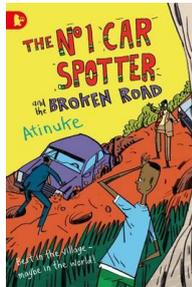




## Able Readers at KSI 2015

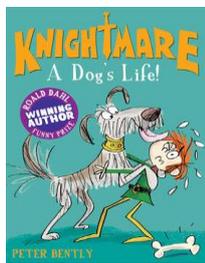
Y = Picture Book / P = Picture Book for Older Readers  
CF = Childrens Fiction



**Atinuke    The No 1 car spotter and the broken road!    CF**

Set in Africa, this is the story of a boy called No I who loves to spot and identify cars as they drive past his village. In this story the road is damaged so cars can't get through. No I has to think of a solution.

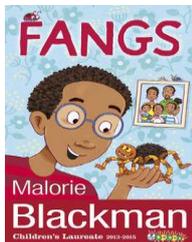
Short chapters and colourful characters make these ideal first chapter books with a multi-cultural flavour.



**Bently, Peter    A Dog's Life    CF**

Cedric the beginner knight has to train a guard dog for Sir Cedric, with interesting results.

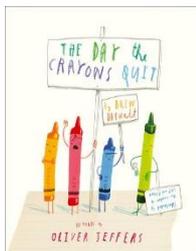
Large typeface and short chapters with lots of illustrations make this series an ideal introduction to free readers. Very funny as well!



**Blackman, Malorie    Fangs    CF**

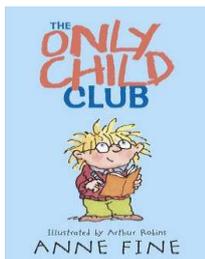
How do you convince your family that the tarantula you have just bought is the ideal pet?

Good link between reading scheme and free readers with appealing plot.



**Daywalt, Drew    The Day the Crayons Quit    P**

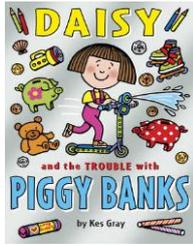
This book appeals to a range of age groups from KSI to upper KS2. The letters are funny and contain some challenging language for this age group. But the brevity of the letters makes them accessible to be read alone. Could also spark some letter writing projects as well.



**Fine, Anne    The Only Child Club    CF**

Ryan is an only child and he creates a club at school for similar children. However they soon realise that being an only child is not as bad as they first thought.

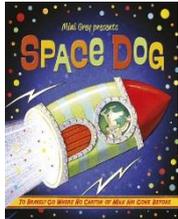
Interesting story and short chapters make this appealing to able readers. Award winning author as well.



**Gray, Kes**  
**Daisy and the Trouble with Piggybanks**

**CF**

Daisy is back desperately trying to save enough money to buy a scooter like her best friend Gabby. Lots of short chapters with plenty of illustrations make this a very accessible read especially for girls. It looks a long book but is great for building stamina.

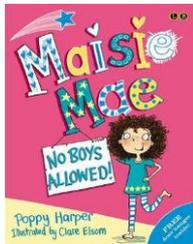


**Grey, Mini**    **Space Dog**

**P**

Everyone knows that cats and dogs don't get on but when Space Cat finds he is sharing his rocket with a dog, things might have to change.

This is a picture book but with some challenging language for this age group so a book to improve vocabulary rather than reading stamina.

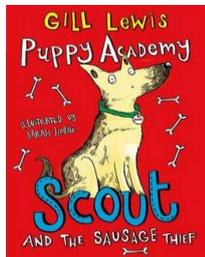


**Harper, Poppy**    **No Boys Allowed**

**CF**

Maisie Mae has 5 brothers and the prospect of a room to herself. Can she convince Mum & Dad that the new room should be just for her.

Great characters that make children want to keep reading. Lots of fun and just a nice length of story so as not to be off-putting.

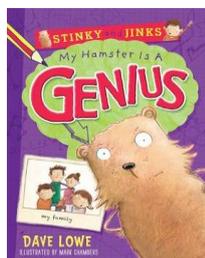


**Lewis, Gill**    **Scout and the Sausage Thief**

**CF**

Scout is in training to be a Police Dog and has to attend the local Puppy Academy. But not everything goes to plan.

A short chapter book that has fun, good illustrations and an interesting plot. First in a series.

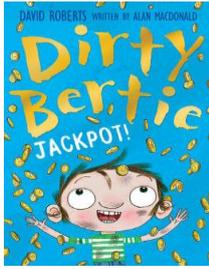


**Lowe, Dave**    **My Hamster is a Genius**

**CF**

Benjamin is 9 and hates maths. Fortunately for him, his pet hamster Stinky is a genius and helps him out.

Funny and with lots of child appeal, this is a longer story but is still age appropriate for KSI.



**McDonald, Alan    Jackpot**

**CF**

3 stories about Bertie and his friends, including how he thinks he has won the lottery.

Each story is split into 4 chapters, making it an accessible text that children can manage on their own. Builds reading stamina without being daunting. Suitable for able Year 1s.



**McAllister, Margi    Titanic**

**CF**

In the series *I was There*, this is an age appropriate re-telling of the Titanic story.

Aimed at lower KS2, this is an accessible read for able Year 2s and a story that always provokes interest.

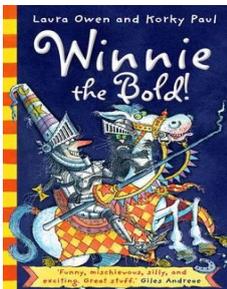


**Nash, Ruby    Sparky's Bad Spell**

**CF**

Sparky the dog has ended up at a Witch's training academy but he and his master Carl are both as bad as each other.

A large typeface makes this an attractive read even though it looks longer than it is. Illustrations break up the text so it looks an easier read than it is. Suitable for Year 1 pupils.

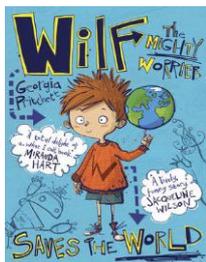


**Owen, Laura    Winnie the Bold**

**CF**

4 stories in one book, so not too much for able readers who can read one story at a time.

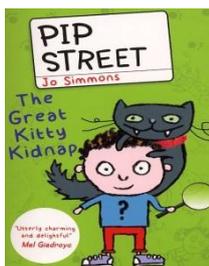
Featuring our favourite witch and her cat Wilbur, these books can be used in conjunction with the picture books to provide familiarity and continuity.



**Pritchett, Georgia    Wilf the Mighty Worrier Saves the World**

**CF**

Wilf is a perpetual worrier but he has to save the day from his evil neighbour Alan. An engaging if slightly over the top plot which will inspire young readers whilst still being at an appropriate reading age level.

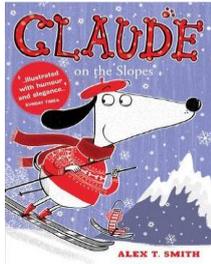


**Simmons, Jo    The Great Kitty Kidnap**

**CF**

Who is stealing all the cats on Pip Street? Bobby and his best (and very small) friend Imelda have to solve the mystery.

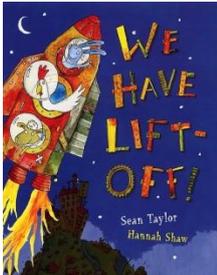
Ideal for able readers with some challenging language to stretch them but also enough interest and illustrations to keep their attention. Suitable for Year 1.



**Smith, Alex T Claude on the Slopes**

**CF**

Claude and Sir Bobblysocks discover snow for the first time. This would be perfect for Year 1 and beginning of Year 2 readers who could manage the whole book in one go. Good use of description but not at all intimidating. Expands their vocabulary in a very accessible way.

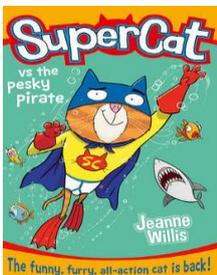


**Taylor, Sean We have Lift-off!**

**Y**

When the animals on Mr Tanner's farm have had enough, they build a rocket to help them escape. Cue mayhem as the animals get it wrong.

This may be a picture book but there is plenty of text, lots to look at in the pictures and a slightly older story. Could lead to discussion on the environment as well.



**Willis, Jeanne Supercat vs the Pesky Pirates**

**CF**

Supercat and his owner James have to go into action again when Count Backwards kidnaps all the adults from the local funfair.

A large book but with big print so not as long as you think. Would give encouragement to children who want to read longer stories. The plot is fun and the characters engaging.



**Willis-Crowley, Kate Queen Sardine in Kitten Chaos**

**CF**

Ivy, her best friend Kei and Queen Sardine are camping in the garden when funny noises wake them all up.

Ideal for girls but a longer story that has bags of appeal and an accessible text.

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