



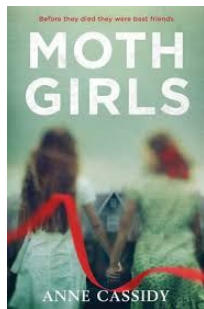
# Year 8



Required Reading

## Year 8 Required Reading Titles

Each student to read 5 books from September to July



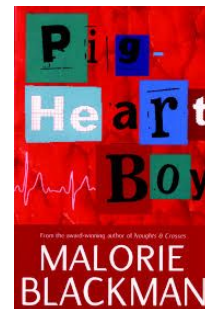
This book was suspenseful and exciting to read. Anne Cassidy fans will not be disappointed!

**Suspense**



This book has got so many good reviews. Read about Hannu & Niilo's adventures in a beautiful setting.

**General**



This book should be a classic as it is so well-known. Short-listed for Carnegie it is a great read by Malorie Blackman.

**General**



Phoenix enters his Father's virtual reality game to find it is all too real...

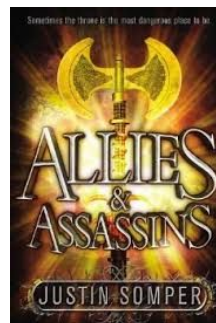
Exciting first book in a trilogy.

**Fantasy**



My book of the year last year. From the author of Skulduggery this book is fantastic, dark and unique - brilliant!

**Horror**



After reading this as part of the NETBA shortlist I absolutely loved it! A tense and dramatic read.

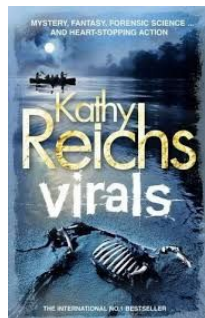
**Fantasy**

*"I do believe that something very magical can happen when you open a book." JK Rowling*

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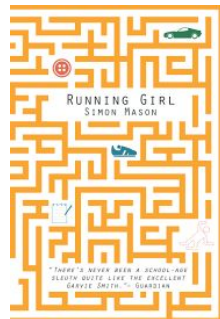
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A brilliant YA series by one of my favourite authors. This book begins the story of Tory Brennan and how she and her friends become Virals.

**Suspense**



Our NETBA group winner this year. The story is fast-paced and interesting. Garvie is an excellent and witty character. For suspense fans!

**Suspense**



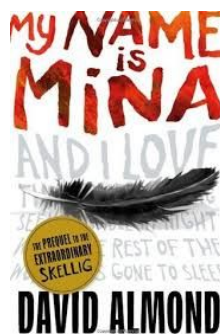
I read this book in one day because I was so immersed in this YA story set in Amsterdam. Mystery and romance fans will love it.

**Romance**



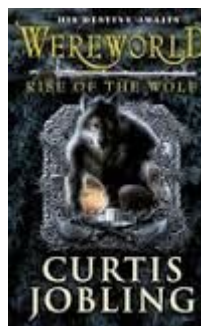
A brilliant new read by the author of the Slated trilogy. A fantastic Sci Fi story set in a dystopian future - amazing book and characters!

**Sci Fi**



My absolute favourite book ever. The prequel to Skellig, this is all about Mina. Her mind, her thoughts and unique personality shine through this unbelievably wonderful book.

**Fantasy**



One of my favourite fantasy series. I read this brilliant series one book after the other because it was so excellent. Complete book hangover when I finished the last book!

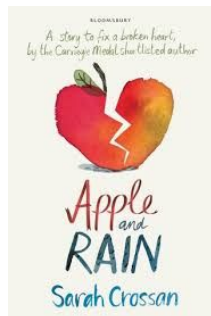
**Fantasy**

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*"Books are a uniquely portable magic...." Stephen King*

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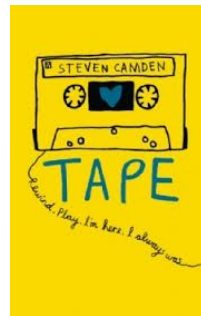
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This book is stunning.

Apple is a lovely character and I loved how she gets her life together for the sake of her family. A heart-warming and special read.

Family



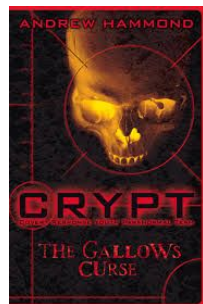
This is the first YA book by this spoken word artist. A rare debut novel of quality with excellent characters.

Family



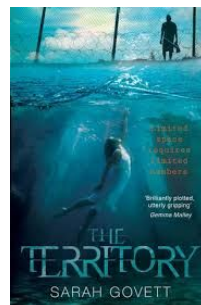
Brilliant first novel in this series by the author of Hero.com. Brutal, at times violent but action packed, a great adventure starring the timeless hero Tarzan.

Adventure



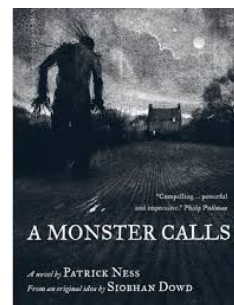
This series is dark, creepy and horror-filled. A teen paranormal agent Jud works for CRYPT and searches to eradicate vicious spectres.

Horror



A great new dystopian series where for a dwindling society, achievement is life or death forced by a corrupt and cruel government.

Suspense



A beautifully illustrated novel of heartbreak, emotion and grief. Movie released in October looks fantastic. Read the book first!

Fantasy

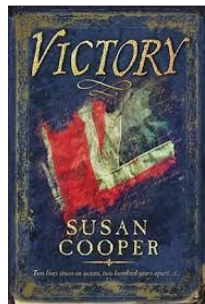
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*“Reading gives us a place to go when we have to stay where we are....”*



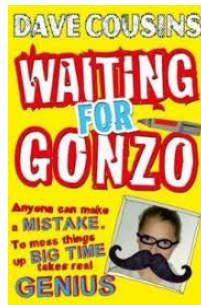
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Two timelines involving Molly and Sam intertwine in this excellent novel about the warship HMS Victory.

**Victory.**  
**Historical**



My favourite book by this author. Oz is moved to a new town by his family. His older sister is pregnant and Oz is talking to a voice in his head!

**Family**



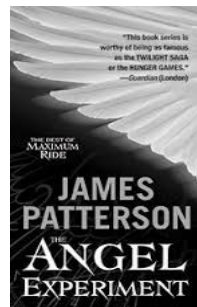
If you liked Goodnight Mister Tom then you will love this by the same author, about WW2 and an evacuee who is sent to America to escape it.

**War**



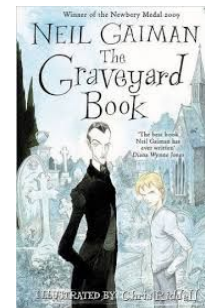
A modern take on Wonderland, this is an extraordinary story of Alice. Exciting and dramatic this fantasy is well worth reading.

**Fantasy**



The first book in the series about teenager Max and her adopted flock of children who were experimented on and given remarkable powers.

**Suspense**



Bod is raised and educated in a graveyard by ghosts. Fearful of the murderer of his family he cannot leave the protection of the graveyard.

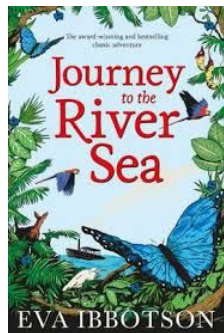
**Horror**

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*“The real purpose of books is to trap the mind into doing it’s own thinking....” C.Morley*

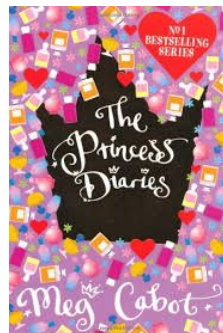
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A wonderful story of adventure and discovery for Maia who is sent to live with distant relatives along the Amazon River.

**Adventure**



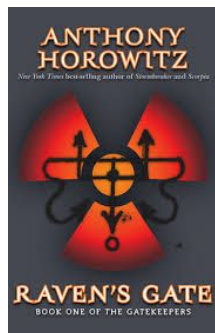
First book in this diary series about Mia who finds out that her Father is a Prince and she a Princess next in line to the throne!

**Romance**



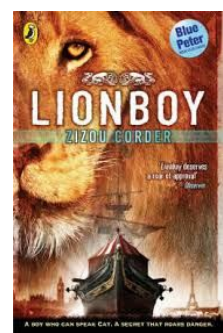
Henry loves the cinema and when given an old camera for a school project his life is never the same again.

**Mystery**



In this fantasy series, Matt is fostered out to a family in Yorkshire but strange dreams convince him something is very wrong!

**Fantasy**



Charlie's parents are kidnapped because of their scientific discoveries and he sets out on a race against time adventure to find them.

**Animal**



In the Clarice Bean series by this author, Clarice reads detective stories starring Ruby Redfort. This series are the books Clarice reads.

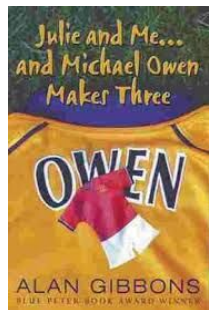
**Mystery**

***“Books - the only thing you can buy that makes you richer....”***

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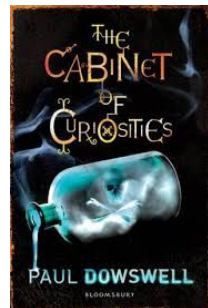
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First love, family break-up and the trials and tribulations of football.  
Will Terry ever get his life together?

**Sport**



Lukas visits his Uncle Anselmus who is the curator of the Cabinet of Curiosities. He uncovers a sinister plot which puts the Emperor's and his own life in danger!

**Fantasy**



A funny and mysterious book about children who are recruited as spies because they are so unexceptional and unnoticeable.

**Funny**



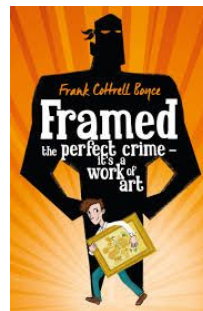
Acting, family secrets and a moving story about Juliet, obsessed with the theatre and whose world is starting to fall apart.

**Suspense**



This is a nonsensical and humorous book about a family of record breakers. For fans of Philip Ardagh.

**Funny**



Dylan is the only boy in his whole town. His sister is a criminal and the crime of the century has just fallen into his 9 year old lap...

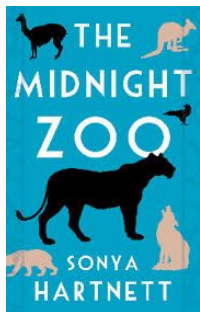
**Funny**

***"If you think reading is boring you're doing it wrong...."***

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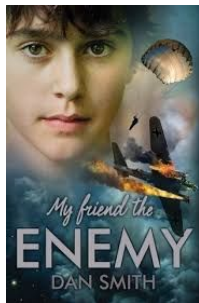
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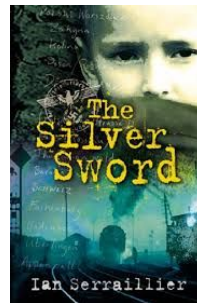
Set during WW2 this novel sees two gypsy boys struggle across a war-torn country and find a zoo still almost intact. The animals there all have stories to tell.

War



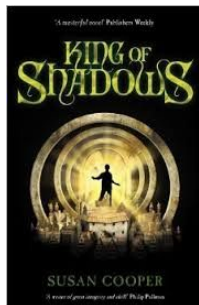
Set in the North East, this book tells of a boy who sees an enemy plane crash near his home. He finds a German pilot and tries to keep him safe from the authorities.

War



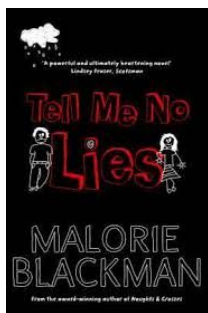
Ruth, Bronia and Edek have to fend for themselves during WW2 when their parents are apprehended by the Nazis. For fans of Once.

War



Nathan travels to London to take part in A Midsummer Night's Dream. He falls ill and wakes up in Shakespearean London. How will he get back?

Historical



Brilliant suspense book from Malorie Blackman. Gemma and Mike don't know each other but when their lives meet, their worlds are set to explode.

Suspense



For Fans of Alex Rider this suspense series sees Otto join an elite school to learn villainy studies and stealth 101.

Suspense

*"All the secrets of the world are contained in books, read at your own risk." Lemony Snicket*

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This great series by Meg Cabot is about Suzie who can communicate with the dead. She tries to help them move on by solving the problems keeping them here.

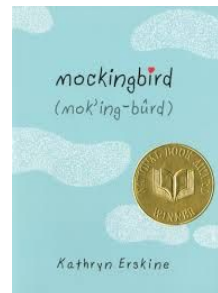
**Horror**



Fletcher Moon is the youngest detective in the world. Fletcher gets a case to solve but finds himself framed for a crime he didn't commit. For Artemis

Fowl fans.

**Mystery**



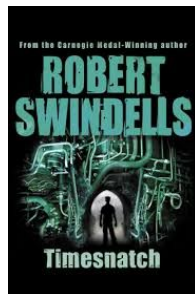
Caitlin is autistic and struggling to cope after her brother dies. She thinks she needs closure and sets out to discover exactly what that means.

**Family**



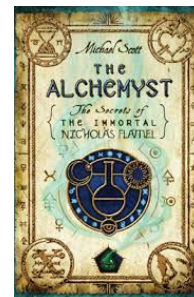
Tulip is a disruptive and destructive girl. Natalie finds her exciting and befriends her but soon Tulips' dangerous games start to get out of hand....

**Suspense**



A unique and suspenseful time travel story about two children. When sinister men try to steal the time-machine they embark on a dangerous adventure.

**Suspense**



Nicholas Flamel is the greatest alchemist of his time and has been making the elixir of life. His secret is hidden in the most powerful book in the world ....

**Fantasy**

Book cover Images from goodreads

***“If you only read books that everyone else is reading, you can only think what everyone else is thinking....”***

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