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**Year 2 (age 6-7)**

A selection of books especially selected for children in Year 2 (6 - 7 year olds) of average reading ability.

If your child is a competent reader or has read all these titles, then try the books from the Year 3 list. Alternatively if these books are a little challenging, try books from the Year 1 list.

### **Usborne Young Reading: (Series One)**

"Young Reading Series One" is aimed at children whose reading ability is beginning to grow, and helps build confidence and ability. This is only a small selection of the titles in this series.



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### **Usborne Young Reading: (Series Two)**

"Young Reading Series Two" titles are for children who are reading more confidently. They are 64 pages long and use varied sentence lengths, more complex sentence structure and more challenging vocabulary. This is only a small selection of the titles in this series.



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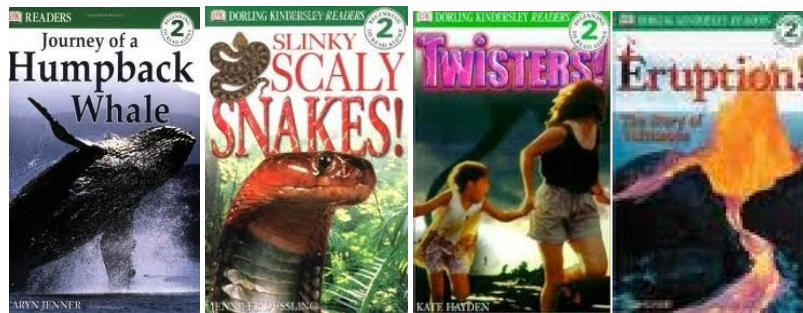
## Early Readers (level: next steps)

The Early Reader series from Orion enables young children who are beginning to gain confidence in reading alone to enjoy reading. Full-colour illustrations on every page with short, accessible chapters. This is only a small selection from this series.



## DK Readers (Level 2: beginning to read alone)

Each DK READER is guaranteed to capture a child's interest while developing his or her reading skills, general knowledge and love of reading. This is only a small selection from this series.



## I Am Reading

New readers will love *I Am Reading* books. Each one has brilliant colour pictures, easy-to-read type and great stories by top authors. This series bridges the gap between picture books and chapter books and develops confidence by making reading a pleasure. This is only a small selection from this series.

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## **Gobbolino the Witch's Cat** **Ursula Moray Williams**

First published in the 1940s, the story of Gobbolino the witch's cat with one white paw and bright blue eyes, has been delighting generations of young readers. It's the charming tale of a cat born a witch's cat but who would much rather be a kitchen cat. While his sister Sootica learns how to ride a broomstick and turn mice into toads, Gobbolino sets out to find a family to care for him and a home of his own. But Gobbolino is mistrusted wherever he goes, and blamed for mysterious happenings such as the farmer's milk turning sour, and the orphanage children's gruel turning into chocolate! After many such adventures, Gobbolino finally finds the home of his dreams.



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## **Just a Bit of Wind** **Jeremy Strong**

It's the first day at Pirate School for Ziggy, Smudge, Carkella and Flo and they have lots of new things to contend with. Their head teacher is the scary Patagonia Clasterbotton and they have to take lessons which include walking the plank and hand-to-hand fighting. When out on the pirate ship a storm blows up, resulting in the children having to rescue Patagonia when she's swept overboard, and they learn that really Patagonia is not so scary after all!

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## **Mrs. Wobble the Waitress** **Allan Ahlberg**

Mrs Wobble loves her job as a waitress in a cafe but there's one big problem - she wobbles! She wobbles so much that she drops a chicken on a lady's pretty hat, then she drops a jelly on her boss and gets the sack. She fears her wobble will stop her working ever again - but Mr Wobble has a plan...Based on the classic 'Happy Families' card game, this highly entertaining series is ideal for reading and sharing at home or at school. It is guided by the Education Adviser, Brian Thompson, and written by the award-winning author, Allan Ahlberg. 'The best thing to happen to beginner readers since Dr Seuss' - Children's Rights Workshop.

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## **The Adventures of Captain Underpants** **Dav Pilkey**

When naughty George and Harold hypnotise their head teacher, they accidentally create the greatest superhero in the history of their school - Captain Underpants! His true identity is so secret that even he doesn't know who he is...but he's fighting for truth, justice, and all things pre-shrunk and cottony!! If you're a naughty villain like the diabolical Dr Diaper, watch out! Captain Underpants has wedgie-power on his side, and he's coming your way.  
More titles available from this series.

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## **The Diary of a Killer Cat** **Anne Fine**

Poor Ellie is horrified when Tuffy drags a dead bird into the house. Then a mouse. But Tuffy can't understand what all the fuss is about. Who on earth will be the next victim to arrive through the cat-flap? Can soft-hearted Ellie manage to get her beloved pet to change his wild, wild ways before he ends up in even deeper trouble? The hilarious antics of Tuffy and his family are told by the killer cat himself.

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## **The Man Whose Mother Was a Pirate Margaret Mahy**

Sam is an ordinary person who wears an ordinary suit and ordinary shoes. He works in an ordinary, neat office writing down figures all day and underlining them. But Sam's mother is definitely not an ordinary woman, Sam's mother is a pirate and she wants to sweep him away to sea...Written by a best-selling author, this is a lively and enchanting tale with wonderfully exuberant illustrations to match.

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