Year 8 Reading List 2018-19

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| **Book Title** | **Author** | **You might like this book if…** |
| Essential Classic Gothic Novels | Various. Published by Penguin | ...you enjoyed reading Dracula |
| Frankenstein | Mary Shelley | ...you enjoyed reading Dracula and like Gothic horror. |
| Salem’s Lot | Stephen King | ...you enjoyed reading Dracula and like Gothic horror. |
| Go Set A Watchman | Harper Lee | ...you enjoyed reading To Kill A Mockingbird |
| Moon Over Manifest | Clare Vanderpool | ...you enjoyed the narrative voice (young American female) in To Kill A Mockingbird |
| Deliver Us From Normal | Kate Klise | ...you enjoyed the setting (Alabama) and themes (Growing Up, Fitting In) in To Kill A Mockingbird |
| To Siri With Love | Judith Newman | ..you enjoyed the themes and narrative voice of The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time |
| The Goldfish Boy | Lisa Thompson | …you enjoyed The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time or like mysteries |
| ‘Then’, ‘Now’, ‘After’ and ‘Soon’ series | Morris Gleitzman | ...you enjoyed reading Once |
| The Boy In The Striped Pyjamas | John Boyne | …you enjoy books linked to historical moments or child narrators |
| Refugee Boy | Benjamin Zephaniah | …you enjoy books exploring social attitudes and fitting in |
| Abomination | Robert Swindells | …you enjoy books about secrets and family and mystery |
| Good Night, Mr. Tom | Michelle Magorian | …you enjoy books about family or linked to the Second World War |
| Stone Cold | Robert Swindells | …you enjoy twists and books about social issues |
| ‘Foul Play’ and ‘Black Op’ | Tom Palmer | …you enjoy stories about sport or spies |
| Arrowhead | Ruth Eastam | …you enjoy thrillers |
| [www.theguardian.com/index/contributors](http://www.theguardian.com/index/contributors) | Various Contributors | …you want to explore current opinions and views on topical news stories |
| Anthony and Cleopatra | William Shakespeare | …you like Shakespeare and want to explore another of his tragedies |
| The Shakespeare Secret | J. L. Carrell | …you like mysteries or Shakespeare |
| A Fault in Our Stars | John Green | …you enjoyed the themes of Romeo and Juliet and want to explore a modern young love story |
| Birdsong | Sebastian Faulks | …you enjoy studying the First World War and experiences of soldiers |
| Goodbye To All That | Robert Graves | …you want to real life account of experiencing the First World War |
| Private Peaceful | Michael Morpurgo | …you like books to do with family and how conflict can affect those around us |
| Testament of Youth | Vera Brittain | …you are interested in a female voice of the First World War |
| The Penguin Book of First World War Poetry | Various Authors | …you want to explore how the First World War transformed poetry |
| The Woman of No Importance | Oscar Wilde | …you like social comedy and satire or enjoyed the class and social criticism in An Inspector Calls |
| Young Sherlock Holmes | Andy Lane | …you like detective stories |
| The Hitchhiker’s Guide To The Galaxy | Douglas Adams | …you like comedy and Science Fiction |
| The Midnight Gang | David Williams | …you like adventure stories |
| Tom Gates: Biscuits, Bands and Very Big Plans | Liz Pichon | …you want to laugh and a character you can relate to |
| Birthday Boy | David Baddiel | …you like adventure stories and want to find out what it would be like to have a birthday every single day! |
| Boy Underwater | Adam Baron | …you like mysteries and good yet sad stories |
| Kat Wolfe Investigates | Lauren St. John | …you like animals and detective stories |
| Dog Diaries | Steven Butler & James Patterson | …you love animals and ever wondered what it would be like if our pets could talk! |