

Recommended books for ages 8-12

Giving children a wide variety of exciting and engaging new books to choose from is vital to their development as a reader and a key part of our Young Readers Programme. Here, we've put together some of our current favourite books for children and young people, as well as some advice for finding books that will excite and engage your children.

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Our current favourites for ages 8-12

- *The Very Merry Murder Club* ed. by Serena Patel and Robin Stevens
- *Football School: Star Players* by Alex Bellos
- *Light Fall* by Tim Probert
- *You Can Do It* by Marcus Rashford
- *The Griffin Gate* by Vashti Hardy
- *How Was That Built?* by Roma Agrawal
- *Cat Reacts to Science Facts* by Izzi Howell
- *Kiki Kallira Breaks a Kingdom* by Sangu Mandanna
- *The Lightning Catcher* by Clare Weze
- *Licence to Chill* by Maz Evans
- *Voyage of the Sparrowhawk* by Natasha Farrant
- *Splatoon Vol. 1* by Sankichi Hinodeya
- *After the War* by Tom Palmer
- *Agent Zaiba Investigates: The Smuggler's Secret* by Annabelle Sami
- *Danny Chung Does Not Do Maths* by Maisie Chan
- *The Last Bear* by Hannah Gold
- *Birdsong* by Katya Balen
- *The Secret Sunshine Project* by Benjamin Dean



- *Wingbearer* by Marjorie Lie
- *The Midnight Guardians* by Ross Montgomery
- *The Girl Who Stole an Elephant* by Nizrana Farook
- *Ariki and the Island of Wonders* by Nicola Davies
- *Climate Action* by Georgina Stevens
- *Big City Atlas* by Maggie Li
- *The Undefeated* by Kwame Alexander
- *Amari and the Night Brothers* by BB Alston
- *Little Badman and the Invasion of the Killer Aunties* by Humza Arshad and Henry White
- *Boy Underwater* by Adam Baron
- *Cyborg Cat and the Night Spider* by Ade Adepitan
- *El Deafo* by Cece Bell
- *Asha and the Spirit Bird* by Jasbinder Bilan
- *Where the River Runs Gold* by Sita Brahmachari
- *Gracie Fairshaw and the Mysterious Guest* by Susan Brownrigg
- *The Accidental Diary of B.U.G.* by Jen Carney
- *The Wizards of Once* by Cressida Cowell
- *I, Coriander* by Sally Gardner
- *Melissa (formerly published as George)* by Alex Gino
- *Tall Story* by Candy Gourlay
- *Proud of Me* by Sarah Hegger-Holt
- *Rumaysa: A Fairytale* by Radiya Hafiza
- *Stormbreaker* by Anthony Horowitz
- *High Rise Mystery* by Sharna Jackson
- *The Strangeworlds Travel Agency* by L.D. Lapinski
- *Shine* by Kate Maryon
- *A Kind of Spark* by Ellie McNicoll
- *Planet Omar: Accidental Trouble Magnet* by Zanib Mian



- *Lori and Max* by Catherine O’Flynn
- *Wonder* by R J Palacio
- *The Boy at the Back of the Class* by Onjali Q. Rauf
- *Look Both Ways* by Jason Reynolds
- *Rooftoppers* by Katherine Rundell
- *The Boy who Made Everyone Laugh* by Helen Rutter
- *Can You See Me* by Libby Scott and Rebecca Westcott
- *Queer Heroes* by Arabelle Sicardi
- *My Brother is a Superhero* by David Solomons
- *Death in the Spotlight* by Robin Stevens
- *Drama* by Raina Telgemeier
- *Science and Me* by Ali Winter
- *Funky Chickens* by Benjamin Zephaniah

