

## BOOKS REVIEW

Students of A1/A2 Advanced English Class have been asked to read and comment on the books they read and liked.

If you like reading books, you can have a look at the reviews of the books they have chosen because they are very interesting. You may find a book you would like to read!

Their teacher,

**Μαρία Ποτηροπούλου**

### POPEYE

I am not going to present a book to you but a series of comic books. These comic books describe the adventures of Popeye. Popeye was a sailor who always got mixed up in lots of adventures but always was saved by his secret power which was no more than a can of spinach. I like this series of comics because they are about Popeye, who is my favourite hero.



**Μάριος Ρεμπής**

### TWILIGHT

My favourite book is the *Twilight* written by Stephanie Meyer. It talks about love and mystery. The basic characters are Bella and Edward. Bella lives in Phoenix but she moves to Forks City. There, she meets a boy, Edward. She falls in love with him and he falls in love with her. Edward is weird. He has a big secret. He is a vampire. Then, Bella finds out that she is in danger...

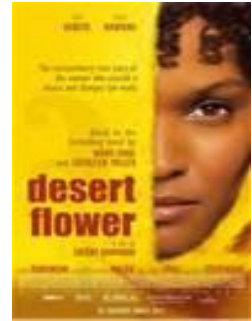
I propose that you should read this book if you like vampires.

**Αλεξάνδρα Κωνσταντινίδου**



## THE DESERT FLOWER

The author of this book is Waris Dirie. The main character is Waris Dirie. The plot is about a girl, Waris. Waris escapes from her house because her dad wants her to get married. Because of her marriage something awful will happen. But Waris will change her fate. When Waris escapes, she meets a lot of obstacles and has a lot of adventures. In the end she gets over all the obstacles because she is a very strong and smart girl.



I like this book because it is about a real event and it has a lot of adventure.

**Ματίνα Μουτσίου**

## THE GHOSTS IN THE ATTIC

My favourite book is *The ghosts in the attic* which is written by Manos Kontoleon.

Anna and Nick, two kids who live in a flat, want to have a fancy party. So, they ask their parents and their parents say "yes". The following day, they decide on the date of the fancy party. The day of the party comes. So, they wear some costumes they find in the attic, but they don't know that their attic has ghosts. Anna wears a dress and Nick a costume and a hat. Unfortunately, Nick loses his hat and the ghosts ask him to find it. In the end, he finds it with the help of his sister.



I really recommend this book because it is fascinating and stretches the imagination.

**Γιώτα Κοντογιάννη**

## FALLEN

There is something mysterious about Daniel. Luce notices that from the first time in her new "school", Sword Daniel is the only "light" telephones are not losers and the security everywhere.

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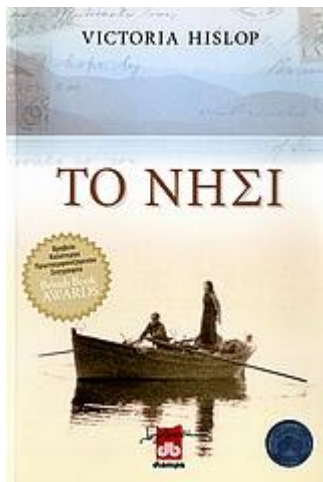


and Cross Reform School. person in a place where the allowed, all the students are cameras follow them

doesn't want to be friend with she falls in love with him. His on him attract her. She is what Daniel hides so

**Αφροδίτη Βαμιεδιάκη**

## THE ISLAND



This book was written by the famous writer Victoria Hislop. Victoria is a journalist and lives in England where her books have been best sellers.

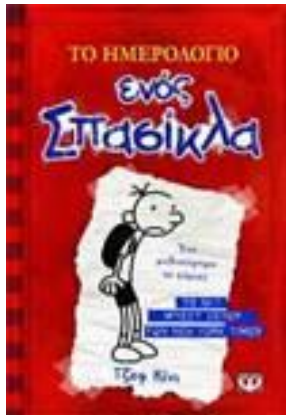
This excellent book is about a girl, Alexia, who looks forward to learning about the past of her mother, Sophia. She only knows that her mother grew up in a small Cretan village before leaving for London. When Alexia decides to visit Crete, Sophia gives her a letter for an old friend and promises her that this old friend will tell her the truth. Alexia discovers that her family's life is associated with the small and deserted island of Spinaloga. She learns the history of her grandmother and mother, as well the family's tragedy and sufferings.

I like this book because it talks about a girl interested in her mother and grandmother's life.

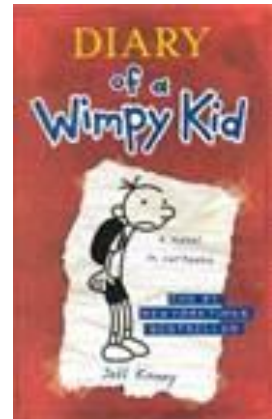
I suggest to everyone that they read it because it is a nice and interesting book.

**Έφη Κάκου**

### THE DIARY OF A WIMPY KID



I am going to write about my favourite book. The title of this book is *The Diary of Wimpy Kid* and the author is Jeff Kinney. It's about a kid who has many problems. The name of the Kid is Gregory. He wants to do many things but something always happens. There are seven books



but I only have the first four. I want to buy the others, too. This book is my favourite because it is really funny and it is about the problems of a strange teenager.

**Μιχάλης Μανθόπουλος**

### I AM NUJOOD: AGE TEN AND DIVORCED

This book was written by Delphine Minoui who is a famous French writer. It is the true story of a girl from Yemen who dared to defy the strict traditions of her country. She asked for a divorce and she got it. This is an unprecedented decision in the annals of the Court history of this Middle-Eastern State where the majority of the girls get married before reaching the age of eighteen. Nujood gathered her strength and became the heroine of all the victims.

She tells her story with the help of the journalist Delphine Minoui to encourage other girls of her age to change their fate.



I like this book because it talks about a girl who tries to solve her problems alone and her enemies are the people in her own country.

### Ευαγγελία Γκούμα

#### EMILY'S TAIL

The book I will present you is *Emily's Tail*. Emily was a girl who liked swimming so she decided to go to a swimming pool. When she grew up, she discovered something strange. Every time she swam in the sea she became a mermaid, she turned again into a girl. This worried Emily and she told her mum about it. Emily's mum decided that Emily should live alone on a boat to be able to be near



the sea. Emily accepted. Of course, Emily's mum would visit her every day. Nobody should know about this.

This is the story of Emily who was a strange mermaid.

### Κατερίνα Μπέλεση

#### JERK FAMILY



The book I have read is called *Jerk Family*. It is about a family that its last name is Jerk. Mr. Andreas is the leader of the family and gets angry with everything that happens. Aspasia is the mum. Aspasia's main role is to calm Andreas Jerk. One of their sons studies in France and when he comes to Greece he thinks that Greek people are hogs (κάφροι) and he creates the anti-hog party. The other son is a small child that likes annoying people. He causes a lot of problems every

day. Finally their daughter is a sucker that thinks she is a cinema star. They have to face strange, funny problems.

A great book with a great plot, written by Dimitris Psathas.

### Αλέξανδρος Μοίρας



## THE GREAT COW RACE

My favourite book is *The Great Cow Race*. *The Great Cow Race* is the second book of Jeff Smith's comic book series *Bone*. The book was first published by Cartoon Books in 1996 and it was black and white.

Bonneville hosts a Cow Race every year and Grandma Ben wins every year. A few days before the race, the villagers organize a market / festival. Fone Bone is in love with Grandma Ben's daughter, Thorn. A honey seller flirts with Thorn and Fone Bone is jealous. He goes to the forest to get some honey to give it to Thorn. He gets a lot of honey but when he is back at the festival to give it to Thorn, he sees Thorn sharing honey with the honey seller. Fone with his cousin, Smiley, work in a tavern. Smiley is very cunning and he spreads rumours to the villagers that Grandma Ben is not fit this year and she will not win the Cow Race. The villagers believe him and they are very disappointed with Grandma Ben. Smiley Bone opens a bet store. The villagers bet that Grandma Ben will not win the race and they bet a lot of money. The next day Smiley tells Fone to make a cow suit and wear it. Fone makes the cow suit and wears it.



Smiley introduces Fone dressed in a cow suit to the villagers and tells them that this cow has many abilities and it is the best. So, a lot of villagers bet their money on this cow. In the end, Grandma Ben wins the race and Smiley gets hundreds of dollars. But the villagers punch him out.

**Δημήτρης Παπαδημητρίου**

## THE SNOW QUEEN

**Author:** Hans Christian Andersen

**The main characters:** Two little kids, Kai and Gelda

**The other characters:** The Snow Queen, a granny, three evil elves and the King of Darkness.



### **The plot**

Once, many years ago, a magical crystal got into the eye and the heart of a little boy called, Kai. Since that day Kai changed. He stopped seeing the beauty of the world and began to behave badly, even to most beloved friend, Gelda. Shortly after, the Snow Queen appeared in front of him. She charmed him and took him to her iced palace. No one knew what happened to the young boy. Only his best friend, Gelda, that couldn't live away from him, decided to look for him. Her adventurous journey led her into a magical world, where only the pure, true love can solve even the most powerful spells.

**Κατερίνα Παναγούλια**

### **A SERIES OF UNFORTUNATE EVENTS**

The book I have chosen is called *A Series of Unfortunate Events* by Lemony Snicket (the pen name of the author Daniel Handler). This book talks about three kids who don't have any family and they meet a bad man. Slowly, slowly they discover that their house was not on fire by them. It was a trick of this evil man because he wants to take their fortune. But the children are the legitimate heirs to their parents' fortune. The man tries to kill the children in different ways. In the end, the police arrest the man and obliges him to give the house back to the children,,,



The book is very mysterious and I suggest you read it.

**Τάσος Δημόπουλος**

### **KENSUKE'S KINGDOM**

The book I will describe is *Kensuke's Kingdom*. The main character is a kid, Mike. One day he decides to explore the world with his family. Sometime later, he falls off the boat and after fighting with the waves, he finds himself on a strange island. When he wakes up he finds a plate with fish, some bananas and a bowl of water next to him...

The author of the book is Michael Morpurgo.

**Μιχάλης Ναυπιώτης**

