



## 5-6 Booklist by Title - New

When using this booklist, please be aware of the need for guidance to ensure students select texts considered appropriate for their age, interest and maturity levels.

PRC	Title/Author	Publisher	Year	ISBN	Annotations
41094	Adventures of Stunt Boy and his amazing wonder dog Blindfold Barr, Lollie	Pan MacMillan	2014	9781742613673	Everyone said his dad's motorbike crash was an accident but he doesn't believe them, not even for a second, and Stunt Boy is going to prove it. With his amazing wonder dog Blindfold and his best friend Benny, Stunt Boy has to find out who is trying to sabotage their Stoked Stunt Circus and stop them.
2281	Along the road to Gundagai O'Hagan, Jack & McLean, Andrew (ill)	Omnibus Books	2014	9781862919792	The words of this familiar song Australian song have inspired the illustrations to tell the story of young soldiers away fighting in World War .
21059	Ash Rover: keeper of the phoenix Darlison, Aleesah	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781922179029	Ash Rover stumbles across a phoenix egg, but this magical bird is going to bring danger to his village. Ash is soon on a desperate quest to save his family and friends.
2400	Big book of Aussie dinosaurs Richards, Kel & Singleton, Glen (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742830568	Everything you have ever wanted to know about when dinosaurs ruled Australia.
2305	Billy that died with its boots on, The Whiteside, Stephen	Walker Books	2014	9781922077431	Paying homage to the rhythms, word play and humour of Banjo Paterson and C.J Dennis the author has looked to everyday Australian activities, landscapes and people for inspiration. The 65 poems are gathered in fifteen loose groupings including animals, leisure activities, and places. Best read to or with someone.

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2225	Bleakboy and Hunter stand out in the rain Herrick, Steven	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702250163	Eleven year old Jesse and the issues he has to confront in growing up and attending a new school. In this world he must confront not only the school bully, Hunter, but tries to come to terms with many other issues like whaling, poverty in Africa, and of course parents. The novel also reveals Hunter's world too, that is marked by loneliness and disappointment.
1384	Bloodhound boys: monster truck tremor dilemma Cranna, Andrew	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781922179326	Rocky and Vince are competing in a monster truck race. Full of twists and turns, the lethal race will send the boys way off track.
6348	Bully chip, The Wood, Glenn	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781921977640	A year after they defeated the evil Lester Smythe, Callum, Sophie and Jinx are having problems with two bullies who are targeting them at school. The friends do not back down and take on the bullies. But could the bullies' evil power be the work of Lester Smythe again.
806	Cartboy and the time capsule Campbell, L.A.	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743314807	Hal Rifkind wonders why he can't have the easy life he craves - a room of his own, time to play video games with his best mate Arnie and most of all, surviving grade six. Instead he has to share his room with his twin baby sisters, is only permitted 15 minutes of video games on weekends and he has a year-long history assignment to complete.
24009	Darcy Moon and the deep-fried frogs Carvell, Catherine	Fremantle Press	2014	9781922089717	Darcy Moon is an ordinary girl with ordinary problems. She's low on cash and low on the necessary street cred to fit in with the cool crowd. But Darcy's life is about to take a great leap forward. When a freaked-out frog asks for help, it's up to her to fix the food chain, save the swamp and prove that money can't buy everything.
7330	Deadly D and Justice Jones Prince, Scott & Hartley, Dave	Magabala Books	2013	9781922142184	Dylan has an amazing power, which attracts the attention of the Brisbane Broncos football team, where Dylan becomes Deadly D.
889	Demon dentist Walliams, David	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780007453566	Strange things were happening when children would put their teeth under the pillow for the tooth fairy. In the morning they would find a dead slug, a spider, a slimy eyeball or much, much worse. Alfie is determined to find the culprit, whilst evading the social worker who has started visiting his home.
	Diary of a wimpy kid series Kinney, Jeff				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.

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1626	Disappearing act Moloney, James	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2014	9780732295752	Matt Cooper is twelve, and spends his time honing his magic skills and tricks. His great-grandfather, Mattheus, was a magician whose career came to a disastrous end when a trick he performed backfired. What neither Matt nor Mattheus realise is that there's an even older story behind the failure of Mattheus' disappearing trick.
2183	Duck and the Darklings, The Millard, Glenda & King, Stephen Michael (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743312612	Grandpapa's eyes shine brightly when he remembers the beauty of the world. Now they all live underground and Peterboy wants to find something to bring the light back and keep it there. What he finds is an injured duck.
6166	Fire French, Jackie & Whatley, Bruce (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742838175	One small spark brought fire awake, winding like a small black snake. Fire flickered, fire crept, flames snickered, bushfire leapt.
1991	Frank Davies and the amazing frog catapult Clifford, Rohan	Penguin	2014	9780143307532	Frank Davies is in trouble again, at school and at home, but everything changes when the frog turns up. The adventures begin when one huge luminous frog and Frank Davies set out on a mission to destroy one thousand evil giant toads.
2336	Gallipoli Greenwood, Kerry & White, Annie (ill)	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743621295	Dawn approaches on 25 April 1915 and ANZACs Bluey and Dusty sail towards Gallipoli. As their ship gets closer, the two friends hear the noise of battle. Will they be brave enough for what lies ahead of them.
50321	Girl who brought mischief, The Nannestad, Katrina	ABC Books	2013	9780733332005	Ten year old Inge Maria comes to live on a tiny island in Denmark with her Grandmother. She is strict and the villagers too think that girls should not run wild or speak too much. Inge tries to fit in, but her fun loving mischief and mishaps start to change the way the villagers feel.
1216	Guinea pig town and other animal poems Marwood, Lorraine & Daoud, Amy (ill)	Walker Books	2013	9781922077424	With sections on birds, Australian animals, pets, marine animals, farm animals, 'creepy crawly' ones and those in the wild, here is a huge variety of subject matter in many poetic forms including haiku, rhyming and non-rhyming verse using language to create wonderful word pictures for all who love animals as well as those who don't.
7017	Ice breaker Tanner, Lian	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743314340	Circling the Antarctic is an ancient ship with a divided crew, an orphaned girl living amongst rats and a boy discovered on an iceberg, all guarding their own secrets.
	Jack Mason adventure series - NEW SERIES 2015 Pitt, Darrell				Any two books from this series may be read as Challenge books and up to five more can be read as personal choice books. Go to the online booklists for the PRC ID of the individual books in this series.
2064	Jack's bugle Bell, Krista & Elliott, Belinda (ill)	Windy Hollow Books	2014	9781922081292	Aidan leaves the farm to join the war, along with his bugle. He is excited by the promise of travel, adventure and new friends, using his bugle to inspire his battalion.
2441	Jim's lion Hoban, Russell & Deacon, Alexis (ill)	Walker Books	2014	9781406346022	Jim is ill in hospital and his dreams are fearful and wild. His nurse gives him a mission, to find in his dreams his animal finder, who can guide him home wherever his illness takes him.

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	Last thirteen series - NEW SERIES 2015 Phelan, James				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
14959	Little chef, big curse Cotton, Tilney	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742832692	Eleven-year-old Matty desperately wants to be a famous chef and escape his horrible aunty. His opportunity comes when a grand cook-off is held, to see who can entice the finicky princess to eat. Unwittingly, the princess is the victim of an alien curse, designed to leave a foul taste in her mouth.
2349	Mary's Australia Freeman, Pamela	Black Dog Books	2014	9781922077905	Mary MacKillop watched Australia grow from a collection of small colonies into a nation. Follow the changes Australia underwent during her lifetime.
41193	Meet Mary MacKillop Murphy, Sally & Martinez, Sonia (ill)	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742757216	Mary MacKillop, Australia's first saint, started her first school in 1866. It was the first of many schools she started, to educate any child, no matter how rich or poor.
46409	Meet Ned Kelly Brian, Janeen & Adams, Matt	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742757186	Ned Kelly was a notorious bushranger, he lived in Australia's earliest days. Ned was daring and clever and bold, in a suit made of iron, and his story is still being told.
	Minecraft series - NEW SERIES 2015 Mojang				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1987	Monkey and me Gilman, David	Penguin	2014	9780143308232	Beanie, nicknamed due to hair loss during leukaemia treatment, is a normal, intelligent almost ten year old, getting up to mischief with the best of them. When Beanie, with his older brother's gang, explores the derelict Black Gate, an overhead thumping spooks them. Beanie discovers the cause - a chimpanzee. With the gang's help, in particular their new deaf, signing female member, he attempts to hide Malcolm with hilarious consequences.
35796	Mortified Chatterton, Martin	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742758886	Mortimer De Vere and his sister Agnetha are 10 000 years old and desperate to avoid school. They use a time traveling machine to flee from the strict teacher who would enslave them. As they travel through time and other lands they meet historical figures who are all eccentric. How are they going to navigate between crocodiles, zombies, weird authors and Queen Victoria.

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2451	My Australian story: convict girl Michaels, Chrissie	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781743620151	Mary Beckwith has been sent to the penal colony at Port Jackson, transported with her mother, having stolen some fabric. She describes the hardships endured as well as the growth of the settlement and meeting the indigenous inhabitants. Her story is unlike most others as she joins Nicolas Baudin, the French scientific explorer, as he explores New Holland's coastline in direct competition with Matthew Flinders.
2578	My dog doesn't like me Fensham, Elizabeth	University of Queensland Press	2014	9780702250170	On his eighth birthday Eric is allowed to choose a puppy from the dog shelter. Ugly, so named because of a comment made by his sister, lives up to all of Eric's expectations for a little while but soon he realises that Ugly wants to be with mum, he is growing rapidly and becoming difficult to control as well as destroying everything he can get his mouth into.
2423	Nearly impossible dreams Finn, Tara	Green Olive Press	2013	9780987209993	Tara Finn has always loved books and reading. When she was five, she told everyone she was going to be a writer, and at age ten she has published a collection of over thirty of her poems.
979	Nelson Mandela Nelson, Kadir	HarperCollins Children's Books	2013	9780062246363	The text shows the path taken by Nelson Mandela, raised in a small community, to defence lawyer, to public protester, through jail and how he became a great political leader. It traces the change in South Africa from apartheid to free state.
26544	Neptunia Alexander, Goldie	Five Senses Publications	2013	9781741308716	Cassie is a great swimmer but has to move to a country town with no swimming pool. But when asked to deliver an important message to the underwater city of Neptunia, Cassie has to use all her strength and skill to survive a marathon swim.
2619	New city Abela, Deborah	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781742758558	Isabella and her friends have escaped the floodwaters of Grimsdon for the modern world of New City. Uncertainty and fear have brought dark times, with refugees fleeing the world's rising waters and becoming imprisoned in a miserable camp. Isabella and her friends face new threats, with eyes watching them everywhere.
7001	Nobody's boy Bates, Dianne	Celapene Press	2012	9780987255600	Ron's family is broken. He isn't able to live with his mum or dad. Now he's being fostered by his aunt who has three sons of her own. It's a chaotic, angry environment, and Ron isn't at all happy. When strangers, Rosie and Bob, offer to care for him, he jumps at the chance. It's the kind of home he's always dreamed of. There is only one thing missing. He aches to be with his dad.
1367	Once a shepherd Millard, Glenda & Lesnie, Phil (ill)	Walker Books Australia Pty Ltd	2014	9781921720628	Once there was a shepherd, a very special coat and hope. A family during World War I.
25200	Ophelia and the marvellous boy Foxlee, Karen	Knopf Publishing Group	2014	9780385753548	Ophelia doesn't believe in anything that can't be proven by science. She and her sister Alice are still grieving for their dead mother when their father takes a job in a strange museum in a city where it always snows. Ophelia soon discovers a boy locked away in a long forgotten room. He is a prisoner of Her Majesty the Snow Queen. And he has been waiting for Ophelia's help.

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817	Our village in the sky Brian, Janeen & Spudvilas, Anne (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743318140	Our village sits above the great river, nestled in the Himalayan mountains. This is what we do on summer days when school is closed for holiday time, in our village in the sky.
40847	Phyllis Wong and the forgotten secrets of Mr Okyto McSkimming, Geoffrey	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781742378213	Conjuring is in Phyllis Wong's veins, passed down from her great-grandfather who was the world's most brilliant magician. When a series of robberies takes place in the city, Phyllis realises there is more to the crimes than meets the eye. It may be baffling her friend Chief Inspector Inglis, but Phyllis is determined to find out more. Who is this thief, what does he want and how is he achieving the impossible.
2440	Phyllis Wong and the return of the conjuror McSkimming, Geoffrey	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743318379	Someone has sold a number of valuable first editions of Shakespeare's plays at the auction house and Chief Inspector Inglis suspects foul play. These rare First Folios are in mint condition, where on earth could they have come from. Has a crime been committed. But when a famously lost Shakespearean play is scheduled to be auctioned, Phyllis suspects villainy is seeping into today from the seventeenth century.
	Pie rat series - NEW SERIES 2015 Stelzer, Cameron				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
2514	Plenty Braxton-Smith, Ananda	Black Dog Books	2014	9781742032429	Maddy receives an unexpected and quite unpleasant tenth birthday present - news that the family is to move from their inner-city home to the country so as to be closer to her rarely visited grandmother, who is battling the early stages of dementia. Stories by her grandmother and her Sudanese refugee classmate help Maddy realise the true meaning of home, family and belonging.
2495	Poppy, The Plant, Andrew	Ford Street Publishing	2014	9781925000320	On Anzac Day 1918, a desperate counter-attack in a French town became one of Australia's greatest victories on World War I. A bond was forged and never forgotten by the town and should never be forgotten by Australians.
5054	Rania Abdel-Fattah, Randa	Scholastic Australia	2014	9781742990118	The ghost girl has messages just for Rania - if only she could work out what they mean. Rania works hard at school and has so much on her plate. The last thing she needs is competition from her favourite cousin.
2355	Rivertime Balla, Trace	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743316337	A boy and his Uncle Egg are on a paddling trip down an Australian river. They come across a swimming wallaby, a crashing koala and some friendly campers.

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1983	Road to Gundagai, The French, Jackie	Angus & Robertson (HarperCollins)	2013	9780732297220	Bluebell Laurence, crippled in a house fire, is rescued from her home by circus folk who warn of her imminent demise. Madam Zlosky administers a healing brew and Blue becomes Belle Magnifico, a mermaid and harem dancer who rides the pick-pocketing, gentle natured, circus elephant The Queen of Sheba. They travel and come to Gibber's creek where the story unfolds and Blue discovers the truth about herself and the magnanimous Madam Zlosky.
	Roxy Ran series - NEW SERIES 2015 Hall, Tiffany				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
	Ruby Redfort series - NEW SERIES 2015 Child, Lauren				Any two books from this series may be read as Challenge books and up to five more can be read as personal choice books. Go to the online booklists for the PRC ID of the individual books in this series.
31213	Selfish giant, The Wilde, Oscar & Voutila, Rita (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2012	9781742376509	The children always played in the giant's garden, but when he returned after years away, he said 'What are you doing here' and the children fled.
798	Shot boom score Brown, Justin & Vane, Mitch (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2013	9781743313688	Sport loving Toby can't believe his luck when instead of being punished by his parents, they issue him with a sporting challenge. All he has to do is take 20 wickets in the cricket season and make 10 tries in rugby to earn the latest gamebox. But unfortunately the new boy at school seems to be blocking Toby all the way.
2497	Shoutykid: how Harry Riddles made a mega-amazing zombie movie Mayle, Simon & Catlow, Nikalas	HarperCollins Children's Books	2014	9780007531882	Ten-year-old Harry has an older sister who is a constant source of irritation and a father who is a film writer, currently in a slump, so finances are extremely tight. To add to this, Jessica is the new girl at school to whom he is too shy to speak and online bullies in has favourite game. Harry's claim to fame is his computer gaming and his love of Zombies, which he decides to combine and make an animated movie.
2156	Simple things, The Condon, Bill & Norling, Beth (ill)	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743317242	Stephen is not keen to meet his great aunt Lola, who is turning eighty. He discovers she is not only very old but also grumpy and scary. When Stephen meets an unexpected friend, Allie, he shares the simple things in life, like fishing, cricket and climbing trees. A medical emergency with aunt Lola leads to a secret being revealed and Stephen wondering if he has also made another new friend, aunt Lola.

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5359	Stay well soon Tangey, Penny	University of Queensland Press	2013	9780702249945	Stevie has a lot of dreams - more friends at school, better drawing pencils and a pony. When her brother becomes sick, her world is filled with trips to the hospital, where she becomes friends with Lara, an older girl who has cancer.
	Stuff happens series - NEW SERIES 2015 Various				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
1393	Sunker's deep Tanner, Lian	Allen & Unwin Pty Ltd	2014	9781743435427	Sharkey was born and bred in submarines and has become a hero amongst his community. Tragedy strikes and he must decide how to proceed, does he and his fellow Sunkers help the Ice Breakers and work together to beat the Devouts.
	Time hunters series - NEW SERIES 2015 Blake, Chris				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
20463	Timmy Failure: now look what you've done Pastis, Stephan	Walker Books	2014	9781406356342	When Timmy Failure's school announces a detective contest, Timmy considers it a personal insult. Because Timmy is the founder, president and CEO of the greatest detective agency in the town, probably the country. Perhaps the world. Now Timmy only has one week to solve the biggest case of the millennium and he is facing some obstacles. Like his partner, Total, a fifteen-hundred-pound polar bear.
14687	Welcome home Booth, Christina	Ford Street Publishing	2013	9781925000085	Whaling has long been part of Australia's history. Over the past centuries many coastal towns owe their existence to the hunting and slaughter of whales for numerous by-products. More recently these same towns focus on viewing the beauty of these majestic creatures as they travel between the cold and warmer waters. Here both stories are told through the eyes of a young boy who hears the distant calls, sometimes joyful, sometimes apprehensive, of a whale.
52191	What the raven saw Bound, Samantha-Ellen	Random House Australia Pty Ltd	2013	9781742757353	In a churchyard, the raven watches the comings and goings of everyone, making sure that peace and order are maintained. He keeps to himself, except during church services, when he sneaks into the building so he can listen to the hymns that he loves. The raven would be happy if everything stayed this way forever. Until a new, small grave is dug, an annoying pigeon arrives and a church member is up to no good.



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7689	Wild one, The Hartnett, Sonya	Penguin	2014	9780670076970	Charlie met the wild one when he was young. They caught tadpoles and watched spiders. As Charlie grows up, he forgets the wild one, until he grows much older.
	Wildwood trilogy - NEW SERIES 2015 Meloy, Colin & Ellis, Carson (ill)				Any two titles read from this series can be included as official Challenge books; up to five more titles can be included as your personal choice books. To see the individual book titles and their PRC ID numbers, go to the Series lists on the Booklists page on the website. Or, you can search for a series name or the individual titles by using the Search function on the top left hand corner of the screen.
18248	Wonder Palacio, R.J.	Random House Children's Books	2012	9780552565974	August Pullman has a severe facial disfigurement. Until now he has had restricted social experiences, having been home-schooled, his parents trying to protect him from dealing with the curious and sometimes derogatory looks and comments of outsiders. They now realise that attending school is an essential, although probably rather painful, element of his journey into adulthood. August's experiences show the highs and lows of family relationships, acceptance of difference, resilience, friendships and bullying.