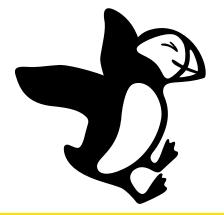
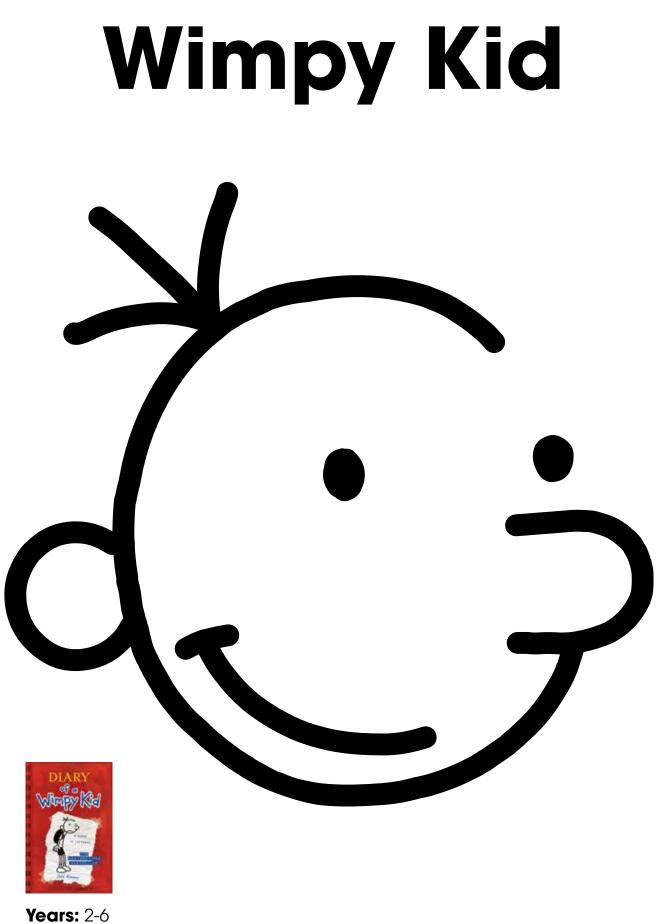
## **Book Week 2019** Costume Hacks

Are you sick of seeing Where's Wally or a hundred Harry Potters at Book Week?

Try something new with these simple Book Week costumes that look fantastic. We've ranked them from easiest to hardest, to make. Best of all, we've concentrated on books in series, to help your child catch the reading bug!





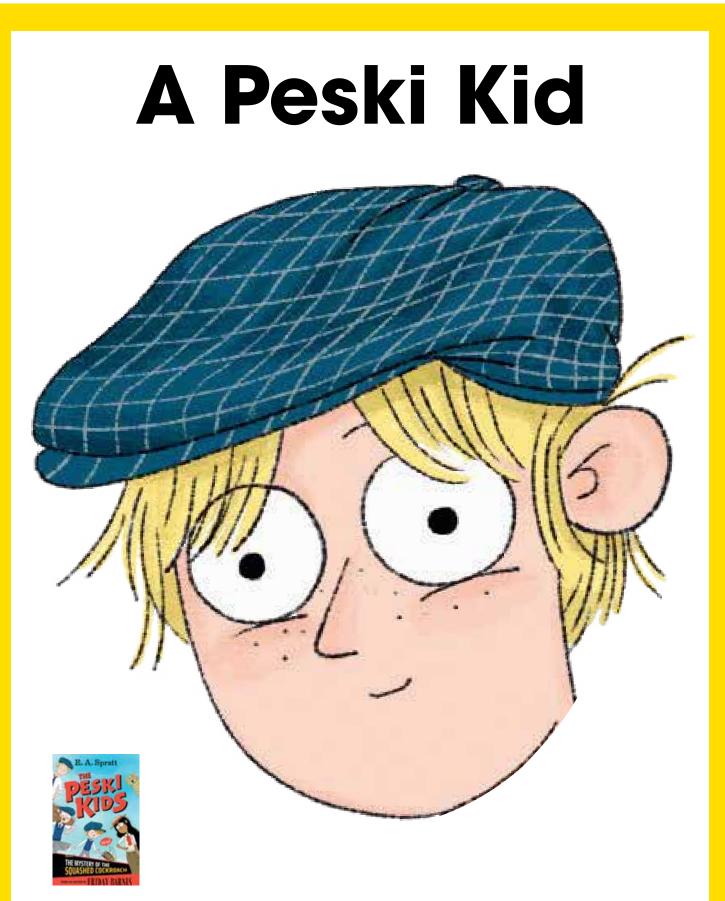
Attitude: Walk with a slouch and you've nailed it Need: White shirt or similar, shorts or jeans, trainers, backpack Print off: Face mask Best book to carry Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Book 1 by Jeff Kinney



Years: 3-6 Attitude: Stealthy, you're a spy Need: All black clothing and shoes Print off: Face mask (optional) Best book to carry: *Kensy and Max 4: Out of Sight* by Jacqueline Harvey



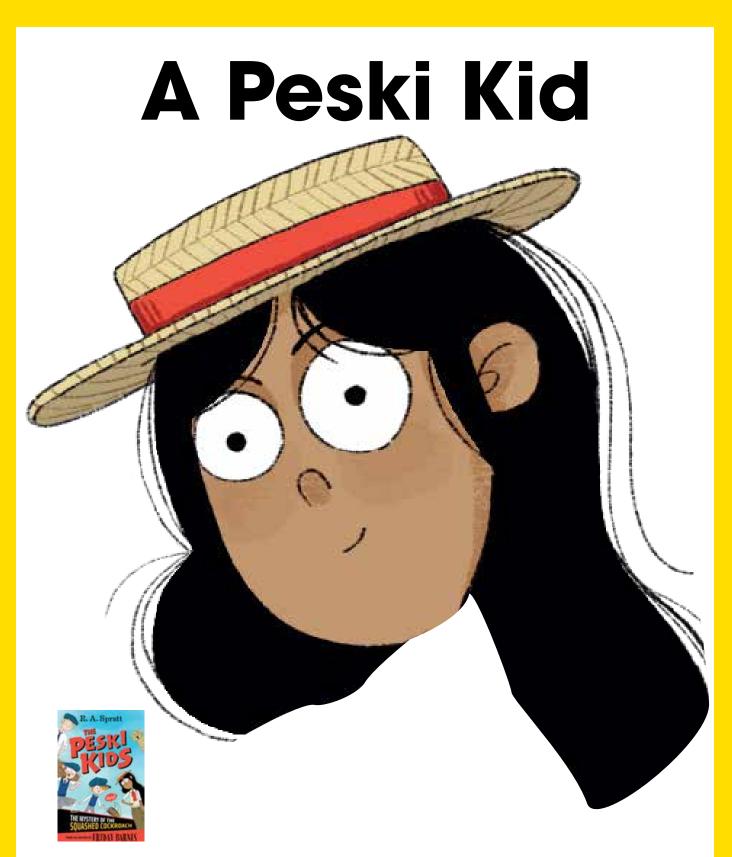
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Years: 3-6 Attitude: Confident with a skip in the step Need: Denim jacket with badges or similar, white shirt, tutu, knee-high white socks Optional: Drumsticks and pink bandana for the hair Print off: Face mask (optional) Best book to carry: Alice-Miranda Keeps the Beat by Jacqueline Harvey

## **Atticus Van Tasticus**



**Years:** 2-6

Attitude: Walk with a swagger and say 'Aaargh me hearties!' Need: Pirate hat, white shirt, pants (striped if you can), big black belt, toy sword Print off: Face mask -- though you might not need it if you have an eye patch! Optional: Stuffed parrot on the shoulder

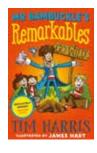
Best book to carry: The Atticus Van Tasticus series by Andrew Daddo and Stephen Michael King is out in September



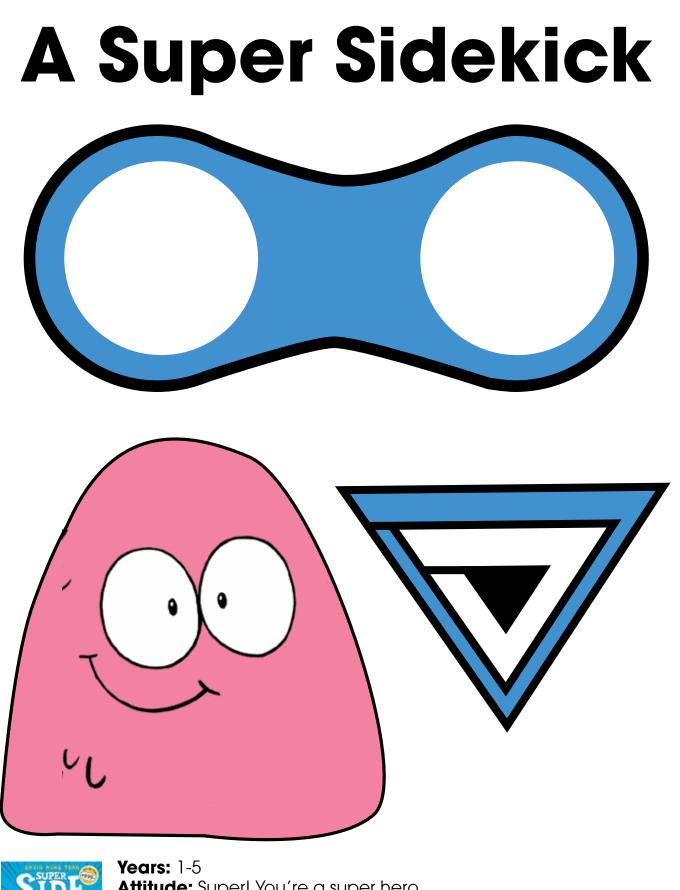
#### Years: 1-4

Attitude: Happy and sparkly, mimic swimming as you're walking Need: Bright coloured t-shirt, mermaid tail or sparkly material for tail Print off: Sea-creature friends to carry (in a fishbowl if you want!) Optional: Seashell handbag or accessories Best book to carry: *Mermaid Holidays 1: The Talent Show* by Delphine Davis and Adele K. Thomas

# Mr Bambuckle

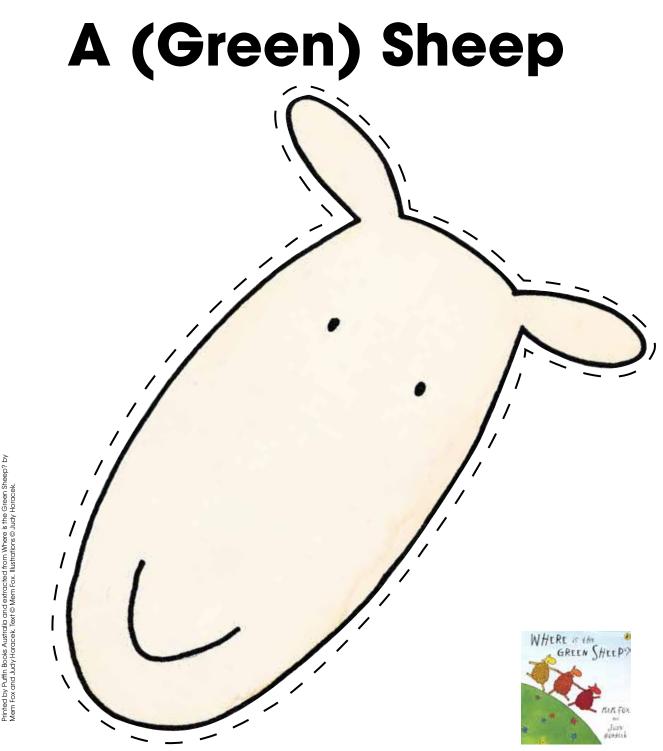


Years: 3-6 Attitude: A little goofy Need: Blue jacket and long blue pants, striped scarf, white shirt, grey waistcoat, red material for waist band, Converse shoes or similar Print off: Face mask (optional) Best book to carry: *Mr Bambuckle's Remarkables Go Wild* by Tim Harris and illustrated by James Hart.





Attitude: Super! You're a super hero. Need: Yellow long sleeve shirt, yellow tights, blue shorts, blue socks, blue gloves Print off: Blue Sidekicks logo, blue eye mask, Goo to carry with you Best book to carry: Super Sidekicks 1: No Adults Allowed! by Gavin Aung Than



# Puffin Books Austro and Judy Horacek.

### Years: Prep-2

Attitude: Happy and joyful unless you're the green sheep, in which case you're sleepy

**Need:** 2 pieces of large coloured cardboard each cut-out in a large cloud shape, crepe paper in the colour of your choice, two cardboard strips to go over the shoulders, scissors, coloured pencils, glue

**Create:** Cut the crepe paper into 5cm squares, scrunch up and stick onto one side of each piece of cardboard until it's covered, use the shoulder strips to connect the two

Print off: Face mask to colour-in

Best book to carry: Where is the Green Sheep? by Mem Fox and Judy Horacek



## A Monster

## Years: Prep-2

Attitude: A little bit scary - you're a monster

**Need:** Light brown fleecy fabric (enough to cover your child's body), a cardboard box big enough for your child to step into, scissors, glue, staples, cord for belt, cord to staple onto box to hold it up, small piece of white cardboard, paint or coloured pencils

### Create:

- Drape fabric over child and cut out eye-holes in appropriate position, and arm holes.
- Cut out two small white teeth and staple them in the mouth position.
- Remove top and bottom of the box so you just have the sides.
- Paint the house design from the cover on each side of the box.
- Use the top of the box to make the roof of the house and paint it red.
- Staple roof to top of the outfit (ensure your child's not underneath!).
- Use one cord as a belt.
- Use second cord to tie and staple box in position at waist level.

**Confession:** OK this isn't a book from a series but it is so much fun we had to include it! There are stacks of books about monsters so it's a great theme to explore with kids

Best book to carry: A *Monster in My House* by the Umbilical Brothers and Jonah Potma