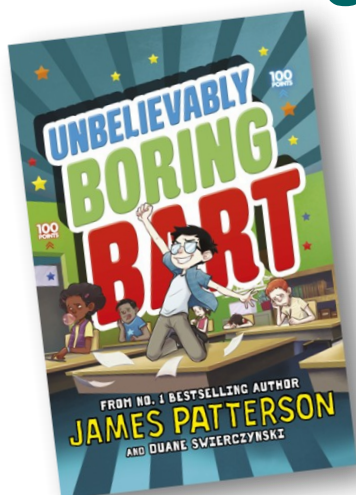


## Unbelievably Boring Bart

Author :James Patterson

Published by Penguin Random House

ISBN: 9781784759797



### Synopsis:

Invisible creatures attacking the school, and 12-year-old Bartholomew Bean is the only one who can stop them!

Okay, so maybe Bart is only a hero in the video game app he created. But if he reveals his identity as the genius behind the game, he'll become the most popular kid in school! Or he could secretly use the game to get back at his bullies...

*Press Button A- Reveal*

*Press Button B- Revenge*

**Which would you choose?**

### Author Bio

JAMES PATTERSON is one of the best-known and biggest-selling writers of all time. His books have sold in excess of 375 million copies worldwide.

James is passionate about encouraging children to read. Inspired by his own son who was a reluctant reader, he also writes a range of books for young readers including the Middle School, I Funny, Treasure

Hunters, House of Robots, Confessions, and Maximum Ride series. James has donated millions in grants to independent bookshops and has been the most borrowed author of adult fiction in UK libraries for the past eleven years in a row. He lives in Florida with his wife and son.



## Curriculum Links

English Year 4

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## Pre-Reading

### Cover

Look at the cover of the book.

What do you think the book will be about.

Based on the cover, do you think you will like this book?

Why or Why Not?

What do you think makes a good cover?

Design new cover and back cover for your favourite book.

Either drawing or using design software.

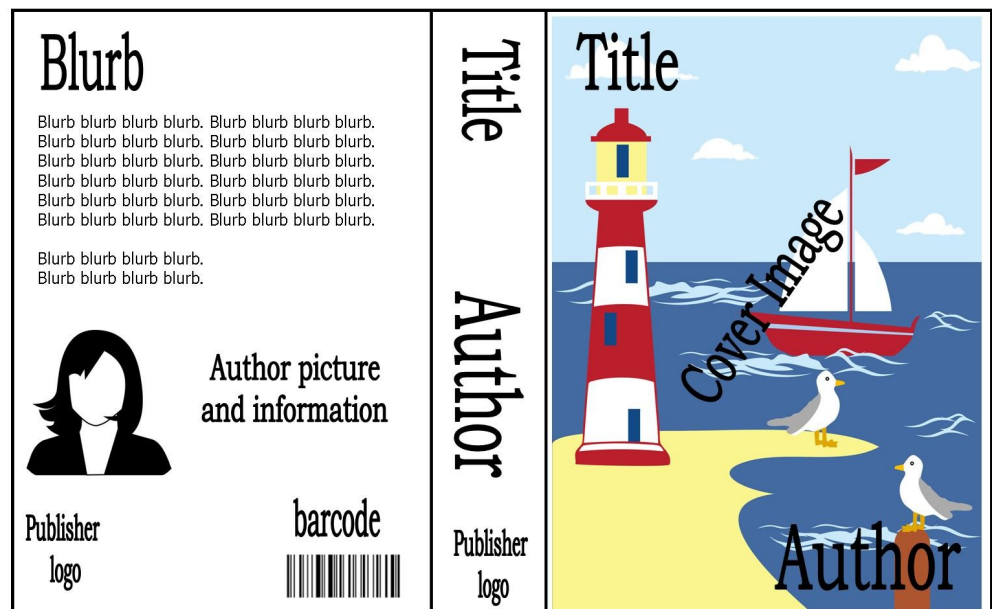
Look at all of the different features that need to be on the cover/back cover:

Talk about why these things are all important to include.

- **Title**
- **Author's name**
- **Blurb**
- **Publisher**
- **Barcode (ISBN)**

Look at a number of different books and covers to help you decide on your style.

## Design a Book Cover



\*larger image on last page

## Writing

There are two names on the cover of the book.

Two names on the front of a picture book usually indicates the author and the illustrator.

This is not the case here. Why would there be two names on the front?

- Discuss how you think two people would write a novel together.
- Do you think it would be easy or difficult.

James Patterson provides his co-authors with an extensive ideas, outlines and notes, and they then write the story.

- Divide the class into pairs
- Choose one child write the ideas, plot, storyline (1 page)
- The other child then writes the story (2 pages)

When the story is written have the 'ideas writer' read the story that was created from their ideas. Did they like it. Was it what they imagined, Would they have written a different kind of story?

Ask the 'story writers' if they found it difficult to write a story from someone else's ideas and notes?

Some co-authored books are written by the authors writing alternate chapters each.

Write a story of four parts.

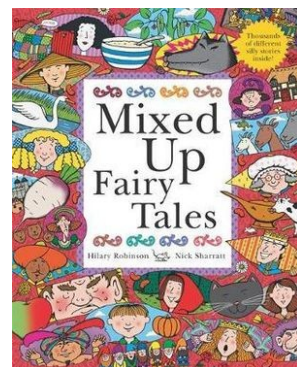
Person 1: Starts the story

Person 2: Reads the first part, writes the second part.

Person 1 : Continues the story

Person 2: Finishes the story.

It could be a serious story or something funny, like the stories made up in **Mixed Up Fairy Tales** by Hilary Robinson and Nick Sharratt.



- *This hilarious flap book allows you to mix and match fairy tales and create your own sensible or silly stories! Great fun! What would happen if Goldilocks had two horrid stepsisters and fell asleep for a hundred years? Would she be woken by a hungry wolf or Little Red Riding Hood's Granny? This fantastic split page book allows the reader to mix and match different combinations of fairy tales with hilarious results.*

Cinderella

Was laughed at by ducks

And climbed a huge beanstalk at the top of which was

A bowl of soup

**OR**

Goldilocks

Persuaded an ogre to turn himself into a mouse

And dreamt about marrying

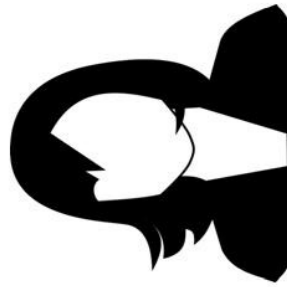
Little Red Riding Hood's Granny

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