



CHS Reading List for Years 7 & 8

As you move down the list, you will find the books become longer and take more stamina to read.

Girls Books

Room 13, R. Swindells.

Storm Catchers, T. Bowler.

River Boy, T. Bowler.

Frozen Fire, T. Bowler.

The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon, S. King.

Journey To The River Sea, The Star Of Kazan, E. Ibbotson.

Fire, Bed And Bone, H. Branford.

Goth Girl, C. Riddell.

Hatchet (+ sequels e.g. Winter), G. Paulsen.

Chinese Cinderella, A. Y. Mah.

Holes, L. Sachar.

Equal Rites, (then The Colour Of Magic series), T. Pratchett.

Illustrated Greek & Myths, Usborne.

Norse Legends, N. Gaiman.

Blood, Bones & Body Bits, Horrible Science, N. Arnold.

The Way Things Work, D. Macauley.

The Flither Pickers, T. Tomlinson.

The Weirdstone Of Brisingamen, A. Garner.

The Ruby In The Smoke (series), P. Pullman.

Starseeker, T. Bowler.

Bloodchild, T. Bowler.

A Series Of Unfortunate Events, L. Snicket.

The Amazing Maurice & His Educated Rodents, T. Pratchett.

Northern Lights series (a TV series next autumn), P. Pulman.

The Rattle Bag (poetry), S. Heaney & T. Hughes.

A Little History of the World: E .H. Gombrich
A Christmas Carol, Oliver Twist, C. Dickens.
Little Women: L. M. Alcott
Witch Child, Sovay, : C. Rees
J. Eyre, C. Bronte,
Noughts And Crosses (series), M. Blackman.
The Boy in The Striped Pyjamas, J. Boyne.
The Tulip Touch, A. Fine.
The Graveyard Book, N. Gaiman.
The Book Thief, M. Zusak.
All The White Darkness: G. McCaughrean
I Capture The Castle, D. Smith.
Rebecca, D. Du Maurier.

Boys Books

Foul Play, T. Palmer.
Brock, A. McGowan.
Some You Win , A. Gibbons.
Room 13, R. Swindells.
Hatchet (+ sequels e.g Winter), G. Paulsen.
Danny, The Champion Of the World, R. Dahl.
Storm Catcher, T. Bowler.
Percy Jackson And The Lightning Thief, R. O Riordan.
Blood, Bones & Body Bits, Horrible Science, N. Arnold.
The Way Things Work, D. Macauley.
Holes, L. Sachar.
Boy, Going Solo, R. Dahl.
SilverFin, Blood Fever(young Bond series), C. Higson.
The Shadow Of The Minotaur (trilogy), A. Gibbons.
Stormbreaker, Point Blanc, A. Horowitz.
Match Of Death, J. O. Riordan.
The Weirdstone Of Brisingamen, A. Garner.
The Wizard Of Earthsea, U.K. LeGuin.
The Maze Runner (trilogy), J. Dashett.
The Colour Of Magic (Discworld series), T. Pratchett.
A Series Of Unfortunate Events, L. Snicket.

The Enemy (a series of 7 books), C. Higson.
Gladiator, S. Scarrow.
The Graveyard Book, N. Gaiman.
The Recruit (series), R. Muchamore.
The Rattle Bag, S. Heaney & T. Hughes.
The Hobbit, J. R. R. Tolkien.
Tom Sawyer & Huckleberry Finn, M. Twain.
Kidnapped & Treasure Island, R.L. Stevenson.
A Christmas Carol, Oliver Twist, C. Dickens.
The Machine Gunners, R. Westall.
Bloodchild, T. Bowler.
Starseeker, T. Bowler.
Under The Eagle (series), S. Scarrow.
The Boy In The Striped Pyjamas, J. Boyne.
All Quiet On The Western Front, E. M. Remarque.
The Adventures Of Sherlock Holmes, A.C. Doyle.
Private Peaceful, M. Morpurgo.
The Hound Of The Baskervilles, A.C. Doyle.
A Little History of the World: E. H. Gombrich.
Across The Nightingale Floor, L. Hearn.
The Book Thief, M. Zusak.
The Sterkarm Handshake, S. Cooper.
Lord Of The Flies, W. Golding.

Classic Novels (19th & 20th century)

(Try to find an edition with the biggest font you can find; and do listen to the unabridged audio download from Audible, etc. alongside the book).

'Treasure Island', 'Kidnapped', R.L. Stevenson.

'Animal Farm', G. Orwell.

'The Time Machine', H.G. Wells.

'The War Of The Worlds', H. G. Wells.

'Tom Sawyer'-'Huckleberry Finn', M. Twain.

'A Christmas Carol', C. Dickens.

'The Hobbit', 'The Lord Of The Rings', J.R.R.Tolkien.

'Oliver Twist', C. Dickens.

'The Odyssey', 'The Iliad', Homer.

'The Best Of Sherlock Holmes' (stories), A. C. Doyle.

'The Hound Of The Baskervilles', A. C. Doyle.

'To Kill A Mocking Bird', H. Lee.

'Lord Of The Flies', W. Golding.

'The Hitch-Hiker's Guide To The Galaxy', D. Adams.

'All Quiet On The Western Front', E. M. Remarque.

'Jane Eyre', E. Bronte.

'1984', G. Orwell.