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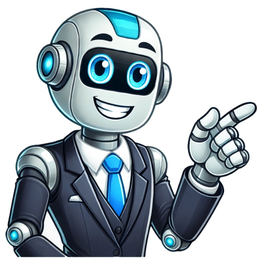

Skip to content Children's reading listsFrom classic tales to the most spectacular of space adventures, these books will beat boredom and inspire young readers aged 6 to 8. And with so many to choose from, the fun need never stopLet us know what you think of these recommendations. Is there anything youd like to see more of on the website? Send any suggestions to: childrenseditor@penguin.co.ukHome Reading lists for KS2 school pupils Year 6 reading list for children aged 10-11 Our top 50 books for Year 6, selected by teachers and librarians. Are you looking for a storybook for the classroom, the library, or your childs collection, or choosing titles for a class reading list, or a curriculum spine of year 6 books? The following list contains 50 titles for children aged 10-11 in KS2 of primary school, suitable for individual reading, paired reading, class teaching, and book clubs. These reading for pleasure recommendations for 10-year-old pupils consist of a variety of fiction and nonfiction books for all ability ranges and interests. The books in this list are reviewed termly and include middle-grade novels and stories by Jamila Gavin, Michael Rosen, Onjali Rauf, Jasbinder Bilan, David Almond, Lara Williamson, JRR Tolkien, Michelle Magorian, Maz Evans, Zizou Corder, Nina Bawden and more.Books for Year 6 children aged 10-11As an Amazon Associate schoolreadinglist.co.uk earns from qualifying purchases. Set in the village of Velp the Netherlands during the WW2 Nazi occupation, Resist follows teenage Edda as she feels compelled to help the resistance in the face of oppressive control, arrests and starvation. Based on the experiences of Audrey Hepburn, this is a thought-provoking read, and an ideal text to discuss with Year 6 classes studying WW2, the Holocaust and Anne Frank. Full of warmth, empathy, emotion and determination, Resist is a fast-moving and gripping page-turner that will inspire upper KS2 readers to read more historical fiction. Historical This enchanting novel-length fairy tale draws on traditional elements to spin an unforgettable and richly woven story of magic, danger, and adventure. While Rumaysa searches for her long-lost parents, a carriage appears to take her to see the Queen of Bishnara. But all is not as it seems, and winged beasts and witches await. Split into three parts with beautiful illustrations and 17 short chapters overall, this is a terrific book for children in Year 6 to read aloud and discuss over the course of 8 or 9 weeks. Fairy tale Xanthe loves spending time with her grandmother in her cityscape paradise rooftop garden. But as she begins to lose her memory, Xanthe discovers a way to put together her grandmothers remarkable life with the help of an enigmatic cat. This compelling novel spans continents and cultures to examine themes of home, family, and being a refugee. Highly recommended. Read our full review. Family | Refugees The end of Year 5 through to the end of primary school is told through fragments of life in this unique verse story. Accessible, powerful, and highly relatable, Year 6 children will empathise with Nate and the challenges he faces at home, his struggles with bullying at school, and deciphering what really matters between the ages of 10 and 11. Highly recommended. Featured as our fiction book of the month for September 2023. Verse story While Valentines former top spy mum and one-time supervillain dad divorce, a growing evil lurks in the form of an Evil Overlord who wants to take over the world. Will Valentine be able to save us all from certain doom? The addictive fast-paced and funny plot will keep readers mesmerised. Previously featured as our fiction book of the month. Thriller | Series Never, ever fall asleep in this fast-paced and mysterious horror thriller! When Lance sets foot in the Crater Lake activity centre, little does he realise what awaits him and his friends. Will they be able to stop aliens in time before they brainwash all their teachers and classmates? A cracking creepy page-turner for independent readers. Horror | Adventure Feeling lonely and isolated on a school trip on the edge of a marsh, Jodie hears the sound of a barking dog. As she sets off to find it, the tide comes in and she finds herself trapped. Will she be able to find a way to safety, and is the rumour that the marshes are haunted true? Jodie is a memorable and atmospheric middle-grade ghost story. A moving shorter text for less confident readers. Highly recommended. Ghost story Jack is out of control, getting into trouble at school and pushing boundaries. He thinks his mum doesnt notice until she invites him to join her on a surprise work trip, unexpectedly adventuring deep into the rainforest where real danger exists around every corner. Can Jack adjust and see what really matters in life? Covering themes of gang peer pressure, loss of a parent, attention-seeking behaviour and bravado, Wild is a book with bite perfect for book club discussion and use as an impetus for creative writing. Environment | Grief Narrated in the first person by Ahmet, a nine-year-old Syrian refugee, this story follows how he copes with life in London, and how he plans to find the family he left behind. A masterpiece of empathy with situations and storylines that children will relate to, this is an excellent book to spark discussion, hot seating, and creative writing in Year 6 literacy and English lessons. Diverse The gloriously atmospheric and enigmatic quest story sees young heroines Sophie and Lil cross the Atlantic Ocean to New York in search of their captive friend. However, the dangerous and shadowy Fraternitas have other ideas and will stop at nothing to thwart their rescue attempt. A perfect class reader for year 6 teachers who are looking for a new Titanic-era text. Historical An extremely funny book of facts and true stories which will appeal to reluctant readers. Bright and engaging illustrations. A great book for year 6s to dip into. Funny A History of Earth, Dinosaurs, Rulers, Robots and Other Things Too Numerous this fantastic and unique non-fiction book is highly recommended to stretch and encourage inquisitive children and develop critical thinking. This recently revised and expanded edition is a brilliant resource for any year 6 classroom or childs bookshelf at home. Read our review for more details. Encyclopaedia A compelling journey unfolds as two 13-year-old girls one who has woken up with amnesia and the other on a quest cross the Australian Outback. They develop a friendship, despite underlying secrets. Ideal for middle-grade readers seeking adventure and cultural exploration, this tale intricately weaves Australian history and Aboriginal beliefs into its narrative. Featured in our best childrens books coming out in Spring 2023. Friendship Dive into a world of knowledge with Encyclopedia Infographica, which features 200 infographics packed with information about space, Earth, animals, humans, and technology. Every page is laden with visual hooks and just the right amount of text to spark thought, imagination and higher-order questioning. Britannicas Encyclopedia Infographica is highly recommended for children interested in STEM, real facts and learning how the world and universe beyond works. Encyclopaedia Rapping teacher Christian Foley offers invaluable guidance for students transitioning from primary to secondary school in this confidence-building and myth-busting guide. Daunting new classrooms, new friendship groups, increased academic expectations, social media and bullying are all covered in this comprehensive guide that will empower students to approach transition without fear. The accessible text and clear structure will help readers develop resilience and look forward to success in their new schools. Read our full review. Transition Year 6 students will love this highly original and interesting peek into the life of Dan Hope and his dysfunctional family. Touching and thought-provoking, it is an excellent book to read after Wonder and a great book to discuss with Year 6 students in PSHE. This story is a brilliant study of family relationships and changing friendships. Family A thrilling graphic novel with sparkling text and dialogue. Ebo is left alone when his brother disappears and his sister has already fled. Now he must set out on an epic and dangerous journey across deserts and through dangerous city streets to reach the sea, and a chance to escape and find his family. An accessible and well-written illustrated text, this is an ideal year 6 book for guided reading groups. Adventure What if there was a world powered not by gas, coal or electricity, but by the force of imagination? An inspirational, uplifting and heartwarming story about coping with loss. Both funny and thought-provoking, this unforgettable fantasy with a captivating narrative is an Alice Through the Looking Glass for modern times. Beautifully written, this classic in the making will appeal to empathetic readers in Year 6. Fantasy | Grief | Funny When a strange shop appears out of nowhere, Daniel finds himself drawn into the mysterious building and its never-ending passages and surprises. He starts working for the owner Mr Silver but when Mr Silver vanishes into thin air, Daniel has to face threats and dark forces to save the Emporium. With rich language and sharply written descriptions, this is a great class reader book for Year 6. Fantasy Inspired by the heroic actions of the Grand Mosque of Paris, Hiba Noor Khan delivers with this captivating novel that follows Safiyyah, a young Muslim girl in Nazi-occupied Paris. Amidst the turmoil, Safiyyahs quest for justice leads her into the clandestine resistance against oppression. The poignant storytelling sheds light on the forgotten role of Muslims in history, showcasing bravery, empathy, and resilience amidst adversity. Its a compelling read which will resonate with more advanced Year 6 readers. Historical A moving and memorable story about time travel. When Al reads a letter it sets off a chain of events in which he races to travel back to 1984 to try and save his late father. A highly imaginative and thought-provoking middle-grade chapter book, this is a must-read novel for year sixes. Science fiction When her father goes missing in mysterious circumstances, Lilys life is in sudden danger. Who took her father, and what do they want? A great page-turner book for ten-year-olds set in a steampunk Victorian world of shadowy clockmakers. With relatable characters and an ever-twisting plot, this is a compelling book for group reading in year 6. Adventure Isabella finds herself on a captivating quest to find the mysterious lands her father once mapped. In this beautifully realised adventure story with elements of magic, myth and legend, Isabella finds herself the unlikely heroine tasked with saving her world. With rich language and atmospheric description, this is a high-quality text to underpin a year 6 literacy unit. Fantasy This lively drama follows one girls life upheaval starting a new school in Hong Kong where not everything goes according to plan. Frenemies and culture shock are on the horizon. Can Holly-Mei put the sparkle back into her soon-to-be teenage life? The Not-So Uniform Life of Holly-Mei is the perfect light-hearted fun, true-to-life, upper primary / lower secondary read. School story Set on the remote island of St Kilda, this is an interesting fantasy reality story involving a magic black box that can transport 11-year-old Alice and her friends to incredible and far-flung locations. There, they have to work together to safeguard the planet in this, the first of a unique trilogy of eco-climate thrillers. This is a useful book to inspire year six children who are interested in climate change. Realistic A deceptively dark story about a boy taken by his mum to live in the country after a family drama. Eren is a strange and magical creature that lives in the attic. The surprising and unpredictable twists will keep year six children reading until the end. With taut plotting and short crisp chapters, this is a good option to read with a year six class that wants something slightly different. Horror A classic story of adventure and loss. Three children and their mother leave their lives in London to live in a small cottage in the country. Will they discover the mystery of their fathers disappearance? A classic novel to study in year 6 literacy lessons, this book is a valuable resource for teaching empathy, characterisation and inference. Classic When a mums son, Tom, and a dads daughter, Zara, are blended together into a family neither of them wants, all they have in common is hating the idea of a new sibling. But when Toms mum falls ill, all their lives are drawn together in ways they could never have imagined. An inspirational story of trust and courage that will appeal to empathetic children in Year 6. Family Martha lives with a dark secret the abomination. Can she escape her strict upbringing and reveal the secret or is she better off keeping quiet? A more challenging novel, this text is a good option for year 6 children who are interested in books with bite and dystopian storylines. Dystopia Carrie and her brother Nick are evacuated to Wales to live with the strict Mr Evans. When Carrie visits Hepzibah Green she does perhaps the worst thing imaginable. How can she make things right? This modern classic is an ideal class reader for Year 6 pupils, and there are numerous teaching guides and resources available for this text. Historical 12-year-old Izzy Palmers world changes when her father transitions to become Danielle. Set in the small town of Littlehaven, the story explores Izzys fears and uncertainties about her familys future and what other people will think. Addressing themes of identity and acceptance, Nothing Ever Happens Here offers a sensitive portrayal of family dynamics and trans issues. Featured in our LGBTQIA books list. LGBTQIA A mind-blowing fold-out wallchart book that chronicles the history of sport from the ancient Olympics to the present day. Presented thematically by different types of sport this two-metre-long fold-out timeline is painstakingly illustrated by Andy Forshaw. A perfect research book, extension activity or display resource for Year 6 classrooms. Sport Left abandoned as a baby on a farm, Simon Sparrow lives a tough life. However, he has an amazing gift. Every animal he meets understands and trusts him. A more challenging book, this award-winning childrens novel explores farming life, our relationship with animals and what defines friendship and loyalty. This is a great book to discuss with more advanced readers in year 6 book clubs. Animals An enchanting collection of nine short stories by the former Childrens Laureate. Each with a thought-provoking theme, these stories are perfect to read and discuss in literacy or PSHE with children in year 6, or to use as a guided reader with groups of children who prefer shorter texts. Short stories A story, told in diary entries, of Mandys unpredictable life and unusual parents. Mandy has so many things to worry about she starts to wonder if shes going mad. A lively choice to read and model for classes studying autobiographies in year six, this book will appeal to children who enjoy high-interest, funny, and shorter texts. Family Joe is miserable and longs to escape from his huge family mansion. But his dangerous and evil granny has truly horrid plans for him. Can Joe escape her clutches? This darkly humorous tale will appeal to children who want something quirky, with irony, wickedly nasty characters and clever plot twists. Funny When an unwanted child is evacuated to live with a woman who doesnt want children, an unlikely bond forms through their mutual desire to protect Adonis a magnificent silverback gorilla. With vibrant characters and an emotionally moving plot, this is an ideal class novel for hot-seating, discussing empathy, and reading with Year 6 classes learning about WW2. Historical | Empathy The classic tale of Bilbo Baggins, a Hobbit, and his quest to travel with Gandalf and a band of dwarves to steal the treasure of a fearsome dragon. A more challenging book, The Hobbit will appeal to children who enjoy immersive fantasy worlds and memorable characters. Fantasy After a storm, Michael is washed overboard from his parents yacht and finds himself marooned on a distant island with a Japanese soldier who survived the Hiroshima bombing. Kensuke and Michael become unlikely friends and Kensuke has to make a decision whether to stay on his island home or help Michael complete a dangerous quest to find his mother and father. A great book for year 6 group reading and book clubs. Historical Charlie can speak to cats and every type of cat even a lion. He sets out on a perilous journey to find his kidnapped parents who have found a cure for asthma. Can his circus animal friends protect him from being captured before he finds them? A moving and emotive animal story with rich language and evocative descriptions, this is an ideal class reading text for year six. Animals Mystery, fantasy, history and hope combine in this bewitching and atmospheric novel suitable for children aged 9-12. Can Ellie overcome a family tragedy and cope with living in a new and unfamiliar place? Full of rich and evocative language, this would be a great book to study in year 6. Family | Empathy Chas has a good collection of wartime bullets, shells and memorabilia. But its not quite the best collection in Garmouth. Thats until he finds a machine gun and 2000 rounds of ammunition, ready to fire. A gripping and fast-paced story with lots of dialogue, this is an ideal addition to Year 6 WW2 topics. Historical An imaginative picture book ideal for older reluctant readers. Tristan finds an old picture-viewing device in a rubbish dump and becomes drawn further and further into the places and worlds he sees until finally, he disappears into one of them. A perfect book for year 6 children who are imaginative, but reluctant readers. Picture book Peter discovers theres more to his father than meets the eye in this mystical historical story of travellers, vampire slayers and a beautiful princess. An ideal book for those interested in immersive historical fiction, this multi-layered story is a useful text to use when analysing and modelling characterisations with children who are working at a greater depth level in year 6 literacy lessons. Horror Impossible Creatures by Katherine Rundell transports readers to the Archipelago, a realm where mythical creatures thrive. When Christopher stumbles upon this hidden world, he joins Mal, a girl with a flying coat and a baby griffin, on a quest to uncover the cause of the declining magical essence, or glimourie. As they navigate dangers and dark forces threatening the islands, their journey reveals broader themes of environmental crisis and sacrifice. Rundells imaginative storytelling and richly detailed world is perfect for readers aged 10+. Featured in our best childrens books coming out in Autumn 2023. Fantasy A young Jewish boy is determined to escape from an orphanage to find and rescue his parents from Nazi Germany. The first of a ground-breaking series, this story is an excellent analysis of war from a childs perspective. A moving book to discuss in year 6 books clubs with more able students, it is also a good choice to compare and contrast with The Silver Sword by Ian Serraillier. Historical Sade and her brother Femi are illegals. They have fled from Nigeria where their father is being persecuted only to find London a harsh and unforgiving environment and not the safe haven they had hoped for. This modern classic is a childrens novel that lends itself to character hot seating and discussing different viewpoints in year six literacy lessons. Diverse Separated from his parents in Poland in World War Two, Jan and his three friends travel through war-torn Europe to Switzerland with only a silver sword for protection. Will he find his parents? This gripping childrens novel is an addictive storytime read-aloud that classes will look forward to each day. Historical A powerful magic stone must be returned to its owner and Rose has been tasked with keeping it safe. A unique and adventurous brew of contemporary life, myth, epic quest and Irish magic, The Silver Road will enchant Year 6 readers. Highly recommended. Read our full review. Quest | Magic In the run-down garage of his new home, Michael finds a magical creature called Skellig. At the same time, Michaels baby sister is gravely ill in hospital. Somehow Skellig seems to hold the key to saving her. Great for reluctant readers and perfect to add to a year 6 classroom library. Fantasy Gemma struggles to deal with the pain of losing her mother and Mike struggles with a dark secret. When the two children meet they uncover a shocking secret that explains both of their pasts. A gripping psychological thriller that examines social issues, this is an ideal book for Year 6 readers who want a more challenging read. Family Ginika feels abandoned at her grandparents seaside boarding house while her parents try to work out their financial woes. But her loneliness soon gives way to excitement as she meets Peri, a mystery boy from the sea who has a bubbly language and dolphin-like agility. As Ginika and Peri explore each others worlds, their bond deepens. Peris health, however, starts deteriorating because of the noise and lights of the human world, which causes Ginika to face her fears and make important decisions. This immersive and imaginative story weaves together themes of friendship, bravery, and dealing with new environments. Featured in our Edgy stories for 11-14 year olds. Friendship Set in the future, Adults have decided machines cannot be trusted and a world without them is better. When Geoffrey tries to repair a motor, he and his sister are hunted as witches. The story follows their flight to France, where everything is very different. A clever dystopian novel, this book will appeal to more able more mature readers who enjoy fantasy, magic and imagination. Dystopia Eleven-year-old Ari is convinced that his sister Lana was kidnapped by the Twig Man, a malevolent figure who dwells in the woods. Nobody believes him, so Ari has to take matters into his own hands and confront the Twig Man to get Lana back. Teaming up with an unlikely new friend, Timmy, Ari combats the dark creature and uncovers the truth. The novel blends suspense with creepy eeriness, making it an compelling read for 10+ horror fans. Horror Katy is a tomboy, her hair is always a mess and her clothes look awful. But when theres an awful accident, her life changes forever. The first in a series of books, this story will appeal to upper KS2 groups who enjoy school-based stories with laugh-out-loud funny moments. Classic This dual narrative follows Shona, the new girl at school, and Charles Dickens Oliver Twist. As Shona tackles problems at home and strange school rules, she empathises with Olivers difficulties in life, which she is reading about in class. This clever story blends contemporary issues with Dickensian themes. Its a good book to spark discussions about empathy, poverty, peer pressure, and overcoming obstacles especially as part of a Victorians topic. School story Jaspal and Marvinder travel from civil war-torn India in 1947 to find their father who is studying far away in England. A stunning historical novel, the epic and atmospheric story will immerse children in the landscape, politics and culture of post-war colonial India. This is a memorable narrative to discuss in book clubs or read as a class novel in year six. Diverse When four children are evacuated to a country house, Lucy looks into the wardrobe and discovers a doorway to the world of Narnia with Aslan, Mr Tumnus the Faun and the White Witch. This classic fantasy puts characters students will empathise with into perilous situations that only heroic actions can overcome. The sparkling storyline has a timeless and endearing quality that may well help to engender a lifelong love of reading in your child. Fantasy Childhood anxiety is depicted through striking black-and-white illustrations in this wordless story of a young boy overwhelmed by his worries. As he struggles with pressures at home and at school, he realises many other people feel the same way. With powerful imagery, Small Things explores vulnerability and support. Its an excellent book to discuss in Year 6. Wordless picture book Set during WW2, William Willie Beech, a boy from London who is abused by his mother, arrives at the home of Mr Thomas Oakley, a bad-tempered widower in his sixties who lives in the village of Little Weirwold. An ideal book for year 6 pupils studying 1939-1945. Historical Ten-year-old James grapples with bullies at school and a challenging relationship with his father when not everyone is enthusiastic about an upcoming surprise choir performance. In this emotional rollercoaster that tackles bullying, self-discovery, and LGBTQ+ acceptance, the character of James sparkles with positivity and resilience, and the supportive cast of his teacher, friends, and loving Nan will offer readers hope. Addressing the realities of LGBTQ+ youth and promoting compassion and empathy, Glitter Boy is a vital addition to UKS2 libraries. Eagletons uplifting narrative is a heartfelt triumph that will provide solace and inspiration to those reading it. LGBTQ+ There are rumours that the Birdman is mad and dangerous. When Gracie and Daniel cannot find a place to sail their boats they eventually run into him. Despite all they have been told, they build up a friendship and the Birdman reveals the island is under an ancient curse. An enchanting and magical story, this is a good text to read as part of WW1 or Remembrance topics. Historical Darren Devlin discovers he is part monster after causing destruction at his school. Rescued by Marek Masters, a 14-year-old with alien heritage, Darren learns they are both products of a secret experiment. As they work together to evade the clutches of a secret organisation, Darren must confront his fears and decide who he can trust. This high-energy adventure blends fast-paced action with positive and relatable characters and will appeal to fans of Alex Rider and Percy Jackson. Highly recommended for less confident readers. Featured in our edgy stories for 11-14 year olds list. Adventure A wonderful story about a family of tiny people who live secretly in the walls and floors of an English house and borrow from the big people in order to survive. This immersive classic is a great novel to encourage your ten-year-old to read for pleasure. Classic When Life Gives You Mangoes is a lyrical, evocative story set in Sycamore Hill, a small Jamaican village. Clara struggles with memory loss from the previous summer, leading to tension with her former best friend and uncertainty about the new girl, Rudy. As the summer progresses, Claras journey to uncover the truth about what happened takes shape. This powerful middle-grade novel intricately weaves themes of friendship, self-discovery, and community, and features an unforgettable and dramatic twist ending. With its rich depiction of island life and convincing characters, When Life Gives You Mangoes is a memorable read for 10+ year-olds. Friendship The adventures of the 13-year-old young James Bond, set at school and in the Scottish Highlands. With a fast-paced plot, quick-fire dialogue and great action sequences, this would make an exciting adventure option group reader for Year 6 classes. Adventure 12 year old Sams world will never be the same after he discovers the truth behind his familys connection to the secretive Order of the Evening. When a powerful enemy seeks the Orders hidden palace and its magic, its up to Sam to stop the impending threat. Set in Durham, the novel combines ancient magic, secret societies, and dangerous adventures with fresh and convincing storytelling. Ideal for readers aged 912, this brilliant fantasy adventure features a fast-paced narrative with themes of loyalty, power, and self-discovery. Its a surefire hit for Year 6 whole class reading! Fantasy | Adventure Children will lose days reading this highly imaginative, wild and dangerous adventure! When the Unknown Adventurer discovers a mysterious map the reader is thrust into a nail-biting Amazonian rain forest trek. Every page records thrilling encounters some terrifying with huge snakes, piranhas and caiman, and some awe-inspiring with unknown flora and flora. Will the Unknown Adventure and Bibi find the elusive last river? Picture book adventure Ayesha is a ten-year-old living in Beirut. Her father left the family for work and her mother was killed by a missile strike. Living with her grandmother and younger siblings, she faces a huge dilemma when her grandmother falls ill. Does she stay to look after her, or does she travel into the unknown to find help? An ideal issue-based storybook for Year 6 reading groups. Diverse This poster recommends 40 books and it will look great in your classroom or library space. This reading challenge card PDF version of our Year 6 Reading List is free to download. For more downloadables, see our free reading resources page. Heres a free background wallpaper of our recommended Year 6 books list to use on your classroom computer.Click the buttons below to purchase all of the books in this Year 6 book list, as well as class sets of any of these books and many more, from Bookshop.org UK. 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Recommending books that address themes of resilience, self-discovery, and coping with change can offer valuable insights. Consider titles that explore the challenges of exams and SATS pressure, providing relatable stories that depict characters overcoming stress and uncertainty. Books focusing on the emotional aspects of being the oldest at primary school can help students process their feelings and embrace leadership roles. Additionally, introducing literature that delves into issues of social and peer pressure equips Year 6 readers with the tools to make thoughtful choices and build strong interpersonal skills as they embark on this significant phase in their academic journey. A well-curated booklist for Year 6 students can prove beneficial here.What reading level should a year 6 be?Determining the appropriate reading level for Year 6 students involves considering both individual abilities and broader literacy benchmarks. Generally, students in Year 6 are expected to comprehend and analyse more complex texts, demonstrating proficiency in understanding nuanced themes and characters. At this stage, a good indicator is their ability to handle books with increased vocabulary, varied sentence structures, and challenging content. However, its crucial to recognize that reading levels can vary among individuals, so providing a range of books that cater to different reading abilities ensures inclusivity and fosters a love for reading in all students. Personalised Year 6 book lists can help to achieve this.Year 6 reading resourcesKey Stage 2 past reading papers repository of recent Year 6 SATs reading test papers and answer booklets (gov.uk) for practice. These exemplify the level of comprehension and analysis required by the end of primary. Also, have a look at our KS2 SATS revision book list.BBC Bitesize Year 6 English revision resources covering reading comprehension techniques (such as skimming, scanning, inference) and grammar for Year 6, to help pupils consolidate skills before secondary school.The Reading Framework (DfE) extensive guidance (PDF) from the Department for Education on teaching reading in primary schools, with practical advice on phonics, fluency, vocabulary and supporting struggling readers in Year 6 and transition to KS3.EEF Literacy Recommendations (KS2) evidence-based recommendations (PDF) focused on improving reading outcomes in Years 56, including strategies for comprehension instruction, fostering reading for pleasure, and effective use of assessment to inform teaching. For less demanding books for year 6, try the Books for Year 5 reading list.For the more able child, try the Books for Year 7 reading list.This booklist was last updated on July 15th, 2025 and first published in 2013. 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Are you trying to help your child learn to read independently? These are the best books for 6-year-olds to read by themselves.In this article, well delve into a selection of the best books for 6-year-olds to read independently. This isnt just a list of best books but a list that explains what skill each book teaches and how it benefits early literacy.By providing engaging yet accessible content, I aim to promote independence and confidence in young readers abilities. These books are not only age-appropriate but also designed to empower children to embark on their reading journey with enthusiasm and joy.The bottom of this article also has important tips for parents/adults, so make sure you get to the end!Note Some children read faster than others. Please make sure your child is ready before you let ask them to read by themselves. Forcing children before they are ready could result in delaying your childs learning.Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss Uses simple vocabulary and repetition, making it easy for beginners to follow and predict text. Rhyming is a skill children learn around this time, so exposure to rhyming words is useful.Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss is a fan favorite. The story is great for children of all ages, and if youve purchased this book to assist in pre-reading skills, then its time to transfer the reading over to your child. Frog and Toad Are Friends by Arnold Lobel Contains simple sentences and basic vocabulary within a close friendship theme, which resonates with young readers.My kindergartners in Japan loved to read, Frog and Toad Are Friends by Arnold Lobel. 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dont act like you are the ruler of the playground or a battle of kings may break out! Why Kirsten loves it This charming playground tale is simply adorable. It teaches playground behavior by showing what not to do. Find this book in: Playground Books / Best Books for 7-year-olds / Back to School Books Author: Carmela LaVigna Coyle Illustrator: Mike Gordon, Carl Gordon Year: 2003 Genre: Picture Books Age: 2 6 In this fun story, a little girl is wondering what its like to be a real life princess by asking questions like Do princesses wear hiking boots? I love that not only does this book ask questions, but it also looks at gender norms and questions them as well. Why Jackie loves it This book is a more advanced question book to read to kids. The idea that your child can grow up to be anything they choose is a more advanced concept but, the story itself has engaging illustrations that open the door to asking so many more questions. Find this book in: Books to Encourage Children to Be Unique / Best Books for 6-year-olds All three books in this series are amazing at encouraging passion and imagination. (Have a look atIggy Peck ArchitectandRosie Revere Engineer). Ada is a thinker whose questions often lead to disasters in the house but, as a parent, how do you encourage your childs outside-the-box thinking? Author: Nancy E. Shaw Illustrator: Margot Apple Year: 2016 Genre: Board Books Age: 1 3 These sheep are driving and get stuck in the mud. The entire story does not rhyme but there are many rhyming words from the same word family. It is funny and perfect for a young reader. Everyone in my family can still recite every word of this one! This is a perfect book to include in a list of childrens books with alliteration because there are a few examples in this hilarious and silly book. Why Kirsten loves it This is a perfect book to include in a list of childrens books with alliteration because there are a few examples in this hilarious and silly book. Find this book in: Alliteration Books / Books for a 1-year-old Its Llama Llamas first day of preschool and heis overwhelmed with feelings. He is trying to get used to the new toys and new surroundings but he just misses his mama. Soon he learns that its OK to love mama and have fun at school too. Love Llama llama? We have the school on all of Anna Dewdneys books here. This early reader graphic novel is adorable and the first in the Narwhal and Jelly book series. This book is three short stories in one featuring these ocean besties making new friends. This is one of the best books for beginner readers to gain confidence. Author: Michael Bond Illustrator: Peggy Fortnum Year: 1958 Genre: Early Reader Age: 4 8 More info: Paddington #1 Even before he became a motion picture star, this little bear won my heart. With his hat, duffle coat, and suitcase, he was my favorite growing up. Why Jackie loves it My kids love him just as much with his crazy antics. He is sweet, lovable, and hilarious.The perfect combination! I recently found out that the story of Paddington was actually a story written about the children in WWII who were sent away from their parents to keep them safe. That aspect adds to a story that I already loved. Find this book in: Chapter Books to Read Aloud / Best Books for 7-year-olds Author: Kate DiCamillo Illustrator: Chris Van Dusen Year: 2005 Genre: Early Reader Age: 4 8 More info: Mercy Watson #1 My youngest sons favorite early reader series revolved around a pig named Mercy Watson. I have every book about this charming pig being raised as a child in the Watson home. There is also a spin-off series about her neighbors on Deckawoo Drive. Why Kirsten loves it I love Kate DiCamillo and the wonderful messages in her books but I cannot overlook the wonderful drawings of Chris Van Dusen too! This is my favorite early reader series to gift every kid loves Mercy. Find this book in: Best Books for 5-year-olds / Bedtime Stories / Early Reader Books / Best Chapter Books to Read Aloud The #1 bestselling chapter book series of all time celebrates 25 years with new covers and a new, easy-to-use numbering system! Where did the tree house come from? Before Jack and Annie can find out, the mysterious tree house whisks them to the prehistoric past. Now they have to figure out how to get home. Can they do it before darkor will they become a dinosaurs dinner? Did you know that theres a Magic Tree House book for every kid? Why We Love These Books: We love that there are so many adventures to choose from. We know your picky reader can find a few that appeal to their likes!Find This Book in 40+ Early Reader Books / Read Aloud If your child likes basketball, they would love this story written by Shaq. Its a perfect early reader story for kids that love sports and regular kid stuff. Its another series of perfect books for 6-year-olds. Author: Mike Berenstain Illustrator: Mike Berenstain Year: 2017 Genre: Early Reader Age: 4 8 This is one of the kids books about football that is perfect for early readers. Its all about the Grizzly Bowl! As they wait for the big game to start, Brother and Sister bear and their friends play some football of their own. Why Kirsten loves it If you have a sports lover who is learning to read, this is the perfect story for you! Find this book in: Football Books for Kids / Best Books for 6-year-olds Author: Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara Illustrator: Anna Katharina Jansen Year: 2020 Genre: Nonfiction Age: 4-7 More info: Part of the Little People, Big Dreams series The biography of famed athlete Jesse Owens and his journey to the 1936 Berlin Olympics is explored in this book. It tells his story starting in his childhood and also addresses the hardships and racism he encountered in a way children can understand. Why Kirsten loves it Its important to note that the Olympics are not always a perfect experience for every athlete. Racism and sexism has always existed in sports and this book addresses that in an age-appropriate way. Find this book in: Best Books for 6-year-olds / Olympics Books for Kids Author: Dav Pilkey Illustrator: Dav Pilkey Year: 2016 Genre: Early Reader Age: 6 9 More info: Dog Man #1 Dav Pilkey is THE author of books for reluctant readers. His graphic novels never disappoint. From Dog Man to Captain Underwear, these books will keep your kids laughing AND reading. This particular story is about a half-man, half-dog hero. Why Jackie loves it Dog Man is a funny character that kids love to read. The more your child reads, the better they get at reading! Its a great cycle. Find this book in: Animal Books / Books for a 6-Year-Old Author: Kate DiCamillo Illustrator: Chris Van Dusen Year: 2013 Genre: Early Reader Books Age: 5 7 More info: Mercy Watson #4 Everyones favorite pig is back for some Halloween antics in this continuation of the Mercy Watson series. Mercy is ready for the treating part of the night with visions of her beloved buttered toast. But Eugenie Lincoln, next door, isnt quite in the Halloween spirit especially when she sees Mercy show up in a princess costume! Why Kirsten loves it Mercy Watson is my favorite early reader series. Not only will your kids feel confident while reading this book, but the illustrations are by Chris Van Dusen who is my absolute favorite! Find similar books in: Animal Books for Kids / Best Books for 6-year-olds Author: Mlanie Watt Illustrator: Mlanie Watt Year: 2006 Genre: Childrens Fiction Age: 3-7 More info: First in a series The first book in a series of delightful tales of a neurotic squirrel, this is a laugh-out-loud funny story. After reading it, my boys became obsessed with squirrels. Now the series is 9 books long, so your kids will have lots of Scaredy Squirrel to read in the future! Why Kirsten loves it Scaredy Squirrel is completely neurotic and hilarious. But he also makes some teachable moments that kids can relate to. Find this book in: Animal Books For Kids / Best Books for 6-year-olds Similar to the Who Is series, The History of series focuses on key moments in history told in a way that 6-9-year-olds can comprehend. Books in the series include subjects like Pearl Harbor, the Titanic, The American Revolution, and The Civil War. Author: Jennider Berne Illustrator: ric Puybaret Year: 2015 Genre: Nonfiction Picture Book Age: 2 7 Jacques Cousteau is one of the most famous oceanographers in the world. With gorgeous paintings and poetic text, this is the biography of the man who would forever change how we view the ocean. Why Kirsten loves it I remember being enamored by Jacques Cousteau in elementary school, so this particular picture book sings to my inner child. Find this book in: Ocean Books for Kids / Best Books for 6-year-olds Author: Shana Corey Illustrator: Chloe Quinn Release Date: February 25, 2025 Genre: Early Reader Age: 4 6 More info: Part of the Step into Reading Series In this fun early reader story, Swifties can learn to read with their favorite star as inspiration! With short sentences, easy-to-sound-out words, and fun illustrations, the book is a great way to encourage fans to read. Why Kirsten loves it I love anything that gets kids interested in reading. Tapping into Taylor fever might be the perfect way to get a young music lover to read! Dont force your child to read a genre or book they dont like it will discourage them from reading At this age, kids will be learning to read, but they will also still love being read to. Make sure you encourage both! Picture books are for everyone! Each of the books on this list appears on other book lists across the website. Find a book you (or your child) enjoy and explore other book lists that book is on! Like all readers, 6-year-olds should read the genre they find most interesting. The hard part is finding books at their reading level that make them eager to read. Have them read the first page of any book. If they struggle with more than three words, try a different one. A hard question to answer, but some of my favorites from each genre includeBaby Monkey, Private Eye by Brian Selznick, I Lost a Tooth by Mo Willems, and The Ramona Series by Beverly Cleary. Finding age-appropriate books for 6-year-olds comes down to finding the right book at their reading level! Did you find any books for a 6-year-old to add to your home library? If you are looking for more amazing book lists, check out these lists sorted by age. Kirsten Co-Founder and Creative Director As a mother of two boys, Kirsten rediscovered her life-long love for reading while choosing appropriate books for her children. She started this website with Jackie to share their passion for literacy with other moms and kids. She uses her years of experience in marketing and public relations to create quarterly magazines, implement social media strategy, and ensure the website content is relevant and beautiful. Embarking on the wondrous journey of reading is a pivotal milestone for young minds. At the age of 6, children are blossoming into newly independent readers, eager to explore captivating stories and fascinating facts. This curated selection of the best books for 6 year olds promises to ignite their curiosity, nurture their love for reading, and open doors to incredible adventures across diverse realms. In the delightful book, How Families Are Made, award-winning GP, Dr. Amir Khan, takes young readers on an engaging journey to discover the wonders of how families begin and how each child becomes a part of their unique family. With vibrant illustrations by Donough O'Malley, this accessible introduction celebrates the diversity that makes every family special, opening up discussions and fostering understanding among younger readers. Every member of a family starts as a baby even grandparents were tiny babies once! The way babies are made is part of a subject called biology, and it is super interesting because lots of things have to come together all at the right time to make a little human being. Part of my job as a doctor is getting to see lots ofbabies, and every one of them is different. There are many types of doctors, and I am a General Practitioner, or GP. You may have been to see your own GP when you were unwell. My favourite part of the job is getting to know the families I look after and watching them grow over time. Families are really important because their job is to give us safety and support. The adults in your family make sure you have food to eat and water to drink, and if you have brothers and/or sisters, you will know they can be annoying at times but you lovethem anyway! Humans are not the only animals that live in families. Elephants,for example, live in family groups called herds. Sometimes a herd can consist of a hundred elephants, all led by a female elephant called a matriarch. The older elephants help the younger ones by showing them where the best leaves to eat and the best water to drink are. My family isnt quite as big as a herd of elephants, but I do have six sisters and as far as human beings go, that is a lot of people in one family. And, like an elephant, my family is led by a matriarch: my mother. She can be a bit bossy at times, but I love her, and she makes the best food! Who is the best cook in your family? Families come in all sorts of shapes and sizes. Some are small, with one or two members, and others are HUGE, with grandparents, aunts, uncles, nephews and nieces. Some people eveninclude their pets as part of their family. But how do families begin? Lets find out! In How To Build A Home, architect and TV presenter George Clarke takes young readers on an engaging journey through the world of design and construction. From treehouses to skyscrapers, Clarke explores the fascinating stories behind our homes, covering everything from marvellous materials to future tech. With vibrant illustrations by Robert Sae-Heng, this book is perfect for newly independent readers aged 6 to 9 who are curious about the built environment and the world around them. Superhero Animals by Chris Packham CBE is a must-read for young readers. This beautifully illustrated book takes you on an adventure to discover the amazing animals that will help save our world. From whales to earthworms, dogs to wasps, Packham explores these incredible creatures and their superpowers that make them true heroes of nature. Sometimes its easy to forget just how lucky we are to live on such a special planet, one which we share with over nine million other species of animals, plants and fungi! Just like humans, every single one has animportant job to do and they work together to keep our ecosystems healthy for everything to live in. From pollinating plants and fertilising oceans to cleaning soil, in this book you are about to learn about someamazing SUPERHERO ANIMALS. When I was your age, I sat in my bedroom reading about all the exotic life that crawled, flew, swam and stampeded across the pages of my books. At night I would dream about meeting snow leopards, pangolins and thumb-sized hummingbirds. They were so far away they seemed almost alien to me, inhabitants of another universe.The animals I loved most were the ones closest to me the tadpoles in my pond, the foxes in my garden and thekestrels hovering high above my local park. They were my real-life animal friends and I wanted to make them happy and protect them. I found stones to provide shelterfor the froglets, fed hungry vixens my left-over dinner and put up nesting boxes for birds of prey.When I grew up, I became a zoologist and studied wild animals. Then I started travelling the world asa TV presenter so I could show as many other people as possible how wonderful wildlife is. Now I spend lots of time trying to save animals from having their homes destroyed or from being hunted or cruelly treated. Even as an adult it can seem really hard to make a difference when there are so many species in need of care and conservation. But I find that doing something, however small, helps me feel so much better and that makes me want to do even more. Never forget that change starts with you. One person, in one community, on our one planet. You have thepower to help animals now, so that they will keep helping you, your family and your friends in the future. So, get to know them, fall in love with them and . . . start saving them today! Why Money Matters, written by Deborah Meaden and illustrated by Hao Hao, is a captivating exploration of the fascinating world of money. This Financial Times Book of the Year delves into the origins of coins, unusual jobs, and practical lessons on banking, taxes and budgeting. With its engaging facts, challenges, and vibrant illustrations, it's the perfect introduction for young readers as early as 6 to grasp the significance of money in our world. Have you ever heard the saying money makes the world go round? Well, when I was very little, I imagined someone putting money into a machine that would spin the world round and round, a bit like the slot machines you can play at the seaside.Of course, that seems silly now, but to a little girl with a big imagination, that was exactly what I thought, and it fascinated me. I had no idea what money even meant, except that it made the world turn round like a ballerina in a music box.It became more real when I heard my parents talk about it, a lot... Sometimes because we didnt have enough money to buy the things we wanted. When I was older, they started giving me a small amount of money each week. Sometimes this wasnt enough for the things I wanted. They explained that if I wanted more, I could do something to earn it. I didnt know then, but they were teaching me the value of money... a lesson that I still carry with me today.I made my first money when I was seven years old selling flowers from the garden. Having my own money felt good and meant I could do what I wanted with it. At eight I had saved enough to buy myself a silver horseshoe charm for my bracelet. I soon realised this was only the start, and that if I wanted to add more charms, then Id need to keep saving.Since then I have spent my life owning businesses that make money. The money they make is used to pay the people who work there, to buy things from other businesses and people (so they too can make money), and to pay me enough money to be able to do the thingsI want to do.Money may not literally make the world go round, but it is a very big part of the human world we all live in now. In this book we are going to take a fascinating journey to discover where money came from and why, and how it shapes the world we live in today, so that you can become a money expert. The Amazing Bodies book by Dr Ronx, illustrated by Ashton Attzs, is a must-read. It's packed with fun facts and challenges about the incredible human body, taking you on a tour of spongy brains, gooey guts, and everything in between. Perfect for nurturing curious minds and fostering a love of reading in newly independent readers. Marvellous Vehicles, written by James May and beautifully illustrated by Emans, takes young readers on an exciting journey through incredible human-powered vehicles. From bicycles and submarines to amphibious vehicles and even a helicopter, this book is packed with fun facts and challenges. Inspiring the next generation of experts, Marvellous Vehicles is a must-read adventure that will captivate young explorers with its vibrant illustrations and engaging content. Amazing Football Facts Every 6 Year Old Needs To Know is a fun, stat-packed book that fills your brain with football trivia from around the world. Discover extraordinary facts like which team plays in a crocodile-shaped stadium, famous footballers who went to the same school, and the legendary manager who's never been sacked! Fully illustrated, it has everything young readers need to know about their favourite stars and pioneering players. 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