
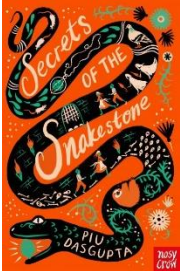
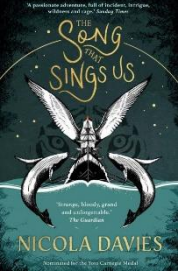
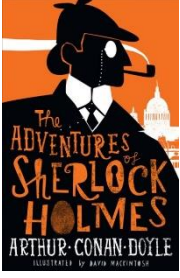
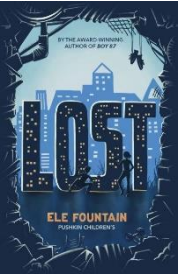

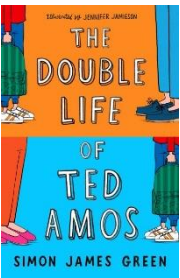
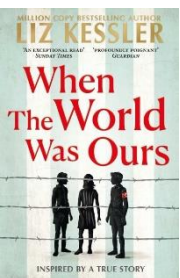

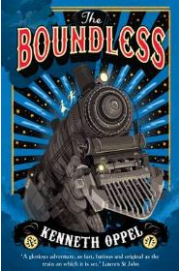
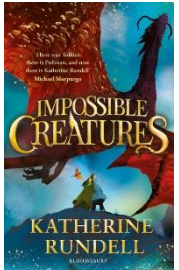
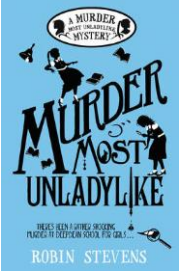


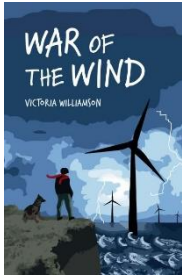
Year 7 Recommended Reads

This booklist has been put together to help you explore a wide range of stories and voices. Inside, you'll find exciting adventures, powerful and emotional tales, and modern books that reflect the world you live in today. Some titles will challenge you, some will inspire you, and some might even become your new favourites. The books are available to borrow from the Senior Library or from the digital library SORA.

	<p>Welcome to Trashland – Steve Cole A teenage boy trying to scavenge enough to live on in an e-waste dump in Ghana gets caught up in a gang war.</p> <p>Dyslexia friendly / Adventure Story / Africa / Gangs / Ghana / Rubbish / Waste</p>
	<p>Secrets of the Snakestone – Piu DasGupta Zelie and Jules face a deadly race to solve a family mystery and a vicious crime that stretches from the jungles of Calcutta to the sewers of Paris.</p> <p>Adventure stories / Fantasy stories / Friendship</p>
	<p>The Song that Sings Us – Nicola Davies When animals talk, it's time humans listened: Harlon has been raised to protect her younger siblings, twins Ash and Xeno, and their outlawed power of communicating with animals. But when the sinister Automators attack their mountain home they must flee for their lives. Xeno is kidnapped and Harlon and Ash are separated. In a thrilling and dangerous adventure they must all journey alone through the ice fields, forests and oceans of Rumyc to try to rescue each other and fulfil a mysterious promise about a lost island made to their mother. A stunning environmental epic with cover and chapter illustrations by award-winning illustrator, Jackie Morris.</p> <p>Animals / Environment / Families / Fantasy Story / Friendship / Journeys</p>

	<p>The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes – Arthur Conan Doyle From his Baker Street apartment, Sherlock Holmes wields his powers of deduction in pursuit of justice and truth, venturing out into foggy Victorian London accompanied by his faithful sidekick Dr Watson. Showcasing Arthur Conan Doyle's inimitable genius for mystery and storytelling, these tales are proof that the famous detective remains one of the greatest crime fighters ever created.</p> <p>Classic / Crime / Detectives / Victorians / Short Stories</p>
	<p>Lost – Ele Fountain When their father fails to come home one day, Lola and Amit face a terrifying new reality.</p> <p>Adventure story / Siblings / Families / Homelessness</p>
	<p>The Final Year – Matt Goodfellow Follows the story of a young boy going into year 6, dealing with a failing friendship, an ill younger brother and his own mental demons. Novel in verse.</p> <p>Bullying / Mental Health / School stories / Self-esteem / Empathy</p>
	<p>The Double Life of Ted Amos – Simon James Green Ted's parents are divorced, and for the most part it's OK by him, spending his weekends with Dad and his new family. But then Ted realizes that he can totally test out a whole new Ted on weekends by stretching the truth, and suddenly he's the Ted he's always wanted to be! But lies are hard to keep up with.</p> <p>Funny stories / Bullying / Carers / Confidence / Divorce / Empathy / LGBTQ</p>
	<p>When the World was Ours – Liz Kessler Max, Leo and Elsa are three friends in Vienna in 1936, whose lives are transformed by the course of events over the next nine years.</p> <p>World War Two / Historical story / Holocaust / Antisemitism / Concentration Camps</p>

	<p>The Railway Children – E Nesbit</p> <p>This classic tale recounts the adventures of three children who strike up a friendship with the stationmaster of the nearby railway station.</p> <p>Classic</p>
	<p>Boundless – Kenneth Oppel</p> <p>Will Everett always wished for an adventure ... but he wasn't expecting one to start the moment he boarded the Boundless, the largest and most magnificent train ever built.</p> <p>Adventure Story / Forensics / History / Journeys / Trains</p>
	<p>Impossible Creatures – Katherine Rundell</p> <p>Christopher is visiting his reclusive grandfather when he sees an avalanche of mythical creatures come tearing down the hill. This is how he learns that his grandfather is the guardian of one of the ways between the non-magical world and the Archipelago, a cluster of magical islands where the creatures we tell of in myth live and breed and thrive alongside humans. They have been protected from being discovered for thousands of years; now, terrifyingly, the protection has worn thin, and creatures are breaking through. Then Mal appears in Christopher's world. She is in possession of a flying coat, is being pursued by a killer and is herself in pursuit of a baby griffin. Mal, Christopher and the griffin embark on an urgent quest across the wild splendour of the Archipelago, where sphinxes hold secrets and centaurs do murder, to find the truth - with unimaginable consequences for both their worlds.</p> <p>Adventure Story / Fantasy Story / Mythical Creatures</p>
	<p>Murder Most Unladylike – Robin Stevens</p> <p>When Daisy Wells and Hazel Wong set up their very own deadly secret detective agency at Deepdean School for Girls, they struggle to find any truly exciting mysteries to investigate. But then Hazel discovers the Science Mistress, Miss Bell, lying dead in the Gym. She thinks it must all have been a terrible accident - but when she and Daisy return five minutes later, the body has disappeared. Now the girls know a murder must have taken place - and there's more than one person at Deepdean with a motive.</p> <p>Adventure story / Crime / Detectives / History / 1930s</p>



War of the Wind – Victoria Williamson

After losing his hearing fourteen-year-old Max, discovers that a sinister scientist is using wind turbines to experiment on the islanders.

Adventure Story / Deafness / Disabilities / Mystery Story / Wind energy