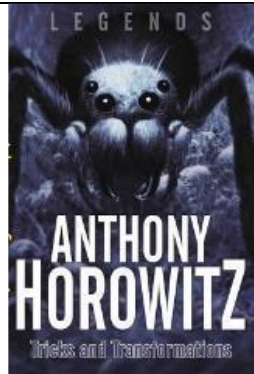
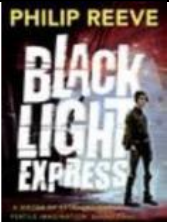
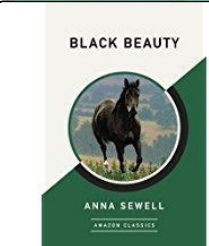


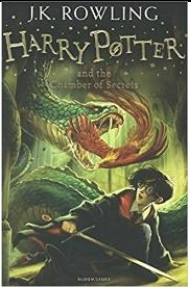
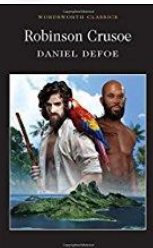

## 40 Recommended Reading Books for Year 6


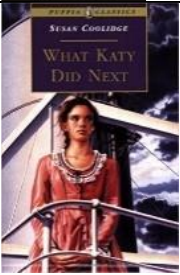
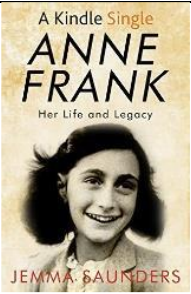
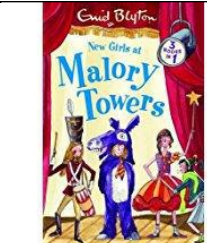
We have carefully selected books that we hope will capture your imagination and that you will enjoy reading on your own and with your families. The list contains a description of the book so that you can choose your favourites, or something that looks interesting. We have also indicated the lexile (difficulty) rating – a higher number indicates a more difficult text. Star badges will be awarded as you read books from the list – you will need to record a brief response to a reading task. A bronze badge will be awarded once you have read 5 books from the list, a silver badge after reading 10, a gold badge once you have read 15 and a platinum badge for reading 20.

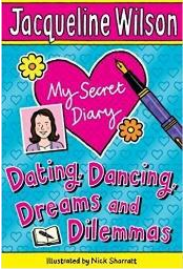
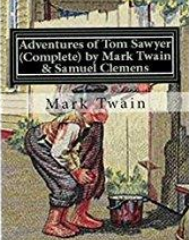
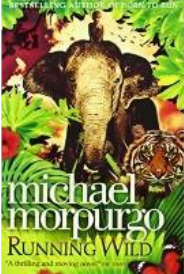
Title	Image	Author	ISBN	Description	Lexile / Difficulty	Date Read
Tricks and Transformations		Anthony Horowitz	9780753465455	Five bite-size myths from around the world	850	

Blackhearts in Battersea		Joan Aiken	9780099 456391	Set during the reign of King James II. Simon's plans to study art in London are derailed by adventure.	900	
Clockwork		Philip Pullman	9780440 866381	Tick, tock, tick, tock! Some stories are like that. Once you've wend them up, nothing will stop them ...A tormented apprentice clock-maker, a deadly mechanical knight in armour - and the sinister Dr Kalmenius, who some say is the devil .	900	
Oliver Twist		Charles Dickens	9780099 582632	Meet the Artful Dodger, as roistering and swaggering a young gentleman as ever stood four foot six. With him, you'll run down the dirty backstreets of London to be entertained by the Respectable Old Gentleman and his brood of thieves and pickpockets.	900	
File Under 13 Suspicious Events		Lemony Snickett	9780316 284035	Lemony Snicket was a boy discovering the mysteries of the world. <i>Match wits with Lemony Snicket to solve thirteen mini-mysteries.</i>	900	

Black Light Express		Philip Reeve	9780192744791	There was nothing, and then there was a train. A train with two passengers: a petty thief from a dead-end town, and an android girl who could be more human than the rest of us. Join Zen and Nova as they find out what really lies beyond the end of the universe	910	
Murder is Bad Manners		Robin Stevens	9781481422130	Two friends form a detective agency--and must solve their first murder case--in this "sharp-witted debut" (Publishers Weekly, starred review) that is the first adventure in a brand-new middle grade mystery series set at a 1930s boarding school.	910	
Black Beauty		Anna Sewell	9781542049320	Black Beauty tells the story of his life under many masters in Victorian England, among them the kind Squire Gordon, the principled Jeremiah Barker, and the exploitive Nicholas Skinner.	910	
The Crowstarver		Dick King-Smith	9780552546034	Discovered as a foundling in a lambing pen, Spider Sparrow grows up surrounded by animals. From sheep and horses to wild otters and foxes, Spider loves them all, even the crows must scare away the newly sown wheat. Amazingly, every animal who meets Spider implicitly trusts the young boy. This magical rapport is Spider's unique gift, but nothing else in his tough life is so easy.		

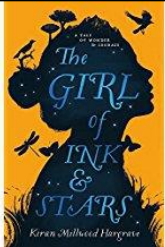
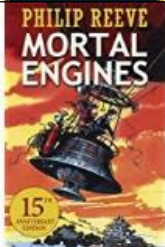
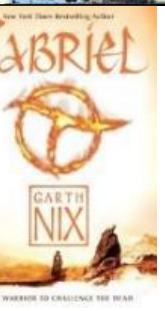

Harry Potter (series)		J K Rowling	9781408 855669	Harry Potter's summer has included the worst birthday ever, doomy warnings from a house-elf called Dobby, and rescue from the Dursley's by his friend Ron Weasley in a magical flying car! Back at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry for his second year, Harry hears strange whispers echo through empty corridors - and then the attacks start.	920	
The Return of the King		J R R Tolkien	9780261 103597	Concluding the story begun in The Hobbit, this is the final part of Tolkien's epic masterpiece, The Lord of the Rings. Featuring a striking black cover based on Tolkien's own design, the definitive text, and a detailed map of Middle-earth.	920	
Robinson Crusoe		Daniel Defoe	9781853 260452	The story of a young and impulsive Englishman that defies his parents' wishes and takes to the seas seeking adventure.	930	
The Winter Horses		Philip Kerr	9781406 360011	A WWII story of survival, for fans of War Horse. It tells of one girl's incredible bravery as she fights to save two rare horses from Nazi extermination.	930	

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit		Judith Kerr	9780007 443338	Anna was only nine years old in 1933, too busy with her school work and friends to take much notice of Adolf Hitler's face glaring out of political posters all over Berlin.	940	
What Katy Did Next		Sarah Chauncey Woolsey under the pen name Susan Coolidge	9780140 367577	Following the stories 'What Katy Did' and 'What Katy Did At School', it relates the adventures of Katy Carr as she travels to Europe.	940L	
The Diary of Anne Frank		Anne Frank	9780553 296983	Also known as 'The Diary of a Young Girl' this contains the Dutch language diary kept by Anne while she was in hiding for two years with her family during the Nazi occupation of Holland.	950L	
New Girls at Malory Towers		Enid Blyton	9781405 269070	Felicity is the new head of the third form at Malory Towers, and what a lot she has to deal with! There are new girls to get to know, mysteries to uncover, and even a concert to put on – not to mention plenty of midnight feasts.	950L	

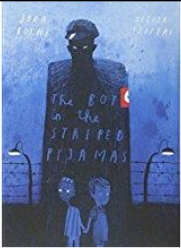
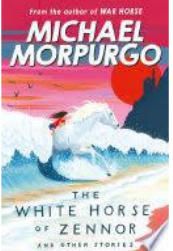

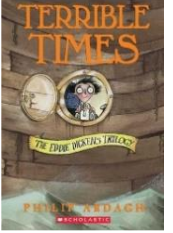
<p>My Secret Diary: Dating, Dancing, Dreams and Dilemmas</p>		<p>Jacqueline Wilson</p>	<p>9780552 561563</p>	<p>In this wonderfully written memoir of Jacqueline Wilson's life as a teenager, stories about family problems, first love, school life and friends build up a fascinating picture of a real teenager and her inner life. She uses extracts from her real diary to cover issues as diverse as how she created beehive hairdos to her troubled school life.</p>	<p>950L</p>	
<p>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</p>		<p>Mark Twain</p>	<p>9781979 330046</p>	<p>An imaginative and mischievous boy named Tom Sawyer lives with his Aunt Polly and his half-brother, Sid, in the Mississippi River town of St. Petersburg, Missouri.</p>	<p>950L</p>	
<p>Running Wild</p>		<p>Michael Morpurgo</p>	<p>9780007 267026</p>	<p>For Will and his mother, going to Indonesia isn't just a holiday. It's an escape, a new start, a chance to put things behind them - things like the death of Will's father.</p>	<p>970L</p>	
<p>The Voyage of the Dawn Treader</p>		<p>C S Lewis</p>	<p>9780007 323104</p>	<p>A king and some unexpected companions embark on a voyage that will take them beyond all known lands.</p>	<p>970L</p>	



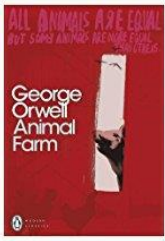

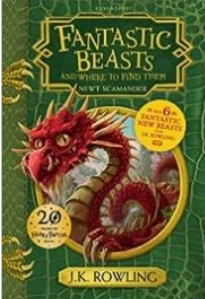
The Jungle Book		Rudyard Kipling	9781975664213	A collection of stories which uses animals in an anthropomorphic manner to give moral lessons.	970L	
Jacky Daydream		Jacqueline Wilson	9780440867203	Lots of Jacqueline Wilson's characters are well-known and well-loved by thousands of readers! But how much do you know about Jacqueline herself?	970L	
Eldest		Christopher Paolini	9780552552110	Eragon and his dragon, Saphira, have just saved the rebel state from destruction. Now Eragon must travel to Ellesméra, land of the elves, for further training in magic and swordsmanship, the vital skills of the Dragon Rider.	970	
The Lost Conspiracy		Frances Hardinge	9780060880415	On an island of sandy beaches, dense jungles, and slumbering volcanoes, colonists seek to apply archaic laws to a new land, bounty hunters stalk the living for the ashes of their funerary pyres, and a smiling tribe is despised by all as traitorous murderers	970L	

The Girl of Ink and Stars		Karen Millwood Hargrave	978191002742	Forbidden to leave her island, Isabella dreams of the faraway lands her cartographer father once mapped. When her friend disappears, she volunteers to guide the search.	990L	
Mortal Engines		Philip Reeve	9781407152134	The first instalment introduces young apprentice Tom Natsworthy and the murderous Hester Shaw, flung from the fast-moving city of London into heart-stopping adventures in the wastelands of the Great Hunting Ground.	990L	
Sabriel		Garth Nix	9780061474354	A fantasy novel – the first book in the Old Kingdom trilogy, followed by Lirael and Abhorsen.	1000L	
The Hobbit		J R R Tolkien	9780007525492	A classic tale of Bilbo Baggins' adventures in Middle-earth	1000L	



The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas		John Boyne	9780575 33937	Bruno doesn't like his new house. He had to leave all his friends behind in Berlin, and there are no children to play with here - until Bruno meets Shmuel, a boy who lives on the other side of the wire fence near Bruno's house, and who wears a strange uniform of striped pyjamas	1000L	
White Horse of Zennor		Michael Morpurgo	9781405 256759	Set in a church town where men become beasts and ghosts roam freely, these are haunting and unforgettable tales where magic lies around every corner.	1020	
The Fall of Fergal		Philip Ardagh	9780571 215218	The McNally children find themselves in The Dell hotel surrounded by a strange assortment of ridiculous characters ranging from Charlie 'Twinkle Toes' Tweedy the house detective, to Mr. Peach, a ventriloquist with a conveniently-large moustache. With young Fergal McNally falling to his death on page one, the only way for the McNallys is up.	1030	
Terrible Times		Philip Ardagh	9780571 216222	The third instalment of the Eddie Dickens saga - Eddie finds himself on the way to America aboard the sailing ship Pompous Pig, along with a cargo hold full of left shoes, the world-famous Dog's Bone Diamond, and some of the most dangerous traveling companions anyone might have.	1070	

The Vile Village		Lemony Snickett	9781405266109	If you insist on discovering the unpleasant adventures of the Baudelaire orphans, then proceed with caution...	1080	
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night		Mark Haddon	9780099450252	A murder mystery novel like no other. The detective, and narrator, is Christopher Boone who is fifteen and has Asperger's Syndrome. He knows lots about maths but very little about human beings. He has never gone further than the end of the road on his own, but when he finds a neighbour's dog murdered he sets out on a terrifying journey which will turn his whole world upside down.	1090	
Masters of Disaster		Gary Paulsen	9780375866104	Henry Mosley decides that he and his pals Riley and Reed have got to liven things up. They need to go on some earth-shaking adventures and make a name for themselves.	1100	
The Hostile Hospital		Lemony Snickett	9781405266130	If you insist on discovering the unpleasant adventures of the Baudelaire orphans, then proceed with caution...	1110	

Animal Farm		George Orwell	9780141182704	When the downtrodden animals of Manor Farm overthrow their master Mr Jones and take over the farm themselves, they imagine it is the beginning of a life of freedom and equality. But gradually a cunning, ruthless elite among them, masterminded by the pigs Napoleon and Snowball, starts to take control.	1170	
Beowulf		Michael Morpurgo	9781406348873	In fifth-century Denmark, a murderous monster stalks the night, and only the great prince of the Geats has the strength and courage to defeat him.	1180	
Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them		J K Rowling	9781408880715	Scamander's years of travel and research have created a tome of unparalleled importance. Some of the beasts will be familiar to readers of the Harry Potter books - the Hippogriff, the Basilisk, the Hungarian Horntail ... Others will surprise even the most ardent amateur Magizoologist. Dip in to discover the curious habits of magical beasts across five continents	1200	