

 Which ones have you read?

Stories Set Around the World

-  **When Life Gives You Mangoes**
Kereen Getten
-  **Nush and the Stolen Emerald**
Jasbinder Bilan
-  **Some Places More Than Others**
Renee Watson
-  **The Breadwinner**
Deborah Ellis

Thought-Provoking Reads

-  **Black Brother, Black Brother**
Jewell Parker Rhodes
-  **Boy, Everywhere**
A. M. Dassu
-  **Do You Speak Chocolate?**
Cas Lester
-  **Floodland**
Marcus Sedgwick
-  **Where the River Runs Gold**
Sita Brahmachari
-  **The Tulip Touch**
Anne Fine
-  **I Am Rebel**
Ross Montgomery

Historical Fiction

-  **The Skylarks' War**
Hilary McKay
-  **Windrush Child**
Benjamin Zephaniah
-  **Birdie**
J P Rose
-  **Freedom**
Catherine Johnson
-  **The Week at World's End**
Emma Carroll
-  **Safiyah's War**
Hiba Noor Khan

Classics

-  **Peter Pan**
J M Barrie
-  **A Christmas Carol**
Charles Dickens
-  **Treasure Island**
Robert Louis Stevenson
-  **Waterhip Down**
Richard Adams & David Parkins
-  **Goodnight Mister Tom**
Michelle Magorian

Relatable Reads

-  **Being Miss Nobody**
Tamsin Winter
-  **When I See Blue**
Lily Bailey
-  **The Mystery of Me**
Karen McCombie & Cathy Brett
-  **Can You See Me?**
Libby Scott & Rebecca Westcott
-  **Check Mates**
Stewart Foster
-  **Tell Me No Lies**
Malorie Blackman

Sports Stories

-  **Kick**
Mitch Johnson
-  **Ghost**
Jason Reynolds & Selom Sunu
-  **The Fastest Boy in the World**
Elizabeth Laird

Funny Books

-  **Something I Said**
Ben Bailey Smith
-  **Cosmic**
Frank Cottrell Boyce & Steven Lenton

Poetry

-  **Everything All at Once**
Steven Camden
-  **Talking Turkeys**
Benjamin Zephaniah
-  **Poems from the Second World War**
Gaby Morgan

Fantasy & Science Fiction

-  **Mortal Engines**
Philip Reeve
-  **Robin Hood: Hacking, Heists & Flaming Arrows**
Robert Muchamore
-  **His Dark Materials: Northern Lights**
Philip Pullman
-  **Tyger**
SF Said & Dave McKean
-  **Wildspark**
Vashti Hardy
-  **Skulduggery Pleasant**
Derek Landy

Graphic Novels & Picturebooks

-  **Mexikid**
Pedro Martin
-  **Awkward**
Svetlana Chmakova
-  **Cicada**
Shaun Tan
-  **Illegal**
Eoin Colfer, Andrew Donkin & Giovanni Rigano

Non-Fiction

-  **What Do YOU Think?**
Matthew Syed
-  **Medicine: A Magnificently Illustrated History**
Briony Hudson & Nick Taylor
-  **Fashion Conscious**
Sarah Klymkiw & Kim Hankinson
-  **The Royal Rebel**
Bali Rai & Rachael Dean



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50 Recommended Reads for...

Year 8 (ages 12-13)

Which ones have you read?

Funny Books

-  **Tall Story**
Candy Gourlay
-  **Work It, Lara Bloom**
Dee Benson
-  **Look Both Ways**
Jason Reynolds
-  **Steady For This**
Nathanael Lessor

Poetry & Verse Novels

-  **Tomorrow We Begin**
Matt Goodfellow
-  **In the Key of Code**
Aimee Lucido
-  **Booked**
Kwame Alexander
-  **The Tree That Sang To Me**
Serena Molloy

Mystery Stories

-  **Lockwood & Co.: The Screaming Staircase**
Jonathan Stroud
-  **The Colour of the Sun**
David Almond
-  **Girl, Missing**
Sophie McKenzie

Graphic Novels

-  **Global**
Eoin Colfer, Andrew Donkin & Giovanni Rigano
-  **Chris Mould's War of the Worlds**
H. G. Wells & Chris Mould

Stories About Families & Friendships

-  **The Bubble Wrap Boy**
Phil Earle
-  **The Island at the End of Everything**
Kiran Millwood Hargrave
-  **Chinglish**
Sue Cheung
-  **Apple and Rain**
Sarah Crossan
-  **Talking to Alaska**
Anna Woltz

Thrillers & Dystopian Reads

-  **The Hunger Games**
Suzanne Collins
-  **The Maze Runner**
James Dashner
-  **A Monster Calls**
Patrick Ness
-  **After**
Padraig Kenny

Classics

-  **The Hound of the Baskervilles**
Arthur Conan Doyle
-  **The Hobbit**
J.R.R. Tolkien
-  **Frankenstein: A Retelling**
Tanya Landman
-  **The Giver**
Lois Lowry
-  **The Diary of a Young Girl**
Anne Frank

Relatable Reads

-  **Like a Girl**
Rebecca Westcott
-  **Bad Influence**
Tamsin Winter
-  **No Fixed Address**
Susin Nielsen

Thought-Provoking Reads

-  **Ghost Boys**
Jewell Parker Rhodes
-  **The Bone Sparrow**
Zana Fraillon
-  **Rat**
Patrice Lawrence
-  **Boy 87**
Ele Fountain
-  **Wink**
Rob Harrell
-  **Refugee Boy**
Benjamin Zephaniah

Fantasy Stories

-  **Rebel Skies**
Ann Sei Lin
-  **Fireborn: Twelve and the Frozen Forest**
Aisling Fowler & Sophie Medvedeva
-  **Deepflight**
Frances Hardinge
-  **Railhead**
Philip Reeve
-  **On Silver Tides**
Sylvia Bishop

Historical Fiction

-  **Coram Boy**
Jamila Gavin
-  **War Girls**
Various Authors
-  **Dogs of the Deadlands**
Anthony McGowan
-  **Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry**
Mildred Taylor & Ngadi Smart

Non-Fiction

-  **Be Resilient**
Nicola Morgan
-  **I Am Malala: Teen Edition**
Malala Yousafzai & Patricia McCormick
-  **You Have the Power**
Leah Williamson
-  **Black and British: A Short, Essential History**
David Olusoga
-  **Musical World**
Jeffrey Boakye



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50 Recommended Reads for...

Year 9 (ages 13-14)

Which ones have you read?

Historical Fiction

-  **The Last Paper Crane**
Kerry Drewery & Natsko Seki
-  **Cue for Treason**
Geoffrey Trease
-  **Salt to the Sea**
Ruta Sepetys
-  **The Ruby in the Smoke**
Philip Pullman
-  **Bog Child**
Siobhan Dowd
-  **Here Lies Arthur**
Philip Reeve & Ian McQue

Thrillers & Dystopian Reads

-  **The Blue Book of Nebo**
Manon Steffan Ros
-  **Echostar is Always Listening**
Melinda Salisbury
-  **Snowglobe**
Soyoung Park
-  **Island of Influencers**
Monique Turner
-  **I Must Betray You**
Ruta Sepetys

Stories About Families & Friendships

-  **The Thread That Connects Us**
Ayaan Mohamud
-  **How I Live Now**
Meg Rosoff
-  **Fig Swims the World**
Lou Abercrombie
-  **The Austen Girls**
Lucy Worsley

Adventure & Survival Books

-  **Girl, Boy, Sea.**
Chris Vick
-  **Brother in the Land**
Robert Swindells
-  **Hatchet**
Gary Paulsen

Thought-Provoking Reads

-  **Needle**
Patrice Lawrence
-  **When Shadows Fall**
Sita Brahmachari & Natalie Sirett
-  **Stone Cold**
Robert Swindells
-  **Lark**
Anthony McGowan

Fantasy, Magic and Mystery

-  **Lionheart Girl**
Yaba Badoe
-  **Eragon**
Christopher Paolini
-  **Elsewhere**
Gabrielle Zevin
-  **Small Town Hero**
Patrick Neate
-  **A Skinful of Shadows**
Frances Hardinge
-  **Medusa**
Jessie Burton

Classics

-  **The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy**
Douglas Adams & Chris Riddell
-  **The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde**
Robert Louis Stevenson
-  **Little Women**
Louisa May Alcott
-  **The Fellowship of the Ring**
J. R. R. Tolkien
-  **Dracula: A Retelling**
Tanya Landman
-  **I Capture the Castle**
Dodie Smith & Ngadi Smart

Graphic Novels

-  **Long Way Down**
Jason Reynolds & Danica Novgorodoff
-  **The Crossover**
Kwame Alexander & Dawud Anyabwile

Relatable Reads

-  **What Happens Online**
Nathanael Lessore
-  **I Dare You**
Tamsin Winter
-  **The Disconnect**
Keren David
-  **Because of You**
Eve Ainsworth
-  **Ellie Pillai is Brown**
Christine Pillainayagam

Poetry & Verse Novels

-  **Run, Rebel**
Manjeet Mann
-  **The Boy Lost in the Maze**
Joseph Coelho & Kate Milner
-  **A Hurricane in my Head**
Matt Abbott
-  **Moonrise**
Sarah Crossan

Non-Fiction

-  **The Virus**
Ben Martynoga & Moose Allain
-  **An Illustrated History of Urban Legends**
Adam Allsuch Boardman
-  **Back On Track**
Matthew Burton & Chris Madden
-  **Failosophy for Teens**
Elizabeth Day & Kim Hankinson
-  **Normal Women**
Philippa Gregory



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