

Suggested Reading List – Years 5 & 6

Below is a wide range of fantastic fiction books that are aimed at children in Upper Key Stage Two (aged 9-11). They cover a wide array of topics and themes, details of some of these can be found on the following websites:

www.clpe.org.uk www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk www.commonsemmedia.org/book-reviews

Confident Readers

Carrie's War	Nina Bawden	Treasure Island	Robert Louis Stevenson
Holes	Louis Sachar	Oliver Twist	Charles Dickens
Private Peaceful	Michael Morpurgo	Peter Pan	J M Barrie
Northern Lights	Phillip Pulman	Jungle Book	Rudyard Kipling
Alex Rider series	Anthony Horowitz	The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	Mark Twain
Silver Sword	Ian Serraillier	Noughts and Crosses	Malorie Blackman
A boy and a Bear in a Boat	Dave Shelton	Journey to the River Sea	Eva Ibbotson
Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl	Ed. Otto H Frank	Wolves of Willoughby Chase	Joan Aitken
Tom's Midnight Garden	Phillipa Pearce	The Hobbit	J R R Tolkein
Watership Down	Richard Adams	Artemis Fowl	Eoin Colfer
The Wind in the Willows	Kenneth Grahame	Harry Potter series	J K Rowling
Lion Boy	Zizou Corder	Skellig	David Almond
The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe	C S Lewis	Silverfin	Charlie Higson
The Girl of Ink and Stars	Kiran Millwood Hargrave	Eren	Simon P Clark
Abomination	Robert Swindells	Fruit and Nutcase	Jean Ure
The Machine Gunners	Robert Westall	My Swordhand is Singing	Marcus Sedgewick
Wonder	R J Palacio	A Monster Calls	Patrick Ness
Arthur, High King of Britain	Michael Morpurgo	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland	Lewis Carroll
Bird	Crystal Chan	Blackberry Blue	Jamila Gavin



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Booked	Kwame Alexander	Clockwork or All Wound-Up	Philip Pullman
Floodland	Marcus Sedgwick	Flush	Carl Hiaasen
Fuzzy Mud	Louis Sachar	Goblins	Philip Reeve
Goggle-Eyes	Anne Fine	Goodnight Mr Tom	Michelle Magorian
Harry Miller's Run	David Almond	Johnny and the Dead	Terry Pratchett
Phoenix	S.F. Said	Rooftoppers	Katherine Rundell
Seasons of Splendour	Madhur Jaffrey	Secret Friends	Elizabeth Laird
The Adventures of Odysseus	Hugh Lupton, Daniel Morden	The Fire-Eaters	David Almond
The Invention of Hugo Cabret	Brian Selznick	The London Eye Mystery	Siobhan Dowd
Welcome to Nowhere	Elizabeth Laird	Treason	Berlie Doherty
The Sleeper and the Spindle	Neil Gaiman	The Weight of Water	Sarah Crossan
The Mystery of the Clockwork Sparrow	Katherine Woodfine	Tall Story	Candy Gourlay
Saffy's Angel	Hilary McKay	Rose Blanche	Roberto Innocenti
Mortal Engines	Philip Reeve	One Thousand and One Arabian Nights	Geraldine McCaughrean
Daughters of Time	Mary Hoffman	Shakespeare Stories	Leon Garfield
The Song from Somewhere Else	A F Harrold	The Viewer	Gary Crew

Developing Readers

Anacy and Mr Dry-Bone	Fiona French	Artemis Fowl. The Graphic Novel	Eoin Colfer
Asterix the Gaul	Gosciny	Billionaire Boy	David Walliams
Clown	Quentin Blake	Conker	Michael Morpurgo
Count Karlstein	Philip Pullman	Daft Jack and the Beanstalk	Laurence Anholt



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Diary of a Wimpy Kid	Jeff Kinney	Fantastic Mr Fox	Roald Dahl
FARThER	Grahame Baker-Smith	Fungus the Bogeyman	Raymond Briggs
Hiccup: How to Train Your Dragon	Cressida Cowell	Juggling with Gerbils	Brian Patten
Living with Vampires	Jeremy Strong	Piggybook	Anthony Browne
Sam's Sandwich	David Pelham	Snow White in New York	Fiona French
Sterling and the Canary	Andy Stanton	Stormbreaker: The Graphic Novel	Anthony Horowitz
The Blurred Man and I Know What You Did Last Wednesday	Anthony Horowitz	The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish	Neil Gaiman
The Journey	Francesca Sanna	The Promise	Nicola Davies and Laura Carlin
The Sad Book	Michael Rosen	The Stepsister's Story	Kaye Umansky
The Suitcase Kid	Jacqueline Wilson	The Wolves in the Wall	Neil Gaiman
Thirteen Unpredictable Tales	Paul Jennings	Town Is by the Sea	Joanna Schwartz
Vern and Lettuce	Sarah McIntyre	Voices in the Park	Anthony Browne
Wacky Wednesday	Dr Seuss	War and Peas	Michael Foreman
Where the Forest Meets the Sea	Jeannie Baker	Who's That Banging on the Ceiling?	Colin McNaughton
Willy's Pictures	Anthony Browne	You're a Bad Man, Mr Gum!	Andy Stanton

Poetry

The Highwayman	Alfred Noyes	Off Road to Everywhere	Philip Gross
Sensational! Poems inspired by the five senses	Roger McGough	Classic Poetry	Michael Rosen
Collected Poems for Children	Charles Causley	Cosmic Disco	Grace Nichols
Falling Out of the Sky. Poems about Myths and Monsters	Piercey, Rachel and Wright, Emma	Goldilocks on CCTV	John Agard



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Michael Rosen's A to Z. The Best Children's Poetry from Agard to Zephaniah	Michael Rosen	The Language of Cat and other poems	Rachel Rooney
Wonderland, Alice in Poetry	Michaela Morgan	You Tell Me	Rosen, Michael and McGough, Roger

Information

A Really Short History of Nearly Everything	Bill Bryson	Archie's War	Marcia Williams
Coming to England	Floella Benjamin	Corpse Talk. Season 1	Adam Murphy
Women in Science	Rachel Ignotofsky	If the World Were a Village	David J Smith
Let's Talk About Where Babies Come From	Robie H Harris	Line of Fire	Barroux
Long Walk to Freedom (picture-book)	Nelson Mandela	Maps	Aleksandra Mizielska, Daniel Mizielska
My Name is Book. An Autobiography	John Agard	My Secret War Diary, by Flossie Albright	Marcia Williams
National Theatre. All About Theatre	Marina McIntyre	Pirate Diary	Richard Platt
Shackleton's Journey	William Grill	The Complete Philosophy Files	Stephen Law
The Egyptian Echo	Paul Dowswell	The Savage Stone Age	Terry Deary
The Stick Book	Fiona Danks, Jo Schofield	The Usborne Children's Book of Art	Rosie Dickins
Think of a Number	Jonny Ball	Walter Tull's Scrapbook	Michaela Morgan
War Boy	Michael Foreman	What Mr Darwin Saw	Mick Manning
We Are All Born Free. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights in Pictures	Various	Who Are Refugees and Migrants? What Makes People Leave Their Homes?	Rose, Michael and Young, Annemarie