

KEY STAGE 3 RECOMMENDED READING LIST

This is a reading list for Key Stage 3 students who want to read more challenging books. These books will help to broaden your mindset, and develop your language, whilst engaging with various ideas and perspectives. Challenge yourselves to read at least one book from each of the categories by the time you reach the end of Key Stage 3.

<p><u>Classics</u> <i>What Katy Did (series)</i> – Susan M. Coolridge <i>Little Women</i> – Louisa May Alcott <i>Moonstone</i> – Wilkie Collins <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> – Jane Austen <i>Sense and Sensibility</i> – Jane Austen <i>Jane Eyre</i> – Charlotte Bronte <i>Far From the Madding Crowd</i> – Thomas Hardy <i>The Railway Children</i> – Edith Nesbit <i>The Woman in White</i> – Wilkie Collins <i>A Tale of Two Cities</i> – Charles Dickens</p>	<p><u>Contemporary Fiction</u> <i>Voyage of the Sparrowhawk</i> - Natasha Farrant <i>On the Come Up</i> – Angie Thomas <i>Girl.Boy.Sea</i> – Chris Vick <i>Tug of War</i> – Catherine Forde <i>Kasper in the Glitter</i> – Philip Ridley <i>The 18th Emergency</i> – Betsy Byers <i>There’s a Boy in the Girls’ Bathroom</i> – Louis Sachar <i>The Cuckoo Sister</i> – Vivien Alcock <i>Is Anybody Listening?</i> – Larry O’Loughlin <i>The Granny Project</i> – Anne Fine <i>Wolf Brother</i> – Michelle Paver <i>The Kite Rider</i> – Geraldine McCaughrean</p>	<p><u>Voices & Different Perspectives</u> <i>No One is Too Small To Make a Difference</i> – Greta Thunberg <i>Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry</i> – Mildred D. Taylor <i>Chike and The River</i> – Chinua Achebe <i>Mother Country: Real Stories of The Windrush Children</i> – Charlie Brinkhurst Cuff <i>Separate Journeys</i> – edited by Geeta Dharmarajan <i>Poona Company</i> – Farruk H.Dhondy <i>Wide Sargasso Sea</i> – Jean Rhys <i>Face / Windrush Child / Refugee Boy</i> – Benjamin Zephaniah <i>The Garbage King</i> – Elizabeth Laird <i>Mean Time</i> - Carol Ann Duffy</p>
<p><u>Science Fiction</u> <i>Tuck Everlasting</i> – Natalie Babbitt <i>The Stones are Hatching</i> – Geraldine McCaughrean <i>The Hitch Hiker’s Guide to the Galaxy</i> – Douglas Adams <i>His Dark Materials Trilogy</i>– Philip Pullman <i>Bloodtide</i> - Melvin Burgess <i>Children of the Dust</i> – Lousie Lawrence <i>The Giver</i> – Lois Lowry <i>Sabriel</i> – Garth Nix</p>	<p><u>Crime & Mystery</u> <i>Cogheart</i> – Peter Bunzl <i>The Ultimate Truth</i> – Travis Delaney <i>Rubert Redfort: Look Into My Eyes</i> – Lauren Child <i>If You Were Me</i> – Sam Hepburn <i>Smart</i> – Kim Slater <i>The Door That Led to Where</i> – Sally Gardner <i>Urban Outlaws</i> – Peter Jay Black</p>	<p><u>Horror/Thriller</u> <i>Frankenstein</i> – Mary Shelley <i>The Graveyard Book</i> – Neil Gaiman <i>Coraline</i> – Neil Gaiman <i>A Rag, a Bone and a Hank of Hair</i> – Nicholas Fisk <i>Brother in the Land</i> – Robert Swindells <i>Revenge House</i> – Bernard Ashley <i>Horror</i> – Anthony Horowitz <i>Running on Ice (Short Stories)</i> – Berlie Doherty</p>

Historical Fiction

The Eagle of the Ninth – Rosemary Sutcliffe

Cue for Treason – Geoffrey Trease

Coram Boy – Jamila Gavin

Raider's Tide – Maggie Prince

Street Child – Berlie Doherty

Conflict & War

We are Displaced - Malala Yousafzai

Five Children on the Western Front- Kate Saunders

The Cay – Theodore Taylor

Voyages in the Underworld of Orpheus Black –

Marcus Sedgwick and Julian Sedgwick

So Far From the Bamboo Grove – Yoko Kawashima Watkins

The Machine Gunners – Robert Westall

Blitzcat – Robert Westall

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit – Judith Kerr

Friedrich – H.P. Richter

Goodnight Mr Tom – M. Magorian

The Diary of Anne Frank

Carrie's War – Nina Bawden

Hero On A Bicycle – Shirley Hughes

Poetry

Wonderland: Alice in Poetry – Lewis Carroll

Reaching the Stars: Poems About Extraordinary

Women – Liz Brownlee, Jan Dean, Michaela Morgan

Red, Cherry Red – Jackie Kay

Songs of Childhood – Walter De La Mare

Poems from the First World War - Gaby Morgan

Riddym Ravings and Other Poems – Jean Binta Breeze

Funky Chicken – Benjamin Zephaniah

Under the Moon and Over the Sea – Edited by John Agard and Grace Nichols

What is the Truth? – Ted Hughes

And Still I Rise - Maya Angelou

KEY STAGE 3 READING LIST ONLINE RESOURCES

This is a reading list for Key Stage 3 students with links to e-books or audio clips. The audiobooks list will be checked periodically to ensure that these are updated:

Novels

- What Katy Did (series) – Susan M. Coolridge
- <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/8994/8994-h/8994-h.htm>
- Little Women – Louisa May Alcott
- <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/514/514-h/514-h.htm>
- Moonstone – Wilkie Collins
- <https://www.gutenberg.org/files/155/155-h/155-h.htm>
- Pride and Prejudice – Jane Austen
- <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/1342/1342-h/1342-h.htm>
- Sense and Sensibility – Jane Austen
- <https://www.gutenberg.org/files/161/old/sense11p.pdf>
- Jane Eyre – Charlotte Bronte
- <https://www.gutenberg.org/files/1260/1260-h/1260-h.htm>
- Far From the Madding Crowd – Thomas Hardy
- <https://www.readingsanctuary.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Far-from-the-Madding-Crowd.pdf>
- The Railway Children
- <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/1874/1874-h/1874-h.htm>
- The Woman in White – Wilkie Collins
- <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/583/583-h/583-h.htm>
- Frankenstein – Mary Shelley
- <https://www.gutenberg.org/files/84/84-h/84-h.htm>
- The Box of Delights – John Masefield
- <https://www.fadedpage.com/books/20191066/html.php>
- The Graveyard Book – Neil Gaiman
- <https://docs.google.com/viewer?a=v&pid=sites&srcid=Y2xpZnRvbNjaG9vbHMubmV0fG1ycy13ZWhtYW5ufGd4OjUwZmQwMGM3MzNmNGY4ZjU>

Anthology of Historical fiction by the winners of the Young Walter Scott Prize:

<https://www.walterscottprize.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/YWSP-Pages-2019-V2.pdf>

Graphic Novels

Coraline – Neil Gaiman

<https://readgraphicnovels.blogspot.com/2017/06/read-coraline-graphic-novel-page-0.html>

Beautiful Darkness - Fabien Vehlmann and Marie Pommepuy

<https://readgraphicnovels.blogspot.com/2016/09/read-beautiful-darkness-cover.html>

Anya's Ghost – Vera Brosgol

<https://readgraphicnovels.blogspot.com/2017/11/read-anya-s-ghost-graphic-novel-cover.html>

Palestine – Joe Sacco

<https://readgraphicnovels.blogspot.com/2017/11/cover-1-joe-sacco-palestine-online.html>

Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol – adapted by Stephen L. Stern

<https://readgraphicnovels.blogspot.com/2017/12/cover-a-christmas-carol-graphic-novel.html>

Poetry

Songs of Childhood – Walter De La Mare

<http://www.gutenberg.org/files/23545/23545-h/23545-h.htm>

Michael Rosen Poems – Michael Rosen

<https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/uploads/store/mediaupload/765/file/Michael%20Rosen%20poems.pdf>

BBC Local Poets 2019:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLU7TkW0jLs7TLwzXz6_6s9MmQ86lmwZL1&v=F5fpjUN4Crg&feature=emb_title

Audiobooks (January 2021)

World of David Walliams Elevenes

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenes/>

The National Academy

<https://library.thenational.academy/spend-time-with-tracy-beaker-and-jacqueline-wilson/>

Audible

https://stories.audible.com/discovery/enterprise-discovery-21122354011?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_ds_dccs_sbtp-0-3

White Fang - Jack London

https://stories.audible.com/pdp/B002V8MC7S?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_pdp_pc_pg-1-cntr-0-4

Dreadnought – Natasha Soudek

https://stories.audible.com/pdp/B072C3MZ8V?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_pdp_pc_pg-1-cntr-0-7

Robinson Crusoe – Daniel Defoe

https://stories.audible.com/pdp/B002UZLIN6?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_pdp_pc_pg-1-cntr-0-11

Flight of the Dragon Kyn

https://stories.audible.com/pdp/B00FZ0AFFA?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_pdp_pc_pg-1-cntr-0-19

Frankenstein – Mary Shelley

https://stories.audible.com/pdp/B00FQRCM9O?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_pdp_pc_pg-1-cntr-0-3

Jungle Book I & II – Rudyard Kipling

https://stories.audible.com/pdp/B0062QFT5C?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_pdp_pc_pg-1-cntr-0-8

Jane Eyre – Charlotte Bronte

https://stories.audible.com/pdp/B01COOZ5C2?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_pdp_pc_pg-1-cntr-0-0

Uncle Tom’s Cabin – Harriet Beecher Stowe

https://stories.audible.com/pdp/B002VAAA6G?ref=adbl_ent_anon_ds_pdp_pc_pg-1-cntr-0-2