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Geography Reading List

Book list for KS3-5

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The Crossing

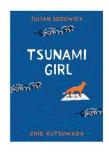


Manjeet Mann (2021) Penguin Publishing.

This is a very powerful and moving story about the refugee crisis told through the lens of Natalie a teenager from Dover who is grief stricken due to the death of her mum and Sammy,18 from Eritrea who has fled conscription to the army where young recruits are tortured and treated like slaves. The book pits the plight of refugees against the rising anti-refugee sentiment in the UK covering life in Eritrea, the journey across Europe and through to detention and processing centres.

It won the Costa book award and is recommended reading for older pupils 13+

Tsunami girl



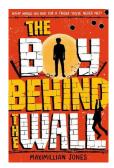
Julian Sedgewick (2021) Guppy Books.

This is the story of 15-year-old Yuki who is struggling at school and goes to stay with her grandad in Japan. During her visit the devastating 2011 east coast earthquake and tsunami occurs. The book details the tragic events and how Yuki and the survivors struggle to cope in the aftermath of the disaster and rebuild their lives. The book is aimed at 11+ and is beautifully illustrated with manga images.





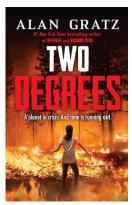
The Boy Behind the Wall



Maximillian Jones (2021) Welbeck Flame.

This book is about two teenagers who live either side of the Berlin Wall. Set in the 1960s Harry, has moved from the USA with his parents to live in western Germany. He witnesses the shooting of a boy as he tries to cross the border from east to west and is determined to help stop this happening again. By throwing a note written in invisible ink over the border he makes contact with Jakob, and they begin their journey to help Jakob escape.

Two degrees



Alan Gatz (2022) Scholastic Press.

This novel is aimed at KS3 and upper KS2 students and wholly focused on climate change. Bringing characters together from three fictional events: a forest fire in Sierra Nevada amongst the giant sequoias, a polar bear attack on two boys in Alaska and a Category 5 hurricane hitting Miami the author draws all his characters together to deliver speeches at an international climate conference.





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