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Broadening Horizons

Trust-wide reading lists

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Year 5 Recommended reading list – general reading



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- The Edge Chronicles by Paul Stewart
- St Clare's series by Enid Blyton
- The Secret Seven series by Enid Blyton
- Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson
- The Emily Windsnap novels by Liz Kessler
- Stop the Train by Geraldine McCaughrean
- Love that Dog by Sharon Creech
- The Garbage King by Elizabeth Laird
- The Fire Eaters by David Almond
- The Scarecrow and his Servant by Philip Pullman
- The Star of Kazan by Eva Ibbotson
- Heartbeat by Sharon Creech
- Cosmic by Frank Cottrell Boyce
- Millions by Frank Cottrell Boyce
- Framed by Frank Cottrell Boyce
- Crusade by Elizabeth Laird
- Gatty's Tale by Kevin Crossley –Holland
- Airman by Eoin Colfer
- Fever Crumb by Phillip Reeve
- The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
- The Death Defying Pepper Roux by Geraldine McCaughrean
- The Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series by Jeff Kinney
- Dork Diaries by Rachel Renee Russell
- Tiger, Tiger by Lynne Reid Banks
- Danny, the Champion of the World by Roald Dahl
- Gangsta Granny by David Walliams

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- Mr Stink by David Walliams
- Billionaire Boy by David Walliams
- Ratburger by David Walliams
- Awful Auntie by David Walliams
- Grandpa's Great Escape by David Walliams
- The Story of Matthew Buzzington by Andy Stanton
- The Outlaw Varjak Paw by S.F. Said
- The Last Wild by Piers Torday
- The Dark Wild by Piers Torday
- The Wild Beyond by Piers Torday
- The Mystery of the Whistling Caves by Helen Moss
- The Mystery of the Midnight Ghost by Helen Moss
- The Mystery of the Hidden Gold by Helen Moss
- The Bomber Dog by Megan Rix
- The Victory Dogs by Megan Rix
- A Soldier's Friend by Megan Rix
- The Runaways by Megan Rix
- The Great Scape by Megan Rix
- The Puppy That Came for Christmas and Stayed Forever by Megan Rix

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

Stories of tales of evacuation, war and courage



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- The Silver Sword by Ian Serraillier
- The Machine Gunners by Robert Westall
- Carrie's War by Nina Bawden
- I Am David by Anne Holm
- Good night Mr Tom by Michelle Margorian
- Hitler's Canary by Sandi Toksvig
- When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr
- The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips by Michael Morpurgo
- Tamar by Mal Peet
- War Boy by Michael Foreman
- Chain of Fire by Beverley Naidoo

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

Stories and non-fiction titles involving finding treasures beneath the sea



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- Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
- Raising the Dead 'The Skeleton Crew of King Henry VIII's Great Ship the Mary Rose' by A. J. Stirland
- Shipwreck on the Pirate Islands by Geronimo Stilton
- The Treasure Seekers by Edith Nesbit
- Adventure Double: 'Amazon Adventure' and 'Diving Adventure' by Willard Price
- The Cave Divers by Robert F. Burgess

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

Stories and non-fiction titles that explore the theme of time



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- Horrid Henry and the Mega-mean Time Machine: Book 13 by Francesca Simon
- The Time Machine (Fast Track Classics) abridged from the classic novel by H. G. Wells Molly Moon's Hypnotic Time Travel Adventure by Georgia Byng
- Thief of Time by Terry Pratchett
- The Wheel of Time Series by Robert Jordan
- The Time Travelling Cat and the Roman Eagle by Julia Jarman
- Time Spinner by Roy Apps
- Time Swing by Pippa Goodhart
- The New Policeman by Kate Thompson

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

Stories all involving a sport of some kind



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- Sport (A Harriet the Spy Adventure) by Louise Fitzhugh
- Sport Stories You'll Have a Ball With by K. Kessler
- Superstar Coach:1 by Thomas Taylor
- Abbey the Bad Sport by Ann M. Martin
- Football Mad No.4 by Paul Stewart
- Soccer at Sandford by Rob Childs
- Tom Palmer books on various sports

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

Here are some interesting autobiographies of famous sporting heroes



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- My Grand Slam Year by Gavin Henson
- Race Against Time by Ellen MacArthur
- Opening Up: My Autobiography by Mike Atherton
- Black, White and Gold by Kelly Holmes
- Martin Johnson Autobiography by Martin Johnson
- My Side -The Autobiography by David Beckham

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

Stories involving well-known Greek myths



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- Greek Myths: Daedalus and Icarus by Geraldine McCraughrean
- A Fall from the Sky. The Story of Daedalus and Icarus by Ian Serraillier
- Black Ships Before Troy by Rosemary Sutcliffe
- Illustrated Guide to Greek Myths and Legends by C. Evans

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

A selection of poetry books for children



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- The Rattle Bag edited by Ted Hughes and Seamus Heaney
- Collected Poems for Children by Ted Hughes, illustrated by Raymond Briggs
- Axed Between the Ears ed. David Kitchen
- 100 Best Poems for Children edited by Roger McGough

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

Books by or about the Gerald Durrell and his many travels across the world, studying and appreciating animals of all kinds



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- A Zoo in my Luggage by Gerald Durrell
- Overloaded Ark by Gerald Durrell
- Menagerie Manor by Gerald Durrell
- Golden Bats and Pink Pigeons by Gerald Durrell
- Birds, Beasts and Relatives by Gerald Durrell
- Encounters with Animals by Gerald Durrell
- The Best of Durrell: Foreward by Princess Anne & Introduction by Lee Durrell

Year 5 Recommended reading list –

Stories involving exciting journeys or voyages of discovery



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- Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo
- The River at Greene Knowe by Lucy M. Boston
- 'Endurance' Shackleton's Incredible Voyage by Alfred Lansing
- The Amazon by David Cumming
- The River by Rumer Godden
- River Boy by Tim Bowler
- We Didn't Mean to go to Sea by Arthur Ransome
- The Dolphin Crossing by Jill Paton Walsh
- Jungle Islands by Deborah Pearson
- Follow the River by James Alexander Thorn
- Minnow on the Say by Philippa Pearce

Thank you



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