

Aspirational Reading List

A list of recommended reads to stretch and challenge students who enjoy reading.

Key Stage Three

A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens
 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea by Jules Verne
 Anita and Me by Meera Syal
 Cider with Rosie by Laurie Lee
 Divergent by Veronica Roth
 Dracula by Bram Stoker
 Empire of the Sun by J G Ballard
 Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift
 Lord of the Flies by William Golding
 Moby Dick by Herman Melville
 Paddy Clarke Ha, Ha, Ha by Roddy Doyle
 Swallows & Amazons by Arthur Ransom
 The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime by Mark Haddon
 The Life of Pi by Yann Martel
 The Knife of Never Letting Go by Patrick Ness
 The Hobbit by J R R Tolkien
 The Woman in Black by Susan Hill
 The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman
 Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
 Uglies by Scott Westerfield
 Witch Child by Celia Rees

Key Stage Four

1984 by George Orwell
 Atonement by Ian McEwan
 Brave New World by Aldous Huxley
 Birnam Wood by Eleanor Cater
 Carrie by Stephen King
 Catch 22 by Joseph Heller
 Circe by Madeline Miller
 Down and Out in Paris and London by George Orwell
 Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
 Frankenstein by Mary Shelley
 Ghost Stories by MR James
 Great Expectations by Charles Dickens
 Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad
 Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte
 Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus
 Lord of the Rings by J R R Tolkien
 My Sister the Serial Killer by Oyinkan Braithwaite
 Stone Blind by Natalie Haynes
 The Black Cat by Edgar Alan Poe
 The Great Gatsby by F Scott Fitzgerald
 The Mayor of Casterbridge by Thomas Hardy
 The Red Room by HG Wells
 The Signalman by Dickens (Ghost Story)
 To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
 Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevlin
 Wasp Factory by Ian Banks
 Woman in White by Wilkie Collins
 Wuthering Heights by Emily Bronte