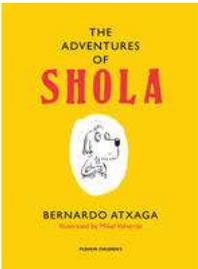
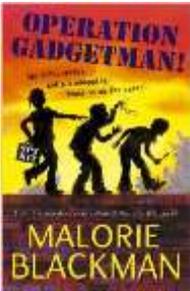
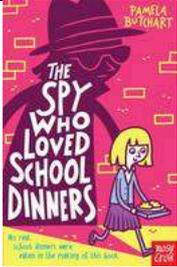
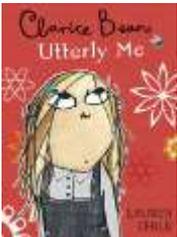
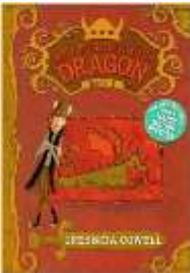
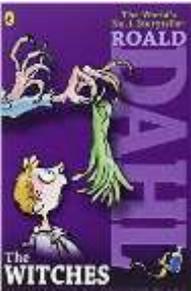
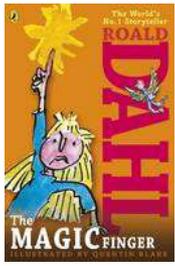
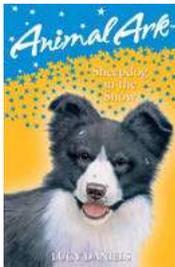
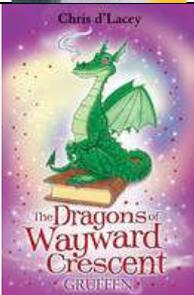
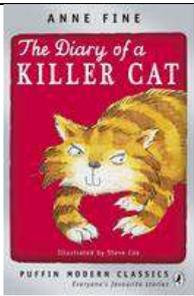
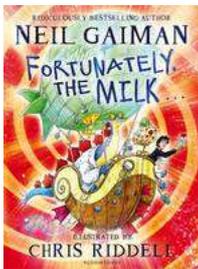


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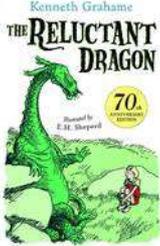
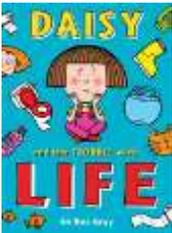
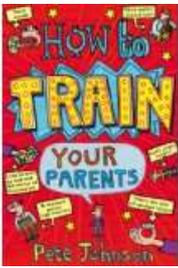
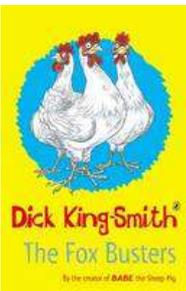
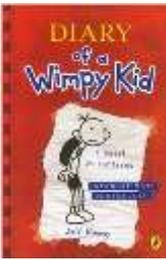
The following book list contains titles to appeal to children aged 7-8 in Year 3. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list, but merely a suggested guide. The books consist of a range of titles suitable for all ability ranges within this age group, including reluctant readers and the most able. Most of these books are available in the school library.

	<p>The Adventures of Shola by Bernardo Atxaga</p> <p>The outside world sees a small, white dog but Shola thinks she is much more than that, nothing less than a highly cultivated creature, with the world at her feet. Her long-suffering companion (don't ever call him her owner) Senor Groggo puts up with this very patiently, for the most part anyway: Shola's refusal to admit to any mistake occasionally, and understandably, provokes an outburst! The mismatch between Shola's staunch self-belief and reality produce all sorts of comic situations in the four different stories contained in this volume.</p>
	<p>Operation Gadgetman! by Malorie Blackman</p> <p>Beans calls her dad 'Gadgetman' because of the weird and wonderful gadgets he comes up with - everything from exploding biscuits to Spy Kits. But when Gadgetman accidentally invents a device that could be used to steal millions of pounds, the wrong people find out and Gadgetman is kidnapped! With the help of her friends - and her special Gadgetman Spy Kit - Beans is determined to track down the kidnappers and rescue her dad. But can she find Gadgetman before he is forced to hand over the details of his invention...?</p>
	<p>The Spy Who Loved School Dinners by Pamela Butchart</p> <p>Izzy is really pleased to have been put in charge of the new girl at school. Mathilde is French, and Izzy and her friends can't wait to show her their den and its moth, and to help her avoid school dinners (also known as poison). But Mathilde loves school dinners and even has seconds! And that's when they know. Mathilde is a spy and she has come to find out their secrets. They must stop her before it's too late!!</p>
	<p>Utterly Me, Clarice Bean by Lauren Child</p> <p>The story revisits Clarice's family, and introduces Ruby Redfort, ace girl detective and star of Clarice's favourite books. Ruby is always going on exciting adventures, but all Clarice gets to do is go to the local shop on her own. But when Clarice and her best friend, Betty Moody, decide to do their school project on the Ruby Redfort books, they suddenly start finding mysteries everywhere.</p>
	<p>How to Train Your Dragon Series by Cressida Cowell</p> <p>Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III was an awesome sword-fighter, a dragon-whisperer and the greatest Viking Hero who ever lived. But it wasn't always like that. In fact, in the beginning, Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III was the most put upon Viking you'd ever seen. Not loud enough to make himself heard at dinner with his father, Stoick the Vast; not hard enough to beat his chief rival, Snotlout, at Bashyball, the number one school sport and certainly not stupid enough to go into a cave full of dragons to find a pet... It's time for Hiccup to learn how to be a Hero.</p>

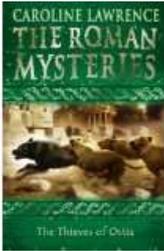
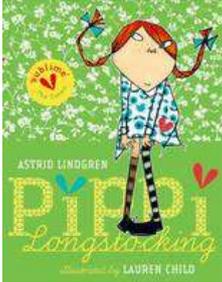
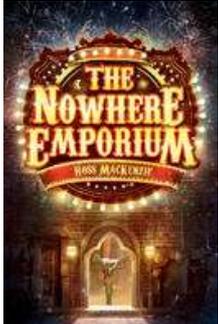
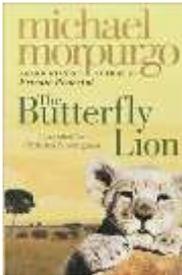
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	<p>The Witches by Roald Dahl</p> <p>Witches really are a detestable breed. They disguise themselves as lovely ladies, when secretly they want to squish and squelch all the wretched children they despise. Luckily one boy and his grandmother know how to recognize these vile creatures, but can they get rid of them for good?</p>
	<p>The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl</p> <p>The story of Lucy, a little girl with magical powers. When someone makes her angry she zaps a punishment on them with her magic flashing finger!</p>
	<p>Animal Ark Series by Lucy Daniels</p> <p>Each book features the heroine, Mandy Hope, and her friend James, as they rescue animals from various perils - often from people who don't understand animals.</p>
	<p>The Dragons of Wayward Crescent: Gruffen by Chris D'Lacey</p> <p>When Lucy Pennykettle suspects there's a monster in her bedroom, her mum knows exactly what to do. She makes a guard dragon - Gruffen - to look after Lucy. But soon Gruffen realises there's a mystery behind the monster... (4 books in the series.)</p>
	<p>Diary of a Killer Cat by Anne Fine</p> <p>Poor Ellie is horrified when Tuffy drags a dead bird into the house. Then a mouse. But Tuffy can't understand what all the fuss is about. Who on earth will be the next victim to arrive through the cat-flap? Can soft-hearted Ellie manage to get her beloved pet to change his wild, wild ways before he ends up in even deeper trouble? The hilarious antics of Tuffy and his family are told by the killer cat himself.</p>
	<p>Fortunately, The Milk... by Neil Gaiman</p> <p>You know what it's like when your mum goes away on a business trip and Dad's in charge. She leaves a really, really long list of what he's got to do. And the most important thing is DON'T FORGET TO GET THE MILK. Unfortunately, Dad forgets. So the next morning, before breakfast, he has to go to the corner shop, and this is the story of why it takes him a very, very long time to get back.</p>

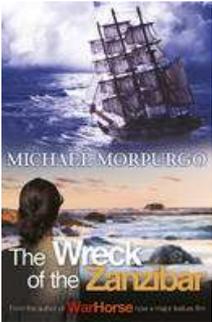
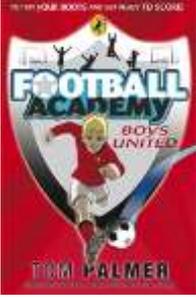
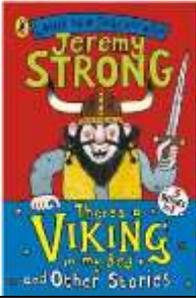
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	<p style="text-align: center;">The Reluctant Dragon by Kenneth Grahame</p> <p>This is a funny story of bravery, friendship and derring-do between a young boy and a dragon who he finds living above his home. The two become close companions but the town folk are scared and call upon St George to kill the dragon in combat. This however, proves rather tricky when the dragon simply won't fight.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Daisy and The Trouble With Life by Kes Gray</p> <p>Daisy's guide to life, nothing is quite black and white. Daisy's got ever so much time to think about what she's done. Really, it wasn't her fault. If her pocket money hadn't run out, who knew that it had invisible red germs that are so totally teensy and that Auntie Sue says give you tummy trouble? (Series.)</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">How to Train Your Parents by Pete Johnson</p> <p>Moving to a new area and a new school, Louis is horrified to discover his parents changing into ultra-competitive parents, wanting him and his younger brother to get straight As at school and join all sorts of after-school clubs and activities like the other kids in the area. Suddenly Louis's life is no longer his own - until he meets Maddy, who claims to have trained her parents to ignore her- But does Louis really want to be ignored?</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">The Fox Busters by Dick King-Smith</p> <p>Flightless, helpless and often, frankly, more than a little silly, chickens are no match for the cunning, merciless foxes stalking their coop. Or are they? Thanks to a careless farmer and generations of determined foxes, the chickens on Foxearth Farm have evolved into quick-witted, long-legged, high flying fox dodgers. Then, just a week after a vicious fox ambush in the water trough, three sisters are hatched. And Ransome, Sims and Jefferies are no ordinary chicks: they grow up determined to fight back. They are the legendary Fox Busters.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney</p> <p>Greg Heffley finds himself thrust into a new year and a new school where undersize weaklings share the corridors with kids who are taller, meaner and already shaving. Desperate to prove his new found maturity, which only going up a grade can bring, Greg is happy to have his not-quite-so-cool sidekick, Rowley, along for the ride. But when Rowley's star starts to rise, Greg tries to use his best friend's popularity to his own advantage. Recorded in his diary with comic pictures and his very own words, this test of Greg and Rowley's friendship unfolds with hilarious results.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Just So Stories by Rudyard Kipling</p> <p>Presents the tales of whales and cats and kangaroos and crabs. This book includes stories ranging from how the camel got in a hump (and got his hump!) to how the alphabet was invented.</p>

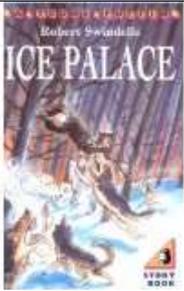
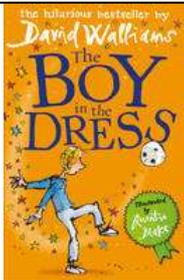
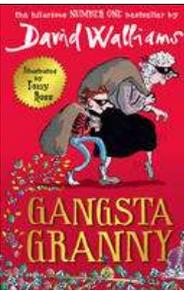
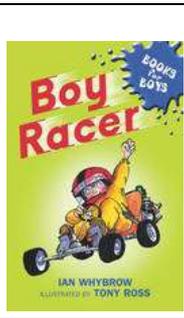
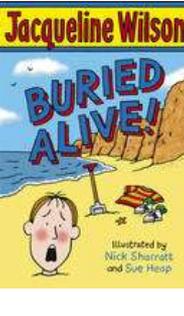
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	<p>The Roman Mysteries Series by Caroline Lawrence</p> <p>The Year is AD79. The place is Ostia, Port of Rome. From here, Flavia Gemina, daughter of a Roman sea captain, embarks on thrilling adventures with her three friends Jonathan, Nubia and Lupus. The friends solve crimes throughout the series with the mysteries taking them to Pompeii, Rome, Greece, North Africa, Egypt, Turkey and Ostia.</p>
	<p>Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren</p> <p>Have you performed at the circus? Pippi has! Can you wiggle your toes while you're sleeping? Pippi can! Are you going to be a pirate when you grow up? Pippi is! Pippi is 9 years old and lives in a house with a horse, a monkey, a suitcase full of gold and no grown-ups to tell her what to do. She's wild and funny and her crazy ideas are always getting her into trouble and leading to amazing adventures.</p>
	<p>The Nowhere Emporium by Ross MacKenzie</p> <p>Young Daniel Holmes first stumbles into the Nowhere Emporium as he's running from a couple of the bullies from the children's home where he lives. He's fascinated – and who wouldn't be – the shop is a cave of wonders, stacked from floor to ceiling with beautiful objects. As for the shop owner, he seems to be a magician. Next day Daniel is knocked down by a car, only to wake up in the Emporium, which becomes his home. He realises the shop truly is magical, travelling through time, entertaining and delighting customers across the ages, while Mr Silver the owner builds strange and wonderful worlds from their imaginations. Not all in this world is happy however, and when Silver's enemy Vindictus Sharpe threatens to destroy it, Daniel is the only person who can stop him.</p>
	<p>The Great Piratical Rumbustification by Margaret Mahy</p> <p>Yo ho ho! All across the city, the pirates are getting restless and long for a party. So when a retired pirate comes to babysit for the Terrapin family, they are in for quite a surprise...</p>
	<p>The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>The inspiring magic of a white lion brings friendship and hope to a lonely ten year old. Miserable at his boarding school, Bertie runs away. He is rescued by a kind old lady who tells him of how another Bertie, a little boy from a long time before, saved an orphaned lion cub in Africa. The symbol of the white lion becomes an emblem of hope as well as a link across generations.</p>

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	<p>The Wreck of the Zanzibar by Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>It's 1907 and through Laura's diary we gather that life for everyone including Laura's family is very tough on the island of Bryher. First Laura's twin brother disappears and hardship is joined by heartache, the milking cows die, a storm devastates everything, they're starving to death and then a ship called the Zanzibar is wrecked. The story of how all the lives of those aboard including Laura's long lost brother are saved on that night by the people of Bryher is tear-jerking stuff but it turns out the wreck is also the saviour of the people of Bryher.</p>
	<p>Football Academy: Boys United by Tom Palmer</p> <p>Jake loves football and dreams of becoming a professional footballer. He's worried about his height though - what if he's too small for football? But on the day of his trial Jake is quick on the ball and scores - he's made it! Jake can't wait to pull on his shirt and join the team. But someone at the club wants to make his life difficult. Can Jake face up to the bullies and become man of the match again? Good for reluctant readers. First in the series.</p>
	<p>Oliver and the Seawigs by Philip Reeve</p> <p>Oliver grew up in a family of explorers - but his biggest adventure is about to begin! Along with his new friends, a grumpy old albatross, a short-sighted mermaid and a friendly island called Cliff, Oliver goes off in search of his missing parents. But before he can put his rescue plan into action there's the evil Stacey de Lacey and an army of pesky sea monkeys to contend with . . . EEP!</p>
	<p>Harry Potter and The Philosopher's Stone by J. K. Rowling</p> <p>When a letter arrives for unhappy but ordinary Harry Potter, a decade-old secret is revealed to him that apparently he's the last to know. His parents were wizards, killed by a Dark Lord's curse when Harry was just a baby, and which he somehow survived. Leaving his unsympathetic aunt and uncle for Hogwarts, a wizarding school brimming with ghosts and enchantments, Harry stumbles upon a sinister mystery when he finds a three-headed dog guarding a room on the third floor. Then he hears of a missing stone with astonishing powers which could be valuable, dangerous - or both. An incredible adventure is about to begin!</p>
	<p>There's a Viking in My Bed by Jeremy Strong</p> <p>After falling overboard from his longboat, Sigurd the Viking finds himself in modern-day Flotby - a small English seaside town. Finding refuge in the aptly named Viking Hotel, Siggy's attempts to embrace modern ways end in disaster. His attempt at romance is no better off as even the course of true love doesn't run smoothly when Siggy's involved!</p>

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	<p>Ice Palace by Robert Swindells</p> <p>Ivan lives in a land where the winter is dark and fearful. Starjik, King of Winter, steals Ivan's little brother and Ivan braves the bitter cold to find him.</p>
	<p>The Boy in the Dress by David Walliams</p> <p>Touching, funny and full of insight, this tender story tells how Dennis decides that everyone does not have to be the same. Bravely, he decides to do something completely different. Taking a risk he reinvents himself and begins to see the world in a whole new way.</p>
	<p>Gangsta Granny by David Walliams</p> <p>Our hero Ben is bored beyond belief after he is made to stay at his grandma's house. She's the boringest grandma ever: all she wants to do is to play Scrabble, and eat cabbage soup. But there are two things Ben doesn't know about his grandma. 1) She was once an international jewel thief. 2) All her life, she has been plotting to steal the crown jewels, and now she needs Ben's help...</p>
	<p>Charlotte's Web by E. B. White</p> <p>A true classic, this is the story of a little girl named Fern who loved a little pig named Wilbur and of Wilbur's dear friend, Charlotte A. Cavatica, a beautiful large grey spider. With the unlikely help of Templeton the rat, and a wonderfully clever plan of her own, Charlotte saves the life of Wilbur, who by this time has grown up to be quite a pig.</p>
	<p>Boy Racer by Ian Whybrow</p> <p>Henry's mum and dad think his new friend Gary is BAD NEWS. But Dad's got worse problems at work. If he doesn't win the charity go-kart race, he might lose his job! There's trouble ahead, that's for sure. But nobody reckons on a mystery boy racer who turns up at the track. He's got a surprise in store for everyone ...</p>
	<p>Buried Alive! by Jacqueline Wilson</p> <p>Tim can't wait to go on holiday - especially as he gets to bring his friend Biscuits along. But their trip unexpectedly becomes truly, terribly adventurous when an encounter with two local bully-boys threatens to disrupt the fun. Narrated by Tim and interspersed with revealing, illustrated extracts from Tim and Biscuits's holiday diaries.</p>