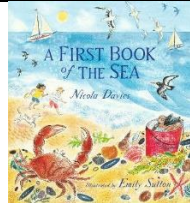

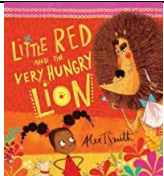



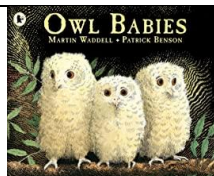


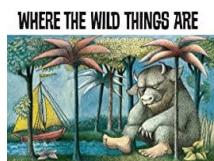
Year Group	Genre				
	Classic	Story / Adventure	Other cultures / Issues / Information books	Picture books	Poetry
Early Years	<p> We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen (1989) <i>Beautifully produced, written and illustrated, this is a classic work for any age at any period.</i></p> <p> Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins (1967) <i>Rosie's walk around the farmyard, pursued by the hungry but clumsy fox, has become a beacon in the world of children's picture books, an ever-popular classic which generations have enjoyed. Children love the humour of this near-wordless story. One disaster after another befalls the poor fox while Rosie goes on her way, supremely unaware of the danger behind her.</i></p> <p></p>	<p> I Can Catch a Monster (2020) (Not yet published – July 2020) <i>A little rebel girl goes on a quest to catch a monster in this empowering tale about bravery and kindness.</i></p>	<p> The Problem with Problems by Rachel Rooney (2020) <i>Have you ever met a Problem? They come in all shapes and sizes, and can pop up at the most inconvenient times. But you should know some things about them that will help you make them disappear... This one-of-a-kind picture book will help little ones and grown-ups alike deal with their pesky problems.</i></p>	<p> Clem and Crab by Fiona Lumber (2020) <i>Clem is an explorer, a collector, a protector of the seas! Treasure hunting on her beloved beach, she stumbles across Crab, his claw stuck in a plastic bag. Crab will be much safer and happier in the city with Clem, but doesn't he belong on the beach? A stunningly illustrated timely tale of cleaning up our beaches, with the message that every small action helps.</i></p> <p> The Seedling that didn't want to grow up by Britta Teckentrup (2020) <i>The wonder of nature and in particular the growth cycle of a tiny seed are beautifully captured in Britta Teckentrup's luminous illustrations and simple text</i></p>	<p> The Wonky Donkey by Craig Smith (2018) <i>Based on the popular song, The Wonky Donkey has sold over one million copies worldwide. Who ever heard of a spunky hanky-panky cranky stinky-dinky lanky honky-tonky winky wonky donkey? This hilarious picture book will have children - and adults - braying with laughter!</i></p> <p> Wiggly, Wiggly by Michael Rosen (2018) <i>Featuring a selection of rhymes for the very young adapted from Michael Rosen and Chris Riddell's award-winning A Great Big Cuddle, Wiggly Wiggly is a tour de force of catchy rhythms and bouncy beats, cheerful pictures and cheeky characters. Each of the nine rhymes are made to be read aloud.</i></p>

	<p>Farmer Duck by Martin Waddell (1995) <i>In this Kate Greenaway Medal and Kurt Maschler Award-winning modern classic, two of the most celebrated picture book creators of our time tell the story of a hardworking duck, who has the very bad luck of living with a lazy farmer. The duck cooks and cleans, tends the fields and cares for the other animals on the farm – and all while the farmer lies in bed! That is until the day the animals decide to take action ... and come to the rescue with a simple, but heroic plan.</i></p>			<p><i>which, more widely, celebrates finding your own way in the world whoever you are.</i></p>	 <p>A First Book of the Sea by Nicola Davies (2018) <i>A brilliant celebration and evocation of everything to do with the sea. The many, brief poems cover favourite holiday experiences including the excitement of being the first to see the sea, paddling, seagulls and building sandcastles.</i></p>
Year 1	 <p>The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson (1999) and A Squash and a Squeeze by Julia Donaldson and Axel Schleffler (1993) <i>The Gruffalo is an undisputed modern classic and has become a bestselling phenomenon around the world. Donaldson is a witty poet who weaves a compelling narrative</i></p>	 <p>Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion by Alex T.Smith (2015) <i>Little Red sets off to visit her auntie who is poorly. She walks under the giraffes, over the sleepy crocodiles, past the enormous elephants and the chattering monkeys. Then a Very Hungry Lion approaches Little Red, wanting to gobble her up. But despite all the cunning plans by Lion, Little</i></p>	 <p>Planet Awesome by Stacy McAnulty and David Litchfield (2018) <i>In this hilarious and informative book filled to the brim with eye-opening, kid-friendly facts about our planet, you'll find scientifically accurate information from beloved children's book author Stacy McAnulty and vibrant art by award-winning illustrator David Litchfield.</i></p>	 <p>I Want My Hat Back and This Is Not My Hat by Jon Klassen (2012, 2014) <i>In his bestselling debut picture book, the author tells the story of a bear whose hat has gone. And he wants it back. A sneaky fish learns a lesson in crime and punishment in the bestselling, multiple award-winning sequel to I Want My Hat Back.</i></p>	 <p>Zim, Zam, Zoom by James Carter and Nicola Colton (2018) <i>Here is a collection of poems especially written for performance. With delightful illustrations by a talented new illustrator, this is a brilliant introduction to poetry for young children. "Perfect for reading out loud, Appealing illustrations provide plenty to talk about in this perfect introduction</i></p>



Owl Babies by Martin Waddell (1992)

A gentle tale of three baby owls reassures young children that Mummy will always come home. Three baby owls, Sarah, Percy and Bill, wake up one night in their hole in a tree to find that their mother has gone. So they sit on a branch and wait... Darkness gathers and the owls grow anxious, wondering when their mother will return.



Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak (1963)

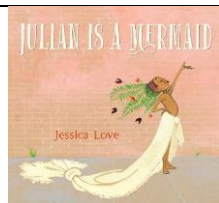
The story of Max's adventures when he sails away to the land where the wild things are has become an acknowledged classic of children's books. Max tames the wild things and crowns himself as their king, and then **the wild rumpus begins!** But when Max has sent the monsters to bed, and everything is quiet, he starts to feel lonely and realises it is time to sail

Red outsmarts him and soon has him saying sorry and eating doughnuts instead. A classic fairy tale with a twist.



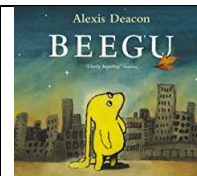
Juniper Jupiter by Lizzy Stewart (2018)

Juniper Jupiter is a real life superhero. It's no big deal. She's super brave, super fast, super strong, super smart and she can even fly, but something is missing. What is a hero without an amazing sidekick? It turns out that lots of people want to be a superhero's sidekick, but none of them are quite right. Will Juniper ever find the perfect one?



Julian is a Mermaid by Jessica Love (2019)

The stand-out title this month is a picture book, Julian Is a Mermaid by Jessica Love. In the bravura feat of understated storytelling, the richness of Julian's free-floating imagination is caught in images layered with colour, movement, muscle and life, celebrating black and Latino experience. Julian invents a tail and flowing hair, and Nana's acceptance, as she accompanies him on a wild parade of mermaids, will leave the reader filled with joy.



Beegu by Alexis Deacon (2004)

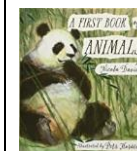
Beegu is not supposed to be on Earth. She is lost. She is a friendly little creature, but the Earth People don't seem very welcoming at all. However, so far she has only met the BIG ones. The little ones are a different matter.



Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers (2005)

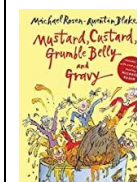
There once was a boy and one day a penguin arrives on his doorstep. The boy decides the penguin must be lost and tries to return him. But no one seems to be missing a penguin. So the boy decides to take the penguin home himself, and they set out in his row boat on a journey to the South Pole. But when they get there, the boy discovers that maybe home wasn't what the penguin was looking for after all.

to poetry for younger children." * Book Trust



A First Book of Animals Nicola Davies and Petr Horacek (2016)

A spellbinding treasury of poems about the animal world, illustrated in breathtaking detail by Petr Horacek. From blue whales to bumblebee bats and everything in between, A First Book of Animals takes you all over the planet to visit all kinds of different creatures.



Mustard, Custard, Grumble Belly and Gravy by Michael Rosen and Quentin Blake (2006)

"This has been the best book we have bought, education wise. Since reading this to him he constantly says a word and then finds a word to rhyme with it. Full of child like humour that keeps him giggling. Highly Recommended."

	home to the place where someone loves him best of all.				
Year 2	 <p>The Train Mouse by Uwe Timm (1981) <i>When Nibbles, an inquisitive young mouse, scampers onto a waiting train at the local station, little does he know he is about to be swept along on a cross-country adventure. Nibbles travels across his homeland of Germany, picks up a new friend in Switzerland, samples the delights of French cuisine in Paris and finally ends up as the star performer in a circus in England! But then Nibbles begins to feel homesick. How will one little mouse find his way home again?</i></p>   <p>Fantastic Mr Fox (1970) and The Giraffe, the Pelly and Me (1985) by Roald Dahl</p>	 <p>Paolo, Emperor of Rome by Mac Barnett (2018) <i>Full of bravery, hope, dreams and humour, this is a wonderful doggy adventure as Paolo escapes from his confinement in a hairdressing salon and enjoys everything that is on offer in the stunning city of Rome.</i></p>  <p>Atticus Claw Breaks the Law (series) (2012) <i>A hilarious story of criminal cats, malicious magpies and a police inspector called Cheddar. With an exciting storyline, enjoyable characters and plenty of silly situations, it makes a fun-filled read. This book is very cleverly written. Grey's writing is clear and precise,</i></p>	 <p>My First Book of Comparisons by Clive Gifford and Anna Seixas <i>Packed full of facts this wonderfully illustrated book measures and compares everything from animals, space and dinosaurs to machines, sports and people, and will captivate children.</i></p>  <p>Moth by Isabel Thomas (2018) <i>A clever picture book text about the extraordinary way in which animals have evolved, intertwined with the complication of human intervention. This remarkable retelling of the story of the peppered moth is the perfect introduction to natural selection and evolution for children.</i></p>	 <p>The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt and Oliver Jeffers (2013) <i>Poor Duncan just wants to colour in. But when he opens his box of crayons, he only finds letters, all saying the same thing: We quit. Beige is tired of playing second fiddle to Brown, Blue needs a break from colouring in all that water, while Pink just wants to be used. Green has no complaints, but Orange and Yellow are no longer speaking to each other. The battle lines have been drawn. What is Duncan to do? "It's funny, clever and pushes kids' creativity."</i></p>  <p>Traction Man Series by Mini Grey <i>With an action outfit for every occasion, Traction Man patrols the house. Whether he is saving toys (in latex space suit and Perspex</i></p>	 <p>Jelly Boots, Smelly Boots by Michael Rosen (2016) <i>A riotous celebration of words - silly words, funny words, words you only use in your own family, new words, old words, and the very best words in the right order. Filled with colour illustrations and packed with silly rhymes, witty wordplay and thought-provoking story poems, this collection will delight children of all ages.</i></p>  <p>I Like This Poem (anthology) edited by Kaye Webb (1979) <i>A classic anthology of poetry chosen for children by children for the International Year of the child. Highwaymen and naughty children, sharks and</i></p>

Classic storyteller and inventor of many memorable characters.



The Owl Who Was afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson (1968)

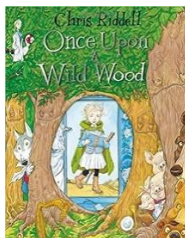
A heart-warming classic full of animal antics by Jill Tomlinson. Filled with gentle humour and comfort, Jill Tomlinson's animal stories have been enjoyed by children who want to snuggle down with a good read for decades.



Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown (1964)

The magical and brilliantly funny adventures of everyone's favourite flat boy – Flat Stanley.

without talking down to her audience, creating both humour and tension.



Once Upon a Wildwood by Chris Riddell (2018)

Former Children's Laureate weaves a wonderful tale around some of the best loved fairy story characters in this hugely attractive and thoroughly entertaining picture story book.

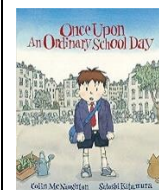


The New Neighbours by Sarah McIntyre (2018)

When new neighbours move in to the tower block, what will the other residents of Pickle Rye think? Find out in this hilarious and light-hearted book that is bursting with wonderful characters and humour. Giggle away as you hop, trot and totter down the stairs to share news of the new neighbours and learn just how important it is to leave judgements and prejudices far behind.

helmet, teamed with Rocket Boots); searching the sink for the lost wreck of the sieve (in sub-aqua suit, fluorescent flippers and infra-red mask) or rescuing damsels in distress (in jungle pants, camouflage vest and a bandanna), Traction Man is never less than stylishly turned out and expertly accessorised.

Great for expanded noun phrases, lists and story structure, this series offers a lot of inspiration for writing.



Once Upon An Ordinary School Day by Colin McNaughton (2004)

This is a beautiful book. On an otherwise rather dull and grey day, a rather strange supply teacher turns up at school and transforms school, for one particular boy, into a day filled with colour, wonder and creativity. The book is filled with the most wonderful pictures by Satoshi Kitamura, which tell most of the story.

baboons, the Snitterjipe and the Jabberwocky, all have their part to play. With poems from William Wordsworth and Christina Rossetti to Roald Dahl and Michael Rosen, there really is something for everyone. Classics to savour and new favourites to discover!



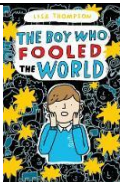
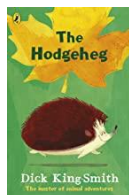
The Iron Man by Ted Hughes (1968)

Mankind must put a stop to the dreadful destruction by the Iron Man and set a trap for him, but he cannot be kept down. Then, when a terrible monster from outer space threatens to lay waste to the planet, it is the Iron Man who finds a way to save the world.

'Reckoned to be one of the greatest of modern fairy tales. Brilliantly entertaining and thought provoking.

Used with 7/8year olds. To write persuasive letters, stories by the same author and performance poetry (using metal to add sound and create a beat) art & dt links: creating our own iron man, topic links: recycling and our planet/local environment.

The children thoroughly enjoyed and there's great comprehension resources available too.



The Boy Who Fooled the World by Lisa Thompson (2020)

Telling a little white lie now and then is harmless, right? But what if it leads to you being a household name and international celebrity? Cole is the boy who fooled the world and finds himself trapped in a huge web of lies... can he break free? A story of fame and fortune, making mistakes and learning to be true to yourself.



The Accidental Prime Minister by Tom McLaughlin (2015)

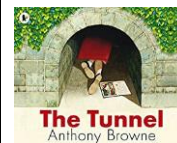
When Joe tells a local news reporter exactly what he would do if he were leader of the country, the video goes viral and Joe's speech becomes famous all over the world! Before long, people are calling for the current leader to resign and give someone else a go . . . and that's how an ordinary boy



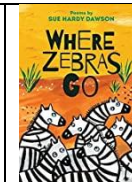
The Lost Thing by Shaun Tan (2010)

The Lost Thing is a humorous story about a boy who discovers a bizarre-looking creature whilst out collecting bottle-tops at the beach. Having guessed that it is lost, he tries to find out who owns it or where it belongs, but the problem is met with indifference by everyone else, who barely notice its presence.

Shaun Tan creates intricate collages filled with whimsical images, bright colours, and meaningful prose. He invites his readers to look at the world in a different way.



The Tunnel by Anthony Browne (2008)



Where Zebras Go by Sue Hardy-Dawson (2017)

Get ready to join in the Poetry Olympics, question a snake, talk to a toad and learn 20 ways to avoid monsters and mythical beasts. Where Zebras Go will lead you leads you on a magical journey across the savannah, into fairytale realms, back into the playground and through the seasons, introducing a whole host of animals along the way. This is a diverse and exciting debut collection by a poet who performs regularly in schools across the country.

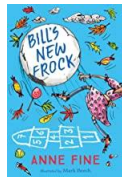


100 Best Poems for Children (2002) Anthology edited by Roger McGough

Hundreds of poems chosen by school children all around the UK was the starting point for this collection.

The Hodge-Heg by Dick King-Smith (1987)

Max is a hedgehog who lives with his family in a nice little home, but it's on the wrong side of the road from the Park where there's a beautiful lily pond and plenty of juicy slugs, worms and snails! The busy road is dangerous but Max is determined to make his way across. If humans can do it, why can't hedgehogs? His first attempt ends in a nasty bump on the head and, when Max tries to speak, he realises his words are all mixed up. He is no longer a hedgehog but a hodge-heg! "Lots of life issues to discuss with the children (mine asked loads of questions throughout), and new and interesting words to talk about, presented in a lovely story. To read to the kids, and for the kids to read to themselves when they become more confident readers".



Bill's New Frock by Anne Fine (1989)

Classic children's story from one of our best-loved authors, former Children's

like Joe ended up with the most extraordinary job. Manages to introduce the idea of politics for a 7+ audience with some serious points, but mainly laugh-out-loud humour. Fans of David Walliams will love this book.



The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd (2018)

When Tomas discovers a strange old tree at the bottom of his grandad's garden, he doesn't think much of it. But he takes the funny fruit from the tree back into the house - and gets the shock and delight of his life when a tiny dragon hatches! The tree is a dragonfruit tree, and Tomas has got his very own dragon, Flicker ...

"The writing in this book was exquisitely lovely, not at all flowery or overly descriptive but poetic nonetheless. At the heart of the story is the relationship between Tomas and Flicker, his dragon—and I thought the development of this relationship was so great. The trust and mutual respect that grows

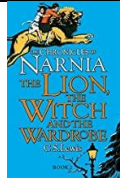


King Kong by Anthony Browne (2005)

The enthralling story of King Kong involves battles with dinosaurs, daring rescues and incredible escapes - endless thrills lead up to one of the most famous climaxes of all time!

Roger McGough then pared the list down to just one hundred contemporary and classic poems.

	<p>Laureate Anne Fine. Bill Simpson wakes up to find he's a girl, and worse, his mother makes him wear a frilly pink dress to school. How on earth is he going to survive a whole day like this? Everything just seems to be different for girls . . .</p>  <p>The Twits (1980) and George's Marvellous Medicine (1981) Classic storyteller and inventor of many memorable characters.</p>	<p>throughout the story was so lovely to see".</p>  <p>Tara Binns: High Flying Pilot by Lisa Rajan (</p>			
Year 4	 <p>The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pulman (1995) Full of hilarious, lovable characters this is a book you will want to read over and over again. "We have used it for a range of literacy tasks e.g. retelling using description, writing passages of speech, letter writing, play writing and reviews".</p>	 <p>Varjak Paw by S.F.Said (2003) Varjak Paw is a Mesopotamian Blue kitten. He lives high up in an old house on a hill. He's never left home, but then his grandfather tells him about the Way - a secret martial art for cats. Now Varjak must use the Way to survive in a city full of dangerous dogs, cat</p>	 <p>Cloud Tea Monkeys by Mal Peet and Elspeth Graham (2010) Monkeys come to the rescue of a struggling family in this traditional tale from a Carnegie Medal winner. Excellent descriptive passages. Packed with poetic language! My whole class are hooked and the use of it as a hook</p>	 <p>Cinnamon by Neil Gaiman (2017) Think Just So meets Indian fairytales with Gaiman's own particular perfume and stunning illustrations by Divya Srinivasan. Funny, surreal and occasionally a little bit scary, Cinnamon is everything I enjoy in a picture book.</p>	 <p>Werewolf Club Rules! And Other Poems by Joseph Coelho (2014) Find out the mysterious rules of Werewolf Club, how to look like a rainbow, what happens when puppies fall in love – and how to fold up your gran! This is an exciting debut poetry collection from a young poet who is already performing his work</p>



The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis (1950)

Four adventurous siblings—Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy Pevensie— step through a wardrobe door and into the land of Narnia, a land frozen in eternal winter and enslaved by the power of the White Witch. But when almost all hope is lost, the return of the Great Lion, Aslan, signals a great change . . . and a great sacrifice.



The Sheep-Pig by Dick King-Smith (1983)

When Babe, the little orphaned piglet, is won at a fair by Farmer Hogget, he is adopted by Fly, the kind-hearted sheep-dog. Babe is determined to learn everything he can from Fly. He knows he can't be a sheep-dog. But maybe, just maybe, he might be a sheep-

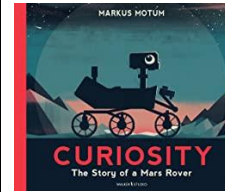
gangs and, strangest of all the mysterious Vanishings. Stylish, original and inventive, Varjak Paw is a modern children's classic. Quite dark in places but this was something a bit different.



Max and the Millions by Ross Montgomery (2018)

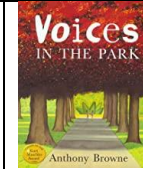
Max is used to spending time alone when you're deaf. He prefers to give his attention to the little things in life... like making awesome, detailed replica models. Then Mr Darrow, the school caretaker and fellow modeller, goes missing. Max must follow his parting instruction: 'Go to my room. You'll know what to do.' There on the floor he finds a pile of sand ... and in the sand is Mr Darrow's latest creation... a tiny boy, no bigger than a raisin, behind the tiny boy... millions of others - a thriving, bustling, sprawling civilization! "As a primary school teacher I am always looking for new books to inspire my pupils. This fits the bill perfectly. A fantastic, gripping and

for writing has been immense!



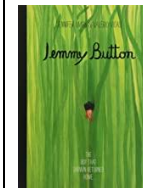
Curiosity: The Story of a Mars Rover by Marcus Motum (2018)

A stylishly illustrated non-fiction book about the search for life on Mars, told from the unique perspective of NASA's Mars rover, Curiosity. "This book is a visual dream for any young child looking to immerse themselves in the wonderment of Space exploration."



Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne (1999)

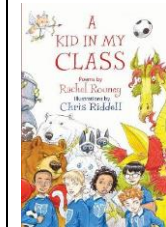
Four different voices tell their own versions of the same walk in the park. The radically different perspectives give a fascinating depth to this simple story which explores many of the author's key themes, such as alienation, friendship and the bizarre amid the mundane. It is a great tool for teaching ideas about perspective and symbolism, and the difference between direct and indirect speech.



Jemmy Button by Valerio Vidali (2014)

Inspired by the life of Jemmy Button - a native of Tierra del Fuego who was brought to England in the mid-1800s to be 'educated' and 'civilised' by Captain Robert FitzRoy - this book illustrates Jemmy's bizarre encounters and his return back home. "A lovely picture book that raises some deep discussion

successfully at venues across the UK.



A Kid in My Class by Rachel Rooney (2018)

Rachel Rooney brings a class to life with poems for all the different characters. There is a rich vein of understanding of children here: never sentimental, always intriguing.

	<i>pig. "Lovely story of kindness and consideration trumping bullying and intimidation. Classic read, timeless".</i>	<i>perfectly pitched story. Gruesome in parts".</i>		<i>about cultures and human rights."</i> <i>The Arrival by Shaun Tan</i> <i>The Harris-Burdick Mysteries</i>	
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