



# KS4 Reading List

## Modern Classics/Challenging Reads

Albee, Edward Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?  
Angelou, Maya I Know why the Caged Bird Sings  
Ballard, J. G. Empire of the Sun  
Banks, Iain The Crow Road; The Wasp Factory  
de Bernières, Louis Captain Corelli's Mandolin  
Boyne, John The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas  
Burgess, Anthony A Clockwork Orange  
Dostoevsky, F M Crime and Punishment  
Donnelly, Jennifer A Gathering Light  
Evans, Nicholas The Horse Whisperer; The Smoke Jumper  
Faulkes, Sebastian Birdsong  
Frazier, Charles Cold Mountain  
Fitzgerald, F. Scott The Great Gatsby

Gaarder, Jostein Sophie's World  
Golding, William Lord of the Flies  
Greene, Graham Brighton Rock; The Power and the Glory; the Third Man  
Heller, Joseph Catch 22  
Hines, Barry Kestrel for a Knave  
Huxley, Aldous Brave New World  
Irving, John Cider House Rules  
Ishiguro, Kazuo The Remains of the Day  
Kafka, Franz Metamorphosis  
Kesey, Ken One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest  
Lee, Harper To Kill a Mocking Bird  
Mailer, Norman The Naked and the Dead  
Mantel, Hilary Wolf Hall  
Marques, Gabriel Garcia One Hundred Years of Solitude, Love in the Time of Cholera  
Martel, Yann Life of Pi  
McCourt, Frank Angela's Ashes  
Melville, Herman Moby Dick

McEwan, Ian Amsterdam; Atonement; The Child in Time; Enduring Love  
McGregor, Jon If Nobody Speaks of Remarkable Things  
Orwell, George Animal Farm; 1984  
Rand, Ayn The Fountainhead; Atlas Shrugged  
Remarque, Erich Maria All Quiet on the Western Front  
Roy, Arundhati The God of Small Things  
Rushdie, Salman Midnight's Children  
Salinger, J. D. The Catcher in the Rye  
Singh, Simon Fermat's Last Theorem

Sobel, Dava Longitude  
Steinbeck, John The Pearl; Of Mice and Men; The Grapes of Wrath  
Stoker, Bram Dracula  
Tolkien, J. R. R. The Hobbit; Lord of the Rings  
Tolstoy, Leo The Death of Ivan Ilyich  
Wells, H. G. Complete Short Stories; Time Machine  
Wyndham, John Day of the Triffids; Chocky; The Chrysalids

## **Modern/Current Issues**

Adams, Douglas Last Chance to See  
Almond, David Skelig; Almond Eyes; Kit's Wilderness  
Ashley, Bernard Freedom Flight; Little Soldier  
Atwood, Margaret The Handmaid's Tale; The Testaments  
Blackman, Malorie Noughts and Crosses; Tell Me No Lies; Trust Me;  
Brooks, Kevin Martyn Pig  
Burgess, Melvin Junk; Bloodtide  
Chambers, Aidan Postcards From No Man's Land  
Cormier, Robert Chocolate War; Other Bells For Us To Ring  
Couchman, J. B. Vampire Heart  
Cross, Gillian Tighrope  
Dahl, Roald Skin; Tales of the Unexpected  
Thomas, Angie The Hate U Give  
Sumino, Yoru I Want to Eat Your Pancreas  
Baldwin, James If Beale Street Could Talk  
Maclean, Alistair The Golden Gate  
Diamond, Jared Guns, Germs, Steel  
Doherty, Berlie Dear Nobody  
Elton, Ben Various  
Gibbons, Alan The Dark Beneath; The Lost Boys' Appreciation Society  
Gray, Keith From Blood; Two Brothers  
Haddon, Mark The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time  
Hiçılmaz, Gaye Girl in Red; In Flame; Pictures from the Fire  
Holm, Anne I am David  
Hooper, Mary Amy; Megan; Megan 2  
Hornby, Nick About a Boy; Fever Pitch; High Fidelity  
Howarth, Lesley Maphead; Mister Spaceman; Paulina  
Christopher, Lucy Stolen  
Newbery, Linda The Shell House; Sisterland  
Perera, Anna Guantanamo Boy  
Pielichaty, Helena Jade's Story; Getting Rid of Kareenna; Never Ever  
Pierre, D B C Vernon God Little  
Picoult, Jodi Various  
Rai, Bali The Crew; Rani and Sukh; (Un) arranged marriage  
Sachar, Louis Holes  
Swindells, Robert Dosh; Stone Cold; Smash  
Syal, Meera Anita and Me  
Voigt, Cynthia Homecoming  
Westall, Robert Love Match; Machine Gunners;  
Wilson, Jacqueline Bad Girls; The Illustrated Mum; Falling Apart  
Wooding, Chris Crashing; Endgame; Kerosene  
Wyman, Matt Boy Kills Man  
Zephaniah, Benjamin Face; Gangsta Rap; Refugee Boy

## **Science Fiction/Fantasy**

Adams, Douglas Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy  
Barker, Clive Abarat  
Brooks, Kevin Being  
Canavan, Trudi The Magician's Apprentice series  
Baxter Stephen, Flux  
Clarke, Arthur C. 2001: a Space Odyssey; 2061: Odyssey Three  
Colfer, Eoin Artemis Fowl series; The Wish List  
Crichton, Michael Jurassic Park; Lost World; Prey; Next  
Curley, Marianne Guardians of Time

Donaldson, Stephen Lord Foul's Bane; The Illearth War  
Dickinson, John The Cup of the World  
Duane, Diane Young Wizards Trilogy  
Eddings, David Belgarath the Sorcerer; Polgara the Sorceress  
Gaiman, Neil Neverwhere  
Rob Grant, Backwards; Colony  
Hawking, Lucy & Prof George's Secret key to the Universe  
Hearn, Lian Across the Nightingale Floor; Grass for his Pillow  
Hobb, Robin Assassin's Apprentice; Royal Assassin  
Hoffman, Mary Stravaganza series  
Horowitz, Anthony Power of 5 series  
Howarth, Lesley Carwash; Maphead; Paulina; The Pits  
Jaques, Brian Redwall series  
Jones, Dianne Wynne Crown of Danemark; Hexwood  
Jordan, Robert From the Two Rivers; To the Blight  
Lawhead, Stephen Dragon King Saga  
Le Guin, Ursula The Earthsea quartet  
Mallory, James Merlin  
McCaughrean, Geraldine Kite Rider; The Stones are Hatching  
McKenzie, Sophie Blood Ties  
Bradbury, Ray Fahrenheit 451  
McCarthy, Cormac The Road

Meyer, Stephenie Twilight Series; The Host  
Naylor, Grant Backwards; Last Human; Red Dwarf  
Ness, Patrick The Knife of Never Letting Go  
Nicholson, William Wind on Fire series  
Nix, Garth Mister Monday series; Sabriel, Lirael  
Paolini, Christopher Eragon Trilogy  
Pascal, Francine Fearless series  
Patterson, James Maximum Ride series; Daniel X; Witch & Wizard  
Paver, Michelle Chronicles of Ancient Darkness  
Pratchett, Terry Jingo; Mort; Sourcery; Small Gods; Johnny and the Bomb  
Pullman, Philip Broken Bridge; Northern Lights trilogy; Clockwork  
Rees, Celia The Bailey Game; Sorceress; Neues from the Dead  
Philip Reeve Mortal Engines, etc  
Rowling, J. K Harry Potter series  
Robinson, Kim Stanley Red Mars; Blue Mars; Green Mars  
Sedgwick, Marcus The Dark Horse  
Stroud, Jonathan Bartimaeus Trilogy  
Thompson, Kate The Switchers trilogy; Origins series  
Tilley, Patrick Amtrak Wars Series  
Welford, Sue Nowhere to Run; Out of the Blue; Secrets  
Wells, H. G. Time Machine

## **Humour**

Abdel-Fattah, Randa Does My Head Look Big In This?  
Asquith, Ros I Was a Teenage Worrier  
Griffiths, Andy Zombie Bums from Uranus  
Gleitzman, Morris Blabber Mouth  
Cabot, Meg Princess Diaries series  
Davidson, Gina What Treasure Did Next  
Fielding, Helen Bridget Jones Diary  
Gleitzman, Morris Two Weeks With the Queen  
Gray, Keith Malarkey  
Green, Julia Blue Moon

Jennings, Paul Uncanny!; Unseen!  
MacFarlane, Aidan A New Diary of a Teenage Health Freak  
McPherson, Ann I'm a Health Freak Too  
Parker, Mark F. X-Calibre  
Rennison, Louise Angus; Thongs and Full-Frontal Snogging; It's OK; I'm Wearing Really Big Knickers  
Rushton, Rosie How Could You Do this To Me Mum? Just Don't Make a Scene Mum; Best Friends Getting Sorted; Jessica  
Shipton, Paul Bug Muldoon and the Killer in the Rain  
Townsend, Sue Adrian Mole series  
Whytock, Cherry Angel: Haggis Horrors and Heavenly Bodies

## **Horror**

Cole, Stephen The Wereling: Wounded; The Wereling: Prey; The Wereling: Retribution  
Herbert, James Ghosts of Sleath; '48  
King, Stephen Bag of Bones; Christine; Dolores Claiborne; Rose Madder  
Pike, Christopher Last Vampire series  
Sedgewick, Marcus My Swordhand is singing  
Shan, Darren Saga of Darren Shan: Vampire series  
Shelley, Mary Frankenstein  
Westall, Robert Shades of Darkness  
Shearer, Alex The Hunted; The Lost

## **Crime/Thriller/War/Adventure**

Christie, Agatha various  
Clancy, Tom various  
Clark, Mary Higgins Remember Me; We'll Meet Again  
Cornwell, Bernard Sharpe series  
Cussler, Clive Flood Tide; Iceberg; Inca Gold; Raise the Titanic  
Dexter, Colin Daughters of Cain; The Dead of Jericho; Last Seen Wearing  
Doyle, Arthur Conan The Mystery of Cloomber  
Francis, Dick Banker; Bolt; Come to Grief; Field of 113; High Stakes  
Gilman, David Ice Claw  
Grisham, John The Brethren; The Chamber; Rainmaker; Time to Kill  
Guterson, David Snow Falling on Cedars  
Harris, Robert Enigma; Fatherland  
Harris, Thomas Hannibal; Red Dragon; Silence of the Lambs  
Higson, Charlie Young Bond series; The Enemy  
Horowitz, Anthony Alex Rider series; Diamond Brother series  
James, P. D. Death in Holy Orders; Devices and Desires  
Nix, Garth Cherub series  
Rankin, Ian Black and Blue; The Falls; Knots and Crosses  
Rendell, Ruth Going Wrong; Heartstones  
Rose, Malcolm Concrete Evidence; Breathing Fear; Lawless and Tilley  
Ryan, Chris Alpha-Force; the Hit List  
Seymour, Gerald Traitor's Kiss; Rat run  
Shearer, Alex Bootleg  
Walters, Minette The Breaker; the Dark Room; the Sculptress  
Yorke, Margaret Admit to Murder; Hand of Death  
Pullman, Philip various

## **Autobiography**

Anne Frank Diary of Anne Frank  
Kelly Holmes Black, White & Gold  
Amir Khan A Boy from Bolton  
Laurie Lee Cider with Rosie  
Nelson Mandela Long Walk to Freedom  
Frank McCourt Angela's Ashes; 'Tis  
Monty Panesar Monty's Turn  
Dave Pelzer A Child Called 'it'; Lost Boy; Man Named Dave  
Robbie Williams Feel  
Frank Lampard Totally Frank  
Billie Piper Growing Pains  
Steven Gerrard Gerrard My Autobiography  
Peter Kay The Sound of Laughter

## **Travel**

Bill Bryson Lost Continent; Neither Here Nor There; Notes From a Small Island  
Tony Hawks One Hit Wonderland; Playing the Moldovans at Tennis;  
Round Ireland With a Fridge  
Jools Holland Beat Route  
Michael Palin Pole to Pole; Full Circle  
Janet Street-Porter Coast to Coast

## **Sports Fiction**

Dominic Barker Sharp Shot  
Ben Bo Burn Out; The Edge; Skullcrack  
Tim Bowler Shadows  
Narinder Dhami Bend it like Beckham  
Helen Flint Not Just Dancing  
Catherine Forde Fat Boy Swim  
Alan Gibbons Divided We Fall  
Michael Hardcastle Mascot; Hooked; Racing to Win; Free Kick  
David Hill Kick Back  
Nick Hornby Fever Pitch