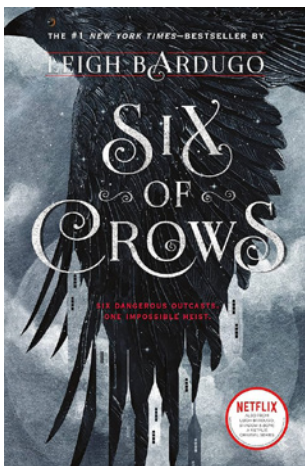


Suggested reading for Year 8 (age 12/13) from WCCS



Douglas Adams – The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy

Join Arthur Dent as he embarks on an intergalactic adventure filled with absurdity, humor, and the ultimate answer to life, the universe, and everything.



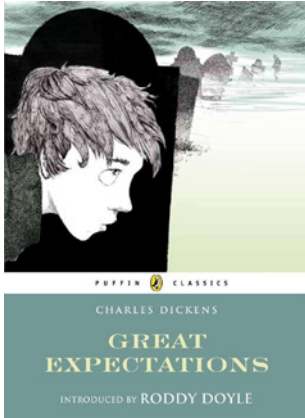
Leigh Bardugo – Six of Crows

In the gritty streets of Ketterdam, a diverse group of outcasts assembles for an audacious robbery, testing loyalties, skills, and their capacity for redemption.



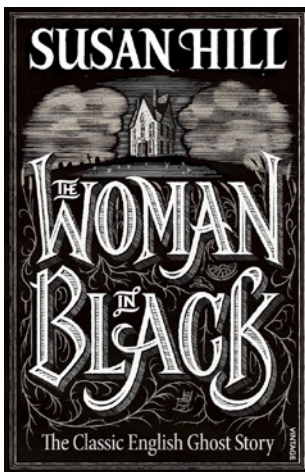
Agatha Christie – Murder on the Orient Express

Renowned detective Hercule Poirot investigates a luxurious train journey turned crime scene, unveiling a web of intrigue, deception, and a stunning resolution.



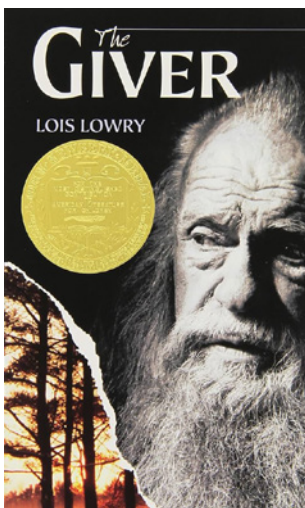
Charles Dickens – Great Expectations (Puffin Abridged Edition)

A rich and lively novel, centering on the life of Pip, an orphan who, thanks to a generous patron, is given 'great expectations' of becoming a gentleman.



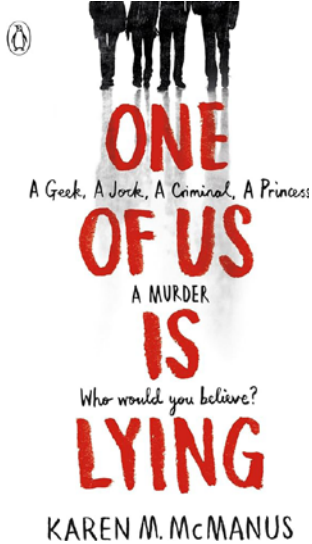
Susan Hill – The Woman in Black

In a haunting tale set in a desolate English town, solicitor Arthur Kipps confronts supernatural terror and a vengeful spectre while settling an estate.



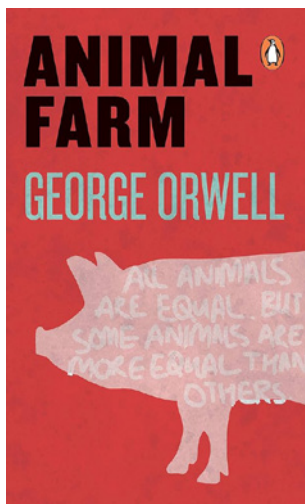
Lois Lowry – The Giver

In a seemingly utopian society, 12-year-old Jonas discovers the dark truths beneath the surface, challenging conformity and unraveling the complexities of a controlled existence.



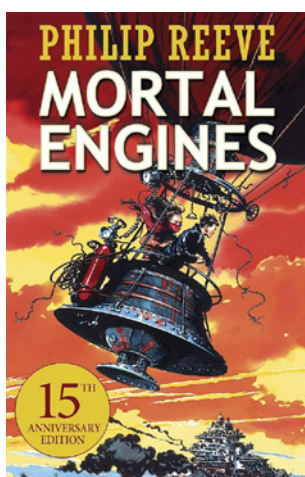
Karen M. McManus – One of Us is Lying

In this gripping high school thriller, five students with secrets enter detention, but when one of them dies, an investigation reveals lies, betrayal, and unexpected connections.



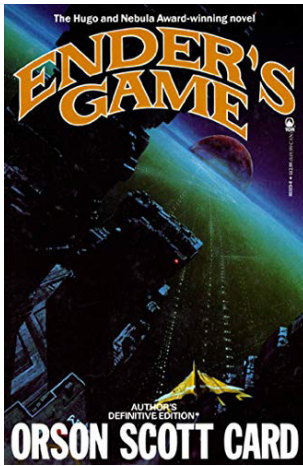
George Orwell – Animal Farm

A brilliant allegory depicting farm animals' rebellion against oppressive humans, showcasing the perils of power and the corruption of ideals.



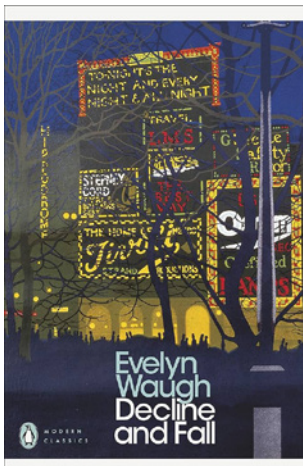
Philip Reeve – Mortal Engines

In a post-apocalyptic world where cities roam on wheels, young Tom Natsworthy and Hester Shaw uncover a deadly conspiracy that could change the course of history.



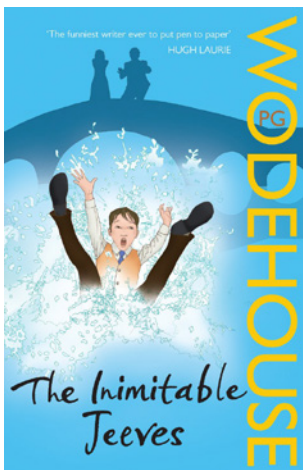
Orson Scott Card – Ender's Game

Gifted strategist Ender Wiggin battles in a futuristic war against alien invaders, navigating a training program that pushes the boundaries of his intellect and morality.



Evelyn Waugh – Decline and Fall

Expelled from Oxford for indecent behaviour, Paul Pennyfeather is oddly unsurprised to find himself qualifying for the position of schoolmaster at remote Llanabba Castle. Prep school as you have never it before.



P.G. Wodehouse – The Inimitable Jeeves

Join the charming Bertie Wooster and his ingenious valet Jeeves in a series of hilarious misadventures that take them from high-society London to the idyllic English countryside.



Markus Zusak – The Book Thief

Narrated by Death, this powerful story follows Liesel Meminger, a young girl in Nazi Germany, whose life is transformed by the magic of words and the courage to defy tyranny.



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