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Anholt, L	Eco-wolf And TheThree Pigs	Eco-wolf is furious when three bad pigs start messing his valley vibes and building on his peaceful countryside home, but does he have enough huff and puff to blow up the polluting pigs' plans?		KS1/2	Humour
Ashley, B	Dinner Ladies Don't Count	Jason storms around the school in a temper, and then gets the blame for something he didn't do. Linda tells a lie, and is horrified to see it grow, just as it seems things can't possibly get worse, help comes for both of them in surprising ways.		KS1/2	Familiar Settings
Banks, L R	Harry The Poisonous Centipede Goes To Sea	The story of a cowardly young centipede who only risks venturing into the dangerous no -top world when dared by his friend George		KS2	Adventure
Barber, A	Mousehole Cat	Discover the Cornish tale of Mowzer the cat, and Tom the old fisherman, who brave the wrath of the Great Storm-Cat to try and save their village.	R/R	KS1 (JP)	Adventure
Bawden, N	Carrie's War	Evacuated from London to Wales during the Second World War, Carrie and her brother are sent to live with the very strict Mr Evans. But in trying to heal the breach between Mr Evans and his sister, Carrie does the worst thing she ever did in her life.	NATE	KS2 (Upper)	World War II
Benjamin, F	ComingTo England	When Floella Benjamin came to England from Trinidad she hadn't seen her parents for fifteen months. When she started school she was shocked and upset by the taunting and rejection she faced. She soon realized that the only way to survive was to be twice as good as anyone else.		KS2	Multicultural
Blake, Q	Story Of The Dancing Frog	George, a tiny green frog, leaps from the obscurity of the pond lily pad into the showbiz spotlight where his fancy footwork and toe-tapping talent for dancing is discovered.	R/R	KS2	Relationships
Booth, M	Midnight Saboteur	In 1942 Jeremy Crane is living with his grandmother while his parents are away in the forces. Reading an official letter, he discovers that his mother is an undercover agent and is in trouble. Determined to rescue her, he makes his way to France to rescue her from the Gestapo.		KS2 (Upper)	World War II
Brace, S	Village Life In India	What is it like to live in an Indian village? What happens on a typical day in Chembakolli? How do people farm in the Nilgiri Hills? Just some of the questions answered in this informative book.		KS2	Multicultural Non-Fiction

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Bradman, T	Dilly The Dinosaur	The four stories included in this text introduce the young reader to Dilly, the world's naughtiest dinosaur.		KS1/2	Relationships
Brennan, H	Letters From A Mouse	Can you help a small mouse solve a big mystery? Read his lively letters and see if you can crack the case!		KS2	Letters
Breslin, T	Dream Master	This novel is set in both a modern school and Ancient Egypt. Cy our hero, discovers Amun in his wardrobe. Amun has arrived via Cy's dreams and has to find his way back.		KS2	Fantasy
Browne, A	Tunnel	A brother and sister argue all the time, until one day they discover a secret tunnel - and everything changes.	R/R	KS1/2 (JP)	Relationships
Browne, E	Handa's Surprise	Set in Africa, this picture book is about a girl's eventful journey with a basket of fruit. As she walks, carrying the basket on her head, various creatures steal her fruits.	R/R	KS1 (JP)	Multicultural
Burnett, F	Secret Garden	Mary Lennox is sent to her uncle's lonely house on the Yorkshire Moors. She discovers a secret garden and with the help of her friend Dickon restores the garden.	R/R	KS2 (Upper)	Edwardian
Burningham, J	Oi! Get Off Our Train	A little boy sets off on a round-the-world train to dreamland with only his toy dog for company, But soon all kinds of endangered animals are asking if they can join them on their journey.		KS1 (JP)	Transport
Burningham, J	Shopping Basket	Tea-time is looming , and Steven is sent out to the corner shop. Along the way he meets several shady characters who are only too willing to lighten Steven's basket by helping themselves to his shopping! Only by his quick wits can he outsmart the bullies and save his tea.	R/R	KS1 (JP)	Journeys
Butterfield, M	Little Red Riding Hood	This colourful playtale shows how to prepare and act out the exciting story of Red Riding Hood.		KS1	Play
Butterfield, M	Puss-In-Boots	This colourful playtale shows how to prepare and act out the exciting story of Puss-In-Boots.		KS1	Play
Butterfield, M	Sleeping Beauty	This colourful playtale shows how to prepare and act out the exciting story of Sleeping Beauty.		KS1	Play
Byers, B	Midnight Fox	Tom, a town boy, is horrified when his parents tell him he is to stay on Aunt Millie's farm while they are away. He finds country life strange and uncomfortable until he finds a rare black fox with green eyes, living with her cubs in the forest.		KS2 (Upper)	Animal

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Cameron, A	Julian Stories	Six funny and lively tales about Julian and his little brother Huey and their mischievous daily lives.		KS1/2	Multicultural
Colfer, E	Legend Of Captain Crows Teeth	Will and his brothers are on holiday in a cramped caravan on the wild irish coast. All the boys love ghost stories, but one dark night Will's older brother, Marty tells the bloodcurdling tale of the cutthroat pirate, Captain Crow.		KS1/2	Relationships
Colfer, E	Legend Of Spud Murphy	Will and his brother Marty hate reading and are not amused when their parents send them to the library during the school holidays. The librarian is rumoured to shoot children with a spud gun if they make a noise. Is Spud Murphy really that bad and will they change their mind about books?		KS2	Familiar Settings
Colfer, E	Supernaturalist	Cosmo Hill longs to escape from the Clarissa Fayne Institute For Parentally Challenged Boys. But, when his chance comes, things don't go according to plan. Enter the Supernaturals, who save Cosmo from his terrible fate, and enlist him as one of their own.		KS2 (Upper)	Sci-fi
Cooper, H	House Cat	This is the story of Tom-cat who is put in a cardboard box and forced to move to a new house and the many adventures that befall him as he tries to find his way home		KS1 (JP)	Animal
Cowcher, H	Whistling Thorn	Explain how the acacia bushes of the African savannah have adapted over time and developed their own protection against browsing animals - the Whistling Thorn.	LHU	KS1 (JP)	Animal
Cross, G	Demon Headmaster	Dinah is sent to a new foster home and starts a new school where all the pupils, except her foster brothers, are all unnervingly well-behaved. What is the secret of the Headmaster's control over them and why are they afraid.		KS2	Familiar Settings
Crossley-Holland, K	Storm	On a terrible night, with the phone lines down, Annie's sister Willa goes into labour. As she braves the night, a horseman swings into view. Before she can protest, Annie finds herself on a dream-like journey.		KS2	Adventure
Dahl, R	Charlie And The Chocolate Factory	Charlie Bucket can't believe his luck when he finds a golden ticket and wins the chance of a lifetime: a magical day witnessing the miraculous creation of the most delectable eatables ever made.		KS2	Fantasy

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Dahl, R	Fantastic Mr Fox	Boggis, Bunce & Bean are just about the nastiest three farmers you could ever wish to meet. They hate Mr Fox and are determined to get him, and plan to catch him by whatever means necessary.		KS1/2	Humour
Dahl, R	James And The Giant Peach	James has lived with his two beastly aunts ever since his parents were eaten up outside London Zoo. But one day a man gives him a bag of magic crocodile tongues and so begins the adventure of his dreams	R/R	KS2	Fantasy
Deary, T	Custard Kid	When the Custard Kid hits town, all manner of mayhem follows, especially when he meets the hurricane with red hair known as Calamity Kate. Both are waiting for the stagecoach bound for Hollywood, but will either of them ever get on it?		KS2	Wild West
Dickens, C	Christmas Carol	The classic ghostly tale set in Dickensian london about Ebenezer Scrooge and the true spirit of Christmas.		KS2	Victorians
D'Lacey, C	Fly, Cherokee, Fly	Everyone deserves a second chance, even an injured racing pigeon. Darryl, who has always longed for a pet, is determined that Cherokee will fly again. But he doesn't expect that the fight to keep her will mean that he will become a victim himself.		KS2	Animal
Doherty, B	Children Of Winter	Catherine and her family are out for a walk when a sudden storm blows up. The children take shelter in a deserted barn. As the daylight fades, Catherine senses the secrets of the surrounding hills press in upon her, secrets from another, older time, It's a time of great danger for the children as they are pulled back to the age of the Plague and must fight to survive.		KS2	Plague
Doherty, B	Tilly Mint And The Dodo	When the magical Mrs Hardcastle reappears, Tilly Mint knows she's going to have an adventure. When the last dodo hatches out of the strange egg in Mrs Hardcastle's basket, Tilly finds herself going back in time and dodging the hunters and pirates with her new friend.		KS2	Adventure
Donaldson, J	Gruffalo's Child	A rhyming story about a clever little mouse and a monster. While out in the forest, mouse invents tales of a fantastic creature called a Gruffalo to scare off his enemies - then he meets a real Gruffalo.		KS1	Fantasy

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Drummond, A	Willow Pattern Story	The willow pattern has retained it's appeal for almost 200 years,inspiring countless collections of blue and white china. This is one artist's version of the poignant love story that can be read in the design.		KS2	Multicultural
Ellis, M	Elephant Child	Shola, an orphan kept safe by elephants, is given a home by Leo's family,until a terrible accident shatters their lives and she and Leo are seperated, On his return to Africa Leo finds the elephants have fled and Shola is strangely silent. Together the children uncover an earth-shakingly terrible crime.		KS2	Multicultural
Fine, A	Angel Of Nitshill Road	An angel provides unexpected support for the children at Nitshill Road. A humorous story about the difficult topic of bullying.		KS2	Relationships
Fine, A	Country Pancake	Lancelot's lovely teacher, Miss Mirabelle, is in big trouble. She's told a giant whopper and unless she can come up with a brilliant plan, she's going to look very, very silly.		KS2	Familiar Settings
Fine, A	Diary Of a Killer Cat	Ellie is horrified when Tuffy drags a dead bird into the house. Who will be the next victim through the cat-flap? Can Ellie get her pet to change his ways? Story told by the killer cat himself.		KS1/2	Humour
Fine, A	Goggle-eyes	Kitty Killin is not only a good story-teller, but also the world's greatest expert when it comes to mothers having new and unwanted boyfriends. Particularly when there's a danger they might turn into new and unwanted stepfathers!		KS2 (Upper)	Relationships
Fine, A	Madame Doubtfire	Lydia, Christopher and Natalie have been torn between their warring parents ever since the divorce. All that changes when their mother takes on a most unusual cleaning lady. But, as the Hilliard children discover, there's more to Madame Doubtfire than domestic talents.		KS2 (Upper)	Relationships
Fine, A	Step By Wicked Step	Stranded by a storm in an eerie stately home, five children uncover the story of a boy from the past who suffered at the hands of a wicked stepfather. The children soon begin to recount their experiences with their own step-parents.		KS2 (Upper)	Relationships
Foreman, M	Seal Surfer	Commended for the S.E.N. Book award this is an enchanting story about a disabled boy who gets into trouble with the rough seas and is saved by a baby seal. A powerful story of friendship across generations, species and abilities		KS1/2 (JP)	Relationships

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Foreman, M	War Game	Examining the life of ordinary soldiers during World War 1, this book recalls the heroism of the young soldiers and the spirit of sympathy that grew up between the two armies as they suffered on the front line.	R/R	KS2 (Upper)	World War I
French, V	Farmer Duck	Walker story plays are perfect for reading aloud. A preliminary step to reading play scripts, they are written for four voices, with the parts clearly denoted by different colour bands.		KS1	Play
French, V	Gingerbread Boy	Walker story plays are perfect for reading aloud. A preliminary step to reading play scripts, they are written for four voices, with the parts clearly denoted by different colour bands.		KS1	Play
French, V	Jack and the Beanstalk	Walker story plays are perfect for reading aloud. A preliminary step to reading play scripts, they are written for four voices, with the parts clearly denoted by different colour bands.		KS1	Play
French, V	Little Rabbit Foo Foo	Walker story plays are perfect for reading aloud. A preliminary step to reading play scripts, they are written for four voices, with the parts clearly denoted by different colour bands.		KS1	Play
French, V	Oliver's Vegetables	Oliver will only eat chips, so when he visits his Grandpa's vegetable plot, his Grandpa makes a pact with him. If he can find the potatoes, he can have chips BUT if he finds other vegetables, he must eat them.		KS1 (JP)	Healthy Eating
French, V	This Is The Bear	Walker story plays are perfect for reading aloud. A preliminary step to reading play scripts, they are written for four voices, with the parts clearly denoted by different colour bands.		KS1	Play
French, V	Three Billy Goats Gruff	Walker story plays are perfect for reading aloud. A preliminary step to reading play scripts, they are written for four voices, with the parts clearly denoted by different colour bands.		KS1	Play
French, V	Three Little Pigs	Walker story plays are perfect for reading aloud. A preliminary step to reading play scripts, they are written for four voices, with the parts clearly denoted by different colour bands.		KS1	Play
French, V	We're Going On A Bear Hunt	Walker story plays are perfect for reading aloud. A preliminary step to reading play scripts, they are written for four voices, with the parts clearly denoted by different colour bands.		KS1	Play

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Garfield, L	Fair's Fair	Jackson is cold and starving. He's looking forward to the steaming pie that's payment for a long night's work. He gives half his meal away to a dog. One bargain soon leads to another - and some unexpected rewards. A Victorian story.	R/R	KS2	Victorians
Garner, A	Elidor	On a gloomy day in Manchester, Roland, Helen, Nicholas and David are lured into a ruined church, where the fabric of time and place is weak enough to allow them into the twilight world called Elidor. The children are charged with guarding its Treasures.		KS2 (Upper)	Fantasy
Gavin, J	Grandpa Chatterji	Neetu and Sanjay have never met their unusual grandpa, theyre in for a shock, Grandpa stands on one leg,makes delicious pakoras and sleeps in a bed roll. And he can see poppies when no one else can! Whatever will Grandpa Chatterji do next.		KS2	Multicultural
Gavin, J	Wormholers	Through a crack in the kitchen floor, Natalie, Chad and Sophie are plunged into another universe. They encounter a strange professor who shows them the infinity of possible worlds and gives them a chance to find where they truly belong.		KS2 (Upper)	Fantasy
Geras, A	Toey	Toey the ginger kitten takes a while to settle into his new home with Mark and Josie, but soon he's chasing birds and pretending to be a tiger in the Jungle at the bottom of the garden.There's something strange about the Jungle,though,and Toey may be the only one to know what it is.		KS1/2	Animal
Gleitzman, M	Worm Story	This is the hilarious tale of two tiny parasites, Algy the microbe, and Wilton the worm and their very big adventure.		KS2	Humour
Gliori, D	Snow Lambs	The snow is falling thick and fast Bess, Sam's sheepdog, is missing. She disappeared while helping Sam's dad herd the sheep in for the evening. How will she find her way home in such terrible weather?	LHU	KS1	Animal
Gordon, J	Midwinter Watch	One winter's day, a hundred years ago, a valuable timepiece was stolen from Silas Heron. The theft was blamed on a passing beggar boy, but, as Sophie, Jack and Simon are about to discover the truth is far more complex.		KS2 (Upper)	Adventure

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Graham, H	Boy And His Bear	Dickon lives in a time when wild bears are made to fight for men's sport. As a young tanner's apprentice, he is sent to the Bear Garden the centre of this cruel world. Here he encounters Nounou a recently captured bear cub and is determined to save it from the horrors of the bear pit.		KS2 (Upper)	Animal
Gray, K	Eat Your Peas	Mum tries to bribe Daisy to eat her peas with promises of a baby elephant, an extra pudding, even a chocolate factory. Now will Daisy eat her peas? An award winner in the popular Daisy series.		KS1 (JP)	Familiar Settings
Hamilton, R	Jack Bolt And The Highwaymen's Hideout	Jack becomes involved with a gang of highwaymen both in the 21st century and in the eighteenth century.		KS2 (Upper)	Adventure
Hamley, D	War And Freddy	September 1939. We see the war through three year old Freddy's eyes, watching dogfights in the sky, playing war games and worrying whether he will get a meccano set for christmas. But hanging over him is the terrible knowledge that he may never see his missing father again.		KS2	World War II
Hathorn, L	Way Home	This is the dangerous inner city at night and we travel with Shane as he takes home a stray kitten, running terrified from a gang, leaping through screaming traffic, escaping a fierce dog and finally arriving "home."		KS2 (JP)	Animal
Hayes, S	This Is The Bear	The boy, the bear and the dog are the best of friends. But one day the bear gets lost and has to be searched for high and low.	R/R	KS1 (JP)	Journeys
Hendry, D	Harvey Angell	Harvey Angell has all the kit, uses 'sparky' lingo and is a dab hand with a pair of pliers, but Henry's got a feeling he's no ordinary electrician. Henry is determined to find out just exactly who he really is		KS2	Fantasy
Hoffman, M	Amazing Grace	Grace loves to act out stories. When her school decides to perform Peter Pan, Grace longs to play the lead, but her classmates point out that Peter was a boy, and besides he wasn't black.	R/R	KS1(JP)	Multicultural
Hoffman, M	Colour Of Home	Hassan and his family escape the horrors of war in Somalia and seek asylum in the UK. This is a thought-provoking story of a young refugee and the compassion and understanding shown to him as he tries to integrate in his new school.		KS1/2 (JP)	Multicultural

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Homer	Odyssey	Homer's epic tells of the adventures of Odysseus, recounting the hero's wanderings and his eventual regaining of his kingdom. Greek mythology.		KS2	Myths & Legends
Hughes,S	Angel Mae	Mae Morgan is looking forward to having a baby brother or sister, but the baby threatens to upstage Mae by arriving on the morning of the christmas nativity play. Will everyone be more interested in the new baby than in Mae as the angel Gabriel?		KS1 (JP)	Relationships
Hughes,T	Iron Man	A clanking iron giant topples from a cliff and lies smashed on the rocks below. Then his various parts begin to stir and reach out for one another. The Iron Man is ready to walk again, and he is very hungry.	NATE	KS2	Fantasy
Ibbotson,E	Journey To The River Sea	Maia, orphaned at 13, is unhappy to be staying with relatives hundreds of miles up the Amazon. She becomes friends with an English boy who lives with the locals. They are forced to flee upriver, pursued by an assortment of excentric characters.		KS2 (Upper)	Adventure
James, S	Dear Greenpeace	Told entirely in letter form - the correspondence between a small girl called Emily and the conservation organisation, Greenpeace about a whale that she says lives in her garden pond.		KS1 (JP)	Letters
Jennings P	Cabbage Patch Fib	When dad tells eight year old Chris where babies come from, eight year old Chris duly goes outside to search the cabbage patch and finds a bright green infant.Chris is delighted until the baby's habit of holding its breath and turning purple unless Chris is on hand makes his life extremeley difficult.		KS2	Humour
Jennings, P	Cabbage Patch War	A barbecue from hell. spuds on the roof. A visit from police. It was war, a fight to the finish between Dad and Whacka, And Chris was right in the middle of it. All because Dad vomited in the cabbage patch.		KS2	Relationships
Jungman, A	School For Dragons	M1 is a little dragon who would love to go to school and learn to read. But it's not as easy for him as it is for ordinary kids, because some people don't want dragons in their schools. And what's more, when M1 looks at books he gets so excited that he breathes fire! but his new friends are determined to make their school a school for dragons		KS2	Familiar Settings

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Jungman, A	Vlad The Drac	When Paul and Judy find a baby vampire in Romania, they take him home as a souvenir. Vlad the drac is unlike other vampires, he's a vegetarian who faints at the sight of blood.		KS2	Humour
Kaye, G	My Second Best Friend	Lucy's really excited when a gypsy caravan arrives on the empty plot of land next door to her house. She meets Bel who soon becomes her second best friend. But how long will Bel's family stay? It's not easy being friends with someone who might have to leave any day.	LHU	KS2	Relationships
Kemp, G	Turbulent Term Of Tyke Tyler	Tyke Tiler and Danny Price are best friends, much to the despair of the headmaster of Cricklepit Combined School because wherever the pair go, trouble is never far behind.		KS2	Familiar Settings
King, C	Stig Of The Dump	Nobody believes Barney when he says he's discovered a boy living wild in the dump. They become great friends, learn each other's ways and embark on a series of exciting adventures.	R/R	KS2	Adventure
King-Smith, D	Hodgeheg	Max's family dream of reaching the Park. But no one has ever found a safe way of crossing the very busy road. Can Max really solve the problem?		KS2	Animal
King-Smith, D	Lady Daisy	When Ned finds Laidy Daisy, a victorian doll who has been asleep since 1901 in his gran's attic, he brings her up to date, and she helps him with his history projects. But, he has to stand up for himself at school, and find out what Mr Merryweather-Jones wants with Lady Daisy.		KS2	Victorians
King-Smith, D	Sheep-pig	Babe, the piglet had been won at a fair by Farmer Hogget and was surely desined for the family freezer. But Babe was determined to herd sheep. So Fly, the sheep-dog, taught him everything she knew, hoping Farmer Hogget wouldn't notice.	R/R	KS2	Animal
Langley, J	Little Red Riding Hood	In re-telling this familiar and well-loved tale, Jonathan Langley manages to remain faithful to tradition while investigating both words and pictures with wit and exuberance.		KS1	Traditional
Langley, J	Three Billy Goats Gruff	In re-telling this familiar and well-loved tale, Jonathan Langley manages to remain faithful to tradition while investigating both words and pictures with wit and exuberance.		KS1	Traditional
Layton, G	The Fib and other stories	A collection of 10 stories about growing up in a northern town in the 1950s		KS2 (Upper)	1950's

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Layton, N	The Mammoth Academy	Arabella loves The Mammoth Academy but Oscar is having difficulty settling into school and is accused of stealing oranges. Can he prove the humans are responsible or will he get himself into more trouble?		KS2	Humour
Lewis, C.S.	Lion, The Witch And The Wardrobe	Lucy stumbles upon an enchanted land of fauns, centaurs, nymphs and talking beasts, but it is not long before she finds that this is a land ruled by the cruel White Witch.		KS2	Fantasy
Macdonald, I	Eyeball Soup	Two amazing sci-fi stories, told with generous helpings of excitement adventure and humour.		KS2	Sci-fi
Magorian, M	Goodnight Mr Tom	Young Willie Beech is evacuated to the country as Britain stands on the brink of the Second World War. A sad, deprived child, he slowly begins to flourish under the care of old Tom Oakley but his new found happiness is shattered by a summons from his mother back in London.		KS2 (Upper)	World War II
Mark, J	The Snow Maze	One day, on the way to school, Joe finds a key in the long grass. His friend Irrum thinks it might be magic. But Akash laughs at Joe and makes the others laugh too, except Irrum. Then Joe tries the key in the lonely gate and a new world opens.	R/R	KS1/2	Adventure
Masters, A	Macbeth	An excellent introduction to Shakespeare for the younger reader.		KS2	Shakespeare
Matthews, A	A Midsummer Night's Dream	An excellent introduction to Shakespeare for the younger reader.		KS2	Shakespeare
McCaughrean, G	Adventures Of Odysseus	After 10 years at war, Odysseus travels home. But his journey is full of dangers.		KS2	Myths & Legends
McCaughrean, G	Jason And The Golden Fleece	Jason sets out on his epic voyage to bring the golden fleece of Aries the ram back to Greece.		KS2	Myths & Legends
McKay, H	Charlie And The Great Escape	Charlie's fed up with his family picking on him and decides to run away - all the way to Henry's house a few doors down the road.		KS1/2	Feelings
Mitton, T	Big Bad Raps	Contains 4 well-known stories told in a very different way.		KS1	Poetry
Moore, I	Six Dinner Sid	Sid is a very popular cat, who seems to 'belong' to more than one family, which has its benefits, such as the fact that he gets six dinners, but then again maybe there are times when it's not so good!	R/R	KS1 (JP)	Animal

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Morgan, M	The True Diary Of Carly Ann Potter	Carly's year starts with a new diary and big plans to be a 'better person'. But Carly's plans don't include cousin Zoe. Zoe comes to stay and she's changed different. Alien, even. Is this the end of Carly's world?		KS2	Diaries
Morpurgo, M	Butterfly Lion	This is a moving story of a young boy who rescues an orphaned white lion cub from the African bush. Inseparable, until Bertie has to go to boarding school and the lion is sold to a circus, will they see one another again?		KS2	Animal
Morpurgo, M	Cool!	Robbie, football fan and animal lover, chases after his dog and is hit by a car. He lies in hospital unable to speak, move or eat. Until, against the rules, Dad brings Lucky to see him. Can Lucky bring Robbie back to life.		KS2	Relationships
Morpurgo, M	Cool As A Cucumber	At first Peter isn't keen on his teacher's plan to dig a vegetable garden to celebrate the Queen's jubilee. Then he starts to dig up some interesting things, a huge worm, a big beetle, bits of china, an old coin and what looks like a giant cucumber but turns out to be a lot more exciting!		KS1/2	Familiar Settings
Morpurgo, M	Kensuke's Kingdom	Washed up on an island, Michael struggles to survive on his own. He can't find food or water. In the end, he curls up to die. When he wakes, there is a plate of food beside him and a bowl of water. He is not alone.		KS2 (Upper)	Adventure
Morpurgo, M	Marble Crusher And Other Stories	Meet Albert and the monstrous Marble Crusher Machine, Nick, the conker champion, and Annie, who wants to save a barn.		KS2	Familiar Settings
Morpurgo, M	Private Peaceful	As young Thomas Peaceful looks back over his childhood from the battlefields of the First World War, his memories are full of family life deep in the countryside. But the clock is ticking and every moment Tommo spends remembering how things used to be, means another moment closer to something which will change his life for ever.		KS2 (Upper)	World War I
Morpurgo, M	Red Eyes At Night	Millie decides to teach her show-off cousin Geraldine a lesson and tells her a ghost story. A great story about making friends with a funny slightly spooky twist.		KS1/2	Friendship

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Morpurgo, M	Wreck Of The Zanzibar	Set in the Scilly Isles and told in diary format, the story is about Laura Perryman and her life on the island of Bryner, the daily hardships and the threat of starvation, but also the unexpected bounty that shipwrecks bring to the islanders.		KS2	Adventure
Murphy, J	Peace At Last	Mr Bear is tired and goes to bed - but can he get to sleep? Snore, snore went Mrs Bear, tick-tock, tick-tock went the clock. Mr Bear desperately tries to get some sleep, around the house, in the garden and even in the car.	R/R	KS1 (JP)	Familiar Settings
Murphy, J	Worst Witch	Mildred Hubble is a trainee witch at Miss Cackle's Academy and she's making a mess of it. She's always getting her spells wrong and can't ride a broomstick without crashing it. Will she ever make a real witch?		KS2	Fantasy
Nabb, M	Enchanted Horse	It's christmas, but Irina's family don't have enough money to buy her the present she wants. Then she sees the wooden horse in the junk shop window and all she wants is to take it home with her, but the little horse is an enchanted horse.		KS2	Fantasy
Nation, T	Rebecca's World	Rebecca has a series of adventures as she is mysteriously transported to a distant planet when she looks through her father's astral telescope.		KS2 (Upper)	Fantasy
Nimmo, J	Charlie Bone and The Time Twister	Charlie hoped the new term at Bloor's academy would hold no nasty surprises. But then Henry Yewbeam appears, twisted through time from the icy winter of 1916. With malicious Yewbeam aunts on the prowl, and the Bloors out to catch him, Henry will need Charlie's help just to stay alive.		KS2	Sci-fi
Norris, a	Aquila	A story about two school friends who go on holiday with their mothers and find a space ship hidden in a cave, also adapted into a bbc tv series.		KS2	Adventure
Northway, J	Lucy's Quarrel	Lucy and Alice quarrel and Lucy tells Alice that she can't come to her birthday party. They are both sad but stubbornly refuse to make up. Will Lucy's birthday be any fun without Alice?	LHU	KS1	Relationships
Noyes, A	The Highwayman	This famous poem tells the story of the highwayman and his doomed love for Bess, the landlord's black-eyed daughter.		KS2 (Upper)	Poetry

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Paver, M	Wolf Brother	This book carries you back thousands of years to the ancient darkness of the forest, to a world steeped in natural magic and elemental terror, a world in which trusting a friend means risking your life.		KS2 (Upper)	Fantasy
Pearce, P	Tom's Midnight Garden	Thirteen! proclaimed the clock and then stopped striking. Tom's mind gave a jerk: had it really struck thirteen? For Tom, it brings an escape to another time and a magical secret place.	NATE	KS2 (Upper)	Victorians
Pielichaty, H	Simone's Diary	Simone agrees to help a student teacher at her secondary school with his research by filling in questionnaires and keeping a diary about her experiences during her first year.		KS2	Diaries
Platt, R	Egyptian Diary : The Journal Of Nakht	The Year is 1465BC and Nakht's family is moving from their village to Memphis. Alongside him, we explore life in the bustling Egyptian city. Their adventure includes a tomb robbery and a meeting with the king of Egypt.		KS2 (Upper)	Historical
Pullman, P	Clockwork	A tormented apprentice clockmaker - and a deadly knight in armour, a mechanical prince - and the sinister Dr Kalmenius, who some say is the devil.	R/R	KS2 (Upper)	Scary
Pullman, P	The Wonderful Story Of Aladdin And The Enchanted Lamp	Philip Pullman's exuberant retelling of Aladdin captures the full feel and flavour of this well loved tale.	LHU	KS2 (Upper)	Traditional
Ridley, P	Krindlekrax	Ruskin Splinter is small and thin. The idea of him battling a dragon in the school play makes the whole class laugh. When the Krindlekrax threaten Lizard Street, Ruskin has a chance to prove he really is the stuff heroes are made of!	R/R	KS2	Fantasy
Rodgers, P	Tiny	Tiny the flea lives on a big dog called Cleopatra, who lives in a big house on a long street on planet Earth.... A quirky story that will help young children grasp the concept of the universe and our place on it.		KS1 (JP)	Journeys
Rosen, M	Mind Your Own Business	As with all Rosen's work, the most important message is that reading and writing are creative, enabling, fun activities.	LHU	KS2 (Upper)	Poetry
Rosen, M	We're Going On A Bear Hunt	Acumalative adventure story about a family's brave hunt to find a bear. It could be a frightening journey but they're not scared. A classic		KS1(JP) Journeys	

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Rowling, J.K.	Harry Potter And The Chamber of Secrets	Harry Potter is in his second year at Hogwarts school. Little does he know that this year will be just as eventful as the last.		KS2	Fantasy
Rowling, J.K.	Harry Potter And The Philosopher's Stone	Harry Potter thinks he is an ordinary boy until he is rescued by a giant of a man, enrolls at Hogwarts school of witchcraft and wizardry, learns to play quidditch and does battle in a deadly duel. The reason: Harry Potter is a wizard.		KS2	Fantasy
Sachar, L	Holes	Stanley Yelnat's family has a history of bad luck, so he isn't too surprised when a miscarriage of justice sends him to a boy's juvenile detention centre. This is a story of friendship with the cleverest of plot twists, and descriptions.		KS2 (Upper)	Adventure
Sage, J	Fat Cat	Farmer Big lived next door to Farmer Bluster, who lived next door to Farmer Smarts, and they each thought their cornfield was the best. Until the mice moved in.		KS1 (JP)	Humour
Scieszka, J	True Story Of The Three Little Pigs	A inventive retelling of a popular story told entirely from the wolf's point of view.		KS1/2	Traditional
Selway, M	Wish You Were Here	Written in letter format Rosie complains about her stay in camp, the food is yukky, it never stops raining, Danny Fisher is a pain. Rosie would rather be at home. Until, the sun begins to shine, camping turns out to be a real adventure and soon Rosie's writing home with different views.		KS1 (JP)	Letters
Serrailier, I	Silver Sword	The night the Nazis come to take their mother away, three children escape in a terrifying scramble across the rooftops. Alone in the chaos of Warsaw, they have to learn to survive on their own.		KS2 (Upper)	World War II
Simon, F	Horrid Henry Tricks The Tooth Fairy	Four stories about Horrid Henry in which he tries to trick the tooth fairy, has moody Margaret to stay and sends her packing, makes teachers run screaming from school and wrecks a wedding.		KS1	Humour
Simon, F	Horrid Henry's Revenge	Horrid Henry is messy, naughty, cheeky and always in some kind of trouble. 4 hilarious adventures including his encounter with "The Demon Dinner Lady".		KS1/2	Humour

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Stanton, A	Mr Gum And The Biscuit Billionaire	A weird and a wacky tale featuring nasty Mr gum, billionaire a gingerbread man named AlanTaylor who has electric muscles, an angry fairy who lives in Mr Gum's bath tub and other crazy characters.		KS2	Humour
Step toe, J	Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters	An African Cinderella story. Mufaro's beautiful daughters one bad-tempered and the other kind and sweet, go before the king who is choosing a wife.		KS2 (Upper)	Multicultural
Strong, J	Lost! The Hundred-Mile An Hour Dog	Streaker the dog is lost. She wanted to protect some pies from the pie robber and she's miles from home and two-legged Trevor and she has to make friend with a cat. Then they come face-to-face with a baboon.		KS2	Humour
Swindells, R	Ice Palace	No one sees Starjik and his hungry wolves when they come in the dead night, but always a child is missing in the morning. Who can rid the land of this curse and melt the fear in its people's hearts ?		KS2	Fantasy
Swindells, R	Room 13	This spooky tale about a vampire takes place at the Crow's Nest Hotel, where Fliss and her friends are staying. They think that there's no room 13, but they're not sure.		KS2	Scary
Swindells, R	Secret Of Weeping Wood	Something's going on in Weeping Wood. There's an awful sound coming from deep in the woods, like ghostly babies crying. Time for the Outfit to investigate. But they'd better watch out. Because they're not the only people interested in Weeping Wood.		KS2	Adventure
Swindells, R	Timesnatch	Ten year old Kizzy Rye and her brother Fraser are the only witnesses when the time machine invented by their physicist mother works for the very first time. It travels back to the past, snatches an extinct butterfly and brings it forward in time to the present, alive.		KS2 (Upper)	Sci-Fi
Taylor, J	Beast Under My Bed	There's a beast under Karen's bed. The only person who can deal with it is her dad. But he won't be home until Friday the 13th. Will Karen survive until then?		KS2	Humour
Tennyson, A	Lady Of Shallott	Keeping's evocative pictures tell the story of the lovely maiden, embowered on her silent isle, grieving with love for the bold Sir Lancelot.		KS2 (Upper)	Poetry

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Tomlinson, T	Cellar Lad	Someone is sending secret messages to the owner of Dyson's Scythe Works, and above the roaring whir of the grinding wheels, one name is whispered from worker to worker. Mary Ann! Who is this mysterious Mary Ann? Cellar Lad Ben is at the heart of work's gossip and speculation and he knows whoever it is, is close. maybe too close.		KS2 (Upper)	Historical
Tomlinson, T	Herring Girls	Thirteen year old Dory lythe has always been fascinated by the group of scottish girls who arrive every year in Whitby to sort out the fish, then due to a family crisis she is forced to work with them. Dory is faced with the trauma of leaving home and the hostilities of the other girls. But has she got what it takes to be a real herring girl?		KS2 (Upper)	Historical
Tomlinson, T	Meet Me By The Steelmen	At the heart of Meadowhall shopping centre, the site of an old steelworks, stand three giant bronze statues: the steelmen. Stevie can't take his eyes off them; he even claims they move and speak. Jenny, his older sister, thinks he's imagining things, yet overnight they seem to change somehow. Could it be they're haunted by steelworkers from the past?		KS2	Adventure
Tomlinson, T	Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark	Plop the baby barn owl is like every other barn owl, except he is afraid of the dark. His mother sends him out to ask about the dark and he meets many different people, each with their own reason for enjoying the dark.		KS1	Feelings
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Trivias, E	Three Little Wolves And The Big Bad Pig	It was time for the three little wolves to go out into the world so they set off and built themselves a splendid brick house. But they hadn't reckoned on the big bad pig coming along. Another alternative tale to the original story		KS1	Traditional
Waddell, M	Can't You Sleep, Little Bear?	Little Bear can't sleep. He's frightened of the dark even with the biggest lantern of them all at his bedside. But Big Bear finds an ingenious way to reassure him.		KS1 (JP)	Feelings

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Waddell, M	Farmer Duck	There once was a duck who had the bad luck to live with a lazy farmer. While the duck worked, the farmer lay in bed - until one day the other animals decided to take action!		KS1 (JP)	Animal
Waddell, M	Rosie's Babies	Mum isn't the only one with a baby - four year old Rosie has two of her own! One is a cuddly bear and the other is a rabbit toy. Rosie loves her babies, but she really wants her mum's attention.		KS1 (JP)	Relationships
Walsh, J P	Thomas And The Tinnners	Thomas found the mine hard work. And the only rest was at croust time when he sat with the men on the benches and unwrapped his pasty, until Thomas heard a faint little voice crying for some food. Who or what could it be?	R/R	KS2	Mining
Westall, R	Machine Gunners	Living in WW2 Britain, Chas is determined to outdo Boddser Brown in obtaining the ultimate war souvenir. When he finds a crashed German bomber complete with machine gun, he knows he can not only beat Boddser, but can also play a role in the war.		KS2 (Upper)	World War II
Westall, R	Night Mare	To Billy, and all the families who rented her houses in BackTennyson Street, Miss Crimond was the arch enemy. Billy and his gang declare war on Miss Crimond, but Billy's campaign has unexpected consequences when he sees the night mare, the horse of his dreams.		KS2 (Upper)	1930's
White, E B	Charlotte's Web	The story of a little girl called Fern who loves Wilbur the pig, and how Charlotte A Cavatica, a beautiful spider, saves Wilbur from the usual fate of nice fat pigs.	R/R	KS2	Animal
Williams, M	King Arthur And The Knights Of The Round Table	A retelling of a classic story featuring the heroic deeds of King Arthur and the knights of the round table. A graphic novel.		KS2	Myths & Legends
Williams, M	Mr William Shakespeare's Plays	A selection of plays brought to life in a comic-strip version which include the bard's own dialogue and the rowdy remarks of the audience!	R/R	KS2 (Upper)	Shakespeare

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Willis, J	Tadpole's Promise	Tadpole loves his friend, the caterpillar, and she loves him too. 'Promise that you will never change,' she says, but as the seasons pass he matures, and what has happened to his friend? As he sits on his lily pad digesting the butterfly he has just eaten, he little realizes he will never know!		KS1	Animal
Wilson, J	Double Act	Ruby and Garnet are ten year old identical twins. They do every thing together, especially since their mother died three years earlier. But can being a double act work for ever?		KS2	Relationships
Wilson, J	Illustrated Mum	A poignant and amusing tale about family relationships.		KS2 (Upper)	Relationships
Wilson, J	Story of Tracy Beaker	Tracy is ten years old. She lives in a children's home but would like a real family.		KS2	Relationships
Wilson, J	Suitcase Kid	Meet ten year old Andy and share her experiences of life after divorce.	R/R	KS2	Relationships
Wojciechowski, S	The Christmas Miracle Of Jonathan Toomey	The widow McDowell asks Jonathan Toomey to carve nativity figures as a christmas present for her son Thomas. The woodcarver, bad-tempered since the death of his wife and baby many years ago, reluctantly agrees. As Thomas watches him work, a miracle occurs to warm his cold heart.		KS2	Christmas
Wood, D	Little Mouse, The Red Ripe Strawberry And The Big Hungry Bear	Find out what the little mouse will do to save his strawberry from the big, hungry bear.		KS1 (JP)	Animal
Zemach, M	Little Red Hen	The famous story of how one determined little red hen did everything all by herself and turned the tables on the lazy goose, cat and pig.		KS1 (JP)	Traditional