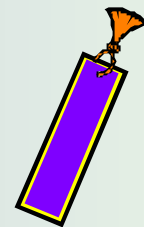




READING FOR YEAR 9



This list adds to the reading suggested as "Page turners for Year 8" - although, clearly, some of those texts will be appropriate for pupils in Year 9, such as...

Neil Arksey Private reader	MacB Sport (football) with parallels with Shakespeare's play	Puffin	0141304154
Bernard Ashley Easier reader	Playing against the odds School based - lad fancies (ostracized) new girl in class	Barrington St.	1902260694
Malorie Blackman Guided / Private	Noughts and crosses Outstanding vision of Romeo / Juliet in bleak divided future	Corgi	0552546321
Melvin Burgess Monitored private reading - to find out what the novels' target audience thinks	Junk Lady: my life as a bitch	Penguin Anderson	0140380191 0862647703
Aidan Chambers Monitored p.r. - contains scenes of a sexual nature; powerful war-time themes	Postcards from the edge	Red Fox	0099408627
Eoin Colfer Private	Artemis Fowl: Arctic incident Probably aimed at slightly younger readers; but if they read the first Fowl in Year 8, they won't want to miss this: witty in both senses	Puffin	0670899631
Gillian Cross Class /priv. /guided	Tightrope Graffiti tags, strong female protagonist, gripping scenes	Oxford	0192717502
Keith Gray Private /Guided	Warehouse Unsuitable for younger readers - provocative / evocative	Red Fox	0099414252
Gaye Hicyilmaz Class /Guided	Girl in red Outstanding vision of R&J set among asylum seekers...	Dolphin Orion	1858814901
Gaye Hicyilmaz Private	Against the Storm The Frozen Waterfall Smiling for Strangers Coming Home Along with Naidoo's Other Side of Truth, probably the best recent explorations of what it's like to be an outsider in modern Britain / Europe	Faber Faber Dolphin Orion Faber	0571194966 0571194958 185881491X 0571193676
Anthony Horowitz Private	Skeleton Key Latest in "Alex Rider: Teenage Spy" series	Walker	0744590078

Janni Howker The nature of the beast Armada 0006725821
Class /priv. /guided Still has the power to move despite the 80s setting



Pete Johnson Runaway Teacher Barrington St 1902260597
Easier reader It's about a teacher who runs away...

Mark Morris The dogs Barrington St 1902260767
Easier reader Spooky supernatural tale - undertones of Poe

William Nicholson The Wind Singer Egmont 0749744715
Slaves of the Mastery Egmont 0749749016
Private /Guided Passionate rebellion against culture of testing...

Dennis Pepper The New Oxford book of Ghost Stories 0192781782
Private reader Range of well known and more obscure modern authors

Celia Rees Truth or Dare Macmillan 0330368753
Private /Guided Josh discovers family secrets relating to Asperger's

Celia Rees Witch Child Bloomsbury 0747546398
Sorceress Bloomsbury 0747550360
Class/priv./guided Two cleverly constructed narratives, following Mary in flight from English persecution to Puritan America; thence to native Americans

Louise Rennison Angus, thongs &...snogging Piccadilly 1853405140
It's OK I'm wearing really big Piccadilly 1853406856
Knocked out by my ...nungas Piccadilly 1853406430
The diary confessions of Georgia Nicolson; slightly raunchy, highly irreverent

Malcolm Rose Plague Point 0439010136
Class /Private Explore class attitudes in a divided future Milton Keynes

Rosie Rushton All Change Barrington St. 1902260759
Easier reader Teen angst with humour; slightly less raunchy...

Robert Swindells Dosh Puffin 014130023X
Teen rebellion against local protection racketeers: another Swindells success

Benjamin Zephaniah Refugee Boy Bloomsbury 0747550867
Class /priv. /guided Better than Face; interesting to compare Naidoo / Hicilymaz

Further recommendations are available from the excellent www.coolreads.com and www.readingmatters.co.uk. Please let us know of your own reading:
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