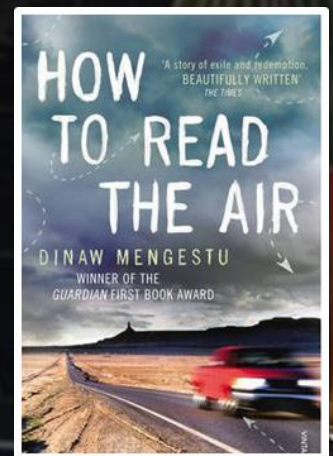
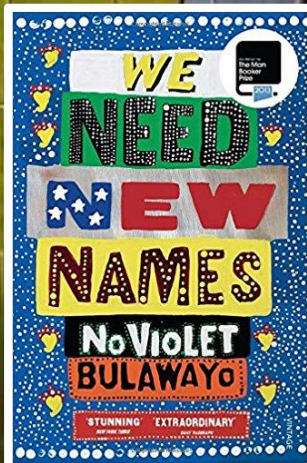
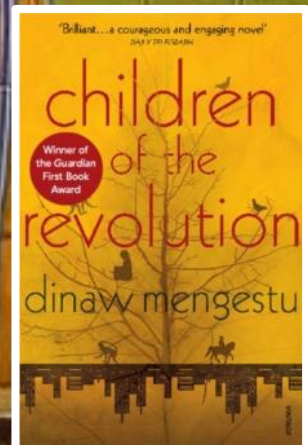
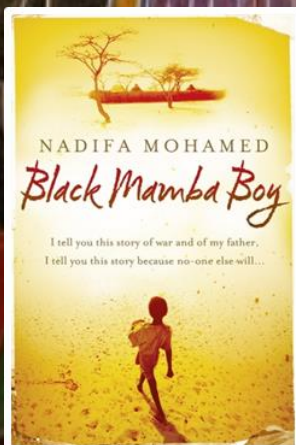
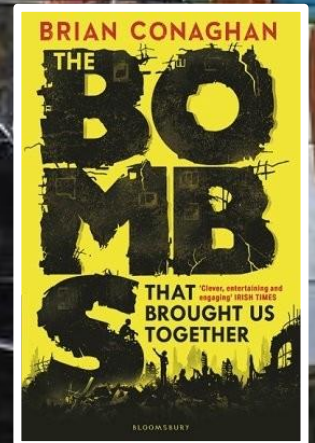
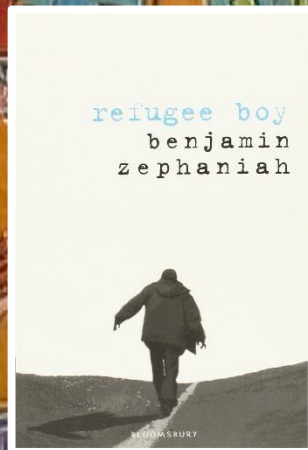
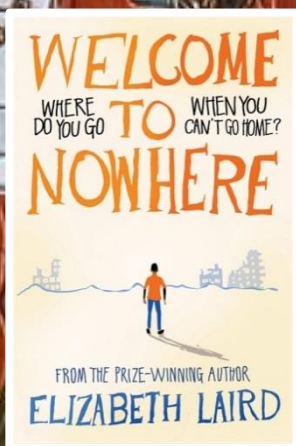
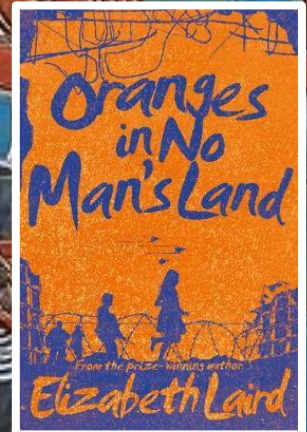
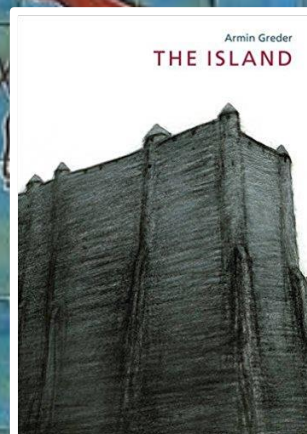
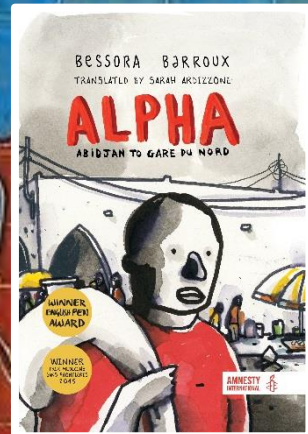
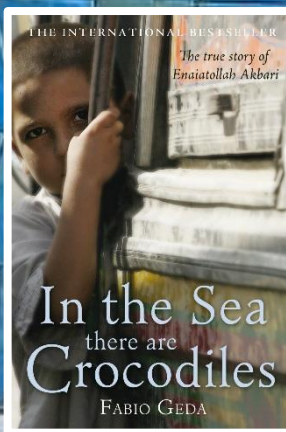
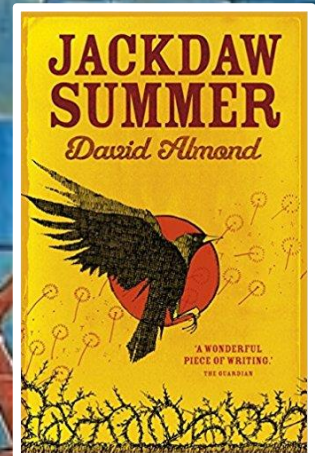
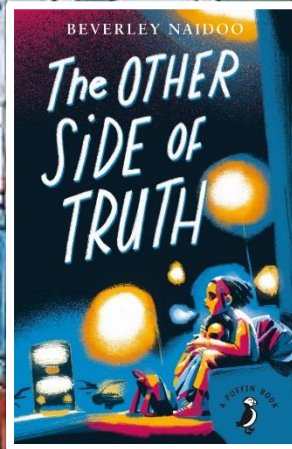
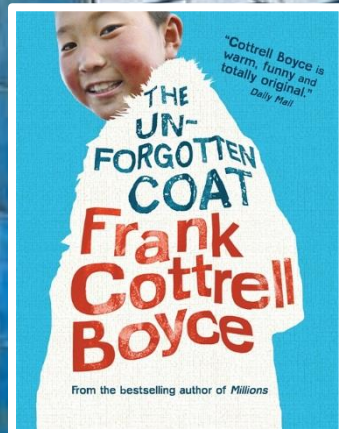
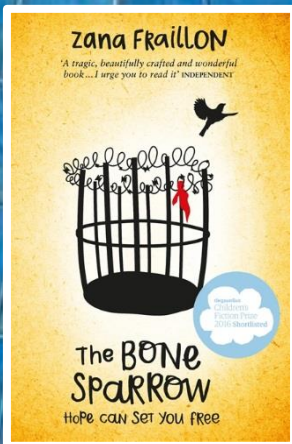


Refugees and Asylum Seekers



Book Title & Author	Description	Recommended Reading Age
The Bone Sparrow – Zana Fraillon	Born in a refugee camp, all Subhi knows of the world is that he's 19 fence diamonds high, the nice Jackets never stay long, and at night he dreams that the sea brings him unusual treasures. And one day it brings him Jimmie.	11+
The Unforgotten Coat – Frank Cottrell Boyce	Two refugee brothers from Mongolia are determined to fit in with their Liverpool schoolmates, but bring so much of Mongolia to Bootle that their new friend and guide, Julie, is hard-pressed to know truth from fantasy.	11+
The Other Side of Truth – Beverley Naidoo	This is the story of Sade and Femi who flee to Britain from Nigeria when their mother is killed. Abandoned at Victoria Station by the woman paid to bring them to England as her children, they find themselves alone in a new, hostile, environment.	13+
Jackdaw Summer – David Almond	Every summer Liam and Max go to Northumberland - but this year things are different. One day a jackdaw leads the two boys into a farm house where they find a baby, wrapped in a blanket, with a scribbled note pinned to it: PLEASE LOOK AFTER HER RITE. THIS IS A CHILDE OF GOD.	13+
In the Sea there are Crocodiles – Fabio Geda	One night before putting him to bed, Enaiatollah's mother tells him three things: don't use drugs or weapons, don't cheat, don't steal. The next day he wakes up to find she isn't there. Enaiatollah is left alone at the border of Pakistan to fend for himself.	12+
Alpha: Abidjan to Gare du Nord - Barroux	Alpha Coulibaly is emblematic of the refugee crisis today - just one of millions on the move, at the mercy of people traffickers, endlessly frustrated, endangered and exploited as he attempts to rejoin his family, already in Europe.	14+
The Island – Armin Greder	When the people of the Island discover a man and a tattered raft on the beach, they are reluctant to take him in. He doesn't look like them. But they cannot send him back to the sea where he will perish. Instead, they put him aside.	11+
Oranges in No Man's Land – Elizabeth Laird	Since her father left Lebanon to find work and her mother died in a shell attack, Ayesha has been living in the bomb-ravaged city of Beirut with her granny and her two younger brothers. When Granny falls ill, Ayesha sets off on a terrifying journey to reach a doctor living in enemy territory.	11+

Welcome to Nowhere – Elizabeth Laird	Omar was born in the beautiful city of Bosra, Syria. Omar doesn't care about politics - all he wants is to grow up to become a successful businessman. But when his older brother gets mixed up with some young political activists, everything changes . . .	11+
Refugee Boy – Benjamin Zephaniah	Alem is on holiday with his father for a few days in London. He has never been out of Ethiopia before and is very excited. Until one morning when Alem wakes up in the bed and breakfast they are staying at to find the unthinkable. His father has left him.	12+
Now is the Time for Running – Michael Williams	Deo plays soccer in the dusty fields of Zimbabwe, cheered on by Deo's older brother, Innocent. It is a day like any other... until the soldiers arrive and Deo and Innocent are forced to run for their lives.	12+
The Bombs that Brought us Together – Brian Conaghan	Charlie has lived in Little Town all his life. He knows the rules: no going out after dark; no drinking; no fighting. When he meets Pavel Duda, a refugee from Old Country, the rules start to get broken. Then the bombs come and change everything.	12+
Black Mamba Boy – Nafida Mohamed	Aden, 1935; a city vibrant, alive. And home to Jama, a 10 year-old boy. But when Jama's mother dies unexpectedly he finds himself alone in the world, forced to return to his native Somalia, where war is on the horizon.	14+
Children of the Revolution – Dinaw Mengestu	Seventeen years after fleeing Ethiopia, Stepha is a man still caught between two existences: the one he left behind and the new life he has forged in Washington. When a white woman named Judith moves next door with her only daughter, Naomi, Sepha's life seems on the verge of change...	15+
We Need New Names – NoViolet Bulawayo	10-year old Darling has a choice: it's down, or out. In a shanty called Paradise, Darling and her friends play and sing Lady Gaga and dream of escape, a dream that comes true for Darling. But her new life in America is far from what she imagined.	13+
How to Read the Air – Dinaw Mengestu	Yosef and Mariam, young Ethiopians set off on a road trip in search of an identity as an American couple. Thirty years later, Yosef has died, and the couple's son, Jonas, is desperate to make sense of the volatile generational and cultural ties that have forged him.	15+