

Year 5 Suggested Reading

List

This suggested reading list has been compiled for pupils in Year 5.

The Year 3/4 and Year 6 suggested reading lists are also worth looking at.

Humour

A Turn in the Grave, Bowwayne
Molly Moon - Georgia Byng
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key/
What would Joey Do? - Jack Gantos
The Spud from Outer Space - Susan Gates
The Last Polar Bears - Harry Horse
Jiggy McCue series - Michael Lawrence

School Stories

St Clares - Enid Blyton
Malory Towers - Enid Blyton
Flour Babies - Anne Fine

Adventure Stories

A.N.T.I.D.O.T.E., Thief,
Dead Georgeous - Malorie Blackman
The Last Free Cat - John Blake
Famous Five - Enid Blyton
Jimmy Coates Sabotage - Joe Craig
Iron Heads - Susan Gates
Diamond Brothers series - Anthony Horowitz
Wicked - Anthony Masters
Storm Runners - Barbara Mitchelhill
The Invisible Detective series - Justin Richards
Stormsearch, In the Nick of Time - Robert Westall

Adventure Set in the Past

The Abbey Mysteries - Cherith Baldry
The Roman Mystery series - Caroline Lawrence

The Way of the Warrior - Andrew Matthews

The Baker Street Boys - Anthony Read
Great Pyramid Robbery - Katherine Roberts

The Cats of Seroster - Robert Westall

Past

The Children of Green Knowe - Lucy M. Boston
Tudor Terror - Terry Deary
The Saga of Erik the Viking,
The Knight and the Squire - Terry Jones
Death and the Arrow,
Chris Priestly Clockwork - Philip Pullman
Percy Jackson series - Rick Riordan
My Diary and My Story series, various authors
Horrible History, Horrible Geography series

War stories

War Boy, War Game - Michael Foreman
Warhorse,
War of Jenkins Ear - Michael Morpurgo
A Time of Fire - Robert Westall

Fantasy

Frog Princess, Dragon's Breath - E. D. Baker
Tales of the Dark Forest - Steve Barlow/Steve Skidmore
The Boggart - Susan Cooper
Dragon books - Cressida Cowell
Harvey Angell - Diana Hendry
Dogsbody, A Tale of Time City - Diana Wynne Jones

Skulduggery Pleasant, Playing with Fire,
Derek Landy
The Witch Trade - Michael Molly
The Dog so Small - Phillipa Pearce
Dakota of the White Flats, Scribbleboy,
Philip Ridley
A Series of Unfortunate eventsE-
Lemony Snicket,
Muddle Earth - Paul Stewart

Animal

Wild Lives series - Nick Arnold
Sandy Lane Stables - Michelle Bates
Peppermint Pig - Nina Bawden
The Rover Adventures - Roddy Doyle
Tooth and Claw - Stephen Moore
Mrs Frisby and The Rats of Nihm - Robert
C. O'Brien
Dreamseeker Trilogy - Jenny Oldfield
Varjak Paw series - S. F. Said

Magical

Angels Unlimited - Annie Dalton
Pongwiffy, Wilma series, Kaye Umansky

Family

Jessica Haggerthwaite: Media Star - Emma
Barnes
Bagthorpe Saga - Helena Cresswell
2 Weeks with the Queen - Morris
Gleitzman
The Exiles - Hilary Mackay
Simone's Letters - Helena Pielichaty
The Mum Surprise - Gwyneth Rees
Becky Bananas - Jean Ure

Science Fiction

Angel for May - Melvin Burgess
A Rag A Bone and a Hank of Hair - Nicholas
Fisk
Aquilla - Andrew Morris
Dr Who Stories, various authors

Sport

Kick Off, Shoot to Win - Dan Friedman

Popular Authors

*Matilda, BFG, Danny the Champion of the
World, Boy, Going Solo* - Roald Dahl
Charm School - Anne Fine
*Crowstarver, The Sheep Pig, The Water
Horse* - Dick King-Smith
Escape from Shangri-La, Long Way home,
The White Horse of Zennor - Michael
Morpurgo

Modern Classics

The Midnight Fox - Betsy Byars
Stig of the Dump - Clive King
Thunder and Lightning - Jan Mark
The Rescuers, Margery Sharp
Mennynms - Sylvia Waugh

Classics

Peter Pan, J. M. Barrie
Alice in Wonderland, Lewis Carroll
Just William, Richmal Crompton
Wind in the Willows, Kenneth Graham
The Jungle Book, Rudyard Kipling
Pollyanna, E. Porter
101 Dalmations, Dodie Smith
Heidi, Johanna Spyri
Ballet Shoes, Noel Streatfield
Mary Poppins, P. L. Travers

Cultural

Suprising Joy Val Bloom
Whose Side Are You On? Alan Gibbons
Under the Skin Catherine MacPhail

Poetry

Let Me Touch the Sky, Val Bloom
Funky chickens, Benjamin Zephaniah
The Oxford Book of Story Poems
Dark as a Midnight Dream