

Upper Fourth: Recommended reading list

Level of difficulty	Action/Adventure	Classic/Historical	Comedy	Horror/Supernatural	Modern Fiction	Sci-fi/Fantasy	World Lit
Recommended standard for this year-group...	Agatha Christie, <i>The Murder of Roger Ackroyd</i> Ian Fleming, <i>Casino Royale</i> (first in Bond series)	Wilkie Collins, <i>The Moonstone</i> George Eliot, <i>Silas Marner</i>	Paul Murray, <i>Skippy Dies</i> P. G. Wodehouse, <i>Right Ho, Jeeves</i>	Kim Newman, <i>Anno Dracula 1888</i> Marie Belloc Lowndes, <i>The Lodger</i>	Louis de Bernières, <i>Captain Corelli's Mandolin</i> Jonathan Trigell, <i>Boy A</i>	China Mieville, <i>Kraken</i> Alex Scarrow, <i>Last Light</i>	S. E. Hinton, <i>The Outsiders</i> Charles Portis, <i>True Grit</i>
More advanced...	Raymond Chandler, <i>The Big Sleep</i> Len Deighton, <i>The Ipcress File</i>	John Buchan, <i>Sick Heart River</i> Joseph Conrad, <i>Heart of Darkness</i> E. M. Forster, <i>A Passage to India</i>	Kingsley Amis, <i>Lucky Jim</i> Beryl Bainbridge, <i>Young Adolf</i> Evelyn Waugh, <i>Decline and Fall</i>	John Meade Falkner, <i>The Lost Stradivarius</i> Shirley Jackson, <i>We Have Always Lived in the Castle</i> Richard Marsh, <i>The Beetle</i>	Anthony Burgess, <i>A Clockwork Orange</i> Colin MacInnes, <i>Absolute Beginners</i>	William Gibson, <i>Neuromancer</i> Richard Matheson, <i>I Am Legend</i>	E. L. Doctorow, <i>Ragtime</i> F. Scott Fitzgerald, <i>The Great Gatsby</i> Norman Mailer, <i>The Fight</i>
Testing you...	Robert Harris, <i>Lustrum</i> Cormac McCarthy, <i>Blood Meridian</i>	Emily Brontë, <i>Wuthering Heights</i> James Joyce, <i>A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man</i>	Robert Coover, <i>Gerald's Party</i> Flann O'Brien, <i>At Swim-Two-Birds</i>	Stephen King, <i>The Shining</i> Horace Walpole, <i>The Castle of Otranto</i>	William Golding, <i>Darkness Visible</i> Muriel Spark, <i>The Comforters</i>	Robertson Davies, <i>Fifth Business</i> Walter Tevis, <i>The Man Who Fell to Earth</i>	William Faulkner, <i>The Sound and the Fury</i> Chuck Palahniuk, <i>Fight Club</i>

Which have you read already? What would you recommend? What would you like in the library?

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