Junior Reading List - Crime

Selected reading books and useful websites are offered as a guide to parents to support their child's learning at home.



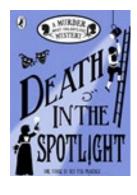
The Baker Street Boys - Anthony Read

Based on the Baker Street Irregulars, who first appeared in The Sherlock Holmes stories 'A Study in Scarlet' and later in 'The Sign of Four'. This is a series of historical crime thrillers suitable for Years 5 and 6 and up that capture the feel of victorian London. Both 'A Study in Scarlet' and 'The Sign of Four' have been adapted for the Real Reads series, classic fiction abridged and edited for younger readers.



The Top Secret History of Codes and Code Breaking - Roy Apps

Explore the history of codes from The Haircut Code, used by the Persians to convey messages in war, to Ancient Hebrew ciphers and pictorial codes of the Egyptians and Mayans. This book also features strange-but-true facts that are real-life extraordinary stories of codes and their code breakers and 'Code Cracker' practical activities show how you can build or solve your own codes! Suitable for Year 4 and up.



Murder Most Unladylike - Robin Stevens

This series has been immensely popular with our Year 7 and 8 pupils but the adventures of Daisy and Hazel are sure to satisfy would be detectives in Year 5 and 6 too!



The Secret Seven - Enid Blyton

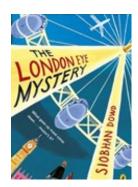
Solve the mystery with the Secret Seven, everyone's favourite detective club! These timeless stories are perfect for young fans of mystery, adventure or detective series. A selection of titles is available on audiobook, check out your public library's online catalogue. Suitable for Year 3 and up.

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Dead Man's Cove - Lauren St John

When orphaned Laura Marlin moves from a children's home to live with her uncle in Cornwall, she longs for a life of excitement just like the characters in her favourite detective novels. A real life mystery is on hand as she is deposited at her uncle's spooky house, and who better to solve it than Laura Marlin, ace detective? The first title in this series, suitable for Years 5, 6 and up.



The London Eye mystery - Siobhan Dowd

Ted and his sister Kat watch their cousin Salim get on board the London Eye. The pod rises from the ground, high above the city. The pod lands and the doors open. Everyone exits, everyone but Salim. Even the police are baffled, so it is up to Ted, whose brain runs on its own unique operating system, to solve this mystery and find Salim. Teaming up with Kat, Ted follows a trail of clues across London, while time ticks dangerously by. Suitable for Year 5 and up.

Crime Themed Websites

Take a look at these websites related to detectives mentioned in this reading list:



Visit: Robin Stevens

The author's official website includes some suggestions for activities including writing and design tasks.



Visit: teded

A short animated film showing how our interpretations of Sherlock Holmes have changed over the years.