

Best Books for 6-8 year olds



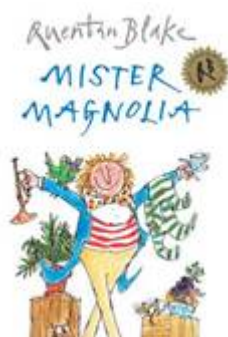
In 2015, we put together a list of the 100 best books for children from the last 100 years.

The books below are ones suitable for children aged 6-8.

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Please note: This list was published in 2015. We are currently working on a revised and more up-to-date list which more adequately reflects the brilliant diversity of children's literature over the last 100 years. Please take a look at Books We Love for our reviews of current brilliant books.



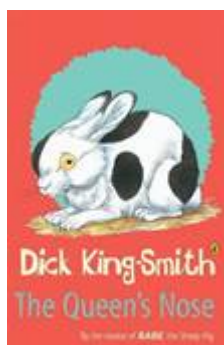
Mister Magnolia

Author: Quentin Blake

Interest level: 2+

Reading age: 6+

Mr Magnolia has many things - but only one boot.



The Queen's Nose

Author: Dick King-Smith

Interest level: 7+

Reading age: 8+

Harmony's Uncle Ginger sends her on a treasure trail - which ends in finding a 50p piece.



The True Story of the Three Little Pigs

Author: Jon Scieszka **Illustrator:** Lane Smith

Interest level: 5+

Reading age: 7+

What really happened to the three little pigs and the big bad wolf? Find out the truth in this hilarious picture book.



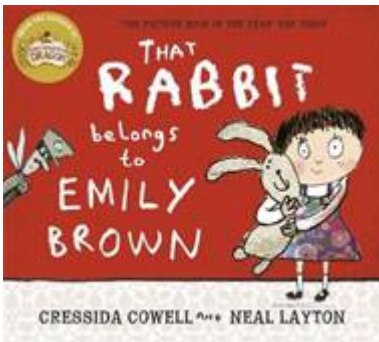
The Sheep-Pig

Author: Dick King-Smith **Illustrator:** Mike Terry

Interest level: 6+

Reading age: 7+

When Farmer Hogget wins a piglet at the fair, he is amazed that Fly, his sheep-dog, welcomes him as one of her own pups.



That Rabbit Belongs to Emily Brown

Author: Cressida Cowell **Illustrator:** Neal Layton

Interest level: 5+

Reading age: 6+

Emily and her toy rabbit, Stanley, love to go on adventures together.



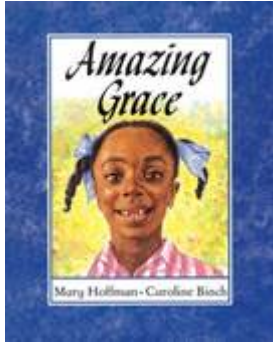
Clarice Bean, That's Me

Author: Lauren Child

Interest level: 6+

Reading age: 7+

Clarice Bean gives us a snapshot of her life and family in the book that launched a bestselling series.



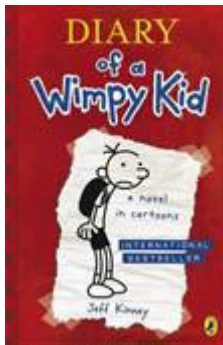
Amazing Grace

Author: Mary Hoffman **Illustrator:** Caroline Binch

Interest level: 5+

Reading age: 5+

This classic story clearly communicates an inspiring message that anything is possible



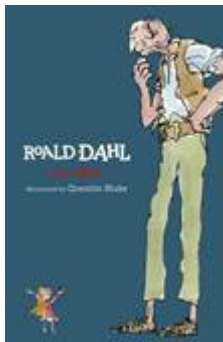
Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Author: Jeff Kinney

Interest level: 8+

Reading age: 8+

Greg Heffley is a normal American kid, albeit one with a habit of getting into (and out of) trouble.



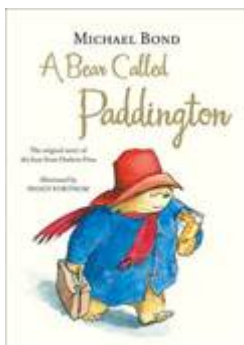
The BFG

Author: Roald Dahl **Illustrator:** Quentin Blake

Interest level: 6+

Reading age: 7+

The BFG stands for Big Friendly Giant, who unexpectedly spirits a little girl named Sophie out of bed, and into the land of the ch...



A Bear Called Paddington

Author: Michael Bond **Illustrator:** Peggy Fortnum

Interest level: 6-8

Reading age: 7+

Paddington, the brown bear from darkest Peru, is found by the Brown family on Paddington Station with his hat, duffel coat and mar...



Asterix the Gaul

Author: René Goscinny **Illustrator:** Albert Uderzo **Translator:** Anthea Bell and Derek Hockridge

Interest level: 7+

Reading age: 7+

In a tiny corner of Brittany, one small village of indomitable Gauls hold out against the almighty, all-conquering Romans.



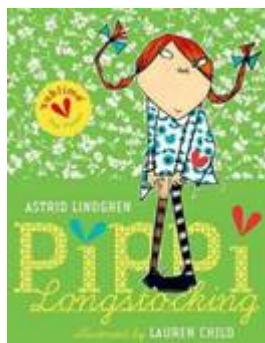
Finn Family Moomintroll

Author: Tove Jansson **Translator:** Elizabeth Portch

Interest level: 5-8

Reading age: 6+

Moomintroll is cheerful and chubby and lives in the magical Moominvalley with his mother, Moominmamma, his father, Moominpappa and...



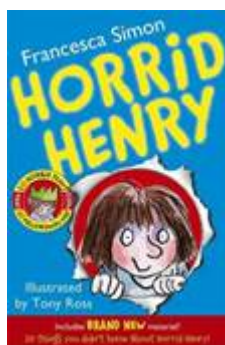
Pippi Longstocking

Author: Astrid Lindgren **Translator:** Tiina Nunnally **Illustrator:** Lauren Child

Interest level: 6+

Reading age: 8+

Follow Pippi Longstocking on her amazing adventures as she moves into Villa Villekulla with a horse, a monkey, and a big suitcase ...



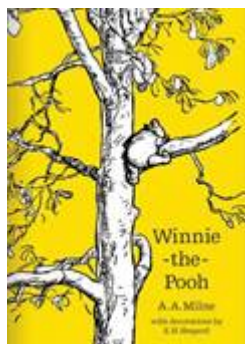
Horrid Henry

Author: Francesca Simon **Illustrator:** Tony Ross

Interest level: 4+

Reading age: 6+

Stories about naughty characters have been told for centuries, and Horrid Henry is a modern-day rogue in the tradition of Dennis t...



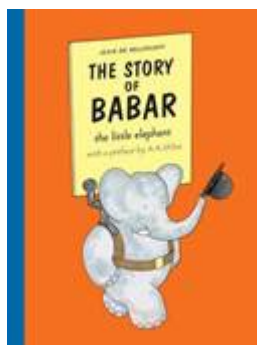
Winnie-the-Pooh

Author: A A Milne **Illustrator:** E H Shepard

Interest level: 4+

Reading age: 7+

No child's library could be complete without A A Milne's stories about Pooh, Christopher Robin and their friends in the Hundred Ac...



The Story of Babar

Author: Jean De Brunhoff **Translator:** Merle S. Haas

Interest level: 4+

Reading age: 7+

'In the great forest, a little elephant was born. His name was Babar...'



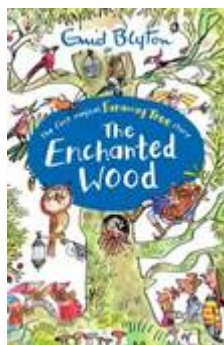
Little House in the Big Woods

Author: Laura Ingalls Wilder

Interest level: 6+

Reading age: 7+

Inside the little house live the Ingalls family: Ma, Pa, Mary, Laura and baby Carrie.



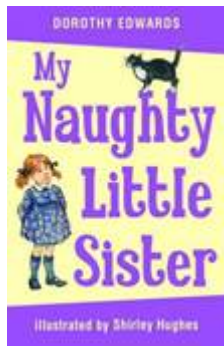
The Enchanted Wood

Author: Enid Blyton

Interest level: 6+

Reading age: 7+

When Joe, Beth and Frannie move into a new home, they discover a mysterious wood on their very doorstep.



My Naughty Little Sister

Author: Dorothy Edwards **Illustrator:** Shirley Hughes

Interest level: 5+

Reading age: 7+

This affectionate portrait of family life is the story of a naughty three-year-old sister who is obstinate, inquisitive and full o...



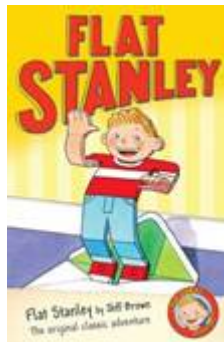
Charlotte's Web

Author: E B White **Illustrator:** Garth Williams

Interest level: 6+

Reading age: 7+

This is the tale of how a little girl named Fern - with the help of a friendly talking spider called Charlotte - saved her pig, Wi...



Flat Stanley

Author: Jeff Brown **Illustrator:** Scott Nash

Interest level: 5+

Reading age: 7+

Stanley Lambchop wakes up one morning to find he is only half an inch thick



The Worst Witch

Author: Jill Murphy

Interest level: 6+

Reading age: 7+

Long before Harry Potter first went to Hogwarts, trainee witch Mildred Hubble embarked on life at Miss Cackle's Academy for Witche...



The Milly-Molly-Mandy Storybook

Author: Joyce Lankester Brisley

Interest level: 5+

Reading age: 7+

Milly-Molly-Mandy lives with her mother, father, uncle, aunt, grandmother and grandfather in a 'nice white cottage with a thatched...



The Arrival

Author: Shaun Tan

Interest level: 8+

Reading age: 8+

In this unusual book, we follow a young man as he packs his bags and leaves his family to go and start a new life in another count...