




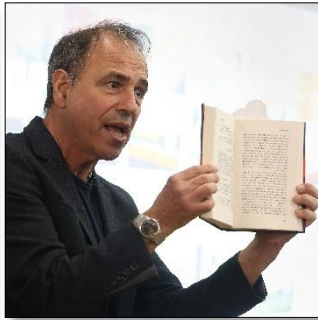
Y5 Reading Spine

“When I think of all the books still left for me to read, I am certain of further happiness.”

- Jules Renard

As children reach Year 5, their reading spine reflects their growing level of maturity. Many fiction texts have been selected for their sense of mystery, intrigue and problem-solving within the narrative. There is also significant representation of authors and storylines from different cultures to reflect the growing awareness of the diversity that enriches storytelling.

Y5 Author Collections

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| Roald Dahl | Maz Evans | Helen Moss | Anthony Horowitz |
| A master of weird whimsy and wonderful character creation, Roald Dahl remains a classic children's author whose work grips the imagination and gets the creative juices flowing! | A writer whose quick pace and dramatic storylines help to bring the action and drama of classical ancient Greek mythology alive in the modern age. | Helen Moss's books are adventurous and light hearted, but all have mystery and problem solving at their centre. | Horowitz is a master of action, mystery and suspense. He writes books that are thrilling, fun to read and packed with dry humour. |
| Collection | Greek Mythology Collection | Adventure Island Collection | Collection |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matilda • The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me • The Twits • Charlie and the Chocolate Factory • Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator • George's Marvellous Medicine • The Magic Finger • Fantastic Mr Fox • The BFG • Going Solo • Boy Tales of Childhood • Dirty Beasts • Danny the Champion of the World • James and the Giant Peach | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simply the Quest • Beyond the Odyssey • Who Let the Gods Out? • Against All Gods | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mystery of the Cursed Ruby • The Mystery of the Missing Masterpiece • The Mystery of the Whistling Caves • The Mystery of the Hidden Gold • The Mystery of the Vanishing Skeleton | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Falcon's Malteser • Public Enemy Number Two • The French Confection • South by South East • Groosham Grange • Granny • The Switch • The Devil and his Boy |

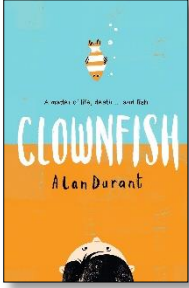
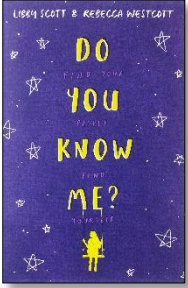


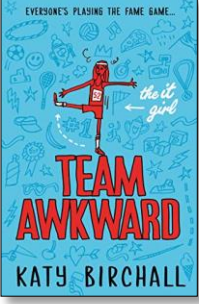
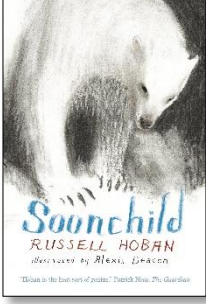
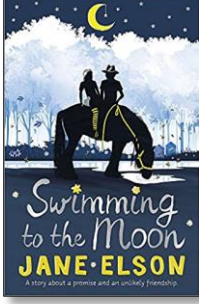
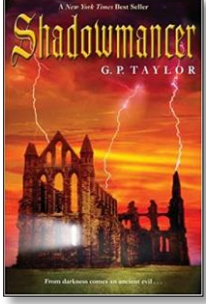


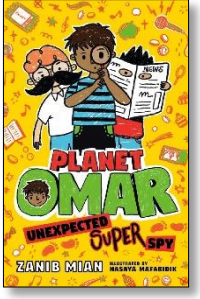
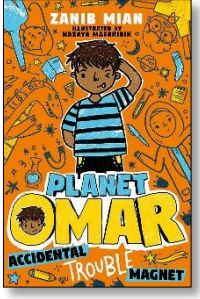
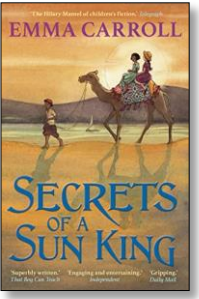
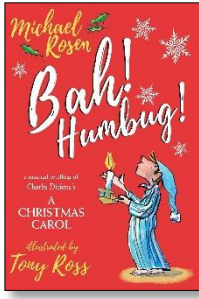
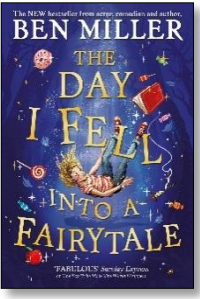
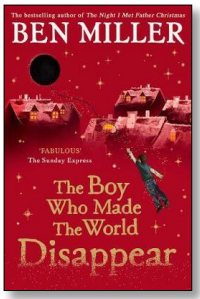
Y5 Studied Texts

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| The Land of Roar by Jenny McLachlan | Grubson's Pug's Christmas Voyage by Jane-Anne Hodgson | Guardians of the Wild Unicorns by Lindsay Littleton | Viking Boy by Tony Bradman |
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| The Legend of Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo | Nowhere Emporium by Ross Mackenzie | Asha and the Spirit Bird by Jasbinder Bilan | Street Child by Berlie Doherty |

Y5 Classics

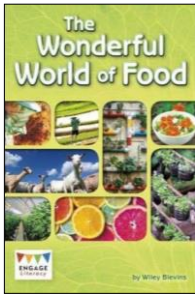
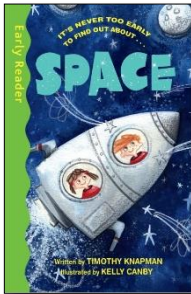
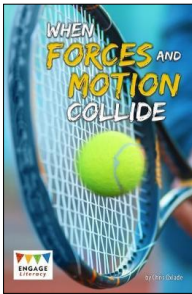
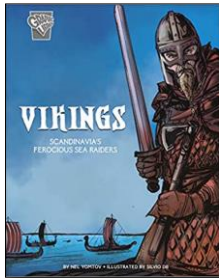
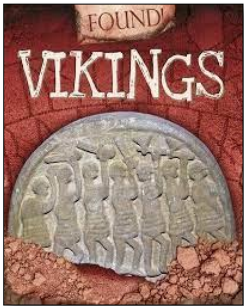
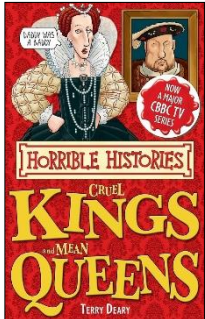
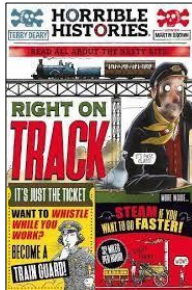
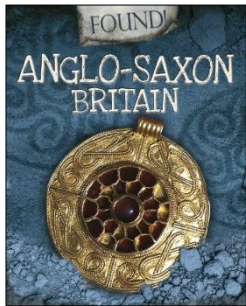
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| The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame | A Mouse Called Wolf by Dick King-Smith | The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum | The Railway Children by Edith Nesbit |
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| Watership Down by Richard Adams | The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy | Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian | Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll |

Y5 Contemporary Texts

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| <p>Clownfish by Alan Durant</p> | <p>Do You Know Me? by Libby Scott and Rebecca Westcott</p> | <p>Night Flying by Rita Murphy</p> | <p>The Competition by Maddie Ziegler</p> |
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| <p>Team Awkward by Katy Birchall</p> | <p>Soonchild by Russell Hoban</p> | <p>Swimming to the Moon by Jane Elson</p> | <p>Shadowmancer by GP Taylor</p> |
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| <p>The Northing to See Here Hotel by Steven Butler</p> | <p>Planet Omar: Epic Hero Flop by Zanib Mian</p> | <p>Planet Omar: Unexpected Super Spy by Zanib Mian</p> | <p>Planet Omar: Accidental Trouble Magnet by Zanib Mian</p> |
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| <p>Secrets of a Sun King by Emma Carroll</p> | <p>Bah! Humbug! by Michael Rosen</p> | <p>The Day I fell into a Fairytale by Ben Miller</p> | <p>The Boy Who Made the World Disappear by Ben Miller</p> |


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| Gargantis by Thomas Taylor | Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen | Time Stops For No Mouse by Michael Hoeye | The Great Food Bank Heist by Onjali Q. Raúf |
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| The Night Bus Hero by Onjali Q. Raúf | Running on the Cracks by Julia Donaldson | Can you see me? by Libby Scott | The Deep and Dark Blue by Niki Smith |

Y5 Linked to Wider Curriculum

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| The Wonderful World of Food by Wiley Blevins | Space by Timothy Knapman | When Forces and Motion Collide by Chris Oxlade | Vikings: Scandinavia's Ferocious Sea Raiders by Nel Yomtov |
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| Vikings by Moira Butterfield Link: Vikings and Anglo Saxons in History | Cruel Kings and Mean Queens by Terry Deary Links: Kings and Queens in History | Horrible Histories: Right on Track By Terry Deary Link: Victorians in History | Anglo-Saxon Britain by Moira Butterfield Link: Vikings and Anglo Saxons in History |

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| <p>Anglo Saxon Boy by Tony Bradman</p> <p>Link: Vikings and Anglo Saxons in History</p> | <p>Maisie Hitchins: The Case of the Stolen Sixpence by Holly Webb</p> <p>Link: Victorians in History</p> | <p>Little Explorer Insects Collection By Megan Cooley Peterson</p> | <p>I Wonder Why Spiders Spin Webs by Amanda O'Neill</p> |

Y5 Poetry

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| <p>The Jabberwocky By Lewis Carroll</p> | <p>The Head That Wears the Crown By Emma Wright and Rachel Piercey</p> | <p>It's Spring by John Foster</p> | <p>Oh the Places You Will Go by Dr Seuss</p> |