



EYFS Recommended Reads!

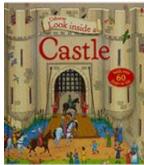
"There is no such thing as a child who hates to read; there are only children who have not found the right book."

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The following list includes *only* books that I have personally read and would fully recommend to my classes. They all fall into the 4-5 age range so would be perfect for EYFS.

I have hard copies of practically all of these books so if you would like to borrow one, ask and I will see what I can do! Happy reading...

Book Cover	Title	Author	A Brief Guide...
	The Ups and Downs of Castle Mice	Michael Bond	from the creator of <i>Paddington Bear</i> comes a tale of dastardly villains and unlikely tiny heroes... The Perk family live in a doll's house in a castle. The castle is their home - but when someone new with devious plans comes to rule the roost, will our family of mice come up trumps? Full of humour and warmth, this nostalgic tale by Michael Bond is brought to life with exquisite detail by Emily Sutton.
	Paddington at the Palace	Michael Bond	A hilarious story of everyone's favourite bear, Paddington – now a major movie star! When Mr Gruber takes Paddington to Buckingham Palace to watch the Changing of the Guard, there are so many people in the way he can't see anything! Luckily a mysterious someone 'on high' appears to like small bears...
	Jack and the Jelly Bean Stalk	Rachael Mortimer	Jack and the Beanstalk, with a delicious twist! Illustrated by Liz Pichon, creator of the bestselling Tom Gates series. Fee-Fi-Fo-Fum, I smell ... jelly beans! When Jack sells his cow for jelly beans, his mum is furious. But (of course) these are magic beans and soon Jack is on a big adventure up in the clouds. Starring a hangry giant, a little white goose and a lifetime's supply of jelly beans!

			A deliciously funny tale, perfect for any child familiar with the original fairy story.
 A colorful book cover for 'Look inside a Castle'. It features a medieval castle with a drawbridge. The title 'Look inside a Castle' is written in a stylized font on the cover. The illustration shows figures and scenes from a castle's life.	Look inside a Castle	Conrad Mason	Lift the flaps to explore behind the scenes of a bustling medieval castle as Lord Robert and Lady Margaret hold a feast, watch a tournament and fight off fearsome enemies. Amid the hustle and bustle in the colourful illustrations, find flaps beneath flaps and many more surprises to keep enquiring minds entertained. Young readers can meet lords, ladies, knights and squires and find out how they live, work, fight and relax in their magnificent castle home.