

World War 1 Booklist 2014

To mark the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War, we have compiled a selection of children's books, both fiction and non-fiction, suitable for KS1 through to KS3.



The booklist will be updated regularly as new titles are published and kept current until 2018.

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Fiction books

SOLDIER DOG The LITTLE HEN and the GREAT WAR Redyn Patrice	Angus, Sam Soldier dog 9781447220053 £5.99 Age range 9-11 years Beck, Jennifer The Little hen and the great War 9781407145983 £6.99 Age range 5-7 years	Stanley's dad hasn't been the same since his wife died and his eldest son went off to fight in the war. Now Stanley's only friend is his dad's prize winning greyhound, Rocket. Stanley runs away and enlists in the army to train as a messenger dog handler, and is soon heading to France with a great Dane called Bones by his side A young soldier is fighting in the trenches of wartime France when he finds a hen, skinny, scruffy, and starving. He tucks her into his jacket and takes her with him. The other soldiers laugh when they see him looking after her and sharing his meagre rations of food, but when the hen thrives and begins to lay eggs for them, they realise that perhaps survival and hope are possible after all.
STAY WHERE TOU ARE & then LEAVE	Boyne, John Stay where you are & then Leave 9780857532930 £10.99 Age range 9-11	The day the First World War broke out, Alfie Summerfield's father promised he wouldn't go away to fight - but he broke that promise the following day. Four years later, Alfie doesn't know where his father might be, other than that he's away on a special, secret mission. Then, while shining shoes at King's Cross Station, Alfie unexpectedly sees his father's name - on a sheaf of papers belonging to a military doctor. Bewildered and confused, Alfie realises his father is in a hospital close by - a hospital treating soldiers with an unusual condition.
Remembrance THERESA BRESLIN	Breslin, Theresa Remembrance 9780552547383 £6.99 Age range 12+	A group of friends are suddenly thrust into the harsh realities of war. From the horror of the trenches, to those nursing the wounded and dying, they struggle to survive
DEARY WORLD WAR I TALES BOMBER BALLOON	Deary,Terry The Bomber Balloon 9781408191651 £4.99 Age Range 7-9 years	Stories of the First World War from the bestselling Terry Deary, author of the hugely successful 'Horrible Histories'. November 1916 - the war on the Home Front. Millie is being told off for breaching the blackout when a Zeppelin airship crashes over Essex. Millie, the local constable and an elderly helper must round up the armed German crew before they escape. Meanwhile the 'invaders' are worrying about accidentally setting fire to the houses they were bombing.

DEARY WORLD WAS TALK LAST FLIGHT	Deary, Terry The Last Flight 9781408191682 £4.99 Age Range 7-9 years	Photographer Alfred Adams was born 1 June 1896 and became an observer in WW1, taking pictures over enemy lines. He was shot down by the famous 'Red Baron' Manfred von Richthofen over France along with his pilot Donald Stewart on 5 April 1917. They landed across enemy lines and both survived as prisoners of war. This tale tells how Alfred ended up spending his 21st birthday in a German POW camp, where he was visited by the Red Baron himself.
DEARY WORLD WAR I TALES THE PIGEON SPY	Deary, Terry The pigeon spy 9781408191712 £4.99 Age Range 7-9 years	This title features stories of the First World War from Terry Deary, author of the hugely successful 'Horrible Histories'. Flanders 1918. The extraordinary true story of a pigeon who saved nearly 200 lives. A troop of Americans are trapped behind enemy lines. Not only are their German enemies firing at them but so are their own side. Somehow they have to get a message to their comrades. The only way is by pigeon. But every time a pigeon rises in the air it is shot down. The last pigeon, a black bird called Cher Ami, flies with bullets zipping through the air all around him, covering 25 miles in just 65 minutes, helping to save the lives of the 194 survivors.
TERRY DEARY WORLD WAR GAME	Deary, Terry The War game 9781408191743 £4.99 Age Range 7-9 years	Stories of the First World War from Terry Deary, author of the 'Horrible Histories'. Flanders, 1914. The German and British soldiers in the trenches make an unofficial Christmas truce, with carols and a football match. But the officers aren't happy. A veteran soldier and a young recruit are 'celebrating' Christmas in the trenches. They hear the enemy sing carols and begin to shout greetings across no-man's land-and end up playing an international football match.
ELEVEN ELEVEN DOWSWELL	Dowswell, Paul Eleven Eleven 9781408826232 £6.99 Age range 12+/Teen	The Western Front, 11th November 1918, 8.00 a.m. British High Command has issued an order. At 11 a.m., the war will end. All attacks are to be called off. Will Franklin is one of a group of soldiers on a mission to check for German combatants deep in the forest. No one has told them that the war is over. A few months ago, Will was at school. Now he's about to face the most terrifying ordeal of his life as three worlds collide and three soldiers fight for survival in the final hours of World War One.
Dusk	Edwards, Eve Dusk 9780141337395 £6.99 Age Range 12+ years	When Helen, a young hard-working nurse, meets aristocratic artist Sebastian, she doesn't expect to even like him, let alone fall in love. But against the troubled backdrop of wartime London, an unlikely but intense romance blossoms. And even the bloody trenches of the Somme, where they are both posted, cannot diminish their feelings for each other. But Helen is concealing a secret and when a terrible crime is committed there are devastating consequences for them both. When lives are being lost, can true love survive?

STORIES OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR	Eldridge, Jim Stories of the first World War 9781407140551 £7.99 Age range 9-11	This title tells the story of the First World War through the experiences of 12 children and young people. It covers everything, from the efforts on the Home Front in both Britain and Germany, to the young soldiers in the trenches at the Western Front and from the horrors of Gallipoli to the naval battle of Jutland.
THE TREADHES	Eldridge, Jim The Trenches 9781407136738 £6.99 Age range 9-11	It's 1917 and Billy Stevens is a telegraph operator stationed near Ypres. The Great War has been raging for three years when Billy finds himself taking part in the deadly Big Push forward. But he is shocked to discover that the bullets of his fellow soldiers aren't just aimed at the enemy.
WAR GAME Michael Foreman	Foreman,Michael War Game: Village Green to No-Man's Land 9781843650898 £9.99 Age range 9-11	Michael Foreman's watercolours document the detail of war days in Britain. This book is written in memory of 4 of his uncles who died in the Great War.
SILVER DONKEY OF	Hartnett, Sonya The Silver Donkey 9781406304299 £5.99 Age range 7-9	One morning in the woods of France, a blinded soldier is found by two sisters, Coco and Marcelle. The soldier tells the sisters tales, connected to the keepsake he carries in his pocket, a silver donkey. As the days pass, the sisters learn the truth behind the silver donkey and what the precious object means
One Boy's War	Huggins-Cooper, Lynn One Boy's War 9781847801265 £6.99 Age Range 7-9 years	A young soldier's honest portrayal, told through letters home and a frank journal, of his enthusiasm for the 1914 recruitment campaign, and joining up - followed by the disillusionment and degradation of soldiering in the trenches of World War I. Originally published: 2008

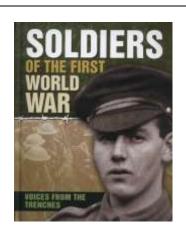
SOS LUSITANIA Kevin Kiety	Kiely, Kevin SOS Lusitania 9781847172303 £6.99 Age Range 9-11 years	In May 1915, the huge ocean liner, the Lusitania, sets sail from New York to Liverpool. It is a civilian ship, but rumour has it that there are spies on board. These rumours are true. On the crew is 13-year-old Finbar Kennedy, who has run away from home in Queenstown to follow his sea-captain father onto the Lusitania.
Christman present in the world	Morpurgo, Michael The Best Christmas Present in the World 9781405215183 £5.99 Age range 7-9	Echoes of Christmas 1914 in the trenches call to the present day when a letter found by chance in an antique desk brings one soldier's experience hauntingly to life.
michael morpurgo Harming Harming The sequel to War Horse	Morpurgo, Michael Farm Boy 9780007450657 £5.99 Age range 9-11 years	This touching story of the close relationship between grandson and grandfather, and the special secret they share, is enhanced by factual illustrations of farming history from the beginning of the century. This is the sequel to 'War Horse'
michael morpurgo A MEDAL FOR LEROY	Morpurgo, Michael A medal for Leroy 9780007339686 £6.99 Age range 9-11	Inspired by the true story of Walter Tull, the first black officer in the British army. Michael doesn't remember his father, an RAF pilot lost in the war. And his French mother, heartbroken and passionate, doesn't like to talk about her husband. But then Auntie Snowdrop gives Michael a medal, followed by a photograph, which begin to reveal a hidden history, a story that will change everything - and reveal to Michael who he really is.
private peaceful	Morpurgo, Michael Private Peaceful 9780007150076 £6.99 Age range 9-11	Told in the voice of a young soldier, the story follows 24 hours in his life on the frontline during World War I, and captures his memories as he looks back over his life. Full of detail and engrossing atmosphere, the book leads to a dramatic and moving conclusion

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MICHAEL MORPURGO	Morpurgo, Michael Warhorse	'War Horse' is the story of Joey, a thoroughbree horse, and how he is forced into the thick of the
		harrowing, poorly-led battles of the First World War. Originally published: Kingswood: Kaye &
	9781405226660	Ward, 1982
7 640 64	£6.99	
WarHorse	Age Range 9-11 years	
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Sandar Hamey	Morpurgo, Michael	Set during WW1. Rushy Bay was forbidden territory to Gracie and Daniel. And not just
Why the	Why the Whales came	because of the currents; the Birdman lived there. Gracie brings the curse of Samson Island on her own family. It is only the Birdman who
AHCHAM MORPLECO	9781405229258	can avert the tragedy.
	£5.99	
	Age range 9-11	
	Newbery, Linda	Greg's interest in the history of a ruined
LINDA NEWBERY	The Shell house	mansion becomes more personal as he discovers the tragic events that overwhelmed its
	The Great House	last inhabitants. His contemporary beliefs become intertwined with those of Edmund, a
SHELL	9780099455936	former resident who was confused about his sexuality and identity
House	£6.99	Soldaniy and identity
TO AMBLE CARE THE PETER PERE	Age range 12+/Teen	
	Newbery, Linda	Tilly is a young nurse doing her best to help in
and the same of	,	the war effort. When she hears her brother Georgie must go to the front line in France she
DE TILLY I	Tilly's Promise	is devastated. Georgie isn't like other people - he has learning difficulties and doesn't
PROMISE	9781781122938	understand what the war means. Tilly asks her sweetheart Harry to keep Georgie safe. But they
1000	£6.99	soon learn that the nature of war makes any promise hard to keep.
	Age range	promise hard to keep.
Linda Newbary	127	
		It's 1914 and Jack is making his debut as a pro
OVER LINE TOM PAIMER	Palmer, Tom	footballer. But his first match is marred by a demonstration demanding that the teams sign
	Over the line	up to do their duty in France. Word of the Footballer's Battalion and a cup in Flanders
	9781781123935	provides a glimmer of hope that Jack can keep his dream of playing for England alive. But as
	£6.99	the war drags on, Jack is thrown into a nightmare world he will be lucky to survive.
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ROSE OF NO MAN'S LAND	Perry, Anne Rose of No Man's Land 9781842994870 £6.99 Age Range 12+ years	When Rosie picks up an old watch in an antique shop, it transports her to a WWI Red Cross hospital. As a nurse she listens to the men's stories and meets Edith Cavell - who helps soldiers to escape from the Germans. When Rosie learns of Edith's arrest, she has to make a tricky decision.
The Rolge of the Cloud	Peyton,K.M. The Edge of the Cloud 9780192750235 £6.99 Age range 9-11 years	Christina and Will have escaped Flambards with their heads full of dreams, only to find a new set of problems. Not only finding work and a place to live, but Will's ambition to design and pilot flying machines, which terrify Christina every time he leaves the ground. Will is certain he can succeed, but what price is he willing to pay for the glory?
GUNS FAU SILENT	Riordan, James When the Guns Fall Silent 9780192735706 £6.99 Age range 12+	Two friends, Jack and Harry, both keen footballers, are sent to fight in the trenches in World War I. The author brings to life the horror for both sides and ends with an account of the football match played in the Christmas truce of 1914
Where The Poppies Now Grow Bury Bridgers & Marik Steet	Robinson, Hilary Where the Poppies now grow 9780957124585 £6.99 Age range 5-7 years	Written to mark the anniversary of the start of the First World War, this book is a touching tribute to honour all those who sacrificed so much for the sake of peace. The book is dedicated to the memory of the great uncles of Hilary and Martin who fell at the Somme in 1916. While the book is written for young children the artwork will have cross generational appeal.
The Foreshadowing	Sedgwick, Marcus The Foreshadowing 9781842555170 £6.99 Age range 11+	Set against the backdrop of World War I, this novel is about a girl with a tragic gift - Sasha can see the future - but can she use her power to save her brothers and change their destiny?

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My Story Story GAD TO Walarie Wilding	Wilding, Valerie Road to War 9781407104614 £6.99 Age range 9-11	It's 1917 and the Great War rages in Europe. When Daffy Rowntree's brother goes missing in action she refuses to sit safely in England, and determines to do something to help win the war. Soon she finds herself in the mud and horror of the battlefields of France, driving an ambulance transporting the wounded of the trenches.
SUKAP KUUH O THE FIRST WORLD WAR	Williams, Marcia Archie's War: my Scrapbook of the First World War, 1914 - 1918 9781406310023 £7.99 Age range 7-9	In 1914, just before the outbreak of the First World War, 10-year-old Archie is sent a scrapbook in the post from his Uncle Colin. In the years that follow, until the war ends in 1918, we experience life through Archie's eyes and learn about his world and family.

Non fiction books



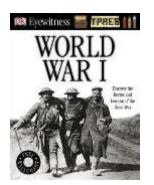
Adams ,Simon

Soldiers of the First World War

9781445123806

£12.99

Age Range 9-11 years 'Soldiers of the First World War' employs short extracts from diaries and letters to recount the experiences of the men from around the world who took part in this massive conflict.



World War I

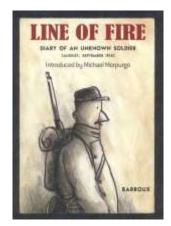
Adams, Simon

9781405373296

£6.99

Age Range 9-11 years

This title is an exciting and informative guide to the Great War that centred on Europe between 1914-1918. Stunning real-life photographs, illustrating the people, places and stories, offer a unique 'eyewitness' view of the conflict dubbed the 'war to end all wars'.



Barroux

Barroux | Translator Ardizzone, Sarah

Line of fire:diary of an unknown soldier (August, September 1914)

9781907912399

£10.99

Age range 9-11

A remarkable find in a rubbish heap ... One winter morning, Barroux was walking down a street in Paris when he made an extraordinary find: the real diary of a soldier in the First World War. Barroux rescued the diary and illustrated the soldier's words



Burnett, Alan

Scottish tales of Adventure World War 1

9781841589329

£4.99

Age range 9-11

Featuring the true exploits of soldiers, spies, pilots, sailors and many others, these stories, all based on interviews with the heroes themselves or their descendants, offer a unique personal insight into the First World War.





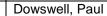
Frightful First World War

9781407138916

£6.99

Age Range 9-11 years

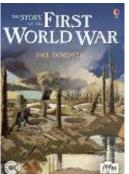
Discover all the foul facts about the First World War, including what the 'Fat King' did with food scraps and dead horses, how sniffing your own pee could save your life in a gas attack and why a pair of old socks gave away top German secrets



Usborne war stories:true stories from the First & Second World Wars

9781409537007

£9.99 Age Range 9-11 years This volume recounts some of the most famous tales of intrique. heroism and adventures of the First and Second World Wars, providing young readers with an insight into the human stories behind both conflicts. Originally published: as War stories. 2006



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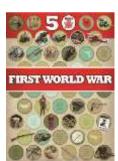
The Story of the First World War

9781409523468

£8.99

Age range 9-11

Published in association with the Imperial War Museum, this fascinating account of the most destructive conflict the world has ever known looks at the causes of the war and its great battles and catastrophes, as well as how the war affected nations and people all over the world.



Eldridge, Jim

50 things you should know about the First World war

9781781715895

£8.99

Age range 9-11 Published June 2014 The perfect introduction to the First World War, this book highlights the 50 essential facts that everyone should know. Discover what caused the war and why it eventually affected every corner of the globe. The key battles, events and figures are all explored and recounted in succinct and easy-to understand text while illustrations and photographs bring the past vividly back to life.



Gifford, Clive

World War I

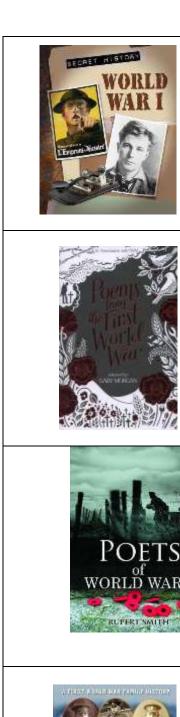
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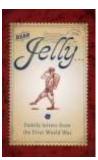
Age Range 9-11 years

This series portrays some of the key figures in major historical periods, including politicians and leaders, as well as rebels, spies, industrialists, engineers and members of resistance movements.

	Hicks, Peter		
WAR IN THE TRENCHES	War in the Trenches; remembering World War 1	This title gives accounts of life in the trenches during World War One, and relates the tales of bravery, courage and adversity of	
20 MARINES	9780750278416	the soldiers who fought there.	
LONG.	£13.99		
	Age range 9-11		
	Hunter, Nick	The translations of the	
	Life on the Western front	The trench systems of the Western Front saw some of the heaviest fighting in World War I. Find out about the weapons used	
	9781406261387	by both sides as well as what life was like for soldiers at the front	
STREET, STREET	£13.99	line.	
WESTERN FRONT	Age Range 9-11 years		
	James, Daniel		
all Tone	My first World War	This book provides real-life accounts from people who lived, worked and fought during the	
FIRST	9781445101507	First World War.	
WAR	£8.99		
The way	Age Range 9-11 years		
[0.1.27a=0]	Manning, Mick and Granstrom, Brita	This title provides a unique,	
Gharlies War Williams	Charlie`s War illustrated	highly-illustrated evocation of a soldier's experience of World War	
	Channe's War mustrateu	One for younger children produced in time for the 2014	
	9781445110332	centenary and based around the	
I WIND	£11.99	real-life experiences of Charlie Manning, grandfather of the	
	Age Range	book's award-winning author, Mick Manning.	
	7-9 years		
	Morgan, Michaela		
WALTER TULL SCRAPBOOK	Walter Tull's scrapbook:star footballer and war hero	The grandson of a slave and raised in an orphanage, Walter Tull was one of Tottenham Hotspur's star players and later	
	9781847804914	became the first black officer in the British Army. His bravery and	
	£6.99	leadership in the First World War won him a recommendation for	
	Age Range	the Military Cross. He achieved recognition when black football	
BIT STATE A STREET	7-9 years	players were virtually unknown and military law stopped non- Europeans from becoming	
		officers.	



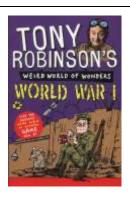




£7.99

Age range 9-11 years

to carry on with school back in England. To keep in touch, they wrote letters. The sisters treasured these letters, which gave snapshots of their brothers' lives as soldiers. Many of the letters included cartoon illustrations to amuse the sisters. This book presents these letters with their illustrations.



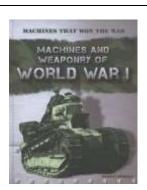
Weird World of wonders World War 1

Robinson, Tony

9781447227717

£5.99

Age Range 9-11 years Tony Robinson takes you on a headlong gallop through time, pointing out all the most important, funny, strange, amazing, entertaining, smelly and disgusting bits about World War I. It's history, but not as we know it! Find out everything you ever needed to know about World War I in this brilliant action-packed, fact-filled book.



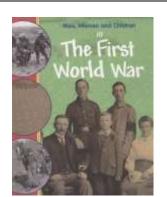
Machines and weaponry of World War I

Samuels, Charlie

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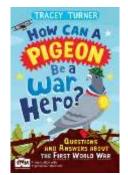
Steele, Philip

Men, women and children in the First World War

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Age Range 9-11 years This title provides an introduction to the daily lives of men, women and children during the First World War.



Turner, Tracey

How can a pigeon be a war hero?

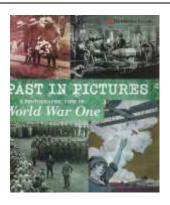
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£4.99

Age range 7-9 years

Published May 2014

Why did the First World War start? Who was fighting who? Did soldiers still fight with swords? Had aeroplanes been invented yet? What was it like to be inside the first tank sent to war? Did animals fight in the war? How can a pigeon be a war hero? What was the Women s Land Army? Why did it go on so long? How did it end? Find out the answers to these and a lot of other exciting questions in this informative book



Woolf, Alex

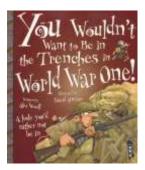
A photographic view of World War One

9780750278409

£12.99

Age Range 9-11 years

Produced in partnership with The National Archives, this title shows what life was like during World War One. What were conditions like in the trenches, what did the soldiers eat, and what fighting strategies did they follow?



Wooolf, Alex

You wouldn't want to be in the Trenches in World War One!

9781909645226

£6.99

Age range 7-9 years

It's August 1914. You are 16year-old Tommy Atkins, living in London. Set against the backdrop of the war just broken out in Europe, find out what your life was like after joining up and being sent to the trenches. From sharing your bed with rats and lice to a diet of bully beef, bread and biscuits, discover why you really wouldn't want to be a soldier living in a trench during World War One. Handy hints include how to protect your feet from trenchfoot, how to use pigeons as spies and how to detect enemy tunnelling beneath your trench

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