

# Recommended Reads (5/6+ years)

Author	Titles		Genre / description	Which age group would you recommend it to?
Julia Donaldson	Various		Rhyming stories. Picture books. Julia Donaldson's rhyming and rhythmic texts are well loved by all ages of children.	All years
Laura Owen	Winnie the Witch (Series)		Picture books. Join Winnie as she and her faithful cat Wilbur encounter troubles and adventures.	All years
Francesca Simon	Horrid Henry (Series)	 *B	Humour. Horrid Henry is a modern-day rogue in the tradition of Dennis the Menace and Just William.	Ages 5/6+
Jeff Brown	Flat Stanley (Series)	 *B	Humour. Adventure. Stanley Lambchop wakes up one morning to find he is only half an inch thick (available in easy reader)	Ages 5/6+
Jeremy Strong	Various	 *B	Humour. Jeremy Strong's books are characterised by humour and direct child appeal, packed with tongue in cheek gags and characters and situations to entertain.	Ages 5/6+
Dave Pilkey	Captain Underpants (Series)	 *B	Humour. Full of irreverent toilet humour to keep your child laughing.	Ages 5/6+

# Recommended Reads (7+years)

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Roald Dahl	Various: The Twits, BFG, Georges' Marvellous Medicine etc		Fantasy / Humour. Well-loved children's classics.	Ages 6/7+
Michael Morpurgo	Various: Mudpuddle Farm (Series), Mr Skip, Cock a Doodle Do Mrs Sultana, Conker, Sir Gaiwan and the Green Knight, The Nine Lives of Montezuma.		Mudpuddle Farm series: The interactions of the animals that live at Mudpuddle Farm are brought to life by former Children's Laureate, Michael Morpurgo.	Ages 6/7+
Enid Blyton	The Enchanted Wood, and The Magic Faraway Tree, The Wishing-Chair (Series)  Amelia Jane Series		Three children move home and come across the Faraway Tree, which soon offers them a gateway to many exciting and magical adventure. The Wishing-Chair series follows Mollie and Peter as they find a chair that can grant wishes.	Ages 6/7+
Kes Gray	Daisy (Series)		Humour Daisy is always getting into trouble, but with Daisy, getting into trouble certainly is a lot of fun!	Ages 6/7+
Holly Webb	Various		Animal Stories	Ages 6/7+

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Dick King Smith	Various: Harry's Mad, The Hodgeheg, The Queen's Nose, Poppet, Dumpling		Animal Stories / Humour	Ages 7+
Andy Stanton	Mr Gum (Series)	 *B	Humour Anarchic, funny and crazy humour that will keep readers entertained with the jokes flowing thick and fast.	Ages 7+
Adam Blade	Beast Quest (Series) Also available in easy reader format	 *B	Fantasy / Adventure The action packed Beast Quest books have managed to get many reluctant readers reading.	Ages 7+
Jacqueline Wilson	Various: The dinosaur's packed lunch, Cliffhanger, Glubbslyme, Buried Alive		Wilson's books are typically realistic stories about friendships and children facing and overcoming problems in their daily lives.	Ages 7+
Sally Gardner	Magical Kids (Series)  The Fairy Wing Co. (Series)	 *B	Magical Kids Series: Touching and humorous stories about the lives of children who develop super powers.  The Fairy Wing Company: A quirky detective series filled with humour, mystery and magic.	Ages 7+

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Jeff Kinney	Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Series)	 *B	Humour / Diary Greg Heffley is just your average American schoolboy, but he seems to have a habit of getting into the most awkward situations - and his highly dysfunctional family do not help matters!	Ages 7+
L. Pichon	The Tom Gates (Series)	 *B	Humour / Diary Each book takes the form of Tom's battered homework diary and is crammed with his stories and scribbles.	Ages 7+
Cressida Cowell	How to Train your Dragon How to Speak Dragonese	 *B	Humour / adventure Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III was an awesome sword-fighter, a dragon-whisperer and the greatest Viking Hero who ever lived. But it wasn't always like that.	Ages 7+
Ali Sparkes	Switch (Series)	 *B	Action / Adventure Sizzling adventures happen when twins Josh and Danny swap places with a host of fascinating animals.	Ages 7+
Lemony Snickett	A Series of Unfortunate Events (Series)	 *B	The tales of the unlucky Baudelaire siblings begins with the three orphans encountering a repulsive villain, itchy clothing, a disastrous fire, a plot to steal their fortune, and cold porridge.	Ages 7/8+

