

Whole Book Class Reading Suggestions

Year Four, Summer term: RAGS TO RICHES

Puss in Boots by Charles Perrault translated by Malcolm Arthur, illustrated by Fred Marcellino, published by Square Fish

This retelling of the traditional story about a cat whose intelligence, cunning and bravery bring riches and success is stunningly illustrated, and reads well aloud. *Picturebook*

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The Unadoptables by Hana Tooke, illustrated by Ayesha L. Rubio, published by Puffin

Five unusual orphans defy the label they've been given by the horrible Matron Gassbeek and use their talents to create a new life for themselves: a life that is rich in all the things that matters most. *Middle-grade novel*

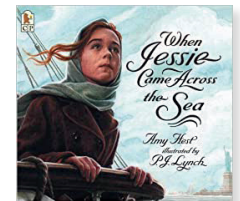
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When Jessie Came Across the Sea by Amy Hest and P.J. Lynch, published by Walker Books

Jessie leaves her home in a poor European village and travels to America, where she joins thousands of immigrants and works hard to create a better life. A fictional historical story with a realistic feel. *Picturebook*

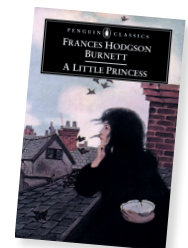
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A Little Princess by Frances Hodgson Burnett, published by Puffin Classics

Sara Crewe's wealthy father places her at Miss Minchin's Academy, but when he goes missing, Sara must work as a servant until her riches-to-rags fortunes are reversed, and she finds her wealth and status restored. A much-loved classic that places more emphasis on kindness and optimism than wealth. *A classic novel for confident readers*

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Cinderella of the Nile by Beverley Naidoo, illustrated by Marjan Vafeian, published by Tiny Owl

Many folk and fairy stories feature a rags-to-riches theme, and one of the best known is *Cinderella*. Here, Beverley Naidoo returns to the oldest known variant from Ancient Egypt, which has some surprises alongside familiar themes. *Picturebook*

