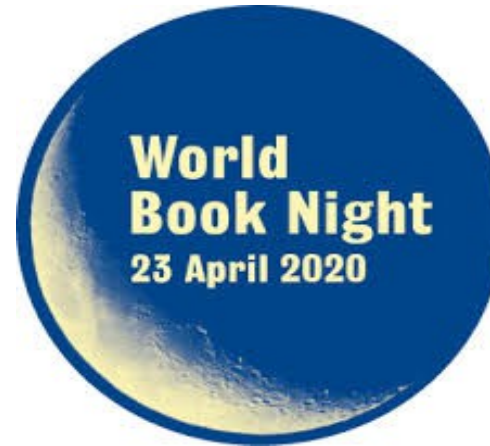


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Shakespeare's Birthday and World Book Night

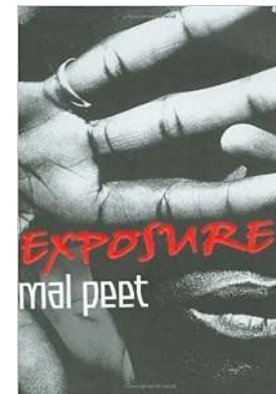
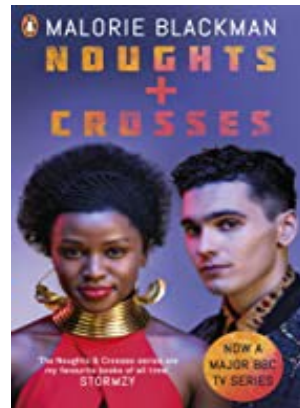
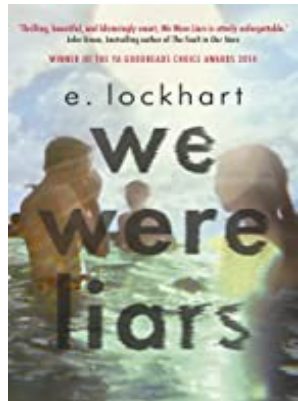


Shakespeare's Birthday

- William Shakespeare (1564-1616), poet and playwright, is considered by many to be the greatest dramatist of all time. His works include tragedies (Hamlet, MacBeth), comedies (A Midsummer Night's Dream, As You Like It) and histories (Julius Caesar, Richard II, Troilus and Cressida).
- In total, he is reckoned to have written 37 plays and over 150 poems. Most of the latter were sonnets (14 line poems), the most famous being ' Shall I compare thee to a summer's day...'

Shakespeare's Influence

- Shakespeare's writings continue to inspire present day authors, many of whom have based their books on the framework of his plays, or have been influenced by his themes – star-crossed lovers, ambition, conflict etc. Why not try one of the novels below ...



World Book Night

World Book Night has been running in the UK since 2011 and is a national celebration of books and reading. Details – and a free audiobook download – can be found at www.worldbooknight.org



World Book Night 2020 : titles for teens

- This year , more than 20 books have been selected to encourage new readers and inspire existing ones. Factual titles include 'How To Be A Footballer' by Peter Crouch' and 'Diversify: Challenge Inequality' by June Sarpong. Why not try one of the selected teen reads –

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