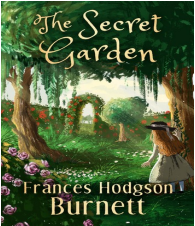


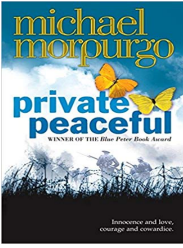
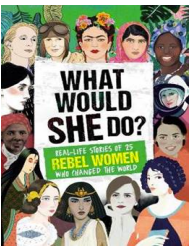
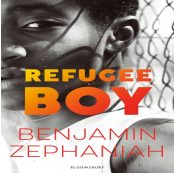


Year 7 Suggested Reading

Reading Level: + means an easy read; * means a challenge

Aim to read a selection of these books during your summer holiday. You could even write a book review!
Challenge yourself!

	<p>The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett</p>	<p>Mary Lennox is terribly lonely. Living in her uncle's gloomy mansion, she has nobody to play with. But one day she learns of a secret garden somewhere in the grounds that her uncle won't allow anyone to enter. Slowly she turns the key and enters a world she could never have imagined . . .</p> <p>Classic *</p>
	<p>Asha and the Spirit Bird by Jasbinder Bilan</p>	<p>Asha lives in the foothills of the Himalayas. Money is tight and she misses her papa who works in the city. When he suddenly stops sending his wages, a ruthless moneylender ransacks their home and her mother talks of leaving.</p> <p>From her den in the mango tree, Asha makes a pact with her best friend, Jeevan, to find her father and make things right. But the journey is dangerous: they must cross the world's highest mountains.</p> <p>Adventure +</p>
	<p>The Terrible Thing That Happened to Barnaby Brocket by John Boyne</p>	<p>Alistair and Eleanor Brocket pride themselves on being perfectly normal. They have normal jobs and a normal house, Even their children, Henry and Melanie are normal until their third child, Barnaby Brocket is born and proves to have with a unique and unusual gift.</p> <p>Barnaby defies the laws of gravity. Instead of standing on the ground, he floats - much to the horror of his parents, who are shocked and horrified by having such an abnormal child.</p> <p>Adventure/Funny +</p>
	<p>Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo</p>	<p>Amid the blazing battlefields of the Western Front, young Private 'Tommo' Peaceful remembers his childhood. His memory is full of his family life in the countryside. But each passing moment brings Tommo closer to morning, when his life will change in a heartbreaking way...</p> <p>Historical +</p>
	<p>What would She Do? Stories of Rebel Women Who Changed the World by Kay Woodward</p>	<p>Meet 25 of the most powerful and inspirational women of all time. From historical world leaders to modern pioneers and international muses, these are the incredible life stories of women from around the world to inspire and empower. From Cleopatra to Amelia Earhart, Marie Curie to Malala Yousafzai, learn about powerful and inspiring women throughout history!</p> <p>Non-Fiction +</p>
	<p>Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah</p>	<p>Life is not safe for Alem. His father is Ethiopian, his mother Eritrean. Their countries are at war, and Alem is welcome in neither place. So Alem is excited to spend a holiday in London with his father - until he wakes up to find him gone.</p> <p>Identity *</p>

	<p>High Rise Mystery by Sharna Jackson</p>	<p>After finding their art teacher murdered on their tower block estate, sisters Nik and Norva are determined to solve this terrible crime. Swinging into action even before the police have arrived, the whip-smart detective duo develop a list of suspects and a plan to identify motives and methods. But over the following days, the evidence starts to point in a confusing direction, one that they really don't want to contemplate...</p> <p>Mystery +</p>
	<p>The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank</p>	<p>Anne Frank and her family fled the horrors of Nazi occupation by hiding in the back of a warehouse in Amsterdam for two years. Aged thirteen when she went into the secret annexe, Anne kept a diary. She movingly revealed how the eight people living under these extraordinary conditions coped with hunger, the daily threat of discovery and death and being cut off from the outside world.</p> <p>Autobiography *</p>
	<p>Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson</p>	<p>An Amazon adventure set in the wilderness of Brazil. Maia has been sent from England to start a new life with distant relatives in Manaus, hundreds of miles up the Amazon. She is about to discover an exotic world bursting with new experiences.</p> <p>Adventure +</p>
	<p>The Ruby in the Smoke by Philip Pullman</p>	<p>Soon after Sally Lockhart's father drowns at sea, she receives an anonymous letter. The dire warning it contains makes a man die of fear at her feet. Determined to discover the truth about her father's death, Sally is plunged into a terrifying mystery in the dark heart of Victorian London, at the centre of which lies a deadly blood-soaked jewel.</p> <p>Victorian Mystery *</p>
	<p>The House with Chicken Legs by Sophie Anderson</p>	<p>Every night is party night at Marinka's house. There's food, drink, music and lively conversation... But all the guests are dead.</p> <p>Marinka's grandmother is a Yaga, someone who guides the recently dead through The Gate so they can make their way back to the stars they came from. Marinka is expected to follow in her grandmother's footsteps but she is desperate for a normal life, where she can make friends with the living.</p> <p>Myths and Legends +</p>
	<p>You are Awesome by Matthew Syed</p>	<p>I'm no good at sport ... I can't do maths ... I really struggle with exams ... Sound familiar?</p> <p>If you believe you can't do something, the chances are you won't try. But what if you really could get better at maths, or sport or exams? In fact, what if you could excel at anything you put your mind to?</p> <p>You Are Awesome can help you do just that, inspiring and empowering young readers to find the confidence to realise their potential.</p> <p>Non-Fiction +</p>

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." Dr. Seus