

Suggested Reading for KS3

Classics

| Author | Selection of titles |
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| Alcott, Louisa May | Little Women |
| Austen, Jane | Emma; Sense and Sensibility; Mansfield Park; Northanger Abbey; Persuasion; Pride and Prejudice |
| Baum, L Frank | Wizard of Oz |
| Bronte, Charlotte | Jane Eyre; Shirley; Vilette |
| Brontë, Emily | Wuthering Heights |
| Carroll, Lewis | Alice in Wonderland |
| Doyle, Arthur Conan | Adventures of Sherlock Holmes; Casebook of Sherlock Holmes; Red-headed League; Sign of Four; Speckled Band |
| Dickens, Charles | Oliver Twist; A Christmas Carol |
| Du Maurier, Daphne | Jamaica Inn |
| Fitzgerald, F Scott | The Great Gatsby |
| Flaubert, Gustav | Madame Bovary |
| Grahame, Kenneth | The Wind in the Willows |
| Hardy, Thomas | Far from the Madding Crowd; Tess of the d'Urbervilles |
| Kipling, Rudyard | The Jungle Book |
| Lewis, C S | The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe |
| Shelley, Mary | Frankenstein |
| Stevenson, Robert Louis | Treasure Island; Dr. Jekyll and Mr Hyde; Kidnapped |
| Swift, Jonathan | Gulliver's Travels |
| Verne, Jules | Journey to the Centre of the Earth |
| Wells, H G | The Time Machine; The war of the Worlds |

Modern Classics/Challenging Reads

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| Boyne, John | The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas |
| De Foe, Daniel | Robinson Crusoe |
| Golding, William | Lord of the Flies |
| Martel, Yann | The Life of Pi |
| Orwell, George | Animal Farm; 1984 |
| Ransome, Arthur | Swallows and Amazons |
| Salinger, J. D. | The Catcher in the Rye |
| Steinbeck, John | Of Mice and Men |
| Tolkein, J. R. R. | The Hobbit; Lord of the Rings |
| Wells, H. G. | Complete Short Stories; Time Machine |
| Wyndham, John | Day of the Triffids; The Chrysalids |

Modern/Current Issues

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| Almond, David | Skellig; Almond Eyes; Kit's Wilderness |
| Blackman, Malorie | Noughts and Crosses; Tell Me No Lies |
| Brooks, Kevin | Martyn Pig |
| Chambers, Aidan | Postcards From No Man's Land |
| Cormier, Robert | Chocolate War; Other Bells For Us To Ring; We All Fall Down |
| Cross, Gillian | Tightrope |
| Doherty, Bertie | Dear Nobody |
| Gibbons, Alan | The Lost Boys' Appreciation Society |
| Gray, Keith | From Blood Two Brothers |
| Haddon, Mark | The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time |
| Holm, Anne | I am David |
| Hooper, Mary | Amy; Megan; Megan 2 |
| Hornby, Nick | About a Boy; Fever Pitch; High Fidelity |
| Newbery, Linda | The Shell House; Sisterland |
| Pielichaty Helena | Jade's Story; Getting Rid of Kareenna; Never Ever |
| Rai, Bali | The Crew; Rani and Sukh; (Un)arranged marriage |
| Sachar, Louis | Holes |
| Swindells, Robert | Dosh; Stone Cold; Smash |
| Syall, Meera | Anita and Me |
| Westall, Robert | Love Match; Machine Gunners |
| Wilson, Jacqueline | Bad Girls; The Illustrated Mum; Falling Apart |
| Wooding, Chris | Crashing; Endgame; Kerosene |
| Whyman, Matt | Boy Kills Man |
| Zephaniah, Benjamin | Face; Gangsta Rap; Refugee Boy |

Humour

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| Abdel-Fattah, Randa | Does My Head Look Big In This? |
| Asquith, Ros | I Was a Teenage Worrier; The Teenage Worrier's Guide to Life |
| Andy Griffiths | Zombie Bums from Uranus |
| Morris Gleitzman, | Blabber Mouth |
| Cabot, Meg | Princess Diaries series |
| Davidson, Gina | What Treasure Did Next |
| Gleitzman, Morris | Two Weeks With the Queen |
| Gray, Keith | Malarkey |
| Green, Julia | Blue Moon |
| Jennings, Paul | Uncanny!; Unseen! |
| Kinney, Jeff | Diary of a Wimpy kid (series) |
| Rennison, Louise | Geogia Nicholson series |
| Rushton, Rosie | How Could You Do this To Me Mum? Just Don't Make a Scene |
| Mum; Best Friends | Getting Sorted; Jessica |
| Townsend, Sue | Adrian Mole series |
| Whytock, Cherry | Angel; Haggis Horrors and Heavenly Bodies |

Science Fiction/Fantasy

- Adams, Douglas** *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* (series)
Clarke, Arthur C. *2001: a Space Odyssey*;
Colfer, Eoin *Artemis Fowl* series; *The Wish List*
Suzanne Collins *The Hunger Games* (trilogy)
Crichton, Michael *Jurassic Park*; *Lost World*; *Prey*; *Next*
Curley, Marianne *Guardians of Time*
Dashner, James *The Maze Runner* (series)
Donaldson, Stephen *Lord Foul's Bane*; *The Illearth War*
Dickinson, John *The Cup of the World*
Eddings, David *Belgarath the Sorcerer*; *Polgara the Sorceress*
Gaiman, Neil *Neverwhere*
Grant, Michael *Gone* (series)
Grant, Rob *Backwards*; *Colony*
Hawking, Lucy & Prof George's *Secret key to the Universe*
Hearn, Lian *Across the Nightingale Floor*; *Grass for his Pillow*
Higson, Charlie *The Enemy* (series); *Young Bond* series
Robin Hobb *Assassin's Apprentice* (trilogy)
Hoffman, Mary *Stravaganza* (series)
Horowitz, Anthony *Power of 5* series
Howarth, Lesley *Carwash*; *Maphead*; *Paulina*; *The Pits*
Jaques, Brian *Redwall* series
McCaughrean, Geraldine *Kite Rider*; *The Stones are Hatching*
McKenzie, Sophie *Medusa Project* (series); *Sister, Missing* (series)
Meyer, Stephenie *Twilight* (series)
Ness, Patrick *The Knife of Never Letting Go* (trilogy)
Nicholson, William *Wind on Fire* series
Nix, Garth *Mister Monday* series; *Sabriel* (trilogy)
Paolini, Christopher *Eragon* (trilogy)
Pascal, Francine *Fearless* series
Patterson, James *Maximum Ride*, *Daniel X*, *Witch & Wizard*
Paver, Michelle *Chronicles of Ancient Darkness*
Pratchett, Terry *Jingo*; *Mort*; *Sourcery*; *Small Gods*; *Johnny and the Bomb*
Pullman, Philip *Northern Lights* series; *Clockwork*
Rees, Celia *The Bailey Game*; *Blood Sinister*; *Sorceress*; *The Vanished*
Reeve, Philip *Mortal Engines* etc
Sedgwick, Marcus *The Dark Horse*
Stroud, Jonathan *Bartimaeus Trilogy*
Thompson, Kate *The Switchers* trilogy; *Origins* series
Wells, H. G. *Time Machine*

Detective / Adventure

Christie, Agatha Various
Conan Doyle Arthur Various Sherlock Holmes stories
Gilman, David Ice Claw
Gleitzman, Morris Gone (series)
Guterson, David Snow Falling on Cedars
Harris, Robert Enigma; Fatherland
Higson, Charlie Young Bond series
Horowitz, Anthony Alex Rider series
Johns, Capn W E Biggles (series)
Ryan, Chris Alpha-Force; the Hit List; Agent 21 (series)

Travel

Bryson, Bill Lost Continent; Notes from a Small Island etc
Palin, Michael Pole to Pole; Full Circle

Autobiography

Dahl, Roald Boy: Tales of Childhood
Durrell, Gerald My Family and Other Animals
Frank, Anne Diary of Anne Frank
Holmes, Kelly Black, White & Gold
Khan, Amir A Boy from Bolton
Mandela, Nelson Long Walk to Freedom
McCourt, Frank Angela's Ashes; 'Tis
Panesar, Monty Monty's Turn
Pelzer, Dave A Child Called 'it' (series)
Lampard, Frank Totally Frank
Gerrard, Steven Gerrard My Autobiography

Horror

Cole, Stephen The Wereling series
Herbert, James Ghosts of Sleath; '48
King, Stephen Bag of Bones; Christine; Dolores Claiborne; Rose Madder
Pike, Christopher Last Vampire series
Sedgewick, Marcus My Swordhand is singing
Shan, Darren Saga of Darren Shan (series); Zom-B (series)
Shelley, Mary Frankenstein
Westall Robert, Shades of Darkness
Shearer, Alex The Hunted; The Lost
Stine, R L Goosebumps series