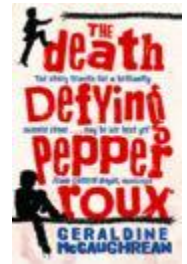


Suggested Book Lists 9 – 11 year olds

Keen and able reader

1. David Almond, *Skellig* (Hodder)
2. Frances Hodgson Burnett, *The Secret Garden*, *Oxford Children's Classics* (Oxford University Press)
3. Susan Cooper, *The Dark Is Rising* sequence (Random House)
4. Kevin Crossley-Holland, *Arthur*, *The Seeing Stone* (Orion)
5. Geraldine McCaughrean, *The Death Defying Pepper Roux* (Oxford University Press)
6. Philippa Pearce, *Tom's Midnight Garden* (Oxford University Press)
7. Philip Pullman, *His Dark Materials* trilogy (Scholastic)
8. Philip Reeve, *Mortal Engines* series (Scholastic)
9. Louis Sachar, *Holes* (Bloomsbury)
10. Shaun Tan, *The Arrival* (Templar)



Keen but less able reader

1. Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore, *Stone Me!* (Barn Owl Books)
2. Anthony Browne, *Zoo picture book* (Red Fox, Random House)
3. Cressida Cowell, *How to Train Your Dragon* (Hachette)
4. Roald Dahl, *Matilda*, *The Twits* and others (Puffin)
5. Morris Gleitzman, *Two Weeks with the Queen* (Puffin)
6. Alex Milway, *Operation Robot Storm* (Walker Books)
7. Chris Riddell, *Ottoline and the Yellow Cat* (Macmillan)
8. Michael Rosen, *Even My Ears Are Smiling* poetry anthology (Bloomsbury)
9. Marcus Sedgwick, *Flood and Fang* and other books in the *Raven Mysteries* series (Orion)
10. Ali Sparkes, *Frozen in Time* (Oxford University Press)

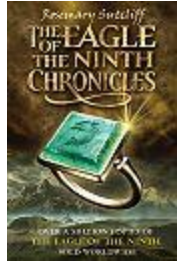


The mad about ... reader

1. *Alex Rider* series, Anthony Horowitz (Walker Books) – try John Grisham, *Theodore Boone* (Hodder) or Andrew Lane, *Young Sherlock Holmes* series (Macmillan)
2. *Animal Ark* series, Lucy Owen – try other animal series such as Linda Newbery, *Barney the Boat Dog* (Usborne) or Inbali Iserles, *Cat Tales* for example *The Tygrine Cat* (Walker Books) or Gill Lewis, *Sky Hawk* (Oxford University Press)
3. *The Chronicles of Avantia*, Adam Blade (Scholastic) – try other series such as Julia Golding, *Companions Quartet* (Oxford University Press) or Rick Riordan, *Percy Jackson and the Olympians* (Puffin Books)
4. Captain *Underpants* series, Dav Pilkey (Scholastic) – try Roald Dahl, *Jiggy McCue* (Michael Lawrence Books) or Richmal Crompton, *Just William* (Macmillan Children's Books)
5. Diary of a *Wimpy Kid* series, Jeff Kinney (Puffin) – try other books in a diary format such as the *My Story...* series, various authors (Scholastic) which introduces different historical periods and events written in fictionalised diary format. Also try Pete



- Johnson, *The Vampire Blog* (Corgi, Random House) and Marcia Williams, *Archie's War* and *My Secret War Diary* (Walker Books)
- Enid Blyton adventures – try other series such as Lauren St John, *The White Giraffe* (Orion) or Helen Moss, *The Mystery of the Whistling Caves* (Orion) or Eva Ibbotson, *Journey to the River Sea* (Macmillan)
 - Foul Play* series, Tom Palmer (Puffin) – try Rob Childs, *Black or White* (Frances Lincoln)
 - Horrible Histories* (Scholastic) – try *My Story* series (Scholastic) or Rosemary Sutcliff, *The Eagle of the Ninth Chronicles* (Oxford University Press)
 - Jacqueline Wilson books – try books by Cathy Cassidy for example *Scarlett* and *Indigo Blue* (Puffin) or Jean Ure, *Skinny Melon* and *Fortune Cookie* (Harper Collins)
 - Roald Dahl books – try Andy Stanton, *Mr Gum* series (Egmont) or David Walliams, *The Boy in the Dress* (HarperCollins)



The can but can't be bothered or 'I hate reading' reader

- Andy Briggs, *Hero.com* and *Villain.net* series (Oxford University Press) www.whichsideareyouon.co.uk
- Steve Cole, *Astrosaurus* series (Random House)
- Anthony Horowitz, *The Greek Who Stole Christmas* and other books in the *Diamond Brothers* series (Walker Books) www.anthonyhowitz.com/work/books_diamond.html
- Cindy Jeffries, *Heart Magazine: A Dream Come True* www.cindyjefferies.co.uk/books.html
- Jeff Kinney, *The Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series (Puffin) www.wimpykid.com and watch a trailer for the film: [Youtube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)
- Tom Palmer, *Foul Play* series (Puffin) Hear Tom Palmer's free online reading of the first chapter of *Foul Play*: [Tom Palmer](http://www.tompalmer.com)
- Charlie Small, *Gorilla City* (David Fickling, Random House) www.charliesmall.co.uk
- Andy Stanton, *Mr Gum* series (Egmont) www.mrgum.co.uk/index.htm
- Andi Watson, *Glister* series (Walker Books) glisterbook.blogspot.com
- Jacqueline Wilson, *Tracey Beaker* series (Random House) www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/tracybeaker Watch a taster of the TV series: Series 1, Episode 1: [Youtube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)



Can't read/struggling reader

- Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore, *Tomb Runner* and other books in the *I, HERO* series (Franklin Watts)
- Alan Durant, *Game Boy* in the *4U2read* series (Barrington Stoke)
- Michael Hardcastle, *Goal-getter* (A & C Black)
- Rod Hunt, *Wolf Hill* series (Oxford University Press)
- David Orme, *Starchasers* series (Ransom Publishing)
- Jeremy Strong, *Living with Vampires* in the *4U2read* series (Barrington Stoke)
- John Townsend et al, *Dockside* series (Rising Stars)
- TreeTops*, *Graphic Novels* series (Oxford University Press)
- Cathy West, *Starstruck* series (Ransom Publishing)
- Jonny Zucker, *Alien Battle* in the *Rex Jones* series (Badger Books)

