## Abdulrazak Gurnah wins the Nobel Prize

## BLOOMSBURY PÚBLISHING PLC

Results for the six months ended 31 August 2021


## Excellent First Half Results

Highest first half sales and profit in Bloomsbury's history

Revenue up 29\%; profit up £8.9m

Bestsellers - from backlist and new titles; surge in reading continues post-lockdowns

Mitigated print supply chain challenges in the first half; H1 revenues boosted by customers ordering earlier

Increased interim dividend by 5\% to 1.34 pence per share

Confident of achieving market expectations for the full year


## GROWTH

- Revenue of $£ 100.7 m$, highest first half ever, and $29 \%$ growth year-on-year
- Profit before taxation and highlighted items of $£ 12.9 \mathrm{~m}, £ 8.9 \mathrm{~m}$ higher than last year
- Excellent Consumer performance - revenue up 29\%
- Excellent Non-Consumer performance - revenue up 27\%
- Academic market shift to digital learning: ongoing success of long-term Bloomsbury Digital Resources strategy, revenue up 44\%
- Acquisitions: Red Globe Press and Head of Zeus contribute $£ 4.4 \mathrm{~m}$ revenue and $£ 0.8 \mathrm{~m}$ profit, in line with expectations



## Financial highlights

| H1 £m | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | Change \% | Change CER ${ }^{3}$ \% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue | 100.7 | 78.3 | 29\% | 33\% | = |
| Pre-tax profit margin ${ }^{1}$ | 12.8\% | 5.2\% |  |  | -- |
| Pre-tax profit ${ }^{1}$ | 12.9 | 4.0 | 220\% | 239\% | Human kind |
| Effective tax rate ${ }^{2}$ | 18.1\% | 17.3\% |  |  | A Hopeful History |
| Diluted EPS | 12.82p | 4.13p | 210\% | 233\% | Rutger Bregman |
| Net cash | 43.7 | 44.1 | (1\%) | -\% |  |
| Interim dividend per share | 1.34 p | $1.28 p$ | 5\% |  |  |

[^0]1. The above results are adjusted by excluding highlighted items, comprising legal and professional costs relating to ongoing and completed acquisitions and restructuring costs (£0.8m) and amortisation of acquired intangible assets ( $£ 1.0 \mathrm{~m}$ ), which are shown on slide 31
2. The effective tax rate is the adjusted rate used to calculate adjusted EPS. The reported rate in the period is 22.5\% (2020/21: 23.6\%)
3. CER is results at constant exchange rates calculated by applying monthly average exchange rates for 2020/21 to the monthly results for 2021/22

## Results by publishing division

## Success of unique strategy of combining Consumer and Academic publishing

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## Growth in Profit Margin

## Growing profitability across both divisions



Non-Consumer margin increase
from $6 \%$ to $12 \%$ since 2018/19
Consumer margin increases from $11 \%$ to $13 \%$ since 2018/19

Non-Consumer a growing contributor to profitability

Profit margin growth


## REVENUE BY SUB-DIVISION

| H1 £m | $2021 / 22$ | $2020 / 21$ | Change $\%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Adult | 23.9 | 18.8 | $27 \%$ |
| Children's | 39.0 | 29.8 | $31 \%$ |
| Total Consumer | 62.9 | 48.6 | $29 \%$ |
| Academic \& Professional | 26.4 | 20.1 | $32 \%$ |
| Special Interest | 11.4 | 9.6 | $18 \%$ |
| Total Non-Consumer | 37.8 | 29.7 | $27 \%$ |
| Total revenue | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 7}$ | 78.3 | $29 \%$ |

Very strong Consumer growth with
high demand for backlist titles for
Adult and Children's
Excellent Academic \& Professional
growth, driven by digital sales and
recovery of print sales

## DIVERSIFIED REVENUE CHANNELS

## Multiple platforms

| H1 £m | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | Change \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Print | 74.7 | 57.7 | 29\% |
| ebooks | 12.8 | 11.0 | 17\% |
| Audio | 1.4 | 1.0 | 40\% |
| BDR and other digital revenues | 8.0 | 5.6 | 44\% |
| Digital | 22.2 | 17.6 | 26\% |
| Total book sales | 96.9 | 75.3 | 29\% |
| Rights and services | 3.8 | 3.0 | 27\% |
| Total revenue | 100.7 | 78.3 | 29\% |
|  |  |  |  |



Strong print demand for Consumer and Non-Consumer titles

Growth in ebooks for both
Consumer and Academic

Demand for digital content with Digital Resources up 44\%


New audio division continues to make strong progress

## Strong balance sheet

| £m | 31 August 2021 | $\begin{array}{r} 31 \text { August } \\ 2020 \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Goodwill \& acquired intangibles | 63.1 | 58.9 | - Acquisition of Red Globe Press ( $£ 3.2 \mathrm{~m}$ ) |
| Internally generated intangibles | 7.9 | 7.9 | - Acquisition of Head of Zeus |
| Property, plant \& equipment | 1.8 | 1.8 |  |
| Tax balances: deferred \& current | 2.2 | 1.6 | Finished goods inventory |
| Working capital (excl tax) | 45.5 | 47.7 | acquisitions and 37\% from |
| Retirement benefit obligations | - | (0.1) | increasing levels to mitigate supply chain challenges |
| Net impact of IFRS 16 | (1.4) | (1.5) |  |
| US government loan | - | (1.3) | Includes $£ 29.4 \mathrm{~m}$ advances and $£ 37.2 \mathrm{~m}$ inventory |
| Other | (0.7) | (0.5) |  |
|  | 118.4 | 114.5 | Strong cash generation and |
| Net cash | 43.7 | 44.1 | $£ 8.0 \mathrm{~m}$ special dividend paid in August |
| Net assets | 162.1 | 158.6 |  |

## Cashflow

Strong cash generation


## Key working capital movements:

- Advances of $£ 7.9 \mathrm{~m}$ (H1 2020/21. $£ 5.7 \mathrm{~m})$
- Royalty payments of $£ 12.9 \mathrm{~m}$ (H1 2020/21: £10.4m)


## Acquisitions: cash paid

- Head of Zeus: $£ 5.7 \mathrm{~m}$ cash paid
- Red Globe Press: $£ 3.0 \mathrm{~m}$ cash paid


## Using our strong financial position

Priorities

- Investing for growth:

Company Acquisitions

Bloomsbury Digital Resources

New Content

- Maintaining a strong balance sheet
- Dividends supported by good cash cover


## Delivered H1 2021/22

Acquisition of Red Globe Press for $£ 3.2 \mathrm{~m}$ and Head of Zeus for $£ 7.0 \mathrm{~m}$; actively considering further opportunities

Capex of $£ 0.4 \mathrm{~m}$ H1 2021/22 (H1 2020/21: £0.5m)
$£ 7.9 \mathrm{~m}$ invested in author advances in period (H1 2020/21: £5.7m)

Cash of $£ 43.7 \mathrm{~m}$ at 31 August 2021

Interim dividend of 1.34p, up 5\%

## ACQUISITIONS

H1 2021/22:
Acquisition of Red Globe Press, the academic publisher, from Springer Nature Group

- Driving our Non-Consumer business - core to our long-term growth strategy
- Consideration of $£ 3.2$ million, $0.3 x$ turnover
- Strengthens Bloomsbury's existing academic publishing
- Three digital products to migrate to BDR's own platform and its content added to Bloomsbury Collections
- H1 contribution of $£ 1.7 \mathrm{~m}$ revenue and $£ 0.4 \mathrm{~m}$ PBTA, as planned
- Integration going well

Acquisition of Head of Zeus, independent publisher of genre fiction and narrative non-fiction and children's books

- Adds to Bloomsbury's thriving Consumer division
- Consideration of $£ 7.0$ million, $0.8 x$ turnover, net of $£ 1.1 \mathrm{~m}$ debt
- H1 contribution of $£ 2.7 \mathrm{~m}$ revenue and $£ 0.4 \mathrm{~m}$ PBTA, as planned
- Strengthens Bloomsbury's trade publishing in six genre areas


## INTERIM DIVIDEND GROWTH

## Interim dividend up 5\%



6 months ended

## Non-Consumer: Academic \& Professional

- Revenue grows 32\% to $£ 26.4 m$ (H1 2020/21: £20.1m)
- Digital growth from Bloomsbury Digital Resources ("BDR") and ebooks of $34 \%$ with recovery in print sales of $34 \%$
- Profit growth of $£ 2.1 \mathrm{~m}$ to $£ 3.9 \mathrm{~m}$ (H1 2020/21: $£ 1.8 \mathrm{~m}$ )


| BDR revenues <br> grow <br> $440 / 0$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| BDR profit |
| grows |
| $£ 1.6 \mathrm{~m}$ to |
| $£ 2.8 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| $(\mathrm{H} 12020 / 21:$ |
| $£ 5.6 \mathrm{~m})$ |



Bloomsbury wins Academic Publisher of the Year 2021 British Book Awards

## Bloomsbury Digital Resources

## Growing B2B digital revenues

H1 2021/22 achievements
Established products:

- Platform with highest contribution achieves $80 \%$ margin
- Digital customer renewal rate maintained above 90\%
- Over 14,000 titles on Bloomsbury Collections, $28 \%$ more than last year


## Acquisitions

- Three new digital platforms acquired with Red Globe Press
- Video content strengthened by the acquisition of over 2,000 Contemporary Arts Media films in H2

Partnerships:

- Extended partnerships with Taylor and Francis and Human Kinetics
- New partnerships with Eerdmans and Icon books

New products:

- Delivered one new product and five new modules in the first half
$37 \%$ growth in subscription revenues to $£ 2.9$ m, now $37 \%$ of total platform revenues



## Bloomsbury Digital Resources

Strategically positioned for the transition to digital learning
Revenue Growth
$44 \%$ YoY revenue growth for H1 2021/22
$49 \%$ revenue growth for 2020/21 full
year

Strong Demand
233 Academic institutions trialled products in H1 2021/22

2,200 Academic institutions trialled products in 2020/21

## More Customers

$56 \%$ increase in the number of Academic customers year-on-year

Market Leading Verticals
Drama Online
Bloomsbury Fashion Central
Visual Arts
Screen Studies
Theology and Religion Online


## Bloomsbury Digital Resources

What's next

Revenue Growth Target
New BDR target for the next five years from 2022/23 is to achieve 50\% organic growth

## Margin Growth Target

New BDR target for the next five years from 2022/23 is to achieve $30 \%$ margin on organic growth

## Market Opportunity

Addressable market estimated at 5,000 academic institutions; currently 2,100 are customers

## Content Strategy

Grow established products in market leading verticals

Leverage acquisitions
Extend partnerships
New products


## Non-Consumer: Special Interest

- Revenue growth of $18 \%$ to $£ 11.4 m$ (H1 2020/21: $£ 9.6 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- Profit of $£ 0.7 \mathrm{~m}$ (H1 2020/21: $£(0.3) \mathrm{m}$ )
- Key titles in the period include Wisden Cricketers Almanack, Reeds Nautical Almanac, Perimenopause Power and the Writers' and Artists' Yearbook, and bestselling games including Stargrave and Imperium Legends
- Delivering results from the implementation of a more targeted publishing strategy, focusing on wildlife, nautical, wellness, games and military history, developing direct relationships with those communities



## CONSUMER DIVISION: ADULT TRADE

## Bloomsbury voted Trade Publisher of the Year

## Excellent results

- Revenue up 27\% to $£ 23.9$ (H1 2020/21: £18.8m)
- Profit increased by $23 \%$ to $£ 1.3 \mathrm{~m}$ (H1 2020/21: £1.1m)
- Piranesi is a Sunday Times and New York Times bestseller and winner of the Women's Prize for Fiction 2021
- Bloomsbury author Abdulrazak Gurnah won the Nobel Prize for Literature in October, the world's most prestigious literary prize
- No One is Talking About This by Patricia Lockwood shortlisted for the Booker Prize 2021


## Bestsellers

- New York Times and Sunday Times bestseller: Susanna Clarke's Piranesi
- Sunday Times and New York Times bestseller: The Song of Achilles by Madeline Miller
- Sunday Times bestseller: Tom Kerridge's Outdoor Cooking
- New York Times bestseller: The Priory of the Orange Tree by Samantha Shannon



THE SONG OF ACHILLES


MADELINE MILLER

no one is talking about this
Patricia Lockwood

## CONSUMER DIVISION: CHILDREN'S TRADE



- Revenue up $31 \%$ to $£ 39.0 \mathrm{~m}$ (H1 2020/21: $£ 29.8 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- Profit growth of $£ 5.4 \mathrm{~m}$ to $£ 7.1 \mathrm{~m}$ (H1 2020/21: $£ 1.7 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- Good sales of Harry Potter titles
- Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone was the $4^{\text {th }}$ bestselling Children's title on UK Nielsen BookScan in the year-to-date, 24 years after first publication
- 3 more illustrated titles contracted, plus 2 more House editions

- Sarah J. Maas sales grew by 130\%, with strong backlist sales and momentum from the publication of one new title in February 2021. Last year there was one new title in March 2020
- Sarah J. Maas' latest title A Court of Silver Flames was a New York Times bestseller
- 4 future titles contracted plus 2 novellas



## ESG HIGHLIGHTS

## Environmental, Social and Governance achievements

Environmental

- Goal of Net Zero emissions in line with the Paris Agreement
- Set Science Based Targets, validated by the Science Based Target Initiative, to reduce carbon emissions in line with the Paris Agreement
- Committed to a $46 \%$ reduction in our Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 2030; this reduction will help limit global warming to 1.5 degrees in line with the Paris Agreement
- Our Scope 3 target is a $20 \%$ reduction in emissions by 2035. This reduction is in line with a 2 degree pathway


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Social

- Launched our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Action plan, focusing on recruitment, retention, training and development, education, engagement and inclusion and publishing and communication
- Success of apprenticeship scheme
- Creation of the Disability Employee Resource Group
- Continued focus on employee engagement and development initiatives
- Support for wide range of charities and non-profit organisations

> Bloomsbury's core business of publishing books to inform, educate and inspire is itself a social good

## LONG TERM GROWTH STRATEGY

Diversifying platforms, markets and sectors

## Non-Consumer

- Grow Bloomsbury's portfolio in Non-Consumer publishing
- Achieved H1 2021/22: Delivered 27\% growth in Non-Consumer revenues
- Achieve BDR revenue of $£ 15$ million and profit of $£ 5$ million for 2021/22
- Achieved H1 2021/22: Delivered £8.0m BDR revenue, up 44\%, and £2.8m profit, up $£ 1.6 \mathrm{~m}$
- What's next for BDR: Achieving 50\% organic growth over the next five years

Consumer

- Discover, nurture, champion and retain high quality authors and illustrators in our Consumer division
- Achieved H1 2021/22: UK and US bestsellers across front and backlist titles
- Grow our key authors through effective publishing across all formats
- Achieved H1 2021/22: Sales of Sarah J. Maas titles increased by $130 \%$
- Ensure that new children discover Harry Potter titles and read them for pleasure every year
- Achieved H1 2021/22: Sales of Harry Potter titles were good and Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone was the fourth bestselling children's book of the

International Expansion

- Expand international revenues and reduce reliance on UK market
- Achieved H1 2021/22: Increased overseas revenue to 65\% of Group revenue; 76\% of Academic BDR sales are international


## LONG TERM GROWTH STRATEGY

Employee Experience and Engagement

- To be an attractive employer for individuals seeking a career in publishing regardless of background or identity
- Focus on targeted initiatives to create an environment that promotes diversity, nurtures talent, stimulates creativity and collaboration, supports well-being and is respectful of difference
Achieved H1 2021/22:
- Developed our all employee bonus scheme
- Launched our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Action Plan
- Employee engagement and development initiatives
- Working with employees to develop effective agile working and continuing to focus on employee safety and wellbeing

Sustainability
Continue to switch to renewable energy across all sites, with the goal of Net Zero emissions in line with the Paris Agreement
Achieved H1 2021/22:

- Set Science Based Targets, validated by the Science Based Target Initiative, to reduce carbon emissions in line with the Paris Agreement.
- Committed to a $46 \%$ reduction in our Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 2030; this reduction will help limit global warming to 1.5 degrees in line with the Paris Agreement
- Our Scope 3 target is a 20\% reduction in emissions by 2035. This reduction is in line with a 2 degree pathway.
- Supporting the Woodland Trust and Reforest'Action for three years


## PowErful Forward Publishing List For 2021/22

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## SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

11 Strength of our long-term strategy, including growth of digital formats
(畀) Resilient demand
Print supply chain and freight challenges ongoing
(11) Excellent first half results boosted by earlier print sales to customers, responding to supply chain issues

Bloomsbury Digital Resources is on track to achieve our five year target of $£ 15 \mathrm{~m}$ revenue and $£ 5 \mathrm{~m}$ profit for 2021/22
(4) Confident that results for the year ended 28 February 2022 will be in line with market expectations

## AdJUSTED SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS H1 2021/22

| $£^{\prime} 000$ | Children's Trade | Adult Trade | Total Cons |  | A\&P | Special Interest | Total Non-Consumer |  | Total Group |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Print Sales | 32,675 | 18,625 | 51,300 | 82\% | 13,994 | 9,341 | 23,335 | 62\% | 74,635 | 74\% |
| Digital Sales | 4,960 | 4,608 | 9,568 | 15\% | 11,466 | 1,205 | 12,671 | 33\% | 22,239 | 22\% |
| Rights \& Services | 1,355 | 695 | 2,050 | 3\% | 951 | 781 | 1,732 | 5\% | 3,782 | 4\% |
| Total revenue | 38,990 | 23,928 | 62,918 | 100\% | 26,411 | 11,327 | 37,738 | 100\% | 100,656 | 100\% |
| \% oftotal | 39\% | 24\% | 63\% |  | 26\% | 11\% | 37\% |  | 100\% |  |
| UK | 17,808 | 15,661 | 33,469 | 53\% | 20,724 | 7,967 | 28,691 | 76\% | 62,160 | 62\% |
| US | 17,714 | 6,092 | 23,806 | 38\% | 5,028 | 2,362 | 7,390 | 20\% | 31,196 | 31\% |
| Australia | 2,494 | 1,616 | 4,110 | 7\% | 403 | 912 | 1,315 | 3\% | 5,425 | 5\% |
| India | 974 | 559 | 1,533 | 2\% | 256 | 86 | 342 | 1\% | 1,875 | 2\% |
| Total revenue | 38,990 | 23,928 | 62,918 | 100\% | 26,411 | 11,327 | 37,738 | 100\% | 100,656 | 100\% |
| Gross margin | 20,896 | 11,927 | 32,823 |  | 17,636 | 6,230 | 23,866 |  | 56,689 |  |
| Gross margin \% | 54\% | 50\% | 52\% |  | 67\% | 55\% | 63\% |  | 56\% |  |
| Marketing and distribution | $(5,663)$ | $(3,755)$ | $(9,418)$ |  | $(2,569)$ | $(1,574)$ | $(4,143)$ |  | $(13,561)$ |  |
| Contribution pre admin | 15,233 | 8,172 | 23,405 |  | 15,067 | 4,656 | 19,723 |  | 43,128 |  |
| Administrative expenses | $(8,104)$ | $(6,833)$ | $(14,937)$ |  | $(11,120)$ | $(3,945)$ | $(15,065)$ |  | $(30,002)$ |  |
| Operating profit ${ }^{1}$ | 7,129 | 1,339 | 8,468 |  | 3,947 | 711 | 4,658 |  | 13,072 |  |
| Operating profit \% | 18\% | 6\% | 13\% |  | 15\% | 6\% | 12\% |  | 13\% |  |
| PBTA ${ }^{2}$ | 7,054 | 1,297 | 8,351 |  | 3,927 | 686 | 4,613 |  | 12,912 |  |

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## ADJUSTED SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS H1 2020/21

| $£^{\prime} 000$ | Children's Trade | Adult Trade | Total Cons |  | A\&P | Special Interest | Total Non-Consumer |  | Total Group |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Print Sales | 25,222 | 14,152 | 39,374 | 81\% | 10,430 | 7,883 | 18,313 | 62\% | 57,687 | 74\% |
| Digital Sales | 3,391 | 4,401 | 7,792 | 16\% | 8,569 | 1,264 | 9,833 | 33\% | 17,625 | 22\% |
| Rights \& Services | 1,154 | 283 | 1,437 | 3\% | 1,084 | 454 | 1,538 | 5\% | 2,975 | 4\% |
| Total revenue | 29,767 | 18,836 | 48,603 | 100\% | 20,083 | 9,601 | 29,684 | 100\% | 78,287 | 100\% |
| \% oftotal | 38\% | 24\% | 62\% |  | 26\% | 12\% | 38\% |  | 100\% |  |
| UK | 16,223 | 11,318 | 27,541 | 57\% | 15,940 | 7,174 | 23,114 | 78\% | 50,655 | 65\% |
| US | 10,785 | 5,860 | 16,645 | 34\% | 3,808 | 1,788 | 5,596 | 19\% | 22,241 | 28\% |
| Australia | 2,175 | 1,377 | 3,552 | 7\% | 215 | 614 | 829 | 3\% | 4,381 | 6\% |
| India | 584 | 281 | 865 | 2\% | 120 | 25 | 145 | -\% | 1,010 | 1\% |
| Total revenue | 29,767 | 18,836 | 48,603 | 100\% | 20,083 | 9,601 | 29,684 | 100\% | 78,287 | 100\% |
| Gross margin | 13,765 | 9,631 | 23,396 |  | 13,069 | 4,771 | 17,840 |  | 41,236 |  |
| Gross margin \% | 46\% | 51\% | 48\% |  | 65\% | 50\% | 60\% |  | 53\% |  |
| Marketing and distribution | $(3,824)$ | $(2,647)$ | $(6,471)$ |  | $(1,945)$ | $(1,426)$ | $(3,371)$ |  | $(9,842)$ |  |
| Contribution pre admin | 9,941 | 6,984 | 16,925 |  | 11,124 | 3,345 | 14,469 |  | 31,394 |  |
| Administrative expenses | $(8,212)$ | $(5,887)$ | $(14,099)$ |  | $(9,273)$ | $(3,640)$ | $(12,913)$ |  | $(27,012)$ |  |
| Operating profit/(loss) ${ }^{1}$ | 1,729 | 1,097 | 2,826 |  | 1,851 | (295) | 1,556 |  | 4,343 |  |
| Operating profit/(loss) \% | 6\% | 6\% | 6\% |  | 9\% | (3\%) | 5\% |  | 6\% |  |
| PBTA ${ }^{2}$ | 1,678 | 1,054 | 2,732 |  | 1,779 | (337) | 1,442 |  | 4,036 |  |

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## ADJUSTED SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS H1 2021/22 AT CONSTANT EXCHANGE RATES

| £'000 | Children's Trade | Adult Trade | Total Cons |  | $A \& P$ | Special Interest | Total Non-Consumer |  | Total Group |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Print Sales | 34,230 | 19,144 | 53,374 | 81\% | 14,501 | 9,572 | 24,073 | 62\% | 77,447 | 74\% |
| Digital Sales | 5,367 | 4,750 | 10,117 | 16\% | 11,537 | 1,208 | 12,745 | 33\% | 22,862 | 22\% |
| Rights \& Services | 1,422 | 707 | 2,129 | 3\% | 960 | 781 | 1,741 | 5\% | 3,870 | 4\% |
| Total revenue | 41,019 | 24,601 | 65,620 | 100\% | 26,998 | 11,561 | 38,559 | 100\% | 104,179 | 100\% |
| \% oftotal | 39\% | 24\% | 63\% |  | 26\% | 11\% | 37\% |  | 100\% |  |
| UK | 17,808 | 15,661 | 33,469 | 51\% | 20,724 | 7,967 | 28,691 | 75\% | 62,160 | 60\% |
| US | 19,723 | 6,762 | 26,485 | 40\% | 5,597 | 2,619 | 8,216 | 21\% | 34,701 | 33\% |
| Australia | 2,422 | 1,565 | 3,987 | 6\% | 397 | 882 | 1,279 | 3\% | 5,266 | 5\% |
| India | 1,066 | 613 | 1,679 | 3\% | 280 | 93 | 373 | 1\% | 2,052 | 2\% |
| Total revenue | 41,019 | 24,601 | 65,620 | 100\% | 26,998 | 11,561 | 38,559 | 100\% | 104,179 | 100\% |
| Gross margin | 22,017 | 12,230 | 34,247 |  | 17,960 | 6,310 | 24,270 |  | 58,517 |  |
| Gross margin \% | 54\% | 50\% | 52\% |  | 67\% | 55\% | 63\% |  | 56\% |  |
| Marketing and distribution | $(5,987)$ | $(3,864)$ | $(9,851)$ |  | $(2,630)$ | $(1,614)$ | $(4,244)$ |  | $(14,095)$ |  |
| Contribution pre admin | 16,030 | 8,366 | 24,396 |  | 15,330 | 4,696 | 20,026 |  | 44,422 |  |
| Administrative expenses | $(8,316)$ | $(6,989)$ | $(15,305)$ |  | $(11,239)$ | $(3,974)$ | $(15,213)$ |  | $(30,518)$ |  |
| Operating profit ${ }^{1}$ | 7,714 | 1,377 | 9,091 |  | 4,091 | 722 | 4,813 |  | 13,850 |  |
| Operating profit \% | 19\% | 6\% | 14\% |  | 15\% | 6\% | 12\% |  | 13\% |  |
| PBTA ${ }^{2}$ | 7,639 | 1,335 | 8,974 |  | 4,071 | 697 | 4,768 |  | 13,690 |  |

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## ADJUSTED INCOME STATEMENT

| H1 $£ \mathrm{~m}$ |  | Change <br> $\%$ |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Revenue | $2021 / 22$ | $2020 / 21$ | Change CER\% |  |
| Gross profit | 100.7 | 78.3 | $29 \%$ | $33 \%$ |
| Gross profit margin \% | 56.7 | 41.2 | $37 \%$ |  |
| Marketing and distribution costs | $56.3 \%$ | $52.7 \%$ |  |  |
| Marketing and distribution costs as \% revenue | $(13.6)$ | $19.8)$ | $38 \%$ |  |
| Administrative expenses | $13.5 \%$ | $12.6 \%$ |  |  |
| Operating profit | $(30.0)$ | $(27.1)$ | $11 \%$ |  |
| Operating profit margin $\%$ | 13.1 | 4.3 | $201 \%$ |  |
| Net finance (cost) | $13.0 \%$ | $5.5 \%$ |  |  |
| Profit before tax | $(0.2)$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 3}$ |  |  |

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## Highlighted items

## H1 2021/22

Amortisation of acquired<br>intangible assets<br>£1.0m

H1 2020/21

## Amortisation

of acquired
intangible assets
$£ 0.9 \mathrm{~m}$

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Legal and other professional costs } \\
& \text { relating to ongoing and completed } \\
& \text { acquisitions and restructuring costs } \\
& £ 0.1 \mathrm{~m}
\end{aligned}
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Legal and other professional costs relating to ongoing and completed acquisitions and restructuring costs £0.8m


Total
£1.0m


## Bloomsbury Digital Resources: Key verticals



Film and Media


BLOOMSBURY FASHION CENTRAL


International Studies
Philosophy

## LEVERAGING OUR ACQUISITIONS

| Acquisition | Year | Contributing to the following Bloomsbury Digital Resources |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Red Globe Press | 2021 | Bloomsbury Collections, Cite them Right, Social Work Toolkit and Skills for Study Online |
| Zed | 2020 | Bloomsbury Collections |
| Oberon | 2019 | Bloomsbury Collections |
| IB Tauris | 2018 | Bloomsbury Collections |
| Family Law | 2016 | Bloomsbury Professional Online |
| Hart | 2013 | Bloomsbury Collections; International Arbitration; Bloomsbury Professional Online |
| AVA | 2012 | Bloomsbury Applied Visual Arts; Fairchild Books Library |
| Fairchild | 2012 | Fairchild Books Library |
| Continuum | 2011 | Bloomsbury Collections; Bloomsbury Encyclopaedia of Philosophers; Bloomsbury <br> Childhood and Education Studies; Bloomsbury Popular Music; Screen Studies; <br> Bloomsbury CPD for Teachers. |
| Bristol Classical Press | 2010 | Bloomsbury Collections and forthcoming Classics product |
| Bloomsbury Professional | 2009 | Bloomsbury Professional Online; Bloomsbury Collections |
| Arden | 2008 | Drama Online |
| Methuen | 2006 | Drama Online |

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The amortisation of acquired intangible assets has been highlighted in the financial results for the period ended 31 August 2021

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[^1]:    Note:
    1 Operating profit/(loss) includes $£ 39,000$ share of joint venture loss which is not allocated by division.

[^2]:    Note:
    1 The adjusted income statement excludes highlighted items of $£ 1.8 \mathrm{~m}: £ 1.0 \mathrm{~m}$ for the amortisation of acquired intangible assets, $£ 0.8 \mathrm{~m}$ for legal and other professional costs relating to ongoing and completed acquisitions, which are shown on slide 31

