

The SLG Committee have trawled the depths of the Internet to pull together a list of online resources to support School Librarians during lockdown and beyond. From author interviews to virtual festivals, BookTubers to resource packs, there is a wide selection of material available to support literacy activities and reading for pleasure for secondary school pupils.

Publisher/Literacy Organisations/Library Resources

Includes resource packs, activities and teacher guides available from publishing houses, literacy organisations and libraries. Some of the content on the organisational YouTube channels include author interviews and clips, book reviews and trailers, author read-alouds and writing advice.

- Authorfy: [Resources](#)
- Barrington Stoke: [Resources](#)
- Bloomsbury & Bloomsbury Spark: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Book Life Publishing: [Resources](#)
- Book Trust: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- British Library: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Chicken House Books: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Cranachan Publishing: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Dark Horse Comics: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- DC Comics: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- DC Comics Kids: [YouTube](#)
- Discover Kelpies (Floris): [Resources](#)
- DK: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- DK Eyewitness: [YouTube](#)
- Egmont Book: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Epic Reads (HarperCollins): [YouTube](#)
- First Minister's Reading Challenge: [Resources](#)
- Floris Books: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Hachette Schools: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Harper Kids/Teen: [Resources](#) / [Harper Kids YouTube](#) / [Harper Teen Youtube](#)
- Hot Key Books: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Image Comics: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Knights of: [Blog](#)
- Little. Brown & Company Teen: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Love Reading 4 Kids: [Resources](#)
- Macmillan Children's Books (Pan Macmillan): [YouTube](#)
- Magic Torch Comics: [Resources](#)
- Marvel: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Marvel HQ: [Resources](#)
- National Book Foundation: [YouTube](#)
- National Library of Scotland: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- National Literacy Trust: [Resources](#)
- Nosy Crow: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Penguin Teen: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Puffin (Penguin): [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Raintree Publishers: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Random House Children's Publishers UK (Penguin): [YouTube](#)
- The Reading Agency: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Scholastic: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- School Library Association: [Resources](#)
- Scottish Book Trust: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Topsta: [Website](#)
- Usborne: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Walker Books UK: [Resources](#) / [YouTube](#)
- Waterstones: [YouTube](#)

Author websites with resources

This list includes author websites who have chapter extracts, activities, games, discussion guides and learning resources. Not all authors have resources available on their websites. You could signpost pupils to their favourite author's website to explore more about them and try the links on the Publisher/Literacy Organisation Resource list (above) to see if there are any available activities/discussion guides related to certain titles.

- [Guy Bass](#)
- [Chris Bradford](#)
- [Theresa Breslin](#)
- [Dekko Comics](#)
- [Anne Fine](#)
- [Cornelia Funke](#)
- [Neil Gaiman](#)
- [Barbara Henderson](#)
- [Konnie Hug \(Cookie\)](#)
- [Jeff Kinney \(Diary of a Wimpy Kid\)](#)
- [Derek Landy \(Skulduggery Pleasant\)](#)
- [Gill Lewis](#)
- [Lindsay Littleton](#)
- [Michael Morpurgo](#)
- [Matt and Tom Oldfield \(Ultimate Football Heroes\)](#)
- [Karen McCombie](#)
- [Tom Palmer](#)
- [RJ Palacio](#)
- [Liz Pichon \(Tom Gates\)](#)
- [Rachel Renee Russell \(Dork Diaries\)](#)
- [Robin Stevens](#)
- [Jeremy Strong](#)
- [Angie Thomas](#)
- [Kaye Umansky](#)
- [Elizabeth Wein](#)
- [Victoria Williamson](#)
- [Benjamin Zephaniah](#)

YA Podcasts

There are a range of book related podcasts out there. Not sure where to start? We've highlighted 30 podcasts that discuss Middle Grade and Young Adult books. Podcasts are an excellent way to encourage book discussion, critical literacy, and keep updated on the latest in MG/YA book trends. It might be worth listening to a couple first before recommending to your pupils.

- [Adventures in YA](#)
- [Act YA Age](#)
- [All the Books](#) (Book Riot)
- [Bookmarked](#)
- [Book Riot](#)
- [Book YeAh](#)
- [Cast of Wonders](#)
- [Deadline City](#)
- [Fictional Hangover](#)
- [Forever Young Adult](#)
- [Forever Young Adult Book Plate](#)
- [Get Booked](#) (Book Riot)
- [Goosebuds](#)
- [The Great Book Review Podcast](#)
- [Hazel & Katniss & Harry & Starr](#)
- [Hey YA](#) (Book Riot)
- [Jaded YA Reads](#)
- [J-YA](#)
- [Love YA Like Crazy](#)
- [MuggleCast: the Harry Potter Podcast](#)
- [Off the Book](#)
- [We Are YA](#) (Penguin Teen)
- [Prism: A YA Book Podcast for Teens](#)
- [Reading Radio](#)
- [What Do You Think About Books?](#)
- [YA Book Chat](#)
- [YA Books Podcast](#)
- [YA curmudgeon](#)
- [YA Podcast](#)
- [Young Adult-ish](#)

BookTubers

BookTube is a book-specific community of vloggers, publishing companies, and literary websites on YouTube who review/discuss books and interview authors. Many BookTubers work across other social media platforms such as Instagram, Twitter and Goodreads. Follow the UKYA Bloggers and Vlogger Awards [here](#) and the Federation of Children's Book Groups has a list of book blogs [here](#).

BookTube channels can be useful for generating discussion with pupils and keeping updated about the latest MG/YA publications. Explore yourself to see which channels are suitable for your pupils, keeping in mind the personal opinions, book spoilers, and audience of individual vloggers. No doubt many of your pupils will have already heard of some of these channels.

- [ABookUtopia](#)
- [A Clockwork Reader](#)
- [A Sunny Book Nook](#)
- [Aissata Amadou](#)
- [Alexa Donne](#)
- [Alexandra Roselyn](#)
- [Ariel Bisset](#)
- [The Artisan Geek](#)
- [Ashton Daniel](#)
- [Bookables](#)
- [The Book Archer](#)
- [The Book Leo](#)
- [Book Riot](#)
- [Book Roast](#)
- [BooksandBigHair](#)
- [BooksandLala](#)
- [BooksandQuills](#)
- [Books Are My Social Life](#)
- [BooksNest](#)
- [Books with Chloe](#)
- [Brittany the Bibliophile](#)
- [ChasingPages](#)
- [Christopher'sBookClub](#)
- [Effusions of Wit](#)
- [EmmmaBooks](#)
- [Francina Simone](#)
- [Darling Desi](#)
- [Ellias](#)
- [Epic Reads](#)
- [Gabby Reads](#)
- [Ghost Reader](#)
- [Hailey in Bookland](#)
- [How to Train your Gavin](#)
- [Irish Reader](#)
- [Jean BookishThoughts](#)
- [Jen Campbell](#)
- [Jesse the Reader](#)
- [Katytastic](#)
- [Lauren Wade](#)
- [Leena Norms](#)
- [Literally Lily](#)
- [Little Book Owl](#)
- [Monica Kim](#)
- [The Nature of Pages](#)
- [Naya Reads and Smiles](#)
- [Near Mint Condition](#)
- [Owl Crate](#)
- [Penguin Teen](#)
- [PerpetualPages](#)
- [PolandbananasBOOKS](#)
- [ProblemsofaBookNerd](#)
- [Read it Forward](#)
- [xreadingsolacex](#)
- [Reading with Nori](#)
- [Riley Marie](#)
- [Rincey Reads](#)
- [Robby Reads](#)
- [SanaaStoria \(formerly InkBonesBooks\)](#)
- [SandyReadsALot](#)
- [Scholastic](#)
- [StarlahReads](#)
- [ThisStoryAintOver](#)
- [Vanilla Moon](#)
- [withcindy](#)
- [YogiWithABook](#)

Festivals

We've highlighted some key festivals taking place locally and across the UK. Some festivals have links to online resources, discussion guides, and activities. Go to the [Literature Alliance Scotland Book Festivals](#) page to find a list of book festivals in Scotland.

February.

- 12th – 14th Wolverhampton Literature Festival: [Website](#)
- 18th – 27th Paisley Book Festival: [Website](#)
- 18th- 20th Curious About Our Planet Festival - Glasgow Science Centre: [Website](#)

March

- 1st – 5th Bourneville Book Fest for Schools: [Website](#)
- 3rd – 5th Share a Story Live with World Book Day: [Website](#)
- 3rd – 6th Big Bang Week 2021 – A Dark Skies Festival (Wigton Winter Science Festival) [Website](#)
- 22nd – 28th Big DoG Children's Book Festival (Wigtown Festival Company). Details TBA. [Website](#)

April

- 23rd World Book Night: [Website](#)

May

- 27th – June 6th Hay Festival: [Website](#) / [Hay Player \(subscription required\)](#) / [YouTube](#)

June

- 10th – 14th Bournville BookFest: [Website](#)
- 10th Empathy Day: [Website](#)

August

- 14th – 30th Edinburgh International Book Festival: [Website](#) / [YouTube](#)

September

- 23rd – Oct. 10th Wigan Book Festival: [Website](#), [YouTube](#)

October

- 8th – 17th Cheltenham Literature Festival: [Website](#) / [YouTube channel](#)

Book Awards (Middle Grade/YA)

Keep track of shortlisted and prize-winning books from the following UK book awards. Some awards are MG/YA specific or have junior/teenage categories and others are awards for adult books but have shortlisted/winning YA books. Useful for library newsletters, social media, and book features.

- [Blue Peter Book Award](#)
- [Branford Boase](#)
- [Bread and Roses Prize](#)
- [British Book Awards](#)
- [Carnegie/Kate Greenaway Book Awards](#)
- [Costa Book Awards](#)
- [Diverse Book Awards](#)
- [Excelsior Award](#)
- [Federation of Children's Book Groups Book Award](#)
- [Information Book Awards \(SLA\)](#)
- [Jhalak Prize](#)
- [Laugh Out Loud Awards \(Lollies\)](#)
- [Orwell Prizes](#)
- [Scottish Teenage Book Prize](#)
- [Society of Author's Awards](#)
- [Stonewall Award](#)
- [Telegraph's Sports Book Award](#)
- [UK Literacy Association \(UKLA\) Book Awards](#)
- [Visionary Honours Book Award \(UK\)](#)
- [Waterstone's Children's Book Prize](#)
- [YA Book Prize](#)