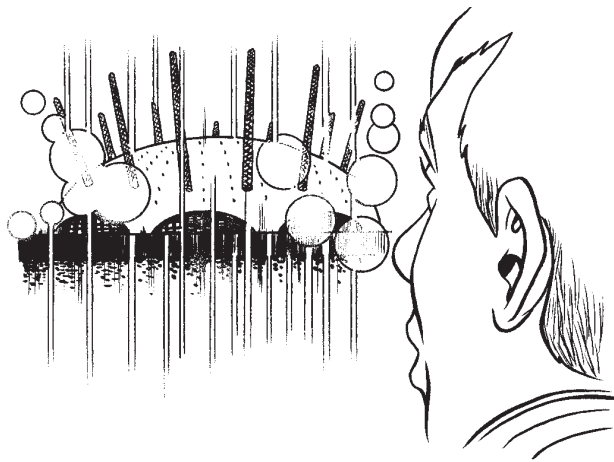




“This is a game that was played in the year 2000. The players used their feet, so it was called football.”



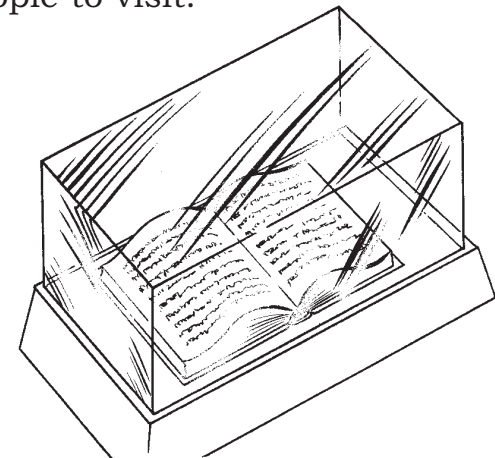
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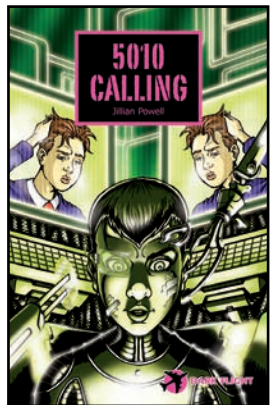
“This was called the Dome,” Teacher explained. “It was built to celebrate the year 2000.”

“Looks a bit like the biomes we live in,” Beta said.

“Yes, but people didn’t live in this dome,” Teacher said. “It was just for people to visit.”



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## **Chapter 1: A strange find**

“Stop doing that!” Brad said to Conor. “You’re doing my head in.”

Conor was kicking a can around the park.

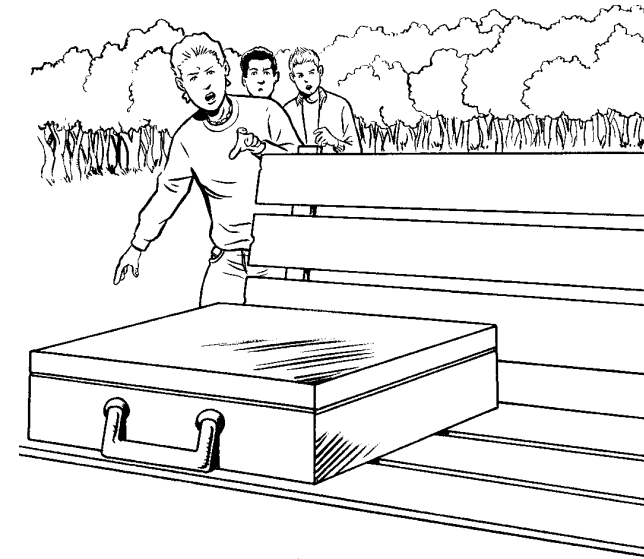
“We could go down the arcade,” Scott said.

“You got any money?” Brad asked him.

“What’s that over there?” Conor said. He stopped kicking the can.

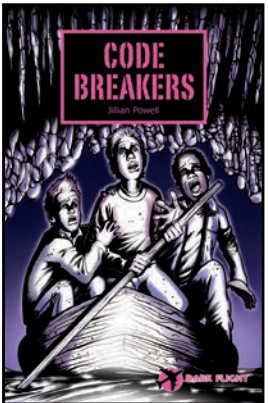
The boys went over to a bench.

Someone had left an old case there.



“Open it up,” Brad said. “Might be stuffed with notes!”

“Don’t do that, man!” Conor said. “It may be a bomb or something.”



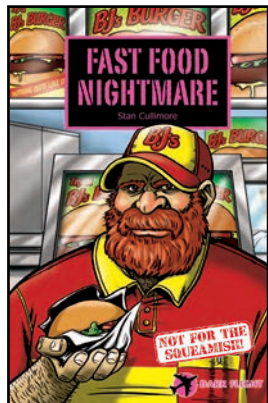
## **Week 1:**

### **Is Big John here?**

Dan came out of the bread shop. He pulled a face. "It's not fair," he said sadly. "No one will give me a job." He put his hands in his pockets. "I'm fifteen years old. I have to get money from somewhere!"

He started to walk along the road. He looked at the shop windows as he passed them. They were all full of things he could not afford to buy.

He came to a window that had a very big sign in it. Dan read the sign: '*Coming soon! Big John's Burger Bar.*'



## Chapter 1: Skateboard City

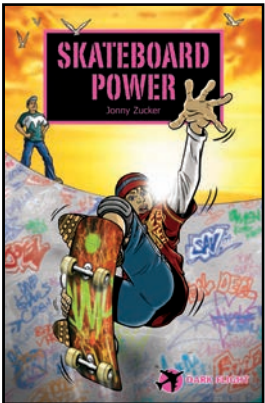
Nick Jones spun in the air and landed on the ground. He came to the skateboard park every day after school and most weekends. Tonight the park was full of people trying out new tricks.

The skateboard competition was just two weeks away and he wanted to be ready.

He got off his board and felt a hand on his shoulder. It was Dan Abbot - the hardest kid in his school. The hardest kid in the area.

"I've been watching you," said Dan.  
"You're good."

Nick smiled. "Thanks."



## Chapter 1: The new city

Dark Lake was old and deep.  
It was a long way from any city.  
People who lived near the lake  
stayed away from it. They knew  
there were no fish in the water.  
They said that sometimes people  
who walked by the lake were never  
seen again. No one knew why.



Then a big new city was built right  
next to the lake.

“The lake will be an important part  
of the city,” said the builders.  
“People can go boating, or watch  
the wildlife.”

“It’s a bad idea,” local people said.  
“There is something evil in Dark  
Lake.”

But they built the city anyway.  
Thousands of people came to live  
there.

And then they started to disappear.



## **Chapter 1: A hard landing**

“No one has landed on this asteroid before,” said Sam. “We ought to check it out.”

“OK,” said Simon. “Get ready for landing.”



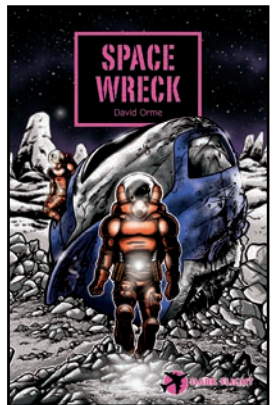
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Sam Taylor and Simon Blake were on a mission in their spaceship, the Cobra. They were looking for rare space crystals. A good find would make them rich.

This part of space was the Asteroid Belt between Jupiter and Mars. It was a dangerous place. There were often accidents there.

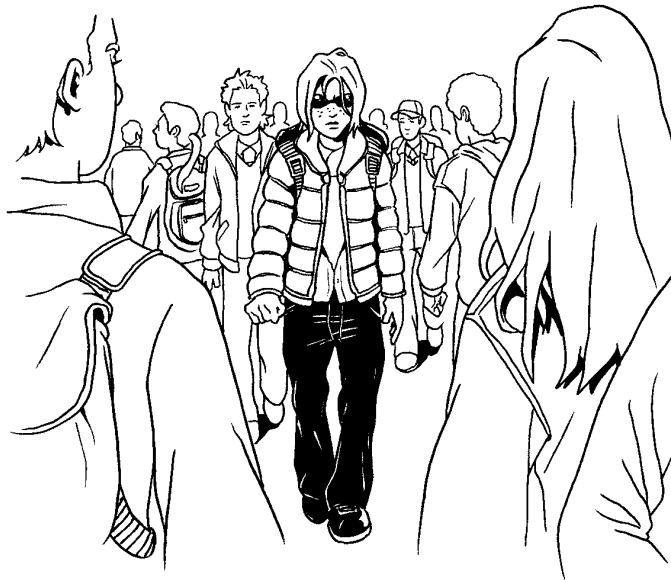
There isn't much gravity on an asteroid. Landing on one is very hard. You had to move slowly towards it until you were just touching it. Simon had done it lots of times. He knew just what to do.

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## Chapter 1: New girl

On Monday morning, a new girl arrived in Gary's school. She was wearing boot cut jeans, black boots and a blue puffa jacket. She was also wearing sunglasses, even though it was a dark December day.



"Hi, I'm Emma Stone," she said, walking up to Gary outside the lockers in the corridor.

"Gary Roper," he replied.

"Is there anywhere round here I can get a cold drink?" she asked.

Gary nodded. "There's a shop near the music rooms."

They'd only walked a few paces, when they heard someone hissing "Oi!" and Emma felt a tap on her shoulder. She and Gary turned round.





“Don’t make a sound,” the boy whispered.

“Who are you?” hissed Rex. “What’s going on?”

“I’m Harry,” said the boy, “and we’re all in danger.”

## Chapter 2: The Dazer

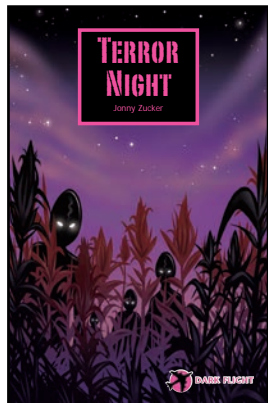
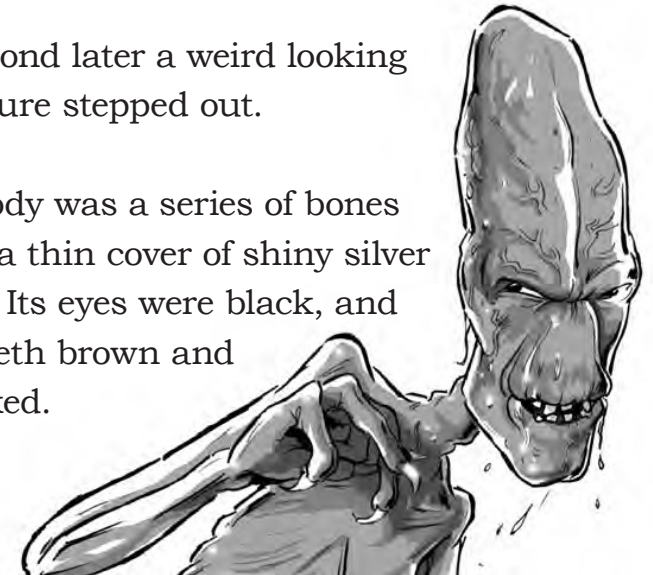
“What sort of danger?” asked Carl.

“Look over there,” whispered Harry.

Rex, Carl and Dave looked across the road. At first they saw nothing but then, in the dim light, something moved behind a tree.

A second later a weird looking creature stepped out.

Its body was a series of bones with a thin cover of shiny silver skin. Its eyes were black, and its teeth brown and cracked.





## Chapter 1: Start the game

Jimmy was being chased by ghosts in a dark, scary cave.

Seb was lost in the snow, on a frozen planet.

Jimmy heard the ghosts scream and howl.

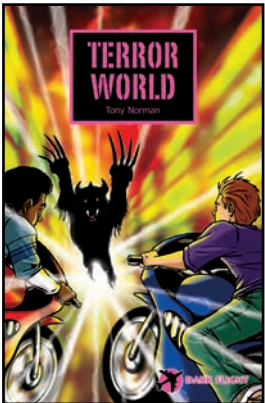
Seb saw an army of aliens burst out of an icy sea.

Were they scared?

No. They loved playing the new games in Terror World!



It was the best arcade in town. The video screens shone bright in the big dark room. Seb and Jimmy were lost in the thrill of the games they were playing. The ghosts and aliens seemed real to them.



## Characters



**Bill Peters** - coach of Silver Park Allstars under-15s



**Ryan** - hard centre-back



**Lee** - ace winger



**Aaron** - top striker



**Suggsy** - brave keeper



**Callum** - midfield moaner

## Scene 1:

### 15 minutes before

*Sunday morning. The Silver Park Allstars are getting ready for a Cup semi-final. They sit around chatting, as they put their kit on.*

**Ryan**

See United last night, Suggsy?

**Suggsy**

Brilliant!

**Callum**

So lucky.

**Ryan**

How can three-nil be lucky?

**Callum**

The first one was off-side for a start.

