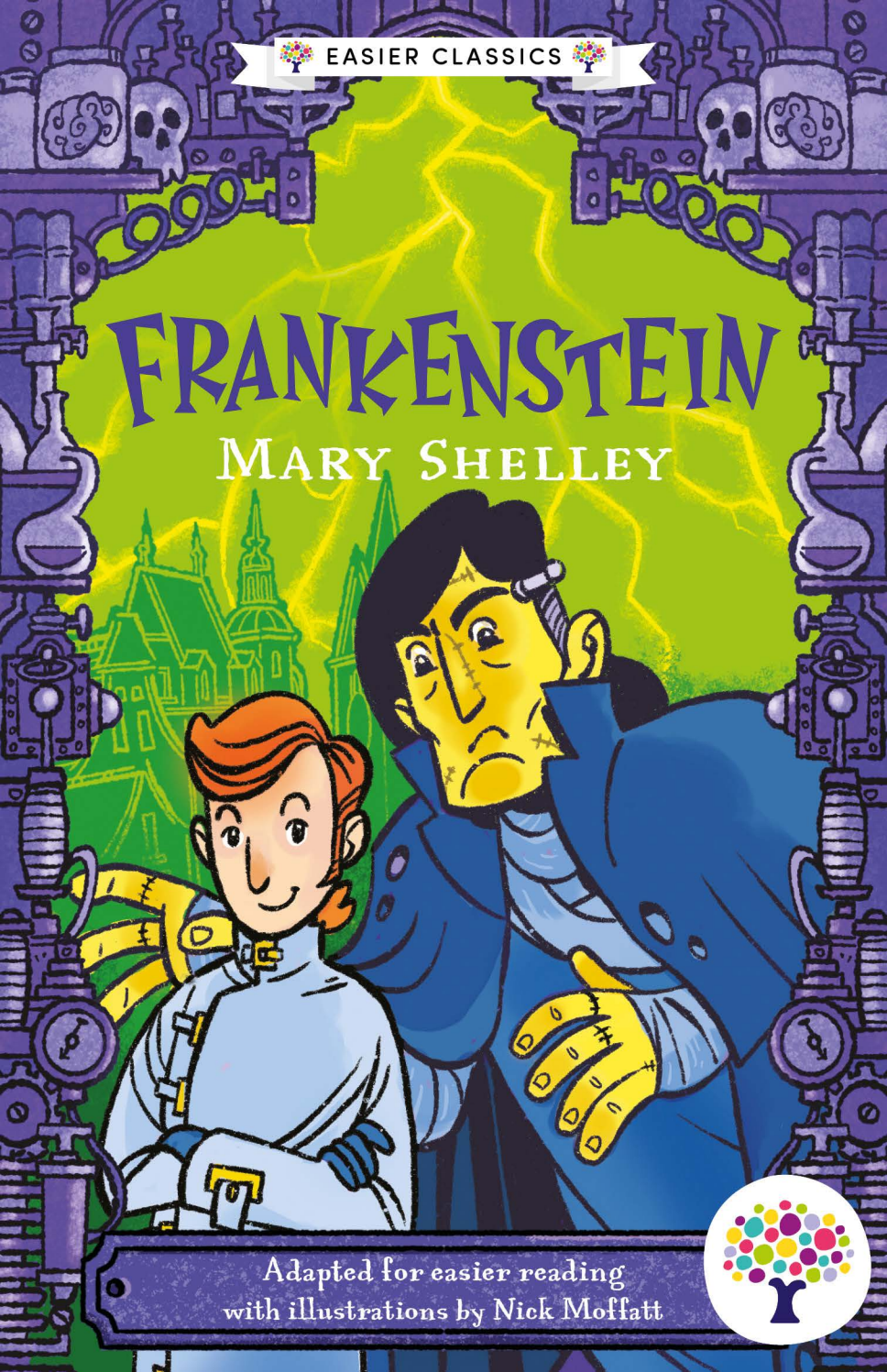

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Meet the Characters

The Creature



Victor Frankenstein



Eliza



Henry



William

Chapter 1

My name is Victor Frankenstein.

I grew up in a town called Geneva in Switzerland. I lived with my mother, father and brother, William.

When I was eight years old, an ***orphan*** *named Eliza came to live with us.*

We became friends straight away.



orphan *- A child whose parents have died.*

Eliza, William and I often played with our friend Henry in the woods, near our home.

We liked learning about **nature**. We explored where animals lived and found lots of different plants.

As I grew older, I read more and more about **nature**. I became obsessed with *how* life was created. *How* did the **spark of life** begin and what gave it power?



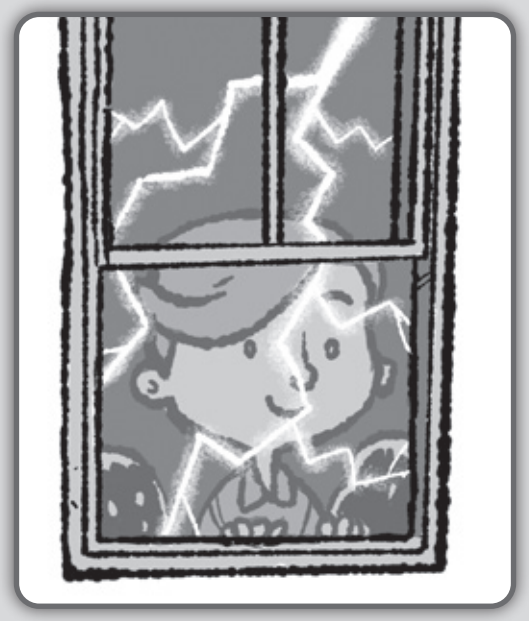
nature - The world of plants and animals.

spark of life - The energy inside a person that makes them alive.

One evening, there was a huge storm outside our house. I watched it from my bedroom window.

A huge ***bolt of lightning*** *struck our chimney, and bricks fell to the ground.*

This was nature at its most powerful.

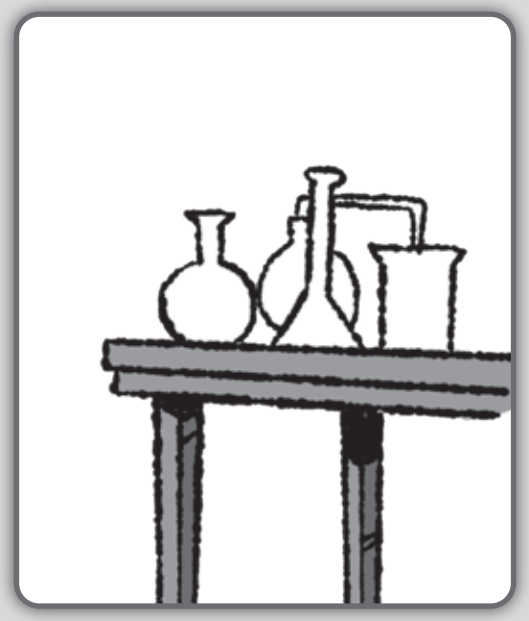


bolt of lightning *- The flash of light when lightning happens.*

As I grew older, I wanted to learn as much as I could about nature. I applied to all the top ***universities*** *in Europe to* ***study*** *the science of nature.*

Life was perfect, until my mother became ill. No medicine could make her better. I watched as the spark of life inside her slowly faded away.

Sadly, she died.



universities *- A place for grown-ups to learn, once they have finished school.*

study *- To learn about something.*

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Victor Frankenstein wants to find out how life begins. After learning as much as he can, he brings something to life. But not just anything, a monster!

When Victor loses the monster, he is scared that something bad will happen.

Will the monster be good or evil? Or will Victor lose more than just the monster?

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