



Recommended books for Year 5 children

Humour

- Molly Moon- Georgia Byng
- The Spud from Outer Space- Susan Gates
- The Last Polar Bears- Harry Horse
- Jiggy McCue series- Michael Lawrence

Adventure Stories

- The Last Free Cat- John Blake
- Famous Five- Enid Blyton
- Diamond Brothers series- Anthony Horowitz
- Wicked- Anthony Masters
- Storm Runners- Barbara Mitchelhill
- The Invisible Detective series- Justin Richards
- Stormsearch, In the Nick of Time- Robert Westall

Adventure Set in the Past

- The Abbey Mysteries- Cherith Baldry
- The Roman Mystery series- Caroline Lawrence
- The Way of the Warrior- Andrew Matthews
- Great Pyramid Robbery- Katherine Roberts
- The Cats of Seroster- Robert Westall

Historical

- The Children of Green Knowe- Lucy M. Boston
- Tudor Terror- Terry Deary
- The Saga of Erik the Viking, The Knight and the Squire- Terry Jones
- Death and the Arrow- Chris Priestly
- Clockwork- Philip Pullman
- Percy Jackson series- Rick Riordan

War stories

- War Boy, War Game- Michael Foreman
- Warhorse, War of Jenkins Ear- Michael Morpurgo
- A Time of Fire- Robert Westall

Fantasy

- Frog Princess, Dragon's Breath- E. D. Baker

- Tales of the Dark Forest- Steve Barlow/Steve Skidmore
- Dragon books- Cressida Cowell
- Harvey Angell- Diana Hendry
- Dogsboddy, A Tale of Time City- Diana Wynne Jones
- The Witch Trade- Michael Molly
- The Dog so Small- Phillipa Pearce
- Dakota of the White Flats, Scribbleboy- Philip Ridley
- A Series of Unfortunate events- Lemony Snicket

Mystery

- The Magician's House Quartet- William Corlett
- Secret of Platform 13, Dial a Ghost- Eva Ibbotson
- The Ghost of Thomas Kempe, A Stitch in Time- Penelope Lively
- Goosebumps- R. L. Stine
- Room 13- Robert Swindells

Animal

- Wild Lives series- Nick Arnold
- Sandy Lane Stables- Michelle Bates
- Peppermint Pig- Nina Bawden
- Dreamseeker Trilogy- Jenny Oldfield
- Varjak Paw series- S. F. Said

Science Fiction

- Angel for May- Melvin Burgess
- A Rag A Bone and a Hank of Hair- Nicholas Fisk
- Aquilla- Andrew Morris

Popular Authors

- Matilda, BFG, Danny the Champion of the World, Boy, Going Solo- Roald Dahl
- Crowstarver, The Sheep Pig, The Water Horse- Dick King-Smith
- Escape from Shangri-La, Long Way home, The White Horse of Zennor- Michael Morpurgo

Modern Classics

- The Midnight Fox- Betsy Byars
- Stig of the Dump- Clive King
- Thunder and Lightning- Jan Mark
- The Rescuers- Margery Sharp
- Mennyns- Sylvia Waugh

Classics

- Wizard of Oz- Frank L. Baum
- Alice in Wonderland- Lewis Carroll
- Wind in the Willows- Kenneth Graham
- Just So Stories, The Jungle Book- Rudyard Kipling
- Pollyanna- E. Porter
- 101 Dalmations- Dodie Smith

- Heidi- Johanna Spyri
- Ballet Shoes- Noel Streatfield
- Mary Poppins- P. L. Travers

Poetry

- Let Me Touch the Sky- Val Bloom
- Funky chickens- Benjamin Zephaniah
- The Oxford Book of Story Poems
- Dark as a Midnight Dream
- The Works A Poet a Week