

New Books in the Young Calibre Library January 2009

Books are published on MP3 disk and Cassette

Time - Maximum listening time

Key Stage 1

16742 DIRTY BERTIE: Fleas! & Worms

By David Roberts & Alan MacDonald

Oakhill 2007

Reader Evelyn McLean

Meet Bertie, a small boy with some really disgusting habits! If you're after trouble Bertie is sure to be up to his neck in it, thanks to his crazy ideas and madcap schemes..

Time 1hrs 40mins

EU Only

16743 THE JESSAME STORIES

By Julia Jarman

BBC Audio 2007

Reader Adjoa Andoh

Jessame Aduke Olusanya doesn't mind her nicknames, Messy Jessy and Baddy Addy, because she is sometimes bad or messy. Usually she is just Jessame, a lively little girl who has lots of exciting adventures.

Time 1hrs 24mins

EU Only

16741 THE LEGEND OF SPUD MURPHY

By Eoin Colfer

Puffin 2004

Reader Edward Peel

Brothers Will and Marty have to spend their holidays confined to the library where Mrs Murphy, the librarian, controls everything by shooting at mischief-makers with a gas-powered spud gun. But has she met her match in Will and Marty?

Time 0hrs 45mins

EU Only

Key Stage 2

16776 ALICE NEXT DOOR

Oakhill 2008

By Judi Curtin

Reader Alison Coffey

Totally un-cool parents and a little sister who is too cute - Megan only survives this because she has her best friend Alice, but how will she cope when Alice moves away? The two friends hatch a plan to get back together, but can it work?

Time 2hrs 29mins

EU Only

16790 THE BATTLE FOR GULLYWITH

Macmillan 2008

By Susan Hill

Reader Pauline Beale

When Olly and his family move to Gullywith Farm it seems to be jinxed. Then there are the strange stones that keep appearing. Olly, and his new friend KK, soon find themselves in a magical world deep inside the surrounding hills.

Time 8hrs 40mins

EU Only

16690 THE DRAGON DETECTIVE AGENCY: THE CASE OF THE MISSING CATS

Oakhill 2007

By Gareth P. Jones

Reader Candida Gubbins

First book in the Dragon Detective Agency series. Dirk Dilly has scales and a tail, and can breathe fire. Obviously not the kind of detective you expect to find in London.

Time 3hrs 40mins

EU Only

16759 THE FAIRY REBEL

BBC Audio 1990

By Lynne Reid Banks

Reader Lynne Reid Banks

Jan is moping in the garden when Tiki, the fairy, is accidentally 'earthed' and can now be seen by humans. Tiki wants to help Jan, who is very unhappy, but if she does, she risks the anger of the Fairy Queen because she will be breaking Fairy rules!

Time 2hrs 0mins

EU Only

16691 THE GIANT UNDER THE SNOW By John Gordon
Oakhill 2007 Reader Julia Barrie

Three children find the missing part of a belt. If used properly the dark lord can be summoned from his rest.

Time 5hrs 5mins

EU Only

16702 THE INVISIBLE FRIEND By Louise Arnold
Oakhill 2007 Reader Glen McCready

Grey Arthur is a ghost. Tom Golden is a boy who doesn't fit in at school. When Tom and Grey Arthur mutter the same three words, at exactly the same time, Grey Arthur knows he must become Tom's invisible friend!

Time 7hrs 20mins

EU Only

16683 THE PIRATES OF POMPEII By Caroline Lawrence
BBC Audio 2007 Reader Kim Hicks

Sequel to 'The Secrets of Vesuvius' (16682). Flavia and her friends are staying with a rich man called Felix. When they discover that children are being kidnapped they set out to investigate who the kidnapper is.

Time 4hrs 43mins

EU Only

16681 THE THIEVES OF OSTIA By Caroline Lawrence
BBC Audio 2001 Reader Kim Hicks

First book in the Roman series. Set in the port of Ostia in the year 79AD. Flavia and her friends get involved in the mystery of two dogs that are killed and their heads taken away.

Time 4hrs 0mins

EU Only

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16692 WEIRDO'S WAR

Craftsman 2006

By Michael Coleman

Reader Kristopher Milnes

Tozer has bullied Daniel for years. When they are both trapped underground Daniel begins to see another side of Tozer.

Time 4hrs 33mins

EU Only

16775 THE WORRY WEBSITE

Corgi 2003

By Jacqueline Wilson

Reader Derina Dinkin

Mr Speed has a plan - to set up a cool Worry Website for the class. Just type in your worry and wait for the good advice to flow in, but Holly, Greg and Natasha soon discover that the best advice comes from the most unexpected places.

Time 2hrs 45mins

EU Only

Key Stage 3

16595 THE ARCHON

Craftsman 2006

By Catherine Fisher

Reader Judith Boyd

Part two of The Oracle trilogy. Sequel to 'The Oracle' (16594). The Archon, a peasant boy named Alexos, has been found and now he must face a journey of treachery and adventure.

Time 10hrs 30mins

EU Only

16687 CENTURY

Oakhill 2007

By Sarah Singleton

Reader June Barrie

Set in a haunted house. Two sisters, Mercy and Charity, unravel the secrets of their family's past.

Time 6hrs 37mins

EU Only

16688 THE CROW CHRONICLES: The Mob By Clem Martini
Oakhill 2007 Reader Francis Middleditch

The saga of the Kinaars, a family of crows who are faced with troubled times, when young blood is lost and an illegal Mob seeks revenge.

Time 5hrs 34mins

EU Only

16678 DEATH AND THE ARROW By Chris Priestley
Oakhill 2007 Reader Alistair Petrie

Tom is an apprentice at his father's printing shop in London. When his best friend, Will Piggott, is murdered Tom, with the help of Dr Harper, investigates the murder.

Time 3hrs 17mins

EU Only

16591 THE EMPTY HAND By Catherine Fisher
Craftsman 2005 Reader Karen Archer

Second in the Snow-Walker trilogy. Sequel to 'The Snow-Walker's Son' (16590). Surviving an accident in which both his parents were killed, Huw and his sister come to the haunted village of Usk to recover and start a new life.

Time 4hrs 30mins

EU Only

16789 THE FORETELLING By Alice Hoffman
Egmont 2006 Reader Natalie Mills

Rain rebels against her destiny to become queen of a tribe of warrior women. In their struggle for survival in a harsh environment, the warriors have held their power through violence, but Rain looks for a new way, through friendship and love.

Time 2hrs 45mins

EU Only

16792 MY SISTER JODIE

Doubleday 2008

By Jacqueline Wilson**Reader Nicola Down**

Pearl has always adored and needed her big sister Jodie. When their parents get new jobs in a girls' school they spend a strange summer in their new home. As the new term starts Pearl feels she needs Jodie less and less, but a tragic event on Firework night proves she still needs her big sister.

Time 9hrs 25mins

EU Only

16594 THE ORACLE

Craftsman 2005

By Catherine Fisher**Reader Judith Boyd**

In a land ruled by the servants of god, the Oracle conveys his wishes and the High Priestess interprets them. Mirany begins to question God's very existence.

Time 10hrs 30mins

EU Only

16590 THE SNOW-WALKER'S SON

Craftsman 2005

By Catherine Fisher**Reader Karen Archer**

First in the Snow-Walker trilogy. The evil witch queen sends her small son to a fortress in the cold north with two other children. The witch queen soon realises that her son has powers of his own.

Time 3hrs 0mins

EU Only

16592 THE SOUL THIEVES

Craftsman 2005

By Catherine Fisher**Reader Karen Archer**

Third book in the Snow-Walker trilogy. Sequel to 'The Empty Hand' (16591). Identical but opposite Gudrun and her son Karl are bound together by a link that must be broken for ever.

Time 6hrs 0mins

EU Only

16585 A WIZARD OF EARTHSEA

Craftsman 2005

By Ursula Le Guin

Reader Karen Archer

The first book in a trilogy. Born on an island well known for its wizards young Ged finds himself drawn to wizardry.

Time 7hrs 30mins

EU Only

Key Stage 4

16566 NORTHANGER ABBEY

BBC Audio 2001

By Jane Austen

Reader Anna Massey

False reports of Catherine's family wealth affect her chances of marriage to Henry Tilney.

Time 8hrs 30mins

EU Only

16567 OLIVER TWIST

BBC Audio 2001

By Charles Dickens

Reader Miriam Margolyes

In the classic story of the Victorian underworld, orphaned Oliver runs away from the workhouse and falls into the clutches of Fagin, Bill Sykes and the Artful Dodger.

Time 16hrs 30mins

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