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Y1	Narrative – retell	Bear vs Dragon by Marcela Ferreira	Fantasy stories – description, informal invitation	QPootle5-Nick Butterworth	Traditional Tales	The Three Billy Goats Gruff by Vera Southgate	Riddles	Rumble in the Jungle by Giles Andreae & David Wojtowycz	Instructions	Goldilocks & the Three Bears by Amanda Askew	Stories with predictable language	We are going on a Bear Hunt- Michael Rosen
	Information	Thank you, Omu by Oge Mora	Adventure stories	How to catch a star- Oliver Jeffers	Information/ comparison	Victorian Schools You wouldn't want to be a Victorian school child- John Malam	Stories with predictable language	The Very Quiet Cricket by Eric Carle	Letter	The Queen Next Door by Marcela Ferreira	Stories with issues	On the Way Home- Jill Murphy
	Stories with familiar settings	Busy People- Lucy M George and Ando-Twin	Comparison	Man on the Moon- Simon Bartram	Recount				Invitation	Traditional English Nursery Rhymes		
		Mae Among the Stars- Roda Ahmed	Poems by a famous poet	Julia Donaldson- Wiggle and Roar, Shuffle and Squelch					Instructions			
									Performance poetry			



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Y2	Narrative – retell	The Pirate Cruncher by Jonny Duddle	Letters	Jack and the Beanstalk by Carol Ottolenghi	Information Text	The Great Fire of London by Liz Gogerly	Traditional tales with a twist	Goldilocks and Just the One Bear by Leigh Hodgkinson	Instructions	The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt and Oliver Jeffers	Adventure story	The Enormous Crocodile by Roald Dahl
	Instructions								Persuasion			
	Information Text	The Life of Blackbeard	Traditional Tales	Elves and the Shoemaker by Jim LaMarche		The Great Fire of London by Susanna Davidson	Explanation	In the Garden by Emma Giuliani		All About Fairytales by Ignacy Krasicki	Non-chronological report	Elephants by Steve Bloom
	Fantasy stories	The Night Pirates – Peter Harris		The Gigantic Turnip by Alecsei Tolstoy	Recount - diary	Toby and The Great Fire of London by Margaret Nash			Performance poetry			Elephants by Laura Marsh
	Description	Mary Seacole by Naida Redgrave			Historical fiction	Vlad and the Great Fire of London by Kate Cunningham						Alligators and Crocodiles by Laura Marsh



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Y3	Narrative	Stone age boy by Satoshi Kitamura	Descriptive instructions	How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth by Michelle Robinson	Recount	The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka	Stories with issues	The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry	Performance poetry	Akimbo and the Elephants by Alexander McCall Smith	Non-chronological report	Street Beneath Our Feet by Charlotte Guillain and Yuval Zommer
		The Danger Gang by Tom Fletcher										
	Fantasy	The Tear Thief by Carol Ann Duffy	Adventure	How to Train your Dragon by Cressida Cowell	Traditional Tales with a twist	Jack and the Baked Bean Stalk by Colin Stimpson	Persuasion – letter	In the Forest by Anouck Boisrobert	Fables	Tinga Tinga Tales by Claudia Lloyd	Explanation	
	Description	Planting the trees of Kenya by Claire Nivola	Poems by a famous poet	Michael Rosen’s book of very silly poems			Explanation		Stories from other cultures	Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale by John Steptoe		
	Wangari Maathai by Frank Prevot											
	Wangari’s Trees of Peace by Jeanette Winter											
	Mama Mita by Donna Jo Napoli											

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Y4	Narrative	The Tower by Joseph Coelho Grim Woods by Nadia Shireen	Recount	The Children's Book of Richard III by Rosalind Adam	Historical fiction	Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit	Stories with issues	Matilda by Roald Dahl	Myths & legends	Theseus and the Minotaur by Sonia Elisabetta Corvaglia	Explanation	The Rhythm of the Rain by Grahame Baker-Smith
	Complaint letter	The Lost Happy Endings by Carol Ann Duffy	Descriptive instructions	The Ironman by Ted Hughes – illustrated version	Persuasion	Do you want to be a Roman Soldier? Non-fiction texts on Ancient Romans.	Explanation		Stories from other cultures	Illustrated Stories from India by Usborne – The Blue Jackal	Contemporary fiction	Water Cycles by DK
	Fantasy		Science fiction							Cinnamon by Neil Gaiman	comparison	
	Recount - diary	The Story of Ruby Bridges by Robert Coles	Traditional tales with a twist	Revolting Rhymes by R. Dahl					Descriptive information text	Atlas of Adventures by Rachael Williams		
									Performance poetry	This is indeed India! by Mark Twain Khwab poem by Michael Hyde		



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Y5	Narrative	Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Rauf	Recount - diaries	Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah	Narrative poem	The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes	Fantasy	A Stage Full of Shakespeare Stories by Angela McAllister	Descriptive Information Text	Atlas of Adventure by Rachel Williams	Recount – newspaper report	The Giant’s Necklace by Michael Morpurgo
	Description	Land of the Last Wild Cat by Lui Sit Norse	Science Fiction	Phoenix -SF Said	Myths & legends	Mythology for kids: Tales of Gods, Creatures and Quests by Mathias Nordvig	Explanation		Contemporary fiction – journey story	A Story Like the Wind by Gill Lewis	Poetry	Persuasion/ complaint – formal letter
	Fables	Orchard Aesop's Fables by Michael Morpurgo	Discussion Text						Performance Poetry	Recollections of Arabian Nights by Alfred Lord Tennyson		
	Poetry by a famous poet	Benjamin Zephaniah										

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Y6	Mystery Story	The Highrise Mystery by Sharna Jackson	Persuasion – formal letter	Alex Rider: Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz	Historical fiction	Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian	1 st person narrative	Shivers Ghost Stories by John Townsend	Non-chronological report	The Wonder Garden by Jenny Broom	Descriptive information text	The Wonder Garden by Jenny Broom
	Explanation	Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman	Adventure Story		Letter		Ghost story				Evaluation - letter	
	Recount	The Undefeated by Kwame Alexander	Narrative poem	Lady of Shallot by Alfred, Lord Tennyson				Haunted Ghost Stories – Andersen Press	Performance Poetry	Old Japan by Alfred Noyes		