

Key Stage 3 Reading list



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Key Stage 3 Recommended Reading list

Accelerated Reader Level 3 books:

Adventure/Thrillers/Mystery

Bird, Faye - My Second Life

Mckenzie, Sophie – Girl Missing trilogy

Mckenzie, Sophie – Blood Ties

Tearjerkers

Downham, Jenny – Before I die

Kuipers, Alice - Life on the refrigerator door

Love and romance

Han, Jenny - It's not summer without you

Mckenzie, Sophie - Six steps to a girl trilogy

Rowell, Rainbow – Eleanor and Park

Historical

Fletcher, Susan – A little in love

Fantasy

Dunmore, Helen - Ingo

Futureworld

Terry, Teri – Slated trilogy

Family

Crossan, Sarah – Apple and Rain

Lafleur, Suzanne - Love, Aubrey

Issues

Ainsworth, Eve – 7 days (Bullying)

Erskine, Katherine – Mockingbird (Aspergers' Syndrome)

Kinsella, Sophie - Finding Audrey (Anxiety/Mental health)

Scary

MacPhail, Cathy - Underworld

Accelerated Reader Level 4 books:

Thrillers

- Bailey, Em Shift
- Cassidy, Anne Looking for JJ
- Christopher, Lucy Stolen
- Fitzpatrick, Becca Black Ice
- Hitchcock, Fleur Murder in Mldwinter
- Mckenzie, Sophie Split Second
- Rai, Bali Web of Darkness
- Rawsthorne, Paula The Truth about Celia Frost
- Shearer, Alex Tins
- Terry, Teri Contagion trilogy
- Wallman, Sue Lying about last summer
- Wallman, Sue See how they lie
- Wallman, Sue Your turn to die

Love and Romance

- Crowley, Cath Words in deep blue
- Douglas, Helen After Eden
- Han, Jenny To all the boys I've loved before
- Levithan, David Every Day
- Mckenzie, Sophie Falling Fast series
- McGovern, Cammie Amy and Matthew

Historical

- Talley, Robin Lies we tell ourselves
- Sepetys, Ruta Salt to the Sea

Accelerated Reader Level 4 books continued:

Fantasy

Garcia, kemi – Beautiful Creatures series

Landy, Derek – Skulduggery Pleasant series

Riordan, Rick – Percy Jackson series

Futureworld

Blackman, Malorie – Noughts and Crosses

Condie, Allie – Matched

Crossan, Sarah – Breathe

Roth, Veronica – Divergent

Family

Maryon, Kate - Invisible Girl

Williamson, Lisa – All About Mia

Funny stories

Smale, Holly - Geek Girl

Nielsen, Susin - My messed up life

Animal stories

Lee, Ingrid – Dog lost

Lewis, Gillian – Sky Hawk

Lewis, Gillian - Gorilla Dawn

Morpurgo, Michael – Adolphus Tips

Mulligan, Andy – Dog

Issues

Blackman, Malorie – Boys don't cry (teenage pregnancy/LGBT)

Martin, Ann M – How to look for a lost dog (autism)

Palacio, RJ – Wonder (facial disfigurement)

Bourne, Holly – Am I normal yet? (mental health/OCD)

Williamson, Lisa – The art of being normal (transgender)

Accelerated Reader Level 4 books continued:

Scary

Collins, B.R – A Trick of the Dark Dawson, Juno – Under my Skin Fitzpatrick, Becca – Hush, hush (plus sequels) Morgan, Lou – Sleepless

Accelerated Reader Level 5 books:

Thrillers/Adventure

Dhami, Narinder - 13 hours

Hill, Will - After the fire

Jackson, Holly – A Good Girl's Guide to Murder

McFall, Claire - Black Cairn Point (Year 9+)

Tearjerkers

Green, Jon - The Fault in our Stars

Forman, Gayle - If I Stay

Love and Romance

Cass, Keira – The Selection series McLachlan, Jenny – Truly, Wildy, Deeply **Historical** Anderson, Laurie Halse - Chains Boyne, John – The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas Farrant, Natasha – Lydia: the bad Bennett girl Magorian, Michelle – Goodnight Mister Tom Nicholls, Sally – Things a Bright Girl Can Do Saunders, Kate – Five Children on the Western Front Wilson, Jacqueline – Opal Plumstead

Fantasy

Clare, Cassandra – Shadowhunters series Duggan, Helena – A Place called Perfect and sequels Maas, Sarah – The Throne of Glass series

Futureworld

Campbell, Alex - Land

Collins, Suzanne – The Hunger Games Trilogy

Dashner, James – The Maze Runner series

Lowry, Lois - The Giver

Malley, Gemma - The Declaration trilogy

Funny Stories

Easton, T S – Boys don't knit

Limb, Sue – Girl, 15, charming but insane

Vallance, Jess - You only live once (plus sequels)

Animal Stories

Rix, Megan – The Runaways (and other titles)

Smiley, Jane - Riding Lessons (and other titles)

Torday, Piers – The Last Wild trilogy

Issues

Crossan, Sarah - One (conjoined twins)

Fine, Anne – Blood Family (child neglect)

Haddon, Mark - The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time (autism)

Scary

Bell, Alex - Frozen Charlotte

Gaiman, Neil - Coraline

Haig, Matt – The Radleys

Nicholls, Sally – Close your pretty eyes

Accelerated Reader Level 6/7 books:

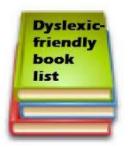
- Alcott, Louisa May Little Women (historical)
- De La Cruz Alex and Eliza (historical)
- Evans, Lissa Wed Wabbit (funny)
- Hardinge, Frances The Lie tree (fantasy)
- Hooper, Mary Fallen Grace (Historical)
- Lane, Andrew Death Cloud (Young Sherlock Holmes series thriller)
- Priestley, Chris Uncle Montague's Tales of terror (scary)
- Pullman, Philip Northern Lights trilogy (fantasy)
- Rowling J K Harry Potter series (fantasy)
- Shelton, Dave Thirteen chairs (scary)
- Snicket, Lemony A series of Unfortunate events series (fantasy)
- Shusterman, Neal Scythe (Futureworld/dystopia)

Real Lives:

- Bowen, James A street cat named Bob
- Frank, Anne The Diary of a young girl
- Graceffa, Joey In Real Life
- Wilson, Jacqueline My Secret Diary
- Yen Mah, Adeline Chinese Cinderella
- Yousafzai, Malala I am Malala



KS3 Dyslexia friendly titles in the school library



- Blackman, Malorie Robot Girl
- Blackman, Malorie Hostage
- Brahmachari, Sita Worry Angels
- Breslin, Theresa Mutant
- Landman, Tanya Emily Bronte's Wuthering Heights: a retelling
- Cassidy, Anne Getting away with it
- Dalton, Annie Friday Forever
- David, Keren True Sisters
- David, Keren The Disconnect
- Fisher, Catherine The Ghost Box
- Flavin, Teresa Jet Black Heart
- Lanyon, Cheryl Vanishing Point
- Linnell, Maxine Breaking the Rules
- McCombie, Karen The Mystery of Me
- Moncrieffe, Karen Girl Next Door
- Nicholls, Sally Shadow Girl
- Priestley, Chris Still Water
- Rayner, Jacqueline No Escape
- Wooding, Chris Pale