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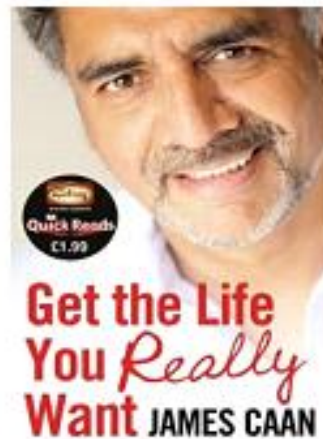
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Worksheet 2 – Book covers

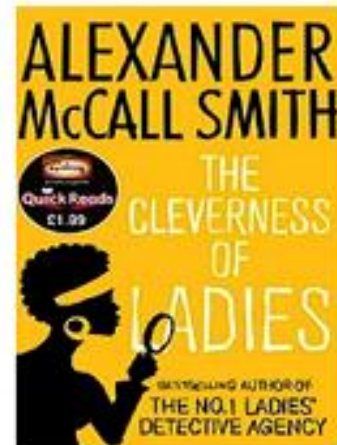
Book A



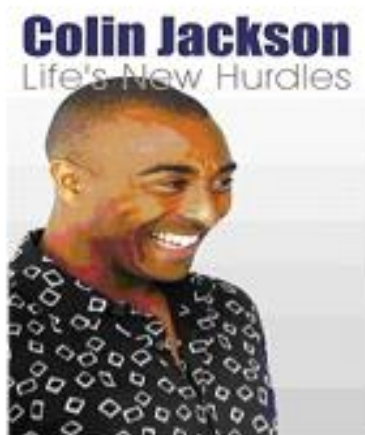
Book B



Book C



Book D



Book E



Worksheet 3 – Blurbs

1. Scott Quinnell is one of Britain's best-known rugby players: captain of the Welsh team seven times and a British Lions player. But amidst all this success, Scott had a painful secret: he struggled to read. In this honest and powerful book he describes how he faced this hardest test.
2. There have been 2,300 lottery millionaires in the UK. Here, five winners share the details of their shopping sprees and the highs and lows of life after a big win. *We Won the Lottery* also reveals the funniest facts and luckiest numbers behind the lottery, and shows exactly what happens when you win.
3. It is possible to get the life you really want. You just need to change the way you think. Whether you want to get back into work or start your own business, use this ten-point plan to help you achieve your dreams. Top businessman and bestselling author James Caan shows you how to use business sense in everyday life.
4. Colin Jackson is one of the greatest athletes Britain has ever produced. In 2003 he retired in front of an adoring home crowd. He went on to become a sports and television presenter and appeared on *Strictly Come Dancing*, but adjusting to life off the track was not straightforward. Here he describes the shock of sudden change and the challenges and joys of starting a whole new life.
5. There are times when ladies must use all their wisdom and good sense to solve life's mysteries. Mma Ramotswe, owner of the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency, is just one of the capable ladies who will enchant you in these tales of love, heartbreak, hope and the cleverness of ladies. Bestselling author Alexander McCall Smith brings his trademark gift for storytelling to these five delightful short stories.

Adapted from www.quickreads.org.uk



Worksheet 4 – A: The Hardest Test, by Scott Quinnell

One of the major things I remember is feeling sick at the thought of being asked to read out loud. It terrified me – all the more reason to keep a low profile. Some teachers shouted at me, calling me lazy, and the constant rows upset me very much.

It is important to understand that back then little was known about learning difficulties. I really don't blame the teachers – I guess they had exhausted every method they knew, to little reward. But I couldn't understand why I was being punished. Slowly I began to realise I had problems of some sort. The fact that the other children seemed to move on easily left me feeling very alone. Soon I was bottom of every class – that's if I was in the class at all!

My wife Nicola remembers finding a box full of my school books from this time when we moved in together, all the pages empty save for the date and the title. That about sums it up, I guess.

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Worksheet 4 – B: Get the Life You Really Want, by James Caan

Let me tell you a story about my younger sister, Nazima. One Sunday afternoon I popped over to see her for a catch-up about what we were both doing. She had made some tea and put a plate of samosas on the table for us to share. Now I love samosas. I *really* love samosas. I tried a few of hers and said, 'Nisa, I've had loads of samosas, but these are delicious. Why don't you make some more and sell them to your friends?' 'Do you think they are that good?' she asked. 'Actually I do.'

The next weekend she spent some time cooking in her kitchen and made 250 samosas. On Monday morning she went off on the school run with a few of them in her bag. She asked the other mums she knew to taste them to see if they'd like to buy some. By the end of that first day she had sold out her 250 samosas. The following Sunday, Nazima got up a little bit earlier and made 500 samosas. The same thing happened.

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Worksheet 4 – C: The Cleverness of Ladies, by Alexander McCall Smith

It was a slack time at the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency, the only detective agency in Botswana. It would be wrong to say that nothing was going on – Mma Ramotswe, who had founded the agency to deal with the problems of ladies (and others), knew that something was always happening. People were always getting themselves into unfortunate scrapes; they had always done this, and human nature showed no sign of changing. No, the reason why things were quiet was that nobody was bringing anything to the attention of the small detective agency at the back of Tlokweng Road Speedy Motors.

The garage business was owned by Mma Ramotswe's husband, Mr. J.L.B. Matekoni, who everyone agreed was the finest mechanic in Botswana. She had been engaged to Mr. J.L.B. Matekoni for rather a long time, and eventually he had married her. But some say this was only as a result of clever plotting by the cunning matron of the Tlokweng Orphan Farm, Mma Potokwani.

Yet such a view was uncharitable. Mr J.L.B. Matekoni was sometimes a bit indecisive, and marriage proved to be only one of the things that he was indecisive about.

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Worksheet 5 – Note table

	1	2	3
People			
Places			
Things			
Events			
Times and dates			