

SUGGESTED READING LIST:

Reluctant Readers

The books on this list have tried-and-tested popular appeal. Some titles link closely to recent films and television series, which can be a motivating factor for some readers. Bear in mind that trends change frequently. Tapping into your child's interests, whether it be football, cricket or dance is a great way in to get them reading. This section also includes some graphic novels and plenty of humour, but don't forget non-fiction too.

7-9 year olds

1. Laurence Anholt, *Cinderboy* and other books from the *Seriously Silly Stories* series (Orchard Books)
2. Nikalas Catlow, Tim Wesson, *Robots v Gorillas in the Desert* and other titles in the *Mega Mash-Up* series (Nosy Crow)
3. Road Dahl, *Dirty Beasts* poetry collection (Puffin)
4. John Foster, *School's Out* poetry (Oxford University Press)
5. Arthur John L'Hommedieu, *Bats*
6. Laura Owen, *Winnie the Witch* series (Oxford University Press) www.winnie-the-witch.com
7. Jeremy Strong, *My Brother's Famous Bottom* (Puffin)
8. Mitchel Symons, *Do Igloos have Loos?* non-fiction (Random House)
9. Ian Whybrow, *Little Wolf's Book of Badness* (Penguin)
10. Titania Woods, *Glitterwings Academy* series (Bloomsbury)

9-11 year olds

- Andy Briggs, *Hero.com* and *Villain.net* series (Oxford University Press) www.whichsideareyouon.co.uk
- Steve Cole, *Astrosaurus* series (Random House)
- Anthony Horowitz, *The Greek Who Stole Christmas* and other books in the *Diamond Brothers* series (Walker Books) www.anthonhorowitz.com/work/books_diamond.html
- Cindy Jeffries, *Heart Magazine: A Dream Come True* www.cindyjefferies.co.uk/books.html
- Jeff Kinney, *The Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series (Puffin) www.wimpykid.com and watch a trailer for the film: [Youtube](#)
- Tom Palmer, *Foul Play* series (Puffin) Hear Tom Palmer's free online reading of the first chapter of *Foul Play*: [Tom Palmer](#)
- Charlie Small, *Gorilla City* (David Fickling, Random House) www.charliesmall.co.uk
- Andy Stanton, *Mr Gum* series (Egmont) www.mrgum.co.uk/index.htm
- Andi Watson, *Glister* series (Walker Books) glisterbook.blogspot.com
- Jacqueline Wilson, *Tracey Beaker* series (Random House) www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/tracybeaker Watch a taster of the TV series: Series 1, Episode 1: [Youtube](#)