

I Coriander Sally Gardner

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I_Coriander Sally Gardner 2010-08-05 A stunning story set in seventeenth-century London and the fairy world, from a CARNEGIE MEDAL and COSTA-prizewinning author. The story is told by Coriander, daughter of a silk merchant in 1650s London. Her idyllic childhood ends when her mother dies and her father goes away, leaving Coriander with her stepmother, a widow who is in cahoots with a fundamentalist Puritan preacher. She is shut away in a chest and left to die, but emerges into the fairy world from which her mother came, and where time has no meaning. When she returns, charged with a task that will transform her life, she is seventeen. This is a book filled with enchantments -- a pair of silver shoes, a fairy shadow, a prince transformed into a fox - that contrast with the heartbreaking loss and cruelty of Coriander's life in the real world. With its brilliantly realised setting of old London Bridge, and underpinned by the conflict between Royalists and Puritans, it is a terrific page-turner, involving kidnapping, murder and romance, and an abundance of vivid characters. The Prophet's Wife Libbie Grant 2022-03-01 A sweeping, lyrical tale of historical fiction that tells the unbelievable story of the early days of the Mormon church through the eyes of the woman who saw it all—Emma, the first wife of the prophet Joseph Smith. In 1825, in rural Pennsylvania, Emma Hale marries an itinerant treasure-digger, a man who has nothing but a peep-stone in his pocket and a conviction that he can speak directly to God. His name is Joseph Smith and in a few short years, he will found his own religion, gather zealous adherents by the tens of thousands, and fracture Emma's life and faith While the Mormon religion finds its feet and runs beyond the grasp of its founder, Emma struggles to maintain her place in Joseph's heart—and in the religion that has become her world. The Mormons make themselves outcasts everywhere they go. Joseph can only maintain his authority by issuing ever-stranger commandments on God's behalf, culminating in an edict that men should marry as many women as they please. The Mormons' adoption of polygamy only sets them further apart, and soon their communities are ravaged by violence at the hands of their outraged fellow Americans. For Emma, things take a more personal toll as Joseph brings in a new wife—a woman whom Emma considers a sister. As Emma's family grows along with Joseph's infamy, she knows there will never be peace until Joseph faces the law. But on the half-wild edge of the frontier, he's more likely to find death at the hands of a vigilante posse than a fair trial. For the sake of her people—and her soul—Emma must convince the Prophet of God to surrender... and perhaps to sacrifice his life.

The Snow Song Sally Gardner 2020-11-12 'A darkly scattered fable told with beauty, magic, love but also heart-wrenching realism ... Fans of The Familiars and The Binding will love this' MY WEEKLY 'It's fabulous, we should all have copies' Simon Mayo, Scala Radio 'A glorious love story, a spellbinding fable' Adele Parks

The Countess's Calamity Sally Gardner 2003-04-01 Five dolls, abandoned in a park, are rescued by Mr. and Mrs. Mouse who provide a home for them and protect them through various adventures, despite the horrible behavior of the doll called the Countess.

Lucy Willow Sally Gardner 2008-10-30 'There were three things that marked out Lucy Willow as different. The first was that she lived on a train. The second was that she had a snail called Ernest as a pet. And the third, the most important of all, was that she had green fingers.' It's Lucy's green fingers that save the day when Silverboots McCoy the famous footballer and his girlfriend Blossom B order flowers for their wedding - for Ricky Sparks, who runs the rival garden centre, will stop at nothing to get the contract for himself. Longer and fuller than the Magical Children books, LUCY WILLOW has all Sally Gardner's soaring imagination, enchanting humour and great heart, and is rich in scenes and characters that readers will adore and always remember.

The Smallest Girl Ever Sally Gardner 2013-06-20 Ruby Genie is an orphan. Everyone expects her to have the same fantastic magical powers as her famous parents did, but Ruby can't do any magic at all - or so she thinks. and feels a complete failure. Then she begins to get smaller . . . and smaller . . . and smaller. With a cast of unforgettable characters such as the self-important magician the Great Alfonso, and Aunt Hat the kindly lady conjuror who is hopeless at doing tricks, this wonderful story is full of adventure and shows how a little girl who is so tiny that she fits into a handbag can still be clever and brave and find people to love and value her. An utterly charming story, full of feeling, and very funny. Sally's own delightful line drawings all the way through make it a very attractive package.

The Boy Who Could Fly Sally Gardner 2011-09-15 When Thomas's wish is magically granted, he can fly! But it's not a soaraway success . . . A brilliant story from award-winning author Sally Gardner, in her MAGICAL CHILDREN series. One day a fairy turns up at Thomas Top's house to grant him a birthday wish. Thomas wishes he could fly and soon goes from being just an ordinary boy whom no one notices to being the most popular boy in the school. But his flying gets him suspended from school, and that makes his dad so cross and his mum miserable. Then the fairy turns up again and, with help from her and Thomas's new friend Mr Vinnie, a retired painter and decorator who has been flying since he was Thomas's age, everything changes. An enchanting story about growing in confidence and using your gifts.

Invisible in a Bright Light Sally Gardner 2019-10-17 An imaginative novel [with] a suspenseful challenge and a vivid backstage world of intrigue and romance ... Original and rich' Sunday Times Book of the Week. From I, Coriander to Invisible in a Bright Light, Sally Gardner's first middle grade novel in 14 years soars with the imagination of a master story-teller. A pitch-perfect story about a crystal chandelier that splinters into a thousand pieces, a girl abandoned as a baby on the steps of an opera house and a dangerous game called the Reckoning. It is 1870: opening night at the Royal Opera House in a freezing city by the sea, where a huge, crystal chandelier in the shape of a galleon sparkles magically with the light of 750 candles. Celeste, a theatre rat, wakes up in a costume basket from what she hopes is a bad dream, to find that everyone at the theatre where she works thinks she is someone else. When the chandelier falls, she is haunted by a strange girl who claims to know Celeste's past and why she must risk playing a game called the Reckoning to try to save the people she loves. 'This is a classic Gardner modern fairy tale, full of fabulous locations and mesmerising characters. It's a complicated, layered history tale ... but do not underestimate this age group's intelligence and focus; young book lovers will be as delighted as they are challenged' Big Issue, Books of the Year 2019.

Cinderella Sally Gardner 2011-12-08 Early Readers are stepping stones from picture books to reading books. A blue Early Reader is perfect for sharing and reading together. A red Early Reader is the next step on your reading journey. Forced into a life of drudgery and housework by her wicked stepmother and stepsisters, Cinderella is devastated when they are invited to the prince's ball and she has to stay at home. But when her fairy godmother turns up, everything changes...

The Princess and the Pea Sally Gardner 2011-12-08 Too many girls these days pretend to be princesses. REAL princesses are very hard to find. Unless, that is, you have a pea ...

The Matchbox Mysteries Sally Gardner 2014-10-23 It's Hallowe'en and Podgy Bottom is in trouble. All over town cars are being shrunk to the size of a matchbox in the blink of an eye; a giant purple bunny rabbit is running riot and a strange-looking broomstick is causing chaos and

calamity... Sounds like a case for Wings & Co, the famous fairy detective agency! Can Emily, Budget and Fidget put a stop to this magical mischief before it's too late? Another fantastic story for younger readers from Sally Gardner, winner of the COSTA BOOK AWARD 2013, and acclaimed artist, David Roberts. If you loved David Walliams's GANGSTA GRANNY, you'll love these hilarious tales of mischief, mayhem, magic and mystery.

Tinder Sally Gardner 2013-11-07 A young soldier, a captive princess, witches, wolves and Death walk hand in hand in COSTA AWARD winner Sally Gardner's gothic retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's THE TINDERBOX. Otto Hundebiss is tired of war, but when he defies Death he walks a dangerous path. A half-beast half-man gives him shoes and dice, which will lead him deep into a web of dark magic and mystery. He meets the beautiful Safire - pure of heart and spirit, the scheming Mistress Jabber and the terrifying Lady of the Nail. He learns the powers of the tinderbox and the wolves whose master he becomes. But will all the riches in the world bring him the thing he most desires? Fairy tales are often the cruellest stories of all; this spellbinding book tells of both great love and great loss. Beautifully illustrated by David Roberts. Shortlisted for the CILIP Carnegie Medal 2015 and the Kate Greenaway Medal 2015.

Maggot Moon Sally Gardner 2012-08-30 A starkly original and heartbreaking tale of friendship and rebellion Winner of the Carnegie Medal and a 2012 Costa Award winner. Narrated against the backdrop of a ruthless regime determined to beat its enemies in the race to the moon, MAGGOT MOON is the stunning new novel from award-winning author Sally Gardner. When his best friend Hector is suddenly taken away, Standish Treadwell realises that it is up to him, his grandfather and a small band of rebels to confront and defeat the ever-present oppressive forces of the Motherland. Utterly original and stunning, it is impossible not to be moved by MAGGOT MOON's powerful story and the unforgettable heroism of Standish.

Early Reader: The Little Nut Tree Sally Gardner 2014-01-02 Early Readers are stepping stones from picture books to reading books. A blue Early Reader is perfect for sharing and reading together. A red Early Reader is the next step on your reading journey. A brand new Early Reader edition of million-copy selling, CARNEGIE MEDAL-winning Sally Gardner's picture book based on the favourite nursery rhyme.

The Door That Led to Where Sally Gardner 2015-01-01 When the present offers no hope for the future, the answers may lie in the past AJ Flynn has just failed all but one of his GCSEs, and his future is looking far from rosy. So when he is offered a junior position at a London law firm he hopes his life is about to change - but he could never have imagined by how much. Tidying up the archive one day, AJ finds an old key, mysteriously labelled with his name and date of birth - and he becomes determined to find the door that fits the key. And so begins an amazing journey to a very real and tangible past - 1830, to be precise - where the streets of modern Clerkenwell are replaced with cobbles and carts, and the law can be twisted to suit a villain's means. Although life in 1830 is cheap, AJ and his friends quickly find that their own lives have much more value. They've gone from sad youth statistics to young men with purpose - and at the heart of everything lies a crime that only they can solve. But with enemies all around, can they unravel the mysteries of the past, before it unravels them? A fast-paced mystery novel by one of the country's finest writers, and a UKLA Book Awards 2016 shortlisted title, THE DOOR THAT LED TO WHERE will delight, surprise and mesmerise all those who read it.

The Plague Joanne Dahme 2009-07-30 In a land overshadowed by death, fifteen year-old Nell's uncanny resemblance to Princess Joan brings her to act as her double—what young girl wouldn't want to leave a life of poverty and pretend to be a princess? But when the plague catches up to the royal entourage, thwarting the King's plan for the princess to marry the Prince of Castile and seal an alliance between their kingdoms, Nell's life could change forever. Princess Joan's brother The Black Prince schemes to make the wedding go on declaring Nell will no longer double for Joan, she will become the princess and dupe Prince Pedro into marriage! With the aid and protection of a quirky band of friends—a Spanish minstrel, a monk, a gravedigger, a band of merchants—Nell must evade not only the Black Prince, a practitioner of the dark arts, but the plague as well, as she fights to return to the King and country. Based on historical truth, Dahme beautifully captures the dark terror of a Plague-infested fourteenth century Europe, while bringing to life the daily existence of medieval life for young adult readers.

Three Pickled Herrings Sally Gardner 2013-02-07 At the Wings & Co. Fairy Detective Agency, Emily Vole and her friends are beginning to worry. It's five months since their official opening and they still haven't had one case. Then local landowner Sir Walter Cross dies suddenly and mysteriously. The detectives suspect fairy meddling. And when Mr Rollo the tailor mysteriously loses everything and Pan Smith's wedding plans are ruined the night before her big day, they're convinced there must be magic at play. Now they have not one, but three pickled herrings to deal with! Can they solve the mystery of who is stealing people's luck before the meddling fairy goes too far?

The Tindims of Rubbish Island Sally Gardner 2020-09-03 The tiny Tindims are like the Borrowers-on-Sea, who turn our everyday rubbish into treasure. Mother-and-daughter duo, prizewinning Sally Gardner and Lydia Corry, create a fun new world of characters and adventures in their empowering new series for 5-8 year olds inspiring conservation and inventive ways to recycle. 'What is rubbish today is treasure tomorrow.' Discover Rubbish Island which the Tindims have built entirely from things we have thrown away. Captain Spoons, Mug, Jug, Brew, Skittle and friends are busy recycling when Ethel B Dina is blown out to sea and the Tindims must launch a rescue operation with the help of some friendly fish and surprises along the way. Printed in dyslexia-friendly font with pictures on every page and perfect for the reluctant reader, the Tindims show keen young ecologists how to help protect our planet for the future.

The Strongest Girl in The World Sally Gardner 2011-09-15 What happens when a small girl finds she can lift a bus in one hand? A very funny story by award-winning author Sally Gardner, in her MAGICAL CHILDREN series. Josie Jenkins, aged eight and three-quarters, astonishes herself and everyone else when she finds she can lift a table, a car and even a bus with no effort at all. Josie becomes famous, and Mr Two Suit sweeps in with a contract and swoops the whole family off to New York. How Josie copes with fame and fortune, and with the loss of it when she wakes up one day to find she can't do her trick any more, makes a very entertaining story for young readers.

My Side of the Diamond Sally Gardner 2017-10-05 An extraordinary tale about the search for love from the acclaimed Costa and Carnegie Award winning novelist Sally Gardner. Jazmin has been shunned ever since her best friend Becky disappeared. But Becky didn't just disappear - she jumped off a tall building and seemingly never reached the ground. It was as if she simply vanished into thin air. Did Jazmin have something to do with her disappearance? Or was it more to do with Icarus, so beguiling and strangely ever youthful, with whom Becky became suddenly besotted . . . With detailed and intriguing black and white illustrations throughout.

A Palace Full of Princesses Sally Gardner 2012-12-06 A gift book bind-up edition of four much-loved Early Reader Magical Princess stories: CINDERELLA, SNOW WHITE, SLEEPING BEAUTY and THE FROG PRINCE. These universally loved fairy tales are re-told with wit and charm in this beautiful book that makes the perfect Christmas gift. Early Readers are stepping stones from picture books to reading books.

The Vanishing of Billy Buckle Sally Gardner 2013-12-05 Spot on the Fishcake! The famous fairy detective agency, Wings & Co, has a problem. Really quite a big problem. Well, a few of them actually. There's the missing giant, Billy Buckle, who has vanished without a trace, and left his giant daughter with the detectives. There's a surprise visit to the seaside, which uncovers a murder and a stolen diamond. And then there's that tricky business of the TV talent show. Squat on a squid, this is Emily, Buster and Fidget's most complicated case yet.

The Invisible Boy Sally Gardner 2011-09-15 As the little alien explains to Sam, being invisible can be a big help. A very funny adventure story by award-winning author Sally Gardner, in her MAGICAL CHILDREN series. When his parents are lost in space, Sam is left in the care of the horrible neighbour Hilda Hardbottom. There he finds a tiny spaceship in the cabbage patch and meets a little alien called Splodge. Splodge loves ketchup, enjoys learning languages and can make himself - and Sam - invisible. How Sam uses this helpful new skill is a very funny and satisfying story for young readers.

The Flying Carpet Thief Sally Gardner 2017-04-06 'Agatha Christie for kids' - a brand new mystery in the detective agency series brimming with mystery and magic by million-copy-selling author, Sally Gardner. The detectives at Wings and Co are in a bit of bother. There is a lost leprechaun on the loose and carpets are flying all over the village of Podgy Bottom, as if by magic. Oh, and worst of all, Fidget the cat has vanished on VERY URGENT business. It looks like a tricky case for our fairy detectives . . .

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The Smallest Girl Ever Sally Gardner 2011-09-15 The story of a little girl so tiny that she fits into a handbag - by award-winning author Sally Gardner, part of her MAGICAL CHILDREN series. Everyone expects Ruby Genie to have the same fantastic magical powers as her famous parents did, but Ruby can't do any magic at all - or so she thinks. Then she begins to get smaller . . . and smaller . . . and smaller. With the help of Aunt Hat, the kindly conjuror who is hopeless at doing tricks, Ruby finds her own special brand of magic. This is a wonderfully funny adventure story, full of brilliant characters, who help Ruby discover that some of the best things come in small packages!

The Boy with the Lightning Feet Sally Gardner 2011-09-15 When Timmy Twinkle kicks a ball - it's magic! A funny and charming story by award-winning author Sally Gardner, in her MAGICAL CHILDREN series. Timmy Twinkle gets bullied at school and hasn't any friends. He longs to play football, but he's hopeless at games. He's miserable. And it doesn't help when Gramps tells him about Great-Uncle Vernon, who grew up to be a famous footballer. Then his gran's friend May comes to stay. May is a fitness fanatic who knocks Timmy and Gramps into shape in no time, and Timmy discovers there's magic in his toes - he can kick a ball just like Great-Uncle Vernon. And when Timmy performs on the football field, everyone wants to be friends with him. A brilliant story about how determination and love - with a little sprinkling of magic - overturn one boy's loneliness.

The Red Necklace Sally Gardner 2010-08-05 A thrillingly exciting, action-packed novel about a boy destined to be a hero of the French Revolution. The story of a remarkable boy called Yann Margoza; Tetu, his friend and mentor; Sido, unloved daughter of a foolish Marquis; and Count Kalliovski, Grand Master of a secret society, who has half the aristocracy in thrall to him, and wants Yann dead. Yann is spirited away to London but three years later, when Paris is gripped by the bloody horrors of the Revolution, he returns, charged with two missions: to find out Kalliovski's darkest deeds and to save Sido from the guillotine. With a tangle of secrets, a thread of magic and a touch of humour, the follies of the aristocracy and the sufferings of ordinary people are unfolded as their lives move relentlessly towards the tragic and horrific days of the Terror. THE RED NECKLACE is not only a tremendous adventure story but a vibrant and passionate picture of Paris in turmoil and of a large cast of memorable characters.

Mummy Don't Go Out Tonight Sally Gardner 2003 A little girl is worried that her mother is going out for the evening and her worries soon take on an epic scale. Maybe her mother will be kidnapped, or eaten by giants, or even worse, maybe her mother will run away and not come back ... But her mother is going to go out and have fun and soon the little girl is finding distraction in the form of a very playful babysitter. When the girl's mother returns at the end of the evening both parent and child have had a lovely time.

Sleeping Beauty Sally Gardner 2011-12-08 Early Readers are stepping stones from picture books to reading books. A blue Early Reader is perfect for sharing and reading together. A red Early Reader is the next step on your reading journey. Deep in a forest of thorns lies a beautiful princess, cast into an enchanted sleep by the wicked seventh fairy. Can the spell ever be broken?

The Red Necklace & the Silver Blade Sally Gardner 2012 From the author of the award-winning "I, Coriander" comes an exciting, romantic novel set against the feverish backdrop of the French Revolution.

The Door That Led to Where Sally Gardner 2016-11-08 In this fast-paced young adult mystery, Printz Honor winner Sally Gardner brings London to life as she explores crime, poverty, and ignorance over the span of almost two centuries, as a young man is given the opportunity to go back in time in order to make sense of the present. A fresh start is what he needs. Will he find it in the past or the present? AJ Flynn has just failed all but one of his major exams, and at almost seventeen years old, he sees a future that's far from rosy. So when he's offered a junior clerk position at a London law firm, he hopes his life is about to change—and it does, but he could never have imagined how much. While on the job, AJ finds an old key labeled with his birth date, and he's determined to find the door it will open. When he does just that, AJ

and his group of scrappy friends begin a series of amazing journeys to the past—1830, to be exact. And they quickly realize that hardship, treachery, and love haven't changed too much in almost two hundred years. When they discover a crime that only they can solve, the boys go from wayward youths to intrepid young men with a purpose in life. But with enemies all around, can they unravel the mysteries of the past before the past unravels them?

The Boy with the Magic Numbers Sally Gardner 2011-09-15 From Costa Children's Book Award winner and multi-million bestselling author Sally Gardner, comes the MAGICAL CHILDREN story about a boy who's magic with numbers. When Billy Pickles' dad leaves home to live in New York, he gives Billy a moneybox. Billy's not sure where to put in the money, and not sure why his dad has left. Then Billy goes to New York to visit his father and his Italian grandmother, and discovers the secret of his magic moneybox. In a wonderful adventure, he takes Mighty Mamma on a helicopter ride, cracks open a safe, solves a kidnap mystery - and gets to know his dad again.

The Silver Blade Sally Gardner 2009-04-23 A thrilling adventure story set in the French revolution - gripping historical fiction at its best. With his friend Sido safely in England and the Terror at its height, Yann returns to France to smuggle out aristocratic refugees who will otherwise face the guillotine. But when Sido is kidnapped, he must use all his strength and courage to outwit the evil Count Kalliovski, and rescue her for a second time. Set against a vivid historical background, prize-winning author Sally Gardner brings to life the horrors of the French Revolution in this breath-taking adventure, complete with intrepid heroism and a touching love story. The page-turning sequel to Sally Gardner's novel of the French revolution, THE RED NECKLACE, and the conclusion to Yann and Sido's story.

Fairy Shopping Sally Gardner 2004-09 Take a walk through streets lined with fairy shops and bustling with shoppers - among them giants and elves, dragons, frogs and princesses. The text points out such shops as Sparks & Twinkle (wands and wings), Hubble Bubble (ingredients for the cauldron), Twinkletoes (dancing shoes), Hats for Cats, Whoopsadaisy the flower shop, Dragon Dreams, where pets can choose their owners, Blossom's dress shop and Miss Prism's, where you can buy your wishes gift-wrapped. There are tiny windows to peer into, shop names and advertisements to read, interiors to explore, cafes where Mr Wolf has his breakfast fry-up and the fairies meet for elevenses, a market with stalls selling magic lamps and fairy bric-a-brac. And as dusk falls, you can see all the fairies going home laden with their purchases. With exquisite drawings packed with detail and washed with ravishing translucent colours, Fairy Shopping has oodles of charm and the wit and originality that characterises all Sally Gardner's work.

Snow White Sally Gardner 2011-12-08 Early Readers are stepping stones from picture books to reading books. A blue Early Reader is perfect for sharing and reading together. A red Early Reader is the next step on your reading journey. With skin as white as snow, lips as red as roses, and hair as black as ebony, Snow White soon arouses the jealousy of her wicked stepmother. Hidden away in the forest, can she escape the evil queen with the help of her new friends?

The Double Shadow Sally Gardner 2014-02-06 In the wasteland it is eternal day, no clocks mark the passing hours. In 1937 clouds of war gather over Britain. Fifteen-year-old Ezra meets the rich, beautiful and undeniably spoiled Amaryllis Ruben, recently expelled from boarding school. Amaryllis has been playing the rebel since she was nine years old and Ezra is both disturbed and enchanted by her. But Amaryllis is hiding a secret even she does not understand. On the grounds of her father Arnold's decadent mansion a memory machine take shape. Despite Arnold's brash playboy exterior Arnold Ruben is seeking to master time. But time is running out for him. And then, on her 17th birthday, Amaryllis vanishes. The years that follow reverberate with the events of that summer's day. As Britain is shaken by war Ezra pieces together the fragments of his shattered memory in the name of love, loss and hope.

The New Policeman Kate Thompson 2011-06-30 Everyone in Kinvara is conscious that time is flying past, faster and faster - to such an extent that when JJ asks his mother what she would like as a birthday present she ask for more time. JJ dismisses this as mere wishful thinking, an impossibility, for who know where the time goes? The Liddys have been musicians for generations and JJ is no exception but what he discovers is that a shadow from the past hangs over their family -did his great-grandfather murder the village priest? When he sets out to buy his mother time, he discovers the fate of a flute which will provide the key to both problems - it is the vital clue. He makes the transition to Tir na n'Og, the land of eternal youth, where the fairy people are also having a problem with time and it falls to his lot to locate the leak between the two parallel worlds. JJ finds where time goes! Music proves to be the touchstone for communication between the fairy and the human domains and the book is saturated with the lure of Irish music for JJ`s whole existence is built round the ceili and each chapter relates to a tune, printed out as a heading so that the reader can also become a performer. As for the New Policeman, Larry O'Dwyer, he is an enigmatic figure who has a significant bearing on the plot but whose identity is kept a superbly guarded secret to the very last surprising moment.

Operation Bunny Sally Gardner 2012-10-04 Emily Vole makes headline news in the first weeks of her life, when she is found in an abandoned hatbox in Stansted Airport. Then, only a few years later, her neighbour Mrs String dies leaving Emily a mysterious inheritance: an old shop, a small bunch of golden keys and a cat called Fidget. It's the beginning of an adventure of a lifetime as the old Fairy Detective Agency comes back to life. It is up to Emily to reopen the shop, and recall the fairies to duty. Together they must embark on their first mystery and do battle with their great fairy-snatching enemy, Harpella.

I, Coriander (Booked Up Edition) Sally Gardner 2007-07-26 The story is told by Coriander, daughter of a silk merchant in 1650s London. Her idyllic childhood ends when her mother dies and her father goes away, leaving Coriander with her stepmother, a widow who is in cahoots with a fundamentalist Puritan preacher. She is shut away in a chest and left to die, but emerges into the fairy world from which her mother came, and where time has no meaning. When she returns, charged with a task that will transform her life, she is seventeen. This is a book filled with enchantments -- a pair of silver shoes, a fairy shadow, a prince transformed into a fox - that contrast with the heartbreaking loss and cruelty of Coriander's life in the real world. With its brilliantly realized setting of old London Bridge, and underpinned by the conflict between Royalists and Puritans, it is a terrific page turner, involving kidnapping, murder and romance, and an abundance of vivid characters. Coriander is a heroine to love. Her story will establish Sally Gardner as a children's writer of boundless imagination and originality.