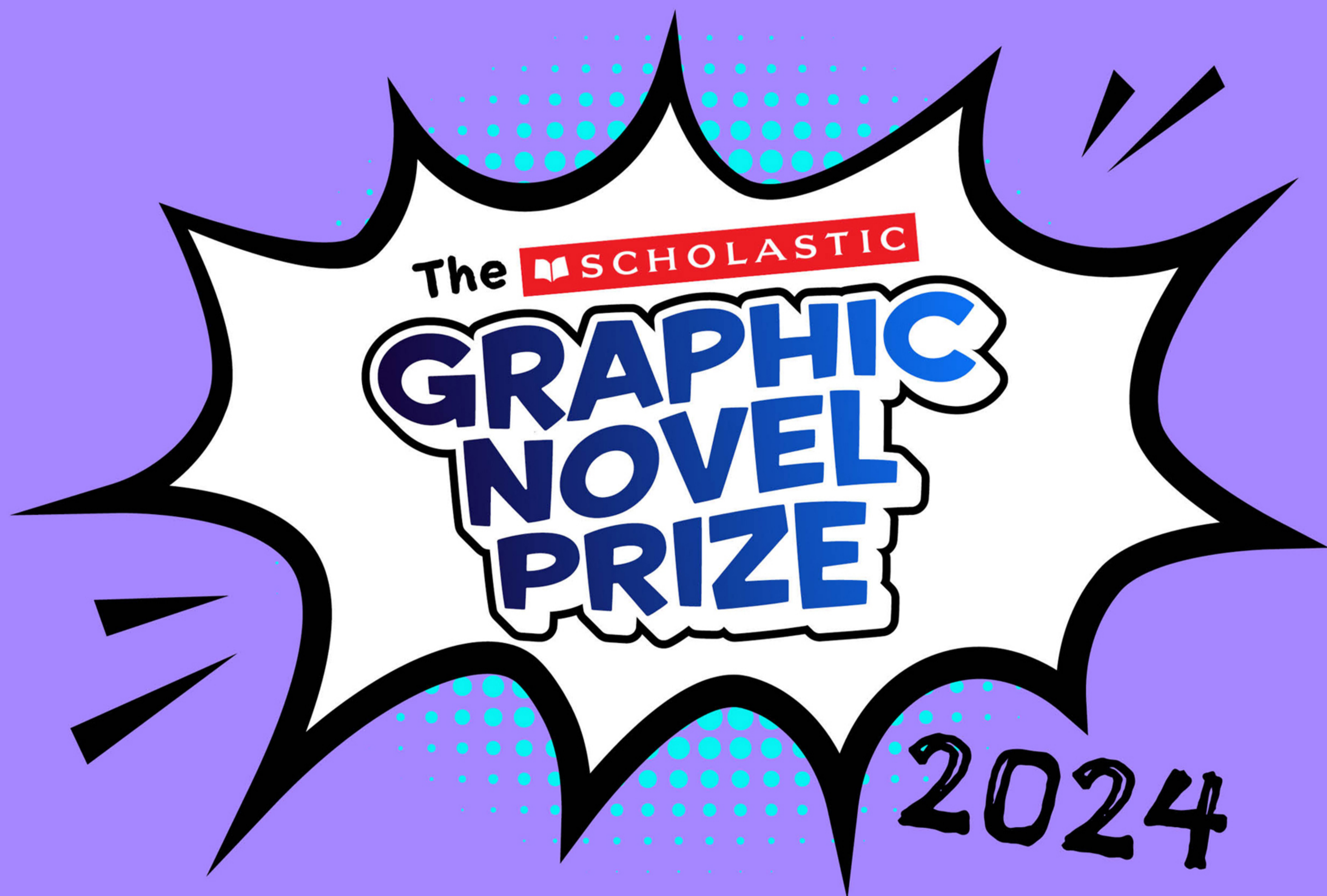
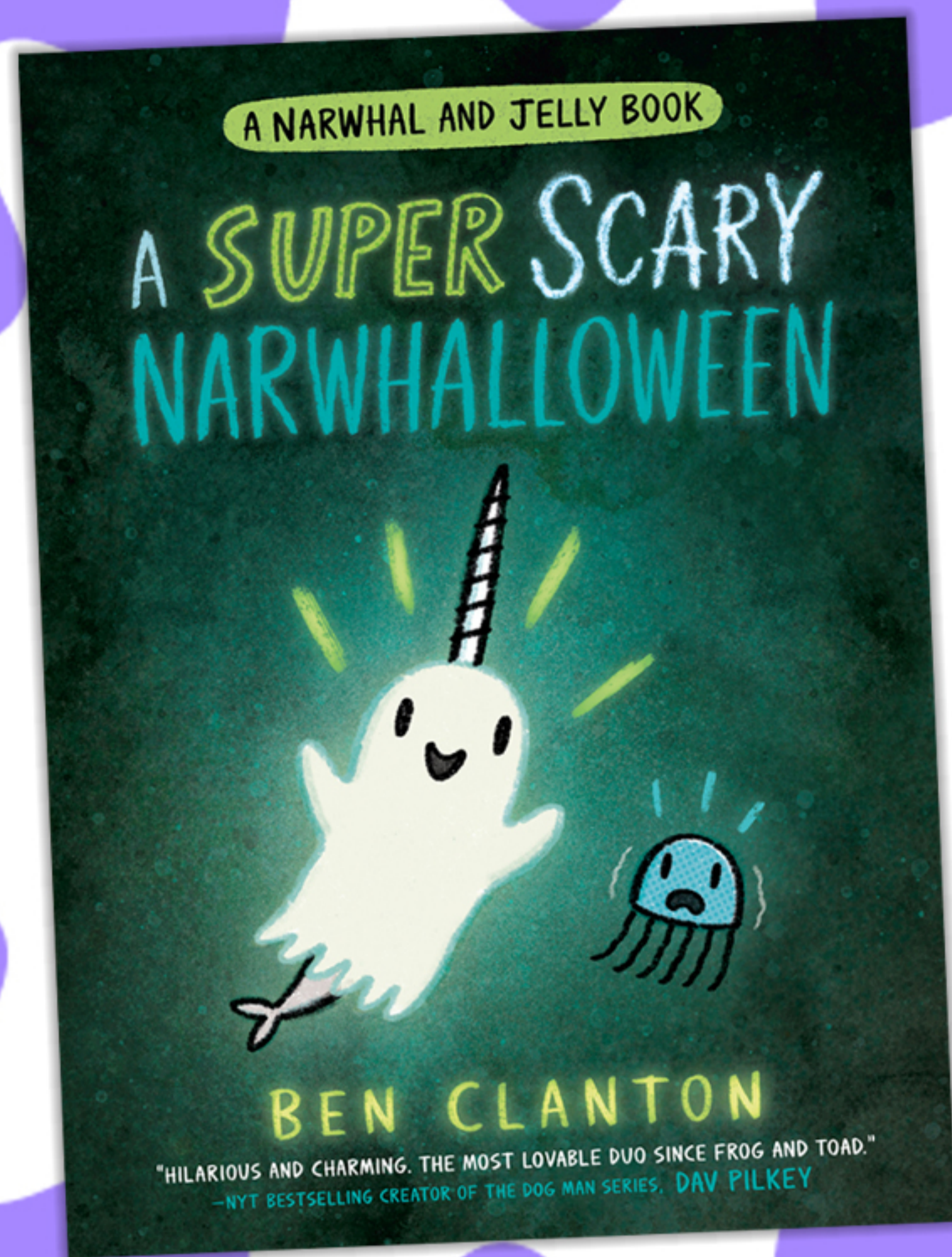


YOUNGER READERS SHORTLIST RESOURCES





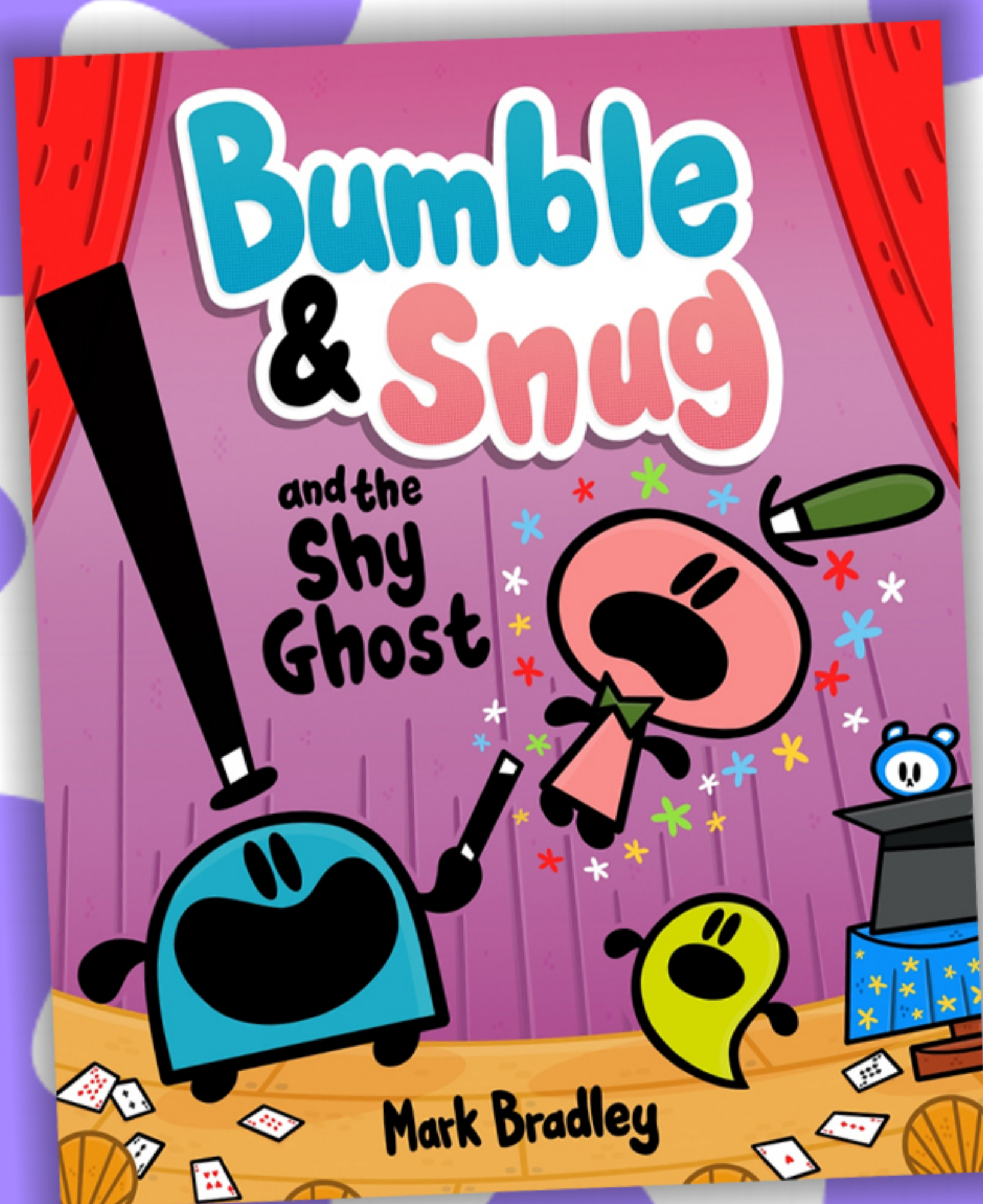
A SUPER SCARY NARWHALLOWEEN

Dive into three new stories that are sure to fright and delight! Narwhal loves Halloween - it's a great excuse to dress up in a spooky and silly costume, like a ghost, a mermaid, a banana or maybe even Marlow the Mustachioed Moose. It's a skeleTON of fun!

WELCOME TO ANIMAL ISLAND

Max has just moved to Animal Island and it's full of new friends: Orlando, Crumbs, Moose, Pedalo and a very special creature called a CHAFFY . . .

Chaffy is lost! So it's down to Max to find where Chaffy belongs . . . and YOU can help!

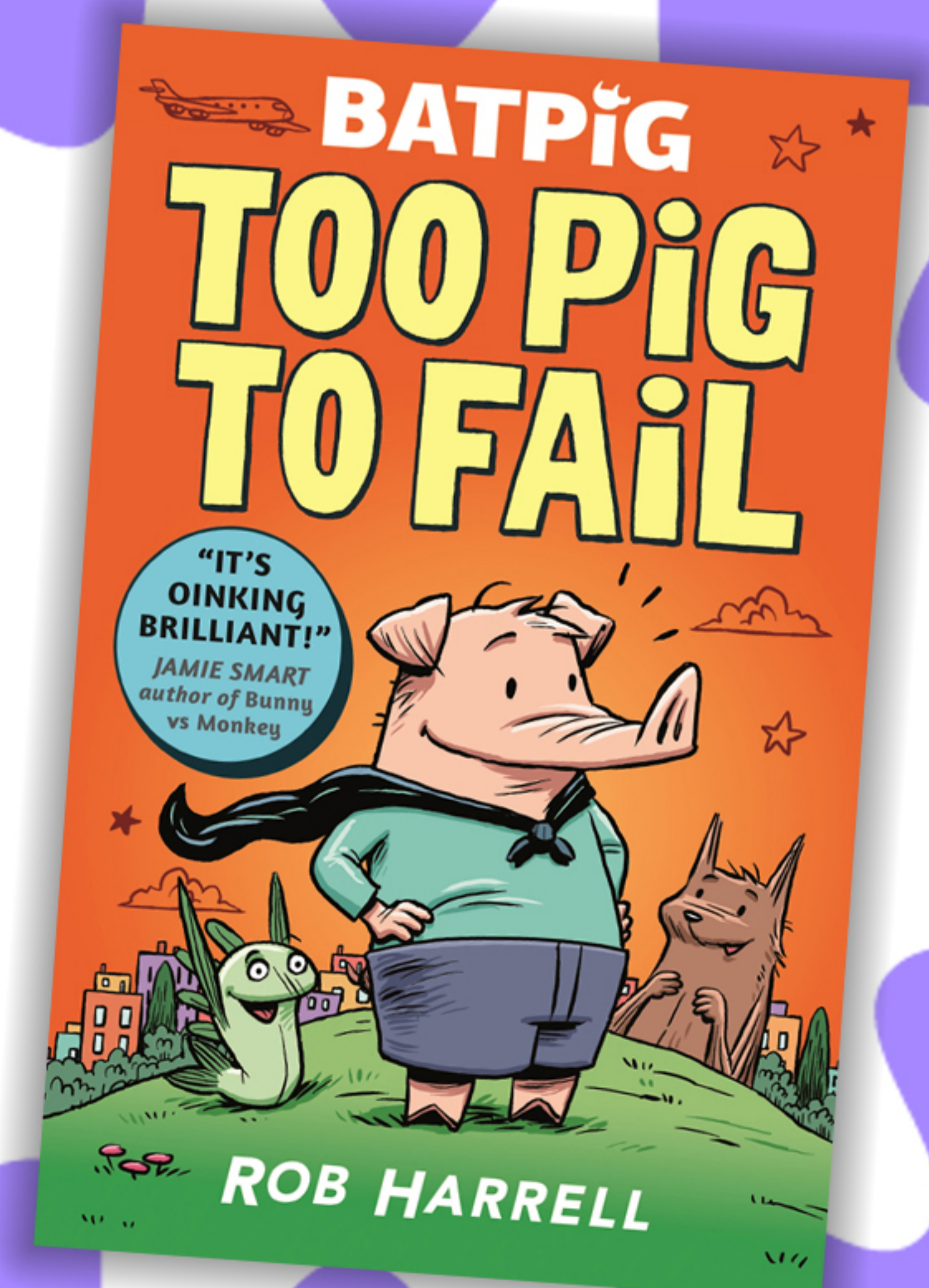


BUMBLE AND SNUG AND THE SHY GHOST

Best friends Bumble and Snug are bugbops - little monsters filled with BIG feelings! Join them in this new, full-colour graphic novel, as they go on a thrilling, funny adventure with a VERY shy ghost and learn about the world outside and inside.

BATPIG: TOO PIG TO FAIL

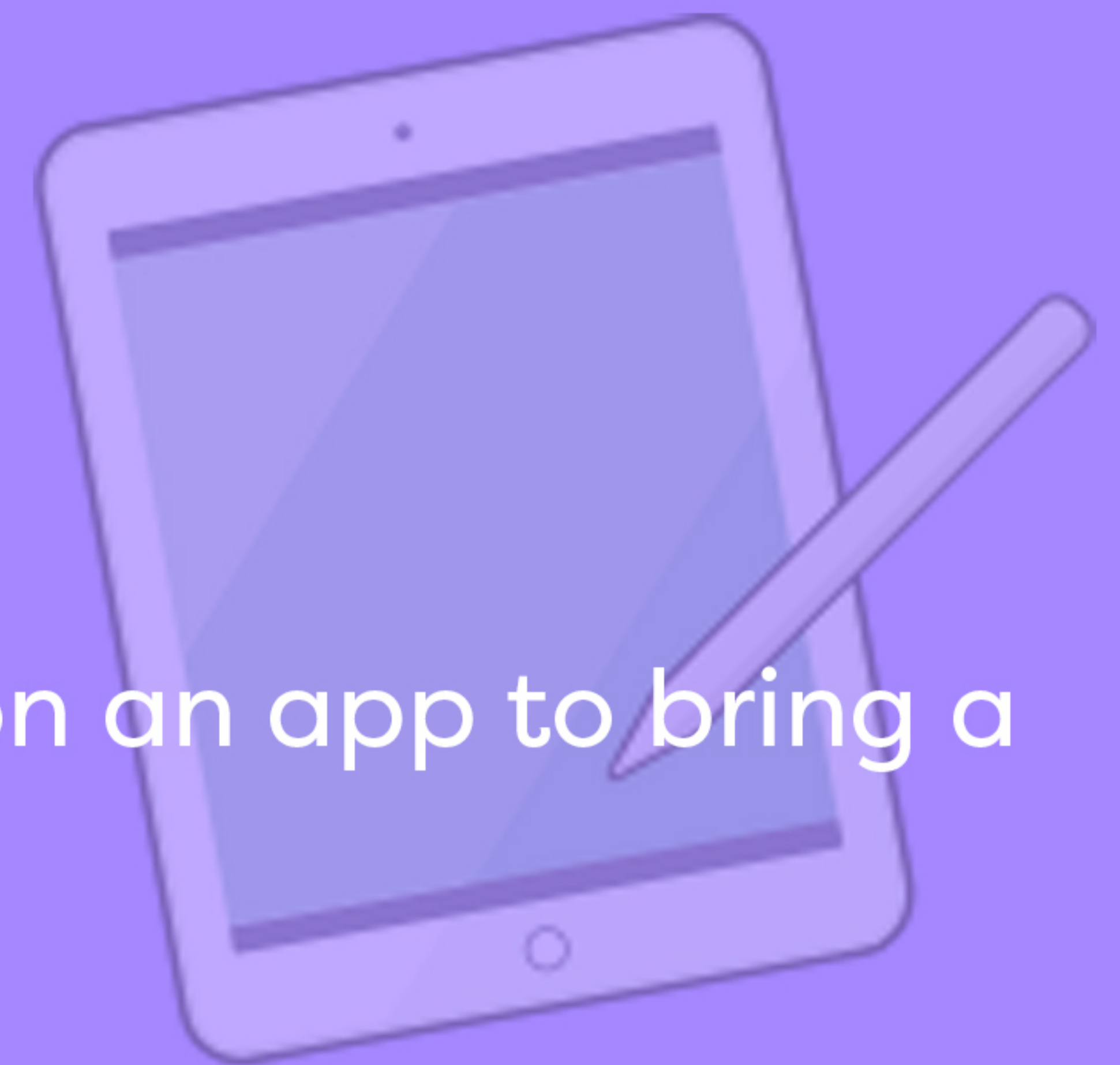
Gary Yorkshire is finally getting into the swing of this whole superhero thing. But what happens when Batpig is called to battle time itself in a maths class that just won't end? Or when the city is attacked by something completely (and literally) out of this world?



Best Graphic Novel for Younger Readers

These fantastic titles may be the very first time younger readers have encountered graphic novels before. Here are some ways you might like to introduce them...

Let's Get Digital!



What?

Pupils are going to use computer software on an app to bring a still image to life.

Objectives?

- Use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content.

How?

- Take a photo or scan in an image of a favourite scene or character.
- Depending on the children's skills with the computer they could digitally manipulate the character in any of the following ways: add speech bubbles, alter the colours, change the background or add in props, add sound effects... The possibilities are endless.

Book Reviews

What?

The children are going to create book reviews to share with peers or people visiting the school library. These reviews could also be used to inform the voting process.

Objectives?

- Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by writing for different purposes.
- Consider what they are going to write before beginning by planning or saying out loud what they are going to write about.

How?

- What is a book review? Why do people write them? Share an example with the group. What information does it give us? What is fact and what is opinion?
- Ask pupils to consider the graphic novels in the short list. Which is their favourite? Briefly tell a partner why that novel is their favourite.
- Use a book review template to help them scaffold their writing. They will be writing a comment to recommend their chose title to a friend or to accompany the book on display in the school library.
- Say their sentence out loud before writing it down.



Character Role Play

What?

The children are going to dress up and act as their favourite character from one of the graphic novels. This would be a fun way to end a unit of work!

Objectives?

- Making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done.
- Predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far.
- Participate in discussion about what is read to them, taking turns and listening to what others say.

How?

- Provide children with pictures of the key characters in the graphic novels. Encourage them to look carefully at the character's physical features, the clothes they are wearing etcetera and add labels.
 - Look back through the novel and pick out any key catchphrases the character might say. Add these to the images used above.
 - What key words would the children use to describe their characters? Why? How have they inferred these? Add to the original image of the character.
 - Get creative – use all available resources to create a costume to represent their chosen character. Practise using their character's catchphrases and act in an appropriate manner.
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Book Review Template

Title:

Author:

Illustrator:

Why I liked it:

Favourite character:

Star Rating: 



The Graphic Novel Prize celebrates the best graphic novels for children in the UK and Ireland, voted for by kids.

We are delighted to reveal the shortlist for 2024 and celebrate the graphic novels that have captivated readers with their rich plots and captivating visual elements.

Familiarise yourself with this year's shortlist and remember, don't forget to cast your vote!

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