

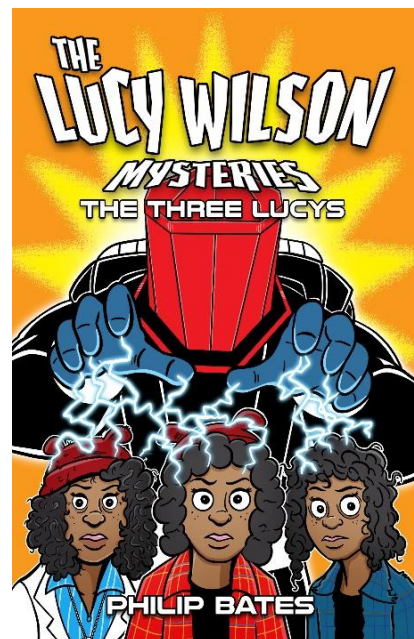


**CANDY JAR BOOKS ANNOUNCES SPECIAL CELEBRATORY
LUCY WILSON BOOK, THE THREE LUCYS,
ALONGSIDE THE GAMES MASTER**

Candy Jar Books is pleased to announce a special novel in its successful *Lucy Wilson* range, *The Three Lucys* – due out later this month!

The Lucy Wilson Mysteries features the granddaughter of *Doctor Who* legend, Brigadier Lethbridge-Stewart, as she battles alien invaders alongside her best friend, Hobo. While *The Three Lucys* is the landmark thirtieth book in the popular series, it's designed to welcome readers new and old alike.

And it's perfect for *Doctor Who* fans, who will immediately recognise the title's allusion to *Who's* tenth anniversary special, *The Three Doctors*.



The book is released later this month (June 2026) to celebrate Candy Jar Books' fifteenth anniversary.

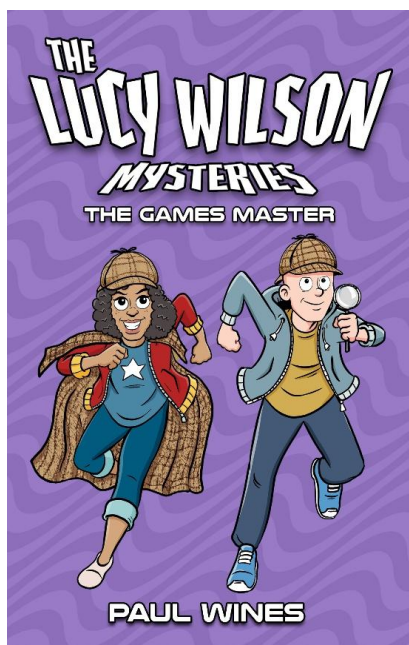
In *The Three Lucys*, Lucy Wilson meets two other versions of herself: one, a middle-aged professor who is fleeing mysterious 'chaos' that's unravelling time and space; and the other, a young girl held captive at a sinister military instillation.

Beyond the title, there are plenty of *Doctor Who* Easter eggs inside, as author Philip Bates (*Companions: More Than Sixty Years of Doctor Who Assistants*) explains: "Shaun [Russell, Head of Publishing] approached me to write a *Lucy* that pays homage to *The Three Doctors* – hugely exciting

not just because it's to celebrate a big anniversary but also as it's my first full *Lucy Wilson* novel – so I mapped out my idea against the plot of that serial, taking inspiration from its villain and his antimatter world.

"I sprinkled references to *Who* throughout: most notably, the majority of the chapter titles come from the Target novelisation of *The Three Doctors*, albeit giving a few a uniquely 'Lucy' twist. I'm especially proud of refashioning 'A Shock for the Brigadier' – a character who doesn't appear in *The Three Lucys*, but is certainly there in spirit."

Philip has previously edited *Lucy Wilson* books and written short stories for the canon including 'The Labours of Lucy Wilson', published in *Back in London* (2025), and two recent 'freebies' that give fans a taste of what's to come in *The Three Lucys*. He continues: "Anyone who read '100 Things That Happened on Easter Island' and 'The Green Dog' will already have met Professor Lucy Wilson; now, fans can find out more about Lucy-in-the-future and the 'chaos' she's running from..."



The Three Lucys will be released at the same time as Paul Wines' *The Games Master*, a book initially only available at the Barry Card and Collector Con 2026.

Blurb for *The Three Lucys*:

'Me don't know what's happening.'

One day, Lucy Wilson wakes up and suddenly can't say the word 'I'. Its whole meaning starts to dissolve in her head, and soon, it spreads. She can't recall what day comes after Thursday. She doesn't know what that lesson with all the numbers is called. How soon before she loses

the names of her own parents? Or her best friend, Hobo?

And she's not the only one. Or maybe she is. Because someone is stealing the words of numerous Lucy Wilsons, across time and space. One is a middle-aged professor. One is a rebellious teen who has run away from home.

And one is our Lucy: pulled out of her universe; running out of words; running out of hope.

Blurb for *The Games Master*

It's the only thing anyone's been talking about – even Lucy and Hobo, and they see real aliens and monsters all the time!

But the Games Master has been plotting. The next level of the game is afoot... and he knows that every great detective needs a trusted companion.

*For Sherlock Holmes, it's Watson.
For Lucy Wilson, it's Hobo.*

With everyone at the Comic Con in danger, can our favourite duo solve the mystery before things get out of hand?