

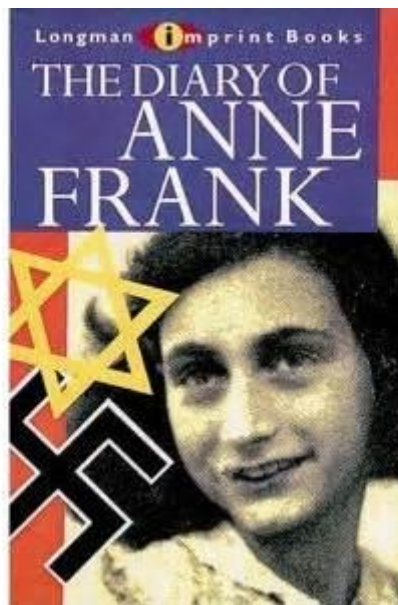
Year 7 Suggested Reading

Historical/War

Scroll through the list to view a few of the titles suggested by our Librarians here in school for your year group.

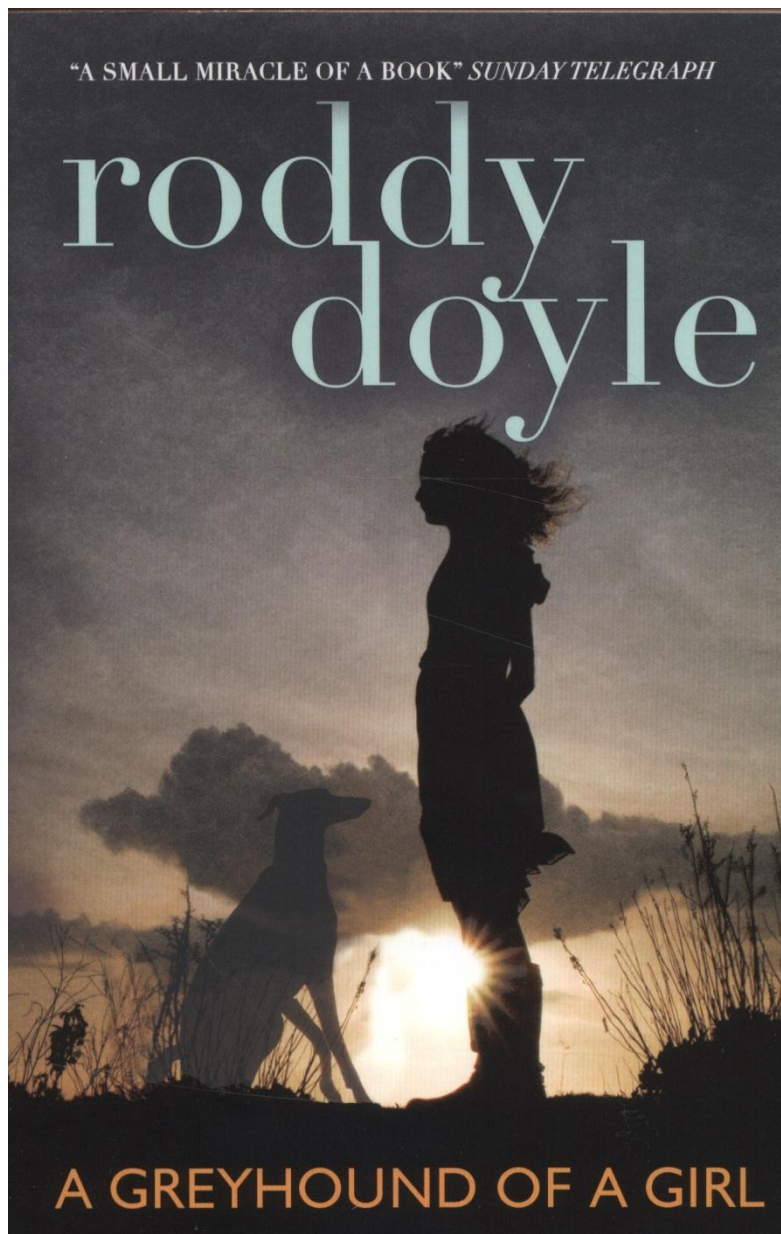
The Diary of Anne Frank by Anne Frank

For two years, 13-year-old Anne Frank, her parents, sister and four other people remained hidden in a back room until they were discovered and arrested in 1944. Anne's diary was found by accident and tells the story of her unusual life, as well as the problems of growing up and falling in love.



A Greyhound of a Girl by Roddy Doyle

12 year old Mary's beloved grandmother is near the end of her life. Letting go is hard - until Granny's long-dead mammy appears. Her ghost has returned to help her dying daughter say goodbye to the ones she loves. But first she needs to take them all on a road trip to the past. A GREYHOUND OF A GIRL is a perfectly-pitched, funny and tender tale about four generations of an Irish family, and the special bonds between mothers and daughters. It will entrance readers from 10 to adult.

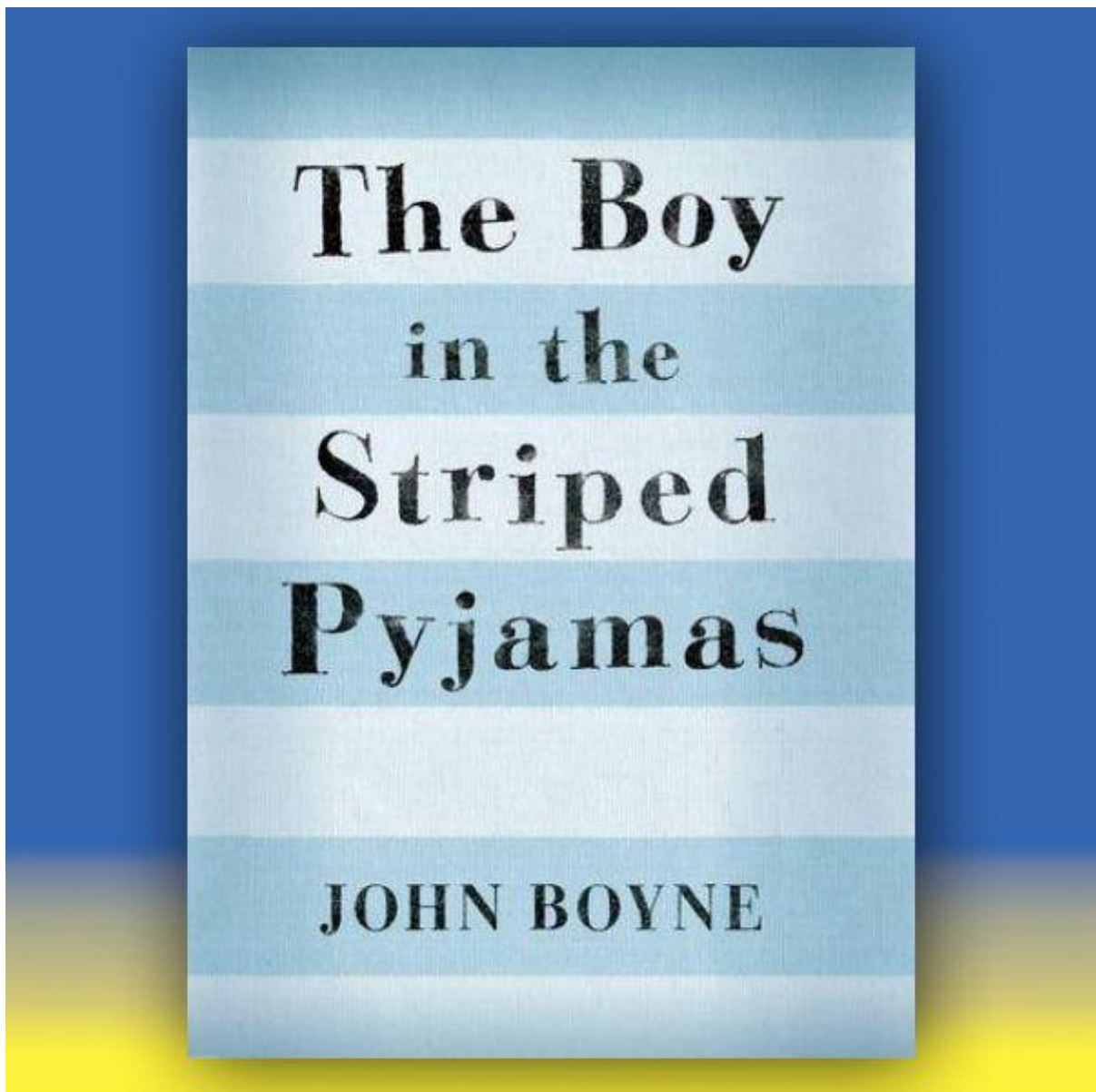


The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas

by John Boyne

Nine-year-old Bruno has a lot of things on his mind. Who is the 'Fury'? Why did he make them leave their nice home in Berlin to go to 'Out-With' ? And who are all the sad people in striped pyjamas on the other side of the fence? The grown-ups won't explain so Bruno decides there is only one thing for it - he will have to explore this place alone. What he discovers is a new friend. A boy with the very same birthday. A boy in striped pyjamas. But why can't they ever play together?

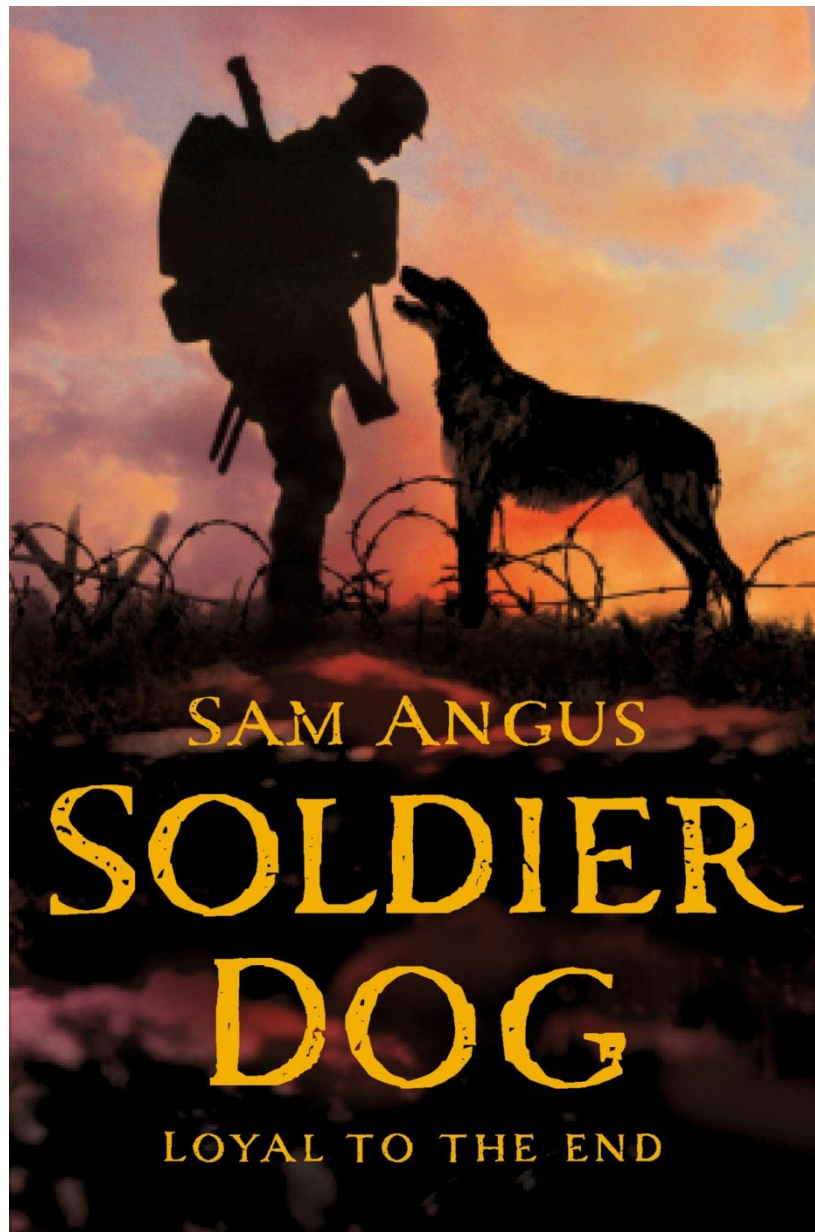
(www.johnboyne.com)



Soldier Dog by Sam Angus

'He'll always be true, faithful and brave, even to the last beat of his heart.' The heart-breaking, powerful story of a boy soldier and his messenger dog, set against the backdrop of WWI.

www.samangus.com



Once by Morris Gleitzman

Once by Morris Gleitzman is the story of a young Jewish boy who is determined to escape the orphanage he lives in to save his Jewish parents from the Nazis in the occupied Poland of the Second World War.

Everybody deserves to have something good in their life. At least Once.

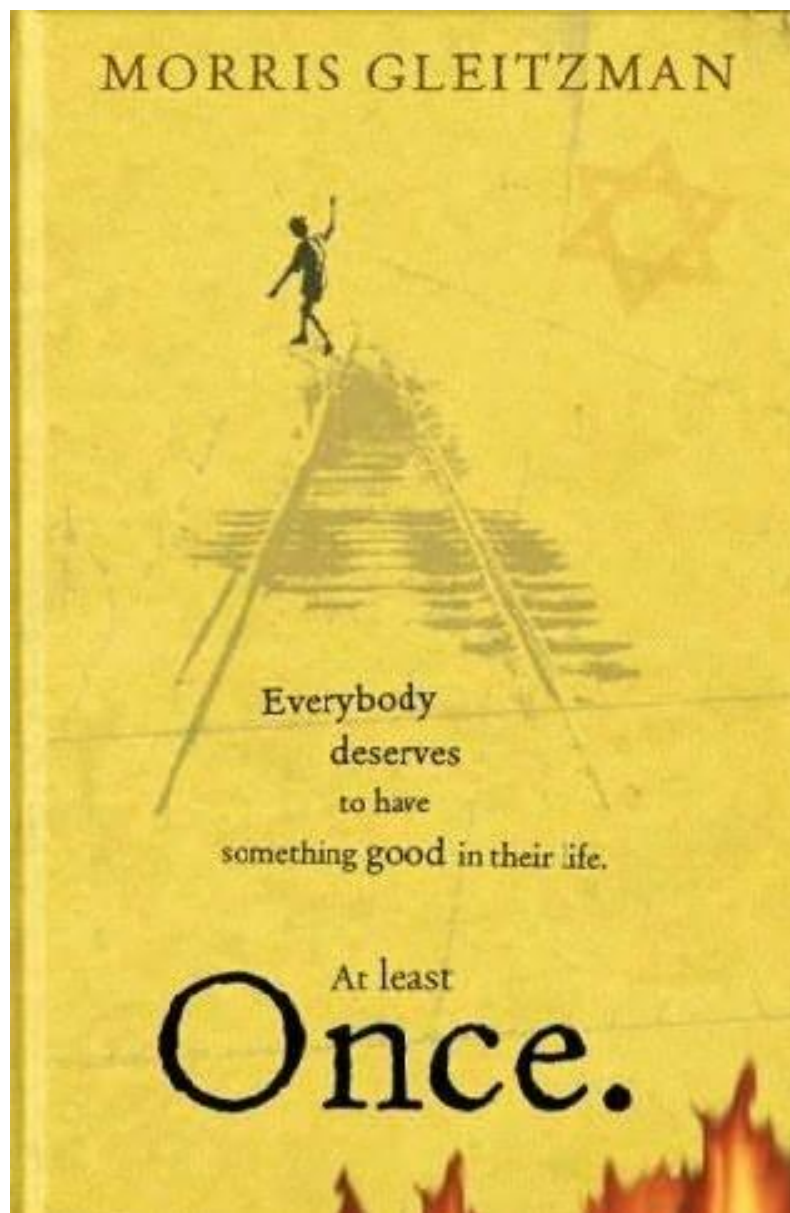
Once I escaped from an orphanage to find Mum and Dad.

Once I saved a girl called Zelda from a burning house.

Once I made a Nazi with a toothache laugh.

My name is Felix. This is my story.

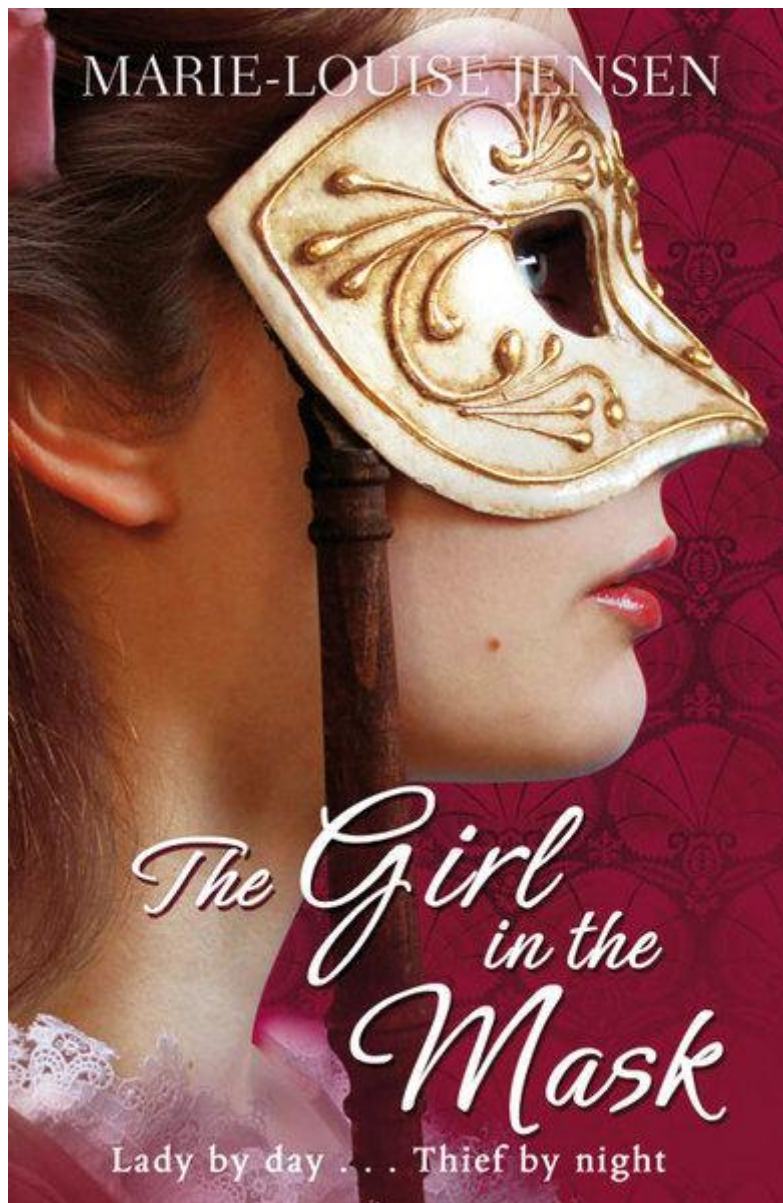
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The Girl in the Mask

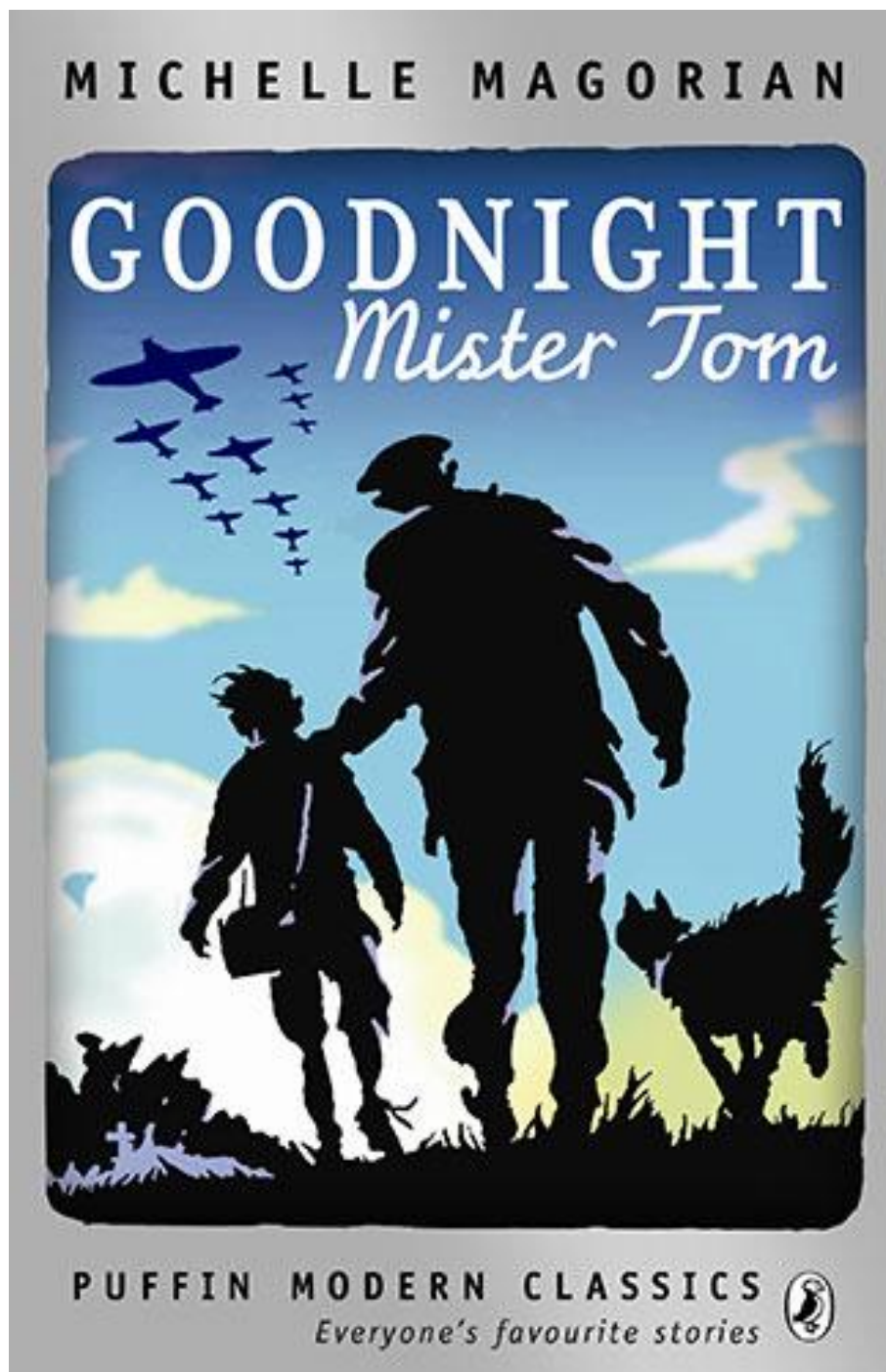
by Marie-Louise Jensen

Marie-Louise Jensen's *The Girl in the Mask* is a thrilling and fascinating historical novel that centers on a fifteen-year-old girl who is obliged by her father to join high society and search for a husband. Hating the stifling world of balls and masquerades, Sophia seeks escape by turning to highway robbery by night. Young teen readers will love the adventure and suspense of this well-researched and compelling novel.



Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian

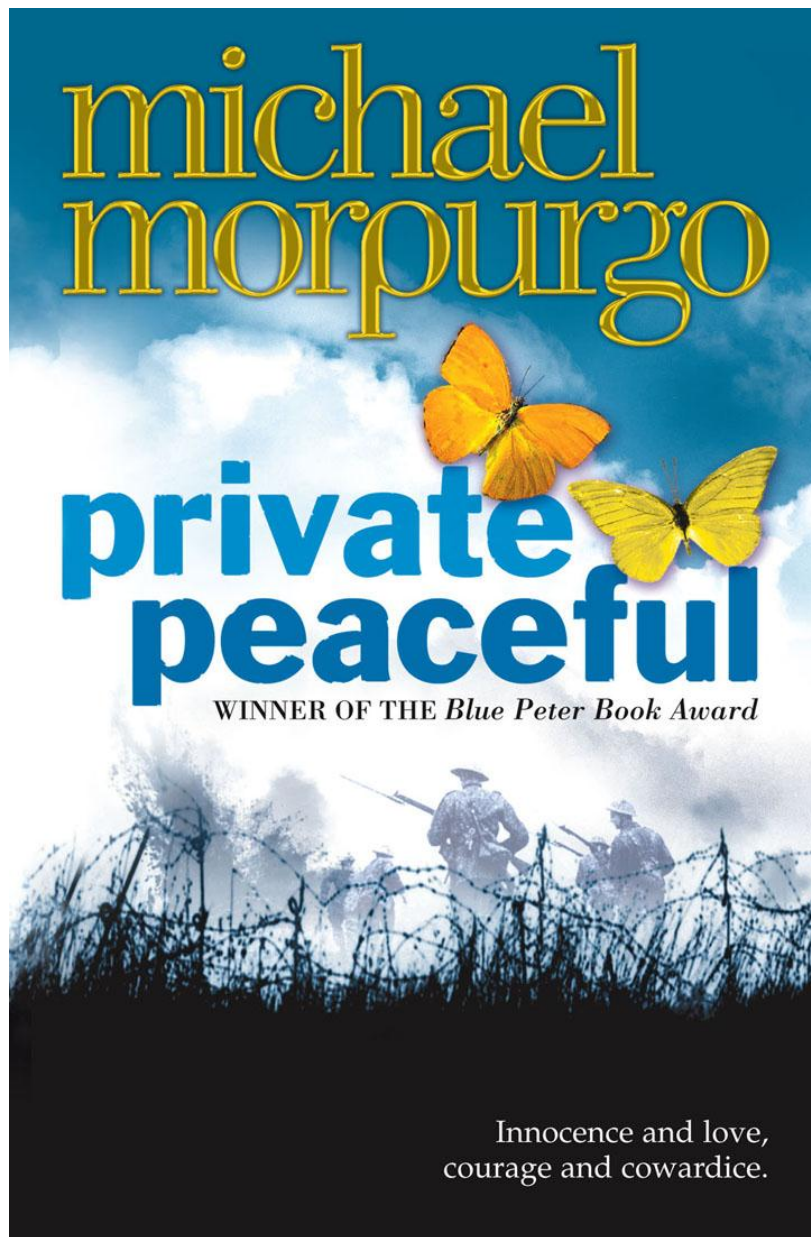
Young Willie Beech is evacuated to the country as Britain stands on the brink of WW2. A sad, deprived child, he slowly begins to flourish under the care of old Tom Oakley - but his new-found happiness is shattered by a summons from his mother back in London.



Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo

Heroism or cowardice? A stunning story of the First World War from a master storyteller. Told in the voice of a young soldier, the story follows 24 hours in his life at the front during WW1, and captures his memories as he looks back over his life. Full of stunningly researched detail and engrossing atmosphere, the book leads to a dramatic and moving conclusion. Both a love story and a deeply moving account of the horrors of the First World War, this book will reach everyone from 9 to 90.

www.michaelmorpurgo.com



Dodger by Terry Pratchett

Dodger is a tosher - a sewer scavenger living in the squalor of Dickensian London.

Everyone who is nobody knows Dodger. Anyone who is anybody doesn't.

But when he rescues a young girl from a beating, suddenly everybody wants to know him.

And Dodger's tale of skulduggery, dark plans and even darker deeds begins.

www.terrypratchett.co.uk/index.php/us/books/dodger

