

Author Forename	Author Surname	Title of Book - Note to parents:		Genre	* = top picks for reluctant readers or readers who prefer visual/less dense texts. Includes some dyslexia friendly titles; quick-paced reads of longer books; verse novels; and graphic novels. (!) = As recommended by JFS English Dept
		Some books from this list are written for young adult readers; this means there may be occasional 'gritty' content. Generally by Key Stage 3 young people are ready for this, but parents know their children best; if you have queries about suitability, please check online reviews.			
Chris	Bradford	Bodyguard	Action & Thrillers	*	
Chris	Bradford	Young Samurai (& sequels)	Action & Thrillers	*	
Chris	Bradford	Bullet Catcher	Action & Thrillers	*	
Chris	Bradford	Gamer	Action & Thrillers	*	
DJ	Brazier	Alone	Action & Thrillers	*	
Matt	Dickinson	Mortal Chaos	Action & Thrillers	(!)	
Matt	Dickinson	Speed Freaks	Action & Thrillers		
Matt	Dickinson	The Everest Files (& sequels)	Action & Thrillers		
Matt	Dickinson	Lie	Action & Thrillers		
Matt	Dickinson	Kill	Action & Thrillers		
Matt	Dickinson	Walk Away	Action & Thrillers	(!)	
Alesha	Dixon	Lightning Girl (& sequels)	Action & Thrillers	*	
Siobhan	Dowd	The London Eye Mystery	Action & Thrillers	(!)	
C	Higson	Silver Fin	Action & Thrillers		
C	Higson	The Enemy (& sequels)	Action & Thrillers		
A	Horowitz	Stormbreaker (& sequels)	Action & Thrillers	*	
Sophie	McKenzie	Girl Missing (& sequels)	Action & Thrillers		
R	Muchamore	The Recruit (& sequels)	Action & Thrillers	*	
Gary	Paulson	Hatchet	Action & Thrillers		
Katherine	Rundell	Wolf Wilder	Action & Thrillers		
Katherine	Rundell	The Good Thieves	Action & Thrillers		
Katherine	Rundell	The Explorer	Action & Thrillers		
Katherine	Rundell	Rooftoppers	Action & Thrillers		
Ali	Sparkes	Night Speakers	Action & Thrillers		
Ali	Sparkes	Carjacked	Action & Thrillers		

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R	Stevens	Murder Most Unladylike (& sequels)	Action & Thrillers	
T	Turner	Lost (Choose Your Own Adventure)	Action & Thrillers	*
Alice	Broadway	Ink (& sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	
Michael	Grant	Gone or BRZK (& sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	
Fleur	Hitchcock	The Boy Who Flew	Dystopian & Science Fiction	
Lois	Lowry	The Giver and Gathering Blue	Dystopian & Science Fiction	(!)
P	Ness	The Knife of Never Letting Go (& sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	
	Norton	MetaWars: Fight for the Future (&sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	*
P	Reeve	Railhead & Mortal Engines (& sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	(!)
Alex	Sarrow	Remade (& sequels) or Time Riders	Dystopian & Science Fiction	
N	Shusterman	Dry, Scythe, Unwind (& sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	(!)
Teri	Terry	Contagion (& sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	
Teri	Terry	Slated (& sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	
Rick	Yancey	The 5th Wave (& sequels)	Dystopian & Science Fiction	(!)
Tomi	Adeyemi	Children of Blood and Bone	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	

Sophie	Anderson	The House With Chicken Legs	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Sophie	Anderson	The Girl Who Speaks Bear	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Peter	Bunzl	Cogheart	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Steve	Cole	Mind Writer	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	*
Eoin	Colfer	Artemis Fowl (& sequels)	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	(!)
Susan	Cooper	The Dark is Rising	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Catherine	Doyle	The Stormkeeper's Island	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Abi	Elphinstone	Rumblestar	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Maz	Evans	Who Let the Gods Out (& sequels)	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
J	Flanagan	Ranger's Apprentice or Brotherband	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Cornelia	Funke	Inkheart (& sequels)	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	(!)

Neil	Gaiman	The Graveyard Book	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	(!)
Jamila	Gavin	Blackberry Blue	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	(!)
Kiran	Millwood Hargrave	Girl of Ink and Stars	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	(!)
Derek	Landy	Skulduggery Pleasant (& sequels)	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
D	Shan	Zom-B or Cirque du Freak (& sequels)	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	*
Christopher	Paolini	Eragon (& sequels)	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Chris	Priestley	Tales of Terror, Mister Creecher	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Phillip	Pullman	Northern Lights (& sequels)	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	(!)
Chris	Riddell	Goth Girl (& sequels)	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	*
	Riggs	Mrs Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
	Riordan	Percy jackson	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	

	Riordan	Kane Chronicles	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Ali	Sparkes	Thunderstruck	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	*
Ali	Sparkes	Unleashed	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	*
P	Stewart	The Edge Chronicles	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
C	Riddell	The Edge Chronicles	Fantasy, Magic Realism, Horror & Ghost	
Humza	Arshad	Little Badman and the Invasion of the Killer Aunties	Humorous books	
Frank C	Boyce	Millions	Humorous books	
Frank C	Boyce	Cosmic	Humorous books	
Frank C	Boyce	Broccoli Boy	Humorous books	
Max	Brallier	The Last Kids on Earth (& sequels)	Humorous books	
Victoria	Cole	Fenway and Hattie	Humorous books	*
T	Collins	Adventures of a Wimpy Vampire (&more)	Humorous books	*
Matt	Haig	To be a Cat	Humorous books	
Konnie	Huq	Cookie & the Most Annoying Boy	Humorous books	*
Jarrett	Lerner	Enginerds (& sequels)	Humorous books	*
R	McGeddon	Disaster Diaries: Zombies (&sequels)	Humorous books	*
A	McGowan	The Donut Diaries series	Humorous books	*

T	McLaughlin	The Accidental Billionaire series	Humorous books	*
Jonathan	Merres	The World of Norm series	Humorous books	*
Zanib	Mian	Planet Omar	Humorous books	*
Stephan	Pastis	Timmy Failure series	Humorous books	*
James	Patterson	Middle School series	Humorous books	*
Liz	Pichon	Tom Gates Series (dyslexia-friendly)	Humorous books	*
Lincoln	Peirce	Big Nate Series	Humorous books	*
Tracey	Turner	Killer Animals Series	Humorous books	
Adam	Baron	Boy Underwater	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Malorie	Blackman	Noughts and Crosses	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Malorie	Blackman	Cloud Busting	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Malorie	Blackman	Boys Don't Cry	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Malorie	Blackman	Pig-Heart Boy	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Judy	Blume	Blubber (or other titles)	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
S	Brahmachari	Artichoke Hearts	Relationships & Tough Situations	
S	Brahmachari	Jasmine Skies	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Aisha	Bushby	A Pocketful of Stars	Relationships & Tough Situations	
S	Crossan	One	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
S	Crossan	Apple and Rain	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)

S	Crossan	Moonrise	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
S	Crossan	Toffee	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Sharon	Draper	Blended	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Sharon	Draper	Out of My Mind	Relationships & Tough Situations	
S E	Durrant	Running on Empty	Relationships & Tough Situations	
P	Earle	Mind the Gap	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
P	Earle	Being Billy	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
P	Earle	Saving Daisy	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
Chris	Edge	The Many Worlds of Albie Bright	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Kathryn	Erskine	Mockingbird	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
A	Fine	Tulip Touch	Relationships & Tough Situations	
A	Fine	Goggle Eyes	Relationships & Tough Situations	
A	Fine	FlourBabies	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Karen	Foxlee	Lenny's Book of Everything	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Stewart	Foster	Check Mates	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Stewart	Foster	The Bubble Boy	Relationships & Tough Situations	

Dan	Freedman	Unstoppable	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
Alex	Gino	George	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Candy	Gourlay	Tall Story	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Candy	Gourlay	Shine	Relationships & Tough Situations	
K M	Hargrave	The Island at the End of Everything	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Will	Hill	After the Fire	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Polly	Ho-Yen	Boy in the Tower	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Paul	Jennings	A Different Dog	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
C	Johnson	Race to the Frozen North	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
C	Johnson	1783	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
Elizabeth	Laird	Red Sky in the Morning	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Gill	Lewis	Scarlet Ibis	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Anthony	McGowan	Lark (& series)	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Patrick	Ness	A Monster Calls	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Susan	Nielsen	No Fixed Address	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Susan	Nielsen	Word Nerd	Relationships & Tough Situations	

R J	Palacio	Wonder	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Sarah	Pennypacker	Pax	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Rodman	Philbrick	Freak the Mighty	Relationships & Tough Situations	
A	Pitcher	My Sister Lives on the Mantelpiece	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Non	Pratt	Unboxed	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
Jason	Reynolds	Long Way Down	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
Jason	Reynolds	Look Both Ways	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
Jason	Reynolds	Ghost	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
Jason	Reynolds	Patina	Relationships & Tough Situations	*
Pam	Munoz Ryan	Esperanza Rising	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Brian	Selznick	The Marvels	Relationships & Tough Situations	* (!)
Brian	Selznick	Wonderstruck	Relationships & Tough Situations	* (!)
Nikesh	Shukla	The Boxer	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Jerry	Spinelli	Stargirl	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Mildred	Taylor	Roll of Thunder	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Mildred	Taylor	Hear My Cry	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)

Angie	Thomas	The Hate U Give	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
Lisa	Thompson	Goldfish Boy	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Lara	Williamson	A Boy Called Hope	Relationships & Tough Situations	
Jacqueline	Woodson	Brown Girl Dreaming	Relationships & Tough Situations	(!)
K	Alexander	Booked	Sports	*
K	Alexander	Crossover	Sports	*
K	Alexander	Rebound	Sports	*
David	Cousins	Charlie Merrick's Misfits...	Sports	*
Alan	Durant	Stat Man	Sports	*
	Dhami	The Beautiful Game series (girls' football)	Sports	
Dan	Freedman	Man of the Match (& series)	Sports	
A	Gibbons	The Number 7 Shirt	Sports	*
A	Gibbons	The Lion Roars	Sports	*
Mitch	Johnson	Kick	Sports	
Sophie	McKenzie	The Fix	Sports	*
M T	Oldfield	Ultimate Football Heroes Collection	Sports	
Tom	Palmer	Football Academy	Sports	*
Tom	Palmer	Foul Play series	Sports	
Bali	Rai	Soccer Squad	Sports	*
Bali	Rai	Dream On (& series)	Sports	*
Gary	Schmidt	Pay Attention	Sports	*
Gary	Schmidt	Carter Jones	Sports	*
Sam	Angus	Soldier Dog	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Sam	Angus	A Horse Called Hero	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	

J	Boyne	The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)
Eoin	Colfer	Illegal	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Paul	Dowswell	Wolf Children	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	* (!)
Paul	Dowswell	Red Shadow	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Paul	Dowswell	Eleven Eleven	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Paul	Dowswell	Auslander	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Paul	Dowswell	True Stories books	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
L M	Elliot	Under a War-Torn Sky	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Ele	Fountain	Boy 87	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Zana	Fraillion	The Bone Sparrow	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Morris	Gleitzman	Once (& sequels)	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	* (!)
Candy	Gourlay	Bone Talk	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)
Alan	Gratz	Grenade	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Matt	Killeen	Orphan Monster Spy	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Thanhha	Lai	Inside Out and Back Again	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)
Tanya	Landman	Buffalo Soldier	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	

Tanya	Landman	Apache	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Sungju	Lee	Every Falling Star (North Korea)	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
C A	London	Dog Tags: Semper Fido	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	*
C A	London	Strays	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	*
Lois	Lowry	Number the Stars	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)
Hilary	McKay	The Skylarks' War	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
M	Morpugo	War Horse	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)
M	Morpugo	Private Peaceful	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)
Walter	Dean Myers	Sunrise Over Fallujah	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	*
Jennifer	Nielson	A Night Divided	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Tom	Palmer	Armistice Runner	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	*
Tom	Palmer	Over the Line	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	*
Linda	Sue Park	A Long Walk to Water	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Andrea	David Pinkney	The Red Pencil	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Onjali	Rauf	The Boy at the Back of the Class	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)
Ruta	Sepetys	Salt to the Sea	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)

Rosemary	Sutcliffe	Eagle of the Ninth	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Benjamin	Zephania	Refugee Boy	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	
Marcus	Zusak	The Book Thief	War, Conflict and the Refugee Experience	(!)