



# Marathon Books

## NZ Books for Reluctant Readers

### Super Sandwich

(the Mata books)



available on flashdrive as audio-assisted ebooks



#### Target Group

Years 3 - 6 students who don't choose to read.

#### Genre

Adventure photo-stories featuring boys (& girls) who get into and out of trouble, being heroes and saving the day.

#### Characters & Setting

Mata and Shayla (both Year 5) feature throughout the series. Sub-characters Tas and Josh become the main characters in the next series. All the stories take place in a distinctly NZ school, home, and small town setting.

#### Reading level 7 - 8 years

14 titles, \*Teacher's Book. 16 pages of short simple sentences with high-frequency vocabulary.

Heavily photo-illustrated in full colour. Mp3 audio files available.



### Power Button

(the Tas books)



#### Target Group

Years 4 - 8 students (mainly boys) who are reluctant to read.

#### Genre

Adventure photo-stories about boys getting into and out of trouble, being heroes, and saving the day.

#### Characters & Setting

Tas and Josh (the Year 6 background characters from the Super Sandwich books) feature throughout this series, which has the same NZ home, school, and small town setting as in the Super Sandwich series.

#### Reading level 8 - 9 years

12 titles, \*Teacher's Book. 24 pages, easy-reading, heavily photo-illustrated in full colour.



Power Button and Power Button Advanced now available on flashdrive as audio-assisted ebooks.



### Power Button Advanced

(the Josh books)



#### Target Group

Years 4 - 10 students (mainly boys) who have managed the Tas books and want something more grown-up looking, with more reading mileage but still with easy-reading support strategies.

#### Genre

Longer adventure stories: boys getting into and out of trouble, being heroes, and saving the day.

#### Characters & Setting

The same two Year 6 boys as in the Tas books. The same NZ school, home and small town settings as in the Tas books, extended to the surrounding area.

#### Reading level 8 - 9 years

6 titles. 4 ~ 84 pages, short sentences & paragraphs, B&W illustrations every 2-3 pages. Mp3 audio files available.



### Driver's Seat



#### Target Group

Male and female, from Years 7 and beyond.

#### Genre

Narrative nonfiction, high-interest stories.

#### Characters & Setting

Mainly young Kiwis, male and female, in local or NZ-related settings.

#### Reading level 9 - 10 years

32 pages, short sentences and paragraphs, colour photo-illustrated.

