

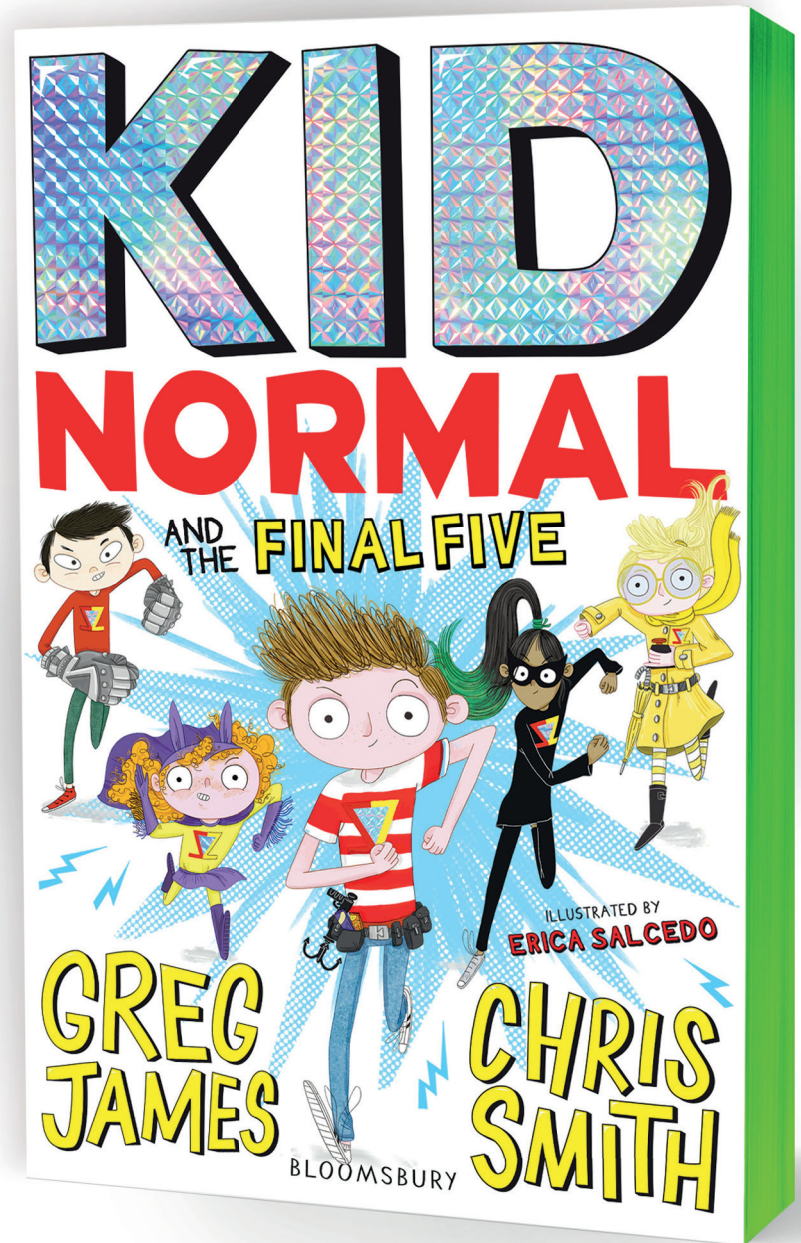
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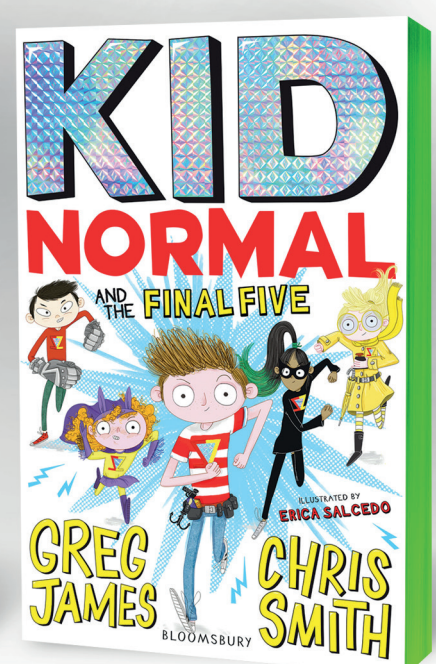
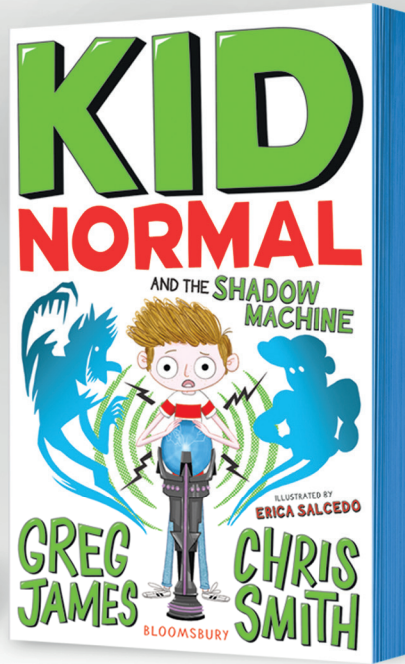
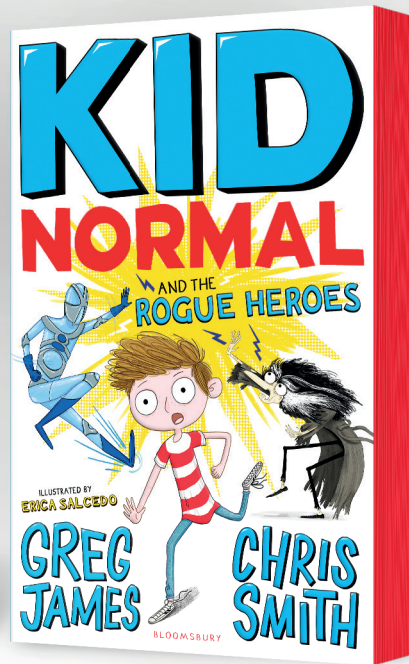
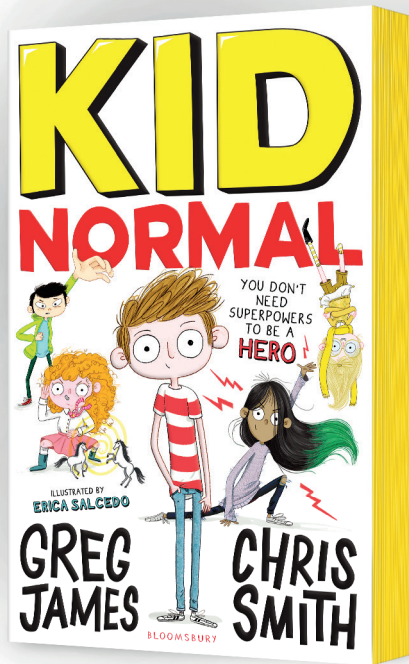
KID NORMAL AND THE FINAL FIVE

Exploring themes of:

PSHE | FRIENDSHIP | WHAT IS YOUR SUPERPOWER?
CELEBRATING DIFFERENCE

Perfect for KS2 – In the classroom or at home!





DISCUSS WITH A PARTNER:

- 1) What do you like about these front covers?
- 2) Why is 'Kid Normal' an interesting title?
- 3) What do you think these books might be about?
- 4) Have you read any of these books? Which is your favourite and why?



DISCUSS WITH A PARTNER:

- 1) What does the word 'superpower' mean to you?**
- 2) What about 'superhero'?**
- 3) Who is your favourite superhero and what makes them awesome?**

AT THE BEGINNING OF
KID NORMAL AND THE FINAL FIVE,
MURPH COOPER TELLS US:

There are Heroes everywhere.

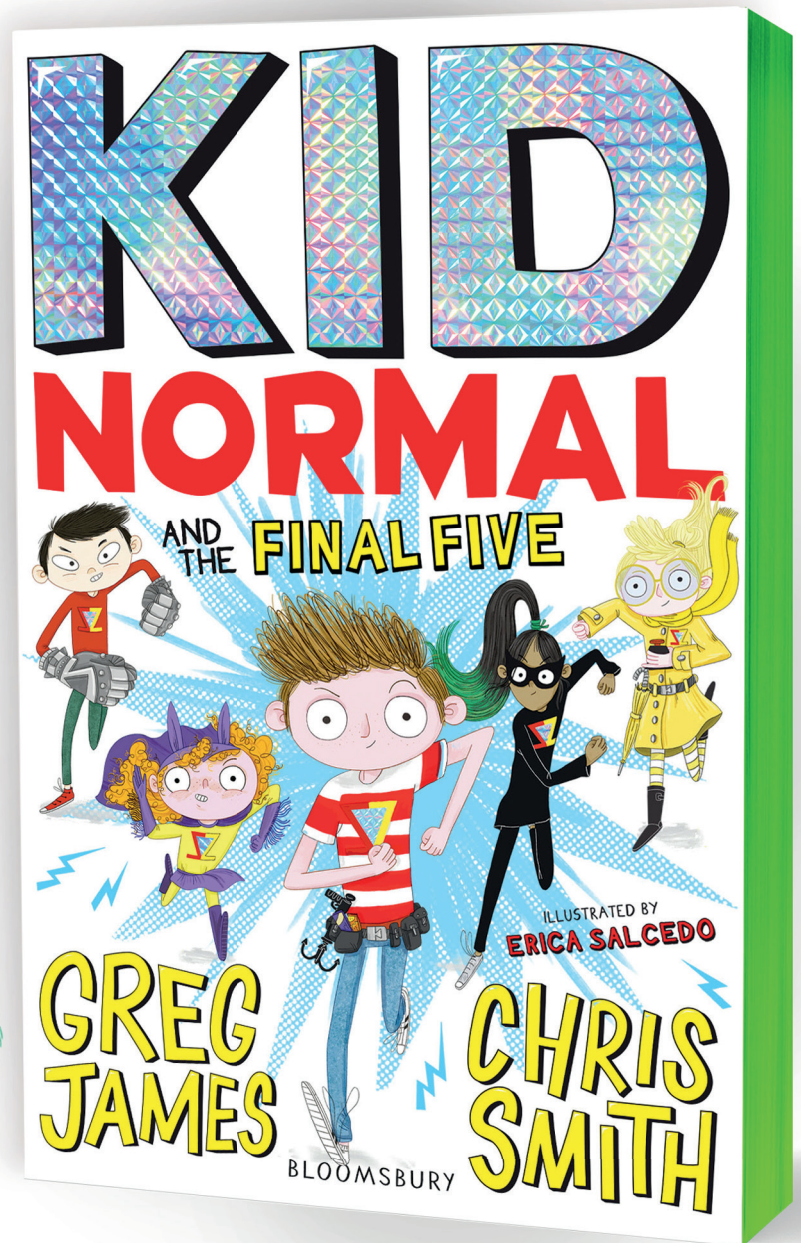
*You walk past them in the street
every day.*

You read about them in the papers.

You hear about them on the news.

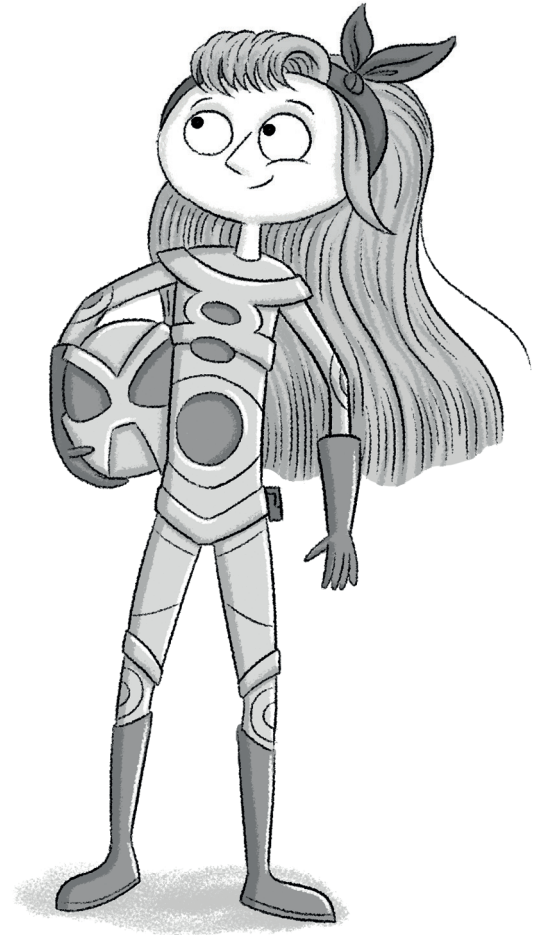
REFLECT!

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO YOU?



WHAT QUALITIES DO
YOU THINK SUPERHEROES
HAVE ON BOTH THE ...

INSIDE
AND
OUTSIDE?



YOUR SUPERPOWERS

**THE BAD NEWS IS, YOU PROBABLY
CAN'T FLY OR MAKE YOURSELF INVISIBLE ...**

**THE GOOD NEWS IS, YOU ARE ALL SUPERHEROES
WITH YOUR OWN SUPERPOWERS!**

Close your eyes and think about:

- **What makes you a superhero and what are your superpowers?
(These are things that make you different and make you special!)**
- **Why is it important to be proud of what makes you unique?**
- **How do the Kid Normal books explore these ideas?**



BEING DIFFERENT

In Kid Normal and the Final Five **MURPH'S MUM SAYS:**

**'People are scared of anything
new or different'**

DISCUSS!

- What is happening in the picture?
- Why can it sometimes be scary to be different?
- Can you think of a time you wished you were 'normal' instead of being different?
- Why would the world be boring if we were all the same?



FRIENDSHIP



MURPH IS A SUPERHERO, BUT HE NEEDS THE HELP OF HIS FRIENDS IN ORDER TO DEFEAT THE EVIL NICHOLAS KNOX!

1) FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE SUPER ZEROES, THINK ABOUT:

- What are their superpowers?
- What makes them a hero and a great friend?

MEMBERS OF THE SUPER ZEROES:

MURPH MARY HILDA NELLIE BILLY

2) CAN YOU THINK OF ANY OTHER HEROES AND GOOD FRIENDS WHO HELP MURPH ON HIS ADVENTURE?

A NEW ALLIANCE

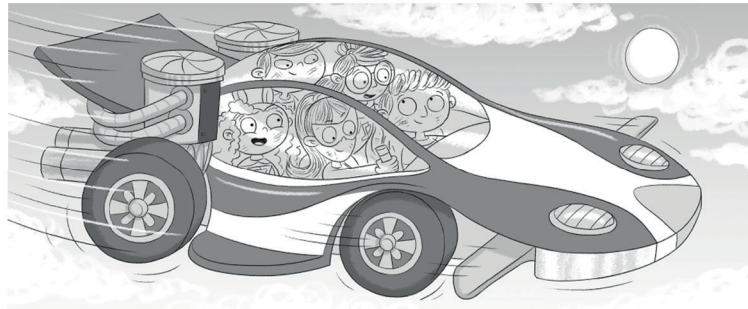
1) IMAGINE THAT YOU ARE GOING TO FORM YOUR OWN HEROES' ALLIANCE. CLOSE YOUR EYES AND PICTURE A FRIEND YOU WOULD WANT BY YOUR SIDE.

DISCUSS!

- Why would you choose this friend?
- What superpowers do they have?
 - What makes them a hero?
 - What makes them different?
- What makes them a brilliant friend?

2) WHICH OF THE SUPERPOWERS BELOW DO YOU THINK ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT TO HAVE IN YOUR ALLIANCE AND WHY?

TRUSTWORTHINESS	BRAVERY	HONESTY
SELFLESSNESS	DETERMINATION	KINDNESS



WHAT MAKES A SUPERHERO?

UNLIKE THE OTHER KIDS AT HIS SCHOOL, MURPH DOESN'T HAVE A 'CAPABILITY' BUT HE IS STILL A HERO, JUST LIKE YOU!

AT THE END OF THE STORY, MURPH SAYS:

**'... anybody can choose to be a Hero.
It's not the power you're born with –
it's the determination to fight without
fear and to save without thanks.'**

DISCUSS WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED FROM KID NORMAL ABOUT:

- **Superpowers**
 - **Heroes**
- **Being different**
 - **Friendship**

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

NOW IT'S YOUR TURN TO THINK ABOUT ...

HOW WILL **YOU** CELEBRATE EACH OTHERS'
DIFFERENCES IN THE FUTURE?

MAKE 3 PROMISES ABOUT HOW YOU WILL
BE KIND TO YOURSELF AND OTHERS:

1)

2)

3)



REMEMBER:

**‘Being a Hero isn’t
about having a power.
Or a costume, or ...
or a codename,
or anything like that.**

**Being a Hero is something you
choose.’**

