



Community

Creativity

Achievement

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Year 9 Reading for Pleasure List

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<p>Love Frankie by Jacqueline Wilson</p> <p>Meet Frankie, a fourteen-year-old who sees the ups and downs of life. Her mum is seriously ill with MS, and at school she's bullied by Sally and her gang of friends. When Sally turns out to be not-so-mean after all, Frankie realises she wants to spend more time with her. Are her feelings stronger than friendship though- could she be in love? A story all about growing up from celebrated author Jacqueline Wilson.</p>	<p>Why Your Parents Are Driving You Up The Wall and What To Do About It by Dean Burnett</p> <p>In this book, doctor of brains, Dean Burnett, helps teens understand what's going on in our relationships with parents. Just why are parents obsessed with tidiness, why they won't let you sleep in, why they don't get anything important to you? This guide helps teens understand the brain science behind where parents are coming from, and know how to resolve issues when conflict does occur.</p>	<p>About This Boy by Leon Rolle (AKA Locksmith)</p> <p>Leon "Locksmith" Rolle is one-quarter of the phenomenally successful band Rudimental. He grew up in Hackney, where he played semi-professional football and went on to form Rudimental with three childhood friends. In this book, he shares his aspirational story. With chapters on mindset, self-belief and confidence, Leon encourages you to find balance and happiness, no matter what life throws at you.</p>
<p>Liclle Bit by Alex Wheatle</p> <p>At school Lemar, also known as Liclle Bit due to his height is, like any other teenage boy. But at home on the South Crongton Estate life isn't easy. Lemar's problems grow when he catches the attention of South Crongton's most notorious gangster, and it's not long before he has Lamar running errands. Will Lamar be able to stop before he end up going down a road he never wanted to? Wheatle captures the highs and lows of teenage life, while also highlighting the voices and humanity of some of the country's poorest teenagers.</p>	<p>The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer</p> <p>The remarkable story of 14 year old William. Taken out of school as his family couldn't afford the fees, William educated himself using books from the local library. Having read one about electricity, he decided to build his own windmill, using nothing but scrap metal and wood. Initially ridiculed by those around him, this is the story of how picking up that book, his determination and invention changed the lives not only of his family, but the wider community forever.</p>	<p>Mike by Andrew Norriss</p> <p>Meet Floyd. He's a tennis star. Possibly even good enough to win Wimbledon one day. Meet Mike. He's... different. Apart from anything else, Floyd seems to be the only one who can see him. But Mike must have appeared for a reason and finding out why is perhaps the most important thing Floyd will ever do...</p>



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Black and British: A short, essential history

by [David Olusoga](#)

In this book, respected historian David Olusoga explains the much-overlooked history of Black peoples in Britain and beyond. This version is adapted for those in secondary school, so is a perfect introduction to such an important aspect of our nation's history. A great way to explore the development of our multiculturally diverse country.

How to be a #Writer

by [Christopher Edge](#)

This book has everything you need to know about writing great stories and getting them read. From planning plots, building worlds, adding twist, action and conflict, it will start you writing and keep you going to a perfect ending...

Edelweiss Pirates: Operation Einstein

by [Mark A. Cooper](#)

A group of fun loving rebellious German teens calling themselves the Edelweiss Pirates, witnesses something so deplorably sickening they decide to take action when a six-year old Jewish girl is left orphaned. Torn between patriotism for the country they love and there own rights and freedoms they have to try and do the unthinkable, but with the Gestapo and Hitler Youth hot on their trail; is it too late? Based on true events.



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