



Hayle Academy

Recommended Reads: Key Stage 4



ACTION, MYSTERY, HORROR & THRILLERS

Famous Last Words or Bad Girls Don't Die – Alender

S.T.A.G.S. (& sequels) by M.A. Bennett

Bodyguard series; Bullethead by Chris Bradford*

The Bunker Diary; Martyn Pig; iBoy - Kevin Brooks

*Dead Time (& sequels); The Bone Room** -A Cassidy

And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie

Say Her Name by Juno Dawson

Mortal Chaos or Lie, Kill, Walk Away -M Dickinson

A Gathering Light by Jennifer Donnelly

Zero Day by Jan Gangsei

The Enemy (& sequels) by Charlie Higson*

House of Silk, Moriarty, Magpie Murders-Horowitz

A Good Girl's Guide to Murder by Holly Jackson

Sawbones or Blade & Bone by Catherine Johnson

The Long Weekend by Savita Kalhan*

Carrie or It by Stephen King*

Bluebeard, Bluebeard by Attica Locke

We Were Liars by E Lockhart*

Girl, Missing; Here We Lie; Blood Ties by S McKenzie

#Murdertrending by Gretchen McNeil*

One of Us is Lying (& sequels) by Karen McManus*

I am Still Alive or Rules for Vanishing by K Marshall

Knife Edge; Blame by Simon Mayo

The Recruit (Cherub) (& sequels) by R Muchamore*

Foul Play (& sequels) or Ghost Stadium - T Palmer*

13 Minutes by Sarah Pinborough

AUTOBIOGRAPHIES/MEMOIRS/ BIOGRAPHIES

I Know Why a Caged Bird Sings by M. Angelou

A Street Cat Named Bob by James Bowen*

Playing the Enemy by John Carlin

In Cold Blood by Truman Capote

Hope in a Ballet Shoe: Michaela & Elaine DePrince

Wave: Life After the Tsunami by S. Deraniyagala

One Dog at a Time (& sequels) by Pen Farthing

Fatal Throne: Henry VIII (multiple YA writers)

Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank*

Marley & Me by John Grogan*

Mud, Sweat and Tears by Bear Grylls*

Fever Pitch by Nick Hornby

This is Going to Hurt by Adam Kay

The Story of My Life by Helen Keller

War Dog (WWII) by Damien Lewis

Today Everything Changes by Andy McNab*

Chinese Cinderella by Adeline Yen Mah

A History of the World in 21 Women-Jenni Murray

The Greatest: Muhammed Ali by WD Myers*

Dreams From My Father by Barack Obama

Becoming by Michelle Obama

Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi (graphic novel)*

Touching the Void by Joe Simpson*

How to Be Extraordinary - Rashmi Sirdeshpande*

Educated by Tara Westover

Night by Elie Wiesel

Black Boy:A Record of Youth&Childhood-R Wright

Autobiography of Malcolm X –MalcolmX&A Haley

I am Malala by Malala Yousafzai

CLASSICS & MODERN LITERATURE

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

Purple Hibiscus by Chimamanda Adichie

Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line - Deepa Anapparo

The Testaments; The Handmaid's Tale – Atwood

Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

All The Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr*

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Paddy Clarke Ha Ha Ha by Roddy Doyle
Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison
Girl, Woman, Other by Bernadine Evaristo
Birdsong by Sebastian Faulks
Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi
Woman in Black by Susan Hill
The Kite Runner by Khalid Hosseini
Not Without Laughter by Langston Hughes
Brave New World by Alex Huxley
Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee*
Cider With Rosie by Laurie Lee
Small Island by Andrea Levi
The Road by Cormac McCarthy
Circe or Song of Achilles by Madeline Miller
The Bluest Eye or Beloved by Toni Morrison
Hamnet by Maggie O'Farrell*
All Quiet on the Western Front by EM Remarque
The God of Small Things by Arundhati Roy *Anita and Me* by Meera Syal
The Color Purple by Alice Walker
Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead
Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit – J Winterson

THOUGHT-PROVOKING ISSUES

Change is Gonna Come – various BAME authors
Poet X; Clap When You Land by Elizabeth Acevedo
7 Days by Eve Ainsworth
Simon vs the Homo Sapiens Agenda – B Albertalli*
Booked; Rebound; Crossover-Kwame Alexander*
The Hypnotist by Laurence Anholt
Thirteen Reasons Why by Jay Asher
Black Flamingo by Dean Atta
Noughts & Crosses or Boys Don't Cry -M Blackman* *Tiger Eyes or anything* by Judy Blume*
Am I Normal Yet? (Spinster Club series)- H. Bourne
See Through Me; Dumb Chocolate Eyes - K Brooks*
Hate List by Jennifer Brown
Junk or The Hit by Melvin Burgess
Heart-Shaped Bruise by Tanya Byrne
Looking for JJ; No Virgin/No Shame-Anne Cassidy
The Perks of Being a Wallflower by S. Chbosky
Stolen by Lucy Christopher
The Chocolate War by Robert Cormier

Toffee; One; Moonrise by S Crossan*
Meat Market by Juno Dawson
A Swift Pure Cry; Solace of the Road -S. Dowd
Furious Thing; Before I Die by Jenny Downam
Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper
Heroic; Being Billy; Saving Daisy by Phil Earle*
Mockingbird; Seeing Red by Kathryn Erskine
The Universe versus Alex Woods by G. Extence
If I Stay; Just One Day by Gayle Forman
Full Disclosure by Camryn Garrett
After the Fire by Will Hill
Looking at the Stars by Lewis Hine
The Outsiders by SE Hinton*
And the Stars Were Burning Brightly by D Jawando
That Asian Kid; Girl in Broken Mirror by S Kalhan
That's Not What Happened by Kody Keplinger
I am Thunder; Kick the Moon - Muhammed Khan
Rose, Interrupted, Indigo Donut, Orangeboy or Eight Pieces of Silva by Patrice Lawrence
Brock, Pike, Rook & Lark by Anthony McGowan*
Run, Rebel by Manjeet Mann
Out of Heart; A Beautiful Lie by Irfan Master
Sister Heart by Sally Morgan
Slay by Brittney Morris
*The Sky is Everywhere or I'll Give You...*by J Nelson
No Fixed Address; Word Nerd by Susin Nielson
All the Bright Places & Holding Up Universe - Niven
Before I Fall; Vanishing Girls by Lauren Oliver
Heartstopper (graphic novel); Solitaire-A Oseman*
Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens*
My Sister's Keeper; Small Great Things -J Picoult
Patron Saints of Nothing by Randy Ribay
Rani & Sukh; (Un)arranged Marriage; Killing Honour; The Gun; Stay a Little Longer** - Bali Rai

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Gloves Off^; Wrecked^; Black Heart Blue by L Reid*

Long Way Down^; All American Boys - J Reynolds*

Extraordinary Means by Robyn Schneider

The Lovely Bones or Lucky by Alice Sebold

Voyages in Underworld of Orpheus Black-Sedgwick*

The Boxer or Run, Riot Nikesh Shukla

Counting by 7s by Holly Sloan

The Million Pieces of Neena Gill by E Smith-Barton

Stone Cold by Robert Swindells*

Lies We Tell Ourselves by Robin Talley

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred Taylor

The Hate U Give or On the Come Up by A Thomas*

The List by Siobhan Vivian

It's Kind of a Funny Story by Ned Vizzini

My Name is Leon by Kit de Waal*

What Momma Left Me by Renee Watson

Liccle Bit (& sequels) or Uprising by Alex Wheatle*

Frankly in Love by David Yoon

Teacher's Dead, Face or Terror Kid by B Zephaniah*

DYSTOPIAN/SCIENCE FICTION

Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi

The Power by Naomi Alderman

A Jigsaw of Fire & Stars by Yaba Badoe

Six of Crows; Crooked Kingdom by Leigh Bardugo

Exodus by Julie Bertagna

Chasing the Stars by Malorie Blackman

Gamer (& Virtual Combat series) by Chris Bradford*

Ink (& sequels) by Alice Broadway

World War Z by Max Brooks

The Girl With All the Gifts by MR Carey

City of Bones (& sequels) by Cassandra Clare*

Matched (& sequels) by Ally Condie

The Maze Runner (& sequels) by J. Dashner*

Cell 7 (& sequels) by Kerry Drewery

The Gender Game by Bella Forrest

Gone; Front Line (& sequels) by Michael Grant*

Half Bad (& sequels) by Sally Green

The Deathless Girls by Kiran Millwood Hargrave

Department 19 (& sequels) by Will Hill

Raybearer by Jordan Ifueko

The Loneliest Girl in the Universe by Lauren James

Maladapted by Richard Kurti

I Am Number Four (& sequels) by Pittacus Lore

Legend (& sequels) by Marie Lu

The Dog Runner; Across the Risen Sea-B MacDibble

A Blade So Black by L.L. McKinney

Station 11 by Emily Mandel*

The Passengers; The One by John Marrs

The 100 by Kass Morgan

Killer T by Robert Muchamore

The Knife of Never Letting Go series; Burn-P Ness

Z For Zachariah by Robert O'Brien

The Loop by Ben Oliver

Replica or Delirium (& sequels) by Lauren Oliver

Only Ever Yours by Louise O'Neill

Divergent (& sequels) by Veronica Roth*

Way of Kings (Stormlight Archive) by B Sanderson

Plague Land by Alex Scarrow

Oh My Gods by Alexandra Sheppard

Scythe, Unwind or Dry (& sequels) -N Shusterman

Concentr8 by William Sutcliffe

An Ember in the Ashes (& sequels) by Sabaa Tahir

Contagion or Slated (& sequels) by Teri Terry

The Martian by Andy Weir*

Partials (& sequels) by Dan Wells

Uglies or Zeroes (& sequels) by Scott Westerfield

The 5th Wave (& sequels) by Rick Yancey

COMEDY/HUMOUR

The Princess Diaries by Meg Cabot*

A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman

The Private Blog of Joe Cowley by Ben Davis*

An Abundance of Katherines by John Green

Noah Can't Even; Alex in Wonderland - SJ Green

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The Reformed Vampire Support Group by Jinks*
Hellbent or Henry Tumour by Anthony McGowan*
Don't Even Think About It – Sarah Mylnowski
Discworld series by T Pratchett (try The Last Hero)
Good Omens by Terry Pratchett and Neil Gaiman
Geekhood series by Andy Robb
The Rosie Project (& sequel) by Graeme Simsion
The Gifted, The Talented and Me by W Sutcliffe
Dark Lord: The Teenage Years by Jamie Thomson
*The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole – Sue Townsend**

RELATIONSHIPS

Beautiful Broken Things by Sara Barnard
Tender Earth by Sita Brahmachari
Floored: When Seven Lives Collide (various authors)
Fault in Our Stars or Looking for Alaska by J Green
Why We Broke Up by Daniel Handler
To All the Boys I've Loved Before by Jenny Han
Slammed or Regretting You by Colleen Hoover
Hold Back the Stars by Katie Khan
Falling Fast (& sequels) by Sophie McKenzie
One Day or Sweet Sorrow by David Nicholls
Unboxed; Second Best Friend by Nan Pratt*
Eleanor and Park & Fangirl by Rainbow Rowell
Written in the Stars by Aisha Saeed
The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein
Shiver or The Raven Boys(&sequels) - M. Stiefvater
Our Chemical Hearts by Krystal Sutherland
Paper Avalanche; The Art/Normal by L Williamson
If You Come Softly by Jacqueline Woodson
*Everything, Everything & Sun is Also a Star-Yoon**

HISTORICAL FICTION & CONFLICT

The Short Knife by Elen Caldecot
Illegal by Eoin Colfer (graphic novel)*
Copper Sun by Sharon M Draper
The Bone Sparrow by Zana Fraillion
An Act of Love or The Trap by Alan Gibbons
Bone Talk by Candy Gourlay
The Mercies by Kiran Millwood Hargrave
Orphan, Monster, Spy by Matt Killeen
The Librarian of Auschwitz by Antonio Iturbe*

The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri*
Dog Tags: Semper Fido or Strays by CA London*
*Fallen Angels or Sunrise over Fallujah-WD Myers**
Things a Bright Girl Can Do; Silent Stars - S Nicholls
Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys
Maus by Art Spiegelman (graphic novel)*
Milkweed by Jerry Spinelli
Deogratius (graphic novel) by JP Stassen*
Code Named Verity & Enigma Game – E Wein
Kent State (verse novel) by Deborah Wiles
My Dear I Wanted to Tell You by Louisa Young
Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah
The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak*

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