

Reading List for Year 4

Here is a list of excellent books that we recommend for 8 to 9 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 Boy and a Bear in a Boat, *Dave Shelton*
Angels Unlimited, *Annie Dalton*
Animal Ark, *Lucy Daniels & Ben M. Baglio*
Annie, *Thomas Meehan*
Arabel's Raven, *Joan Aiken*
Araminta Spook series, *Angie Sage*
Beast Quest, *Adam Blade*
Captain Underpants series, *Dav Pilkey*
Charlie Small series, *Charlie Small*
Clarice Bean series, *Lauren Child*
Daisy May, *Jean Ure*
Dirty Bertie series, *David Roberts*
Dumb Creatures, *Jeanne Willis*
Earth Giant, *Melvin Burgess*
Emil and the Detectives, *Erich Kästner*
Finn Family Moomintroll, *Tove Jansson*
Flat Stanley, *Jeff Brown*
Fudge Series, *Judy Blume*
Gobbolino the Witch's Cat, *Ursula Moray Williams*
Grizzly Tales Nasty Little Beasts, *Jamie Rix*
GRK series, *Joshua Doder*
Gruesome Grange, *Anthony Horowitz*
Harry the Poisonous Centipede series, *Lynne Reid Banks*
Highway Robbery, *Kate Thompson*
Horrid Henry series, *Francesca Simon*
How to Train Your Dragon, *Cressida Cowell*
Hugo Pepper, *Paul Stewart*
Jake Cake series, *Michael Broad*
Jeremy James series, *David Henry Wilson*
Judy Moody, *Megan McDonald*
Just William, *Richmal Crompton*
Justin and the Demon Drop Kick, *Bernard Ashley*
Little Wolf, *Ian Whybrow*
Lizzie Dripping, *Helen Cresswell*
Lucky, *Chris Hill*
Lunatics and Luck, *Marcus Sedgwick*
Mad Myths, *Steve Barlow*
Magic Kitten series, *Sue Bentley*
Mammoth Academy series, *Neal Layton*
Matthew's Goals, *Michael Hardcastle*
Milly Molly Mandy, *J. L. Brisley*
Mouse Noses on Toast, *Daren King*
Mr Gum series, *Andy Stanton*
Mrs Pepperpot, *Alf Proysen*
Ms Wiz series, *Terence Blackman*
My Life as a Goldfish And Other Poems, *Rachel Rooney*
My Naughty Little Sister, *Dorothy Edwards*
My Secret Unicorn, *Linda Chapman*

Oliver and the Seawigs, *Philip Reeve*
Ottoline and the Yellow Cat, *Chris Riddell*
Pig in the Middle, *Sam Llewellyn*
Pippi Longstocking, *Astrid Lindgren*
Pongwiffy series, *Kaye Umansky*
Puppy Patrol, *Jenny Dale*
Puppy Place series, *Ellen Miles*
Rainbow Magic, *Daisy Meadows*
Sheltie Peter, *Clover*
Sophie and the Albino Camel, *Stephen Davies*
Spy Dog series, *Andrew Cope*
Stig of the Dump, *Clive King*
Storm, *Kevin Crossley-Holland*
The Battle of Bubble and Squeak, *Philippa Pearce*
The Dancing Bear, *Michael, M.B.E. Morpurgo*
The Enchanted Horse, *Magdalen Nabb*
The Fairy series, *Gwyneth Rees*
The Family from One End Street, *Eve Garnett*
The Great Hamster Massacre, *Katie Davies*
The Monster Crisp Guzzler, *Malorie Blackman*
The Monster Story Teller, *Jacqueline Wilson*
The Orcas's Song, *Volke Gordon*
The Owl Tree, *Jenny Nimmo*
The Peppermint Pig, *Nina Bawden*
The Revolting Rabbits, *Susan Gates*
The Spiderwick Chronicles, *Tony Diterlizzi*
The Tail of Emily Windsnap, *Liz Kessler*
The Team, *David Bedford*
The Worst Witch, *Jill Murphy*
Tiara Club, *Vivian French*
Timmy Failure Mistakes Were Made, *Stephan Pastis*
Tom's Private War, *Robert Leeson*
Trouble at the Mill, *Philip Wooderson*
Turbulent Term of Tyke Tiler, *Gene Kemp*
Unusual Day, *Sandi Toksvig*
Vlad the Drac series, *Ann Jungman*
Vernon Bright series, *Steve Barlow / Steve Skidmore*
Whale Boy, *Nicola Davies*
Why is Snot Green? The Science Museum Question and Answer Book, *Glenn Murphy*

When you cannot get enough of one author...

Friendly Matches; Giant Baby; It Was a Dark and Stormy Night; Seriously Silly series; Ten in a Bed; Woof!, *Allan Ahlberg*
A Young Elizabethan Actor Moira; The Diary of a Medieval Squire, *Butterfield*
Mouse Bird Snake Wolf; The Savage, *David Almond*
Mr Stink; The Boy in the Dress, *David Walliams*
The Hodgeheg; The Sheep Pig, *Dick King-Smith*
Charlotte's Web; Stuart Little; The Trumpet of the Swan, *E. B. White*
Adventure stories; Faraway Tree; Secret Seven; Wishing Chair, *Enid Blyton*
Captain Crow's Feet; The Legend of Spud Murphy, *Eoin Colfer*
Krazy Kow; Let's do the Pharaoh; Lost! The Hundred-Mile-An-Hour Dog; My Brother's Famous Bottom; My Mum's Going to Explode; One Hundred Mile an Hour Dog series, *Jeremy Strong*
Adventures of Robin Hood; Greek Myths for Young Children; Sinbad the Sailor, *Marcia Williams*

Butterfly Lion; Farm Boy; Kensuke's Kingdom; Orchard Book of Aesop's Fables; Toro, Toro; Wreck of Zanzibar, *Michael Morpurgo*

Hard Boiled Legs; Uncle Billy Being Silly; You're Thinking about Doughnuts, *Michael Rosen*
Bug Brother; How to Train Your Parents; My Friend's a Werewolf; Pirate Brother; Rescuing Dad, *Pete Johnson*

Eddie Dickens Trilogy; Fall of Fergal; The Grunts In Trouble, *Philip Ardagh*

I Was a Rat! Or, The Scarlet Slippers; The Firework-maker's Daughter, *Philip Pullman*

Dakota of the White Flats; Kasper in the Glitter; Mercedes Ice; Scribbleboy, *Philip Ridley*

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory; Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator; Fantastic Mr Fox; James and the Giant Peach; Revolting Rhymes; The BFG; Twits, *Roald Dahl*

The Big Match; Time Rangers series, *Rob Childs*

The Invisible Boy; The Smallest Girl Ever; The Strongest Girl in the World; The Boy Who Could fly, *Sally Gardner*

Astrosaurus series; Cows in Action, *Steve Cole*

Finally, a selection of some poetry...

Classics

Macavity, the Mystery Cat, *TS Eliot*

Sea Fever, *John Masefield*

The Wreck of the Hesperus, *HW Longfellow*

The Jumblies, *Edward Lear*

The Listeners, *Walter de la Mare*

You are Old, Father William, *Lewis Carroll*

The Highwayman, *Alfred Noyes*

It was Long Ago, *Eleanor Farjeon*

Tarantella, *Hilaire Belloc*

And Modern

Friendly Matches; Please Mrs Butler, *Allan Ahlberg*

Hard Boiled Legs; Spider Bought a Bicycle; Tea in the Sugar Bowl, *Michael Rosen*

I Like This Poem, *Kaye Webb*

Love that Dog, *Sharon Creech*

Revolting Rhymes, *Roald Dahl*

Tongue Twisters and Tonsil Twizzlers, *Paul Cookson*

We Animals Would Like a Word With You, *John Agard*