

# The Great Fire of London By Emma Adams

This book explores the series of tragic events that took place in September 1666 in London. It explains how the fire changed the lives of Londoners and fire-fighting forever.

The book includes short biographies of the major historical figures from the time.

The illustrator James Weston has used a limited colour palette to create some striking and atmospheric pictures to complement the Adam's writing.

Great book for those who enjoy history and want to know more about this key event.

# AR Level 5.9

## Mary and Frankenstein By Linda Bailey

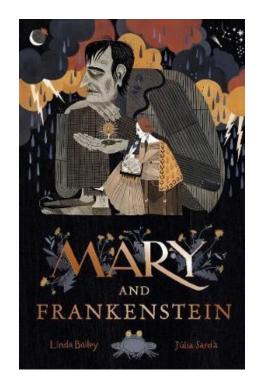
This book is a fully illustrated biography of the author Mary Shelley and how she came to create the well known novel "Frankenstein".

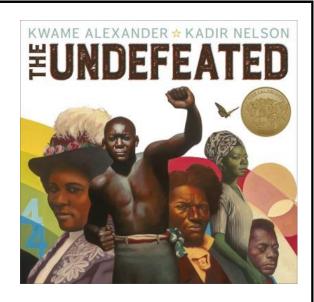
Julia Sarda has done a fantastic job creating atmospheric pictures to accompany Shelley's story. The style of illustrations really suits the subject matter.

The book was shortlisted for several book awards.

This fantastic book makes an ideal introduction to those looking to read Shelley's gothic masterpiece.

#### AR Level 3.3





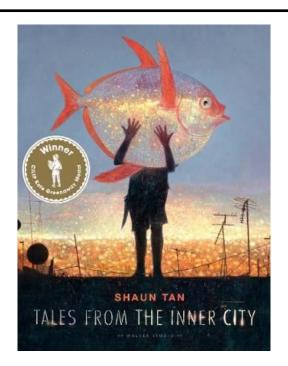
# The Undefeated By Kwame Alexander

In this book, Alexander's poem is perfectly complemented by Kadir Nelson's wonderful illustrations. The author's poem celebrates black artists, musicians, activists and athletes. Alexander makes clever use of inspirational song lyrics and quotations.

The combination of poetry and the illustration style results in a powerful celebration of spirit. It is no wonder this book made the Greenaway Shortlist in 2020.

The book also includes some additional biographical information.

Not currently on AR.



# Tales From the Inner City By Shaun Tan

Shaun Tan is a renowned artist who won the Greenaway Medal in 2020 with this collection of twenty five illustrated stories with an environmental theme.

Tan focuses on the relationship between humans, animals and the urban landscapes. Not being afraid to pull any punches, Tan describes the negative aspects of those relationships in some of the more

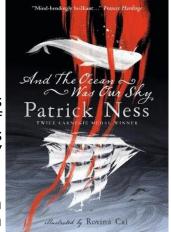
relationships in some of the more gruesome images.

The book is a short read but contains a powerful, thought provoking message.

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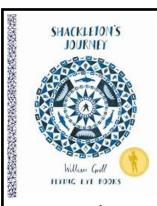
#### And the Ocean Was Our Sky By Patrick Ness

Patrick Ness's reimaging of James Melville's "Moby Dick" makes for an intriguing read. Ness has given this classic a twist: where the



whales are the hunters and the sailors the hunted. The illustrations are striking and the book was longlisted for two different awards.

#### AR Level 5.3



# Shackleton's Journey By William Grill

Grill's re-telling of Shackleton's infamous journey uses illustrations as opposed to photographs, which makes this

a very moving account. The book also contains a glossary to explain the nautical terms.

The blue tones in the pictures help create the sense of coldness.

#### AR Level 6.7

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