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Year Group	Text and Author	Plot	Theme/ Link
Year 4	Iron Man – Ted Hughes	Mankind must put a stop to the dreadful destruction by the Iron Man and set a trap for him, but he cannot be kept down. Then, when a terrible monster from outer space threatens to lay waste to the planet, it is the Iron Man who finds a way to save the world.	
	The Street Child – Berlie Doherty	The unforgettable tale of an orphan in Victorian London, based on the boy whose plight inspired Dr Barnardo to found his famous children's homes.	The Victorians
	The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett	After the sudden death of her wealthy parents, spoilt Mary Lennox is sent from India to live with her uncle in the austere Misselthwaite Manor on the Yorkshire Moors. Neglected and uncherished, she is horribly lonely, until one day she discovers a walled garden in the grounds that has been kept locked for years. When Mary finds the key to the garden and shares it with two unlikely companions, she opens up a world of hope, and as the garden	

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		blooms, Mary and her friends begin to find a new joy in life.	
	Varjak Paw – SF Said	Varjak Paw is a Mesopotamian Blue kitten. He lives high up in an old house on a hill. He's never left home, but then his grandfather tells him about the Way - a secret martial art for cats.	
	The Voice in the Park – Anthony Browne	Four different voices tell their own versions of the same walk in the park. The radically different perspectives give a fascinating depth to this simple story which explores many of the author's key themes, such as alienation, friendship and the bizarre amid the mundane	
	The firework maker's daughter – Phillip Pullman	<p>What Lila wants to be more than anything else in the world is . . . a Firework-Maker!</p> <p>But firework-making is not just about being able to make Crackle-Dragons and Golden Sneezes. There is also one special secret: every Firework-Maker must make a perilous journey to face the terrifying Fire-Fiend!</p>	
	A world of Cities	Climb Paris's Eiffel Tower, explore Cairo's ancient	A tour of America (Geography)

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		pyramids, wander the busy streets of New Delhi and see the lights of Shanghai in this whirlwind tour of the world's most beautiful cities.	
	1066 and Before That	There are poems about prehistoric times, mammoths, the Stone Age, the Bronze Age, ancient Greece, Rome and Egypt, Vikings, Anglo-Saxons, Alfred the Great, Normans, King Harold, William the Conqueror and the Battle of Hastings.	Links to the Egyptians
	All aboard the London bus	As a family of four spend a day exploring London, fun, child-friendly poems introduce readers to our wonderful capital city, and all its secrets. Well-known landmarks like Buckingham Palace, Big Ben and the London Eye, plus inescapable features like rain and taking tea, all get Patty Toht's witty treatment. Non-fiction facts provide more information about the poetry subjects, while rising star Sam Usher brings them to life with his signature style and humour.	A tour of America (Geography)
	Illumanatomy – Kate Davies	An anatomy lesson like no other! Look inside the human body with the magic three-colour lens and	Animals including humans (bones and muscles)

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		<p>x-ray from head to toe to discover how your body works. Use the red lens to reveal the skeleton, the green to see the muscles working, and x-ray your organs with the blue lens to find out what they do day and night to keep you alive.</p>	
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