

100(ish) Brilliant Books to Read during Key Stage 4



Author	Title	Genre
Adams, Douglas	The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy <i>and sequels</i>	humour/science fiction
Alison, Rosie	The very thought of you	historical
Angelou, Maya	I Know where the Caged Bird Sings	autobiography
Austen, Jane	Pride and Prejudice	classic
Banks, Iain	The Wasp Factory	horror
Benwell, Sarah	The Last Leaves Falling	real life
Bradbury, Ray	Fahrenheit 451	science fiction
Bronte, Charlotte	Jane Eyre	classic
Bronte, Emily	Wuthering Heights	classic
Brooks, Kevin	The Bunker Diary	mystery/thriller
Brooks, Kevin	Candy	real life
Bryson, Bill	The Life & Times of the Thunderbolt Kid	autobiography
Burgess, Melvin	Junk	real life
Chbosky, Stephen	The Perks of being a Wallflower	real life
Christie, Agatha	<i>any title</i>	mystery/thriller
Cormier, Robert	I am the Cheese	mystery/thriller
Dahl, Roald	Tales of the Unexpected <i>or other short story collection</i>	horror
Dick, Philip	Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?	science fiction
Dickens, Charles	Great Expectations	classic
Dickens, Charles	Oliver Twist	classic
Dickens, Charles	David Copperfield	classic
Donnelly, Jennifer	A Gathering Light	mystery/thriller
Downham, Jenny	Before I Die	real life
Doyle, Arthur Conan	<i>any Sherlock Holmes title</i>	classic
Du Maurier, Daphne	Rebecca	mystery/thriller

Durrell, Gerald	My Family and Other Animals	autobiography
Fielding, Helen	Bridget Jones' Diary	humour
Fowley-Doyle, M	The Accident Season	real life
Frank, Anne	The Diary of a Young Girl	autobiography
Gaarder, Jostein	Sophie's World	non-fiction/philosophy
Gavriel, Savit	Anna and the Swallow Man	historical
Gibbon, Stella	Cold Comfort Farm	humour
Golding, William	Lord of the Flies	classic
Grossmith, George	The Diary of as Nobody	humour
Guene, Faiza	Just Like Tomorrow	real life
Haddon, Mark	The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time	real life
Harris, Robert	Archangel	mystery/thriller
Harris, Robert	Fatherland	mystery/thriller
Harrop, Isobel	The Isobel Journal	autobiography
Hill, Susan	The Woman in Black	horror
Hitchcock, Bonnie-Sue	The Smell of Other People's Houses	real life
Hines, Barry	A Kestrel for a Knave	real life
Hosseini, Khaled	The Kite Runner	real life
Hosseini, Khaled	A Thousand Splendid Suns	real life
Howe, Katherine	Conversion	historical
Hughes, M V	A London Girl of the 1880s	autobiography
Huxley, Aldous	Brave New World	classic/science fiction
Ishiguro, Kazuo	Never Let Me Go	science fiction
James, Henry	The Turn of the Screw	classic/horror
Kelman, Stephen	Pigeon English	real life
Kidd, Sue Monk	The Secret Life of Bees	historical
Klein, Rachel	The Moth Diaries	horror
Lee, Harper	To Kill a Mockingbird	classic
Le Guin, Ursula	Earthsea Quartet	fantasy
Levy, Andrea	Small Island	historical
Martel, Yann	The Life of Pi	fantasy
Mayhew, Julie	Mother Tongue	real life
Mayhew, Julie	Red Ink	real life
McCourt, Frank	Angela's Ashes	autobiography

Morgan, Nicola	The Teenage Guide to Stress	non-fiction
Morgenstern, Erin	The Night Circus	fantasy
Nabokov, Vladimir	Lolita	classic
Nelson, Jandy	I'll Give you the Sun	real life
Nelson, Jandy	The Sky is Everywhere	real life
Newbery, Linda	The Shell House	historical
Orwell, George	Animal Farm	classic
Orwell, George	1984	classic/science fiction
Packham, Chris	Fingers in the Sparkle Jar	autobiography
Peet, Mal	Life, an exploded diagram	historical
Peet, Mal	Tamar	historical
Picoult, Jodi	My Sister's Keeper or any other title	real life
Plath, Sylvia	The Bell Jar	real life
Poe, Edgar Allan	<i>any short story collection</i>	horror
Pratchett, Terry	<i>any Discworld book</i>	fantasy
Pratt, Non	Trouble	Real life
Rosoff, Meg	How I Live Now	real life
Sagan, Carl	Contact	science fiction
Salinger, J. D	The Catcher in the Rye	real life
Satrapi, Marjane	Persepolis	graphic novel
Sebold, Alice	The Lovely Bones	mystery/thriller
Sepetys, Ruta	Salt to the sea	historical
Shelley, Mary	Frankenstein	classic/horror
Smith, Alexander McCall	The no1 Ladies' Detective Agency and sequels	mystery/thriller
Smith, Dodie	I capture the castle	real life
Solzhenitsyn, Aleksandr	One Day in the life of Ivan Denisovich	classic
Spiegelman, Art	Maus	graphic novel
Steinbeck, John	Of Mice and Men	classic
Steinbeck, John	The Pearl	classic
Stevenson, Robert Louis	The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde	science fiction
Stiefvater, Maggie	The Raven Boys and sequels	fantasy
Stockett, Kathryn	The Help	historical
Syal, Meera	Anita and Me	real life

Talley, Robin	Lies we Tell Ourselves	historical
Thomas, Angie	The Lies we Tell (THUG)	Real life
Tolkien, J R R	The Lord of the Rings	fantasy
Vizzini, Ned	It's Kind of a Funny Story	real life
Wallace, Jason	Out of Shadows	historical
Wells, H G	The Time Machine	classic/science fiction
Wein, Elizabeth	Code Name Verity	science fiction
Winman, Sarah	When God was a Rabbit	real life
Wyndham, John	The Day of the Triffids	science fiction
Wyndham, John	The Midwich Cuckoos	science fiction
Yousafzai, Malala	I am Malala	autobiography
Zusak, Markus	The Book Thief	historical