



Fiction: Recommended Authors	
Tim Bowler	Mystery/ Psychological Thrillers
Malorie Blackman	Powerful exploration of social issues
Kevin Crossley-Holland	Best known for his myths and legends
Helen Dunmore	Famous author for adults. Her 'Ingo' series for young people is highly recommended.
Neil Gaiman	Fantasy/Sci-fi/Humour
Sally Gardner	Dystopian fiction, fantasy, historically-based
Anthony Horowitz	Thrillers ('Alex Rider' series) and age-appropriate horror
Michael Morpurgo	Wide range of human-interest and historically-based fiction
Philip Pullman	Master storyteller, offering plenty to reflect on
David Walliams	Comedy with real sensitivity to relationships

Getting back into the reading habit? Recommended books	
'Raven's Gate' (Power of Five) Graphic Novel	Anthony Horowitz
Graphic novels of the 'Alex Ryder' series	Anthony Horowitz
'Tom Gates' books	Liz Pichon
'Millions' series	Frank Cottrell-Boyce
'The Princess Diaries' / 'Allie Finkles Rules for Girls'	Meg Cabot
Bodyguard: Hostage	Chris Bradford
'The Saga of Darren Shan' series	Darren Shan
'Bindi Babes' series	Narinder Dharmi
'Love Ya Babe'	Chris Higgins
'The Young Bond' series	Charlie Higson
'The Giver' Quartet	Lois Lowry
The Graveyard Book	Neil Gaiman
'Refugee Boy'	Benjamin Zephaniah
'Set in Stone'	Linda Newbery
'Skin Deep'	Malaika Rose Stanley
'ANTIDOTE' or 'Thief'	Malorie Blackman
'The Garbage King'	Elizabeth Laird

Books and series to 'lose yourself' in	
'Artemis Fowl' series	Eoin Colfer
'Harry Potter' series	JK Rowling
'The Ruby in the Smoke' series	Philip Pullman
'Percy Jackson' series	Rick Riordan
'Earthsea' series	Ursula Le Guin
'Skulduggery Pleasant'	Derek Landy
'The Kite Rider'	Geraldine McCaughrean
'Tuck Everlasting'	Natalie Babbitt
'A Greyhound of a Girl'	Roddy Doyle
'QUEST' Stories of journeys around Europe	The Aarhus 39

Books for those with dyslexic tendencies

Every child can be a reader - Barrington Stoke	' Barrington Stokes ' are award-winning publishers of books with high interest level, appropriate to secondary-school students, written with an awareness of the challenges faced by dyslexic readers.
Bloomsbury - High/Low	The Bloomsbury High/Low category specialises in books with high interest level for secondary school students but low reading difficulty.
'Tom Gates: DogZombies Rule (For Now)'	Liz Pichon
'The Front Room'	Michelle Magorian
'Desirable'	Frank Cottrell Boyce
'Timepiece' series	Anne Perry
'Deadline'	John Townsend
'Ninja' Trilogy	Chris Bradford
'Diary of an (Un) Teenager	Pete Johnson
'The Ghost Box'	Catherine Fisher
'The Doomsday Virus' (non-fiction)	Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore
'The Last Viking' (non-fiction)	Terry Deary
'The Greatest'	Alan Gibbons

Classics and 'Up for a Challenge?' books

'His Dark Materials' trilogy	Philip Pullman
'The Hobbit' and 'The Lord of the Rings'	JRR Tolkien
'William' series	Richmal Crompton
'I Capture the Castle'	Dodie Smith
'Jane Eyre'	Charlotte Bronte
'Little Women'	Louisa May Alcott
'The Adventures of Tom Sawyer'	Mark Twain
'The Adventure of Huckleberry Finn'	Mark Twain
'Watership Down'	Richard Adams
'A Fall of Moondust'	Arthur C Clarke
'The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy'	Douglas Adams

Recommended Literary Non-Fiction

'Boy' and 'Going Solo'	Roald Dahl
'The Diary of a Young Girl'	Ann Frank
'I am Malala'	Malala Yousafzai
'Notes from a Small Island' and any travel books by	Bill Bryson

Free on-line books

Ebooks, e-magazines e-newspapers and e-audiobooks - Derbyshire County Council	This Derbyshire Library Service 'Borrow Box' online book, newspaper and magazine service is easy to register for and unleashes a wealth of free reading
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	material for you and your children. We strongly recommend that you register on their behalf.
https://www.worldbookday.com/online-masterclasses/	The World Book Day site has an 'Author and Illustrator Academy' with videos, resources and book extracts for all ages and stages.
https://library.thenational.academy/	The Oak National Academy has just started giving free access to a children's book each week
'Project Gutenberg'	A website providing free online books which are out of copyright. Many of the older classics are available on this site.

Non-Fiction Reading to Extend Your Thinking	
General	
'How it Works' magazine	Well designed and broad in topics covered: all sciences, geography, history, inventions.
Sports and Physical Fitness	
BBC Sport website, particularly the 'Insight' section	
'The Body – A Guide for Occupants'	Bill Bryson
'Anything is Possible'	Gareth Southgate
History	
'Captivating History – Tudor History'	
Mathematics	
'Humble Pi- a comedy of Maths errors'	Matt Parker
'The Simpsons and their mathematical secrets'	Simon Singh
'Alex's Adventures in Numberland'	Alex Bellos
Religious Studies	
The CAFOD blog	
'The Religions Book: Big Ideas Simply Explained'	
'The Philosophy Book: Big Ideas Simply Explained'	Will Buckingham
The Islam Book: Big Ideas Simply Explained	Rageh Omaar
'The Shed that Fed a Million Children'	Magnus McFarlane Barrow
Sciences	
'The Bacteria Book: The Big World of Really Tiny Microbes'	Steve Mould
'The Element in the Room: Investigating The Atomic Ingredients That Make Up Your Home'	Mike Barfield
'Kid Scientists: True Tales of Childhood by Science Superstars'	David Stabler
'Planetarium: Welcome to the Museum'	Raman Prinja
'Kay's Anatomy'	Adam Kay

Psychology and The Mind (Fiction and Non-fiction)	
'My First Book About the Brain'	Patricia J Wynne
'What Goes On in My Head'	Robert Winston
'All About Your Brain'	Robert Winston
'The Illustrated Mum'	Jaqueline Wilson
'The Outsiders'	S.E. Hinton
'Looking for JJ'	Anne Cassidy
Geography	
'Off the Map'	Alastair Bonnett
'Adventures in the Anthropocene'	Gala Vince
The 'National Geographic' Magazine	