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Three books for older, slower readers who enjoy lively stories in good, clear print with short, sharp chapters. All three are about entertaining characters who manage to get things done by force of personality. Simon, who loves to sleep, gets his quiet life by sabotaging the school camp, Mickey rescues the old folks' home from the road scheme by his skill in talking and Dani, who can't resist a dare, saves the stolen cash box with the help of a compost heap. Fresh, entertaining and realistic, these books will be welcome in any Junior classroom.

Incidentally, Dani is also distinguished by being the only female *main* character, apart from Mog and some very minor mums, in the ten books I've reviewed for this issue. This seems to me to be a seriously worrying fact.

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