



Mr Morton & Mrs. Barrett's Recommended Reads!

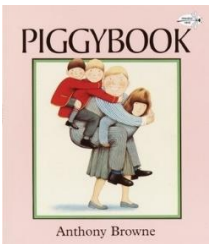
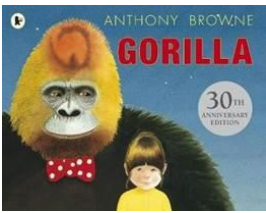
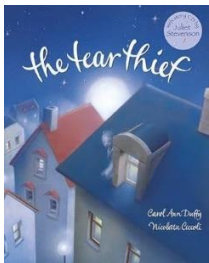
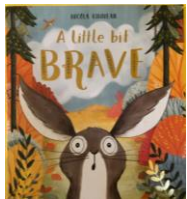


"There is no such thing as a child who hates to read; there are only children who have not found the right book."

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All books fall into the 5-7 age range so would be perfect for Year 2. Happy reading...

(The books highlighted in grey are **HIGHLY** recommended!)

Book Cover	Title	Author	A Brief Guide...
	Piggy Book	Anthony Browne	"Mr. Piggott and his sons are a male chauvinist lot who, outside of yelling for their dinner, don't exercise themselves much around the house. When Mrs. Piggott finally tires of the endless chores that sandwich her workday, she leaves the menfolk on their own, with a note saying, 'You are pigs.' With the cooking and housework untended, they soon turn genuinely porcine, a transformation Browne foreshadows with pig faces on the wallpaper, vases, fireplace, phone. As in most of Browne's art, there is more than a touch of irony and visual humor here. Fun to read aloud."
	Gorilla	Anthony Browne	Hannah's favourite animals in the whole world are gorillas; she reads about them, watches programmes about them, and draws pictures of them. But all she really wants to do is see a gorilla in real life. Hannah's dad is always too busy to take her to the zoo, so on her birthday, Hannah decides to ask for a gorilla of her own. This fantastical picture book from 2009-2011 Children's Laureate and Hans Christian Andersen Award winner Anthony Browne is a warm and sensitive story. With its beautiful, slightly surreal illustrations, it is a magical story to treasure and share again and again.
	The Tear Thief	Carol Duffy	The mysterious fairy-like Tear Thief, visible only as a reflection in a puddle, creeps into town at night, listening for the sound of crying. She snatches a tear from a boy in the bathtub, many from a girl in a tantrum, and some from fighting twins. In her collecting sack, the tears are jewels, coloured according to their cause, but the most valuable are the tears of real sadness. When the Tear Thief passes a girl crying these tears, the girl sees her in a puddle and asks about why she collects them.
	A Little Bit Brave	Nicola Kinnear	A Little Bit Brave is a story of a bunny who faces his fears and discovers his courage . It is a funny, reassuring and heartwarming book for children and adults, with beautiful illustrations.