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INVESTIGATORS: HIGH-RISE HIJINKS

CREATED BY: John Patrick Green

PUBLISHER: Macmillan Children's Books



ABOUT THE BOOK:

Crack the case with Mango and Brash in *InvestiGators: High-Rise Hijinks*, a laugh-out-loud special World Book Day adventure with black-and-white illustrations! This comic book series by John Patrick Green is perfect for fans of Bunny vs Monkey.

A mysterious figure has robbed the bank – but it's not just the money that's gone missing, the whole

building has disappeared! – and it's up to secret agents Mango and Brash to go undercover and solve the mystery.

Armed with super hi-tech spy technology, the InvestiGators are on the tail of Dr Doodledoo – a fowl scientist who also happens to be a giant chicken! But are they clucking up the wrong tree?

Join this comic crime-fighting duo on another one of their missions in more InvestiGators adventures, each one packed with brilliant full colour artwork. Including *InvestiGators*, *InvestiGators: Take the Plunge*, *InvestiGators: Off the Hook* and tons more!

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

John Patrick Green lives and works in New York City where he makes books and comics about animals with human jobs, notably the smash-hit graphic novel series *InvestiGators*. He's worked as a comics consultant for Disney, Nickelodeon and Dreamworks. With over a million copies of *InvestiGators* – starring Mango and Brash the sewer-dwelling crime busters – in the wild he also creates artwork for video games. He lives in a flat in Brooklyn that doesn't allow any pets, or any animals, so he has to make do with the ones living in his imagination.

John Patrick Green's Book Recommendations



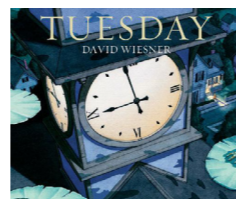
Author: Ben Hatke
Publisher: Roaring Brook Press



Author: Dan Abdo
Illustrator: Jason Patterson
Publisher: Simon & Schuster



Author: Joshua Hauke
Publisher: Penguin Random House



Author: David Wiesner
Publisher: Andersen Press

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World Book Day have worked with Coram Beanstalk and Bag Books to create activities that open the door to each book before the child even opens the front cover.

A GAME YOU COULD PLAY:

- What would you do if you were a secret agent for the day?
- If you were a secret agent, what hi-tech spy gadget would you use? What do you think would be the best thing to have?
- Do you think it's easy to rob a bank? What skills would you need and what would you have to do?

BOOK CHAT:

Secret agents can crack secret codes and they often use them to communicate and send messages.

1. Can you make up your own secret code?
2. Write out all the letters of the alphabet from A–Z, leaving a space under each letter.
3. Make up a different symbol or mark for each letter and draw it underneath.
4. Have a go at making a word using the secret symbols instead of letters.

Can you write a word or a message for someone else to try and crack?

SENSORY ACTIVITY:

InvestiGators V.E.S.T. Craft:

Time to be detectives like Mango and Brash and create your own V.E.S.T. (Very Exciting Spy Technology) to help solve crimes.

Start by drawing the outline of a waistcoat on a piece of paper. Make it as fancy or as funny as you like. Decorate your V.E.S.T. using paints, pens or stickers. You can even glue on some fabric scraps to decorate your waistcoat. Make it unique and special, just like an InvestiGators' V.E.S.T.!

Think about the special things your V.E.S.T. can do. Maybe it has secret pockets for clues, or magical buttons that make you super strong or that can emit horrible smells to stop sneaky criminals in their tracks. Whatever you choose for your V.E.S.T., have some top-secret fun!

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