

Year 8 Fiction List

A word of caution!

No list is perfect and we offer these titles as suggestions only. They have been collected from various sources. Please do offer us more suggestions and alternatives and use this list as a guide only. You are all individual readers and therefore should select your own reading on the basis of your own interests. The important thing about reading is that you are enjoying what you read.

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More Challenging Reads

Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain

Journey to the Centre of the Earth by Jules Verne

The Biggles Books by WE Johns

White Fang by Jack London

The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Good Reads

10 Hours to Live by Peter Johnson

Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer

Coram Boy by Jamila Gavin

Flour Babies by Anne Fine

Haroun and the Sea of Stories by Salman Rushdie

Kit's Wilderness by David Almond

Northern Lights by Philip Pullman

Secret Diary of Adrian Mole by Sue Townsend

Tango's Baby by Martin Waddell

The Throttlepenny Murder by Roger Green

Wicked by Anthony Masters

Easy Reads

For less enthusiastic readers, try reading a variety of short stories, newspapers, magazines on topics you enjoy. You may also enjoy listening to tapes whilst following the reading. You can hire them from public libraries. Try and make a routing and read at a certain time each evening.

Useful Websites for Reading inspiration:

The Children's Literature Webguide www.vcalgary.ca/~dkbrown/

The Carnegie Medal Children's Literature Award www.carnegiegreenaway.org.uk

The Guardian Children's Fiction Prize www.learn.co.uk/children'sfictionprize

The Whitbread Children's Book of the Year Award www.whitbread-bookawards.co.uk

The BBC Big Read www.bbc.co.uk/arts/bigread

www.cool-reads.co.uk