



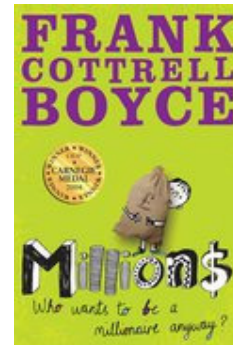
### Recommended Books: Year 5

The following books are recommended for children aged 9-10, although are often enjoyed by older children too! They include a substantial collection of stories from a range of genres, and stories with morals and messages to help children deal with new experiences and emotions. They will also link to some of the topics and subject knowledge they may cover in class. Some of these stories will be read and focused on in school, and most are available in the Learning Centre.

While the list here primarily focuses on fiction, it is important that your child is exposed to and reads a range of texts. Encourage your child to read non-fiction to find information, to read and perform poems aloud, and to read print in the environment to make sense of the world around them.

If you are looking for more recommendations, there are some helpful websites which provide up-to-date links to award winning authors and texts, book reviews and age-related recommendations:

- <http://www.amightygirl.com/>
- <http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb>
- <https://www.goodreads.com/list/tag/childrens>
- <http://www.readingrockets.org/books/awardwinners>



### Popular Authors

Malorie Blackman

Pig Heart Boy  
Hacker  
Thief  
Cloud Busting

Judy Blume

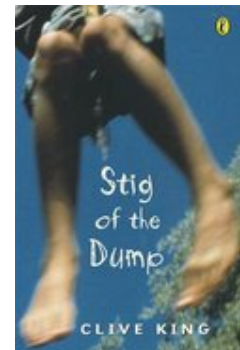
Tales of a Fourth-grade Nothing  
Blubber  
Otherwise known as Sheila the Great  
Are you there God? It's me, Margaret

Frank Cottrell-Boyce

The Unforgotten Coat  
Millions  
Framed  
Cosmic  
The Astounding Broccoli Boy

Neil Gaiman

The Graveyard Book  
Mirrormask  
The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish





Coraline

Morris Gleitzman

Water Wings  
Blabbermouth  
Belly Flop

Eva Ibbotson

Which Witch?  
One Dog and His Boy  
Beasts of Clawstone Castle  
Journey to the River Sea

Michael Morpurgo

Walter and Me  
Friend or Foe  
Private Peaceful  
War Horse

Philip Reeve

Goblins  
Larklight  
No Such Thing as Dragons  
Fever Crumb  
Krindlekrax

Shaun Tan

The Arrival  
The Red Tree  
Tales from Outer Suburbia  
The Rabbits

Jacqueline Wilson

The Story of Tracy Beaker  
Double Act  
The Bed and Breakfast Star  
Vicky Angel



**Traditional Stories, Myths and Legends**

David Calcutt

Robin Hood

Rudyard Kipling

Just so Stories

Tony S. Lee

Outlaw

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Excalibur

Geraldine McCaughrean

The Orchard Book of Roman Myths

John Matthews

A Trick in the Tale

Michael Morpurgo

Arthur High King of Britain

Jan Pienkowski

Thousand Nights and One Night

Arthur Ransome

Old Peters Russian Tales

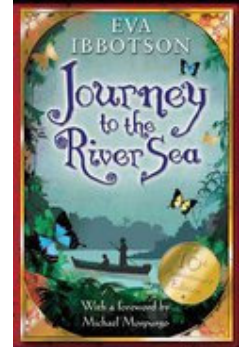




### Stories from Other Cultures

Dawn Casey  
Sally Pomme Clayton  
Malachy Doyle  
Jamila Gavin  
Candy Gourlay  
Elizabeth Laird  
Roger Lancelyn Green  
Gcina Mhlophe  
Richard Monte  
Marcia Williams

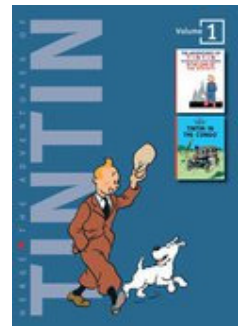
The Great Race  
Rama and Sita: Path of Flames  
Tales from Old Ireland  
The Three Princesses  
Tall Story  
A Fistful of Pearls  
Stories from Ancient Egypt  
African Tales  
The Dragon of Krakow  
The Elephant's Friend



### Older Literature (Classics)

Joan Aiken  
Louisa May Alcott  
Frances Hodgson-Burnett  
Kenneth Grahame  
Charles Dickens  
Ted Hughes  
Martin Jenkins  
Clive King  
L M Montgomery  
Edith Nesbit  
Philippa Pearce  
Arthur Ransome  
Antoine Saint-Exupry  
Anna Sewell  
Robert Louis Stevenson

The Wolves of Willoughby Chase  
Little Women  
The Secret Garden  
The Wind in the Willows  
A Christmas Carol  
The Iron Man  
Gulliver  
Stig of the Dump  
Anne of Green Gables  
Five Children and It  
Tom's Midnight Garden  
Swallows and Amazons  
The Little Prince  
Black Beauty  
Treasure Island



### Film Narrative

JM Barrie  
Cressida Cowell  
Roald Dahl  
JK Rowling  
Lemony Snickett  
Brian Selznik  
JRR Tolkien

Peter Pan  
How to Train Your Dragon  
Fantastic Mr Fox  
Harry Potter & the Philosopher's Stone  
The Bad Beginning  
The Invention of Hugo Cabret  
The Hobbit

### Sustained Picture Books

Chris Van Allsburg

The Mysteries of Harris Burdick



Paul Gallico  
Jon Klassen  
Colin Thomson  
Toni Ungerer  
Helen Ward

The Snow Goose  
The House Held up by Trees  
How to Live Forever  
Otto  
Varmints

**Poetry**

John Agard  
Judith Chernaik  
Carol Ann Duffy  
Michael Harrison  
Ted Hughes  
Alfred Noves  
Gary Ross

Goldilocks on CCTV  
Carnival of Animals  
Barefoot Book of Classic Poems  
The Oxford Book of Story Poems  
School Bag  
The Highwayman  
Bartholomew Biddle and the Very Bit Wind

**Other Chapter Books**

Richard Adams  
Joan Aiken  
Eoin Colfer  
Cornelia Funke  
Alan Garner  
Rumer Godden  
Ursula K Le Guin  
Anthony Horowitz  
Beverly Naidoo  
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Garth Nix  
Andrew Norris  
Philip Pullman  
Wilson Rawls  
J K Rowling  
Louis Sachar  
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Alan Temperley

Watership Down  
Wolves of Willoughby Chase  
Artemis Fowl  
Dragon Rider  
The Owl Service  
The Diddakoi  
The Wizard of Earthsea  
Stormbreaker  
Journey To Jo'burg  
The Other Side of Truth  
Mister Monday  
Aquila  
Northern Lights trilogy  
Where the Red Fern Grows  
Harry Potter series  
Holes  
There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom  
Harry and the Wrinklies

