

- › Pilkey, Dav: **The Adventures of Captain Underpants**
- › Umansky, Kaye: **Meet the Weirds**

Classic

- › Burnett, Frances Hodgson: **The Secret Garden**
- › Lewis, C.S.: **The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe**
- › Magorian, Michelle: **Goodnight Mr. Tom**
- › Montgomery, L.M.: **Anne of Green Gables**
- › Nesbit, E.: **The Railway Children**
- › White, E.B.: **Charlotte's Web**

Real life

- › Blyton, Enid: **First Term at Malory Towers**
- › Boyne, John: **The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas**
- › Curtin, Judi: **Alice in the Middle**
- › McKay, Hilary: **Saffy's Angel**
- › Wilson, Jacqueline: **Starring Tracy Beaker**

Fantasy

- › Cole, Steve: **Astrosaurus**
- › Colfer, Eoin: **Artemis Fowl**
- › Diterlizzi, Tony: **The Spiderwick Chronicles**
- › Gliori, Debi: **Pure Dead Wicked**
- › Landy, Derek: **Skulduggery Pleasant**
- › Nix, Garth: **Drowned Wednesday**
- › Riordan, Rick: **Percy Jackson and the Titan's Curse**
- › Stewart, Paul & Riddell, Chris: **The Curse of the Night Wolf**

Adventure

- › Higson, Charles: **Hurricane Gold**
- › Horowitz, Anthony: **Eagle Strike**
- › Snicket, Lemony: **A Series of Unfortunate Events**

AGE 13+

Funny

- › Cabot, Meg: **All American Girl**
- › Hopkins, Cathy: **Mates, Dates and Cosmic Kisses**
- › McCombie, Karen: **Visitors, Vanishings and Va-va-va Voom**
- › Pratchett, Terry: **The Colour of Magic**
- › Rennison, Louise: **Angus, Thongs and Full Frontal Snogging**

Classic

- › Salinger, J.D.: **Catcher in the Rye**
- › Smith, Dodie: **I Capture the Castle**
- › Tolkien, J.R.R.: **Lord of the Rings**

Real life

- › Breslin, Theresa: **Saskia's Journey**
- › Cormier, Robert: **The Chocolate War**

- › Haddon, Mark: **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time**
- › MacPhail, Catherine: **Bad Company**
- › May, Judy: **Blue Lavender Girl**
- › O'Laighleis, Ré: **Ecstasy, agus Scealta Eile**
- › Thompson, Kate: **Annan Water**

Fantasy

- › Blackman, Malorie: **Noughts and Crosses**
- › Pullman, Philip: **His Dark Materials**
- › Rees, Celia: **Sorceress**
- › Reeve, Philip: **Here lies Arthur**
- › Shan, Darren: **Cirque du Freak**

Thriller

- › Brooks, Kevin: **Being**
- › Burgess, Melvin: **Sarah's Face**
- › Muchamore, Robert: **The Fall**

Historical

- › Hearn, Judith: **The Merrybegot**
- › Westall, Robert: **The Machine Gunners**

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AGE 0-5

Funny

- › Ahlberg, Allan: **Monkey Do!**
- › Carle, Eric: **The Very Hungry Caterpillar**
- › Child, Lauren: **I Will Not Ever, Never Eat a Tomato**
- › Donaldson, Julia: **The Gruffalo**
- › Falconer, Ian: **Olivia**
- › Inkpen, Mick: **Kipper**
- › Gravett, Emily: **The Odd Egg**
- › Gray, Kes & Sharrat, Nick: **Eat Your Peas**
- › Jeffers, Oliver: **The Incredible Book Eating Boy**
- › Kerr, Judith: **Mog the Forgetful Cat**
- › Thomas, Valerie & Korky, Paul: **Winnie the Witch**

Classic

- › Auderey, Rev W: **Thomas the Tank Engine**
- › Bemelmans, Ludwig: **Madeline**
- › Bruna, Dick: **Miffy**
- › Hargreaves, Roger: **Mr. Men & Little Miss**
- › Milne, A.A.: **Winnie the Pooh**
- › Sendak, Maurice: **Where the Wild Things Are**

Developmental

- › Browne, Anthony: **Into the Forest**
- › Cousins, Lucy: **Maisy**
- › Fitzpatrick, Marie-Louise: **Silly Mummy, Silly Daddy**
- › Hill, Eric: **Where's Spot/ Ca bhfuil Bran?**
- › Oxenbury, Helen: **Tom and Pippo**
- › Rosen, Michael: **We're Going on a Bear Hunt**
- › Ross, Tony: **I Want My Potty**
- › Waddell, Martin: **Can't You Sleep Little Bear?**

AGE 6-8

Funny

- › Blake, Quentin: **Mr. Magnolia**
- › Conroy, Don: **The Owl Who Couldn't Give a Hoot**
- › Dahl, Roald: **The BFG**
- › Doyle, Roddy: **The Giggler Treatment**
- › Funke, Cornelia: **Princess Pigsty**
- › McGann, Oisín: **Mad Grandad's Flying Saucer**
- › Morpurgo, Michael: **The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips**
- › Simon, Francesca: **Don't be Horrid Henry**
- › Stanton, Andy: **Mr. Gum and the Biscuit Billionaire**
- › Strong, Jeremy: **Beware! Killer Tomatoes**

Classic

- › Bond, Michael: **A Bear Called Paddington**
- › Carroll, Lewis: **Alice in Wonderland**
- › Edwards, Dorothy: **My Naughty Little Sister**
- › Grahame, Kenneth: **The Wind in the Willows**
- › Lindgren, Astrid: **Pippi Longstocking**
- › Murphy, Jill: **The Worst Witch**
- › Scarry, Richard: **Busiest People Ever**
- › Seuss, Dr.: **The Cat in the Hat**

Growing up

- › Burlington, Marie: **Dear Me**
- › Fine, Anne: **The Angel of Nitshill Road**
- › McDonald, Megan: **Judy Moody**
- › Mark, Jan: **The Museum Book**
- › Snell, Gordon: **Tina and the Tooth Fairy**

Series

- › Daniels, Lucy: **Animals in the Ark**
- › Meadows, Daisy: **Abigail the Breeze Fairy**

AGE 9-12

Funny

- › Deary, Terry: **Horrible Histories**