

# Harry Potter series

## Reading Ladder

### What is a Reading Ladder?

DTD's Reading Ladders are booklists with readalikes for popular books and series. The booklists are presented in order of reading level difficulty. As you move from level 1 to 8, the books generally get more challenging. (Please note that many series start at one reading level and get more difficult as the series goes on.)

If your child loves the Harry Potter series, you can find readalike books at a similar reading level on the same step in the ladder as Harry Potter.

If your child is not quite ready yet for Harry Potter, they can start at the bottom of the ladder and work their way up to Harry Potter.

If your child is ready to move on from Harry Potter, they can start on the ladder step above Harry Potter for more challenging books.

Please keep in mind, kids have a lot to gain by reading books below or above their reading level! Reading below level can help kids gain valuable reading skills, such as increasing their fluency, comprehension, and confidence. Reading above level can be assisted with interaction and support from an adult.

Print motivation, or a child's interest in books and reading, is a key literacy skill for your child to become a lifelong reader. No matter the reading level, support your child in reading (and listening to) things that they enjoy.

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### Pip Bartlett's Guide to Magical Creatures series

Author: Jackson Pearce  
#1: *Pip Bartlett's Guide to Magical Creatures*

### The Spiderwick Chronicles series

Author: Tony DiTerlizzi  
#1: *The Field Guide*

### Dragon Keepers series

Author: Kate Klimo  
#1: *The Dragon in the Sock Drawer*

### Nathaniel Fludd, Beastologist series

Author: R.L. LaFevers  
#1: *Flight of the Phoenix*

### Jinx series

Author: Sage Blackwood  
#1: *Jinx*

### Dragonbreath series

Author: Ursula Vernon  
#1: *Dragonbreath*

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### Notebook of Doom series

Author: Troy Cummings  
#1: *Rise of the Balloon Goons*

### Upside-Down Magic series

Author: Sarah Mlynowski  
#1: *Upside Down Magic*

### Zoey and Sassafras series

Author: Asia Citro  
#1: *Dragons and Marshmallows*

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### The Last Firehawk series

Author: Katrina Charman  
#1: *The Ember Stone*

### Clever Little Witch

Author: Muon Thi Van

### The Magician's Hat

Author: Malcolm Mitchell

### Dragon Masters series

Author: Tracey West  
#1: *Rise of the Earth Dragon*

### Eerie Elementary series

Author: Jack Chabert  
#1: *The School Is Alive*

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### Cucumber Quest series

Author: D.G. Gigi  
#1: *The Doughnut Kingdom*

### Stella and the Night

### Sprites series

Author: Sam Hay  
#1: *Knit Knotters*

### Secrets of Droon series

Author: Tony Abbott  
#1: *The Hidden Stairs and the Magic Carpet*

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### How to Train Your Dragon series

Author: Cressida Cowell  
#1: *How to Train Your Dragon*

### Ranger's Apprentice series

Author: John Flanagan  
#1: *The Ruins of Gorlan*

### His Dark Materials series

Author: Philip Pullman  
#1: *The Golden Compass*

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### Castle Glower series

Author: Jessica Day Gerge  
#1: *Tuesdays at the Castle*

### Septimus Heap series

Author: Angie Sage  
#1: *Magyk*

### The Worst Witch series

Author: Jill Murphy  
#1: *The Worst Witch*

### The Land of Elyon series

Author: Patrick Carman  
#1: *The Dark Hills Divide*

### The Familiars series

Author: Adam Jay Epstein  
#1: *The Familiars*

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### Castle Hangnail

Author: Ursula Vernon

### Kiranmala and the Kingdom Beyond

Author: Sayantani DasGupta  
#1: *The Serpent's Secret*

### Harry Potter series

Author: J.K. Rowling  
#1: *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*

### The Luck Uglies series

Author: Paul Durham  
#1: *The Luck Uglies*

### Redwall series

Author: Brian Jacques  
#1: *Redwall*

### Nevermoor series

Author: Jessica Townsend  
#1: *The Trials of Morrigan Crow*

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### Beast Quest series

Author: Adam Blade  
#1: *Femo the Fire Dragon*

### Dragons in a Bag series

Author: Zetta Elliot  
#1: *Dragons in a Bag*

### Wings of Fire series

Author: Tui T. Sutherland  
#1: *The Dragonet Prophecy*

### Artemis Fowl series

Author: Erin Colfer  
#1: *Artemis Fowl*

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adventure, and  
mystical creatures



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