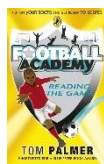


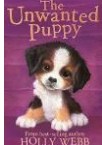

## 50 Recommended Reading Books for Year 4

We have carefully selected books that will hopefully capture your imagination. This list contains colour-bands and a description of the book so that you are able to choose your favourites according to your book-band level and your personal interests. The 'Lexile rating' included measures the difficulty level of the text; a higher Lexile rating indicates a more difficult text.

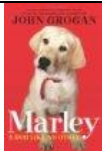





Certificates will be awarded as you read books from this list; you will need to record a brief response to a reading task in your reading record (such as a description of a character). A bronze certificate will be awarded once you have read 5 books from the list, a silver award will be awarded after 10, a gold award will be awarded once you have read 15 and a platinum award after 25.

Title	Image	Author	ISBN	Overview	Lexile rating	Book Band	Date Read
The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl		Stacy McAnulty	9781524767600	Lucy Callahan's life was changed forever when she was struck by lightning. She doesn't remember it, but the zap gave her genius-level math skills, and she's been home-schooled ever since. Now, at 12 years old, she's technically ready for college. She just has to pass 1 more test--middle school!.	530	Gold	
Football Academy Reading the game		Tom Palmer	9780141324708	Ben is at his happiest playing for United and is getting top marks from the coach. But every day at school is a trial for Ben, as he struggles to hide a huge secret from his teachers and classmates. Ben's secret is starting to affect his game - can he swallow his pride and ask for help before he sidelines himself - for good?	510	Gold	
The ice monster		David Walliams	9780008297244	When Elsie, an orphan on the streets of Victorian London, hears about the mysterious Ice Monster – a woolly mammoth found at the North Pole – she's determined to discover more...	560	Gold	
Artemis Fowl		Eoin Colfer	9780141339092	Twelve-year-old Artemis Fowl is a millionaire, a genius-and, above all, a criminal mastermind. But even Artemis doesn't know what he's taken on when he kidnaps a fairy.	600	Gold	
Max and the Millions		Ross Montgomery	9781524718848	Max is used to spending time alone – it's difficult to make friends in a big, chaotic school when you're deaf. He prefers to give his attention to the little things in life . . . like making awesome, detailed replica models.	620	Gold	
The Girl who stole an elephant		Nizrana Farook	9781682632857	Set in Sri Lanka, this debut novel follows Chaya, who has a habit of stealing to help those in need, but taking the queen's jewels and the royal elephant means that she's now a target and needs to escape into the jungle.	630	Silver	


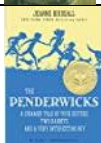

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Birthday boy		David Baddiel	97800 07967 551	This is the story of Sam Green, who really, really, really loves birthdays.	640	Silver	
Holes		Louis Sachar	97831 25781 702	Stanley is banished to Camp Green Lake – a detention centre for boys. He is mysteriously assigned to digging holes in the desert	660	Silver	
Storm breaker (Alex Rider book 1)		Anthony Horowitz	97801 42406 113	They told him his uncle died in an accident. He wasn't wearing his seatbelt, they said.	670	Silver	
The unwanted puppy		Holly Webb	97813 38313 918	Zoe loves dogs but hasn't had one of her own since her beloved Honey died. Then Zoe spies Scout, a gorgeous Bernese Mountain puppy.	720	Silver	
The naughtiest girl in school		Enid Blyton	97814 44918 823	Elizabeth is spoilt and selfish and has made up her mind to be the naughtiest pupil there's ever been! But soon she finds out that being bad isn't as simple as it seems ...	720	Silver	
Planet Stan		Elaine Wickson	97801 92759 047	Stan loves everything to do with space, along with a calming, ordered environment, pie charts, and Venn diagrams. His dinosaur-loving younger brother Fred is the opposite: chaotic, messy, prone to leaving snails under Stan's bed and ladybirds in his lunchbox. Surely they must have something in common?	720	Silver	
The Land of stories: The wishing spell		Chris Colfer	97803 16406 888	When the twins' grandmother gives them a treasured fairy-tale book, they have no idea they're about to enter a land beyond all imagining: the Land of Stories, where fairy tales are real.	720	Silver	
The Secret of Nightingale Wood		Lucy Strange	97813 38157 475	Nanny Jane is too busy to pay any attention to Henrietta and the things she sees - or thinks she sees - in the shadows of their new home.	730	Emerald	
Chicken School		Jeremy Strong	97801 41322 407	'I liked playing trains with my dad when I was seven or eight. But I'm eleven now. Where's the excitement . . . Where's my life?'	750	Emerald	
The Guggenheim Mystery		Robin Stevens	978- 01413 77032	A painting was stolen from the Guggenheim Museum, where Aunt Gloria works. Then Aunt Gloria was blamed for the theft...	750	Emerald	

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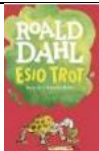

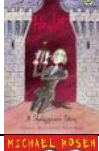

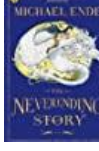


Marley: A Dog like No other		John Grogan	9780061240331	Marley, a lovable Labrador retriever, is always getting himself into trouble. Some may say he is the world's worst dog.	750	Emerald	
The Iron Man		Ted Hughes	9780571226122	When a terrible monster from outer space threatens to lay waste to the planet, it is the Iron Man who finds a way to save the world.	760	Ruby	
Cape (The League of Secret Heroes Book 1)		Kate Hannigan	9781534439139	Hidden Figures meets Wonder Woman in this action-packed, comic-inspired adventure about a brilliant girl puzzler who discovers she's part of a superhero team—the first in a new series!	760	Ruby	
My Granny's Great Escape		Jeremy Strong	9780141322414	Nicholas's granny has fallen in love – with the elderly Hell's Angel next door! Yurrrgghhh.	760	Ruby	
The world's worst children		David Walliams	9780008197032	Are you ready to meet the World's Worst Children? From Dribbling Drew – a boy whose drool gets him into terrible trouble – to Sofia Sofa – a TV super-fan so stuck to the sofa that she's turning into one!	760	Ruby	
The House with Chicken Legs		Sophie Anderson	9781474940665	Marinka dreams of a normal life, where her house stays in one place long enough for her to make friends. But her house has chicken legs and moves on without warning.	770	Ruby	
Weird but true!		National Geographic kids	9781426305948	Well did you know that... Peanut butter can be converted into a diamond? The world's oldest pet goldfish lived to be 43 years old?	770	Ruby	
The Indian in the Cupboard		Lynne Reid Banks	9780380600120	The Indian in the Cupboard is the first of five gripping books about Omri and his plastic North American Indian – Little Bull – who comes alive when Omri puts him in a cupboard.	780	Ruby	
Sona Sharma, Looking After Planet Earth		Chitra Soundar	9781406398120	When Sona learns about the climate crisis at school and is very worried that no one is doing enough to combat it, she takes up the challenge herself. But Appa isn't amused when Sona throws out her baby sister's nappies and Thatha isn't happy when she tells him to get rid of his colour-coded plastic files. When Sona learns that many of the kolams – the traditional art that people draw in front of their homes to celebrate the winter months and the festival season – are not organic, she sets out	780	Ruby	

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				to make some big changes by getting everyone involved.			
The amazing Story of Adolphus Tips		Michael Morpurgo	9780439796613	A stunning novel about friendship, war, and one girl's bravery which changes her life forever	780	Ruby	
The Borrowers		Mary Norton	9780241340370	Arietty Clock isn't your typical little girl. Although she is <i>little</i> . Very little and lives under the floorboards of house that doesn't belong to her family.	780	Ruby	
The Rotten Romans		Terry Deary	9780590031523	Go back into the really rotten times of the Romans, where there were beastly battles, deadly doctors and marvellous myths.	780	Ruby	
The Mum Minder		Jacqueline Wilson	9780440868255	Mum's a childminder, but she doesn't have to mind me. I can mind myself, easy-peasy. Lucky for Mum, because now she's got the flu, so I've got to mind her — and help with all the babies!	780	Ruby	
James & The Giant peach		Roald Dahl	9780425287651	When James drops magic crystals by the peach tree, the peach starts growing...	790	Ruby	
Wonder		R. J. Palacio	9780375869020	'My name is August. I won't describe what I look like. Whatever you're thinking, it's probably worse.'	790	Ruby	
Who let the Gods out?		Mary Evans	9781910655412	When a shooting star crashes to earth, it lands Eliot smack bang in the path of Virgo - a young Zodiac goddess on a mission.	800	Ruby	
The Butterfly Lion		Michael Morpurgo	9780670874613	Sold to the circus years ago, Bertie's only clue to finding the lion is a tattered circus poster.	800	Ruby	
The Penderwicks		Jeanne Birdsall	9780440420477	The Penderwicks: four sisters, as different as chalk from cheese, yet as close as can be.	800	Ruby	
The book scavenger		Jennifer Bertman	9781627795265	For Emily, the best thing about moving to San Francisco is that it's the home city of her literary idol: Garrison Griswold, creator of the online sensation Book Scavenger (a game where books are hidden in cities and clues to find them are revealed through puzzles).	810	Ruby	
Unexpected Super Spy: Book 2 (Planet Omar)		Zanib Mian	9781444951271	Omar and his friends have been saving up their pocket money for <i>ages</i> so they can have the world's most epic Nerf Blaster battle. But when Omar discovers that his	820	Ruby	



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				mosque is in trouble, they decide to donate their pennies to help save it.			
Asha and the spirit bird		Jasbinder Bilal	978-1911490197	Asha lives in the foothills of the Himalayas. Money is tight and she misses her papa who works in the city. When he suddenly stops sending his wages, a ruthless moneylender ransacks their home and her mother talks of leaving.	840	Ruby	
Esio Trot		Roald Dahl	9780141304649	Retired bachelor Mr. Hoppy is hopelessly in love with his neighbour Mrs. Silver, but she is only interested in her pet tortoise Alfie...	840	Ruby	
Matilda		Roald Dahl	9781417786138	For most kids, The Trunchbull is pure terror, but for Matilda, she is a sitting duck	840	Ruby	
Dear Hound		Jill Murphy	9780802721907	Alfie's your average deer hound puppy – curious about the world around him, happy to chase the cat...	840	Ruby	
Hamlet		William Shakespeare	9781841213408	An action-packed re-telling of Shakespeare's dark tale of revenge and murder.	850	Ruby	
Burping Bertha		Michael Rosen		A burp so extraordinary. A burp so big that very soon it's causing havoc ...Such a burptastic secret cannot stay quiet for long.	880	Ruby	
The Never-ending story		Michael Ende	9780140317930	Shy, awkward Bastian is amazed to discover that he has become a character in the mysterious book he is reading and that he has an important mission to fulfill.	930	Sapphire	
Ballet shoes		Noel Streatfield	9780679847595	In this story, three orphan girls vow to make a name for themselves and find their own special talents. Originally published in 1937.	930	Sapphire	
The boy at the back of the class		Onjali Rauf	9781510105010	He's nine years old (just like me), but he's very strange. He never talks and never smiles and doesn't like sweets	940	Sapphire	
The Land of Roar		Jenny McLachlan	9781405293679	When Arthur and Rose were little, they were heroes in the Land of Roar, an imaginary world that they found by climbing through the folding bed in their grandad's attic. Roar was filled with things they loved – dragons, mermaids, ninja wizards and adventure – as well as things that scared them	940	Sapphire	

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				(including a very creepy scarecrow. . .)  Now the twins are eleven, Roar is just a memory. But when they help Grandad clean out the attic, Arthur is horrified as Grandad is pulled into the folding bed and vanishes. Is he playing a joke? Or is Roar . . . real?			
Brain Boggling Body		Nick Arnold	9781407162096	The Horrible guide that tells young scientists everything they need to know about their body.	950	Sapphire	
National Geographic Kids: Everything Big Cats		Elizabeth Carney	9781426308055	Packed with facts and tantalising anecdotes from experts and bursting with colour photographs, learn all about big cats in this fresh take on the subject that kids with love.	950	Sapphire	
Women in Science		Rachel Ignotofsky	9781607749769	This book highlights the contributions of fifty notable women to the STEM fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics, from both the ancient and modern worlds.	990	Sapphire	
Climate Emergency Atlas- What's happening? What can we do?		Dan Hooke and Liz Bonnin	9780241446430	Which countries generate the highest CO2 emissions? Which coastal cities are most vulnerable to rising sea levels? What will the polar ice caps look like in 10 years' time? Which countries have successfully harnessed renewable energy sources? This unique graphic atlas tells you everything you need to know about the current climate emergency, and what we can do to turn things around.	1200	Diamond	

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