

ROBERT CLACK READING LIST

A guide to some of the texts that will support your learning at Robert Clack School.

*That is part of the beauty
of literature. You discover that
your longings are universal
longings, that you're not lonely
and isolated from anyone.
You belong.*

F. Scott Fitzgerald



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MATHS RECOMMENDED READING

Mrs Bradley, Miss Mann, Mr Whitfield and the Maths department recommend the following titles:

Years 7 – 9

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time by Mark Haddon

The Man Who Counted - A Collection of Mathematical Adventures by Malba Tahan

Years 10 – 11

Alex's Adventures in Numberland by Alex Bellos

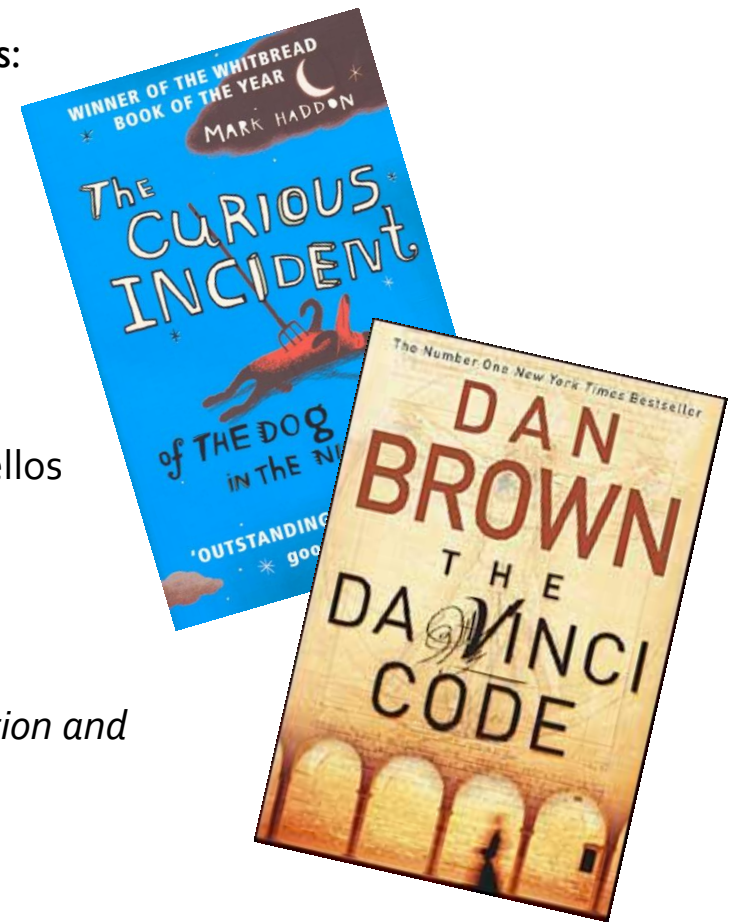
Alex Through the Looking Glass: How Life Reflects Numbers, and Numbers Reflect Life by Alex Bellos

The Da Vinci Code by Dan Brown

Years 12 – 13

Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

Physics of the Impossible: A Scientific Exploration of the World of Phasers, Force Fields, Teleportation and Time Travel by Michio Kaku



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SCIENCE RECOMMENDED READING

Mrs Schubert, Mr Power and the Science department recommend the following titles:

Mr Saito:

The Manga Guide to the Universe
The Manga Guide to Physics

Mr Davison:

Science – A Visual Encyclopaedia

Miss Neale:

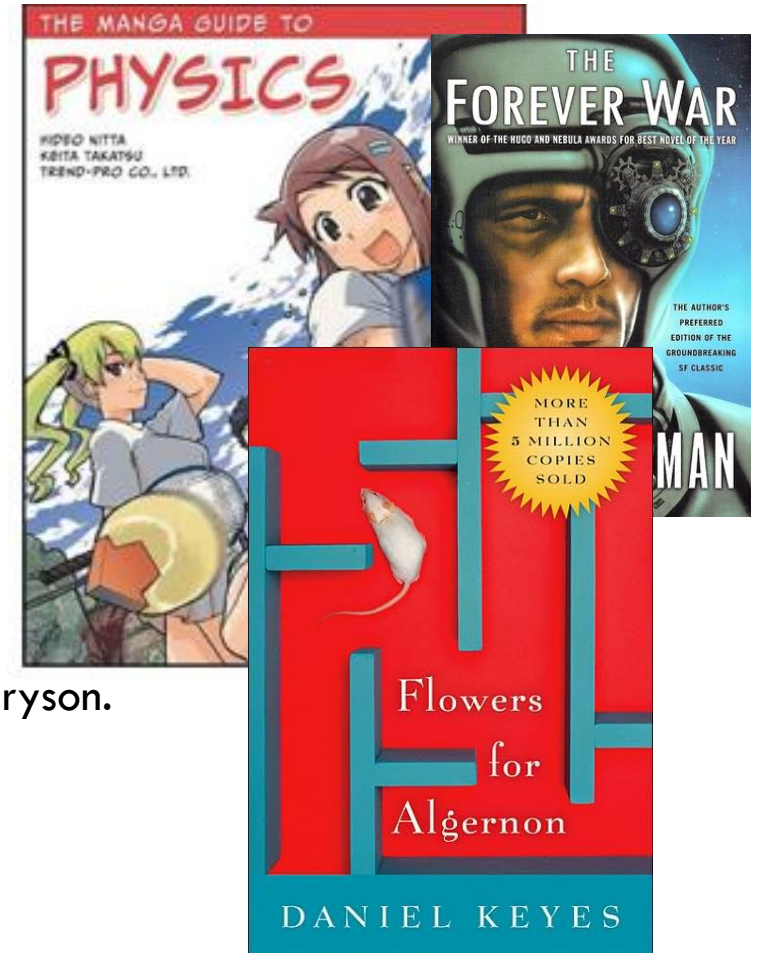
Bad Science by Ben Goldacre
The Martian by Andy Weir
Wool by Hugh Howey
The Humans by Matt Haig

Miss Krishnan:

Hiroshima by John Hersey
When the Wind Blows by Raymond Briggs.

Mr Cullen:

1984 by George Orwell
The Forever War by Joe Haldeman
Flowers for Algernon by Daniel Keyes
A Short History of Nearly Everything by Bill Bryson.
The End of Eternity by Isaac Asimov.

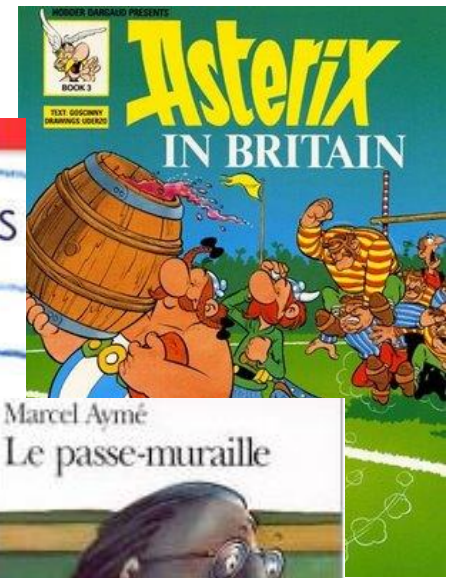
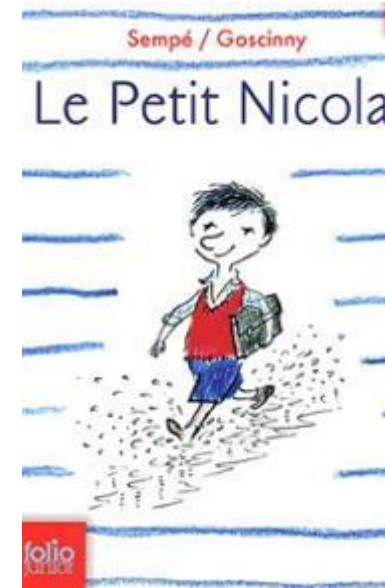


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LANGUAGES RECOMMENDED READING

Mrs Allen, Ms Thomas and the Languages department recommend the following titles:

Persepolis	Marjane Satrapi	French
Astérix	René Goscinny	French
Vendredi ou la vie Sauvage	Michel Tournier	French
Kiffe Kiffe Demain	Faïza Guène	French
La Bibliothécaire	Gudule	French
Corazón	Edmundo de Amici	Spanish
Bajo las Palmas Reales	Ada, Alma Flor	Spanish
De oro y Esmeraldas	Delecré, Lulu	Spanish
La Ciudad de las Bestias	Allende, Isabel	Spanish
El Caballero Carmelo	Valdelomar, Abraham	Spanish
Le Passe Muraille	Aymé, Marcel	French
Le Petit Nicolas	René Goscinny	French



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HISTORY RECOMMENDED READING

Miss Lockwood, Miss Staten and the History department recommend the following titles:

Year 7 – 9

Swallows and Amazons – **Arthur Ransom**

Go Tell it on the Mountain – **James Baldwin**

Summer of My German Soldier - **Bette Greene**

Hattie Big Sky – **Kirby Larson**

Cider with Rosie - **Laurie Lee**

Goodnight, Mr Tom – **Michelle Magorian**

War Horse - **Michael Morpurgo**

Jungle Book – **Rudyard Kipling**

Anne Frank's Diary.

Gulliver's Travels – **Johnathan Swift**

Oliver Twist - **Charles Dickens**

When Hitler stole Pink Rabbit - **Judith Kerr**

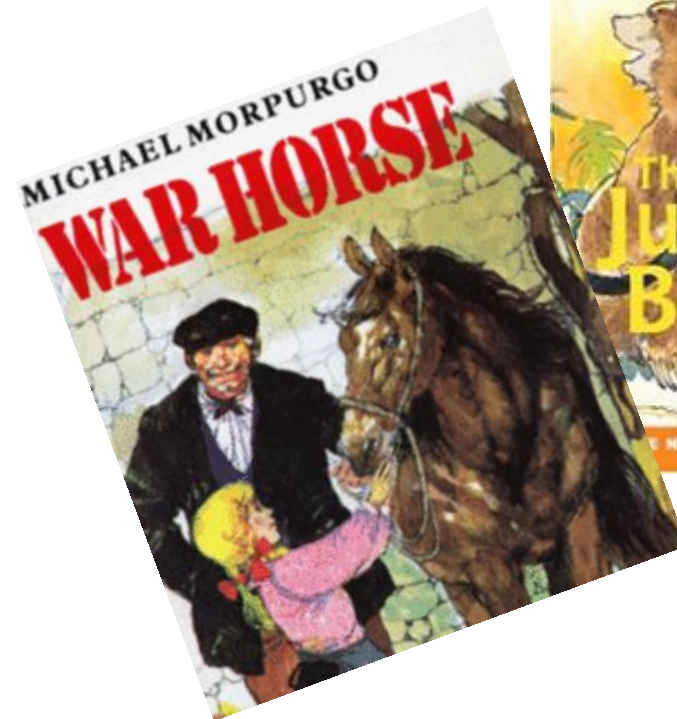
Horrible Histories – **Terrible Tudors**

Horrible Histories – **Rotten Romans**

Horrible Histories – **Frightful First World War**

Horrible Histories – **Slimy Stuarts**

Horrible Histories – **Gorgeous Georgians**



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RE RECOMMENDED READING

Mr Vaughan-Fowler, Miss Valentine and the RE department recommend the following titles:

Years 7 – 9

The Secret Life of Bees – Sue Monk Kidd

The Help! – Kathryn Stockett

Sophie's World – Jostein Gaarder

Diary of Anne Frank – Anne Frank

Years 10 - 11

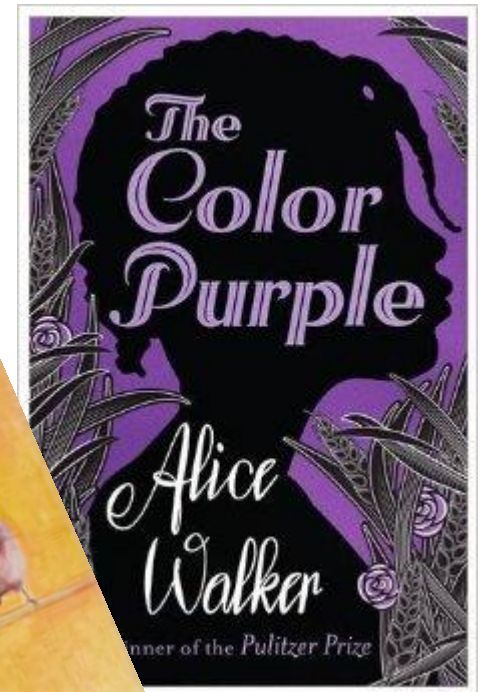
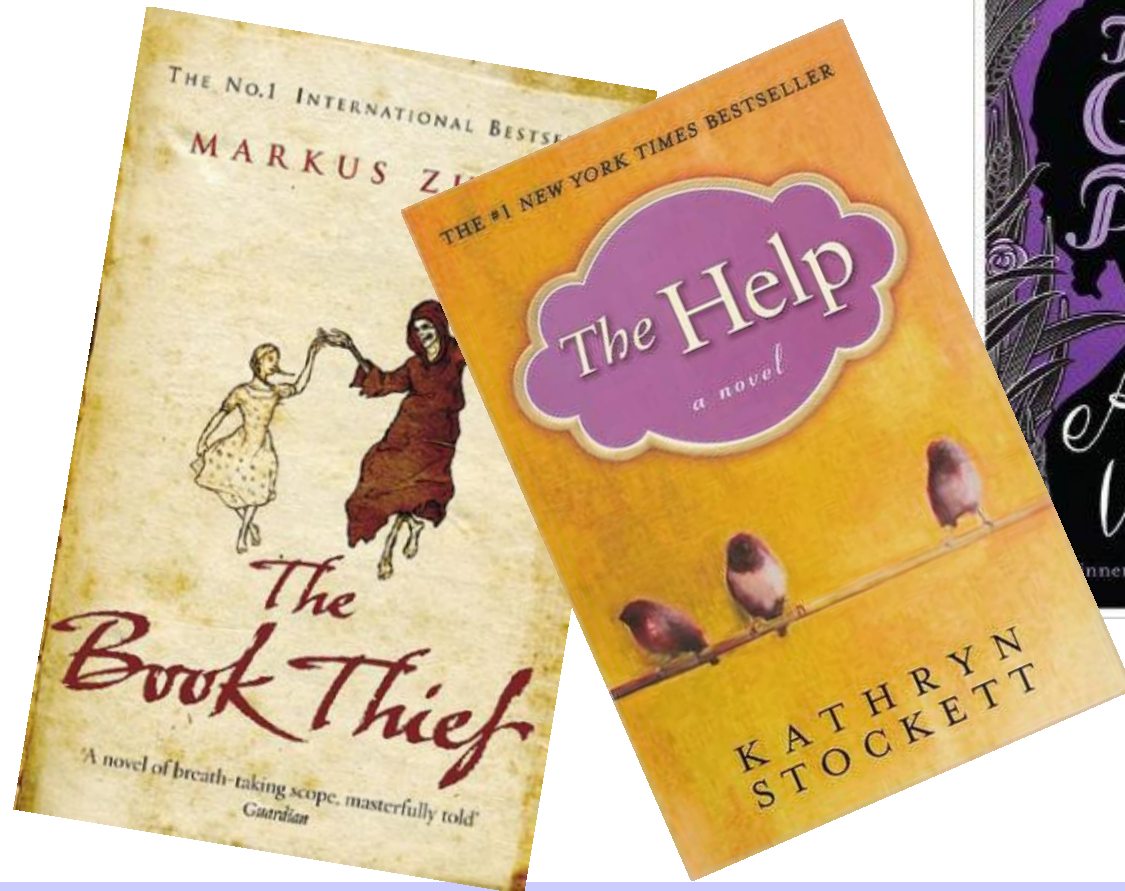
The Book Thief – Marcus Zuzak

The Chronicles of Narnia – C.S.Lewis

The Color Purple – Alice Walker

My Sister's Keeper – Jodi Picoult

The Pig that wants to be Eaten – Julian Baggini



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GEOGRAPHY RECOMMENDED READING

Miss King, Miss Delgaty and the Geography department recommend the following titles:

Years 7 – 9:

Oh the Places You'll Go (Dr Seuss)

Horrible Geography Series

Sahara (Michael Palin)

Around the World in 80 Days (Michael Palin)

Life of Pi (Yann Martel)

Years 10 – 11:

Himalaya (Michael Palin)

Mountains of the Mind (Robert MacFarlane)

Notes from a Small Island (Bill Bryson)

Heart of Darkness (Joseph Conrad)

Into the Wild (John Krakauer)

Years 12 – 13:

Guns, Germs and Steel (Jared Diamond)

Blood River (Tim Butcher)

On the Map (Simon Garfield)



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MUSIC RECOMMENDED READING

Mr Collins, Miss Brennan and the Music department recommend the following titles:

Years 7 – 9

If I Stay (Gayle Forman) Seventeen-year-old Mia is faced with some tough challenges: Stay true to her first love—music—even if it means losing her boyfriend and leaving her family and friends behind?

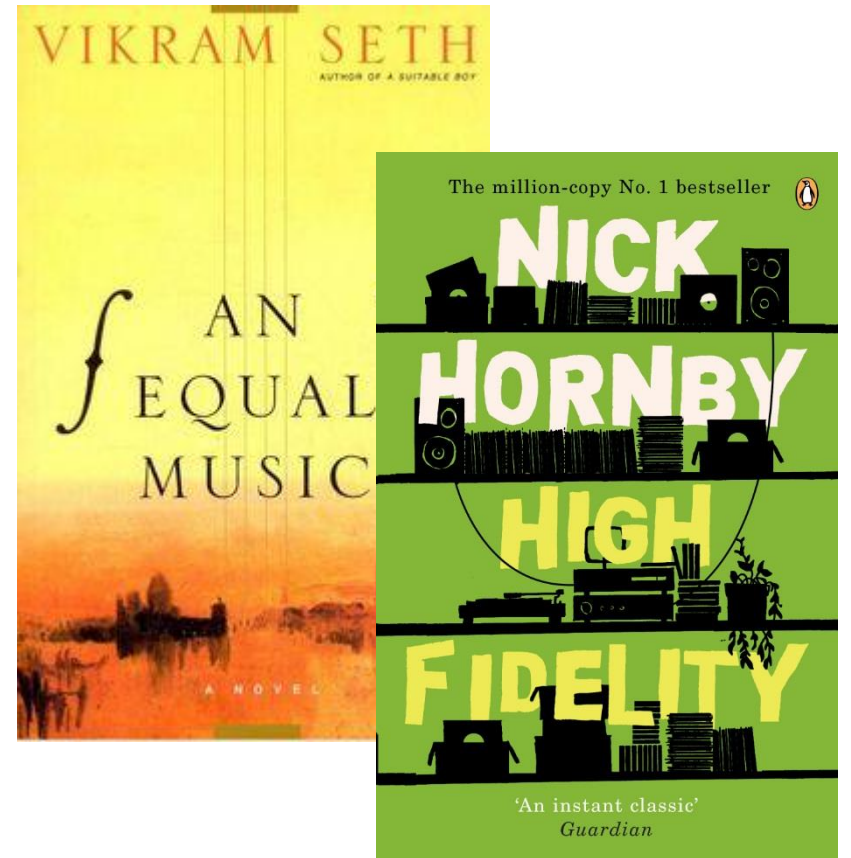
Sing Me to Sleep (Angela Morrison) Beth's only friend is geeky, golden-haired Scott. That is, until she's selected to be her choir's soprano soloist, and receives the makeover that will change her life forever.

Years 10 – 11

Kazuo Ishiguro's *Nocturnes*

Nick Hornby's *High Fidelity*

Vikram Seth's *An Equal Music*



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ART RECOMMENDED READING

Ms Rai and the Art department recommend following titles:

Years 7 –13

The Twentieth Century Art Book (Phaidon)

The Art Book (Phaidon)

Art Now (Taschen)

50 Photographers You Should Know (Prestel)

50 Artists You Should Know (Prestel)

50 British Artists You Should Know (Prestel)

50 Contemporary Artists You Should Know (Prestel)

Creative Paint Workshop for Mixed Media Artists by Ann Baldwin

Artists' Journals and Sketchbooks by Lynne Perella

The Decorated Journal (creating expressive journal pages) by Gwen Diehn

Extraordinary Sketchbooks by Jane Stobart

O'Keeffe (Taschen)

Henry Moore (Taschen)

Barbara Hepworth (Taschen)



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FOOD RECOMMENDED READING

Mrs Ekeoma, Mr Mwangi and the Food department recommend the following titles:

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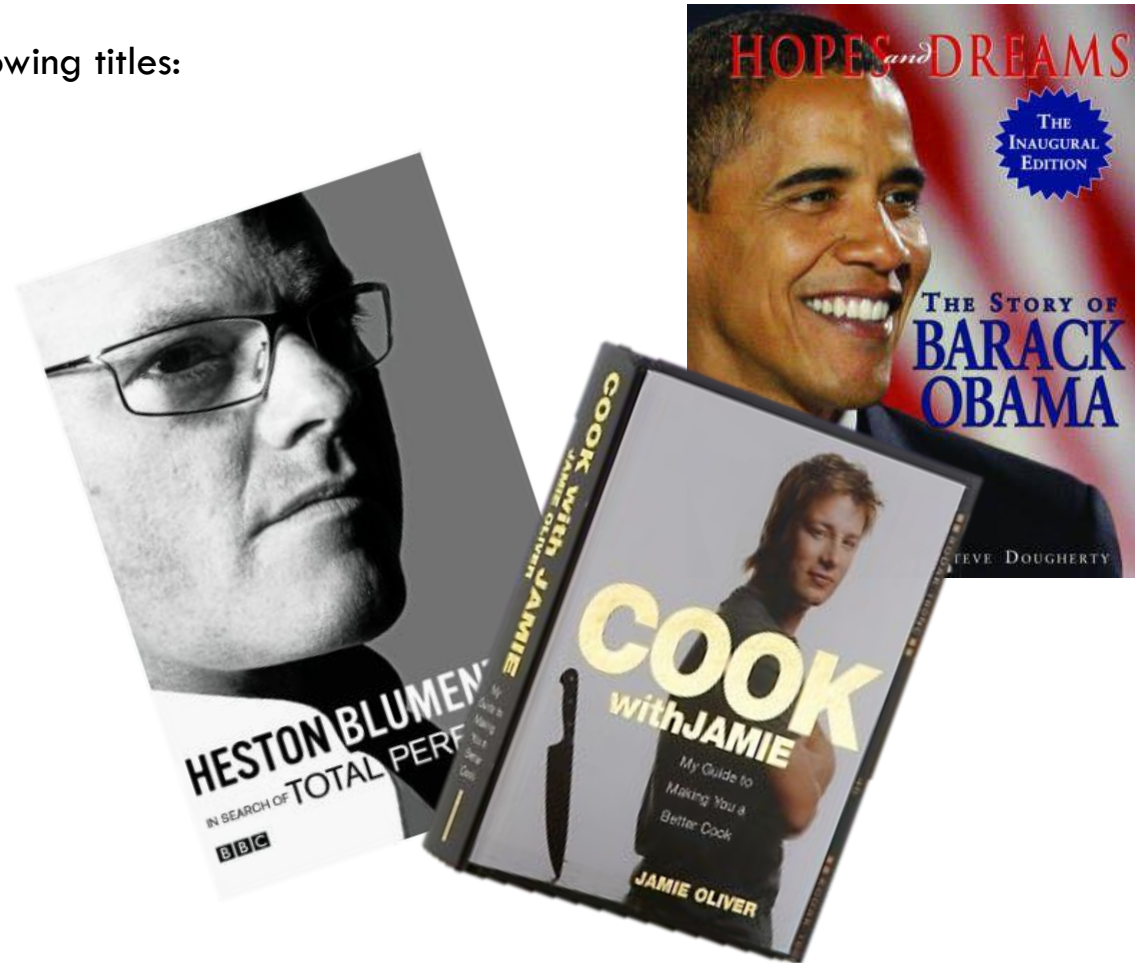
Complete Children's Cookbook (Dorking Kindersley)
Silver Spoon for Children – Favourite Italian Recipes (Phaidon)
The Kids Only Cookbook by Sue Quinn

Years 10 – 11

Cook with Jamie by Jamie Oliver
Hopes and Dreams: The Story of Barack Obama by Steve Dougherty

Years 12 – 13

In Search of Total Perfection by Heston Blumenthal



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TECHNOLOGY RECOMMENDED READING

Mr Davis and the Technology department recommend the following titles:

KS4 and KS5:

Charles & Ray Eames by Gloria Koenig

Albert Frey by Gloria Koenig

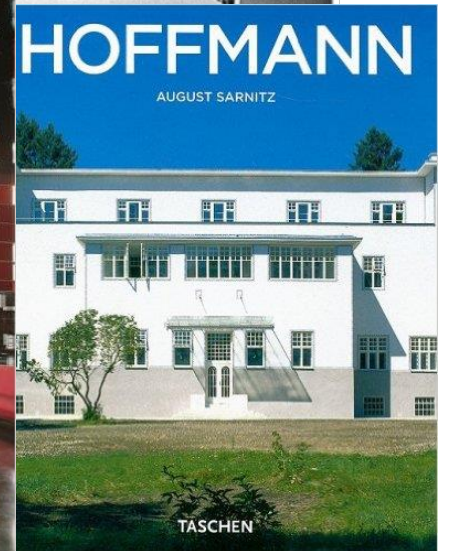
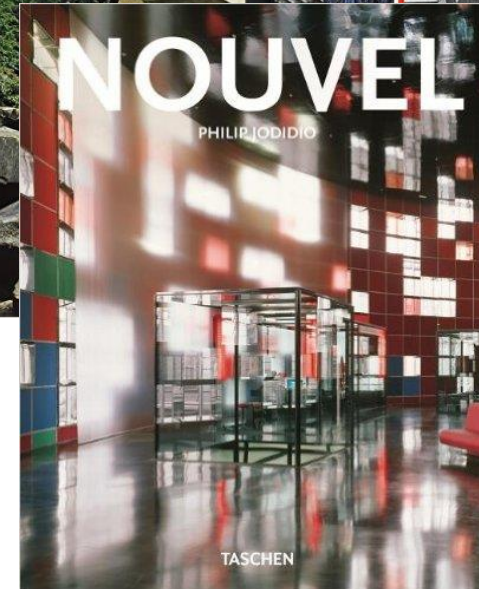
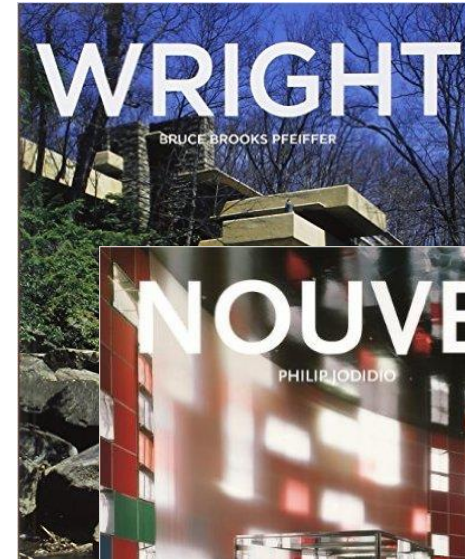
Hoffmann (Taschen Basic Art Series)

Bauhaus by Magdalena Droste

Nouvel by Philip Jodidio

Wright (Taschen Basic Art Series)

Hadid by Philip Jodidio



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ICT RECOMMENDED READING

Mrs Shergill, Mr Hylton and the ICT department recommend the following titles:

Years 7 – 9

Computational Fairy Tales – **Jeremy Kubica**

The Thrilling Adventures of Lovelace and Babbage (Graphic Novel) – **Sydney Padua**

The Code Book: The Secret History of Codes and Code-breaking – **Simon Singh**

Lauren Ipsum: A Story About Computer Science and Other Improbable Things – **Carlos Bueno**

Years 10 – 11

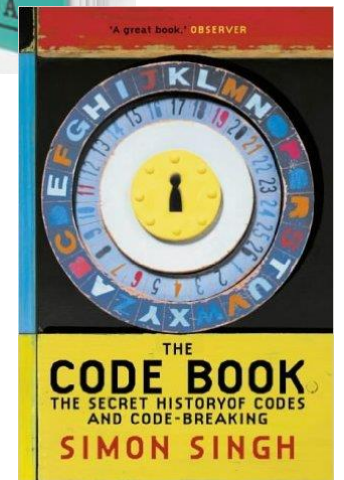
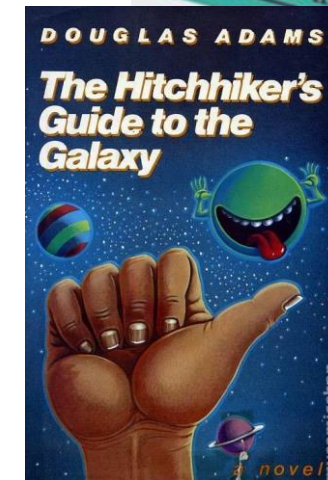
The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy – **Douglas Adams**

Out of their Minds: The Lives and Discoveries of 15 Great Computer Scientists – **Dennis Shasha**

Years 12 – 13

Code: The Hidden Language of Computer Hardware and Software – **Charles Petzold**

BTEC Level 3 National IT Student Book 2: 2 (BTEC National for IT Practitioners) – **Edexcel**



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PE RECOMMENDED READING

Mr Wilkins, Miss Bond, Mr Goyette and the PE department recommend the following titles:

Billy the Kid or Born to Run by Michael Morpurgo

Goal / Goal II by Robert Rigby

Bend it Like Beckham / The Beautiful Game by Narinder Dhani

The Boy with the Lightning Feet by Sally Gardner

Fever Pitch by Nick Hornby

Some You Win by Alan Gibbons

Kick Off (series) by Dan Freedman

Do Goalkeepers Wear Tiaras? (Girls FC series) by Helena Pielichaty.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 7 – BULLYING

Robert Cormier **The Chocolate War** - One small act of defiance starts a chain reaction – a shocking novel about the power of gangs.

Catherine Forde **Fat Boy Swim** - A misfit will do anything to fit in at school.

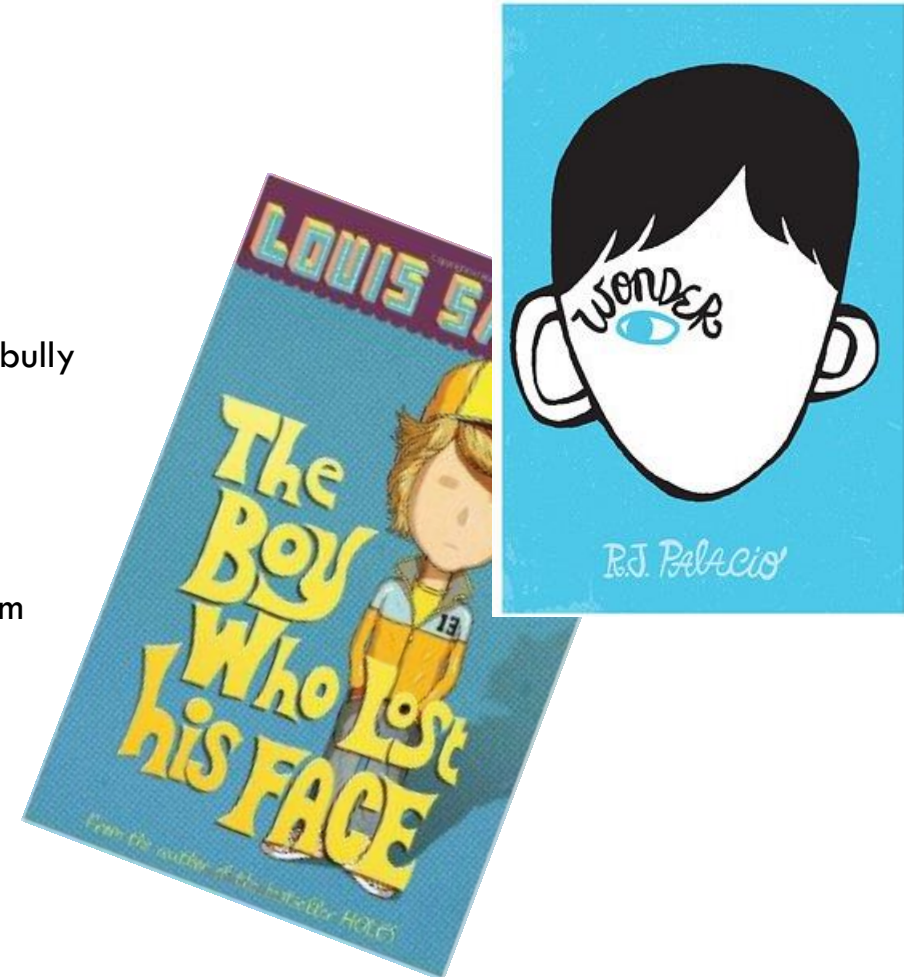
Graham Gardner **Inventing Elliot** - A gang of school thugs called 'The Guardians' rule and bully at Holminster High.

Roger Green **Cuckoos** - School bullying begins with a 'whisper'.

Louis Sachar **The Boy who Lost his Face** - A bully seems cursed and begins to see things from the point of view of the bullied.

R.J. Palacio **Wonder** - A story about overcoming prejudice.

David Walliams **The Boy in the Dress** – A young boy bravely shows who he really is!



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ENGLISH – YEAR 7 - IDENTITY

Malorie Blackman **Noughts and Crosses** - Set in a society with two types of people: 'Noughts' and 'Crosses'. Can friendship overcome the divisions between the two?

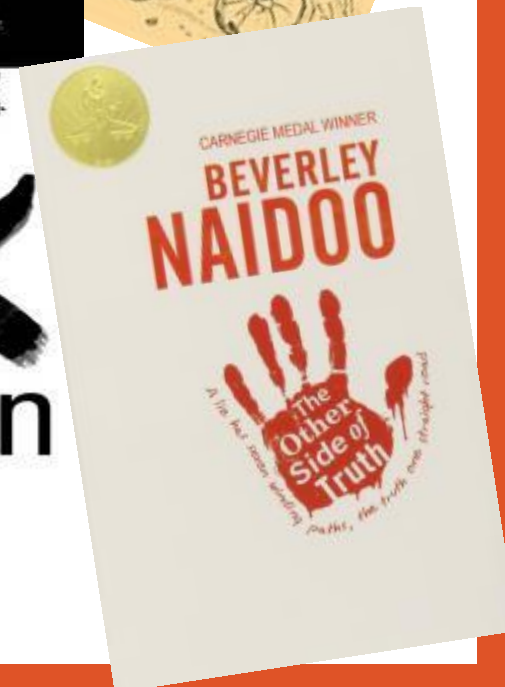
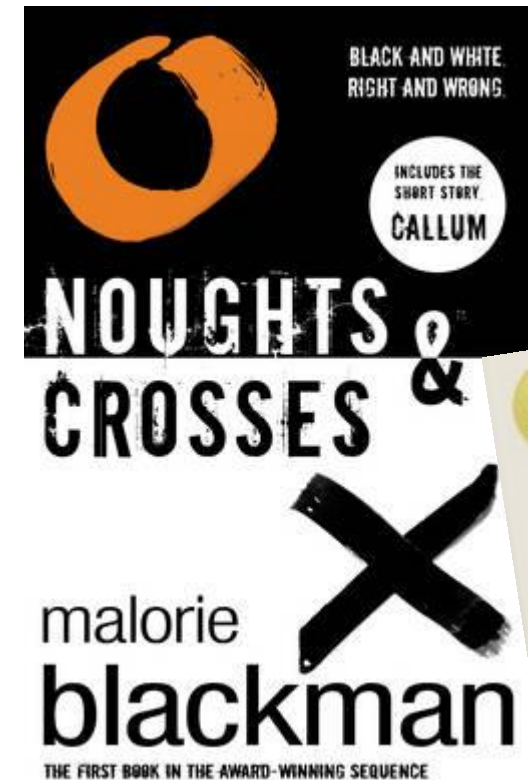
Gerald Durrell **My Family and Other Animals** - A young boy, fascinated by wildlife, and his crazy, funny family move to Crete.

Adeline Yen Mah **Chinese Cinderella** - Adeline grows up in China during the Second World War in a family which does not seem to love her. A moving story of individual survival.

Beverley Naidoo **The Other Side of Truth** - Two children have to leave Nigeria when their mother is killed. They end up in London, abandoned to their fate.

Roald Dahl **Boy/Going Solo** – The autobiographical novels of Roald Dahl growing up abroad.

J K Rowling **Harry Potter series** - Set in Hogwarts, a school with a difference, a young boy and his friends battle against evil forces.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 7 – ISLANDS AND THE SEA

R.L. Stevenson **Treasure Island** - Sea adventure and the search for lost treasure.

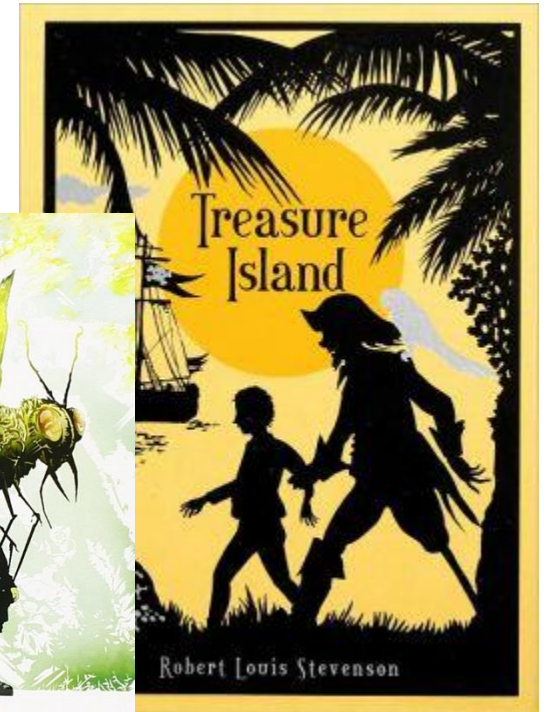
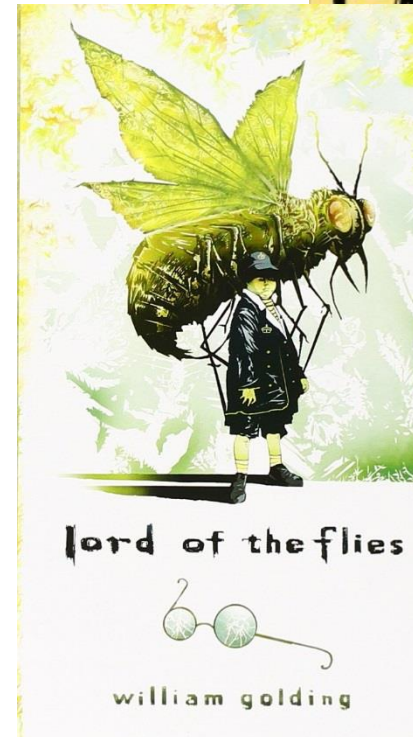
William Golding **Lord of the Flies** - Boys stranded on a desert island turn to savagery.

Tim Bowler **Apocalypse** - A young family is shipwrecked on an island.

Daniel Defoe **Robinson Crusoe** - a castaway spends thirty years on a remote tropical island, encountering cannibals and captives.

Siobhan Curham **Shipwrecked** – This novel combines romance, mystery, secrets, betrayal and even voodoo in a tropical island setting.

Sebastian Junger **The Perfect Storm** – a true story about men against the sea



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ENGLISH – YEAR 7 – ADVENTURE STORIES

Bear Grylls **Mud, Sweat and Tears** - The autobiography of the famous adventurer/risk-taker.

Jules Verne **Journey to the Centre of the Earth** - Explorers climb down an extinct volcano and into the centre of the earth.

J.R. R Tolkein **The Hobbit/Lord of the Rings** – A series of fantasy stories now transformed into amazing films!

J.K Rowling **Harry Potter series** – A series of magical adventures starring Harry Potter.

Johnathan Swift **Gulliver's Travels** – A novel of exploration and adventure in four parts.

Rick Riordan **Percy Jackson & Heroes of Olympus** – series of novels which explore mythical Greece and Rome.

Arthur Conan Doyle **The Lost World** – An adventure into lands where pre-historic animals still exist.

Cassandra Clare **City of Bones** – a dark, urban fantasy story set in New York City.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 7 – WORLD WAR ONE

Laurie Lee **Cider with Rosie** – The funny and moving autobiography of a young boy growing up in Gloucestershire just after the 1st World War.

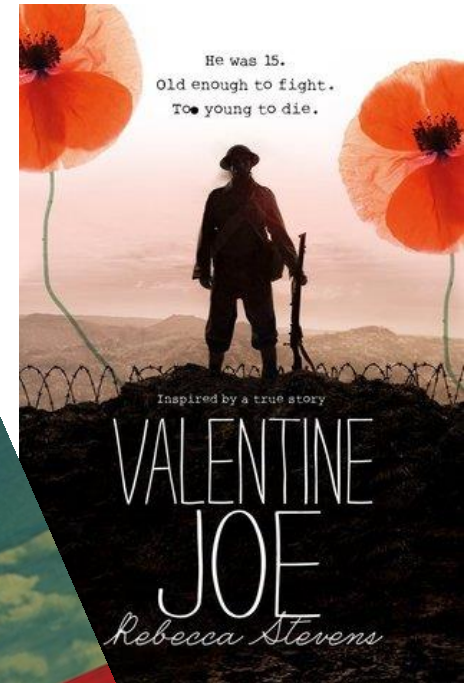
Michael Morpurgo **War Horse** - The story of Joey, a thoroughbred horse, and how he is forced into the thick of the harrowing, poorly-led battles of the First World War.

War Girls – A Collection of WWI stories inspired by the memoirs of young women - This collection of short stories explores how the First World War changed and shaped the lives of women forever.

Penelope Farmer **Charlotte Sometimes** - Is set in a 1960s boarding school until young Charlotte Makepeace slips back in time to 1918, where everyone starts to call her Clare.

John Boyne **Stay Where You Are Then Leave** - Alfie Summerfield is just five years old when World War I broke out. His young father, Georgie, promised he wouldn't enlist voluntarily, only to break his promise the very next day.

Rebecca Stevens **Valentine Joe** - Rose's granddad takes her on a trip to Ypres, Belgium to visit war graves. Later that night, she hears the sound of marching feet and glimpses from her window a young soldier on his way to the front line...



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ENGLISH – YEAR 7 – DETECTIVE STORIES

Kevin Brooks **Road of the Dead** - Two teenage boys want to avenge the death of their murdered sister.

Agatha Christie **The Body in the Library** - Just one of Christie's famous crime novels – there are plenty more!

Arthur Conan Doyle **Sherlock Holmes stories** - Choose any of Conan Doyle's fascinating tales about a 19th century detective with extraordinary abilities.

F. Cottrell-Boyce **Millions** - You find £250,000 and have 10 days to spend it before Britain joins the euro. What would you do?

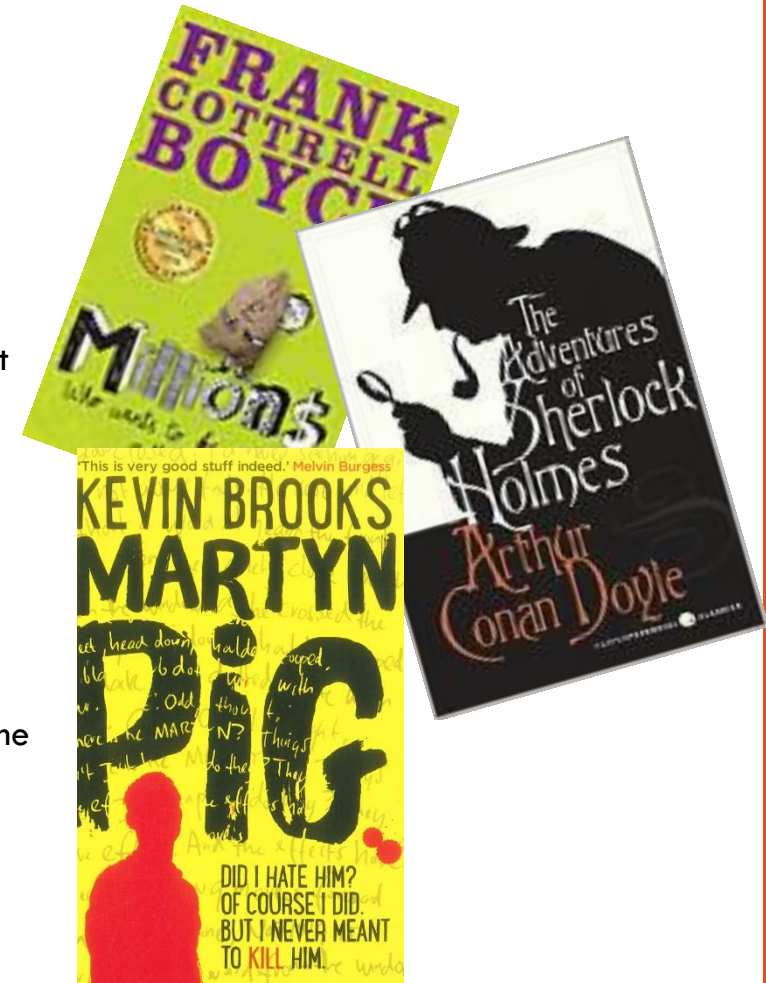
Nicola Morgan **Flesh Market** - Set in the dark streets of 19th Century Edinburgh where the bodysnatchers Burke and Hare stalk the homeless street urchins.

Philip Pullman **The Ruby in the Smoke** - A girl tries to find out why her father was murdered.

Alex Shearer **Tins** - Fergal collects metal tins, until life changes completes when he finds a finger in one tin and the word "help" scrawled in another.

Alex Shearer **Speed of the Dark** - A scientist disappears into thin air but leaves an intriguing manuscript behind.

Ally Carter **Heist Society** – An insight into the mind and actions of a teenage thief.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 8 – DYSTOPIAN FICTION

George Orwell **Animal Farm** - Animals on the farm rise up against their powerful owners.

James Dashner **Maze Runner** Thomas is deposited in a community of boys after his memory is erased, soon learning they're all trapped in a maze that will require him to join forces with fellow "runners" for a shot at escape.

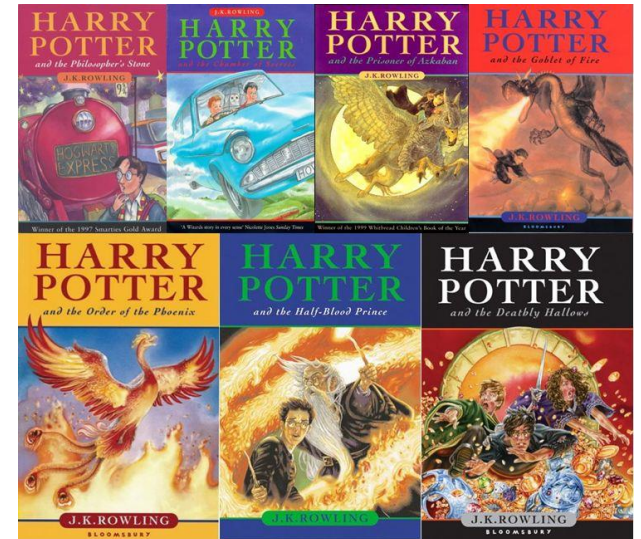
Lois Lowry **The Giver** – 12-year-old Jonas' world seems idyllic, but it is far darker than we can imagine.

Philip Pullman **His Dark Materials trilogy** - Follows the coming-of-age of two children as they wander through a series of parallel universes.

Philip Reeve **Mortal Engines** (series) - Moving cities trawl the globe. Tom and Hester are thrown from their beloved "London" and try to get back on board.

Lauren Oliver **Delirium** – through the eyes of Lena, the reader must witness a world where 'love' is considered a disease.

Chris Wooding **Poison** - Poison must rescue her kidnapped sister from the land of the "phaeries".



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ENGLISH – YEAR 8 – SCIENCE FICTION

Douglas Adams **The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy** - Arthur Dent is upset because the council has demolished his house to make way for a bypass. Unfortunately the earth is to be demolished to make way for a hyperspace bypass.

Patrick Ness **The Knife of Never Letting Go** - Todd Hewitt is the last boy in Prentisstown, a place where everyone can hear other people's thoughts in a constant Noise. Todd finds a gap in the Noise.

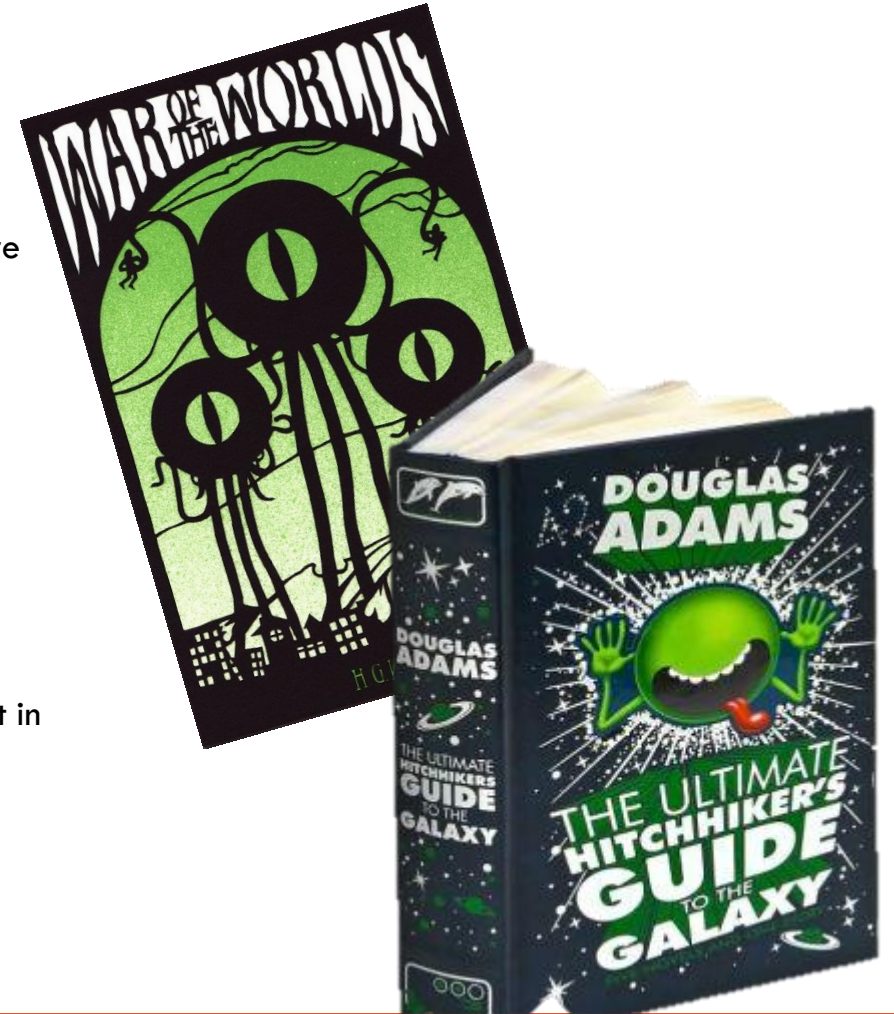
Philip Reeve **Larklight trilogy** - Set in an alternative Victorian-era universe. The nations struggle over who gets access to space technology to travel the solar system.

Nancy Farmer **The House of the Scorpion** – A modern fiction story about cloning.

HG Wells **War of the Worlds** - The Martians invade Earth.

Terry Pratchett **The Discworld Series (starting with 'The Colour of Magic')** - Comic fantasy novels set in a flat world balanced on the back of four elephants who are standing on a giant turtle.

Scott Westerfield **Uglies** - In the future plastic surgery is taken to the extreme. Those who reject the process are known as "Uglies".



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ENGLISH – YEAR 8 – WAR

Nevil Shute **A Town like Alice** – The heroics of a young English woman during World War 2.

Anne Frank **The Diary of a Young Girl** – Anne, a Jewish Dutch girl, has to hide from the Germans in a tiny secret room with her family and another family for two years.

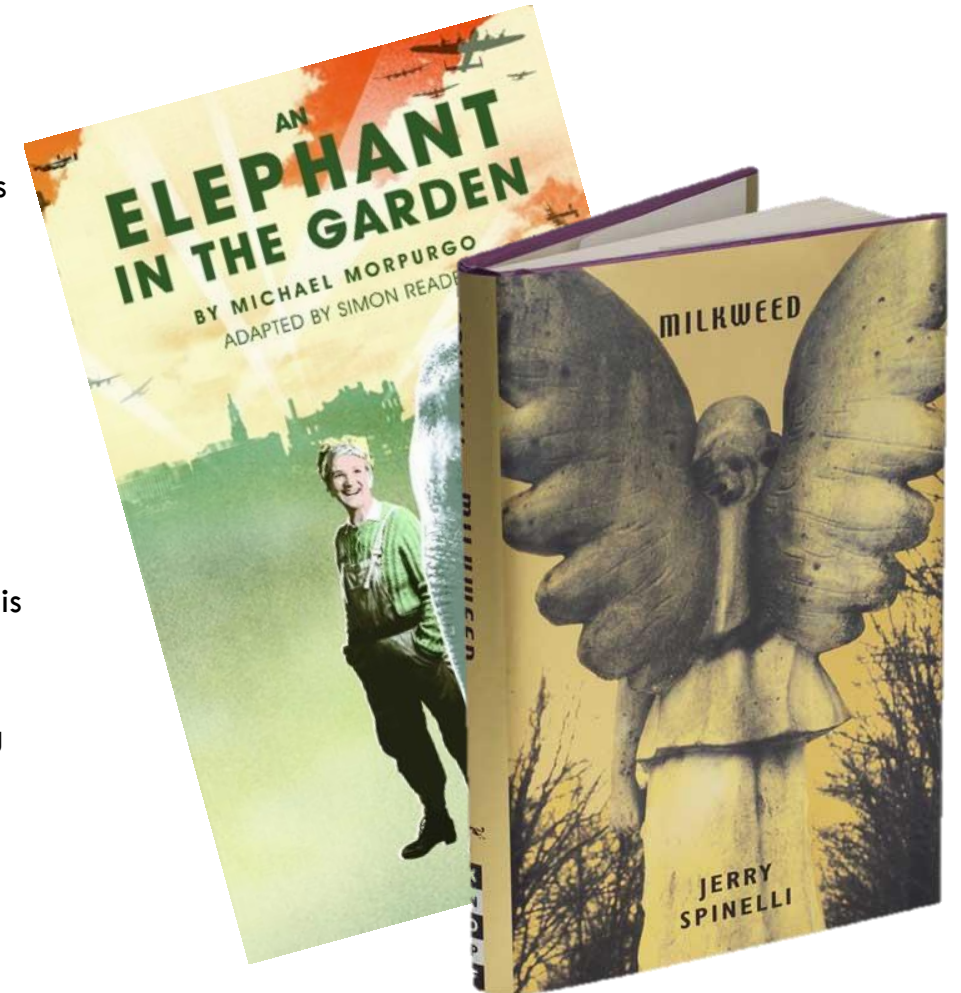
Nina Bawden **Carrie's War** – Carrie and her brother are wartime evacuees billeted on a bullying Welsh grocer. A wonderfully crafted novel full of memorable characters.

Jerry Spinelli **Milkweed** – A novel about a boy in Warsaw, Poland in the years of World War II during the Holocaust.

John Boyne **Boy in the Striped Pyjamas** – Bruno and his family move to a new home, the location is more than meets the eye. Prepare yourself for a dramatic ending!

Markus Zusak **The Book Thief** – While subjected to the horrors of World War II Germany, young Liesel finds solace by stealing books and sharing them with others.

Michael Morpurgo **An Elephant in the Garden** – In Dresden, 1945, Elizabeth and Karli's mother works at the zoo, where her favourite animal is a young elephant named Marlene.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 8 – CULTURES

Elizabeth Laird **The Garbage King** - A moving story set in the slums and streets of Ethiopia.

Mildred Taylor **Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry** - Tale of family loyalty set against the racist background of 1930s America.

Meera Syal **Anita and Me** - A story of friendship and betrayal set in the North of England in the 1960s.

Stephen Davies **Blood and Ink** - Described in the dictionary as 'Any far off place', Timbuktu remains a mysterious place in its reality. Stephen Davies has poured research and passion into this tense novel for young adult readers.

Andrew Smith **Grasshopper Jungle** – Grasshopper Jungle is both an exciting edge-of-your-seat young adult dystopia, and a bold and thoughtful novel about history and identity.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 8 – HUMOUROUS WRITING

Bill Bryson **Notes from a Big Country (and other travel books)** - An American's very funny perspective on Britain and British culture.

Sue Townsend **The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole** – Hilarious diaries set in 1980s Leicester. Adrian suffers with many love and life traumas.

Tom Ellen and Lucy Ivison **Lobsters** – Lobsters is a frank and very funny young adult romance.

Holly Smale **Geek Girl** – fifteen-year-old Holly has a witty, socially awkward narrative voice you can't help but love.

John Green **An Abundance of Katherines** - When it comes to relationships, Colin Singleton's type is girls named Katherine. And when it comes to girls named Katherine, Colin is always getting dumped. Nineteen times, to be exact.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 8 – HORROR AND FEAR

Kate Cann **Leaving Poppy** - When Poppy moves into a house to help look after her sister, there's something about her which the house doesn't like.

Ann Halam **Don't Open Your Eyes** - Spine chilling horror novel about a boy killed in a joyriding accident.

Carol Hedges **Red Velvet** - Nasty things begin to happen to Elly when she finds the skeleton of a dead girl wearing a red dress in an old house.

Neil Gaiman **Coraline** – This spooky story won't soon be forgotten. Coraline is a girl who finds her way down a corridor to a flat just like her own - but slightly different. And where her doting "other mother" has buttons for eyes...

Celia Rees **Witch Child** - A girl's mother is accused of being a witch in 18th century England.

Celia Rees **Soul Taker** - Jardine is so obsessed with the lovely Lisa that he sells his soul for a chance to be with her.

Marcus Sedgwick **My Swordhand is Singing** - Chilling vampire tale set in 17th Century Europe.

Darren Shan **Demonata series** - Can the three main characters, all living in different times, fight against the demonic forces who are attempting to destroy the world?

Chris Wooding **Haunting of Alaizabel Cray** - Two 'wychhunters' search for a beast lurking in the sewers of old London.

Justin Somper **Vampirates Series** - Twins who live in a lighthouse go on a boat trip in a storm. One gets rescued by a pirate ship, one by a vampire-run ship.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 9 – OUTSIDERS

Stephen Kelman **Pigeon English** – a teenage African boy adjusts to London life.

Arthur Miller **A View from the Bridge** – A play about immigration, love and justice, set in Brooklyn, New York.

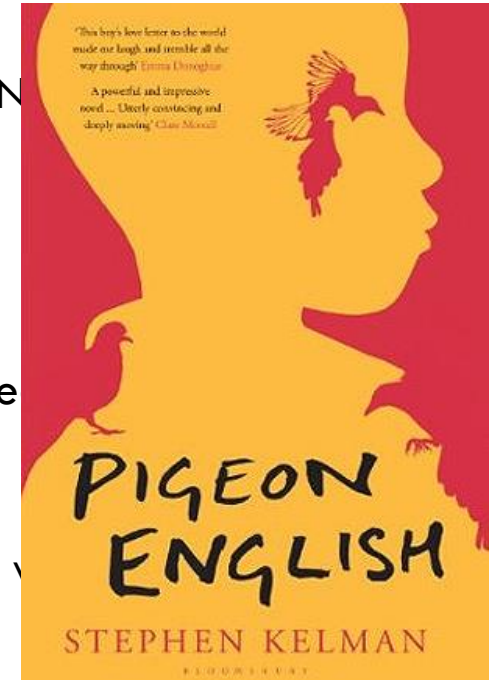
Barbara Smucker **Underground to Canada** – The journey of slaves towards a better life.

Jen Petro-Roy **Good Enough** – a story of resilience and strength, told from the perspective of 12-year-old Riley.

Charles Dickens **Great Expectations** – Pip's rise, fall and rise pips Oliver Twist as the best book with which to start reading Dickens, purely on account of his description of being in love.

Patrick Ness **The Rest of Us Just Live Here** – seeing the world through 18-year-old Mike's eyes is compelling, entertaining and utterly unique.

Kevin Brooks **Martyn Pig** - Martyn's life is turned on its head when he accidentally kills someone very close to him.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 9 – LOVE & RELATIONSHIPS

Dodie Smith **Capture the Castle** - Novel about first love featuring with an eccentric family of sisters living in a dilapidated castle.

John Green **The Fault in the Stars** – A heart breaking novel about teenage love in the face of adversity.

Stephenie Meyer **Twilight** – A series of novels full of vampires and romance!

Mary Pearson **Scribbler of Dreams** – A beautiful story related to Romeo and Juliet with star crossed lovers that can't be.

Jane Austen **Pride and Prejudice** – A famous love story which follows sisters through their first experiences of love.



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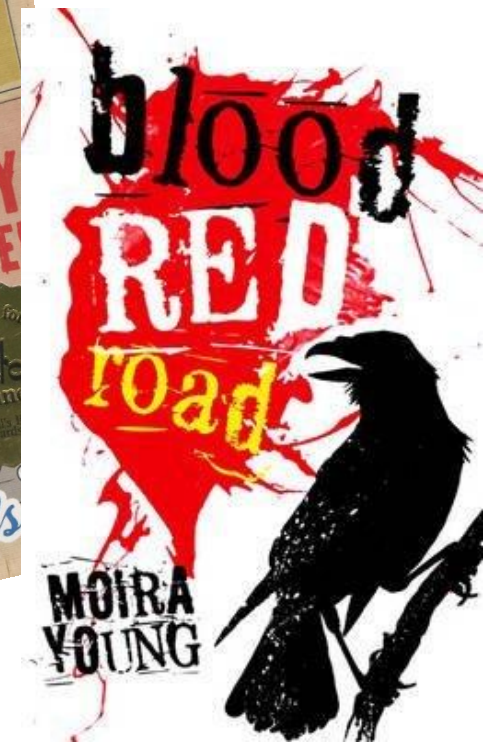
ENGLISH – YEAR 9 – VIOLENCE

SE Hinton **Outsiders** - Hate, violence, loyalty and friendship in the gang-lands of New York.

Susin Nielsen **The Reluctant Journal of Henry K. Larsen** – This controversial topic is grounded in writing that feels sympathetic and thought-provoking without cashing in on the cruelty and tragedy of the real school massacres. This will be a memorable read for all the right reasons.

Annabel Pitcher **Ketchup Clouds** - The story is told through a series of letters written in the frank and often funny voice of a 15-year-old girl struggling to come to terms with her crushing guilt because she is, by her own admission a murderer.

Moira Young **Blood Red Blood** – They killed my father. They stole my brother. It's anger that keeps me goin.' Saba's twin brother, Lugh, is snatched by dark-robed violent horsemen. She and sister Emmi set off to find him, across a harsh, post-apocalyptic landscape.



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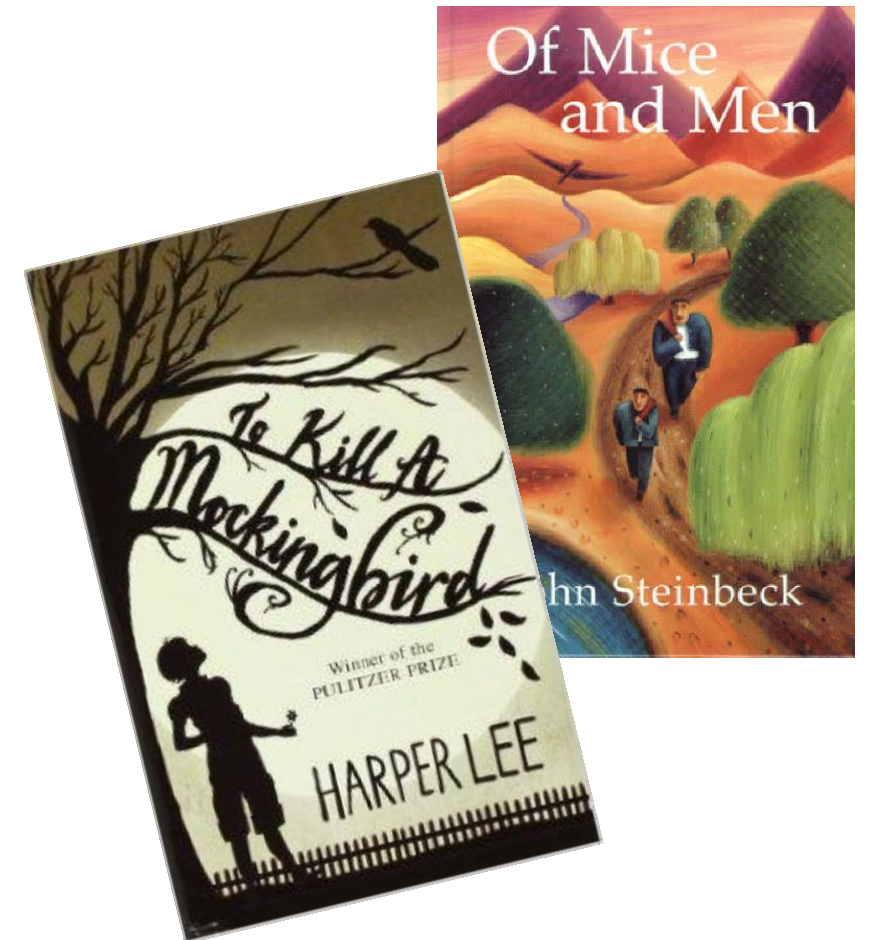
ENGLISH – YEAR 9 – CHARACTER AND VOICE

Carol Ann Duffy **World's Wife** – This poetry collection introduces you to the realistic voices of a range of women who have famous husbands!

Harper Lee **To Kill a Mockingbird** A classic story of America's Deep South. Scout and Jem see their father, Atticus, defend Tom Robinson - an innocent black man - from the charge of rape. Atticus is inspiring without being priggish.

Anne Bronte **The Tenant of Wildfell Hall** – *The Tenant of Wildfell Hall* is a powerful and sometimes violent novel of expectation, love, oppression, sin, religion and betrayal.

John Steinbeck **Of Mice and Men** – Set during the American depression this novel follows George and Lennie as they journey towards their dream.



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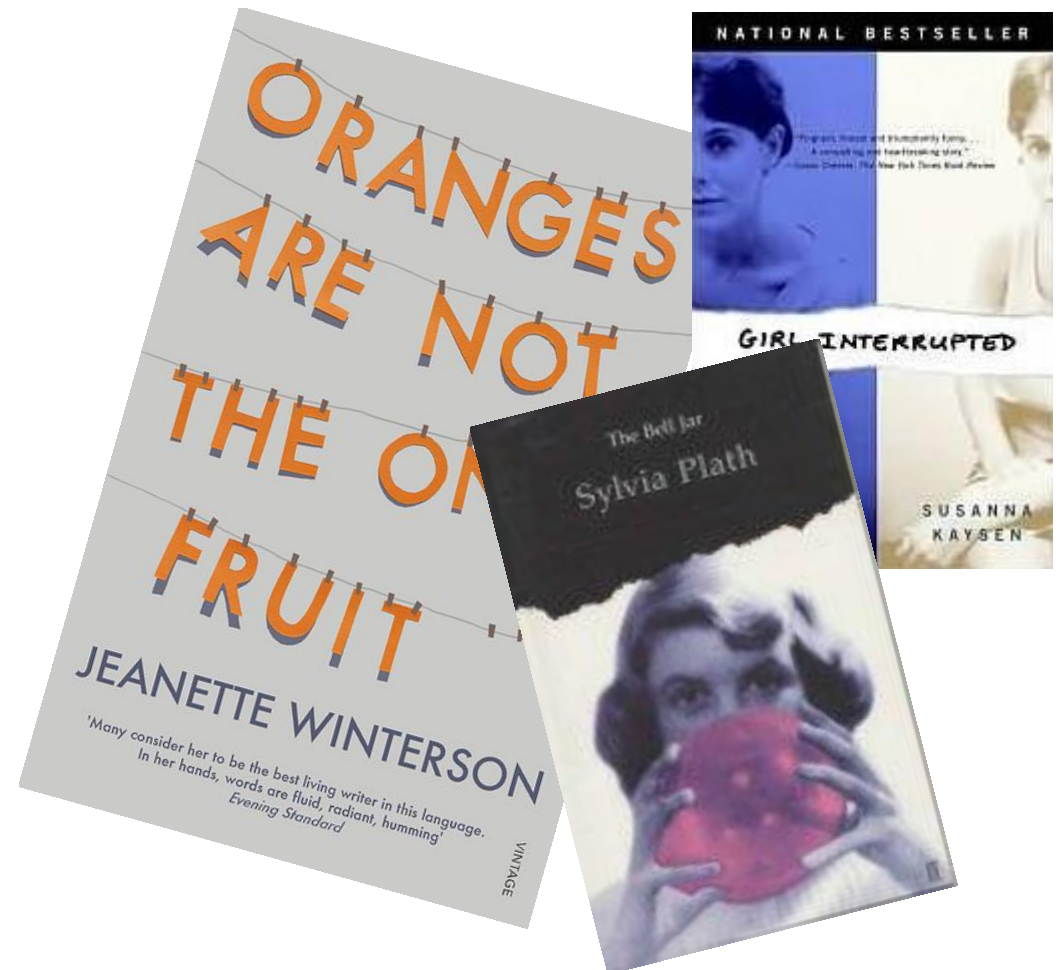
ENGLISH – YEAR 9 – MADNESS & THE MIND

Ken Kesey **One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest** – Set in an American asylum with an array of crazy characters under the strict control of Nurse Ratchett.

Jeanette Winterson **Oranges are not the Only Fruit** - This novel follows the life of a teenage girl living with a mother who is a religious fanatic.

Susanna Kaysen **Girl Interrupted** - Set in the changing world of the late 1960s, this is the searing true story of Susanna Kaysen, a young woman who finds herself at a renowned mental institution for troubled young people.

Sylvia Plath **The Bell Jar** – A journey into the troubled mind of Esther – a teenager growing up in America. You could also read some of her poems such as 'Daddy' or 'Mirror'.



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ENGLISH – YEAR 9 – COMING OF AGE

Louisa M Alcott **Little Women** - Four sisters grow up in the 1860s. Narrated by Jo, who desperately wants to be a writer.

Charlotte Bronte **Jane Eyre** - Jane falls in love with her rich employer, only to find out he has a dark secret.

Sue Monk Kidd **Secret Life of Bees** – A story set in 1960s America which explores loss and betrayal.

Charles Dickens **Oliver Twist** - Classic Dickens tale of the young orphan's dramatic move through life.

Jamila Gavin **Coram Boy** - Two boys, from very different backgrounds, end up in a home for parentless children. A challenging story set in the 18th century.

J.D Salinger **The Catcher in the Rye** – The story of and American teenage boy and his journey through school life.

Meg Rosoff **How I Live Now** – A story narrated through fifteen-year-old Daisy who is sent from the US to live with her British cousins during the outbreak of the third world war.



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YEAR 7-9 READING CHALLENGE



- A book with more than 500 pages
- A classic romance
- A book that became a film
- A book that become a TV programme
- A book published this year
- A book with a number in the title
- A book written by someone under 30
- A book with non human characters
- A funny book
- A book by a female author
- A mystery or thriller
- A book with a one-word title
- A book of short stories
- A book set in a different country
- A nonfiction book
- A popular author's first book
- A book from an author you love that you haven't read yet
- A book a friend recommended
- A Pulitzer Prize-winning book
- A book based on a true story
- A book your PE teacher/coach/trainer recommends
- A book a family member loves

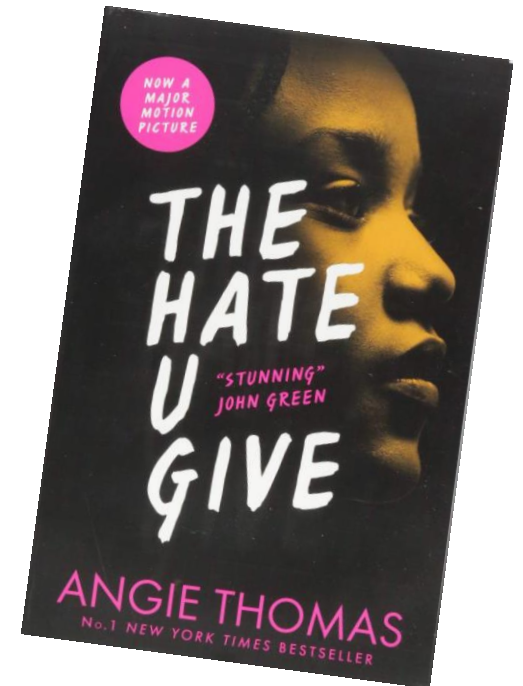


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YEAR 7-9 READING CHALLENGE



- A book you can finish in a day
- A book with antonyms in the title
- A book set somewhere you've always wanted to visit
- A book that came out the year you were born
- A book with bad reviews
- A trilogy
- A book from your childhood
- A book with a love triangle
- A book set in the future
- A book set in high school
- A book with a colour in the title
- A book that made you cry
- A book with magic
- A graphic novel
- A book by an author you've never read before
- A book you own but never read
- A book that takes place in your hometown
- A book that was originally written in a different language
- A book set during Christmas
- A book written by an author with your same initials
- A book with poems



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Award Winning Books
(and books that were close!)

