



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

The Medusa Project: The Rescue

“Hilarious but sad at the same time. The book is about a group of teenagers with power, the Medusa...”

Geri, a woman who worked with the creator who made the medusa project, had sent, Nico, Dylan, Ketty and Ed to a camp in Spain; I don't want to spoil it too much but it's bad. I give this book 8.9 out of 10, I recommend it!”

By Sham Mehari-Gabremicael 7HAY



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Colour of the sun

“The book was very interesting as it focused on solely one character and one character and his adventure. I was also intrigued on how the main character Davie wasn’t very basic and had different feelings to the other characters. While going on his daily wonders he stumbles past a friend who shows him the corpse of a supposedly dead body after this Davie continues his wondering encountering different characters along the way, each unique and different to the other. Personally, I think this book is easily one of the best books I’ve read and got my attention instantly and will get you invested very quickly.”

By Miradi Pembele 7HAY



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Diary of a Wimpy Kid - Hard Luck

“It was a good book. I think it taught me that sometimes there is a time in life where you just have to let things go and about true friendship and that time should not be wasted because sometimes people take for granted when they should not be.”

By Taio Taylor 7FOR



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Julius Caesar

“The book (Julius Caesar) is a sad book since good friends had to be killed. It’s also a short book but has a good story and you wouldn’t expect it to be a good story because it has a few pages.

It’s about two friends and one of them killed he’s friend (Brutus) is the guy who tries to kill Cassius.”

By Gucci Traila 7COB



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Space Stars and Slimy Aliens

“The book was very enjoyable for me. It was about Odd Blob and the blurbs as they went on a space adventure (around our galaxy - The ‘Milky Way’) facing difficult challenges throughout. It was very funny in a way, it had interesting facts that very much increased my knowledge and understanding of how our Galaxy/Planets/sun was made. It also has lots of fun activities for us (the reader) to do.”

By Anthony John Anthony Tikimo Mongo 7PAW



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Sitting Target

“The story is about a boy and mum who have money problems, they couldn’t pay their bills but they still survived, his mom always did everything to make her son happy.

One day Lee’s mom was in work and Lee spotted some man staring at him he knew the man was watching him for a long time because Lee always saw someone. He didn’t know what to do because he was home alone.

The man came out and they started talking, Lee was scared and he felt like he wanted to trust the guy but at the same time not...

Lee wanted to call the police but he didn’t because the man convinced him that he wouldn’t hurt him. The man could read his mind. The man warned him about Zeta and how dangerous he was that he wanted to kill him that’s why he needs help....”

By Jesika Gadova 7COB



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The Boy in the Dress

“The book The Boy in the Dress was a good book it is about a boy who lives with his dad and brother but the boy is not ordinary he loves to wear dresses, read vogue and do girly things. I loved this book and I would recommend this book to others.”

By Shanae Warner 8BAR



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Diary of a Wimpy Kid - Cabin Fever

“This book was about a boy called Greg who was stuck at home because it snowed so much, he was locked in. I found this book good and I would recommend it to people who read the Diary of a Wimpy Kid books.”

By Elisa Breton-Johnson 8TOW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Tom Gates - Dog Zombies Rule

“This book is good because it was very interesting, and it was funny to read with all the funny drawings in it . The other reason I got this book was because the cover and the story line were good. I hope other people like this book too.”

By Emmanuel Erikowa 8TOW



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The Omega Files

“I really like this book because they go to many cities for resolving missions. I liked how the story ended and also liked how in every situation there are dangers and how they resolved them.”

By Ritvik Lal 8BAR



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3DEE

“It is a book about a girl working all her life in a DVD rental store then one day an old man walked in and gave her a tape, they haven't sold those for a while, so she checked his member card. It was very old, so she was going to give him a fine he said he had very little money, so he wanted her to take the fine off, but she didn't care if he had little money, he said she had no manners, and he walked out leaving the tape behind she was curious what was on the tape so she went to the stock room to see what was on the tape when she put the tape in the recorder she saw the old man, the old man slowly opened up a smile. Out of nowhere she heard a roar coming out of the streets she saw lots of people looking back, she opened her door to see what was going on, but a car came flying by, she ran with the Crowd and looked back and saw a huge monster tearing down buildings as she kept running people stopped. She was pushing her way to the front, and she saw aliens, the aliens said that they were not going to get hurt but they were getting captured, then a sound of an engine was heard there was a car speeding towards the aliens everyone ran out the way while she just stared, she was shocked that that the greatest action star, Arnold Van Damme was driving the car. Honestly, my opinion of the book was it was a good book.”

By Krzysztof Daszkiewicz 7HAY



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Othello

“I read the book Othello and I loved the story line, however it did not match my expectations I was looking for, as it was an easy book. The book was about a man named Othello that had been tricked to murdering his own wife. Out of 5 stars I would give this a 3-star rating.”

By Elnael Brhane Fasil 7COB



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Bale

“I read the book called bale, I loved reading about Bale’s struggles he overcame to become a footballer. The book wasn't too much of a challenge to read but very good. If I was rate it out of 5 stars I would rate it 4.”

By Jahari Brou 7PAW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Great Expectations

"I read a book called "Great Expectations." This was a simplified version of Charles Dickens story. It was based around a young boy named Pip, who was an orphan, and his time in London with a girl named Stella. Ms. Havisham, his "caretaker" while he was in London, had forced them to play a game of cards each time he had visited London, in her room, which was described as old, and collecting dust. Pip later learnt that she had been divorced on the day of her wedding. This was why she wore white clothes and had a wedding cake in her room.

I started to enjoy the book later when Pip had found out that the person who provided the money for him to live in London for some time wasn't Ms. Havisham, and when he had met up with Stella again. I expected the book to be a little more complex, but in the end, it was a good read, and I'm excited to read another book!"

By Nhi Mai 7COB



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Pink Football Boots

“The book I read was called pink football boots, the book was about a girl who didn’t have her football boots and when she got a new pair of them she was bullied but later she was given pink boots and played well with them in the finals. I liked reading the book because it was interesting.”

By Harrum Sajid



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Diary of a Wimpy Kid – Old School

“I found the book amazing! It was about a boy going to a camp because he didn't want to face his father, so he went. But when he arrived, the school that came before them, someone was at the back of the bus saying beware of Silas Stracth, but he didn't care. Someone was so scared that they ate half a bar of deodorant, everyone else got so terrified they didn't want to come there anymore. When Greg's team didn't want to grab the sticks for the fire since it was low, Greg had to do it himself, so he went to check it out, but he realised it was a hoax. His dad made it up to keep this clean special place a secret. In the end it is still a secret place.”

By Vanessa Kodua 8BRK



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

The Unicorn Quest – Secret in the Stone (Extract)

“I would rate this extract 4 stars because it is about twisted adventures. I liked this book because Claire had a good sister bond with Sophie.”

By Alicja Gomes 8RES

“I think this extract is 8/10, the reason for this is because the book was interesting as it is filled with excitement and is a fun book to read. I would recommend this to someone who likes adventurous and magical books.”

By Francisca Idemudia 8BRK

“The Unicorn Quest is a book about Sophie and Claire who save a land full of unicorns.”

By Sarah Ogoloma 8RES



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Mind Writer

“Personally I think this book was amazing it was about this person called Shedim who was a magician and he summoned the demons and the demon said he could grant him one wish, he chose to have powers to help mankind but then the magician turned on him and trapped him in a casket in his mind and gave his mind reading and the power to overwrite people’s thoughts to two people called Luke and Samira.”

By Borys Morawski 7PAW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Curse of the Frozen Loch

“So, to start off, if you like short and powerful books this is for you definitely this is about some children seeing their granny for the holidays. They wake up to see her on the frozen loch walking to this outline of a skater and she goes closer and closer to the figure just as she's about to touch it they grab her and take her back but Will wants to go and help the skater but Sarah says, “no take care of gran”, she scolds them and when she goes to bed they wonder what's wrong with her but they just go to bed and soon she goes out on the loch again to go and see the skater but Sarah goes to skate to her, Will takes her back makes and some soup so as Sarah goes to the skater she disappears.”

By Sebastian Lambert-Blackwood 7PEJ



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Crown of Midnight

“This book is by far my favourite. I’ll be honest, the first part wasn’t interesting and if it wasn’t for that I would have finished it sooner. The plot twists are everything and the second part of the book got me so interested I finished it in a night. Overall the book is about Celena, the ‘Champion’ of the king, an assassin. Instead of killing the people the king orders her to fake their death and make them flee. At least until a movement against said king starts and an old ‘friend’ gets involved. I’ll personally give it a 9.5/10.”

By Sarah Manu 8MCI



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Diary of A Wimpy Kid: Double Down

“I read a book called Diary of a Wimpy Kid Double Down. It was very interesting, and I liked it a lot. It was a story of middle schooler whose name was Greg and had a very crazy and hectic life and always found a way to get by.”

By Kibriya Jawaid 8TOW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Great Expectations

“This is a book about a boy who lives with his older sister and his uncle. He lives in the marshes and one day when he is at the cemetery he mourns about his parents and meets an escaped convict.”

By Denzel Okyei 8MCI



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

The Giver

“This book is about a boy called Jonas who lives in a community where everything is the same. In this community there is no colour, no war, no killing, and no stealing. However, when Jonas gets appointed as the new receiver of memory, he finds that there is a dark truth behind his community. A truth that no one can believe is true.

It intrigues the reader as it ends on cliff hanger. Overall, it is a good book for those people who see things scientifically. I would rate this book a 9/10.”

By Yakhyaa Hussain 8TOW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Dynamite Deputy by Barbara Catchpole

“The book was quite interesting and talks about deaf people and real-life skills. I enjoyed the part when he got to the town and sheriff was talking bad about him and he proved him wrong at the end. In the test I got 100%.”

By Ashshani Edwards 8BRK



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Bloodline

“The book is called Bloodline. This book is about vampires and blood. I recommend this book to the ages of 10-16. I liked this book because it was very interesting and fun to read and it’s a really good book.”

By Shriya Nandy 8TOW

Dork Diaries

“This book was about a schoolgirl called Nicky Maxwell who lost her diary. She was also called a dork, until she lost her diary and must look for it but starts having doubts that her enemy/classmate might have stolen it from her by jealousy. But Nicky is not counting on giving up. I would mostly recommend this book to everyone but especially to the girls.”

By Janelle Ajayi 8OWE



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Harry Potter and the Philosophers stone

“Harry Potter is an orphan who lives with his cruel aunt, uncle and cousin. Then one day he receives a letter from Hogwarts a school for wizards and witches. His uncle Vernon doesn’t let him see them though but Harry finds a way. Then Harry is taken to the Hogwarts express where he meets his future best friend Ronald Weasley (Ron). I rate this book 10/10 because it is intriguing, majestic and fun to read. The enchanting worlds of Harry Potter make it even better to read I would recommend this to kids of all ages.”

By Teniola Olayiwola 8RES



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

A Midsummer Night's Dream

“I really enjoyed this book because it was a mix of magical and human worlds and how they interact with each other. It also tells us how love can affect us in different ways. Some characters acted funny and some, very serious.

This book is really interesting, and I would recommend it to people who like fantasy stories including fairies and other magical things.”

By Kayden Tran 7PEJ



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Roman Invasion

“This book is called Roman Invasion and its about a Prince of a land against the Roman Empire. He gets captured and has to come with a Roman architect and a legion building a road to his people’s lands. It is filled with incredible battles and teaches you a lot about the Roman's strategies and techniques. I recommend it to people who like Roman history. 9/10”

By Carlisle Co 7PAW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Twelfth Night

“The book was interesting and lively. The characters were mysterious, and the book was filled with twists and plots. It was about 2 twins that separate and reunite in the most awkward way.”

By Jaskirat Sahota 7FOR

Witch Wars

“I really enjoyed this book because it had interesting characters, it was about magical things. The characters were funny from times to time.

I would suggest it to people who like fiction books with magical characters.”

By Maja Majrowska 7FOR



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Epic Adventure by Tom Gates

“It was about a kid who had two sets of grandparents, the kid got a spy watch that made some kind of animal noises and almost got is confiscated. Then he had to go to the school disco and his parents decided to go out and he had to miss it because when he came back he was late.”

By Jalal Aziz 8BAR



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

CRESS

“Cress is the protagonist of the 3rd book of the lunar chronicles by Marissa Meyer. In the book, Crescent Moon is a shell, a lunar without any abilities. They are looked down on, and because of that they are given away at birth to die. The special soldiers of Queen Levana, actually keep them to make tests on them. After seeing Cress amazing hacking abilities, they decided to use her to spy at the Commonwealth, on Earth, and so trapped in a satellite for 7 years, she’s finally going to be rescued by Cinder Lihn’s squad. Although things go wrong and she ended up in the Sahara Desert with Thorne Carswell, ‘the man of her dreams’. The book is amazing I really recommend it, especially when you like/ed Disney princess, since its inspired by Rapunzel.”

By Sarah Manu 8MCI



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

The World of Norm by Jonanthan Meres

“The book was about a boy that got his bike stolen and his dad didn't insure the bike so he couldn't get a new one. He also hated football but played in a match and scored a great goal and people now assume he's good at football. Then he was offered to play in a school match, so he had to borrow a pair of football boots from his neighbour, he found out his dad had a job interview and he would buy him new ones, when he arrived at the game, the person he was playing for came so he didn't have to play and on the way back home he found his bike outside someone's house.”

By Akealia Higgins 8BRK



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Dork Diaries by Rachel Renee Russell

“I have read the book Dork Diaries, it was about a girl called Nikki Maxwell moving to a new school, she was very excited about it until she realised she had a locker next to one of the meanest girls in the school, Mackenzie Hollister. Nikki met two girls called Chloe and Zoey, she thought they would be good friends until they didn't want Nikki to sign up for the Avant Garde Art competition, Nikki didn't realise until after Chloe and Zoey tried to help her by making her a collage of all the cool (not permanent) tattoos she did on people as her artwork got run over. Nikki even tried to move schools because of the fiasco of the art show and that she knew Mackenzie was going to win, when Nikki went to have a look at the art show ten minutes before she was going to leave the school, she couldn't believe her eyes she had won. Nikki decided to stay in WCD after all. Her friends were happy to see her, but they also told her not to do any more tattoos on anyone this month, but Chloe and Zoey insisted that she should do one more herself. They all liked her tattoo. I would give this book 5/5.”

By Diya Chana 8TOW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

A Midsummer Night's Dream By Andrew Mathews and Tony Ross

“It was an extraordinary book to have read, it was humorous and full of twists and turns I would suggest this book to people my age to read.”

By Jaskirat Sahota 7FOR



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Rent a Bridesmaid by Jacqueline Wilson

“I have read a book named Rent a Bridesmaid by Jacqueline Wilson. The book is about a little girl named Tilly who makes an advertisement about renting herself as a bridesmaid. She was given a beautiful bridesmaid dress by her best friend Matty and all she ever wanted was to be a bridesmaid.

The book was amazing to read and I would highly suggest reading it. The book uses humour and suspense to make the reader read more.”

By Daiana Mancescu 7PAW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Richard III by Andrew Matthews and Tony Ross

“This book is about a man filled with greed, Richard III, and killing anyone who stops him from becoming the King of England. When Richard is King, Henry Tudor creates his own army and has a battle against Richard and ends up defeating him.”

I enjoyed this book because it is full of battles and mystery. These topics are very interesting to me because they are topics of fantasy books.”

By Kayden Tran 7PEJ



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Tremors The Curse of The Frozen Loch by Anthony Masters

“This is a book about a Loch that was cursed by a supposed to be 'Witch' when she was forced to the frozen Loch and drowned. So, every time the Loch freezes she makes people (without knowing) walk into the frozen Loch and drown! But when the time comes for Will and Sarah's Great Aunt Fiona they will not let what happened to all those other victims happen to her.

I really enjoyed this book because mainly the description of the place makes you feel like you're in it yourself. Also, the history behind the 'Witch' aka Morag because you don't see much of that in other books.”

By Carlisle Co 7PAW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Diary of the Wimpy Kid

“The book was about a middle school boy named Greg Heffley who was struggling with his social reputation at school, so he decided to try a bunch of things to help him become popular. I really liked the book and I would definitely recommend it.”

By Kibriya Jawaid 8TOW



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Diary of the Wimpy Kid - The Ugly Truth

“This book is about a boy who learns about all the changes he is going to go through while growing up and he doesn't want things to happen to him. I would recommend this book to people 10 - 13 as they will relate to Greg.”

By Kellianne Levande 8BAR



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Diary of a Wimpy Kid - The Meltdown

“My favourite part about the book is when they had to build a snow fort to have a snowball fight with the lower surrey street kids and they got betrayed by a kid that moved from the upper surrey to the lower surrey street.”

By Akealia Higgins 8BRK



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Diary of A Wimpy Kid: Hard Luck

“This book was fun to read. It is about a kid called Greg who is very unlucky. He loses his friend temporarily and had to use a magic 8 ball to make his decisions for him. The book was not too long and not too short either. It had pictures to help you imagine it, which was nice. I recommend the book; I think it's one of the best options to choose from, including every other Diary of A Wimpy Kid book I have read so far.”

By Eryk Romanowski 8BRK



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Sweetly by Jackson Pearce:

“This book is about two children who run away from their old town to start fresh somewhere else. The car breaks down, so they're stuck in a town that they've never heard of and end up at a sweet shop. They go inside and befriend the person in there, which leads to her offering them a place to stay at. While staying there the main character meets a boy while in the woods. Throughout the rest of the book the lead character learns to shoot a gun and discovers secrets about the town which leads her to the answer to a question she's had for years.

*I enjoyed this book because it had many twists and was able to add in some romance.
Overall, it was a good book.”*

By Nathalia Campbell-Bennett 8HUL



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Summoner - The Outcast By Taran Matharu

“This is book is definitely one of the best books I have read. It’s about a young man named Arcturus, a commoner, who could summon demons. It was believed that only nobles could have these abilities, to then use them against man-eating monsters called orcs. As he faced the king, he thought he would be done for, as a commoner being able to summon these beings would cause an uproar, but he is surprised when instead he send him to Vocans, a school for young summoners for them to train the ability to summon demons.”

By Sarah Manu 8MCI



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte

“I read this book called Jane Eyre it was very interesting. I would recommend it to people who like mysterious things and adventures. It was about a girl who was mistreated by her aunt and was sent off to school and became a governess. In the end she found love and had a child.”

By Deborah Fadola 8BAR



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll

“The book is about a girl who follows a white rabbit into a hole and she meets different animals and sometimes offends them. Throughout the book she turns different sizes and shapes. She meets new people such as the mock turtle and the Queen of Hearts. In the end she realized that it was just a dream.”

By Deborah Fadola 8BAR



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Twilight by Stephenie Meyer

“This book is about a girl who moves home away from her mom because her and her husband are going traveling around the world so she is going to live with her dad and he is a cop. After she arrived her dad greeted her and showed her back to her old room from when she was little. Bella was enrolled to the nearest school in the area. Her dad had bought her a truck from his friend as like a moving in present for going to school. But she meets this boy called Edward Cullens and later on in the story she finds out him and his family are all vampires and she falls in love with him. They end up getting married and she gets pregnant and they have an immortal child but while giving birth she has to change into a vampire to be able to survive as the child was too powerful.

I loved this book as it had interesting dialect and different types of twists and turns in the story.”

By Lucy Lloyd 9WIO



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Rebecca By Daphne Du Maurier

“The book is absolutely amazing! It wasn’t really interesting at the start, and Maxim’s attitude got to me numerous times, not going to lie, but the last few chapters changed all my perspectives regarding it as it actually got me gasping and questioning my entire life. It’s about a girl, who is a lady’s companion, who marries an important man as a result of her going to New York with her lady. She is faced with the constant reminder of the Late Mrs de Winter by Mrs Danvers, the housekeeper.”

By Sarah Manu 8MCI



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Dork Diaries - Frenemies Forever by Rachel Renee Russell

“I read a book called Dork Diaries. The main character is called Nikki Maxwell. This character is a dork (but not in a bad way). In this story Nikki is being transferred to a school called North Hampton Hills International Academy for one week as part as a student exchange programme. North Hampton Hills (NHH) is a very prestigious school known for its outstanding students. Nikki's nemesis, Mackenzie Hollister started there 2 weeks ago. Nikki meets lots of different people at NHH, a new rival called Tiffany and a lot of people from the science club at their school. I personally liked the part when Nikki's little sister Brianna tries to earn her cooking badge and messes it up most of the time until Nikki and her crush Brandon help Brianna make mini caramel popcorn balls. My favourite character is Mackenzie even though she's a rival of the main character.”

By Natasha Glenn 8BRK



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Epic Adventure – Tom Gates

“I think my book was good because there were lots of events in "Tom Gates the Epic Adventure" such as a party. The thing I like about it is that there is lots of animation and pictures to know what is happening behind the words.”

By Vanessa Kodua 8BRK



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator by Roald Dahl

“It was such an amazing book and I never had read such a great book like it. The story was amazing and the way the story was written just let me read it even longer!!!! Now that I have finished the book now I can basically say a summary of the story in less than 3 minutes!!!! It was a great experience reading this book and it’s one of my favourites.”

By Awais Hussain 8BAR



Accelerated Reader – Book Reviews

Antony and Cleopatra – A Shakespeare Story

“The book Antony and Cleopatra was about a man named Mark Antony that was seen as a high class type of person. During that time there was a Queen of Egypt that was respected by everyone and her name was Cleopatra. One day they both met and the Queen offered Antony to dine with her to eat and Antony agreed to go. There was a war going on and Antony left Cleopatra to go to Rome to help out in the war that was between Caesar's soldiers. Cleopatra had loved Antony but he was married to Caesar's sister Octavuis. After the war had ended, Cleopatra had run away to hide because she was scared because Caesar and her tried to make a deal to have Antony executed. At the end of the book, Antony had killed himself and Cleopatra had a snake dug into her skin which is what had killed her. I really enjoyed the book as it was really interesting.”

By Jose Malundama 8BRK



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The Worst Class in the World Gets Worse by Joanna Nadin

“I give this book 7/10. It was ok and kind of funny. I would recommend this book for children at ages 11-13 because it is easy to read and understand what it is trying to say. So, they would find this fun and enjoyable. The book was easy to read, and I understand the story.”

By Himna Mustafa 10HAR



Staff- Book Review

The Man in the High Castle

“This is a science fiction tale by Phillip K. Dick which envisions a frightening world where the Axis powers won World War Two, and the resulting society which now exists in 1960’s America.

The story follows the lives of multiple characters from different cultural backgrounds (ranging from Americans, Japanese, Nazi’s and Jews) and their overlapping storylines. The book serves as the author’s commentary on historical and political aspects of both war and day-to-day life, as well as highlighting racial prejudices that would have certainly only gotten worse had this fictional world come to be.

Overall, I found this book to be a very interesting read and one which any lover of history would find fascinating. The alternative world/ ‘what if’ nature of the story kept me engaged throughout, as did its core cast of diverse characters, all of whom allow for many different and conflicting insights into the ‘modern’ Nazi led world.”

By Mr Moran



Staff- Book Review

'Say Her Name' by James Dawson "The book I have chosen to do a review on is called 'Say Her Name' by James Dawson. It is a horror book which is a twist on the classic Bloody Mary legend. It follows two best friends who are dared to summon the ghost of Bloody Mary. At first, they go ahead with it because they think nothing will happen, but they end up releasing the ghost into the real world, with the rest of the book following how the two deal with this. It is a really good book for anyone who likes horror books, especially those who are in Year 9 and above. I got this book while I was in school when the author visited our English class, and I have been obsessed with it since."

By Mr Hayaat



Staff- Book Review

“The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline (Young adult novel) “I love this book and recommend KS3-KS4 to read it at some point! “Humanity has nearly destroyed the world through global warming” and all people except indigenous North Americans have lost the ability to dream... These people become victims of “the marrow thieves”. This book cleverly uses the science-fantasy genre to portray historic maltreatment of indigenous North Americans. Dimaline tightly intertwines empathy with identification of persisting social issues.”

By Mrs Baxter



Staff– Book Review

‘Seven Husbands’ by Taylor Jenkins Reid “The most striking thing about this book is how real Evelyn Hugo feels to the reader. As a character, she is immaculately developed without a single gap or fault, with very human feelings and thoughts that are often not addressed in other books. Every relationship, both romantic and platonic that Hugo reflects upon is full of personality and charm, even when dark themes are discussed and exhibited. Most importantly though, Evelyn Hugo is flawed. Her relationships and attitudes towards people demonstrate that she is not the embodiment of perfection that Hollywood starlets are perceived to be. There are multiple points when the reader disapproves of Hugo’s choices or thoughts, a refreshing feeling when many books evoke unconditional support for the character being followed. She is neither a protagonist nor an antagonist, filling both roles at interchanging moments that make Hugo feel even more human and relatable.”

By Miss Jones



Staff- Book Review

Silent Scream by Angela Marsons “Thanks to a recommendation from Mr Hulme, I have been reading the DI Kim Stone novels written by Angela Marsons. They are crime novels. I love these books because all the stories are set in my local area so it is really easy for me to visualise. What's even more interesting is that when I discussed these books with my aunt, she explained that the author was an old school friend! Books are so powerful as conversation starters as well as being excellent for wellbeing.”

By Miss Guest