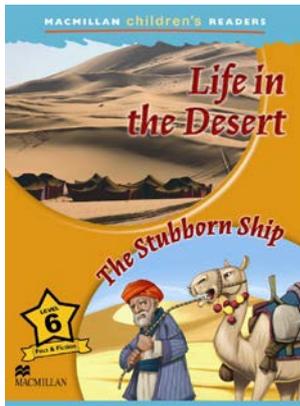


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Macmillan Education is LLL Awards Finalist

Macmillan Children's Reader *Life in the Desert/The Stubborn Ship* named as finalist in the Language Learner Literature Awards 2015.



Macmillan Education is delighted to announce that the Macmillan Children's Reader *Life in the Desert/The Stubborn Ship* has been named as a **finalist** in the **Language Learner Literature Awards** for books published in 2014.

The LLL Awards are held annually by the **Extensive Reading Foundation (ERF)** to recognise the best new works of literature for language learners in English.

Aimed at children aged from 6 to 12 years old, the Macmillan Children's Readers range offers an extensive selection of fiction and non-fiction titles that reinforce the basic structures and vocabulary found in most primary level English courses. Offering printed versions as well as free downloadable audio, the titles are also accompanied by a wide variety of resources downloadable from <http://www.macmillanreaders.com/resources/young-learners>

Life in the Desert/The Stubborn Ship is a finalist in the **Young Learners category** and received a favourable review from the judging panel:

"This book succeeds as a blended non-fiction and narrative text. The factual non-fiction section of the book is well-stocked with information that is presented in relatively simple but not condescending prose. The layout is nicely done, crisp and easy to follow. The accompanying story is simple and lightly humorous and doesn't try to hype its entertainment value. The book uses comic style illustrations to bring the historical period to life in a way that young learners will find compelling."

The nominees of the **LLL Awards** will be announced at the IATEFL conference, 11-14 April 2015 in Manchester and the winners will be announced at the Extensive Reading World Congress in Dubai on 18-20 September 2015.

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Life in the Desert/The Stubborn Ship is a level 6 fact and fiction Reader about the habitat and inhabitants of deserts around the world, with back-of-book activities and Bilingual Dictionary. It is an original title in the Macmillan Children's Reader collection, written by Paul Mason and illustrated by Andy Elkerton.

Macmillan Education has been nominated for and won LLL Awards in previous years and more information can be found at <http://www.macmillaneducation.com/MediaCentre.aspx>

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