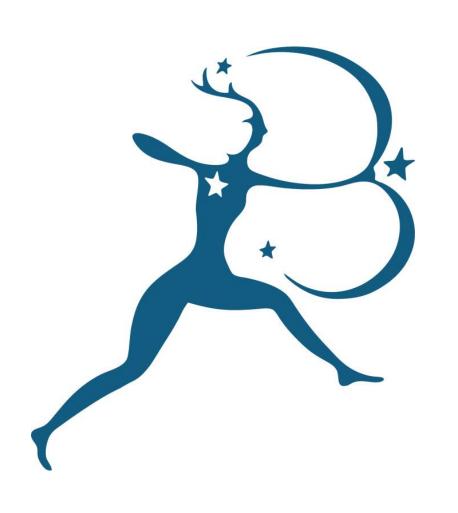


Bloomsbury Publishing Plc RESULTS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 AUGUST 2016

BLOOMSBURY



Multi-platform global publisher

Rich in intellectual property 🛧

Growing academic digital revenues

Editorial and design 🖈 excellence



Harry Potter



Strong financial position

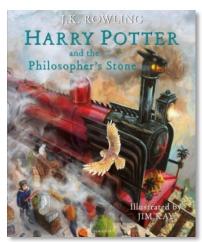


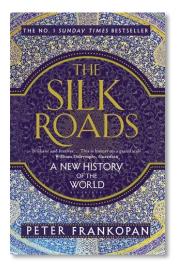
BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS



Financial performance:

- Strong revenue growth of 19% driven by Children's with Harry Potter and Sarah J. Maas
- Profit reflects end of term of Qatar services contract (as announced in December 2015)
- Trading in line with management's expectations





Bloomsbury 2020: 🖈



 A&P revenues from digital resources double Excellent cash flow generation, with £9.1 million cash at 31/8/16

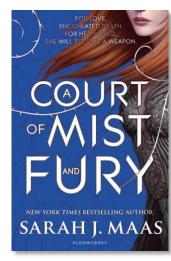
Interim dividend increases by 4%

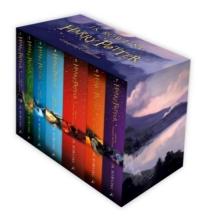


FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



			Change
H1 £m	2016/17	2015/16	%
Revenue	62.7	52.7	19%
Operating profit margin	2.3%	3.5%	-
Pre-tax profit	1.5	1.9	(22%)
Effective tax rate ²	15.1%	17.0%	-
Diluted EPS	1.65p	2.06p	(20%)
Net cash	9.1	0.9	893%
Interim dividend per share	1.10p	1.06p	4%





Note:

- 1. The above results are Adjusted by excluding highlighted items, which are shown on slide 29.
- 2. The effective tax rate is the adjusted rate used to calculate adjusted EPS. The reported rate in the period is 25.2% (2015/16: 20.2%)

REVENUE BY PUBLISHING DIVISION



H₁ 2016/17

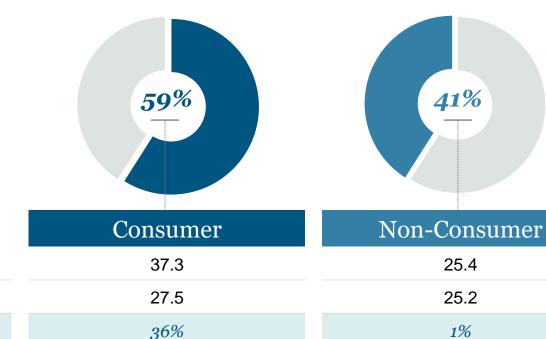
£m

Change %

Revenues H1 2016/17

Revenues H1 2015/16

Operating profit H1 2016/17



Non-Consumer revenues grow 4% excluding Qatar contract

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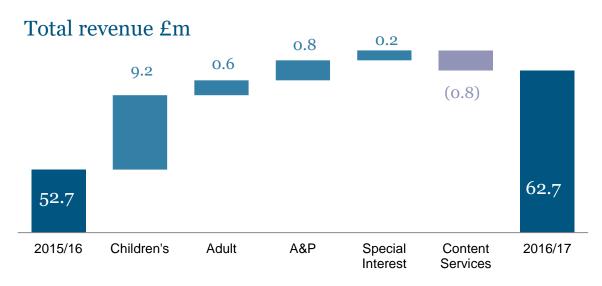
REVENUE BY SUB-DIVISION

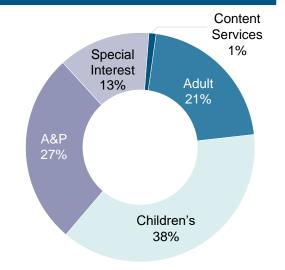


H ₁ £m	2016/17	2015/16	Change %
Adult Trade	13.4	12.8	5%
Children's Trade	23.9	14.7	63%
Total Consumer	37.3	27.5	36%
Academic & Professional	16.6	15.9	4%
Special Interest	8.1	7.8	4%
Content Services	0.7	1.5	(56%)
Total Non-Consumer	25.4	25.2	1%
Total revenue	62.7	52.7	19%

Revenue growth in Adult, Children's, A&P and Special Interest

Content Services revenues grew **7%** excluding Qatar contract

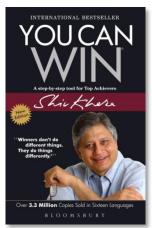




REVENUES BY GEOGRAPHIC SOURCE









Note: The above revenue increases are in local currency



Revenues increase 14% using constant exchange rates

REVENUE MIX



H1 £m	2016/17	2015/16	Change %
Print	51.7	41.5	25%
E-books	5.7	5.9	(4%)
Digital resource	2.0	1.2	65%
Digital	7.7	7.1	8%
Total title sales	59.4	48.6	22%
Copyright licences	2.7	2.4	13%
Management contracts	0.4	1.2	(67%)
Other	0.2	0.5	(60%)
Rights and Services	3.3	4.1	(21%)
Total revenue	62.7	52.7	19%

Print books 87% of Total title sales – continued demand for print format

UK industry e-book sales down 12% calendar H1 2016 (Source: UK PA)

Digital resource revenues grow 65%, mainly in A&P division

Qatar contract term ends £0.9m effect in H1





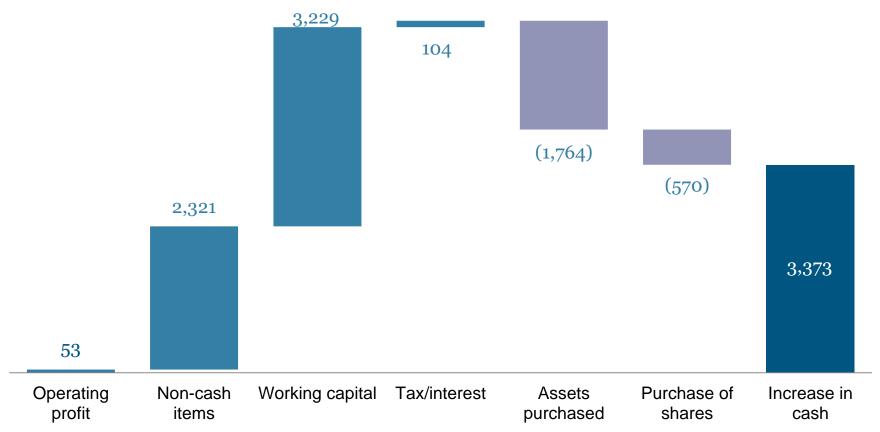
STRONG BALANCE SHEET



£m	31.8.16	31.8.15	. •				
Goodwill & intangibles	64.3	63.7	*				
Property, plant & equipment	2.3	2.7					
Net deferred tax assets	0.5	0.4	£55.4m at CER. Stock reduces £2.7m at CER				
Net working capital	58.5	59.4	reduces £2.7111 at CER				
Tax receivables/(liabilities)	0.8	(0.6)	£1.1m H1 tax repayments following tax Tribunal result				
Retirement benefit obligations	(0.4)	(0.2)					
Other receivables	1.1	_ ←	Accrued income receivable on rights deals				
Other payables	(1.0)	(1.1)	on rights deals				
Provisions	(0.1)	(0.5)					
	126.0	123.8	Cash has increased from profit generation, tax tribunal				
Net cash	9.1	0.9	receipt £1.1m and better				
Net assets	135.1	124.7	working capital less £0.6m EBT share buy back				

CASH FLOW MOVEMENT SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 AUGUST 2016 £000





CASH FLOW PRIORITIES



Free cash flow priorities:



- Fund investment and development, organically and by acquisition
- Maintain a strong balance sheet
- Deliver a progressive and sustainable dividend

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Dividend:



- Interim dividend increasing by 4% to 1.10p per share
- The dividend will be payable
 30 November 2016. The ex-dividend date is 4 November 2016

CHILDREN'S TRADE



Excellent performance

- Revenue up 63% to £23.9m, profit up 93% to £2.5m
- Excellent sales of Harry Potter. Sarah J. Maas title sales up 101%

Strong growth from Harry Potter novels

- Second illustrated Harry Potter title released
 4 October 2016. First one a huge success selling over
 1.3 million copies to date
- Harry Potter Children's edition sales up 107% (source: Nielsen BookScan TCM)

Unprecedented double win: Carnegie Medal and Greenaway Medal wins with Sarah Crossan's *One* and Chris Riddell's illustrations of Neil

Gaiman's *The Sleeper*

and the Spindle





Eight new Sarah J. Maas titles contracted

HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF SECRETS



ILLUSTRATED EDITION RELEASED 4 OCTOBER 2016



ADULT TRADE



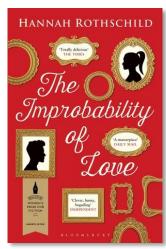
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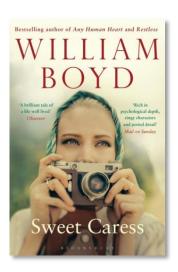
- Sales increase 5% driven by Silk Roads, Sweet Caress and The Improbability of Love
- Loss increased by £0.6m to £1.2m due to sales mix with fewer e-books, and higher stock and advance provisions

Adult strategy

New Adult MD in place:

- Bringing new talent to the acquisition team:
 - Focus on fiction in US market
 - Focus on crime fiction globally
- Taking advantage of our global structure but allowing UK and US to publish for local markets
- Providing an excellent service to our authors and illustrators





ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL



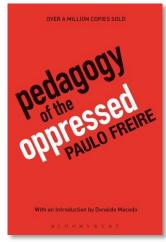
Financial progress

- A&P sales up 4% and operating profit up 6%
- Digital resources sales grew
 103% to £2.0m
- Drama Online revenue growth of 158%
- Bloomsbury Collections revenue growth of 150%
- Family Law titles purchased Jan 2016, now integrated
- Bloomsbury Law Online service launches November 2016

Bloomsbury 2020

- Initiative to significantly accelerate B2B digital resource revenues
- Bloomsbury 2020 MD appointed. H2 delivery of new digital platform, new teams for content acquisition, sales and marketing
- Plans and spend on track to deliver two major new resources to launch this year: Arcadian Library Online and Bloomsbury Popular Music





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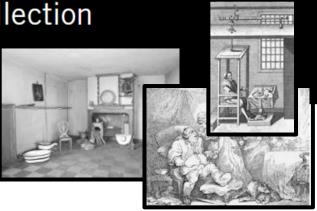
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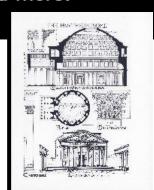
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OTHER NON-CONSUMER

Special interest

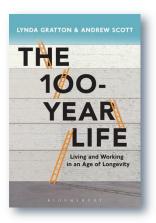
- Key titles in the period include Spitfire: The Legend Lives On by John Dibbs and Tony Holmes and Wisden 2016
- Whitaker's Online launched March 2016 giving upto-date information on Britain and its governance

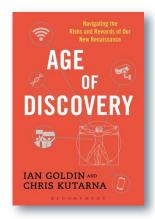




Content services

- Renewal of publishing services contract with IZA World of Labor for additional 18-month term
- Digitising and selling access to the Arcadian Library via subscriptions as part of the Bloomsbury 2020 project.
- The 100-Year Life and Age of Discovery shortlist and longlist respectively for the 2016 Financial Times and McKinsey Business Book of the Year Award







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PUBLICATIONS







OUTLOOK



Trading in line with management's expectations

Bloomsbury 2020 digital publishing: launch of two new digital resources in H2

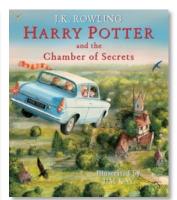


Continuing strength of Harry Potter sales with *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* illustrated edition by J.K.Rowling and Jim Kay and film tie in *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them – Newt Scamander: A Movie Scrapbook*

Paul Beatty's *The Sellout*, published by
Oneworld and distributed
by Bloomsbury in
Australia, won the Man
Booker prize 2016

Traditional second half weighting of book sales and delivery of R&S income







QUESTIONS



APPENDIX

ADJUSTED INCOME STATEMENT



			Change	Change
H1 £m	2016/17	2015/16	%	% CER*
Revenue	62.7	52.7	19%	14%
Gross profit	31.4	28.7	10%	5%
Gross profit margin %	50%	54%	(8%)	
Marketing and distribution costs	(9.8)	(7.8)	25%	20%
Marketing and distribution costs as % revenue	16%	15%	6%	
Administrative expenses	(20.3)	(19.0)	7%	4%
Operating profit	1.4	1.9	(27%)	(38%)
Operating profit margin %	2%	4%	(39%)	
Net finance income	0.1	-		
Pre-tax profit	1.5	1.9	(22%)	(33%)

*Notes: * CER is results restated based on constant exchange rates.*

HIGHLIGHTED ITEMS

H1 2016/17



Restructuring costs

£0.4m

Amortisation of acquired intangible assets

£0.9m



£ 1.3m

ADJUSTED SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

H1 2016/17



£000	Children's Trade	Adult Trade	Con	Total sumer	A&P	Special Interest	Content Services		l Non- sumer	Total	Group
Print Sales	21,621	10,812	32,433	87%	12,192	6,909	185	19,286	76%	51,719	83%
Digital Sales	1,401	2,176	3,577	10%	3,427	626	65	4,118	16%	7,695	12%
Rights & Services	875	393	1,268	3%	1,032	534	424	1,990	8%	3,258	5%
Total revenue	23,897	13,381	37,278	100%	16,651	8,069	674	25,394	100%	62,672	100%
% of total	38%	21%	59%		27%	13%	1%	41%		100%	
UK	13,039	7,300	20,339	<i>55</i> %	11,732	5,900	630	18,262	72%	38,601	61%
US	7,909	4,476	12,385	33%	4,409	1,731	20	6,160	24%	18,545	30%
Australia	2,335	1,197	3,532	9%	298	427	16	741	3%	4,273	7%
India	614	408	1,022	3%	212	11	8	231	1%	1,253	2%
Total revenue	23,897	13,381	37,278	100%	16,651	8,069	674	25,394	100%	62,672	100%
Gross margin	11,872	5,787	17,659		9,793	3,642	319	13,754		31,413	
Gross margin %	50%	43%	47%		59%	45%	47%	54%		50%	
Marketing and distribution	(3,882)	(2,652)	(6,534)		(2,085)	(1,106)	(73)	(3,264)		(9,798)	
Contribution	7,990	3,135	11,125		7,708	2,536	246	10,490		21,615	
Administrative expenses	(5,499)	(4,348)	(9,847)		(6,983)	(2,906)	(517)	(10,406)		(20,253)	
Operating profit	2,491	(1,213)	1,278		725	(370)	(271)	84		1,362	
Operating profit %	10%	(9%)	3%		4%	(5%)	(40%)	0%		2%	
% of total	183%	(89%)	94%		53%	(27%)	(20%)	6%		100%	
РВТА										1,456	

ADJUSTED SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS H1 2015/16



£000	Children's Trade	Adult Trade	Con	Total sumer	A&P	Special Interest	Content Services		l Non- sumer	Total	Group
Print Sales	12,646	9,670	22,316	81%	12,237	6,744	137	19,118	76%	41,434	78%
Digital Sales	1,186	2,495	3,681	14%	2,589	678	193	3,460	14%	7,141	14%
Rights & Services	828	636	1,464	5%	1,116	326	1,197	2,639	10%	4,103	8%
Total revenue	14,660	12,801	27,461	100%	15,942	7,748	1,527	25,217	100%	52,678	100%
% of total	28%	24%	52%		30%	15%	3%	48%		100%	
UK	8,587	6,807	15,394	<i>5</i> 6%	10,413	5,941	1,490	17,844	71%	33,238	63%
US	4,789	4,413	9,202	33%	4,979	1,807	29	6,815	27%	16,017	30%
Australia	995	1,358	2,353	9%	280	-	8	288	1%	2,641	5%
India	289	223	512	2%	270	-	-	270	1%	782	2%
Total revenue	14,660	12,801	27,461	100%	15,942	7,748	1,527	25,217	100%	52,678	100%
Gross margin	7,804	6,062	13,866		9,519	4,101	1,192	14,812		28,678	
Gross margin %	53%	47%	50%		60%	53%	78%	59%		54%	
Marketing and distribution	(2,370)	(2,320)	(4,690)		(2,028)	(1,055)	(35)	(3,118)		(7,808)	
Contribution	5,434	3,742	9,176		7,491	3,046	1,157	11,694		20,870	
Administrative expenses	(4,145)	(4,330)	(8,475)		(6,807)	(2,845)	(875)	(10,527)		(19,002)	
Operating profit	1,289	(588)	701		684	201	282	1,167		1,868	
Operating profit %	9%	(5%)	3%		4%	3%	18%	5%		4%	
% of total	69%	(31%)	38%		<i>3</i> 6%	11%	15%	62%		100%	
PBTA										1,861	

ADJUSTED SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS H1 2016/17 AT CONSTANT EXCHANGE RATES



£000	Children's Trade	Adult Trade	Con	Total sumer	A&P	Special Interest	Content Services		l Non- sumer	Total	Group
Print Sales	20,705	10,364	31,069	87%	11,735	6,707	180	18,622	76%	49,691	83%
Digital Sales	1,289	2,072	3,361	9%	3,378	625	65	4,068	16%	7,429	12%
Rights & Services	842	383	1,225	4%	1,014	531	424	1,969	8%	3,194	5%
Total revenue	22,836	12,819	35,655	100%	16,127	7,863	669	24,659	100%	60,314	100%
% of total	38%	21%	59%		27%	13%	1%	41%		100%	
UK	13,038	7,300	20,338	<i>57</i> %	11,733	5,900	630	18,263	74%	38,601	64%
US	7,095	4,036	11,131	31%	3,918	1,560	18	5,496	22%	16,627	28%
Australia	2,125	1,094	3,219	9%	276	393	14	683	3%	3,902	6%
India	578	389	967	3%	200	10	7	217	1%	1,184	2%
Total revenue	22,836	12,819	35,655	100%	16,127	7,863	669	24,659	100%	60,314	100%
Gross margin	11,356	5,525	16,881		9,502	3,542	318	13,362		30,243	
Gross margin %	50%	43%	47%		59%	45%	48%	54%		50%	
Marketing and distribution	(3,670)	(2,531)	(6,201)		(2,014)	(1,070)	(70)	(3,154)		(9,355)	
Contribution	7,686	2,994	10,680		7,488	2,472	248	10,208		20,888	
Administrative expenses	(5,359)	(4,187)	(9,546)		(6,790)	(2,882)	(513)	(10,185)		(19,731)	
Operating profit	2,327	(1,193)	1,134		698	(410)	(265)	23		1,157	
Operating profit %	10%	(9%)	3%		4%	(5%)	(40%)	0%		2%	
% of total	201%	(103%)	98%		60%	(35%)	(23%)	2%		100%	
РВТА										1,251	

ACTIVE DIGITAL RESOURCES



Product	Market	Model
Berg Fashion Library	Institutional	Subscription
Bloomsbury Professional Law & Tax Products	B2B	Subscription
Reeds Almanac Online	B2C	Subscription
Churchill Archive	Institutional	Perpetual Access and Subscription
Drama Online	Institutional	Perpetual Access and Subscription
Bloomsbury Collections	Institutional	Perpetual Access
Churchill Central	B2C	Sponsorship funded
Churchill for Schools	Secondary Schools	Sponsorship funded
Cooked.com	B2C	Joint Venture
Fairchild Books Fashion (textbook rental)	B2C	Purchase or Rental
Fairchild Books Library	Institutional	Subscription
IZA World of Labor	Institutional	Sponsorship Funded
Fashion Photography Archive	Institutional	Perpetual Access and Subscription

NOTES



 All metrics and commentary in this presentation are at reported foreign exchange rates and exclude adjusting items unless stated otherwise



- Adjusting items are highlighted items as shown on slide 29. Highlighted items are shown separately in the income statement because, in the opinion of the Directors, separate disclosure is helpful in understanding the underlying performance of the business
- Constant exchange rate performance has been calculated by applying the average foreign exchange rates for the six months ended 31 August 2015 to the local currency results for the six months ended 31 August 2016
- Certain financial data within this presentation has been rounded



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