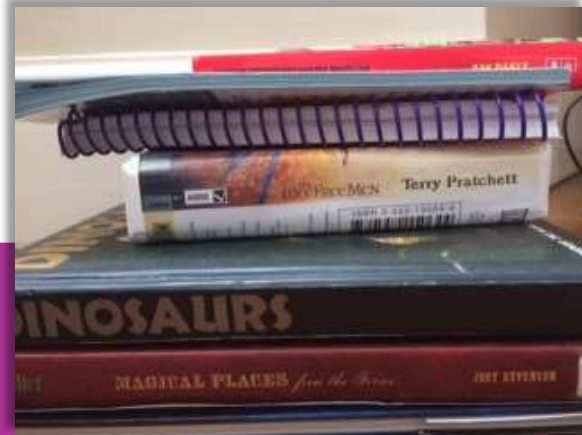
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“Poor literacy can hold people back throughout their adult lives... unemployed adults are twice as likely to have weak literacy skills as those in full-time employment. Better literacy skills are also associated with higher earnings.”



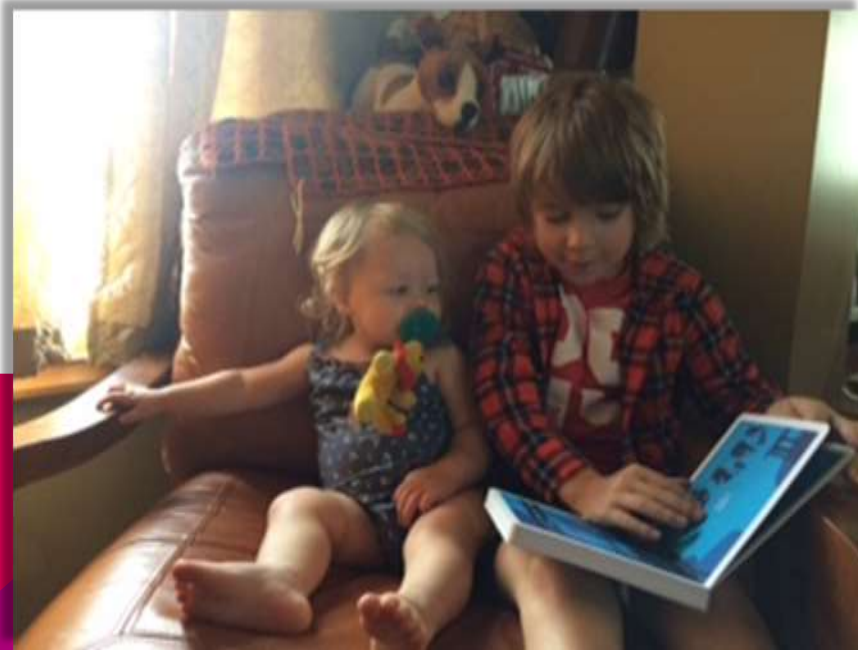
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Reading for pleasure develops skills across the whole curriculum. It affects spelling, grammar & comprehension, but also mathematical skills and general knowledge.



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“It has been shown to be associated with empathy and increased social support. “




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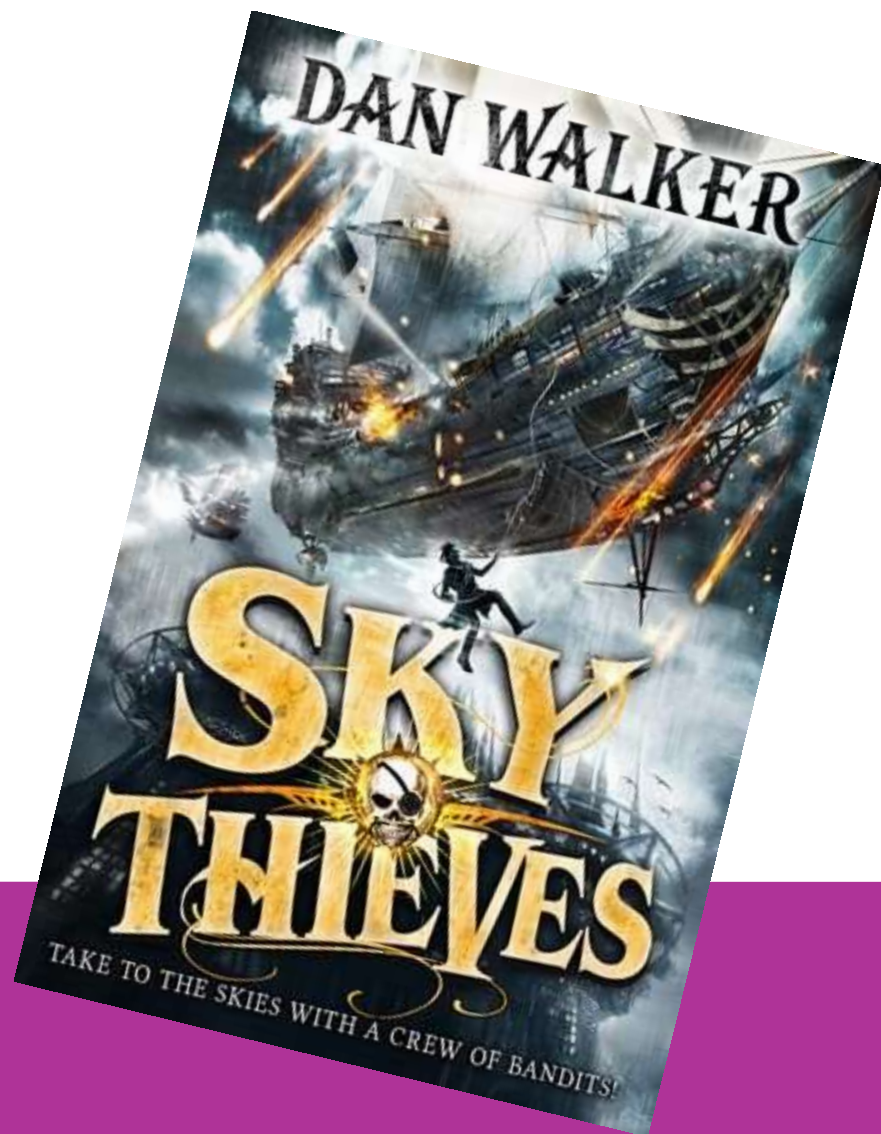
- Reading is entertaining, inexpensive and fast
- Reading reduces stress and anxiety
- Reading improves school success
- Reading builds confidence & self esteem
- Reading promotes kindness & understanding
- Reading develops imagination



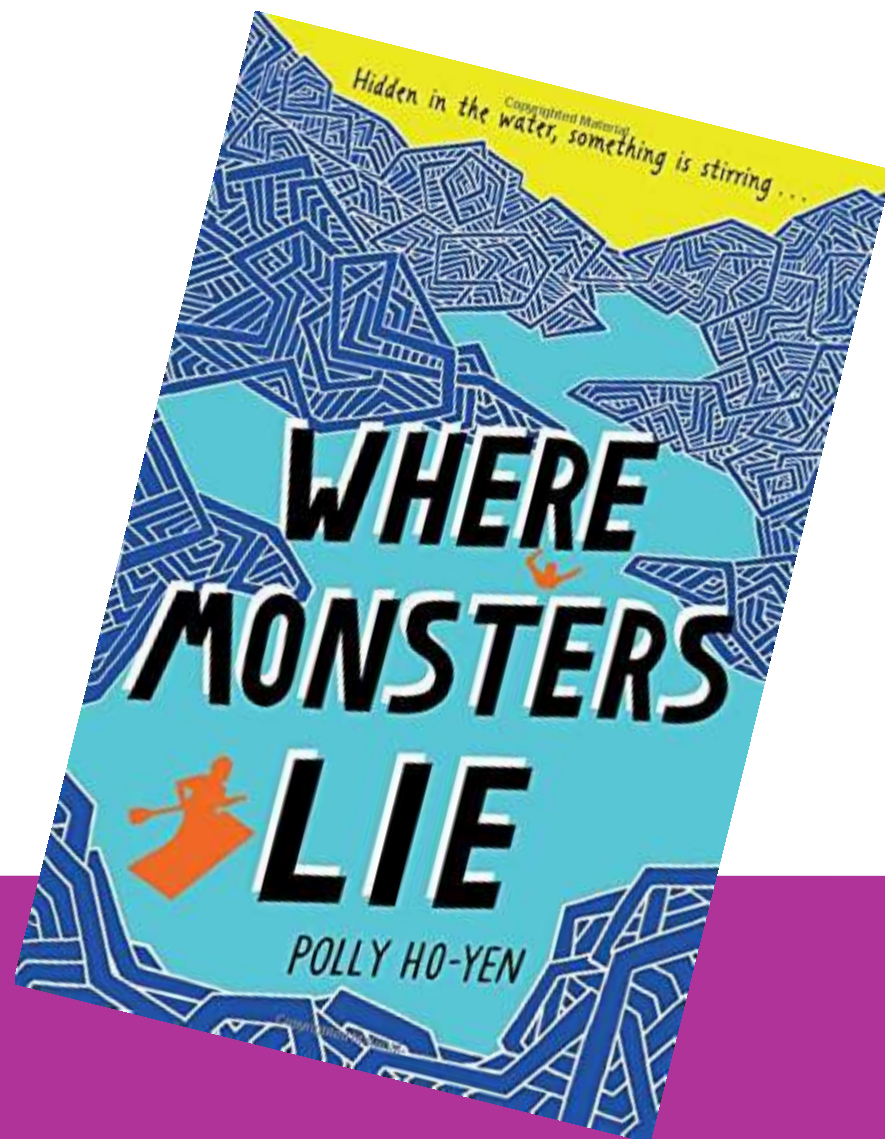
How can I make reading fun?

- Role Model
 - Bedtime stories
 - Visit your local library
 - Match interests
 - All reading is good
 - Keep books everywhere
 - Read for purpose
 - Understand the right level
 - Ask questions & talk about books
 - Read whenever you get the chance
 - Read again and again
 - Keep up to date
 - Watch the film
 - Give books as gifts
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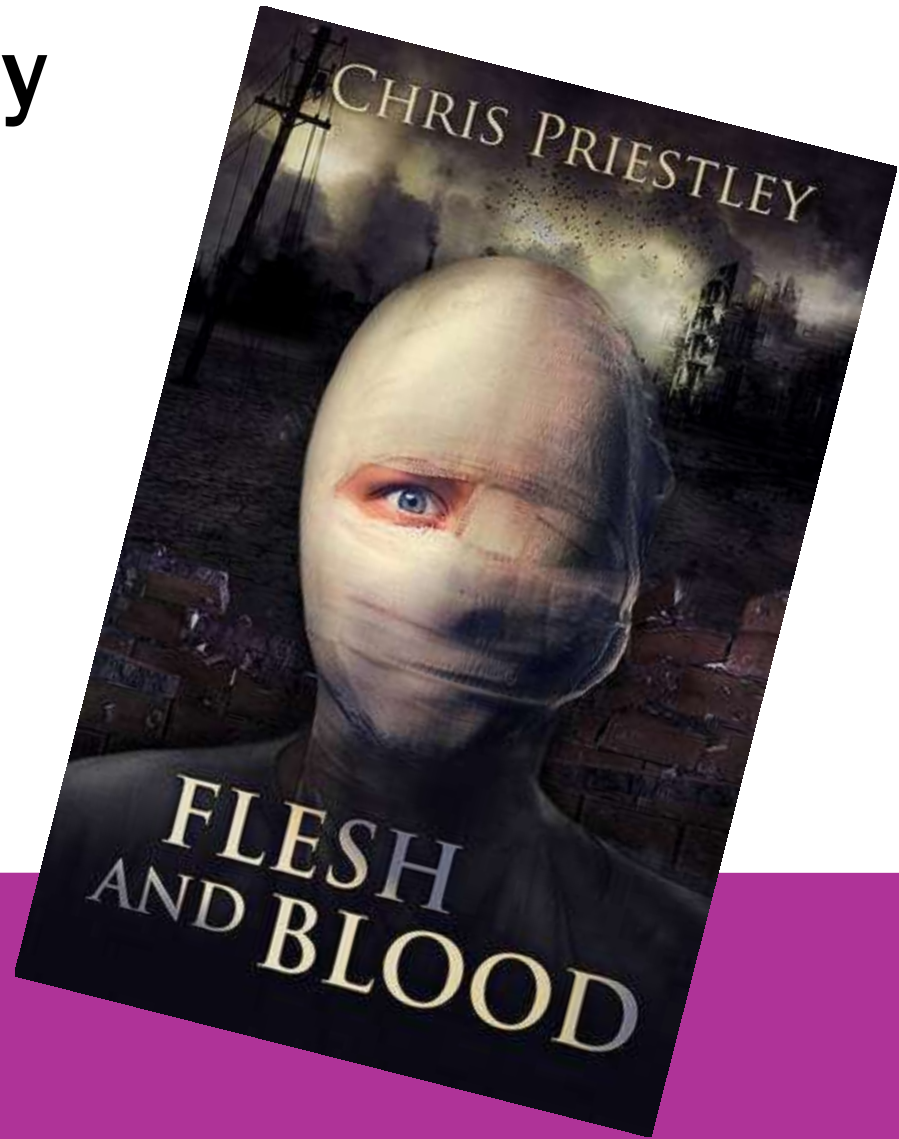
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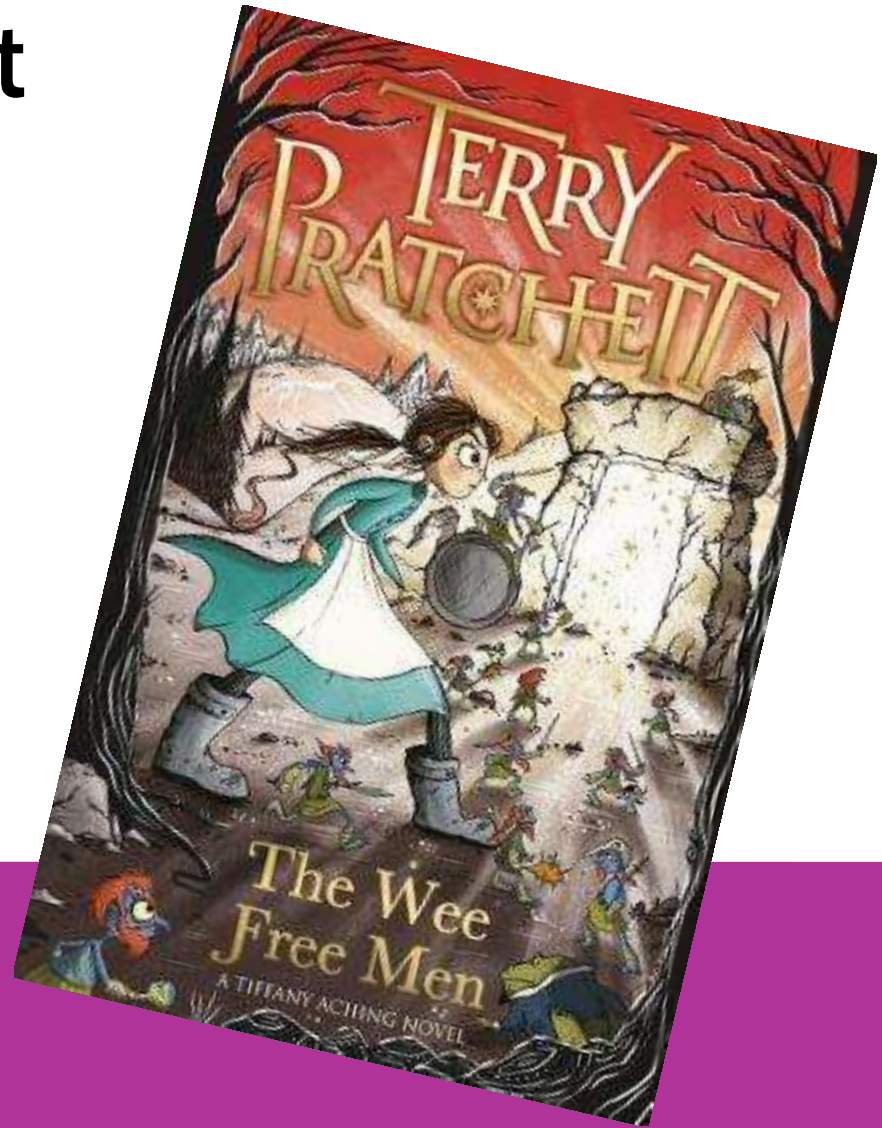
Where Monsters Lie by Polly Ho-Yen



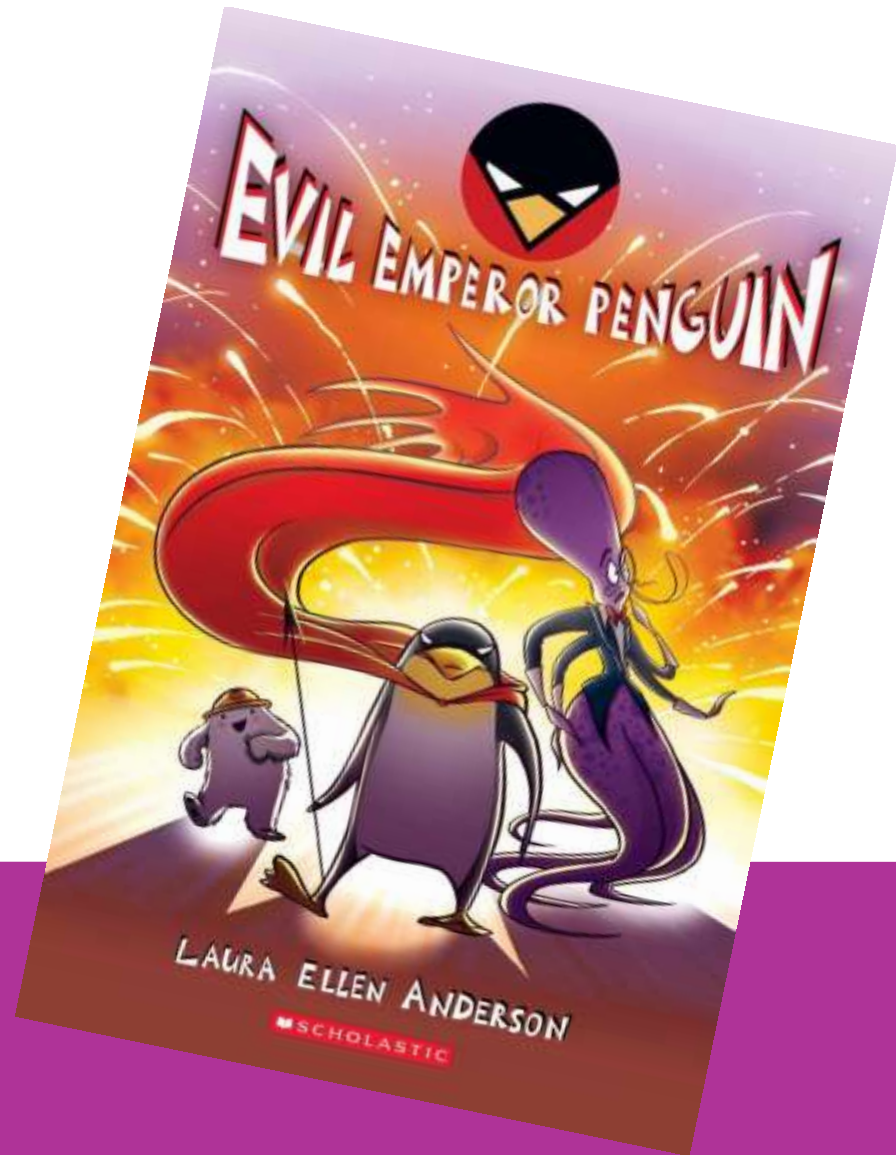
Flesh and Blood
by Chris Priestley



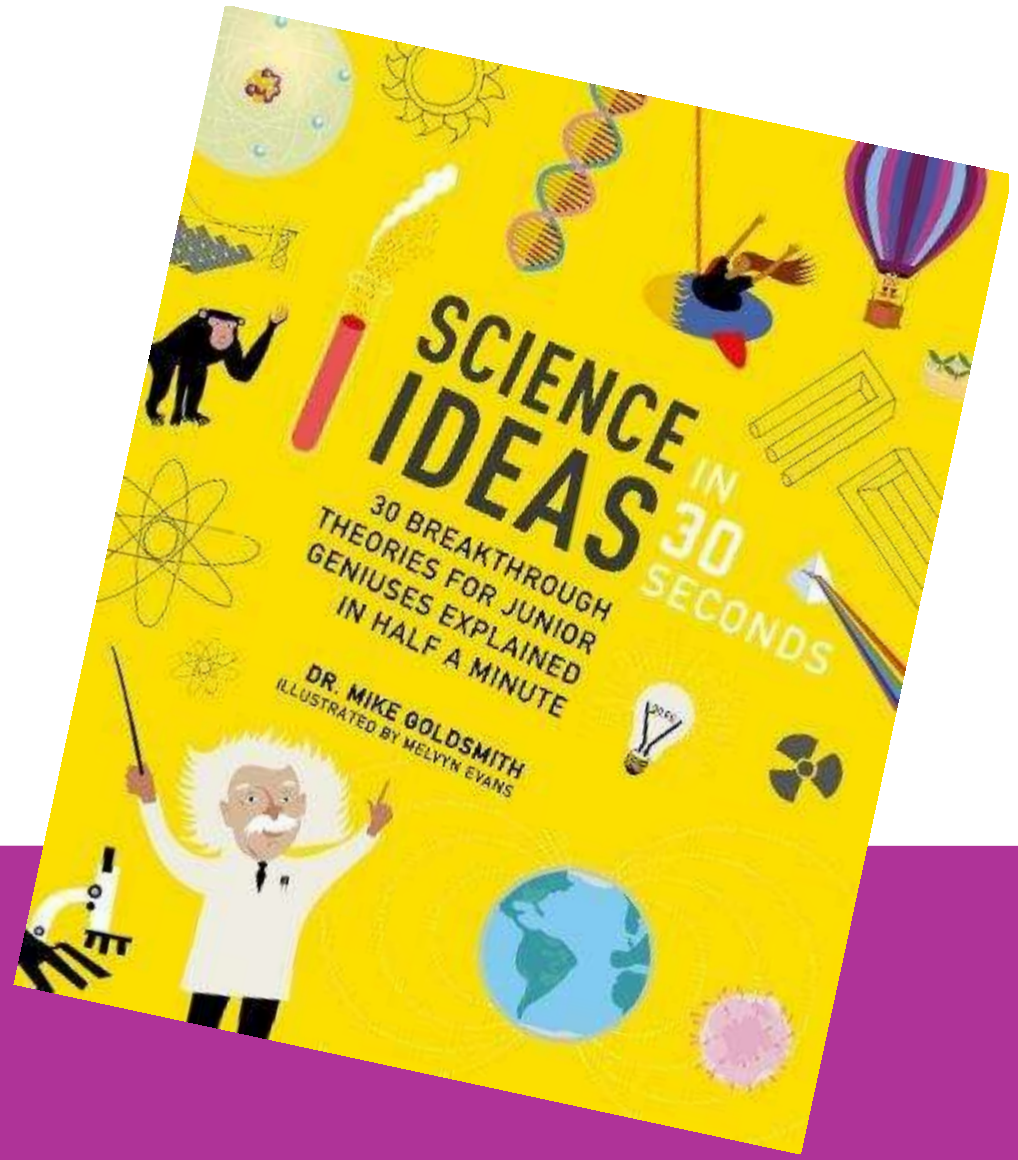
The Wee Free Men by Terry Pratchett



Evil Emperor Penguin
**by Laura Ellen
Anderson**



**Science Ideas in
30 Seconds
by Dr Mike
Goldsmith**



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- Talk to librarians and teachers for help and advice
- Complete the feedback forms

Afterwards...

Borrow books from your local library to read at home!

