

Recommended Reading List

Year
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The selection of books in this list are a guide for children aged 8-9 in Year 4 at school. The books range various genres to cover all interests. If your child is a competent reader or has read many of these titles then try the books from the Year 5 reading list.

Animals

- Dumb Creatures - Jeanne Willis
- The Butterfly Lion – Michael Morpurgo
- The Peppermint Pig – Nina Bowden
- Doctor Dolittle – Hugh Lofting
- The Village Dinosaur – Phyllis Arkle
- The Tales of Olga da Polga – Michael Bond
- The Great Elephant Chase – Gillian Cross

Spooky/Mystery

- The Way to Sattin Shore – Phillipa Pearce
- The Legend of Captain Crow's Teeth – Eoin Colfer
- The Sandman and the Turtles – Michael Morpurgo
- Beaver Towers – Nigel Hinton
- The Watchers – Helen Cresswell
- The Snow Spider Trilogy – Jenny Nimmo

Humour

- Jeremy James Series -David Henry Wilson
- Vlad the Drac Series – Ann Jungman
- Walking the Bridge of your Nose – Michael Rosen
- Little Wolf – Ian Whybrow
- Just William – Richard Crompton
- Vernon Bright Series – Steve Barlow
- Eddie Dicken Series – Philip Ardagh
- Desirable – Frank Cottrell Boyce
- The 13 Storey Treehouse – Andy Griffiths
- Mr Stink – David Walliams
- The Boy in the Dress – David Walliams
- Awful Auntie – David Walliams
- Ratburger – David Walliams
- My Friend's a Werewolf – Pete Johnson

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- How to Train Your Parents – Pete Johnson
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series – Jeff Kinney
- Give Peas a Chance – Morris Gleitzman



History

- The Children of Green Knowe – Lucy M Boston
- War Game – Michael Foreman
- The Roman Mysteries: The Thieves of Ostia – Caroline Lawrence
- Carrie's War – Nina Bawden
- The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips – Michael Morpurgo
- William Shakespeare Scenes from the Life of the World's Greatest Writer – Mick Manning



Fantasy

- Earth Giant - Melvyn Burgess
- Angels Unlimited - Annie Dalton
- The Spiderwick Chronicles - Tony Diterlizzi
- Araminta Spook series - Angie Sage
- The Strongest Girl in the World - Sally Gardner
- The Boy Who Could fly - Sally Gardner
- The Invisible Boy - Sally Gardner
- The Smallest Girl Ever - Sally Gardner



Adventure/Action

- Cows in Action – Steve Cole
- Emil and the Detectives – Erich Kastner
- Operation Gadgetman! – Malorie Blackman
- How to Train Your Dragon – Helen Cresswell
- The Great Elephant Chase – Gillian Cross
- The Last Castaways – Harry horse
- The Falcon's Malteser – Anthony Horowitz
- The House that Sailed Away – Pat Hutchins
- Dimanche Diller – Henrietta Bradford

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- Toots Underwater – Carol Shields
- Lizzie Dripping – Helen Cresswell
- Ice Palace – Robert Swindells
- How to Steal a Dragons Sword – Cressida Cowell

Well-loved Authors

- The BFG – Roald Dahl
- The Twits – Roald Dahl
- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Roald Dahl
- George's Marvellous Medicine – Roald Dahl
- The Secret Seven Series – Enid Blyton
- The Famous Five – Enid Blyton
- The Narnia Books – C.S Lewis
- Sleepovers - Jacqueline Wilson
- Clifffhanger - Jacqueline Wilson
- The Lottie Project - Jacqueline Wilson
- Double Act - Jacqueline Wilson
- Take a Good Look – Jacqueline Wilson
- The Suitcase Kid - Jacqueline Wilson
- Mary Poppins Series – P.L Travers
- A Christmas Carol – Charles Dickens
- Tom's Midnight Garden – Phillipa Pearce