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Year Group	Text and Author	Plot	Theme/ Link
Year 5	Holes (Louis Sachar)	A boy is wrongfully sent to a brutal camp, where the camp warden and her staff force the children in their care to mysteriously dig holes all day long in the desert. Their rehabilitation is questioned, as they think something sinister is involved.	<p>Story with flashbacks. Links to morality. Story set in another country.</p> <p>PSHE - friendship and acceptance</p>
	Wonder (R J Palachio)	Born with facial differences that, up until now, have prevented him from going to a mainstream school, Auggie Pullman becomes the most unlikely of heroes when he enters the local fifth grade. As his family, his new classmates, and the larger community all struggle to discover their compassion and acceptance, Auggie's extraordinary journey will unite them and prove you can't blend in when you were	

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	<p>Letters from the Lighthouse (Emma Carroll)</p> <p>You're Special (Max Lucado)</p> <p>The Velveteen Rabbit (Margery Williams)</p>	<p>born to stand out.</p> <p>When Olive and her little brother Cliff are taken to the cinema as a treat by their older sister Sukie they find themselves in the midst of an air-raid, and Sukie, last seen by Olive talking to a young man, has vanished.</p> <p>In You Are Special, Max Lucado tells the story of Punchinello, the wooden Wemmick who believes that he isn't good enough because of what others say about him. When will Punchinello realize how truly special he is? You Are Special is a beautiful story that reminds us that we are precious to God just the way we are.</p> <p>'The Velveteen Rabbit' is the story of a toy rabbit who is</p>	<p>The Second World War (History)</p> <p>RE - Ourselves</p> <p>PSHE RE</p> <p>English - link to A story like the wind PSHE - Refugees</p>
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		loved so much that he becomes Real.	
	The Arrival (Shaun Tan)	The Arrival is a migrant story told as a series of wordless images that might seem to come from a long forgotten time. A man leaves his wife and child in an impoverished town, seeking better prospects in an unknown country on the other side of a vast ocean.	Geography - Are we damaging our world?
	Varmints (Helen Ward)	The most overlooked threat in the world is that of the loss of peace and quiet. The Varmints come and build their city where once was grass. Before they realise what they have done, there is nothing but a huge dark city. Can someone find the time and space to stop, think and plant seeds of change?	PSHE  History

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	<p>The Selfish Giant (Oscar Wilde)</p>	<p>The Selfish Giant: The story is that of an of a giant, his garden and the children who used to play in it.</p>	
	<p>Usborne Timeline of World History</p>	<p>A gorgeously illustrated guide to the history of the world, from wars and revolutions to ground-breaking inventions, discoveries and artistic movements. With over 3,500 key dates from the Stone Age to the year 2000, organised geographically so readers can compare what was happening in different parts of the world.</p>	<p>PSHE</p>
	<p>If (Rudyard Kipling)</p>	<p>Rudyard Kipling's poem "If—" lists a set of conditionals for the speaker's son to follow in order to become an ideal man. The speaker advises his son about how to perceive the world and life's challenges so that he can both learn from his</p>	<p>PSHE</p>

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		<p>experiences and resolutely overcome barriers.</p>	
	<p>Still I rise (Maya Angelou)</p>	<p>"Still I Rise" is primarily about self-respect and confidence. In the poem, Angelou reveals how she will overcome anything through her self-esteem. She shows how nothing can get her down. She will rise to any occasion and nothing, not even her skin color, will hold her back.</p>	<p>PSHE</p>
	<p>In spite of war (Angela Morgan)</p>	<p>In this poem, Morgan shares that despite a devastating war raging on, everything in nature continued as if nothing was happening. ... Life continues even when terrible things happen, so this poem encourages us to look at the beauty around us rather than focus on the negative aspects of our lives.</p>	

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