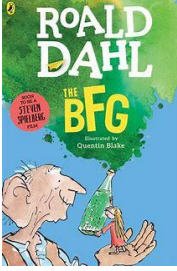
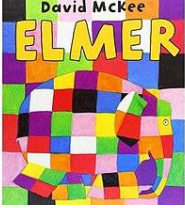
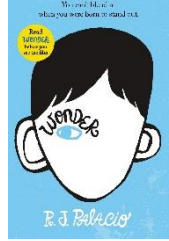
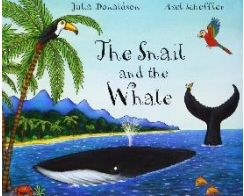


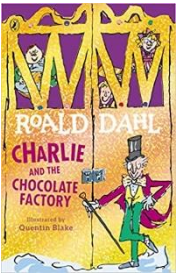
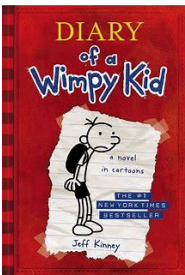
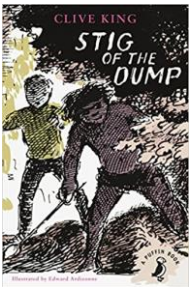
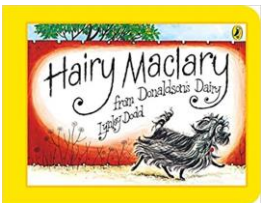


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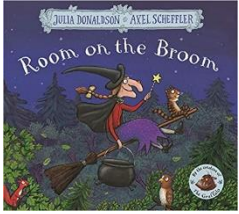
Miss Templeman

'I love reading because it takes you on an adventure in your mind. Here are some books which I adore.'

Book	Blurb	The reasons I love this book!
<p>The BFG by Roald Dahl</p> 	<p>Every night, when the world is sleeping, big gruesome giants guzzle up whoppsy-whiffling human beans. And there's only one giant who can stop them- the BFG. He's the kindest giant there is and, with his friend Sophie in his top pocket, he sets out to rid the world of the Bloodbottler, the Fleshlumpeater and all their rotsome friends forever...</p>	<p>I loved reading this book with one of my former Year 2 classes. From the thrilling characters to the tongue-twisting words, the story of the 'Big Friendly Giant' is guaranteed to keep you entertained. The exciting storyline including the terrifying, menacing giants really does keep you hooked!</p> <p>As a little girl, I would always be fascinated by the character of the BFG. I love his joyful, quirky spirit and kind, caring nature throughout this story. I used to wonder whether the BFG was real, and I would make a mixture of dream potions just like him. I even have the enormous BFG in my classroom!</p>
<p>Elmer by David Mckee</p> 	<p>Elmer is different. Elmer is patchwork. The grey elephants all love him. But he soon starts to wonder what it would be like to be just the same as them.</p>	<p>My parents used to read the story of Elmer to my sister and I throughout our whole childhood. I have always loved the beautiful illustrations throughout this book.</p> <p>This book spreads the messages that it is OK to be different. As Elmer is the only patchwork elephant, he may feel like he does not fit in with the other grey elephants. But I believe that the world would be an incredibly boring place if everybody were the same! That is why I love how everyone is unique and we all have our own interests.</p>
<p>Wonder by R J Palacio</p> 	<p>My name is August. I won't describe what I look like. Whatever you're thinking, it's probably worse.</p>	<p>I adore this book. I had watched the film version before reading the book and the book was so much better!</p> <p>The main character is called Auggie. He is a ten-year-old boy who was born with a facial abnormality and he has been home-schooled for his entire life. But now he is being sent to a real school and he is worried about how others may treat him because of the way he looks. This story shows the importance of kindness and friendship to others.</p>
<p>Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson</p> 	<p>One little snail longs to see the world and hitches a lift on the tail of an enormous whale. Together they go on an amazing journey, past icebergs and volcanoes, sharks and penguins, and the little snail feels so small in the vastness of the world. But when disaster strikes and the whale is beached in a bay, it's the tiny snail's big plan that saves the day!</p>	<p>I love reading Julia Donaldson's books to my younger cousins at bedtime. We love the illustrations by Axel Scheffler in the Snail and the Whale.</p> <p>I love the exciting adventure with both characters in this story and the Snail's genius plan to get his friend back into the safety of the ocean.</p>

<p>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl</p> 	<p>I, Willy Wonka, have decided to allow five children to visit my factory this year. These lucky five will be allowed to see all the secrets and magic.</p>	<p>This story explores the magnificent imagination of Roald Dahl. One of my favourite films would be Charlie and the Chocolate Factory from 1971. In this book, Mr Wonka takes Charlie and four peculiar children through the most exciting, breath-taking experience of the Chocolate Factory. As the story unfolds, you will experience several parts of the Chocolate Factory being carefully managed by mischievous squirrels and mysterious Oompa Loompas.</p> <p>I have a sweet tooth, so my favourite part of the factory would be the room made of entirely edible things like the chocolate river! Yum!</p>
<p>Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney</p> 	<p>Let me get something straight: this is a JOURNAL, not a diary. This was Mom's idea, not mine. But, if she thinks I'm going to write down my 'feelings' in here or whatever, she's crazy.</p> <p>The only reason I agree to do this at all is I figure later on when I'm rich and famous, this book is going to come in handy. But today I'm stuck in school with a bunch of morons. Today is the first day of school, so I figured I might as well write in this book to pass the time.</p> <p>Just don't expect me to be all "Dear Diary" this and "Dear Diary" that.</p>	<p>I think Diary of a Wimpy Kid books are hilarious. I have read several of Jeff Kinney's books from this series and they never fail to make me laugh. This book is a journal of the main character, Greg. But his best friend, Rowley, is my favourite character throughout.</p> <p>Once you start reading this book, you never want to put it down because it always makes you giggle. Although it is a funny book, the main message is about friendship and being kind to each other, especially in school.</p>
<p>Stig of the Dump by Clive King</p> 	<p>Clive King's Stig of the Dump is a much-loved modern classic. It is the story of Barney and his best friend, caveman Stig.</p> <p>Barney is a solitary little boy, given to wandering off by himself. One day he is lying on the edge of a disused chalk-pit when it gives way and he lands in a sort of cave. Here he meets 'somebody with a lot of shaggy hair and two bright black eyes' wearing a rabbit skin and speaking in grunts. He names him Stig.</p> <p>Of course, nobody believes Barney when he tells his family all about Stig, but for Barney caveman Stig is totally real.</p> <p>They become great friends, learning each other's ways, and embarking on a series of unforgettable adventures.</p>	<p>My parents say that Stig of the Dump is their favourite book as this was published when my parents were growing up!</p> <p>This is a book that has stuck with me since being a child. I love the bond between Stig and Barney and the strong friendship which continuously grows between them. This book takes you on a marvellous adventure, exploring aspects of history along the way.</p>
<p>Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy by Lynley Dodd</p> 	<p>Hairy Maclary goes off for a walk into town, followed by a few friends - and comes up against a nasty surprise in the shape of Scarface Claw!</p>	<p>I love Hairy Maclary's little adventures in these books. This little, fluffy dog is a lovable rogue and his charming four-footed friends make this tale funny and delightful. There are some unforgettable illustrations and a brilliant rhyming text, making it delight to read aloud again and again.</p> <p>I am a massive dog-lover which makes me love Hairy Maclary and his doggy friends even more!</p>

Room on the Broom by
Julia Donaldson



The witch and her cat are happily flying through the sky on a broomstick when the wind picks up and blows away the witch's hat, then her bow, and then her wand! Luckily, three helpful animals find the missing items, and all they want in return is a ride on the broom. But is there room on the broom for so many friends? And when disaster strikes, will they be able to save the witch from a hungry dragon?

This is another one of my personal favourites from Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler.

The witch, her cat and three helpful animals go on a magical, spooky adventure to find the missing items.

I love this book because it reminds me of Halloween!

'If I were to be stranded on a desert island, I would read these books all day, every day and I would not get bored. Every book has a special place in my heart, and I hope you love them too. Have fun!'

Love,

Miss Templeman