



Recommended Reading Bishop Wood School

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How to choose 'Just Right' books

Remember reading should be **fun**.

Choose a book that interests **you**.

Look at the cover

Read the title and the author

Read the Blurb on the back

Use the **Five Finger Rule**

Think about the **5 Finger Rule** when choosing a book. Read one page and hold up a finger for each word you can't figure out.

5 fingers held up means its too hard and you should choose a different book or ask someone to read it to you.

4 fingers means the book might be too challenging perhaps read it with a friend or adult.

3 fingers mean it is challenging but give it a try.

2 fingers it's just right for you. Enjoy!

1 finger means it's easy to read maybe try something more challenging next time.

Now and again try a new style of book or a new author. If you don't like it first time try again in a few months you may feel differently.

Authors marked with a * are highly recommended and have written many more books than appear on the list, give them a try.

Almost all these books can be found on the Fiction shelves at Bishop Wood School but if you are having trouble locating them speak to Mrs Lloyd or ask at Tring Library. Tring Library will order any book for you for free and borrowing is free.

This list is by no means complete. If you have read something you think is great and you would like to see it added to the list so others can enjoy it too, come and tell Mrs Lloyd about it or write a short review and hand it to your teacher or Mrs Lloyd.

(Mrs Lloyd would like to build up a list of books 'recommended by other Bishop Wood pupil's'.)

Lower School Recommended Reading

Allan Ahlberg	The Bear Nobody Wanted
	Please Mrs Butler
Jeff Brown	Flat Stanley (series)
Eion Colfer*	The Legend of Spud Murphy
Cressida Cowell*	How to speak Dragonese (series)
Helen Cresswell	Lizzie Dripping
Gillian Cross	Rent a Genius
Roald Dahl*	Georges Marvellous Medicine
	Esio Trot
	Fantastic Mr Fox
	The Twits
	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
	Matilda
Paula Danzinger	Amber Brown is Not a Crayon
Penny Dolan	The Ghost of Able Mabel
Anne Fine*	Crummy Mummy and Me
	Diary of a Killer Cat (series)
	The Country Pancake
	Loudmouth Louis
Ted Hughes	The Iron Man
Paul Jennings	Uncanny
	Unreal
Dick King Smith*	Lady Lollipop
	Aristotle
	The Sheep Pig
	Lady Daisy
	Horse Pie
Rudyard Kipling	Just So Stories
Astrid Lindgren	Pippi Longstocking
Margaret Mahy	The Great Piratical Rumbustification
Michael Morpurgo*	Cool
	Adolphus Tips
	Wartman
	Kaspar – Prince of Cats
	The Butterfly Lion
Jill Murphy	The Worst Witch (series)
Jenny Nimmo*	The Owl Tree
Terry Pratchett*	Diggers
Michael Rosen*	Uncle Billy Being Silly
	No Breathing in Class
Marcus Sedgewick	Flood and Fang (The Raven Mysteries)
Jeremy Strong*	Krazy Kow

	My Dads Got an Aligator
	Doctor Bonkers
Noel Streatfield	Ballet Shoes
Jill Tomlinson	The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark
Tony di Terlizzi	The Spiderwick Chronicles (series)
Hazel Townson	The Cough Drop Calamity
Jaqueline Wilson*	The Cat Mummy
	Lizzie Zipmouth
	Sleepovers

If you want to laugh try:

Sorrel Anderson	The Clumsies Make a Mess
Paula Danzinger	You Cant Eat Your Chicken Pox
Eva Ibbotson*	The Ogre of Oglefort
Peter Johnston	How to Train your Parents
Dav Pilkey*	Captain Underpants (series)
	Ricky Ricottas Robots (series)
David Roberts	Dirty Bertie (series)
Louis Sacher	Marvin Redpost
Francesca Simon*	Horrid Henry
Andy Stanton	Mr Gum (series)
Jeremy Strong*	The Hundred Mile and Hour Dog (series)
	My Brothers Famous Bottom (series)
Anthony McGowan	Einsteins Underpants and How they Saved the World

Is football your thing? Try

Alan Durant	Up for the Cup
Michael Hardcastle	Own Goal
	The Team that wouldn't give in
	Half a Team
Martin Waddell	Cup Final Kid
	Star Striker Titch
Rob Childs	All Goalies are Crazy

Are you looking for adventure, Mystery or travel? Try

Pat Hutchins	The curse of the Egyptian Mummy
Roger Hurn	Mystery Mob (series)
Steve Cole	Astrosaurs
Andrew Cope	Spy Dog (series)
Charlie Small	The Amazing Adentures of Charlie Small (series)

Elizabeth Singer-Hunt	Secret Agent Jack Stalwart (series)
Rex Stone	Dinosaur Cove (series)

Do you love books about animals?

Tony Bradman	Elvis the Squirrel
Lucy Daniels	Animal Ark (series)
Dick King Smith*	The Hodgeheg
Lynne Reid Banks*	I Houdini
Anna Sewell	Black Beauty
Ian Whybrow	Sniff (series)

Recommended websites

www.booktrusted.com

www.doublecluck.com

www.ukchildrensbooks.co.uk

If you are a more able reader and wish to try more challenging books then check out the upper school reading list (but please check with your parents or teacher first as sometimes the content may be unsuitable).