

## Reading List for Year 7

*Here is a list of excellent books that we recommend for 11 to 12 year olds. It is by no means comprehensive but may include a few titles you have considered reading before. There is also a range of levels - if they are too difficult just try again another time; if too easy, then enjoy the ride!*

A Greyhound of a Girl, *Roddy Doyle*  
A Pattern of Roses, *K.M. Peyton*  
A Series of Unfortunate Events Series, *Lemony Snicket*  
A Thousand Splendid Suns, *Khaled Hosseini*  
A Wizard of Earthsea, *Ursula Le Guin*  
A World Between Us, *Lydia Syson*  
Anne of Green Gables, *L.M. Montgomery*  
Around the World in Eighty Days, *Jules Verne*  
Captains Courageous, *Rudyard Kipling*  
Carrie's War, *Nina Bawden*  
Children of the Lamp Series, *P.B. Kerr*  
Children of the Red King Series, *Jenny Nimmo*  
Cider with Rosie, *Laurie Lee*  
Code Name Verity, *Elizabeth Wein*  
Decline and Fall, *Evelyn Waugh*  
Deep Blue, *Jennifer Donnelly*  
Diary of a Young Girl, *Anne Frank*  
Divergent Trilogy, *Veronica Roth*  
Dustlands Trilogy, *Moira Young*  
Feather Boy, *Nicky Singer*  
Ferryman, *Claire McFall*  
Flambards, *K.M. Peyton*  
Fool's Gold, *Philippa Gregory*  
Girl, Missing, *Sophie McKenzie*  
Goodnight Mister Tom, *Michelle Magorian*  
Greek Myths, *Robert Graves*  
Harry Potter Series, *J. K. Rowling*  
Heroic, *Phil Earle*  
I'm the King of the Castle, *Susan Hill*  
I Am David, *Anne Holm*  
I Capture the Castle, *Dodie Smith*  
In Darkness, *Nick Lake*  
In The Sea There Are Crocodiles, *Fabio Geda*  
Interworld, *Neil Gaiman and Michael Reaves*  
Jane Eyre, *Charlotte Brontë*  
Jimmy Coates Series, *Joe Craig*  
Journey to the River Sea, *Eva Ibbotson*  
Liar & Spy, *Rebecca Stead*  
Life: An Exploded Diagram, *Mal Peet*  
Lionboy Series, *Zizou Corder*  
Little Women, *Louisa May Alcott*  
Lord of the Flies, *William Golding*  
Mockingbird, *Kathryn Erskine*  
Mr Frisby and the Rats of Nimh, *Robert C. O'Brien*  
Noughts and Crosses, *Malorie Blackman*  
Picture Me Gone, *Meg Rosoff*  
Poison Boy, *Fletcher Moss*  
Rooftoppers, *Katherine Rundell*  
Seraphina, *Rachel Hartman*

Shadowmancer, *GP Taylor*  
Small Change for Stuart, *Lissa Evans*  
Spooks Stories, *Joseph Delaney*  
Stars Shall Be Bright, *Catherine MacPhail*  
Stonebird, *Mike Rvell*  
The 39 Steps, *John Buchan*  
The Afterworld Series, *Barry Hutchinson*  
The Ash Mistry Chronicles, *Sarwat Chadda*  
The Book Thief, *Markus Zusak*  
The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas, *John Boyne*  
The Breadwinner, *Deborah Ellis*  
The Child's Elephant, *Rachel Campbell-Johnston*  
The Christmas Carol, *Charles Dickens*  
The Day of the Triffids, *John Wyndham*  
The Declaration, *Gemma Malley*  
The Enlightenment of Peter Schock Series, *Linda Buckley-Archer*  
The Flame Trees of Thika, *Elspeth Huxley*  
The Garbage King, *Elizabeth Laird*  
The Haunting, *Margaret Mahy*  
The Hobbit, *J.R.R. Tolkien*  
The Hound of the Baskervilles, *Arthur Conan Doyle*  
The Incredible Journey, *Sheila Burnford*  
The Kite Rider, *Geraldine McCaughrean*  
The Lady of the Squire, *Terry Jones*  
The Last Wild, *Piers Torday*  
The Life of Pi, *Yann Martel*  
The Machine Gunners, *Robert Westall*  
The Messenger Bird, *Ruth Eastham*  
The Mortal Instruments Series, *Cassandra Clare*  
The Phantom Tollbooth, *Norton Juster*  
The Railway Children, *E. Nesbit*  
The Roman Mysteries Series, *Caroline Lawrence*  
The Savages, *Matt Whyman*  
The Secret Garden, *F.H. Burnett*  
The Seeing, *Diana Hendry*  
The Shakespeare Secret, *J.L. Carrell*  
The Silver Sword, *Ian Serrailier*  
The Solitaire Mystery, *Jostein Gardener*  
The Sword in the Stone, *T.H. White*  
The Unforgotten Coat, *Frank Cottrell Boyce*  
The Village by the Sea, *Anita Desai*  
The Wall, *William Sutcliffe*  
The Weight of Water, *Sarah Crossan*  
The Wind in the Willows, *Kenneth Grahame*  
The Woman in Black, *Susan Hill*  
Theodore Boone, *John Grisham*  
TimeRiders, *Alex Scarrow*  
To Kill a Mockingbird, *Harper Lee*  
Tom Sawyer, *Mark Twain*  
Treasure Island, *Robert Louis Stevenson*  
Troy, *Adèle Geras*  
Undead, *Kirsty McKay*  
War Dog, *Ryan Chris*

Watership Down, *Richard Adams*  
What Katy Did, *Susan M. Coolidge*  
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit, *Judith Kerr*  
Wide Sargasso Sea, *Jean Rhys*  
Wonder, *R. J. Palacio*  
Z for Zachariah, *Robert O'Brien*  
Zlata's Diary, *Zlata Filipovic*

**When you cannot get enough of one author...**

Chinese Cinderella; Falling Leaves, *Adeline Yen Mah*  
Madame Doubtfire; The Tulip Touch, *Anna Fine*  
Ketchup Clouds; My Sister Lives on the Mantelpiece, *Annabel Pitcher*  
Alex Rider Series; Diamond Brothers Series; Power of Five Series, *Anthony Horowitz*  
Gangsta Rap; Teacher's Dead, *Benjamin Zephaniah*  
The Company of Ghosts; Treason, *Berlie Doherty*  
The Box of Red Brocade; The Chronoptika Series: The Obsidian Mirror, *Catherine Fisher*  
The Fool's Girl; This is Not Forgiveness, *Celia Rees*  
Silverfin; The Enemy Series, *Charlie Higson*  
Bodyguard Series; Young Samurai Series, *Chris Bradford*  
Mister Creecher; New World; Tales of Terror from the Black Ship; Uncle Montague's Tales of Terror, *Chris Priestley*  
The Dragonbone Gate; The Hunting Ground, *Cliff McNish*  
Inkheart Trilogy; MirrorWorld Series; The Thief Lord, *Cornelia Funke*  
Heaven Eyes; Kit's Wilderness; My Name Is Mina; Skellig; The Fire-Eaters; The True Tale of the Monster Billy Dean, *David Almond*  
Enchanted Glass; The Game, *Diana Wynne Jones*  
Airman; Artemis Fowl Series; Half Moon Investigations; W.A.R.P.: The Reluctant Assassin, *Eoin Colfer*  
A Little Princess; The Secret Garden, *Frances Hodgson Burnett*  
A Confusion of Princes; Across the Wall; Keys to the Kingdom Series, *Garth Nix*  
After Tomorrow; Calling a Dead Man; Chart Breaker; Lost Trilogy, *Gillian Cross*  
Ingo Series; Stormswept; The Greatcoat, *Helen Dunmore*  
The Demons of Ghent; The Vanishing of Katharina Linden, *Helen Grant*  
Coram Boy; The Eye of the Horse; The Wheel of Surya, *Jamila Gavin*  
Let It Snow; The Fault in our Stars, *John Green*  
Arthur Trilogy; The Viking Sagas, *Kevin Crossley-Holland*  
Burn Mark; Witch Fire, *Laura Powell*  
Dead Man's Cove; Race the Wind, *Lauren St John*  
Chains; Forge, *Laurie R. King*  
Nevermore; The Treasure House, *Linda Newbery*  
Holes; Pig City; Small Steps; The Cardturner, *Louis Sachar*  
Blood Red, Snow White; Midwinterblood; My Swordhand is Singing; She Is Not Invisible; The Book of Dead Days, The Dark Flight Down; White Crow, *Marcus Sedgwick*  
Stravaganza: City of Masks, City of Stars, City of Flowers; The Falconer's Knot, *Mary Hoffman*  
At the Sign of the Sugared Plum; Poppy; Velvet, *Mary Hooper*  
A Medal for Leroy; Alone on the Wide Wide Sea; Private Peaceful; Shadow, *Michael Morpurgo*  
Chronicles of Ancient Darkness Series; Ghost Hunter; Gods and Warriors; Wolf Brother, *Michelle Paver*  
After; Now; Once; Then, *Morris Gleitzman*  
Coraline; The Graveyard Book, *Neil Gaiman*  
A Monster Calls; The Knife of Never Letting Go, *Patrick Ness*  
Sektion 20; The Cabinet of Curiosities, *Paul Dowsnell*  
His Dark Materials Trilogy; The Ruby in the Smoke, *Philip Pullman*

Heroes of Olympus: The Lost Hero, The Son of Neptune, The Mark of Athena; Percy Jackson Series;  
The Kane Chronicles: The Red Pyramid, The Throne of Fire, The Serpent's Shadow; The House of  
Hades, *Rick Riordan*  
Boy; James and the Giant Peach; Matilda; The BFG, *Roald Dahl*  
Black Friday; Brigands MC; Cherub Series: The Recruit; Class A; Divine Madness; Eagle Day; Grey  
Wolves; Guardian Angel; Mad Dogs; Man vs Beast; Maximum Security; Rock War; Secret Army;  
Series 2: People's Republic; Shadow Wave; The Fall; The General; The Henderson's Boys Series: The  
Escape; The Killing; The Prisoner; The Sleepwalker, *Robert Muchamore*  
Maggot Moon; The Red Necklace; The Silver Blade, *Sally Gardner*  
All Fall Down; Season of Secrets; Ways to Live Forever, *Sally Nicholls*  
Ice Maiden; Song Hunter; Wheels of War, *Sally Prue*  
Tom Fletcher and the Angel of Death; Tom Fletcher and the Three Wise Men, *Sarah Matthias*  
Behemoth; Pretties; Specials; Uglies, *Scott Westerfeld*  
A Monster Calls; A Swift Pure Cry; The London Eye Mystery, *Siobhan Dowd*  
The Children of the King; The Midnight Zoo; The Silver Donkey, *Sonya Hartnett*  
The Edge Chronicles Series; Wymeweald: Returner's Wealth, Bloodhoney, The Bone Trail, *Stewart  
Paul*  
King of Shadows; The Dark is Rising Series, *Susan Cooper*  
Dodger; Nation; I Shall Wear Midnight; Snuff; The Discworld Series, *Terry Pratchett*  
Spy for the Queen of Scots; War Girls, *Theresa Breslin*  
Frozen Fire; River Boy; Sea of Whispers; Starseeker; Tales from the Dark Side: Blood on Snow,  
Walking with the Dead, *Tim Bowler*