

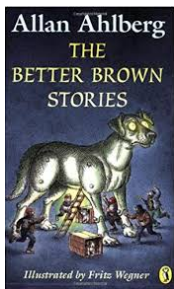
## The Park and Parkwall Federation

### Recommended Reads

Year 4

#### 1. Allan Ahlberg – The Better Brown Stories (Cracking Comprehension)

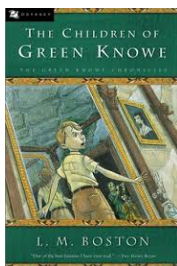
The **Brown** family really don't like the **stories** being written about them - so they go to the author to complain. The result is a very funny collection of short **stories** about a monstrous dog, some Mysterious Men, a forgotten baby, baffled police, and a bewildered town.



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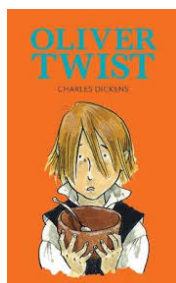
#### 2. Lucy M Boston – The Children of Green Knowe (Cracking Comprehension)

The novel is about the visit of a young boy, Toseland, to the magical house **Green Knowe**. Toseland crosses floodwaters by night to reach the house, to spend the Christmas holidays with his great-grandmother, Linnet Oldknow, who addresses him as "Tolly".



### 3. Charles Dickens – Oliver Twist (Cracking Comprehension)

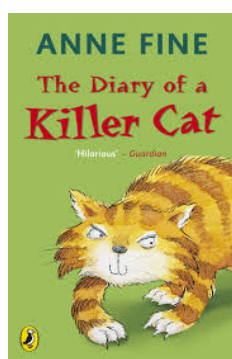
This is the story of a young boy who seeks his fortune on the streets of London.



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### 4. Anne Fine – Diary of a Killer Cat (Cracking Comprehension)

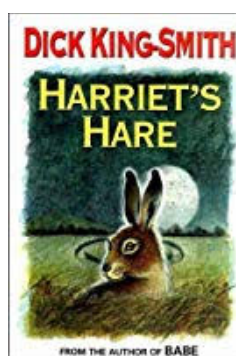
Poor Ellie is horrified when Tuffy drags a dead bird into the house. Then a mouse. But Tuffy can't understand what all the fuss is about. ...



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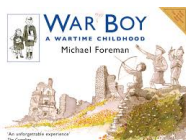
### 5. Dick King-Smith – Harriet's Hare (Cracking Comprehension)

The **hare Harriet** meets one morning in a corn circle in her father's wheatfield is a very unusual **hare**: a visitor from the far-off planet Pars, come to spend his holidays on Earth in the form of a talking **hare**.



## 6. Michael Foreman – War Boy (Cracking Comprehension)

Michael Foreman woke up when an incendiary bomb dropped through the roof of his Lowestoft home. Luckily, it missed his bed by inches, bounced off the floor and exploded up the chimney. So begins Michael's fascinating, brilliantly illustrated tale of growing up on the Suffolk frontline during World War II.



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## 7. Michael Morpurgo – Mackerel and Chips (Cracking Comprehension)

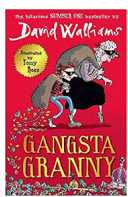
A short story by the ever popular author.



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## 8. David Walliams – Gangsta Granny (Cracking Comprehension)

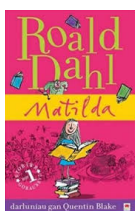
Ben is bored beyond belief after he is made to stay at his grandma's house. All she wants to do is to play Scrabble, and eat cabbage soup. But there are two things Ben doesn't know about his grandma. She was once an international jewel thief, and all her life, she has been plotting to steal the crown jewels...



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## 9. Roald Dahl – Matilda

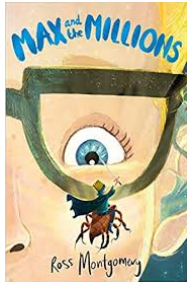
**Matilda** is a very clever little girl who lives with her mean parents. They finally decide to send her to school, and **Matilda** has the sweetest teacher, Miss Honey but a terrible head teacher, Miss Trunchbull. **Matilda** finds out that she has a special power..



## 10. Ross Montgomery – Max and the Millions

Max is used to spending time alone - it's difficult to make friends in a big, chaotic school when you're deaf. He prefers to give his attention to the little things in life... like making awesome, detailed replica models.

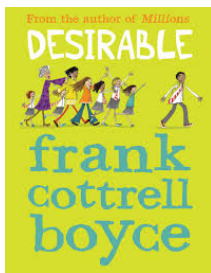
Then Mr Darrow, the school caretaker and fellow modeller, goes missing...



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## 11. Frank Cottrell Boyce - Desirable

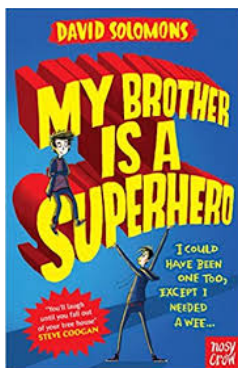
When Granddad gives 'loser' George an old bottle of aftershave for his birthday, George's life becomes more... **desirable**?



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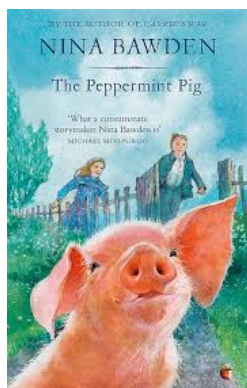
## 12. David Solomons – My Brother is a Superhero

Luke is a comic-mad eleven-year old who shares a treehouse with his geeky older brother, Zack. Luke's only mistake is to go for a wee right at the wrong time. While he's gone, an alien gives his undeserving, never-read-a-comic-in-his-life brother superpowers and then tells him to save the universe...



### 13. Nina Bawden – The Peppermint Pig

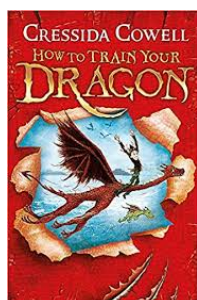
Johnnie was only the runt of the litter, a little peppermint pig. He'd cost Mother a shilling, but somehow his great naughtiness and cleverness kept Poll and Theo cheerful, even though it was one of the most difficult years of their lives



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### 14. Cressida Cowell – How To Train Your Dragon

The hilarious exploits of Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third - the smallish Viking with a longish name. Can he become the Hero everyone expects him to be?



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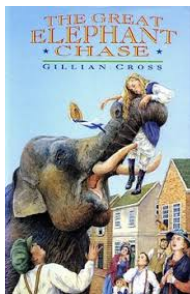
### 15. Helen Cresswell – Lizzie Dripping

The adventures of a girl called Lizzie Dripping and a witch. The question is – is the witch real or not?



## 16. Gillian Cross – The Great Elephant Chase

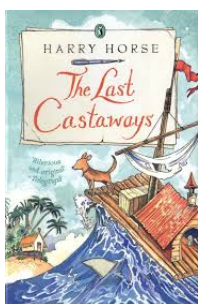
This is a wonderful adventure of how two children and an elephant travel across America trying to escape the clutches of an evil crook, who is determined to get his hands on the creature at almost any price.



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## 17. Harry Horse – The Lost Castaways

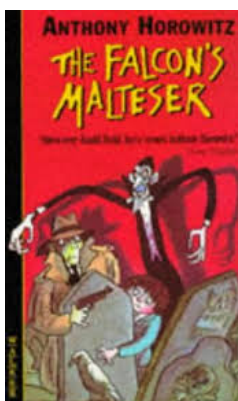
Grandfather and his dog Roo accidentally win their old ship, the Unsinkable, in an auction and go on a fishing trip. However, the ship sinks and they are cast away on a desert isle.



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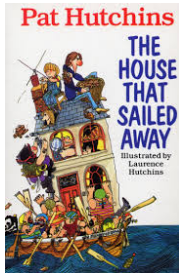
## 18. Anthony Horowitz – The Falcon's Malteser

This spectacular book is about a Private Detective, Herbert, and his younger brother Nick. A dwarf came to their office and asked them to look after a box of **Maltesers**, 'on their life' and not to open it...



## 19. Pat Hutchins – The House That Sailed Away

It rained every day until suddenly **the house** started to shudder and rock - and then just **floated off** down the street and off to sea. ...



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## 20. Terry Jones – Fairy Tales

Thirty short **stories** of magic and adventure penned by Monty Python team member, **Terry Jones**.

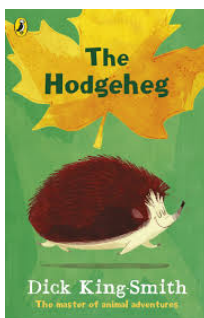


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## 21. Dick King-Smith – The Hodgeheg

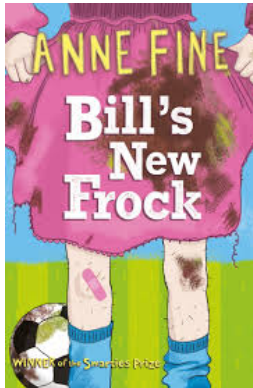
Max is a hedgehog who lives with his family in a nice little home, but it's on the wrong side of the road from the Park where there's a beautiful lily pond and plenty of juicy slugs, worms and snails!

The busy road is dangerous but Max is determined to make his way across. If humans can do it, why can't hedgehogs?



## 22. Anne Fine – Bill's New Frock

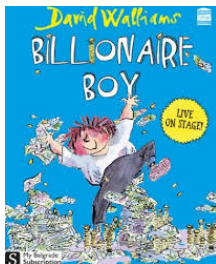
Forced off to school in a frilly pink dress, Bill Simpson discovers one of the worst days in his life is about to begin...



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## 23. David Walliams – Billionaire Boy

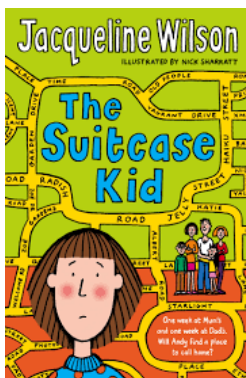
Joe is really rich and has everything he could possibly want. However, there's one thing he needs and that is a friend....



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## 24. Jacqueline Wilson – The Suitcase Kid

Distraught at her parents' divorce, Andy cannot decide who she wants to live with. She spends one week at Mum's house, the next at Dad's, but never really feels that she belongs anywhere.





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## 25. Eoin Colfer – The Legend of Captain Crow's Teeth

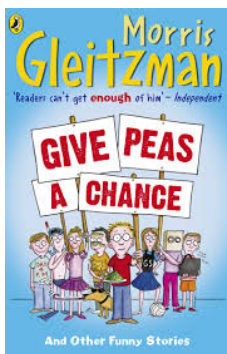
Five brothers are spending the summer holidays in a cramped caravan in Ireland with their parents. ... Marty, the eldest, reads his brothers spooky stories, and his favourite is about **Captain Crow**, a cut-throat pirate who is out to get his revenge on any available nine year old boy...



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## 26. Morris Gleitzman – Give Peas a Chance

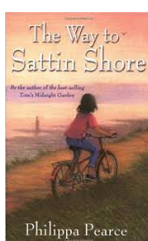
Fifteen funny stories make up this brilliant book.



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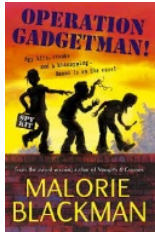
## 27. Philippa Pearce – The Way to Sattin Shore

Kate never knew her dad, but that doesn't stop her missing him. She often secretly visits the gravestone with his name on it. ... But when the gravestone disappears Kate has a mystery on her hands.



## 28. Malorie Blackman – Operation Gadgetman!

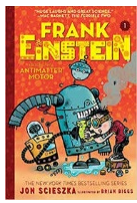
Beans calls her dad ‘Gadgetman’ because of the weird and wonderful gadgets he comes up with – everything from exploding biscuits to Spy Kits. But when Gadgetman accidentally invents a device that could be used to steal millions of pounds, the wrong people find out and Gadgetman is kidnapped!



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## 29. Jon Scieszka – Frank Einstein

**Frank Einstein** loves to tinker, build and take things apart. He loves to observe, experiment and invent. ... After an uneventful experiment, **Frank's** inventions--the robots Klink and Klank--suddenly come to life



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## 30. Pamela Butchart – There's a Werewolf in my Tent

Izzy and her friends are so excited about their school camping trip and think they are fully prepared for survival in the wild. However, they soon realise that something is very wrong...

