

The Borrowers 1 Mary Norton

Gregor and Boots must return to the Underland to help ward off a plague. It is spreading fast, and when it claims one of Gregor's family, he begins to truly understand his role in the Prophecy of Blood. Gregor must summon all his power to end the biological warfare that threatens the fate of every warmblooded creature.

'Oh dear,' exclaimed Mrs May lightly, 'don't say they're in this house too!' Pod, Homily and Arrietty are a family of tiny people who live beneath the floorboards. Everything they have is borrowed from the 'human beans', who don't even know they exist. That is, until the fateful day when Arrietty makes friends with 'the boy upstairs' . . .

Readers who love Percy Jackson, the Unwanteds, and Beyonders will discover that 100 cupboards mean 100 opportunities for adventure! The bestselling and highly acclaimed 100 Cupboards series starts here. What dangers are locked behind the cupboard doors? Henry isn't brave, but when he hears a thumping and scratching on the other side of his bedroom wall, he can't ignore it. He scrapes off the plaster and discovers mysterious doors—cupboards of all different shapes and sizes. Through one he sees a glowing room and a man strolling back and forth. Through another he sees only darkness and feels the cold sense that something isn't right. When his cousin Henrietta boldly travels into the worlds beyond the cupboards, it's up to Henry to follow her. Now that he's opened the doors, can he keep the evil inside from coming through? "A must-read series." —The Washington Post

Reminiscent of Elizabeth von Arnim and Elizabeth Taylor, these 15 recently discovered short stories by the author of The Borrowers are wonderful period pieces about being an upper-middle class woman in the 1940s and early 50s. Many are reminiscent of Brief Encounter with their longings for adventure or romance to break the stifling constraints on their lives. Here are respectable conventional women settled into dull marriages finding themselves entertaining the notion of an affair while on holiday; a dowdy woman who suddenly decides to have her face done and take the £1.00 post-office savings and blow it on a fine hat. Then there are funny, satirical pieces: useful knowledge like curing cold feet at bedtime, a sideways look at acting for a television drama and a very entertaining and fascinating piece on Writing for Children which includes dialogue with an editor who wants short words and happy stories. Written with a wry and gentle humour, the collection makes for fascinating reading.

Bed-Knob and Broomstick

The Letters of Ursula Nordstrom

A Novel

The Borrowers 2-in-1

Complete Novels

Escaping from an attic where they had been held captive over the long, dark winter, a family of tiny people sets up house in an old rectory. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

“She saw: first, a square opening, about eight inches wide, in the lowest step…finally she saw that there was a walnut shell, or half one, outside the nearest door…she went to look at the shell—but looked with the greatest astonishment. There was a baby in it.” So ten-year-old Maria, orphaned mistress of Malplaquet, discovers the secret of her deteriorating estate: on a deserted island at its far corner, in the temple long ago nicknamed Mistress Masham’s Repose, live an entire community of people—“The People,” as they call themselves—all only inches tall. With the help of her only friend—the absurdly erudite Professor—Maria soon learns that this settlement is no less than the kingdom of Lilliput (first seen in Gulliver’s Travels) in exile. Safely hidden for centuries, the Lilliputians are at first endangered by Maria’s well-meaning but clumsy attempts to make their lives easier, but their situation grows truly ominous when they are discovered by Maria’s greedy guardians, who look at The People and see only a bundle of money.

Charles Dickens (1812–1870) was a major English novelist whose classic works of fiction enjoyed unprecedented popularity during the Victorian period. Dickens is responsible for some of the most iconic novels and characters in English literature. The novels are notable for their complexity, unique characters, attention to detail and focus on social reform. This final volume in the five-volume set includes 'A Tale of Two Cities', 'Great Expectations', 'Our Mutual Friend' and 'The Mystery of Edwin Drood', and is an essential edition for collectors, students and general lovers of Dickens and Victorian Literature.

A Newbery Honor Book. Greta had always loved the fog—the soft gray mist that rolled in from the sea and drifted over the village. The fog seemed to have a secret to tell her. Then one day when Greta was walking in the woods and the mist was closing in, she saw the dark outline of a stone house against the spruce trees—a house where only an old cellar hole should have been. Then she saw a surrey come by, carrying a lady dressed in plum-colored silk. The woman beckoned for Greta to join her, and soon Greta found herself launched on an adventure that would take her back to a past that existed only through the magic of the fog.

The Borrowers Afield

The Mennymys

The Secret World of Arrietty Picture Book

Mistress Masham's Repose

Ramona and Her Mother

An orphan girl meets the inhabitants of the mysterious Octagon House—and discovers a portal to America's past—from the Gandalf Grand Master of Fantasy. Lorrie discovers a strange and fascinating secret! Did a witch live in the eight-sided house? Was it haunted? There were lots of scary stories about the strange house—but none could iron gate and escaped into the garden to save a kitten from some cruel boys—and met the mysterious lady of the house. The woman let Lorrie explore all the odd-shaped rooms. In one of them was a rocking horse and a large, eight-sided dollhouse—an exact miniature of the big house. The dollhouse was beautifully furnished and seemed so like the real thing that Lorrie was almost tempted to take it home. But she knew that was wrong. It was an adventure that she had to face with courage and daring! This adventure should not be missed by fantasy lovers! Octagon Magic is the 2nd book in the Magic Sequence, but you may enjoy reading the series in any order.

Includes extra content detailing the story behind how the Mennymys came to be. Previously unpublished and exclusive to the ebook editions, the author hopes her readers, new and old, will enjoy discovering the back story to this mysterious family of life-sized rag dolls. From the outside, 5 Brocklehurst Grove looks like an ordinary house - but from the inside, to hear the voices of the inhabitants, the Mennym family, you would think they were a perfectly ordinary family, too. But you'd be wrong, for the Mennymys are far from ordinary. The whole family shares an astonishing secret behind which it's hidden for forty years; a secret to which nobody has ever come close - until perhaps, if you're brave enough, you go into the house. So what's the secret? Do you want to know? Well, you can't go into the house into fear that now, for the first time, their secret is about to be exposed . . . Sylvia Waugh's extraordinary debut novel about the Mennymys, a family of life-sized rag dolls, won the 1994 Guardian Children's Fiction Award.

Do you want to finally, conclusively, and at (very) long last, learn the Secret? Are you REALLY sure? Because now's your chance to escape... No? You're staying put? Have you any idea of what lies between these perilous pages? (How could you? ... except perhaps if you were to smell that faint aroma of musty mummy, or catch a glance of a mummy's eye?) Well, you can't go into the house to learn the Secret I suppose you'll HAVE to read this. But you won't like it. The fifth and final fantastical adventure in the 'Secret' series in which Cass, Max-Ernest and Yo-Yoji are accused of stealing a very-valuable-and-not-to-be-touched ancient Egyptian mummy from the local museum. They are determined to clear their names, but after getting caught, three youngest members of the Terces society unwittingly find themselves on their way to the great pyramids of...Las Vegas. Amongst the dusty corridors of the Cairo Hotel and mysterious hieroglyphs of the Nile Nail Salon, Cass draws ever closer to uncovering the Secret...

Pod, Homily, and Arrietty Clock's huge adventures have been thrilling children young and old for fifty years--and their appeal is as strong as ever in The Borrowers Aloft. The original beloved interior illustrations by Beth and Joe Krush have been retained, capturing these little people with a larger-than-life appeal.

Bedknobs and Broomsticks

Complete Borrowers Stories

The Complete Adventures of the Borrowers

Mary Norton

Plus the short tale Poor Stainless

A powerful and intellectually stimulating teenage love story.

The further adventures of the family of miniature people who, after losing their home under the kitchen floor of an old English house, are forced to move out to the fields.

Margaret Wise Brown, the author of Goodnight Moon and dozens of other children's classics, all but invented the picture book as we know it today. Combining poetic instinct with a profound empathy for small children, she knew of a child's need for security, love, and a sense of being at home in the world and she brought that unique tenderness to the page. Yet these were comforts that eluded her. Brown's youthful presence and professional success as an editor, bestselling author, and self-styled impresario masked an insecurity that left her restless and vulnerable. In this moving biography, Marcus portrays Brown's complex character and her tragic, seesaw life. Her literary achievement and groundbreaking discoveries about small children's emotional needs were offset by tormented romances including a passionate relationship with Michael Strange, the celebrity socialite once married to John Barrymore.

Presents the further adventures of a motorcycle-riding mouse who goes to school and becomes the instigator of an investigation of rodents and the peacemaker for two lonely boys.

Bonfires and Broomsticks

Are All the Giants Dead?

Dear Genius

Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant

The Bread and Butter Stories

Finding himself in a land peopled with fairy tale characters, James attempts to help Princess Dulcibel who is destined to marry a toad after her ball falls into the well.

Ramona at 7 1/2 sometimes feels discriminated against by being the youngest in the family.

*The Borrowers*Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

A “funny, heart-hammering, wise” (The New York Times) best-selling portrait of a family that will remind you why "to read a novel by Anne Tyler is to fall in love" (PEOPLE). Abandoned by her wanderlusting husband, stoic Pearl raised her three children on her own. Now grown, the siblings are inextricably linked by their memories—some painful—which hold them together despite their differences. Hardened by life’s disappointments, wealthy, charismatic Cody has turned cruel and envious. Thrice-married Jenny is errant and passionate. And Ezra, the flawed saint of the family, who stayed at home to look after his mother, runs a restaurant where he cooks what other people are homesick for, stubbornly yearning for the perfect family he never had. Now gathered during a time of loss, they will reluctantly unlock the shared secrets of their past and discover if what binds them together is stronger than what tears them apart. “[In Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant Tyler] has arrived at a new level of power.” —John Updike, The New Yorker “Marvelous, astringent, hilarious, [and] strewn with the banana peels of love.” —Cosmopolitan

Octagon Magic

Awakened By the Moon

Charles Dickens

Borrowers Collection

Gregor and the Marks of Secret

The miniature Clock family, Pod, Homily, and their daughter Arriety, live in a big world among the “human beans” from whom they “borrow” everything they need—matchbox dressers, postage stamp artwork, and a trinket box settee. Now lifelong enthusiasts and brand new fans can escape into the small world of the Borrowers in this beautiful volume. It includes Mary Norton's classic illustrated stories about three little people and their not-so-little adventures: The Borrowers, The Borrowers Afield, The Borrowers Afloat, The Borrowers Aloft, the short story Poor Stainless, and The Borrowers Avenged.

It's only a few months since Gregor and Boots returned from the Underland, leaving their mother behind to heal from the plague. Though Gregor's family receives frequent updates on her condition, they all know Gregor must return to fulfill his role as the warrior who is key to the Underlanders' survival.

Imprisoned in an attic by a greedy couple who want to use them as performers, the Borrowers escape by balloon.

She trusted her immense intuition and generous heart—and published the most. Ursula Nordstrom, director of Harper’s Department of Books for Boys and Girls from 1940 to 1973, was arguably the single most creative force for innovation in children’s book publishing in the United States during the twentieth century. Considered an editor of maverick temperament and taste, her unorthodox vision helped create such classics as Goodnight Moon, Charlotte’s Web, Where the Wild Things Are, Harold and the Purple Crayon, and The Giving Tree. Leonard S. Marcus has culled an exceptional collection of letters from the HarperCollins archives. The letters included here are representative of the brilliant correspondence that was instrumental in the creation of some of the most beloved books in the world today. Full of wit and humor, they are immensely entertaining, thought-provoking, and moving in their revelation of the devotion and high-voltage intellect of an incomparably gifted editor, mentor, and publishing visionary.Ursula Nordstrom, director of Harper’s Department of Books for Boys and Girls from 1940 to 1973, was arguably the single most creative force for innovation in children’s book publishing in the United States during the twentieth century. Considered an editor of maverick temperament and taste, her unorthodox vision helped create such classics as Goodnight Moon, Charlotte’s Web, Where the Wild Things Are, Harold and the Purple Crayon, and The Giving Tree. Leonard S. Marcus has culled an exceptional collection of letters from the HarperCollins archives. The letters included here are representative of the brilliant correspondence that was instrumental in the creation of some of the most beloved books in the world today. Full of wit and humor, they are immensely entertaining, thought-provoking, and moving in their revelation of the devotion and high-voltage intellect of an incomparably gifted editor, mentor, and publishing visionary.

You Have To Stop This

Fog Magic

Poor Stainless

Ralph S. Mouse

A family of miniature people who live beneath the floor of a country house, borrowing things they need from the humans, are forced to leave their home when their teen-aged daughter, Arietty, is seen by a human.

In this delightful, funny, and moving first novel, a librarian and a young boy obsessed with reading take to the road. Lucy Hull, a young children's librarian in Hannibal, Missouri, finds herself both a kidnapper and kidnapped when her favorite patron, ten- year-old Ian Drake, runs away from home. The precocious Ian is addicted to reading, but needs Lucy's help to smuggle books past his overbearing mother, who has enrolled Ian in weekly antigay classes with celebrity Pastor Bob. Lucy stumbles into a moral dilemma when she finds Ian camped out in the library after hours with a knapsack of provisions and an escape plan. Desperate to save him from Pastor Bob and the Drakes, Lucy allows herself to be hijacked by Ian. The odd pair embarks on a crazy road trip from Missouri to Vermont, with ferrets, an inconvenient boyfriend, and upsetting family history thrown in their path. But is it just Ian who is running away? Who is the man who seems to be on their tail? And should Lucy be trying to save a boy from his own parents?

Presents the adventures of the Clocks, a miniature family of "borrowers," as they take up residence under the floorboards of an old Victorian home, in fields, and in a teakettle, and are kidnapped by a couple who plan to imprison the family in a small glass case.

Miniature people who live in an old country house by borrowing things from the humans are forced to emigrate from their home under the clock.

The Borrowers Aloft

Gregor and the Curse of the Warmbloods

The Borrowers

100 Cupboards (100 Cupboards Book 1)

The Magic Bed-knob

With the powers they acquire from a spinster who is studying to be a witch, three English children have a series of exciting and perilous adventures traveling on a flying bed that takes them to a London police station, a tropical island, and back in timet

A family of miniature people who live in an old country house cleverly "borrow" the things which they need.

Norton (1903-1993) wrote for children, and The Borrowers books are among her best known. This assessment of her novels' persistent themes, character types, and situations draws parallels between the novels and Norton's life experience, and examines her writings in light of 20th-century British literature and contemporary critical theory. Annotation copyright by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR
A groundbreaking book in its unflinchingly honest portrayal of childhood dilemmas, "Harriet the Spy" remains one of the most acclaimed children's novels ever written.

Harriet the Spy

Margaret Wise Brown

The Borrowers 2-In-1 *Custom*

The Secret Series (Book 5)

The Borrower

A tiny family tries to establish a home in the English countryside. Sequel to The Borrowers

Deep beneath the floorboards lives the tiny Borrower family - Pod, Homily and Arrietty Clock. Everything they have is borrowed from the humans above them, even their names are not quite their own. There is just one rule: they must never be seen. Then one day Arrietty meets the boy, and the family's incredible adventure begins. A great value edition of the first two classic BORROWERS books to tie in with this year's BBC 90-minute family Christmas special.

A brand new paperback edition of BEDKNOBS AND BROOMSTICKS, comprising the two favourite magical classics THE MAGIC BEDKNOB and BONFIRES AND BROOMSTICKS. When prim and proper Miss Price from next door falls off her broomstick, Carey, Charles and Paul discover that she's actually a witch. In order to keep them quiet, Miss Price gives the three children a gift - an enchanted bedknob that will whisk them off anywhere they want, for as long as they keep her secret. And so their adventures begin... Discover The Magic Bedknob and Bonfires and Broomsticks, two stories full of magic from much-loved author Mary Norton, and the inspiration behind the classic film.

Borrowers Afloat

The Borrowers, Parts 1 and 2

The Borrowers Avenged