

## Armitage less

'Dad really did know how to make some truly scrumptious ice cream. There was: Triple chocolate sundae... Toffee Popcorn Explosion... Banoffi Pie with Mega Fudge Chunks... Marshmallow Milkshake Supreme... Mini Chocolate Eggs and Fruits of the Forest... Snail and Broccoli...'

Make up your own flavours of ice cream to sell on the Armitage Ices van.









# Wordscarch

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ZOE GINGERNUT RATBURGER MISS MIDGE ICECREAM TINA TROTT COCKROACH DUSTGIRL ARMITAGE BURT PRAWN COCKTAIL RAJ





# Animal Smuggling

'It isn't easy to smuggle a rat into school. The hardest animal to sneak into school is of course the blue whale. Just too big and wet.'

Write a story about the day you smuggled an animal, any animal, into school!







### Armitage

'HE WAS A RAT.

Children don't have rats as pets. They have cats and dogs and hamsters and gerbils and guinea pigs and mice and rabbits and terrapins and tortoises, posh ones even sometimes have ponies, but never rats.'

Write a poem about an unusual pet.







#### Burt's Burgers

'Burt's burger van didn't offer much of a menu:

Burger in a bap 79p Burger only 49p Bap only 39p'

You have your own van.

What do you sell - something scrummy or something gruesome?

Draw a picture of your van. Give your van a name. Write a list or menu for what you sell.



David Walliams Ratburger



## Dustgirl

'Raj studied the small dusty girl.

"So forgive me, but what have you dressed as?"

"Dustgirl."

"Dustgirl?"

"Yes, Dustgirl. She is a superhero, you know."

"I have never heard of her."

"She is very popular."

"Dustgirl, eh? So what is her superpower?" enquired Raj, genuinely curious.

"She is very good at dusting," replied Zoe.'

Zoe/Dustgirl defeated the crimes of the gruesome villain Burt.

Draw your own superhero comic strip for the next adventures of 'Dustgirl'! Who does she defeat next and how?





# Miss Midge

"Zoe?" sneered Miss Midge... "Yes, Miss?" asked Zoe, perfectly innocently. "You have a rat on your head..."

What is the worst thing that has happened or could ever happen to you at school?



David Walliams Ratburger



## Bathurger Quiz

- 1. What is the name of Zoe's hamster?
  - a) Gingerbread
  - b) Gingernut
  - c) Ginger Beer

#### 2. What flavour crisps does Zoe's stepmother eat?

- a) Smokey bacon
- b) Roast Chicken
- c) Prawn Cocktail
- 3. What do the children at school call Miss Midge?
  - a) Miss Midget
  - b) Miss Muppet
  - c) Miss Mini
- 4. Burt's Burgers is written on one side of his van. What is written on the other side?
  - a) Burt's Vermin Control b) Burt's Rodent Control
  - c) Burt's Pest Control
- 5. What flashes up on Zoe's dad's phone when her stepmother phones?
  - a) The monster
  - b) The dragon
  - c) The dinosaur
- 6. What does Burt use to make the ketchup?
  - a) maggots
  - b) blue bottles
  - c) cockroaches
- 7. Who is terrified of rats and jumps on the table?
  - a) Tina Trotts
  - b) Raj
  - c) Mr Grave
- 8. What trick does Armitage do to win the talent show?
  - a) Ride a wind-up toy motorbike
  - b) Hop on one leg
  - c) Dance a waltz with a gerbil





### The Amazing Armitage

'...Zoe dreamed of travelling the world with a huge menagerie of animal stars. One day, she would train animals to do extraordinary feats that she believed would delight the world. She even made a list of what these madcap acts could be:

A frog who is a superstar DJ

- A rapping terrapin
- Two gerbils who ballroom dance together
- An elephant who sings opera
- A donkey who does magic tricks
- A tap-dancing centipede
- A boy band comprised entirely of guinea pigs
- A street-dance group of tortoises
- A cat who does impressions (of famous cartoon cats)
- A ballet-dancing pig
- A worm hypnotist
- A high-wire acrobatics act with cows
- An ant who does ventriloquism
- A daredevil mole who does incredible stunts like being shot out of a cannon
- A karate display with jellyfish
- A bungee-jumping hippopotamus.'

#### Design a poster advertising Zoe's travelling animal show. Can you add any other animal acts to her list?





## The Inverisation Machine

Burt approached the machine.

The main part of the contraption was a massive metal funnel, with a long conveyor belt leading from underneath it. A huge wooden rolling pin hovered over the belt. Next, metal arms that could have been parts of old food mixers stood ready at the side. On the end of the arms were round metal tubes that looked like sawndown sections of old piping, or perhaps even parts of a lorry exhaust pipe.

...As soon as Burt walked over and pulled the lever on the side to turn it on (which was actually an arm from a shop window dummy), the metal grinding noise easily drowned out the squeaks. The whole machine rattled as if it was about to fall to pieces.'

Invent your own machine. What job does it do? Label the different parts of the machine. Give your machine a name.





## Tina Trotts

"There is something I need to say to you, Zoe," said Tina suddenly, her eyes filling with tears. "Something I've never said to anyone. Ever. Ever ever ever. And if you repeat it, I'll kill you."

Goodness, thought Zoe. What on earth could it be? Is it some terrible secret? Does Ting have a second head that she keeps hidden under her jumpers? Or is she really a boy called Bob?

But no, reader. It was none of these things.

It was something much more shocking...

"Sorry," said Tina, eventually.

Pretend that you are the bully Tina Trotts. Write a letter to Zoe apologising for all the mean things you have done to her. Tell her why you behaved the way you did and suggest ways to make it up to her.







Wordscarch answers

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