

Reading is still an important part of homework in Year 4; children should be reading most days. Children are mostly free-readers so are allowed to pick their own books from school or home to read. Many children will wish to read on their own, but it is still important to read with them and ask questions about what they are reading to check their understanding.

This list is intended as a guide to books suitable for children in Year 4. The list has been produced after consulting teachers, the National Literacy Trust website, Hampshire School Library Service and other Year 4 reading lists. These books will suit a variety of different abilities; please check books are suitable before letting your child read them. (Books at the end of the list are more challenging.)

Let's do the Pharaoh! by Jeremy Strong

The Hundred-Mile-An-Hour Dog by Jeremy Strong

Game Boy by Alan Durant

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

The World According to Humphrey by Betty G. Birney

Wilf the Mighty Warrior Saves the World by Georgia Pritchett

The Princess in Black by Shannon Hale

The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy

Akimbo series by Alexander McCall Smith

How to Train Your Dragon by Cressida Cowell

The Cave Challenge by Bear Grylls

Dread Cat by Michael Rosen

Kid Normal by Greg James

Homework on Pluto by Lou Treleaven

I was there... series by various authors (Great for history lovers!)

The Peppermint Pig by Nina Bawden

The Demon Headmaster by Gillian Cross

Small Change for Stuart by Lissa Evans

The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd

Deadly Factbook Mammals by Steve Backshall

Fortunately, the Milk... by Neil Gaiman

It was a Dark and Stormy Night by Allan Ahlberg

Boffin Boy series by David Orme

Arika and the Giant Shark by Nicola Davies

Gods of the North by Lucy Coats

Sherlock and the Disappearing Diamond by Sam Hearn

Sand Dog by Sarah Leah

Where Sebras Go by Sue Hardy-Dawson *poetry*

Please Mrs Butler by Allan Ahlberg *poetry*

The Legend of Spud Murphy by Eoin Colfer

The Spy Who Loved School Dinners by Pamela Butchart

Charlotte's Web by E.B. White

The Enchanted Wood by Enid Blyton

The Bolds Series by Julian Clary

Curiosity: The story of a Mars Rover: 1 by Markus Motum *non-fiction*

Stig of the Dump by Clive King

Mary Poppins by P.L. Travers

Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo

The Tale of Despereaux by Katie DiCamillo

Varjak Paw Series by S F Said

Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor: The Woman who loved reptiles by Patricia Valdez

Survivors by David Long *non-fiction*

Riddle of the Runes: A Viking Mystery by Jamima Ramirez

The Roman Mysteries series by Caroline Lawrence

Murder Most Unladylike by Robin Stevens

Dragons at Crumbling Castle: And Other Stories by Terry Pratchett

The Snow Merchant by Sam Gayton

Cloud Boy by Marcia Williams

The Wizards of Once by Cressida Cowell

The Legend of Podkin One-Ear by Kieran Larwood

The Sleeping Sword by Michael Morpurgo

The White Giraffe by Lauren St John