



RECOMMENDED READING AT POST 16

Books to stretch and challenge...



your mind, imagination and preconceptions

This list is by no means exhaustive and there are no guarantees that you will enjoy all the books included. It is merely a list of suggestions that will give you somewhere to start when faced with a whole library of possibilities. *All the books on the list are available from Glossopdale School & Sixth Form Library and you can extend your choice to any other titles by these suggested authors.*

Author	Title
Atwood, M.	Cat's Eyes (Bullying, Friendship, Family, Success)
Atta, D.	The Black Flamingo (Identity, Mixed Race, Gay teen, Drag Queen)
Banks, I.	Wasp Factory (Madness, Family, Murder)
Bourne, H.	Am I Normal Yet? (Friendship, Mental Health, OCD, Teenage Angst)
Brooks, K.	Bunker Diary (Kidnap, Psychological Thriller, Captivity, Survival)
Capote, T.	In Cold Blood (True Crime, Murder, Journalism, 1950's America)
Carter, A.	The Bloody Chamber (Arranged Marriage, Murder, Perversion, Relationships)
Chang, J.	Wild Swans (Chinese Revolution, Communism, Family, Hardship, Autobiography)
Cheung, S.	Chinglish (Diversity, Poverty, Abuse, Family, Cruelty, Bullying, Diary-style)
Conaghan, B.	When Mr Dog Bites (Tourette's, Death, Illness, Humour)
Conaghan, B.	The Weight of a Thousand Feathers (Assisted Dying, Sexuality, Young Carers, Family)
Drewery, K.	The Last Paper Crane (Hiroshima, Japan, Grandfather, Guilt, Secrets and promises)
Du Maurier, D.	Rebecca (Classic Thriller)
Faulks, S.	Birdsong (World War 1, Soldiers, Romance, Survival, Death, Tunnelers)
Fitzgerald, F.S.	Great Gatsby (Jazz Era, American Society, Loneliness, Wealth)
Frank, A.	Diary of Ann Frank (Holocaust, Nazi Occupation, Hiding, Amsterdam, WW2)
Golding, W.	Lord of the Flies (Desert Island, Breakdown of Society, Savages, Schoolboys)
Gornall, L.	Under Rose Tainted Skies (Agoraphobia, Friendship, OCD, Romance)
Haddon, I.	Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time (Asperger's, Murder Mystery, Family)
Heathfield, L.	I Am Not A Number (Present day, Political Protests, Prison Camp, Survival)
Heller, J.	Catch 22 (World War 2, Mental fatigue, Humour, Airmen)
Hodges, A.	Alan Turing: The Enigma (The book that inspired the film 'The Imitation Game')
Hosseini, K.	The Kite Runner (Afghanistan, Friendship, Family, Violence)
Isiguro, K.	Never Let me Go (Dystopia, Isolation, Boarding School, Friendship)
Kalsan, S.	That Asian Kid (Racial Prejudice, Social Media Video, Bullying, Power Struggle)
Kaysen, S.	Girl, Interrupted (Mental Asylum, Depression, Mental Illness)

Kerouac, J. On the Road (Beat Generation, Road Trip, Drugs)

Kesey, K. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest (Humour, Madness, Institution)

King, S. Misery (Kidnap, Obsessive Fan, Captivity)

Lake, N. There Will Be Lies (Deafness, Lies, Murder, Mythology, Road Trip)

Lanier, J. Ten Arguments for Deleting Your Social Media Accounts Right Now (Well-being)

Lee, H. To Kill a Mockingbird (Racism, American Society, Segregation, Family)

Mann, M. Run, Rebel (Diversity, Women's rights, Verse narrative, Domineering Father)

McCarthy, C. Road (Dystopia, Apocalyptic, Survival, Father/Son, Journey)

McCaughrean, G. Where The World Ends (Historical, Survival, Hardship, Society Breakdown)

McCaughrean, G. The Supreme Lie ((Natural Disaster, Dystopia, Dark humour, Futuristic)

McEwan, I. Atonement (Lies, Family, Estrangement, Love)

McGregor, J. If No One Speaks of Remarkable Things (Incident, Neighbours, Snapshot of One Day)

Morrison, T. Beloved (American Civil War, Slavery, Racism, Ghost)

Ness, P. More Than This (Drowning, Afterlife, Fantasy, Future World, Mystery)

Peet, M. Beck (Child Abuse, Discrimination, Journey, Survival, Romance, Canada)

Pullman, P. Book Of Dust (Linked to His Dark Materials Trilogy)

Ribay, R. Patron Saints of Nothing (Grief, Mystery, Drugs, Murder, Duterte's Philippines backdrop)

Rooney, S. Normal People (Love, Class, Work, Miscommunication, Melancholy, Heartbreak)

Rosoff, M. How I live Now (Discovering Love, New Yorker in England, Coming of Age)

Salinger, J.D. Catcher in the Rye (Adolescence, College, Misfit, Teenage Angst)

Sedgwick, M. Ghosts of Heaven (4 short stories linked by the concept of SPIRALS - exceptional)

Sepetys, R. Fountains of Silence (Spain, History, Franco's Dictatorship, Romance, post civil-war)

Smith, D. I Capture the Castle (Dysfunctional Family, First Love)

Talley, R. The Lies We Tell Ourselves (Virginia 1959, Racism in schools, Civil rights, LGBT themes)

Tan, S. Tales From The Inner City (Human nature, Animals, Short Stories, Surreal Artwork)

Tartt, D. The Goldfinch (American odyssey, Thriller, Suspense, Art world, Identity, Fate)

Thomas, A. The Hate U Give (Shooting, Discrimination, Speaking out, Black American Rights)

Thompson, H.S. Rum Diary (Road Trip, Journalism, Love, Alcohol Addiction)

Welsh, I. Trainspotting (Drug/ Alcohol Addiction, Humour, Down and Out)

Williamson, L. The Art of Being Normal (Transgender, Sexuality, Relationships, School, LGBT)

Winterton, J. Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit (Religious Fanatics, Dysfunctional Family, Humour)

Yousafzai, M. I Am Malala (Talaban, Attempted Murder, Pakistan, Autobiography)

Zafon, C.R. Shadow of the Wind (Mystery, Police, Spanish Setting, Book Depository)

Zusak, M. The Book Thief (Holocaust, WW2, Nazi Germany, Family, Survival)