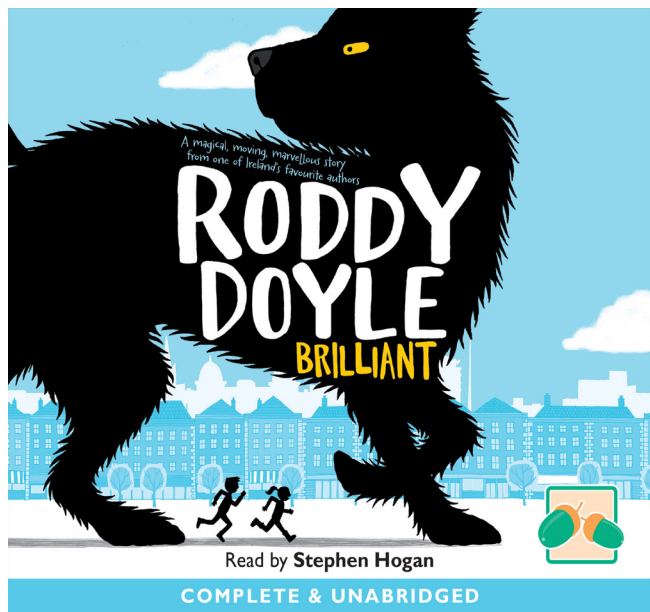


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Brilliant RODDY DOYLE

Brilliant is a wonderful, heart-warming children's novel of friendship and family set in Dublin.

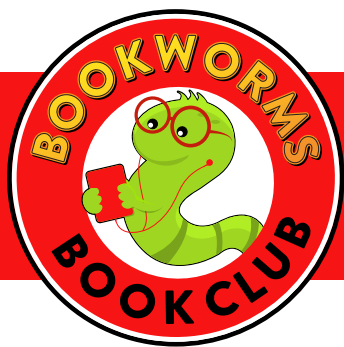
IN DETAIL

When Uncle Ben's Dublin business fails, Gloria and Raymond realise that something is wrong. So when the children overhear their granny saying that the Black Dog has settled on Ben's back and he won't be OK until it's gone, they decide they're going to get rid of it and they set out on a midnight quest to hunt it down and chase it away. But loads of other children are searching for it too, because the Black Dog is hounding lots of Dublin's adults. Together the children manage to corner the Black Dog...but will they have the courage and cleverness to destroy the frightening creature?



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QUICK QUESTIONS

What did you like best about *Brilliant*?

What did you like least about *Brilliant*?

What other books did *Brilliant* remind you of?

Which characters in the book did you like best?

Which characters did you like least?

How would you describe *Brilliant* in three words?

LONGER TASK

In *Brilliant*, the Black Dog is used as a metaphor for depression. What other metaphors can you think of? Make a list including what you think they mean.



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