



Reading suggestions for Year 5 & 6

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Title	Author
A Boy called Hope	Lara Williamson
Time Travelling with a Hamster	Ross Welford
The Maker of Monsters	Lorraine Gregory
Eleven	Tom Rogers
A Pinch of Magic	Michelle Harrison
The Last Spell Breather	Julie Pike
The Middler	Kirsty Applebaum
Can You See Me?	Scott and Westcott
Storm Keeper's Island and sequel	Catherine Doyle
Brightstorm and others	Vashti Hardy
The Train to Impossible Places	PG Bell
'Rook' and 'Lark'	Anthony McGowan
The Clockwork Crow	Catherine Fisher
The Boy at the Back of the Class	Onjali O'Rauf
The Bone Sparrow	Zana Fraillon
Percy Jackson	Rick Riordan
Coraline and others: Norse Mythology	Neil Gaiman
Podkin One-Ear and sequels (even better!)	Kieran Lockwood
The Boy Who Grew Dragons	Andy Shepherd
The Longest Night of Charlie Moon and others	Christopher Edge
Who Let the Gods Out and others by	Maz Evans
When the Mountains Roared	Jess Butterworth
Once and others by	Morris Gleitzman
Nowhere Emporium and sequel	Ross MacKenzie
Oranges in No Man's Land and others	Elizabeth Laird
Rooftoppers, The Explorer, The Good Thieves +	Katherine Rundell
Phoenix	SF Said
Charlotte's Web	EB White
Any by Northern Lights	Philip Pullman
The Eye of the North	Sinead O'Hart
Wed Wabbit	Lissa Evans
Where the World Ends	Geraldine McCaughrean
A Spoonful of Murder	Robin Stevens
The 1000 Year Old Boy	Ross Welford
Pog	Padraig Kenny
Sky Song and her latest: Rumblestar	Abi Elphinstone
Letters From the Lighthouse and others	Emma Carroll
Max and the Millions	Ross Montgomery
The Light Jar and The Goldfish Boy	Lissa Thompson
The Boy Who Sailed the Ocean in an Armchair	Lara Williamson
Pax	Sara Pennypacker
Any by	David Solomans
The Invention of Hugo Cabret	Brian Selznik
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane and others	Kate DiCamillo
Booked	Kwame Alexander



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Amazing Maurice	Terry Pratchett
Harry Potter	JK Rowling
Pig Heart Boy / Hacker / Noughts and Crosses	Malorie Blackman
Skellig, My Name is Mina Any	David Almond
The Murderer's Ape	Jakob Wegelius
Nevermoor and sequel	Jessica Townsend
Secret Suffragette	Barbara Mitchelhill
Dracula (Usborne Classics Retold)	Orig. Bram Stoker
Wold Bother and sequels	Michelle Paver
Wizards of Once (better and more grown-up than her others)	Cressida Cowell
Tin	Padraig Kenny
The House with Chicken Legs and The Girl Who Speaks Bear	Sophie Anderson
Any by	Joe Todd-Stanton
The Light Jar and others	Lisa Thompson
Bone Talk Tall Story	Candy Gourlay
The Polar Bear Explorers' Club	Alex Bell
Tom's Midnight Garden	Philippa Pearce
Children's poems	Carol Ann Duffy
Children of Blood and Bone	Adeyemi
Refugee Boy	Benjamin Zephaniah
Alex Sparrow books	Jennifer Killick
Malamander	Thomas Taylor
Any	Roald Dahl
Trash	Andy Mulligan
Kick	Mitch Johnson
Cogheart	Peter Bunzl
Room 13	Robert Swindells
The Machine Gunners	Robert Westall
Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe and others	CS Lewis
Any Norse Myths, Arthur The Seeing Stone	K Crossley-Holland
The Boy Who Flew	Fleur Hitchcock
Armistice Runner, D-Day Dog and other (football) stories	Tom Palmer
The Breadwinner	Deborah Ellis
Dawn of Fear and others by	Susan Cooper
The Lion and the Unicorn	Shirley Hughes
Tail End Charlie	Mick Manning
My Secret War Diary	Marcia Williams
A Pinch of Magic	Michelle Harrison
Anglo-Saxon Boy	Tony Bradman
A Place Called Perfect	Helena Duggan
Inside Out and Back Again	Thanna Lai
Millions	Frank Cottrell Boyce
Holes	Louis Sacher
Below Zero	Dan Smith



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A Witch Alone and others	James Nicol
Child 1	Steve Tasane
To The Edge of the World	Julia Green
The Girl Who Drank the Moon	Kelly Barnhill
Dream Team + many others	Alan Gibbons
An Episode of Sparrows	Rumer Godden
Alex Rider	Anthony Horowitz
Sam Wu books	Tsangs
Mold and the Poison Plot	Gregory
Sherlock Holmes (choose carefully!)	Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
The Land of Neverendings	Kate Saunders
The Silence Seeker	Morley and Pearce
Frog Kisser	Garth Nix
Emil and the Detectives	Eric Kastner
Artemis Fowl	Eoin Colfer
Wolves of Willoughby Chase + others	Joan Ailken
Feather Boy	Nicky Singer
Hero on a Bicycle	Shirley Hughes
Milkweed	Jerry Spinelli
The Umbrella Mouse	Anna Fargher
Pay Attention, Carter Jones	Gary Schmidt
Silly Verse for Kids	Spike Milligan
The Rainmaker Danced (Poetry)	Agar and Kitamura

NON-FICTION BOOKS	
Title	Author
A Really Short History of Nearly Everything	Bill Bryson
You Are Awesome	Syed
Archie's War	Marcia Williams
The Variety of Life	Davies and Scobie
A World of Information	Platt and Brown
Everest	Francis and Feng
Neil Armstrong, First Man on the Moon	Woolf
The Silk Roads – A History of the World	Neil Packer
Corpse Talk	Adam Murphy
Coming to England	Floella Benjamin
Line of Fire	Barroux
The Street Beneath My Feet	Guillaine and Zommer
Maps	Aleksandra Mizielińska, Daniel Mizieliński
Professor Astro Cat's Solar System	Walliman and Newman
Pirate Diary	Richard Platt
Professor Astro Cat's Frontiers of Space	Dominic Walliman
Shackleton's Journey	William Grill
The Complete Philosophy Files	Stephen Law
Think of a Number	Johnny Ball
War Boy	Michael Foreman



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We Are All Born Free	Declaration of Human Rights
Atlas of Monsters: Mythical Creatures from Around the World	Stuart Hill and Sandra Lawrence
Travels with my Sketchbook	Chris Riddell
100 Things to Know About Space	Alex Frith Alice James
Survivors of the Holocaust	Kath Shakleton
Beaver Towers	Nigel Hinton
Wilderness	Mia Cassany
Moth (An evolution story)	Thomas and Egneus
A Planet Full of Plastic	Layton
What a Waste	Jess French
Book of Adventure	Teddy Keen

CHALLENGING/CLASSICS	
Title	Author
The Old Man and the Sea	Ernest Hemmingway
Iron Man	Ted Hughes
Moon of Gomrath / Weirdestone of Brisingamen)	Alan Garner
39 Steps	John Buchan
Wizard of Earthsea	Ursula Le Guin
Call of the Wild	Jack London
Silver Sword	Ian Surraillier
The Snow Goose	Paul Gallico
Watership Down (possibly too much...)	Richard Adams
The Story of Doctor Doolittle	Hugh Lofting
The Iliad and the Odyssey	Marcia Williams
Treasure Island / Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde	RL Stevenson
Goodnight Mister Tom	Michelle Magorian
The Pearl / The Red Pony	John Steinbeck
Adventures of Tom Sawyer / Huckleberry Finn	Mark Twain
Lord of the Flies	William Golding
The Hobbit	JRR Tolkien
Gulliver's Travels	Jonathan Swift (great new ed. Chris Riddell)
Three Musketeers	Alexandre Dumas
The Wind in the Willows	Kenneth Graham
The Graveyard Book	Neil Gaiman
Animal Farm	George Orwell
The Owl Service	Alan Garner
Frankenstein	Mary Shelley
Moby Dick	Herman Melville
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit	Judith Kerr