

# Reading Lists

## Suggested Reading List - for fluent readers in Years 5 & 6

Below is a list of books suitable for confident readers in Years 5 and 6, some may also be relevant for children in Years 3 & 4.

## Non-Fiction

Your children will enjoy access to accurate and up to date information books. We would encourage you to read a range of information sources at home with your child e.g. newspapers, timetables, schedules and databases. Other material could include:

- Cookery books are always fun to explore together - then make and do!
- Instructions for games, gadgets or other household items
- Suitable websites
- The *Globe*, maps and atlases
- *First News* is a newspaper for children, published weekly.
- *DK First Reference* series of seven books with titles such as *Nature Encyclopaedia*
- *A Life Like Mine* and *Children Just Like Me*, published by Dorling Kindersley in association with UNICEF

## Fiction Titles

<i>Author</i>	<i>Book Title</i>
Alan Garner	<i>The Weirdstone of Brisingamen</i> <i>Elidor (and other titles)</i>
Alan Temperley	<i>Harry and the Wrinklies</i>
Alexander McCall-Smith	<i>Akimbo and the Elephants</i>
Allan Ahlberg	<i>Woof! Son of a Gun</i> <i>The Giant Baby</i> <i>The Bear Nobody Wanted</i>
Anne Fine	<i>The Granny Project</i> <i>Goggle Eyes</i> <i>Flour Babies</i> <i>The Tulip Touch</i> <i>The Book of the Banshee</i> <i>Step by Wicked Step</i>
Anthony Horowitz	<i>Myths and Legends Retold</i> <i>Stormbreaker</i> <i>Eagle Strike (and other titles)</i>
Antonia Barber	<i>The Amazing Mr. Blunden</i>
C.S. Lewis	<i>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe series</i> <i>(Narnia books)</i>
Capt. W.E. Johns	<i>The Biggles books</i>
Charles Kingsley	<i>The Water Babies</i>
Clive King	<i>Stig of the Dump</i> <i>Me and My Million (and other titles)</i>
Dick King-Smith	<i>Lady Daisy</i> <i>The Wreck of the Zanzibar</i> <i>The Crowstarver</i> <i>Dear Ollie (and any other titles)</i>
Dodie Smith	<i>One Hundred and One Dalmatians</i> <i>The Starlight Barking</i>
Elizabeth Goudge	<i>Henrietta's House</i> <i>The Little White Horse</i>
Erich Kastner	<i>Emil and the Detectives</i> <i>Emil and the Three Twins</i>
Eve Garnett	<i>The Family from One-End Street</i>
George Selden	<i>The Cricket in Times Square</i> <i>Chester Cricket's New Home</i>
Helen Cresswell	<i>Snatchers</i> <i>The Night Watchmen</i>

<b>Author</b>	<b>Book Title</b>
Hilary McKay	<i>The Exiles</i> <i>Dog Friday</i> <i>The Amber Cat</i> <i>Dolphin Luck</i>
Ian Serraillier	<i>The Silver Sword</i> <i>There's No Escape</i>
Ivan Southall	<i>The Fox Hole</i>
J.K. Rowling	<i>Harry Potter books</i>
J.R.R. Tolkein	<i>The Hobbit</i> <i>Lord of the Rings</i> <i>The Two Towers</i> <i>The Fellowship of the Ring</i>
Jacqueline Wilson	<i>Double Act</i> <i>Lola Rose and other titles</i>
Jan Mark	<i>Man in Motion</i> <i>Thunder and Lightnings</i>
Jenny Nimmo	<i>The Snow Spider</i> <i>Emlyn's Moon</i> <i>Midnight for Charlie Bone</i>
Jill Murphy	<i>Geoffrey Strangeways</i>
Joan Aiken	<i>Mice and Mendelson</i> <i>The Whispering Mountain</i> <i>Midnight is a Place</i> <i>The Stolen Lake</i> <i>The Wolves of Willoughby Chase Series (and other titles)</i>
John Christopher	<i>The Prince in Waiting Trilogy</i>
John Masefield	<i>The Midnight Folk</i> <i>The Box of Delights</i>
Julia Jarman	<i>The Time-Travelling Cat</i>
L M Montgomery	<i>Anne of Green Gables</i>
L. Frank Baum	<i>The Wizard of Oz</i>
Lemony Snicket	<i>The Series of Unfortunate Events (series)</i>
Louis Sachar	<i>Holes</i>
Lynne Reid Banks	<i>The Indian in the Cupboard</i> <i>Return of the Indian</i> <i>I, Houdini</i> <i>The Fairy Rebel</i> <i>The Farthest-Away Mountain</i>
Madhur Jaffrey	<i>Seasons of Splendour</i>
Michael Foreman	<i>War Boy</i>

<b>Author</b>	<b>Book Title</b>
Michael Morpurgo	<i>My Friend Walter</i> <i>Friend or Foe</i> <i>Waiting for Anya</i> <i>The Farm that Ran Out of Names</i> <i>The Nine Lives of Montezuma</i> <i>War Horse</i> <i>Little Foxes</i> <i>Kensuke's Kingdom (and many other titles)</i>
Michelle Magorian	<i>Goodnight Mr. Tom</i>
Morris Gleitzman	<i>Blabbermouth</i> <i>Boy Overboard</i> <i>Toad Rage</i>
Nina Bawden	<i>Keeping Henry</i> <i>The Secret Passage</i> <i>Carrie's War (and other titles)</i>
P.L. Travers	<i>Mary Poppins</i>
Paul Stewart & Chris Riddell Edge	<i>Chronicles Series</i>
Penelope Lively	<i>The Ghost of Thomas Kempe; The Voyage of QV66 and other titles</i>
Philip Pullman	<i>Clockwork</i> <i>Thunderbolt's Waxwork</i>
Roald Dahl	<i>Danny Champion of the World</i> <i>(plus any others not read before)</i>
Robert Westall	<i>The Christmas Cat</i> <i>The Machine Gunners</i>
Roger Lancelyn	<i>Green Tales of the Greek Heroes</i> <i>The Tale of Troy</i> <i>The Luck of Troy</i> <i>Robin Hood; King Arthur</i>
Rosemary Sutcliff	<i>Dragon Slayer: The Truce of the Games</i>
Rudyard Kipling	<i>Rikki-Tikki-Tavi</i> <i>The Jungle Book</i>
Rumer Godden	<i>The Diddakoi</i> <i>Listen to the Nightingale</i>
Susan Coolidge	<i>What Katy Did</i>
Susan Cooper	<i>The Dark is Rising Sequence</i>
Sylvia Waugh	<i>The Mennymys Books</i>
Ted Hughes	<i>The Iron Man</i> <i>The Iron Woman</i> <i>Why the Whale Became</i>
Terry Jones	<i>The Knight and the Squire</i>
Terry Pratchett	<i>The Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents</i>

<b>Author</b>	<b>Book Title</b>
The Brothers' Grimm	<i>The Brothers' Grimm Fairy Tales</i>
Willard Price	<i>Amazon Adventure</i> <i>African Adventure</i> <i>South Sea Adventure, etc.</i>

## Poetry

- Kaye Webb: *I Like This Poem: A Collection of Best-loved Poems Chosen by Children for Other Children in Aid of the International Year of the Child*
- Michael Harrison: *One Hundred Years of Poetry for Children*
- John Masefield: *Sea Fever*
- H.W. Longfellow: *The Wreck of the Hesperous*
- Edward Lear: *The Jumblies*
- Walter de la Mare: *The Listeners*
- Lewis Carroll: *You are Old, Father William*
- T.S. Eliot: *Macavity, the Mystery Cat*
- Alfred Noyes: *The Highwayman*
- Eleanor Farjeon: *It Was Long Ago*
- Hilaire Belloc: *Tarantella*
- Anthologies by M Rosen, R McGough