

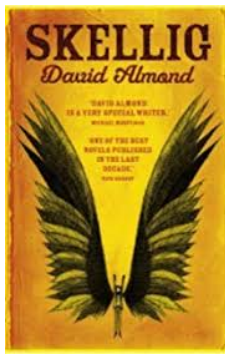
The Park and Parkwall Federation

Recommended Reads

Year 5

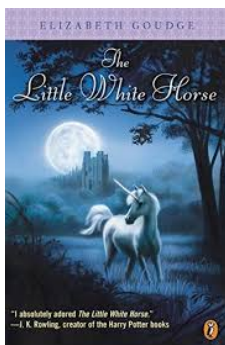
1. David Almond – Skellig (Cracking Comprehension)

When Michael goes into the garage, he finds a strange emaciated creature hidden amid all the boxes, debris and dead insects. Michael assumes that he is a homeless person, but decides to look after him and gives him food.



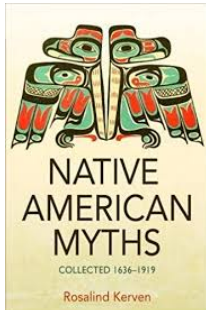
2. Elizabeth Goudge – The Little White Horse (Cracking Comprehension)

Maria, her dog and her governess go to live in the old and mysterious Manorhouse of Moonacre, where Maria encounters many strange but delightful people.



3. Rosalind Kerven – The Winged Horse Cracking Comprehension

One of a collection of myths, legends and folk tales by this folklorist.



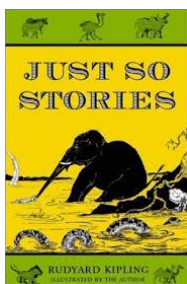
4. Clive King – Stig of the Dump (Cracking Comprehension)

Nobody believes Barney when he says he's discovered a boy living wild in the **dump**. But for Barney, Stig is totally real.



5. Rudyard Kipling – The Cat who Walked by Himself (Cracking Comprehension)

The Dog was wild, and the Horse was wild, and the Cow was wild, and the Sheep was wild, and the Pig was wild—as wild as wild could be—and they **walked** in the Wet Wild Woods by their wild lones. But the wildest of all the wild animals was the **Cat**. He **walked by himself**, and all places were alike to him.



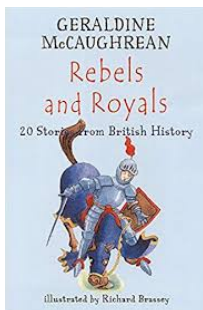
6. Elizabeth Laird – Oranges in No Man's Land (Cracking Comprehension)

Oranges in No Man's Land tells the riveting story of ten-year-old Ayesha's terrifying journey across **no man's land** to reach a doctor in hostile territory in search of medicine for her dying grandmother.



7. Geraldine McCaughrean – Robert the Bruce and the Spider (Cracking Comprehension)

In 1306 Robert the Bruce was crowned King of Scotland and tried to free Scotland from the English enemy. After being defeated at a battle, **Bruce** escaped and found a hideout in a cave.



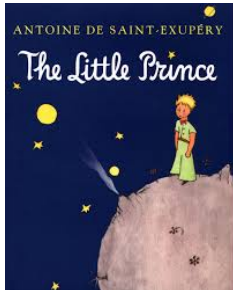
8. Kaye Umansky – The Librarian (Cracking Comprehension)

A short story from this truly funny writer.



9. Antoine de Saint-Exupery – The Little Prince (trans Katherine Woods)

This is the story of a boy who leaves the safety of his own tiny planet to travel the universe.



10. Roald Dahl – The Witches

The **Witches** tells the story of a brave young boy and his Norwegian grandmother as they battle against England's child-hating **witches**. ...



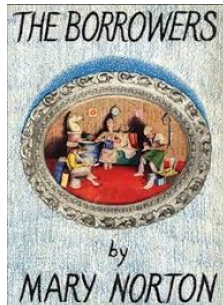
11. Herge – The Adventures of Tintin

These stories follow the adventures of the curious young reporter **Tintin** and his fiercely loyal dog Snowy.



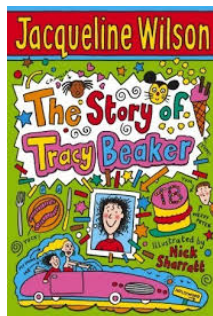
12. Mary Norton – The Borrowers

The Borrowers are tiny people who live in the secret places of old houses - behind the mantelpiece, inside the harpsichord, under the kitchen clock. They borrow everything from humans, existing on the scraps they collect from the homes they live in.



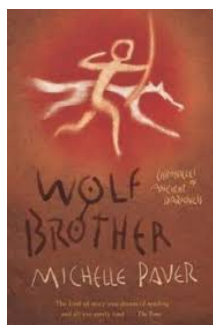
13. Jacqueline Wilson – The Story of Tracy Beaker

Tracy Beaker is a funny, imaginative and articulate ten-year-old girl, but she can also be angry, impulsive and a bit violent too. **Tracy** lives in a children's home but constantly hopes that her absent, glamorous mum will come and take her away. One day Cam visits the home, to write a piece on the children.



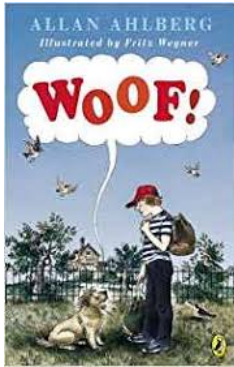
14. Michelle Paver – Wolf Brother

Six thousand years ago. Evil stalks the land. Only twelve-year-old Torak and his wolf-cub companion can defeat it. Their journey together takes them through deep forests, across giant glaciers, and into dangers they never imagined.



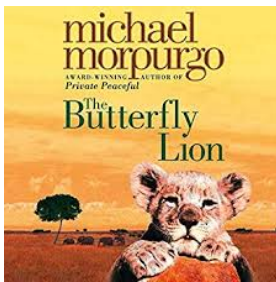
15. Allan Ahlberg – Woof!

Eric is a perfectly ordinary boy. Perfectly ordinary that is, until the night when, in fifteen seconds flat, he turns into a dog! Eric and his best friend are determined to sniff out the truth - what makes an ordinary boy go 'woof'?



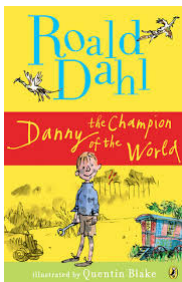
16. Michael Morpurgo – The Butterfly Lion

A lyrical and moving tale of a young boy growing up in Africa, and his lifelong friendship with a white lion.



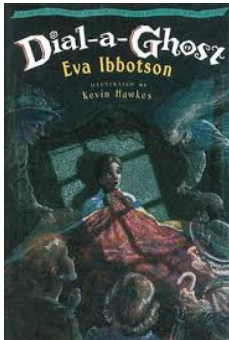
17. Roald Dahl – Danny the Champion of the World

Danny lives with his father in a caravan next to the garage where his father works. Danny's father teaches him how to fix parts of cars, reads him bedtime stories and introduces him to the wonders of nature. One night, Danny discovers his father has a secret...



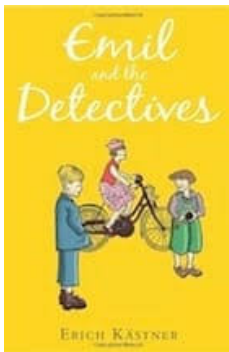
18. Eva Ibbotson – Dial a Ghost

Fulton Snodde-Brittle has gone to the Dial A Ghost agency with a fiendish plan - he wants to hire some terrifying ghosts to scare his 10-year-old nephew Oliver to death.



19. Erich Kastner – Emil and the Detectives

Ten-year-old Emil is excited to be taking the train to Berlin on his own for the first time - but he doesn't like the look of his fellow passenger, the man in the bowler hat. Then he falls asleep, and when he wakes up, the man in the bowler hat is gone - and so is the money from Emil's pocket! Teaming up with a gang of young detectives, he embarks on a thrilling chase across Berlin to catch the thief.



20. Norman Hunter – The Incredible Adventures of Professor Branestawm

Professor Branestawm is the most absent-minded inventor you'll ever meet and no matter how hard he tries his brilliant ideas never seem to keep him out of crazy scrapes.



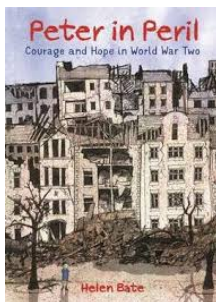
21. Anthony Horowitz – I Know What You Did Last Wednesday

When Tim and his brother, Nick, are invited to a school reunion on a remote Scottish island, they should be pleased. But Nick's got a bad feeling and it's not indigestion.



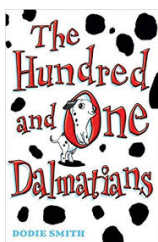
22. Helen Bate – Peter in Peril

Peter is just an ordinary boy, who loves playing football with his friends and eating cake - until war comes to his city and the whole family have to go into hiding...



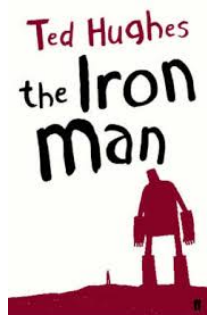
23. Dodie Smith – The Hundred and One Dalmatians

Cruella De Vil, the wicked woman who steals a litter of Dalmations puppies so that she can make herself a very special fur coat, is one of the most feared villains of children's fiction. The One Hundred and One Dalmations is a thrilling adventure with a most importance mission at its heart. Pongo and Missus's frantic pursuit of Cruella De Vil and the crooks who help her is a matter of life and death.



24. Ted Hughes – The Iron Man

Mankind must put a stop to the dreadful destruction caused by the **Iron Man**. A trap is set for him, but he cannot be kept down. Then, when a terrible monster from outer space threatens to lay waste to the planet, it is the **Iron Man** who finds a way to save the world.



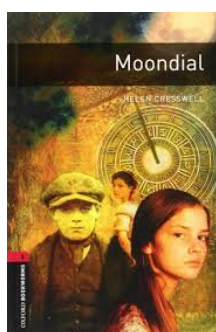
25. Philip Ridley – Krinklekrax

When the mysterious beast, Krinklekrax, threatens Lizard Street and everyone who lives there, it is small and weedy Ruskin who saves the day and proves he is the stuff that heroes are made of ...



26. Helen Cresswell – Moondial

Even before she came to Belton, Minty Cane had known that she was a witch, or something very like it...



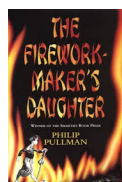
27. Gillian Cross – The Demon Headmaster

The Demon Headmaster rules his school with his sea-green eyes through which he hypnotises the pupils...



28. Philip Pullman – The Firework Maker's Daughter

What Lila wants to be more than anything else in the world is . . . a Firework-Maker! But firework-making is not just about being able to make Crackle-Dragons and Golden Sneezes. There is also one special secret: every Firework-Maker must make a perilous journey to face the terrifying Fire-Fiend!



29. Andrew Norriss – Aquila

It's a spaceship from the past - can it change the future? Aquila has been found by boys bunking off a geography field trip. They have no idea where it came from or what it does. But Geoff's discovered that when you sit in it these little coloured lights come on, and if you push one of the big blue ones . . . WHOOSH!



30. David Walliams – Mr Stink

Mr Stink is a lonely man who always sits on a bench in town. Nobody ever comes and has a chat with him until one day a young girl called Chloe comes by. Chloe is lonely too and they make friends, and Chloe desperately wants to keep him in her house so he won't have to sleep outside any more.

