







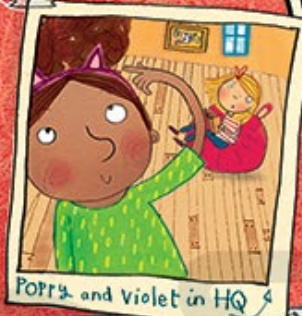


# Marie//la Mystery

Investigates

A kitty  
CALAMITY

by  
Kate  
Pankhurst



POP  
LOOKING  
FURBALL!

kitty  
gum

CRAZY  
CATS

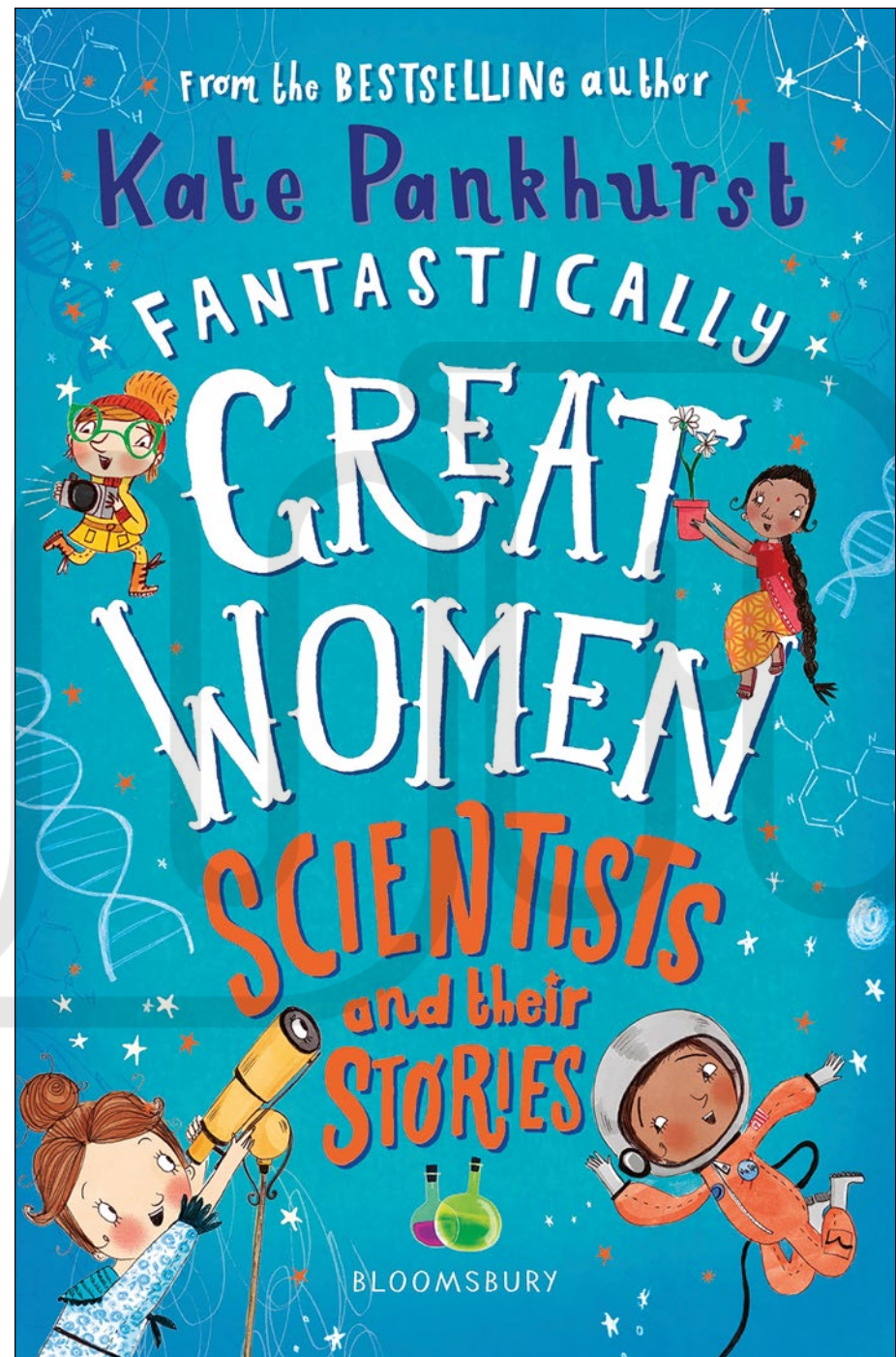
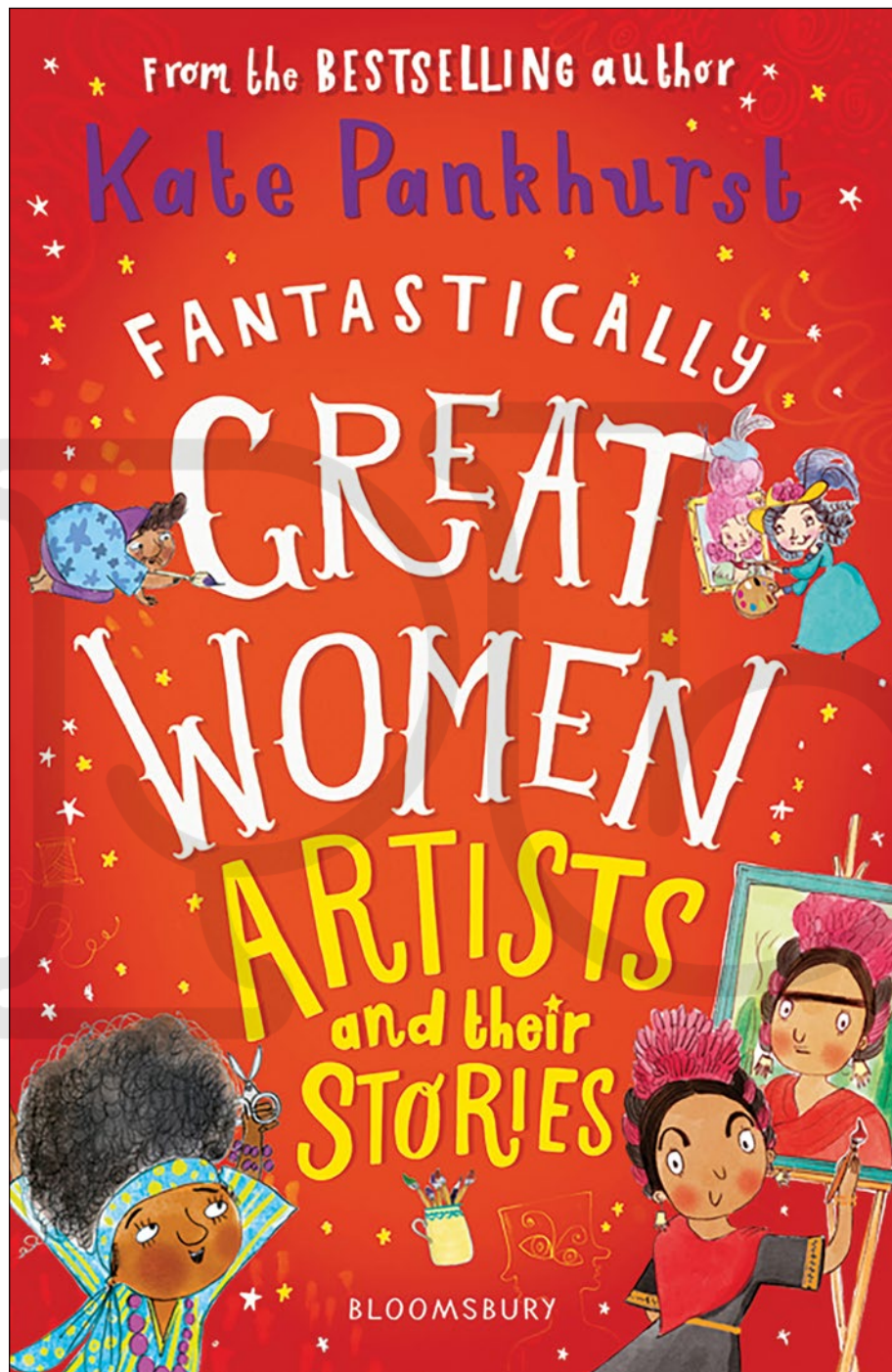
kitten  
slippers



























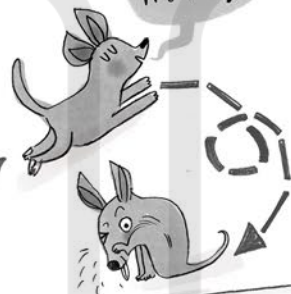
# Frida's Portrait Diary



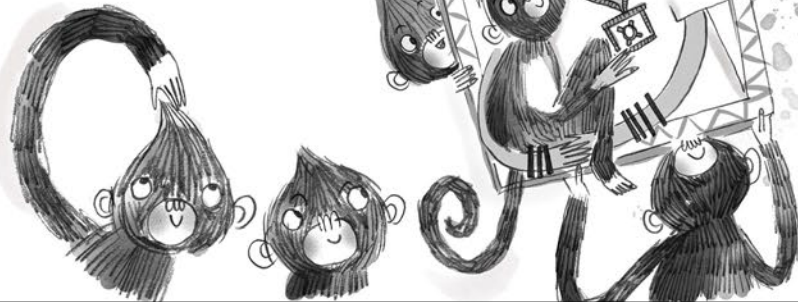
"I am my own muse, the subject I know best."



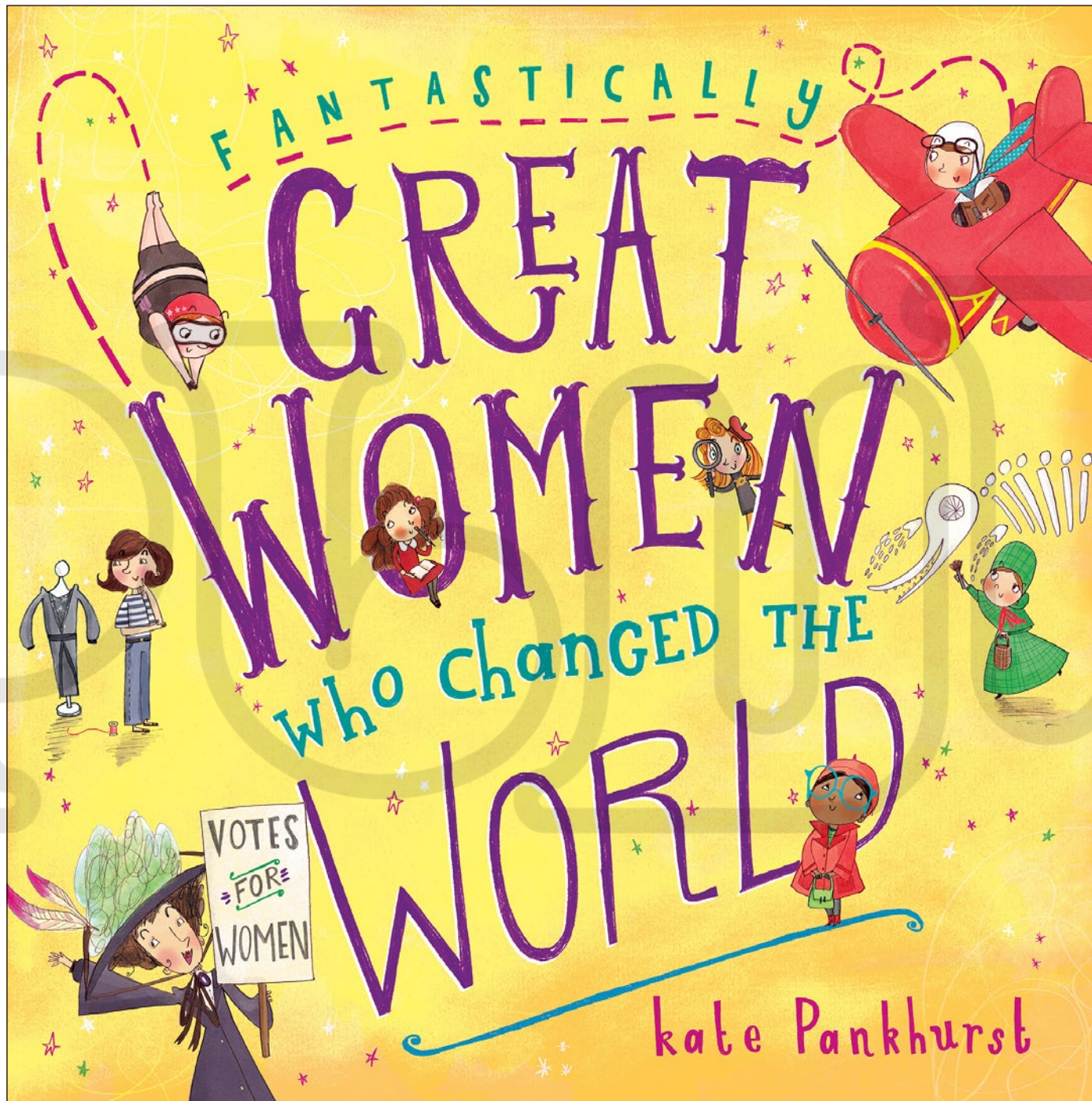
woof!



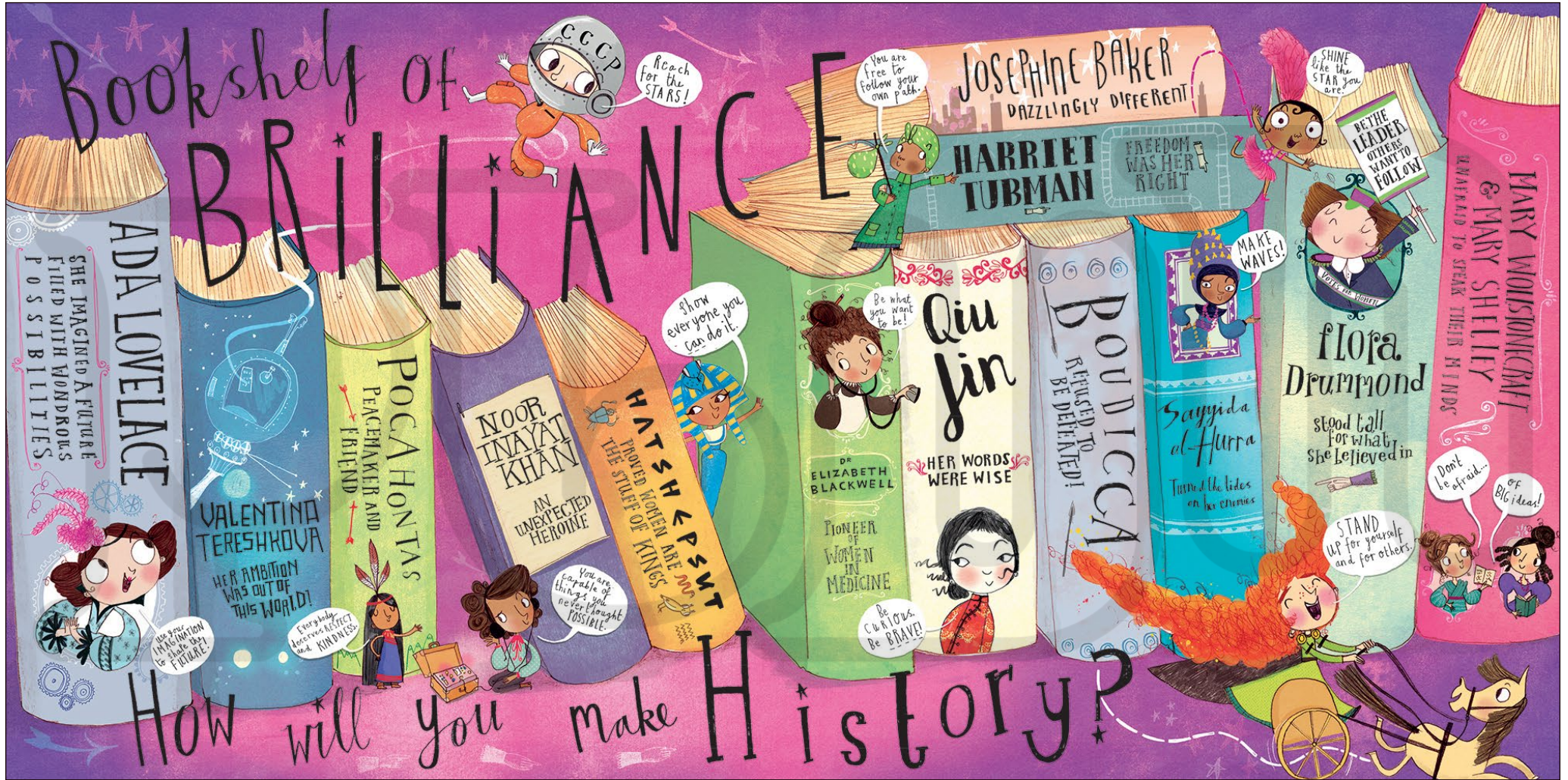
I didn't believe in changing myself to fit in with other people's ideas of what was BEAUTIFUL.











# Bookshelf of BRILLIANCE

ADA LOVELACE  
SHE IMAGINED A FUTURE  
FILLED WITH WONDROUS  
POSSIBILITIES

VALENTINA TERESHKOVA  
HER AMBITION  
WAS OUT OF  
THIS WORLD!

POCAHONTAS  
PEACEMAKER AND  
FRIEND

NOOR INAYAT KHAN  
AN UNEXPECTED  
HEROINE

HAT SHEPSUT  
PROVED WOMEN ARE  
THE STUFF OF KINGS

QIU JIN  
DR. ELIZABETH BLACKWELL  
PIONEER OF  
WOMEN IN  
MEDICINE  
HER WORDS  
WERE WISE

BOUDICCA  
REFUSED TO  
BE DEFEATED!

SAYYIDA AL-HURRA  
Turned the tides  
on her enemies

FLORA DRUMMOND  
stood tall  
for what  
she believed in

MARY WOLLSTONECRAFT  
& MARY SHELLEY  
UNAFRAID TO STEAK THEIR MINDS

Reach for the STARS!

You are free to follow your own path.

Show everyone you can do it.

Be what you want to be.

Be CUNNING. Be BRAVE!

MAKE WAVES!

SHINE like the STAR you are.

BE THE LEADER OTHERS WANT TO FOLLOW

Don't be afraid.

of Big ideas!

STAND UP for yourself and for others.

## How will you make History?



# Sayyida al-Hurra

Sayyida came from a family of Muslim nobles who lived in the kingdom of Granada in Spain. In 1492, when Sayyida was just a child, she and her family were forced to flee across the Mediterranean Sea to Morocco in North Africa. This was because Spanish rulers didn't want Muslim people living in their country. Sayyida never forgot the injustice that she and her family suffered, and it made her fierce and strong.

Aged 16, Sayyida married the Sultan of Tétouan (a city on the coast of Morocco). Tétouan was under threat of attack from Spain and Portugal. Queens did not usually have a say in military matters, but Sayyida seized her chance to fight back against the old enemies who had made her flee her home.

When her husband died, Sayyida continued to rule Tétouan. She was more determined than ever to drive Spain away from her shores and so decided to enlist the services of...

## RUTHLESS PIRATES!

I will turn the tide against SPAIN!

One of the most fearsome pirates of the time was Barbarossa of Algiers. He and Sayyida were allies and between them they controlled the whole of the Mediterranean Sea, plundering treasure from Spanish and Portuguese ships. Sayyida also forced the Spanish and Portuguese to make deals with her by kidnapping important people from their ships and holding them for a ransom.

RARGH!

Together we will RULE the seas!

The riches Sayyida claimed from Spain and Portugal helped Tétouan and its people to flourish. The city was rebuilt with docks for Sayyida's pirate ships, high walls to keep invaders out and winding streets to confuse intruders.

Don't expect me to give up being a pirate queen!

Sayyida became so powerful that she set the terms for her next marriage, making the Moroccan sultan travel to her home in Tétouan to marry her. It was the first time this had happened in Moroccan history. After her marriage Sayyida remained in Tétouan, continuing to rule as the undisputed pirate queen for over 30 years.

Eeek! whatever you say!

THE WAVES SAYYIDA CREATED IN THE MEDITERRANEAN MEAN HER STORY WILL BE NEVER LOST AT SEA...

Sayyida al-Hurra is a title meaning queen. Sayyida's real name has been lost to history.



## MOTHER & DAUGHTER. UNAFRAID OF BEING OUTSPOKEN

Mother and daughter Mary Wollstonecraft and Mary Shelley both had a lot to say about what was wrong with the way people acted and treated each other. Their ideas were new and clever, but some people found them **SHOCKING** and downright **SCARY**.

Both women shared their ideas in books which are still read today, over two centuries later! Mary Shelley never knew her mother, as Mary Wollstonecraft died shortly after her daughter was born, but Mary Shelley was still hugely influenced by the ideas she read in her mother's books...

In 1792 Mary Wollstonecraft was the first person to publish a book suggesting that women's rights should be the same as men's.

## MARY WOLLSTONECRAFT

Vindication means showing that you are right about something. I was **RIGHT** that women are just as important as men.

She is a **HYENA** in petticoats!

The book **UNNERVED** many people. They were very used to the way things had always been and couldn't imagine a different way of doing things.

Boy what you like, I know I'm right!

WOMEN should not be happy with their **LOT!**

## Mary Shelley's writing **SHOCKED** and **SCARED** readers in a VERY different sort of way...

The loss of my mother drew me to books about **EMOTIONS**. I loved **GOTHIC HORROR** stories.

Gothic horror is a type of story filled with suspense and emotion.

In 1816, when Mary Shelley was 18, a poet friend set a challenge she couldn't resist...

THE POET LORD BYRON

I had heard of **GRUESOME** science experiments trying to re-animate dead bodies using electricity. **ARGH!**

A truly chilling story came to Mary in a nightmare. As her mother had done, Mary Shelley wanted her book to encourage people to think carefully about what was right and wrong. Frankenstein is a '**GOTHIC HORROR**' story about the dangers of not thinking through the consequences of your actions.

## MARY SHELLEY

The great works of Mary Wollstonecraft and Mary Shelley inspired many people to think about the way we should live for the benefit of everyone.

In the story, Victor Frankenstein brings a creature he built from human body parts to life. When the monster causes havoc, turning very nasty indeed, Victor is left wishing he had never created him.

**RARRGH!**

Write a story to awaken **THRILLING HORROR!**





A WOMAN  
CAN BE  
KING!

# HATSHEPSUT

MIGHTY  
PHARAOH OF  
ANCIENT EGYPT

Hatshepsut lived 3,500 years ago in ancient Egypt, and was married to the pharaoh, Tuthmosis II. When Tuthmosis II died Hatshepsut's stepson was next in line for the throne – but he was just a baby.

Women couldn't be proper pharaohs so Hatshepsut took over as a stand-in co-ruler. She didn't have the authority of a pharaoh but could watch over Egypt until Tuthmosis III was old enough to become king.



Because Hatshepsut lived so long ago we can't be sure exactly what happened, but it seems Egypt faced a threat of some sort. Hatshepsut needed to show her people that a woman could be a strong leader in times of danger. She decided to give herself a new look, one that had worked for previous rulers... she ordered that all images and statues of her be made to look more masculine and king-like!



Head cloth and cobra worn by pharaohs

Broad shoulders

Traditional fake beard worn by pharaohs

LOOKING at these STATUES, nobody could question my POWER!

## MAKING HISTORY

Hatshepsut DID become pharaoh – one of the most successful of ancient Egypt. After her 20-year reign the now-grown-up Tuthmosis III became pharaoh of the peaceful and secure Egypt that Hatshepsut had built. One of her greatest achievements was the elaborate temple she had constructed and filled with enormous statues of herself as king. The solid stone figures and sphinxes represented how strong and powerful she was.

SPHINXES had a human head and the body of a lion. They were placed as guards outside the temples.

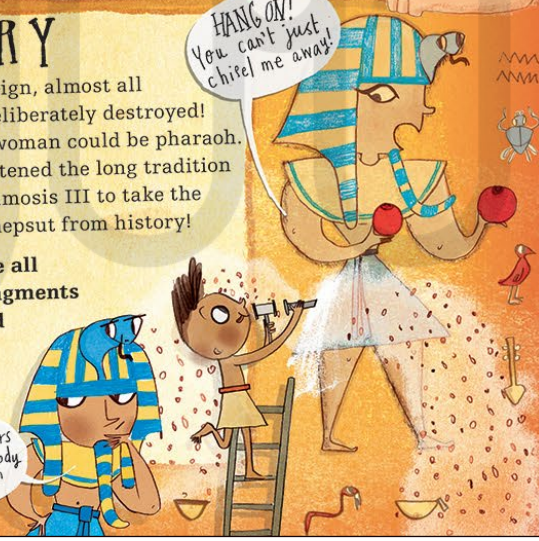
## CHANGING HISTORY

Bizarrely, 20 years into Tuthmosis III's reign, almost all statues and images of Hatshepsut were deliberately destroyed! Hatshepsut had shown everybody that a woman could be pharaoh. But it is thought that this may have threatened the long tradition of pharaohs only being men, leading Tuthmosis III to take the drastic step of attempting to delete Hatshepsut from history!

Despite Tuthmosis III's efforts to erase all evidence of his stepmother, enough fragments of Hatshepsut's story have been pieced together for us to know that she was an extraordinary and very different sort of king!

HANG ON! You can't just chisel me away!

If nobody remembers Hatshepsut, nobody can question my POWER!

















# REACH FOR THE STARS WITH THE FIRST WOMAN IN SPACE VALENTINA TERESHKOVA

In 1961, in the Soviet Union (now Russia), 24-year-old Valentina Tereshkova heard the amazing news that her country had sent the first man into space, cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin. (Soviet astronauts were called cosmonauts.) At the time the Soviet Union and the USA were competing to make breakthroughs in space exploration. The competition was known as the 'space race'.

The Soviets wanted their next 'space first' to be sending a woman into space. The adventure of space travel seemed a million miles away from Valentina's job in a textiles factory, until she discovered she shared a daring hobby with the first man in space - skydiving! If being able to parachute had helped Yuri Gagarin become a cosmonaut then maybe, just maybe, it might help her too.

Once you're  
been in space you  
appreciate how  
small and fragile  
the EARTH is.



TOOTHBRUSH!

One small but important detail was overlooked on Valentina's journey to space - a toothbrush! Valentina did have toothpaste though!

"I see the  
HORIZON. A light  
blue, a BEAUTIFUL  
land. This is the  
EARTH. How BEAUTIFUL  
it is! All  
goes well."

In 1962, impressed by Valentina's skydiving experience, the Soviet space programme selected her to train as a cosmonaut. Parachuting would turn out to be a VERY important skill. The only way for cosmonauts to make a safe landing was to parachute from their spacecraft as it fell back to Earth!

After more than a year of intensive training, in June 1963, Valentina's dreams soared higher than ever before. She was launched into space aboard the spacecraft **Vostok 6**.

## THREE... TWO... ONE... BLAST OFF!

Valentina's mission lasted 2 days, 22 hours and 50 minutes and made 48 orbits of the Earth. Floating in zero gravity, Valentina monitored devices that tracked how space travel was affecting her body and took photographs of the Earth's atmosphere.

### MISSION (ALMOST) SUCCESSFUL

Everyone thought the mission was a complete success, but almost 30 years later it was revealed that Valentina narrowly averted disaster. While on her adventure, Valentina realised **Vostok 6** had been programmed to jet out into space on its return journey rather than safely back towards Earth! Valentina was asked to keep this mistake a secret so nothing would detract from her amazingly successful mission.

Valentina had ambitions that were out of this world and dared to see how far her dreams could take her...

