

Individual Books (but do try other, age appropriate books by these authors!)

Ross Mackenzie	<i>Ross and the Dream Pirates</i>
Eva Ibbotson	<i>One Dog and His Boy</i> <i>Which Witch</i>
Jane Johnson	<i>Gold Seekers</i>
Ross Asquith	<i>Letters from an Alien Schoolboy</i>
Kate Saunders	<i>Magicalamity</i>
Joan Aiken	<i>A Necklace of Raindrops</i>
Philip Ardagh	<i>Grubtown Tales: Stinking Rich & Just Plain Stinky</i> <i>The Grunts in Trouble</i>
Adrian Mitchell	<i>Umpteen Pockets</i>
Jenny Alexander	<i>Car Mad Jack: The Versatile Van</i>
Kenning Mankell	<i>The Cat Who Liked Rain</i>
Sophie McKenzie	<i>Time Train to the Blitz</i> <i>Arthur's Sword</i>
Roddy Doyle	<i>The Giggler Treatment</i>
Paul Stewart	<i>Fergus Crane</i>
Mary Norton	<i>The Borrowers</i>
Jeff Brown	<i>Flat Stanley</i>
E B White	<i>Charlotte's Web</i>
Philippa Pearce	<i>Tom's Midnight Garden</i>
Clive King	<i>Stig of the Dump</i>
Norton Juster	<i>The Phantom Tollbooth</i>
Liz Pichon	<i>The Brilliant World of Tom Gates</i>
Adam Perrott	<i>The Odds</i>
Pippa Goodhart	<i>Just Imagine</i>
Jeanne Willis	<i>The Goffins: Bubbies & Baubles</i>
Ted Hughes	<i>The Iron Man</i>
Karen Inglis	<i>Eek! The Runaway Alien</i>
Chris d'Lacey	The earlier books in the <i>Last Dragon</i> series
Kjartan Poskitt	<i>Agatha Parrot and the Floating Head</i>
Lynne Reid Banks	<i>Bad Cat, Good Cat</i>
Lou Kuenzler	<i>Jack Splat—Dog's Dinner</i>
Philip Reeve	<i>Oliver and the Seawigs</i>
Jennifer Gray	<i>Atticus Claw</i> series



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Great Reads for Years 3 & 4



Authors/Collections

- Roald Dahl** A master story teller, appealing to children of all ages! Try
The BFG
The Twits
Fantastic Mr Fox
George's Marvellous Medicine
and many of his other books for children.
- Jeremy Strong** Some laugh out loud stories for young and old alike. Here are some of his collections:
My Brother's Famous Bottom
The Hundred-Mile-an-hour Dog
Cosmic Pyjamas
Cartoon Kid
- Andy Stanton** *Mr Gum* books
- Jill Murphy** is probably best known for her *Worst Witch* series of books but is also the author of several picture books. A recent publication, *Dear Hound*, tells the story of a well loved family dog escaping from his holiday kennel and his quest to return home.
- Enid Blyton** Still standing the test of time! Have you tried the *Famous Five* collection or the *Adventure* series?
- Cressida Cowell** The *How to Train Your Dragon* books are certainly worth a look.

Richmal Crompton The *Just William* books have been around a little while now but are still a great read.

Jeff Kinney The *Wimpy Kid* diaries use American language, but are very popular and can encourage reluctant readers.

Laurence Anholt The *Seriously Silly Stories* are alternative traditional tales with jokes, puns and amusing situations to please any group of young readers.



Dick King Smith Animals feature heavily in his books. One of his best known is probably *Babe, the Gallant Pig*, which has been made into a film.

Francesca Simon The *Horrid Henry* books are very popular and well read in the school library.

Cornelia Funke More confident readers may enjoy her *Inkworld* trilogy which tells the tale of a young girl who discovers her father, a bookbinder, can bring characters from books to life when he reads aloud.



Dav Pilkey The *Captain Underpants* and *Ricky Ricotta* series; these cartoon style books often appeal to reluctant readers.

Jan Burchett & Sara Volger The *Sam Silver* collection has a message in a bottle, time travelling and pirates, lots of adventure, mystery and excitement.

Tanya Landman The *Flotsam and Jetsam* books: Flotsam and Jetsam are washed up on a tiny beach and soon become the best of friends.

Adam Blade The *Beast Quest* books are a fantasy novel series following the story of 12 year old Tom as he ventures out from his village on a quest against evil with his companion Elenna. Look out for his new series—*Sea Quest*.

Anne Fine When Bill Simpson, of *Bill's New Frock*, woke up one morning he found he was a girl. A funny yet thought provoking story to be enjoyed by all. A popular book by a popular author. You could also try *Under a Silver Moon* and the *Killer Cat* series.

Lauren Child Most children will be familiar with the *Charlie and Lola* books/tv series. *Clarice Bean*, the star of the series of books by the same name, is a quirky little girl living in a chaotic household.

Jacqueline Wilson Not afraid to tackle taboo issues, Jacqueline Wilson generally attracts a slightly older readership but try *Cliffhanger* and *The Story of Tracy Beaker*.

Michael Morpurgo An extremely popular children's author who has written more than 100 children's books. *The Butterfly Lion*, *Why the Whales Came* and *Little Manfred* are lovely introductions to his work. His work is always thoughtful and can be quite sad.

C S Lewis The *Narnia* books are being rediscovered following the film releases of some of the titles and are suitable for more confident readers.

Most authors and publishers have websites with lots of information, news and games to engage and inspire younger readers.

Google an author's name or a book title and see what you can find!

