



Samlesbury C of E School Recommended Reading List for Year 5



This list (which includes nearly 400 texts by a wide variety of well-published authors) is intended to be a guide to books suitable for children in Year 5. The List, covering a range of genres, is drawn from a number of sources including teachers own recommendations; the National Literacy Strategy's recommended texts; reading lists which have been suggested by other schools and the National Literacy Trust's website. Some of the texts are more difficult to read than others and care should be taken when choosing those which your child might enjoy. Please discuss the books your child reads with him/her and remember that, even in Year 5, although a book might be difficult for your child to read, he/she will probably still enjoy having it read to them by an adult. Good luck reading and please enjoy these fascinating texts together!

Janet & Joan Allen Ahlberg	The Bear Nobody Wanted The Giant Baby Woof! Son of a Gun The Better Brown Stories
Joan Aiken	Go Saddle The Sea
F. Anstey	Vice Versa
Philip Ardagh	Unlikely Exploit Series
Neil Arksey	MacB
Bernard Ashley	Break in the Sun
Esther Averill	Captains of the City Streets
Richard Bach	Jonathan Livingstone Seagull
David Baddiel	The Parent Agency
Lynne Reid Banks	The Indian in the Cupboard Return of the Indian I, Houdini The Fairy Rebel The Farthest-Away Mountain
Antonia Barber	The Amazing Mr. Blunden
Mary Bard	Best Friends
Steve Barlow	Goodknyght! (with Steve Skidmore)
F Baum	Wizard of Oz
Nina Bawden	Granny the Pag The Peppermint Pig
Elizabeth Beresford	The Treasure Hunters The Secret Railway The Happy Ghost The Mysterious Island The Wombles
James Berry	A Thief in the Village The Future - Telling Lady
Terence Blacker	The Transfer
Malorie Blackman	Thief

	A.N.T.LD.O.T.E. Pig Heart Boy Hacker
Enid Blyton	Five have Plenty of Fun Five Go To Mystery Moor Five Have Plenty of Fun Adventure Treasury The Famous Five: Short Story Collection The Sea of Adventure The Secret of Spiggy Holes
Martin Booth	War Dog
L M Boston	The Sea Egg An Enemy at Green Knowe The Chimneys of Green Knowe The Stones of Green Knowe The River at Green Knowe A Stranger at Green Knowe An Enemy at Green Knowe The Children of Green Knowe Treasure of Green Knowe
Henrietta Branford	Fire, Bed & Bone
Walter R Brooks	Freddy and the Dragon
Anthony Browne	King Kong
Ann Bryant	Silver Spires series
Anthony Buckeridge	The Jennings Books
Linda Buckley – Archer	Gideon the Cutpurse
Melvin Burgess	The Ghost behind the wall The Earth Giant
Thornton W Burgess	Old Granny Fox
Juliet Sharman Burke	Stories From the Stars
Sheila Burnford	The Incredible Journey
Betsy Byars	The Eighteenth Emergency Midnight Fox The Cartoonist
Camila Cariry	The Dog that Caught Chicken Pox
Charles Causley	Figgy Hobbin
Aidan Chambers	Seal Secret
Lauren Child	Utterly Me, Clarice Bean
Rob Childs	Sandford in to Bat
E.O. Chirovici	The Book of Mirrors The Wrinkle in Time Quintet
PJ Lynch & Hans Christian Anderson	The Snow Queen
John Christopher	The Prince in Waiting Trilogy
Beverly Cleary	Ramona the Brave
Andrew Clements	Frindle
Eoin Colfer	Artemis Fowl Benny & Omar The Wish List
Marita Conlon – McKenna	Under the Hawthorne Tree Wildflower Girl
Susan Cooper	King of Shadows The Boggart Over Sea, Under stone The Dark is Rising Sequence
W J Corbett	The Song of Pentecost

	The Dragon's Egg Pentecost and the Chosen One Little Elephant The Ark of the People
Stephen Cosgrove & Robin James	Sniffles
Sharon Creech	Love that Dog Ruby Holler
Helen Cresswell	The Bagthorpe Saga Moondial Snatchers The night Watchmen
Richmal Crompton	William Again William in Trouble
Gillan Cross	New World The Demon Headmaster Wolf
Kevin Crossley Holland	The Green Children
P.C. Crussell	Tales from the Enchanted Forest
Catherine Cyran	Island of the Last Great Auk
Roald Dahl	The BFG The Witches Boy Going Solo
Andrew Davies	Conrad's War
Daniel Defoe	Robinson Crusoe
Lavinia Derwent	Sula
Anita Desai	The Village by the Sea
Kate Di Camillo	Because of Winn Dixie
Anne Digby	Naughtiest Girl Helps a Friend The Naughtiest Girl
Franklin W. Dixon	The Hardy Boys series of books
Chris d'Lacey	The Fire Within Icefire Fly Cherokee Fly
Amber Lee Dodd	We are Giants
Joshua Doder	A Dog Called grk
Berlie Doherty	Children in Winter
Matthew Drzymala	The Bumpkinton Tales
Diane Duane	Young Wizard Series
Helen Dunmore	The Ingo series The Zillah Books
Gerald Durrell	My Family and Other Animals The Talking Parcel The New Noah
Monica Edwards	Punchbowl Farm Series
Stephen Elboz	A Handful of Magic
Patricia Elliot	The Ice Boy
Michael Ende	Momo
Penelope Farmer	Charlotte Sometimes
Josephine Feeney	My Family & Other Natural Disasters
Anne Fine	Flour Babies Google – Eyes Step By Wicked Step The Chicken Gave It To Me

	The Haunting Of Pip Parker The Tulip Touch
Curdella Forbes	Flying With Icarus
Anne Frank	Ann Frank: the Diary of a Young Girl
Cornelia Funke	Dragon Rider Inkheart The Thief Lord
Wanda Gag	Tales from Grimm
Neil Gaiman	Wolves in the Walls
Leon Garfield	Smith The God Beneath the Sea The Stolen Watch
Alan Garner	The Stone Book Quartet Elidor The Owl Service
Eve Garnett	The Family from One End Street
Morris Gleitzman	Boy Overboard The Other Facts of Life Two Weeks With the Queen Water Wings Blabbermouth Belly Flop
Rumer Goden	The Diddakoi
Lisa M. Gordon	The Tooth Fairy Story
Kenneth Grahame	The Wind in the Willows The Reluctant Dragon
Joan Grant	The Monster that Grew Small
Andy Griffiths	The 52 Storey Treehouse
Jakob Grimm	Grimm's Fairy Tales
Grace Hallworth	Mouth Open, Story Jump Out
Salina Hastings	Sir Gawain & the Green Knight
Carolyn Haywood	Betsy and Billy
Russel Hoban	Dinner at Alberta's The Mouse and his Child
Frances Hodgson Burnett	The Secret Garden
Michael Hoeye	Time Stops for No Mouse
Anthony Horowitz	Stormbreaker
Lesley Howarth	Maphead
Pat Hutchins	Follow That Bus The Curse of the Egyptian Mummy
Eva Ibbotsen	Journey to the River Sea The Secret of Platform 13 The Secret Platform
Roberto Innocenti	Rosie Blanche
Brian Jaques	Redwell
Madhur Jaffrey	Seasons of Splendour
Tove Jansson	Finn Family Moomintroll Moominpappa at Sea
Susan Jeffers	Brother Eagle, Sister Sky
Mark Jefferson	Hurricane Hamish, the Calypso Cricketer
Terry Jones	The Knight & the Squire Erik the Viking Fairy Tales
Norton Juster	The Phantom Tollbooth
M.M.Kayne	The Ordinary Princess

Carolyn Keene	Nancy Drew Files
Gene Kemp	The Turbulent Term of Tyke Tyler
Judith Kerr	When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit
Clive King	Stig of the Dump
Dick King – Smith	Godhanger Lady Daisy
Jeff Kinney	The Long Haul Old School
Rudyard Kipling	The Jungle Book Just So Stories
Brian Kirk	The Rising Son
Madeleine L'Engle	A Wrinkle in Time The Wonderful Wizard of Oz
Andrew Lang	Tales of Try and Greece
Eleanor Frances Lattimore	Little Pear and His Friends
Ursula Le Guin	The Earthsea Quartet The Wizard of Earthsea
Sian Lewis	Project Kite
Astrid Lindgren	Pippi Goes on Board
Penelope Lively	A Stitch in Time The Revange of Samuel Stokes A House Inside Out
Lois Lowry	Anastasia Krupnik
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow & Susan Jeffers	Hiawatha
George Macdonald	The Portent and Other Stories
William McCleery	The Other Alice: The Story of Alice Liddell and Alice in Wonderland
Margaret Mahy	The Greatest Show Off Earth The Pirates Mixed – up Voyage
Jan Mark	Nothing to be Afraid of The Lady With Iron Bones Thunder and Lightnings The Eclipse of the Century
James Vance Marshall	Walkabout
William Mayne	A Grass Rope A Swarm in May
Alexander McCall Smith	Bursting Balloons Mystery
Geraldine McCaughrean	Gold Dust Plundering Paradise A Little Lower Than the Angels
Ian McEwan	The Daydreamer
Hilary McKay	Saffy' s Angel The Exiles
Robin Mckinley	Beauty
Michael Molloy	The Witch Trade
Christopher Moore & Christina Balit	Ishtar & Tammuz
Michael Morpurgo	The War of Jenkins' Ear War Horse Arthur High King of Britain The Wreck of the Zanzibar Why the Whales Came Walter and Me
Benjamin J. Myers	The Grindle Witch
Mary Nash	While Mrs. Coverlet was Away

Terry Nation	Rebecca's World
Judith Nicholls	Earthways Earthwise
Jenny Nimmo	Midnight For Charlie Bone Snow Spider
Garth Nix	Mister Monday Sabriel
Andrew Norris	Aquila Matt's Millions
Mary Norton	Bedknob and Broomsticks The Borrowers
Alfred Noyes	The Higwayman
Robert C O'Brian	Mrs Frisby and the Rats of Nimh
Katherine Paterson	Bridge To Terabithia The Great Gilly Hopkins
Jill Paton Walsh	Gaffer Samson's Luck
Michael Paver	Wolf Brother
Tamora Pierce	The Song of the Lioness Series
Ann Piling	Mothers Daily Scream
Blair Polly	Secrets of Glass Mountain
Terry Prachett	The Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents The Johnny Maxwell Trilogy Truckers
Philip Pullman	Northern Lights Clockwork or all would up The Firework Makers Daughter The Ruby In the Smoke
Arthur Ransome	Pigeon Post Winter Holiday Swallows and Amazons
Wilson Rawls	Where the Red Fern Grows
Philip Ridley	Dakota of the White Flats Krindlekrax
Rick Riordan	The Hidden Oracle The Blood of Olympus Heroes of Olympus: the Lost Hero
Michael Rosen	South and North, East and West
J.K. Rowling	Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone The Chamber of Secrets Other books from The Harry Potter Series
Jacqueline Roy	A Daughter Like Me
Salman Rushdie	Haroun and the Sea of Stories
Louis Sachar	The Boy Who Lost his Face There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom
Nouneh Sarkissian	The Magic Buttons
George Seldon	A Cricket in Times Square
Ian Serrailier	The Silver Sword
Anna Sewell	Black Beauty
Martin Smith	The Magic Football Book
Alan Snow	How Dogs Really Work
Jerry Spinelli	Loser
Russell Stannard	The Time and Space of Uncle Albert
William O. Steele	Winter Danger
Robin Stevens	Jolly Foul Play: a Murder Most Unladylike Mystery
Catherine Storr	Marianne Dreams

Noel Streatfield	Ballet Shoes
Rosemary Sutcliff	Beowulf: Dragonslayer Black Ships Before Troy The Eagle of the Ninth The Capricorn Bracelet
Robert Swindells	Voyage to Valhalla
Alan Temperley	Harry and the Wrinklies
Peter Terrence	The Bizarre and Wonderful World of Eczema Boy
Shari Tharp	Gertrude and Toby's Friday Adventure
Colin Thompson	How to Live Forever
Eve Titus	Anatole
Geoffrey Trease	Cue for Treason
Ann Turnbull	Pigeon Summer Gunners Boy
Alison Uttley	A Traveller In Time
A Rutgers van der Loeff	Children Of The Oregon Trail
Hilda van Stockum	Five for Victory
David Walliams	Gangsta Granny Billionaire Boy Awful Auntie Demon Dentist Grampa's Great Escape Mr Stink (also by Quentin Blake) Rat Burger The Doy in the Dress
J. D. Welch	The Einstein Code
Sylvia Waugh	The Space Race
Robert Westall	Blitz Cat Kingdom by the Sea
E White	Charlotte's Web
Oscar Wilde	Stories for Children
Bob Wilson	Stanley Bagshaw and the Twenty-two Ton Whale
Henry Winterfield	Trouble at Timpetill
Diana Wynne Jones	A Tale of Time City Dogsbody The Worlds of Chrestomanci