

Year 5 Books List - recommendations from the school library. Try to read at least 20 of these books (in any order) before you leave Year 5!

| Title | Author | Themes | Length | Date Read |
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| Hamish and the Baby Boom | Danny Wallace | Humour, Family, Friendship, Illustrated | 305 | |
| Nevermoor The Trials of Morrigan Crow | Jessica Townsend | Magical Fantasy Adventure | 370 | |
| I Swapped My Brother on the Internet | Jo Simmons | Humour, Family, Internet, Tudors, Illustrated | 292 | |
| A Witch Alone | James Nicol | Humour, Witches, Adventure | 338 | |
| A Witch Come True | James Nicol | Humour, Witches, Adventure | 337 | |
| Nelly and the Flight of the Sky Lantern | Roland Chambers | Humour, Adventure, Illustrated | 167 | |
| Rooftoppers | Katherine Rundell | Family, Paris, Adventure | | |

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| The Girl Who Walked on Air | Emma Carroll | Circus, Tightrope, Adventure | | |
| Arsenic for Tea | Robin Stevens | Detectives, Murder Mystery | | |
| Alex Rider Stormbreaker | Anthony Horowitz | Spy Adventure | 238 | |
| Jake Atlas and the Quest for Crystal Mountain | Rob Lloyd Jones | Adventure, Archaeology | 315 | |
| Kat Wolf Investigates | Lauren St John | Adventure, Detectives, Conservation | | |
| Night Zoo Keeper | Joshua Davidson | Fantasy, Animals | 146 | |
| Framed | Frank Cottrell Boyce | Family, Adventure, Humour | | |
| Mission Alert Lab 101 | Benjamin Hulme-Cross | High-Tech Adventure | 65 | |
| Mission Alert Greyfields | Benjamin Hulme-Cross | High-Tech Adventure | 65 | |
| Hari and His Electric Feet | Alexander McCall Smith | Dancing, Family, Illustrated | 119 | |
| The Fire Maker | Guy Jones | Magic, Adventure, Friendship | 231 | |
| The Jewelled Jaguar | Sharon Tregenza | Adventure | | |
| The Magic Misfits | Neil Patrick Harris | Magicians, Adventure, Illustrated | 242 | |

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| Ruby Redfort: Look into My Eyes | Lauren Child | Spies, Mystery, Code-Breaking | | |
| A Spoonful of Murder | Robin Stevens | Girl detectives, Hong Kong, mystery | | |
| The Indian in the Cupboard | Lynne Reid Banks | Magical | | |
| Winter Magic | Abi Elphinstone | Short stories, Winter themed | | |
| Who Let the Gods Out | Maz Evans | Greek Myths, Humour, Empathy | | |
| Dork Diaries series | Renee Russell | Humour, school, friendships | | |
| Diary of A Wimpy Kid series | Jeff Kinney | Humour, school, friendships | | |
| The Secret Garden | Frances Hodgson Burnett | Historical fiction, classic | | |
| Horrible Histories: Terrible Tudors | Terry Deary | Non-fiction | | |
| Lots | Marc Martin | Geography, Science, Non-fiction | | |
| Journeys | Jonathan Litton | Geography, History, Non-fiction | 48 | |
| Holes | Jonathan Litton | Science, Geography, Non-fiction | | |

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| A Place Called Perfect | Helena Duggan | Fantasy, magic, adventure | 372 | |
| The Trouble with Perfect | Helena Duggan | Magic, Fantasy, Adventure | 372 | |
| Stunt Double Jungle Curse | Tamsin Cooke | Adventure, Jungle, Movies | 253 | |
| The Worst Witch and the Wishing Star | Jill Murphy | Funny, magic, school | 188 | |
| Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets | JK Rowling | Magic, Wizards, Bravery, Boarding School | 208 | |
| The Brontes | Anna Doherty | Non-fiction, Biography, Books | 30 | |
| Sky Song | Abi Elphinstone | Magical Adventure | | |
| Rumblestar | Abi Elphinstone | Magical Adventure | | |
| Wonders of the World's Museums | Molly Oldfield | Non-fiction, illustrated | | |
| Wonder | R J Palacio | Empathy, family, school | | |
| The White Fox | Jackie Morris | Animal, friendship | | |
| The Clockwork Sparrow | Katherine Woodfine | Detectives, Mystery, Historical fiction | | |
| Journey to the River Sea | Eva Ibbotson | Amazon rainforest, Adventure | | |

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| The Last Wild | Piers Torday | Courage, friendship, animals | | |
| Five Children and It | E Nesbit | Classic Historical fiction, magical creature, family | | |
| The Academy of Barmy Composers | Mark Llewelyn Evans | Illustrated, opera, composers | 66 | |
| Anthology of Amazing Women | Sandra Lawrence | Short biographies of 50 women | | |
| Action Stan | Elaine Wickson | Humour, maths, data visualisation | 200 | |
| Scoop McLaren Detective Editor | Helen Castles | Detective, investigative reporter, mystery | 240 | |
| Jack Dash Adventures (3 Books) | Sophie Plowden | Illustrated, Humour, Family | 270 | |
| The Adventures of King Arthur | Russell Punter | Graphic Novel, Historical, Knights | 100 | |
| The Travels of Ermine (who is very determined) | Jennifer Gray | New York, Humour, Illustrated, Diamond Robbery | 152 | |
| The Boy and the Globe | Tony Bradman | Globe Theatre, William Shakespeare, illustrated | 140 | |
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| Extension List Yr 5 | | | | |
| Midnight at Moonstone | Lara Flecker | Magical Mystery, Illustrated | 271 | |
| The Great Sea Dragon Discovery | Pippa Goodhart | Historical, paleontology | 260 | |
| Me and Mr P Joe's New World | Maria Farrer | Empathy, Moving Home, Polar Bear, Illustrated | 271 | |
| Alienated | Jeff Norton | Aliens, school, bullies | 318 | |
| The Lost Magician | Piers Torday | Fantasy, | | |
| Malamander | Thomas Taylor | Mystery, Spooky, Seaside Hotel | 302 | |
| The Children of Castle Rock | Natasha Farrant | Adventure, Boarding School, Scottish Highlands | 350 | |
| The London Eye Mystery | Siobhan Dowd | Aventure, Mystery, London, Autism | 316 | |
| The Maker of Monsters | Lorraine Gregory | Monsters, Empathy, Adventure | 248 | |
| Just So Stories | Rudyard Kipling | India, Animals, Humour | 200 | |

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