

Hector's grandfather is missing! He disappeared while looking for a secret, ancient artifact.

Hector is determined to find him. Using his Grandfather's diaries as a guide, Hector embarks on an incredible adventure around the world where he will make new friends... and a deadly arch enemy.

The reader must help Hector solve the puzzles in the diary to travel the world, track down his Grandfather and the mysterious artifact he was searching for.

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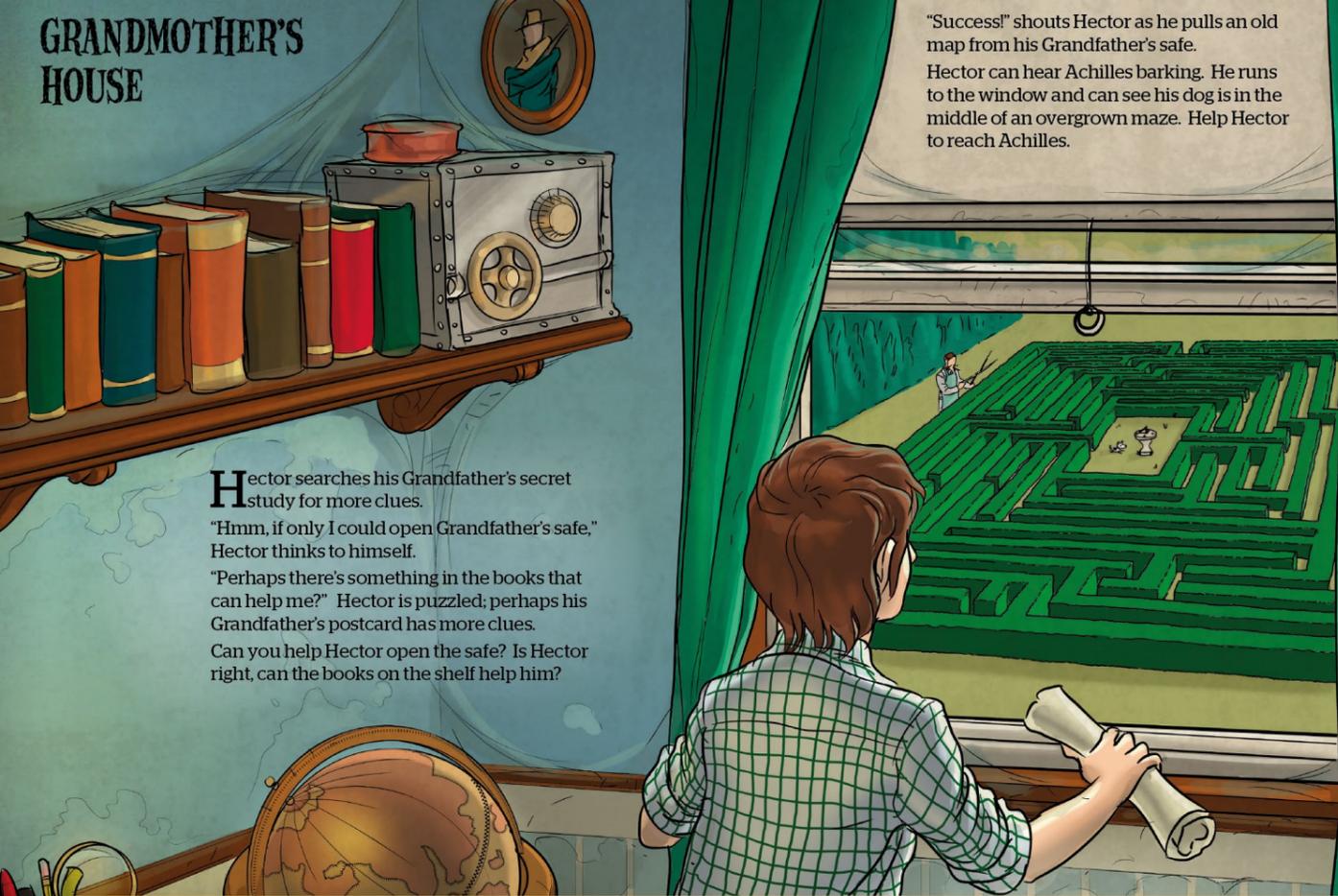
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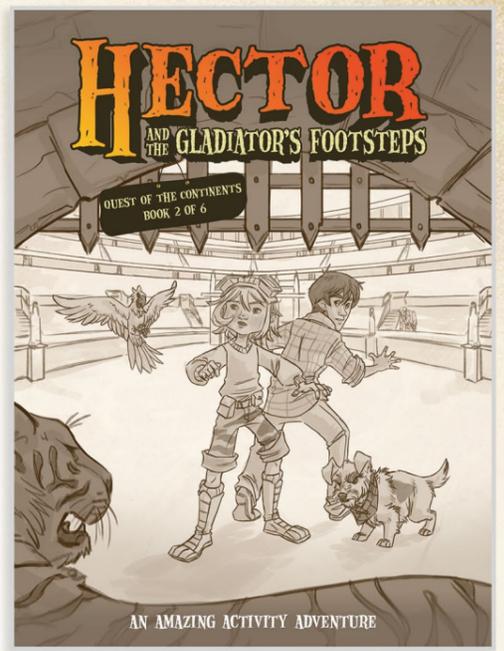
**Join Hector and his dog Achilles in this six-part mystery adventure.**

# GRANDMOTHER'S HOUSE



Hector searches his Grandfather's secret study for more clues. "Hmm, if only I could open Grandfather's safe," Hector thinks to himself. "Perhaps there's something in the books that can help me?" Hector is puzzled; perhaps his Grandfather's postcard has more clues. Can you help Hector open the safe? Is Hector right, can the books on the shelf help him?

"Success!" shouts Hector as he pulls an old map from his Grandfather's safe. Hector can hear Achilles barking. He runs to the window and can see his dog is in the middle of an overgrown maze. Help Hector to reach Achilles.



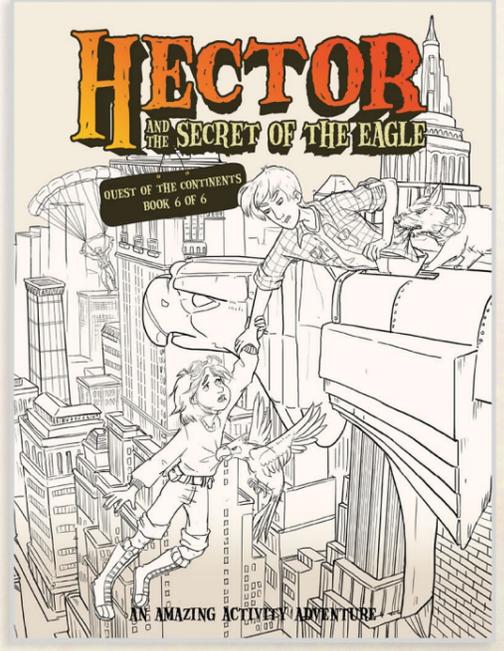
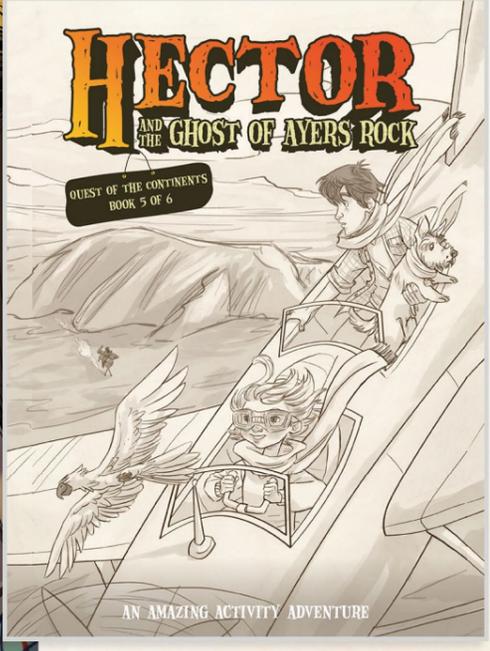
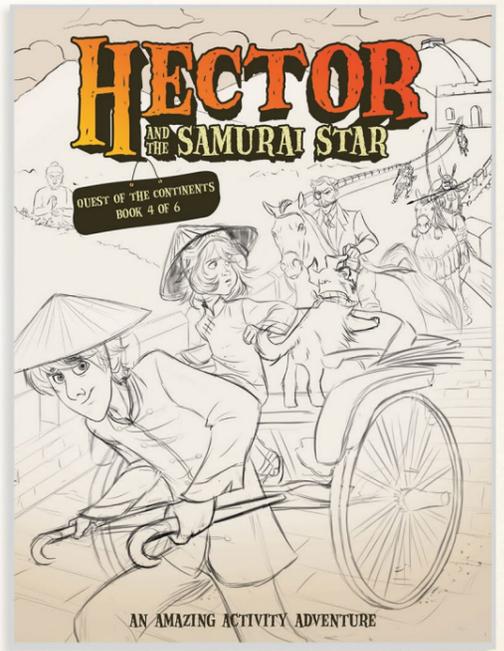
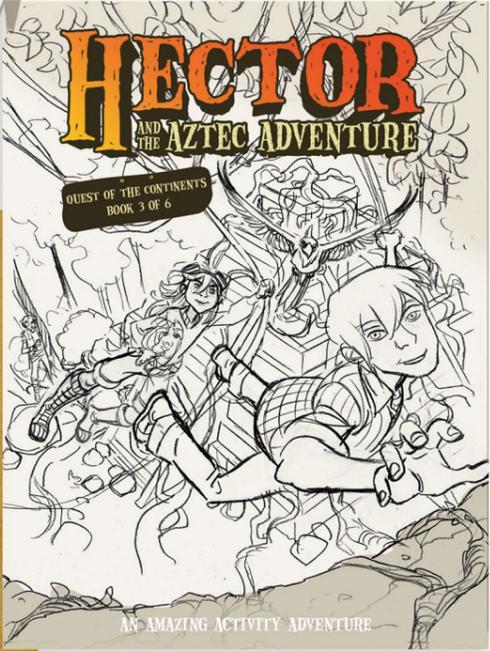
# HOW BAZAAR

Hector and Juno are relieved to have finally made it to Egypt. "My Grandfather's written in his diary that he used a camel to cross the desert," says Hector. "But we don't have any money to buy one!" says Juno. "Well, let's ask this man if he can help us," says Hector pointing to a camel herder.

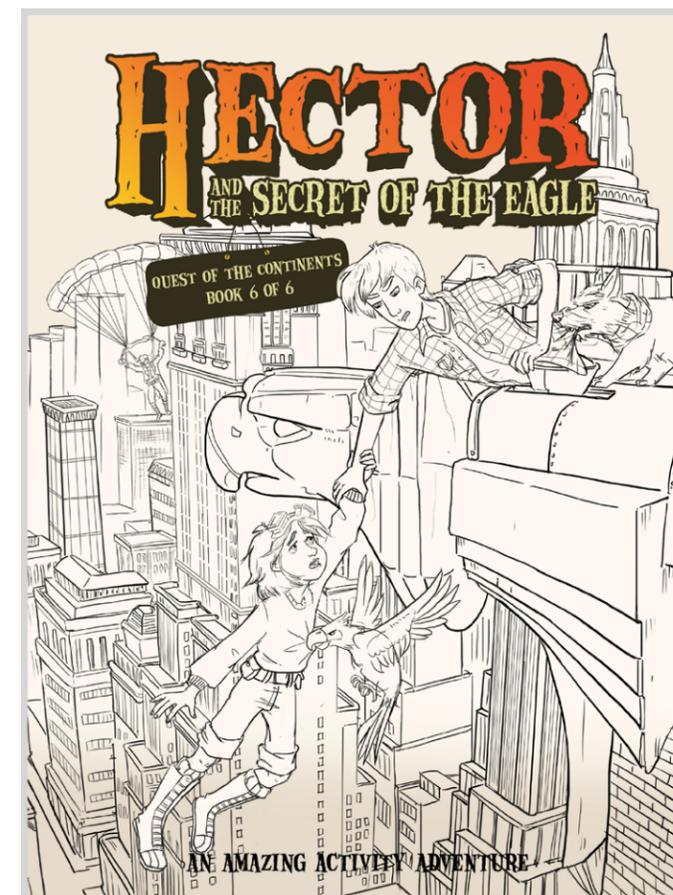
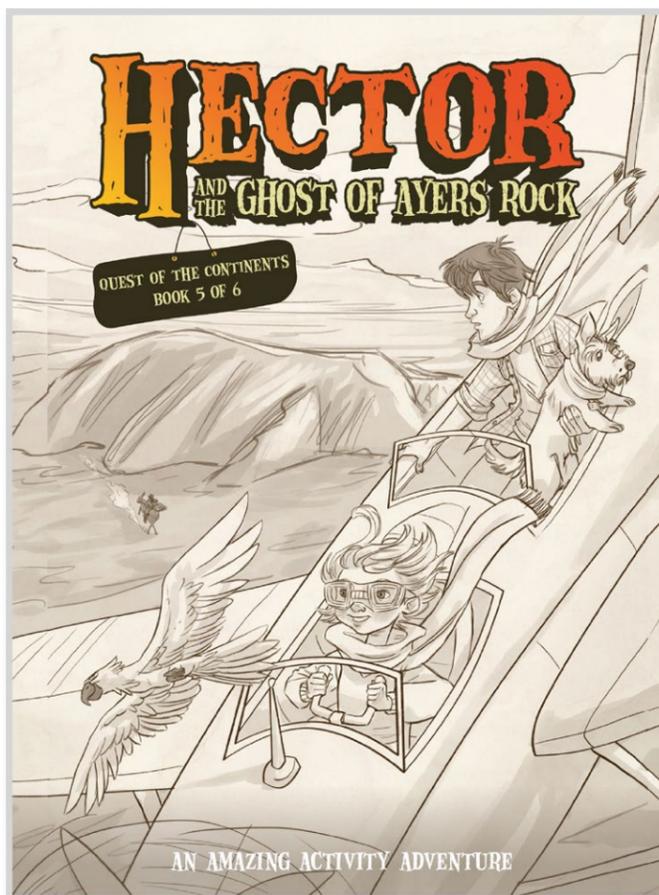
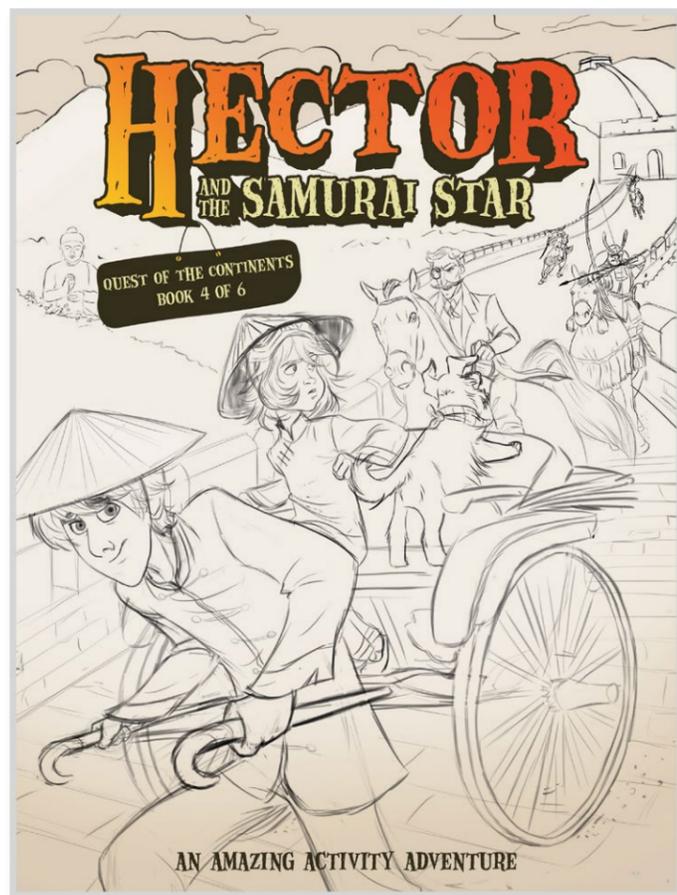
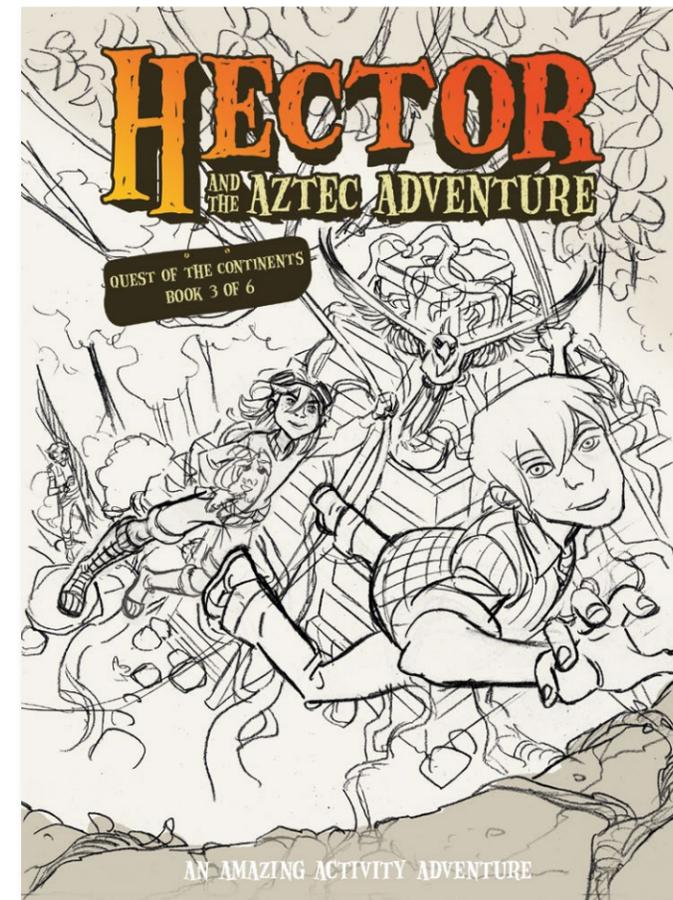
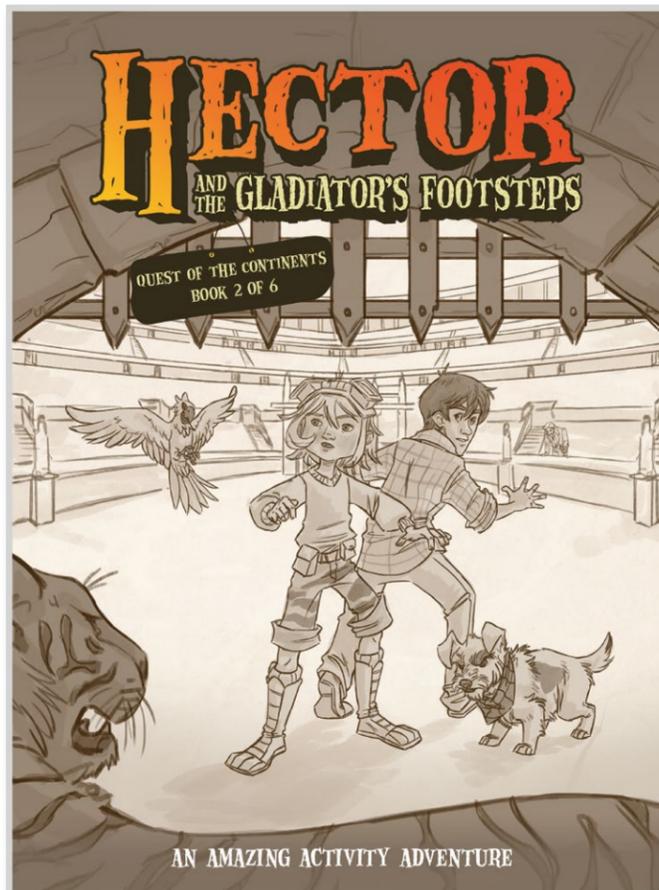
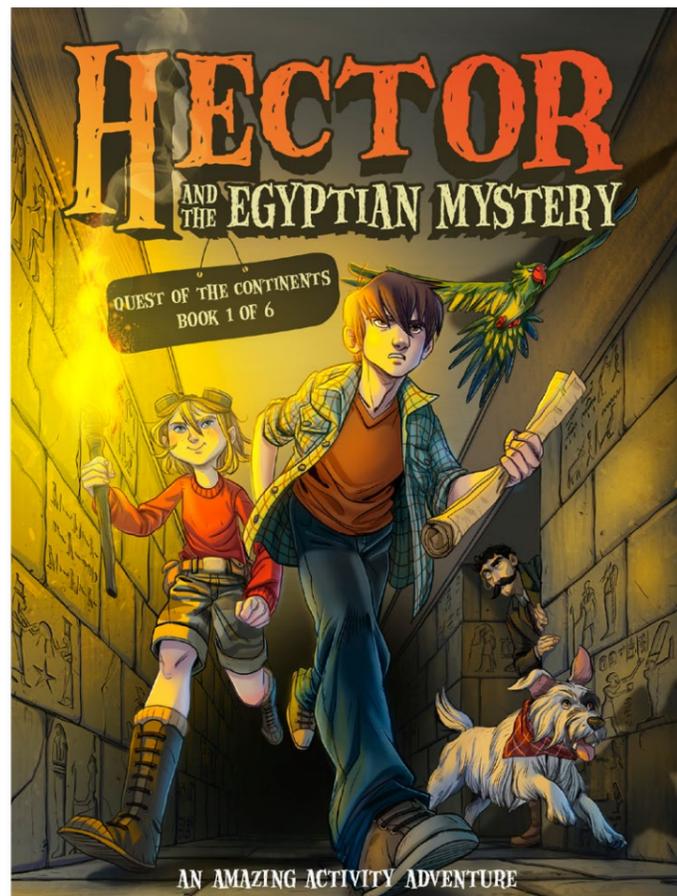
**The herder answers with a riddle:-**  
*To buy my camel, two exchanges take place.  
 You must first sell an item to a friendly face.  
 Trade something you have that is useful at night,  
 With a vendor who appears incredibly bright.  
 Then work your way through the market stalls,  
 And buy me the most expensive item of all!*

As Hector continues to read the diary, he notices a page of hieroglyphics with some of the letters of the alphabet next to them. He shows Juno the page. "I think this is a code for something?" says Hector. "Maybe we should look out for these and make a note of them in the diary."

Can you see any of the hieroglyphics throughout the book? Hector and Juno may need them to crack a code.



♀ foe  
 ~~~~~ friend  
 ♀ friend  
 ~~~~~ foe





## CARA JONES

From a very young age, Cara Jones loved to read books to anyone who would listen. Her earliest memory is her re-telling of Goldilocks being recorded by her grandparents. Her love of books never diminished and as an only child she would often read stories to her cat. A few years later she started to write plays for her school and Guides drama productions. She graduated from Drama School in 2001, relocated from London to Surrey and shortly after, married and started a family. She continued to write but turning her attention to children's books in order to make bedtime more interesting for her two children. She gradually accepted more and more work-for-hire jobs from publishers such as Harper Collins, Dorling Kindersley, Bonnier, OUP but to name a few. In her spare time, Cara loves to spend time with her family & friends, writing TV scripts and playing tennis.

## AVAILABLE BOOK IDEAS

