
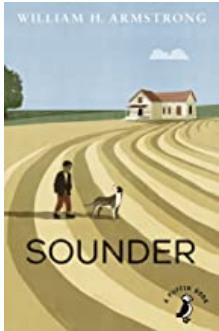
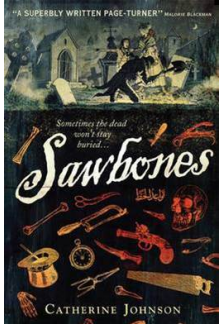
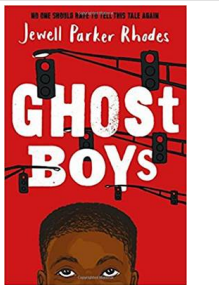

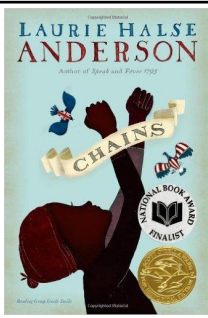
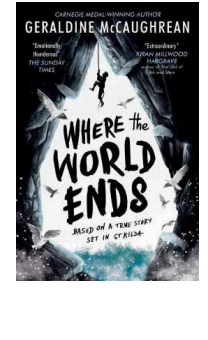
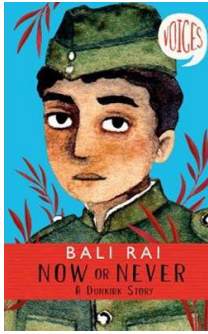

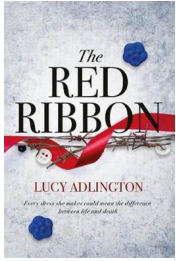
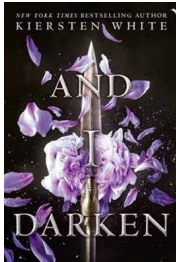
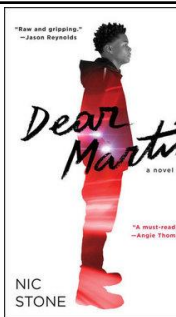




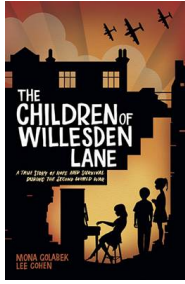
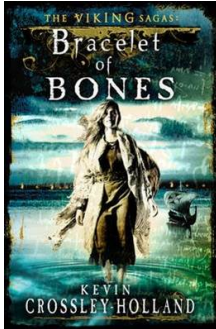
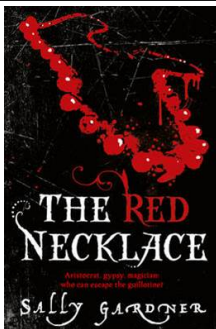
Historical Fiction Books

<p>How High The Moon by Karyn Parsons</p>		<p>9+</p>	<p>In a small town in 1940s South Carolina, Ella has got some very exciting news. She'll be leaving her grandparents and cousin Henry behind, because her mother finally wants her to join her in the busy city of Boston.</p> <p>But can the reality ever live up to Ella's dreams? How will she get used to a city that isn't segregated? Will she ever manage to uncover the truth about her father's identity?</p>
<p>Sunder by William H Armstrong</p>		<p>11+</p>	<p>It tells the story of a poor African-American sharecropping family, their faithful dog, Sunder, and the eldest boy's efforts to learn how to read and help his mother to support the family after his father is arrested for stealing a ham.</p>
<p>Sawbones by Catherine Johnson</p>		<p>11+</p>	<p>In 18th century London, 16-year-old Ezra is working as an apprentice to a highly respected surgeon, William McAdam. He knows that his impressive knowledge of anatomy and skill at the dissection table will ensure he has a trade for life. Yet whilst he is grateful to his master, who rescued him from a life of slavery, Ezra is eager for independence and to be his own man.</p>
<p>Ghost Boys by Jewell Parker Rhodes</p>		<p>10+</p>	<p>In Chicago, a white police officer shoots and kills black 12-year-old Jerome, mistaking a toy gun the child is playing with for a real one. As a ghost, young Jerome witnesses the aftermath of his death, including scenes with his family, the police and the media.</p>

Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo		10+	Set during World War I, <i>Private Peaceful</i> charts eight hours in the life of Tommo, a young soldier at the Front.
White Eagles by Elizabeth Wein		10+	<p>It's the summer of 1939. Germany's troops have gathered near Poland's borders and their air force is making increasingly daring forays into Polish air space.</p> <p>Inspired by a real Polish pilot, this is a war story with a difference.</p>
Goodnight Mister Tom by Michelle Magorian		10+	Willie Beech, a lonely and deprived child, is evacuated to a tiny English village just before the Second World War, and finds himself living with reclusive widower Thomas Oakley.
The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne		11+	Bruno is exploring his new home at 'Out-With' when he meets Shmuel, who lives on the other side of a fence which surrounds a large camp in the grounds.
Once by Morris Gleitzman		9+	Morris Gleitzman brings heart and humour to the difficult subject of the Holocaust in this ground-breaking children's book.
The Silver Sword by Ian Serraillier		9+	In the chaos of World War II, Ruth, Edek and Bronia are separated from their parents, and left alone to fend for themselves, hiding from the Nazis in the ruins of their city. But when they meet orphan Jan, who treasures a paper knife in the shape of a silver sword that he was given by an escaped prisoner of war, it becomes a powerful symbol of hope.

Carrie's War by Nina Bawden		10+	<p>During WWII, Carrie and her younger brother Nick are evacuated to Wales and billeted with the fierce old Mr Evans and his mousy sister, Louise.</p>
Chains by Laurie Halse Anderson		10+	<p>Set in New York during the American Revolution, Chains tells the story of Isabel and her sister Ruth, sold into slavery to the wealthy, Loyalist, Lockton family.</p>
Where the World Ends by Geraldine McCaughrean		11+	<p>In the summer of 1727, a group of men and boys are put ashore on a remote sea stac to harvest birds for food. No one returns to collect them.</p> <p>Why?</p> <p>Surely nothing but the end of the world can explain why they have been abandoned to endure storms, starvation and terror.</p>
Nor or Never: A Dunkirk Story by Bali Rai		10+	<p>Narrated by Private Fazal Khan, a young Muslim soldier in Company 32 of the Royal Indian Army Service Corps, this is a moving and insightful account of a key event in the Second World War. Fifteen-year-old Fazal runs away from his family in northern India and lies about his age to join up and serve the British Empire, just as his grandfather did during World War I. His role is to look after the mules used to carry supplies to the front line, which he performs with diligence and pride.</p>
Freedom (1783) by Catherine Johnson		10+	<p>Nat is a 12-year-old boy born into slavery on a Jamaican sugar cane plantation owned by the brutal English family, the Barratts. But when Nat is sent to England to look after some exotic pineapple plants, he starts to dream of freedom. When he gets there he discovers it's not true there is no slavery in England, but in the hustle and bustle of crazy London, life is a bit freer.</p>

The Red Ribbon by Lucy Adlington		12+	<p>It's Ella's job in the camp, where everyone must either work or be killed, to make beautiful clothes for the wives of Nazi officers and female guards. <i>The Red Ribbon</i> is a moving story of friendship, kindness and heroism under impossible circumstances.</p>
And I Darken by Kiersten White		12+	<p><i>And I Darken</i> is a fictional retelling of the rise of Vlad the Impaler - except, in White's thrilling take on it, Vlad isn't Vlad but Lady Lada. The political intrigue and character relationships are wonderfully done, and Lada is an anti-heroine to root for.</p>
The Book Thief by Markus Zusak		13+	<p>A powerful story narrated by Death, about: a girl, an accordionist, some fanatical Germans, a Jewish fist fighter, and quite a lot of thievery</p>
Dear Martin by Nic Stone		14+	<p>In this roller-coaster ride of a debut, the author summons the popular legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. to respond to the recent tragic violence befalling unarmed black men and boys.</p>
Coram Boy by Jamila Gavin		12+	<p><i>Coram Boy</i> is the story of Toby, saved from an African ship as a child, and Aaron, the illegitimate son of the heir to a great estate.</p>
Star by Star by Sheena Wilkinson		12+	<p>Fifteen-year-old Stella was brought up to change the world by her suffragette mother in Manchester. But when her mum dies in the 1918 flu epidemic that sweeps the world at the end of the First World War, she returns to her mum's native Northern Ireland to live with an aunt she has never met.</p>

<p>The Children of Willesden Lane by Mona Golabek and Lee Cohen</p>		<p>12+</p>	<p>This is the true story of how Lisa escaped Nazi-controlled Austria just before the outbreak of World War Two on the Kindertransport. Taken to England and housed in a home for refugee children on London's Willesden Lane, she must make new friends and a new family and find a way to endure the years of war.</p>
<p>The Viking Sagas: Bracelet of Bone by Kevin Crossley-Holland</p>		<p>11+</p>	<p>Solveig, a fourteen-year-old Norwegian who, in 1036, follows her father to Constantinople, where he is a member of the Viking guard. Solveig is independent, brave, and loyal, valuing the people she encounters.</p>
<p>The Red Necklace by Sally Gardner</p>		<p>11+</p>	<p>Set during the French Revolution, at the time of the Terror, Gardner's novel tells the story of Yann, a boy of gypsy origin, is unwittingly drawn into old feuds among the rich and powerful, and becomes involved in saving Sido, the daughter of a wastrel Marquis, from seduction by a mysterious and unprincipled Count.</p>
<p>Life: An Exploded Diagram by Mal Peet</p>		<p>13+</p>	<p>Clem is a working-class boy who has made it to the local grammar school: his home life in 1960s Norfolk is permeated by his parent's unhappy marriage and the forbidding presence of his curmudgeonly grandmother. Clem's coming of age story of first love is woven around a tense account of the mounting Cuban Missile Crisis and the looming threat of nuclear war.</p>
<p>Prisoner of the Inquisition by Theresa Breslin</p>		<p>11+</p>	<p>Zarita, only daughter of the town magistrate, lives a life of wealth and privilege. Indulged by her parents, she is free to spend her days as she pleases.</p> <p>Saulo, son of a family reduced by circumstances to begging, witnesses his father wrongfully arrested and dealt with in the most horrifying way. Hauled off to be a slave at sea and pursued by pirates he encounters the ambitious mariner explorer, Christopher Columbus.</p>