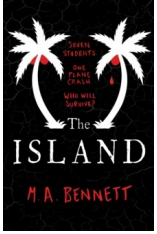
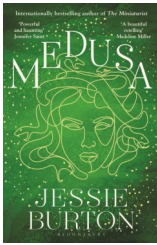
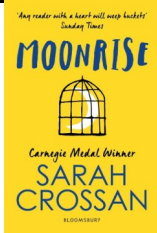
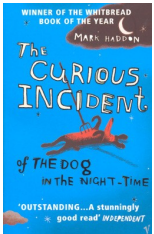
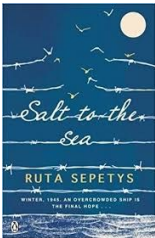


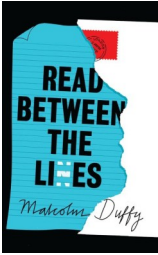
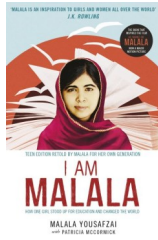
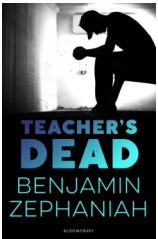
Tutor Time Reads Year 9

	Title	Blurb	Themes	Interest Age	Length Higher = longer
	The Island by Bennett, M.A.	Contemporary take on <i>Lord of the Flies</i>. Newly arrived from the US, Link is struggling to settle into the prestigious Osney School and some students are determined to make his life miserable. His only way out is to go on the school summer trip, but when oppressive heat, hunger and thirst start to bite, everyone's true colours will be revealed. Note: Contains strong language and scenes of bullying. Long book, so not suitable to start in the summer term.	Bullying Survival	14-17	14 points
	Medusa by Burton, Jessie	Exiled to a far-flung island by the whims of the gods, Medusa has little company except the snakes that adorn her head instead of hair. But when a charmed, beautiful boy called Perseus arrives on the island, her lonely existence is disrupted with the force of a supernova, unleashing desire, love and betrayal. This is an astonishing retelling of Greek myth, illuminating the girl behind the legend. It brings alive Medusa for a new generation.	Myths and Legends Families Fantasy	12-16	5 points
	Moonrise by Crossan, Sarah	Joe hasn't seen his brother for ten years, and it's for the most brutal of reasons. Ed is on death row. But now Ed's execution date has been set, and Joe is determined to spend those last weeks with him, no matter what other people think... This poignant, stirring, huge-hearted novel asks big questions - What value do you place on life? What can you forgive? And just how do you say goodbye?	Siblings Relationships Prison Novel in verse	13-16	5 points

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	The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime by Haddon, Mark	'Lots of things are mysteries. But that doesn't mean there isn't an answer to them'. This is Christopher's murder mystery story. There are also no lies in this story because Christopher can't tell lies. He does not like strangers or the colours yellow or brown or being touched. On the other hand, he knows all the countries in the world and their capital cities and every prime number up to 7507. When he decides to find out who killed the neighbour's dog, his mystery story becomes more complicated than he could have ever predicted. Note: Contains prolific strong language including the c word.	Neurodiverse main character Maths Mystery	14-18	10 points
	Steady for This by Lessore, Nathaneal	Aspiring rapper Shaun (aka Growls) wants to enter an MC battle with his best friend Shanks but when they are humiliated by a viral video that gets shown around school, he finds himself lonely and isolated, coupled with the threat of his family being evicted from their home . But a ray of sunshine appears in the form of new friend Siobhan - she has her own issues but shows Shaun how life can be different and encourages him to enter the rap battle as a solo artist. Warm and funny, with genuine laugh-out loud moments.	Rapping, Music, School Stories, Comedy	11-14	9 points
	Salt to the Sea by Sepetys, Ruta	It's early 1945 and a group of people trek across Germany, bound together by their desperation to reach the ship that can take them away from the war-ravaged land. Four young people, each haunted by their own dark secret, narrate their unforgettable stories. Based on the true story of the German ship, the Wilhelm Gustloff, which was sunk in port in early 1945 with over 9000 civilian refugees, including children, on board. Nearly all were drowned. Note: Contains some graphic descriptions of dead bodies, injuries and war.	World War II Historical, based on true story Refugees	12-16	10 points

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	Read Between the Lies by Duffy, Malcolm	Tommy is talented, cool, a young offender and dyslexic. Ryan is smart, uncool, well-behaved and dyslexic. The two develop an unlikely friendship. As Ryan helps Tommy to read, a secret is revealed that will change their lives forever.	Friendship, Lies Dyslexia Families	12-14	7
	I am Malala by Yousafzi, Malala	Malala Yousafzai was only ten years old when the Taliban took control of her region. They said music was a crime. They said women weren't allowed to go to the market. They said girls couldn't go to school. Mala fought for her right to be educated. And on 9 October, 2012, she nearly lost her life for the cause. She was shot point-blank on her way home from school. No one expected her to survive. Now she is an international symbol of peaceful protest and the youngest ever Nobel Peace Prize nominee.	Non-Fiction Autobiography Pakistan Terrorism	12-16	7 points
	Teacher's Dead by Zephaniah, Benjamin	Mr Joseph is dead, murdered by two of his students in front of the school. He was a good man. People liked him. So how could this happen? Why? It doesn't make sense to Jackson, and he is determined to investigate the case until he understands.	Adolescence, Crime Mystery School Stories	13-16	7 points