

How to Support Your Child's Reading at Home

YEAR 6

They enjoy exploring a range of text types and often enjoy reading challenging texts that are not ones that I would usually pick up.

They are showing a greater interest in book awards (like the UKLA or Yoto Carnegie), reading the synopsis of the books in the shortlist and deciding which ones I might like to read. I can explain my choices to someone.

When exploring non-fiction texts, in whatever form, they can locate, retrieve and draw out information with confidence. They are beginning to read several books on the same subject and draw information together. E.g. When studying volcanoes or famous women in science

They are becoming more critical of their reading and talk about their choices of author and theme. They may start reading children's classics



Helping your child get better at reading is important to all of us. Whenever you read with your child, asking them one or two of these questions will improve their comprehension. Writing down what they say would help too. E.g. *Jenny said that her favourite part of the story was when Biff hid up in the tree because it was exciting.*

Reading for Pleasure is paramount.

From reading a character's feelings, thoughts or actions, they can justify what kind of person they are.

When discussing the writing in a book, they might compare how style and word choice is different to other texts. When doing so, they might explain how this is and why this might be.

Your child can examine how characters change throughout a text. They can explain their thinking by calling on actions and thoughts that the character has.

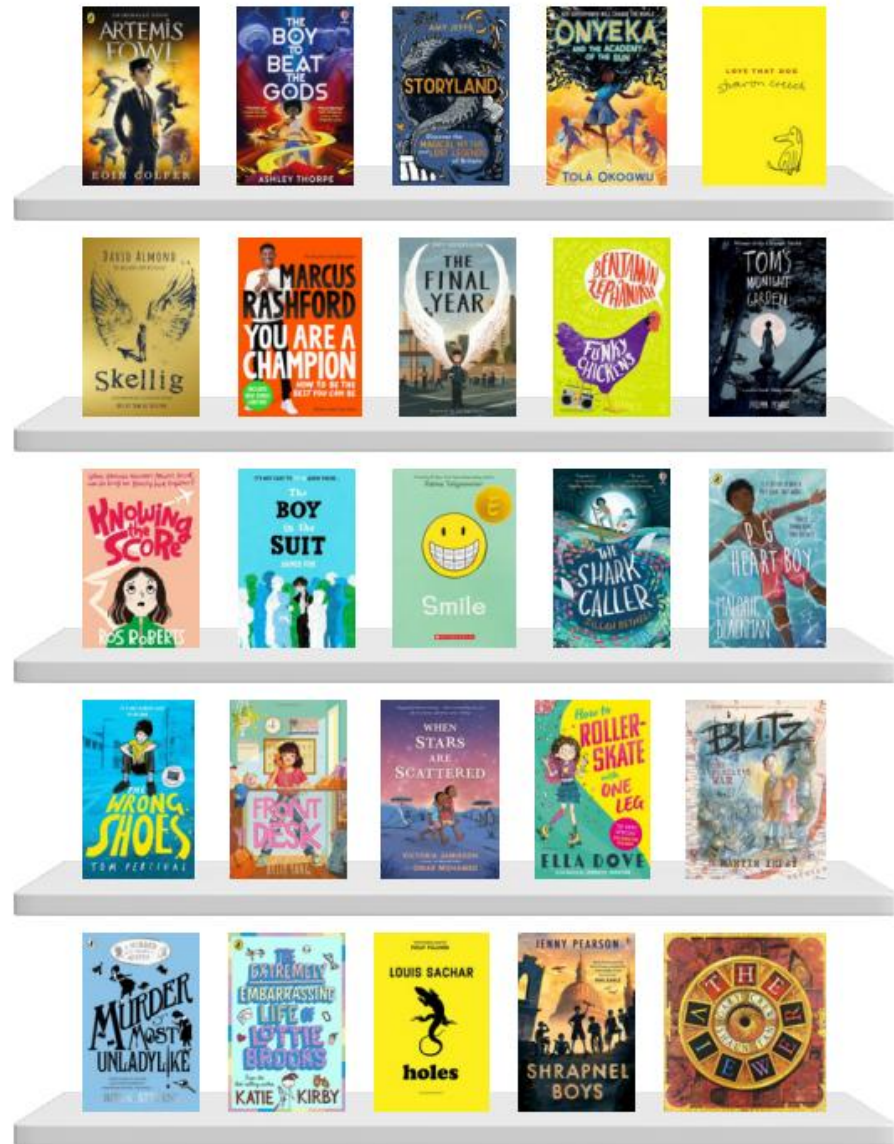
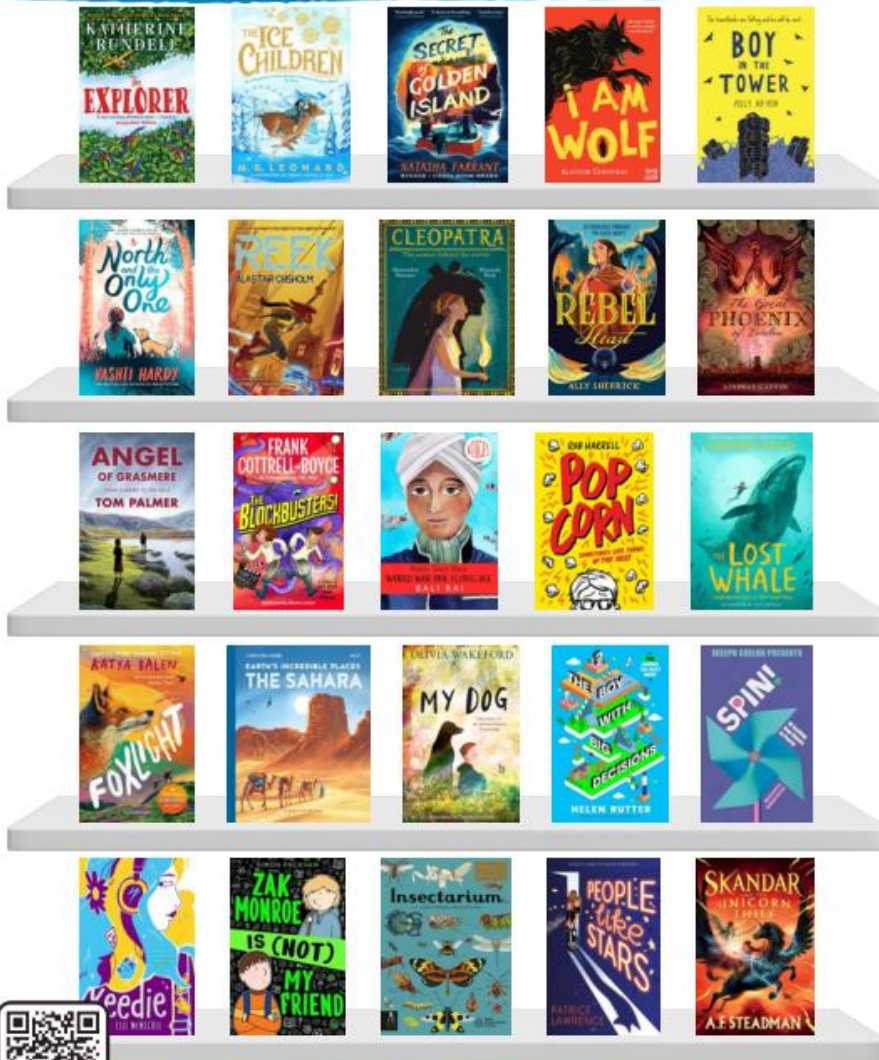
When they are reading, your child can compare characters both within the text and say how they are similar and different and do this across different texts too.

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50 Recommended Reads for... 2025-2026 Booklist



Year 6 (ages 10-11)



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