

# Year 8 Recommended Reading List



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This reading list is full of recommendations for Year 8 students. The books have been divided up into genre (different types of books) to help you choose what you might like to read. We would recommend that you read a variety of books. Try to experiment with different genre and authors.

Don't forget that as well as reading books you can also read newspapers and magazines.

### Fantasy and Magic

Eragon – Chris Paolini

The House with Chicken Legs – Sophie Anderson

Mister Creecher – Chris Priestley Mortal Engines – Philip Reeve

A Vanishing of Griffins – S A Patrick

Lord of the Rings – J R R Tolkien

# Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are.

**Mason Cooley** 

### Action, Adventure and crime

The Medusa Project – Sophie McKenzie

Stombreaker (Book Series) – Antony Horwitz

The Haven (Book Series) - S Lelic\*

Where the World Turns Wild – Nicola Penfold

The Valley of Lost Secrets – Lesley Parr

The Wonderful Thing – Adam Baron

Another Twist in the Tale – Catherine Bruton

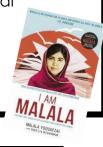


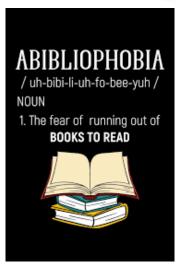
### **Non-Fiction**

Fearless – Liam Hackett

Unlocking the Universe – Stephen and Lucy Hawking

> I am Malala – Malala Yousafzai





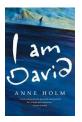
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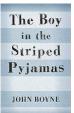
### **Historical Fiction**

The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas – J Boyne I am David – Anne Holm

Only Remember – Michael Morpurgo

The Foreshadowing – Marcus Sedgwick









## Family, Friendship & Relationships

Pumpkin Heads, a Graphic Novel – Rainbow Rowell

The Dog Runner – Bren MacDibble

The Switch Up – Katy Cannon\*

Noughts and Crosses – Malorie
Blackman

### Shorter books to get stuck into

Books to encourage reading without feeling overwhelmed.

Mind the Gap - P Earle

Lark - Anthony McGowan

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Seven Ghosts – C. Priestley

World Burn Down - Steve Cole

### **Ghost/ Horror/Creepy Tales**

City of Ghosts - Victoria Schwab\*

Skullduggery Pleasant- Derek Landy

Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children – Ransom Riggs



### STORIES INVOLVING SPORT

Ghost – Jason Reynolds

Now is the Time for Running – Michael Williams

The Crossover - Kwame Alexander

Unstoppable – Dan Freedman



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# YOU'VE WATCHED IT NOW TRY THE BOOK?

The House with the Clock in the Walls – John Bellairs

His Dark Materials – Phillip Pullman

Artemis Fowl – Eoin Colfer



Stormbreaker (Alex Rider series) – Antony Horwitz

### What to read next?

If you enjoyed one series why not try another by the same author.

If you liked Try
Fantastic Beasts The Crimes of Grindelwald
Heroes of Olympus The Kane Chronicles
Mortal Engines The Book Of Dust

Looking for something more Challenging

War of the Worlds – H. G Wells

To Kill a Mockingbird – Harper Lee

Little Women – Louisa May Alcott

The Hitchhickers Guide to the Galaxy (Series) – Douglas Adams

### Bookzilla App for KS3 Students

Bookzilla is a free app that encourages students to read for pleasure. You can receive tailored book recommendations and challenge yourself to try something new with a reading dare. The app promotes different featured collections every month. It's easy to download from Google play or the Apple App Store. Designed for use in Scottish schools the Scottish Booktrust fully support other schools using this app.





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### **Reading Record**

Title	Author	Date finished	Would you recommend

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