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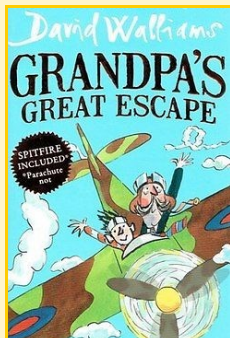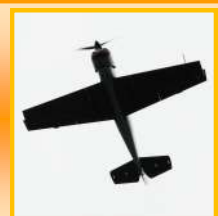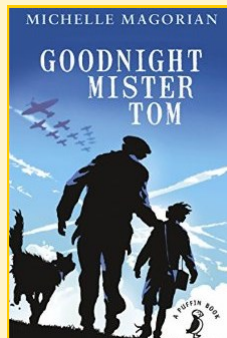
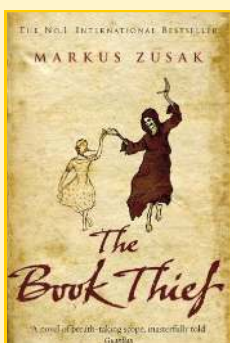### GRANDPA'S GREAT ESCAPE
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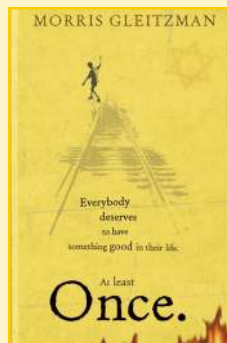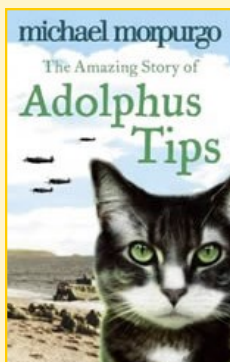**Michelle Magorian**

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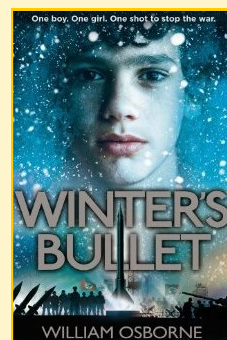
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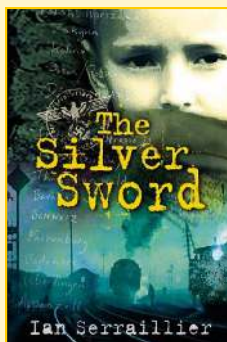**AR: 4.1 160 pages**

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