



Years 7, 8 and 9 Reading List for Gifted and Talented Students

Reading is one of life's pleasures. It is also really important for developing vocabulary and creative writing skills so it's a good idea to read widely in order to excel in English.

The Fiction has been placed into the 3 years, but that is for guidance. Students may wish to look above their Year, and Year 9 students may wish to explore the KS4 reading list which also contains suggested Classics.

Here is a list of books we hope you will enjoy. Ask in the school or local library.

Non-Fiction

Jean-Dominique Bauby - The Diving Bell and the Butterfly
Bill Bryson - A Walk in the Woods , Notes from a Small Island
Sian Busby - A Wonderful Little Girl
Roald Dahl - Boy , Flying Solo
Elsbeth Emmerich - Flying a Flag for Hitler: My Childhood in Nazi Germany
Karen Levine - Hana's Suitcase
Laura Hillman - I Will Plant You a Lilac Tree
Adeline Yen Mah - Chinese Cinderella, Falling Leaves
Eva Schloss - The Promise

Modern Fiction

Year 7

Cloud Bursting	Malorie Blackman
Coraline	Neil Gaiman
Dark Ground	Gillian Cross
Diary of a Young Girl	Anne Frank
Ghost behind the wall	Melvin Burgess
Granny was a buffer girl	Berlie Doherty
Mortal Engines	Phillip Reeve
Once	Morris Gleitzman
Private Peaceful	Michael Morpugo
The Shadow of the Minotaur	Alan Gibbons

Year 8

Across the Barricades	Joan Lingard
Al Capone does my Shirts	Gennifer Choldenko
Boy who lost his face	Louis Sachar
Eagle of the ninth	Rosemary Sutcliffe
Flour Babies	Anne Fine
His dark materials: trilogy	Phillip Pullman
Hobbit	J R R Tolkein



One more river
Refugee boy
Soldier's heart
Tersias
The Breadwinner
The Other side of Truth
The Protectors

Lynne Reid Banks
Benjamin Zephaniah
Gary Paulsen
G P Taylor
Deborah Ellis
Beverley Naidoo
Pete Johnson

Year 9

Boy Kills Man
Brilliance of the Moon
Chinese Cinderella
Concrete Chips
Curious Incident of the Dog in
the Night-time
Dear Nobody
Exodus
Follow me down
Gulf
How I Live Now
Hunger Games - Trilogy
I, Coriander
Kes
Kin
Left Hand of Darkness
Looking for JJ
Memory
Postcards from No-man's Land
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry
Sherlock Holmes – Short Stories
Tamar

Matt Whyman
Lian Hearn
Adeline Yeh Mah
Bali Rai
Mark Haddon

Berlie Doherty
Julia Bertagna
Julie Hearn
Robert Westall
Meg Rosoff
Suzanne Collins
Sally Gardner
Barry Hines
Peter Dickinson
Ursula Le Guin
Anne Cassidy
Margaret Mahy
Aiden Chambers
Mildred Taylor
Arthur Conan Doyle
Mal Peet

